



Farnham will remember



Farnham's annual Remembrance Parade and Service will take place on Sunday 13 November.

The parade is organised by Farnham Town Council with the Farnham branch of the Royal British Legion.

The commemoration is an opportunity for the community to come together to reflect and remember those who lost their lives while serving in the armed forces.

Members of the parade will gather in Castle Street from 10am. The Mayor of Farnham, Councillor Alan Earwaker and local dignitaries will join the parade and assemble at the war memorial for 10.45am. At 11am, everybody will pause for a two-minute silence which will be followed by the Last Post and the laying of wreaths.

After the service at the war memorial, representatives from the uniformed and armed services and youth organisations will take part in a march past. A salute will be taken outside Farnham Town Council's office in South Street by the Mayor of Farnham and visiting dignitaries.

Other Remembrance Sunday services will happen in Badshot Lea, The Bourne, Hale, Rowledge, Weybourne and Wrecclesham.

Road closures

Temporary road closures will be in place from 10am to 12 noon. The roads affected include Union Road, South Street, Castle Street, The Borough and Victoria Road.

Five Golds for Farnham in Bloom



Farnham Town Council was awarded five top prizes at the South and South East in Bloom (SSEiB) awards, including the best in category for Large Town. The

competition chair also described Farnham as the most floral town across the entire region.

2022 was another very successful year for Farnham in the South and South East in Bloom awards. Badshot Lea

Cemetery received a gold award and was also named as the best in its category. West Street Cemetery received gold, too. The judges particularly praised Farnham in Bloom for the abundance and quality of its floral displays which they said were the best that they had seen this year. Farnham received gold for Gostrey Meadow, the town centre and Farnham as a whole for the Large Town category. In addition, Victoria Garden won Gold in the Small Park category. In the It's Your Neighbourhood category, Badshot Lea Bloomers and Hale Community Centre were recognised as 'Thriving' and space2grow and Victoria Garden received awards for being 'Outstanding'.

Farnham Town Council and the Farnham in Bloom Community Group were especially proud this year as SSEiB chose Farnham to host the official regional awards. Representatives from cities, towns and villages across the south and south east of England flocked to Farnham Maltings in October.

Judges described the level and quality of Farnham's community involvement as a 'real strength'. Judges were also impressed with how well the In Bloom team had adapted its planting and maintenance for the incredibly hot and dry summer and how they have continued to develop environmentally sustainable practices.

Farnham in Bloom is organised by Farnham Town Council and relies on a team of dedicated staff, an army of volunteers and sponsorship from over 100 local businesses and individuals led this year by principal sponsor, The Patio Black Spot Removal Company Ltd. In their feedback, the judges commended the astonishing level of community involvement in Farnham in Bloom, highlighting the volunteer and business input as a major asset which resulted in wider benefits for the town.

New venue for Farnham's Venison Dinner

The Farnham Venison Dinner organising committee is delighted to announce that after many years, the dinner is returning to The Bush in central Farnham. There is further good news in that the ticket price has been frozen at £75 and, this year, includes an additional course and dinner wine. The Venison Dinner is the most historic black-tie dinner in Farnham having been inaugurated in 1605. Guests will enjoy an evening of many traditions including a number of short and entertaining speeches. To apply for tickets, please call Pat Frost on 07768 566919.



Christmas in Farnham

Farnham's summer bunting will be swapped for Christmas lights this month as the town gets ready for the festive season.

Between now and Christmas, Farnham Town Council has arranged a programme of activity to help get you in the Christmas spirit.

Here's what's happening:

Christmas lights switch-on



Head to Farnham for the afternoon on Saturday 19 November and feel the excitement build as people wait for the Christmas lights to be switched on.

Throughout the afternoon, there will be free, live entertainment from schools, theatre groups, dance companies and local bands. You can expect to hear traditional carols, see dancing and Christmas performances.

There will be a few fairground rides for children, a live nativity scene, face-painting and a craft table. Father Christmas will be in his grotto waiting to hear what the young people of Farnham have on their Christmas lists this year. Each child will receive a free gift from Santa.



Visitors who want to make a start on their Christmas shopping should check out the stalls selling gifts or wander into town and pop into Farnham's many independent retailers.

Alternatively, if you find yourself working up an appetite, pause for a bite to eat and a drink at one of the many guest refreshment stalls.

The lights will be switched on at 4.30pm by the Mayor of Farnham.

To see a detailed programme for the afternoon, visit www.farnham.gov.uk/christmas.

Date for your diary

There will be an Antiques and Brocante Market on Sunday 20 November from 10am to 4pm in West Street.

Civic Christmas Carol Service



The ballot for tickets to the Mayor of Farnham's Civic Christmas Carol Service opens this month. The service will be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 7 December at St Andrew's Church, Farnham.

The traditional service will include Christmas readings and carols and music by the highly renowned Farnham Youth Choir.

Half the tickets will be given to local charities and organisations to say thank you for all that they do while the remaining half will be allocated via a public ballot.

Anybody wishing to apply for tickets, should complete and return the coupon which will be in the Farnham Herald on 10 and 17 November. The closing date for applying is 24 November.

Pre-order your festive produce at the Farmers' Market

Quality, local produce for Christmas can be pre-ordered at the Farmers' Market on Sunday 27 November and collected from the following month's market on 11 December. The Farmers' Market is held in Central car park from 10am to 1.30pm. In November, there will be over 40 stalls and live music.

Repair café

Imagine there was a place where you could get your household items repaired for free? Farnham has such a place! The Repair Café meets at the Sanctuary in the Spire Church on the second Saturday of the month from 10am-1pm. Volunteers can repair electricals, laptops, mechanicals, furniture, clothes and bikes.

The café saves you money, diverts items from landfill and reduces the need to use precious resources on producing replacement items.

Find out more at <https://frc.cfsd.org.uk/>.