

Spotlight on...

Emma Dunbar: Colour in the Snow

New Ashgate Gallery, Farnham

Friday 11 January to Saturday 23 February

Emma Dunbar returns to the New Ashgate with her vibrant paintings in a solo show. Emma brings together influences from her home, travels and the landscape, using colour and the decorative qualities in everyday objects. Other exhibitions at the Gallery include the *Winter exhibition: Festive joy and unique gifts* which runs until Saturday 5 January and is an ideal opportunity to find a special Christmas gift from a choice of art and craft of the highest quality. *Lumiere: the beautiful light* also runs until Saturday 5 January and displays irresistible, hand-crafted lighting and artworks – perfect for the festive season. Finally, don't miss *Maker in Focus: Ken Eardley*, running at the same time as Emma's exhibition, with his world of colour and shapes.

Information: newashgate.org.uk

Theatre

Richmond Theatre

Richmond

Tickets: atgtickets.com/richmond

Saturday 8 December to

Sunday 6 January

Peter Pan

Starring Robert Lindsay as Captain Hook.

Thursday 10 January

An evening with Alice Roberts:

Digging into Britain's Past

Anthropologist, author and broadcaster delves into our history.

Friday 11 January

Go!Go!Go! with Rusty Firmin

A Richmond Theatre production, an account of the SAS's hostage rescue mission during the Iranian Embassy Siege in 1980.

Wednesday 30 January

to Sunday 3 February

Moscow City Ballet

Productions of *Swan Lake* and *Sleeping Beauty*.

Monday 4 February

Ian McKellen on stage with Tolkien, Shakespeare, Others and You

The actor celebrates his 80th birthday with a new solo nationwide theatre show full of acting and anecdotes from this wonderful talent.

New Victoria Theatre

Woking

Tickets: atgtickets.com/woking

Friday 7 December to

Sunday 6 January

Cinderella

Starring the a-maz-ing

Craig Revel Horwood as

The Wicked Stepmother.

Saturday 19 January

Circus of Horrors

The Psycho Asylum featuring bizarre circus acts.

Monday 21 to Saturday 26 January

Rain Man

Starring Mathew Horne.

Tuesday 5 to Saturday 9 February

Ghost The Musical

Based on the iconic movie.

New Wimbledon Theatre

Wimbledon

Tickets: atgtickets.com/wimbledon

Saturday 8 December to

Sunday 6 January

Aladdin

Perfect family panto starring

Paul Merton as Widow Twankey.

Thursday 31 January to

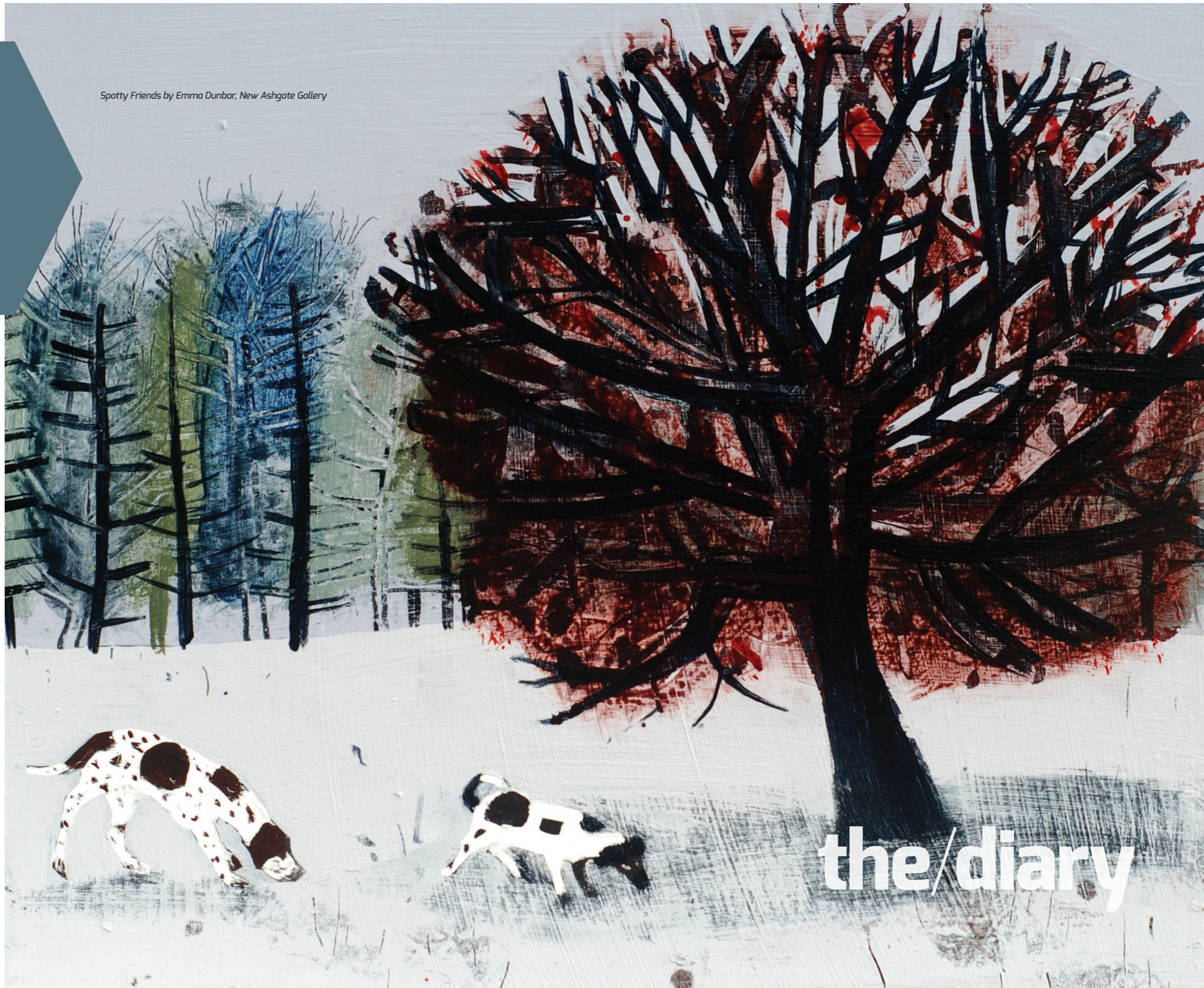
Saturday 2 February

Russian State Ballet of Siberia

Performances of three ballets:

Cinderella, *La Fille Mal Gardee* and *The Nutcracker*.

Spotty Friends by Emma Dunbar, New Ashgate Gallery



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Cranleigh Arts Centre
Cranleigh

Tickets: cranleighartscentre.org

Saturday 8 to Sunday 9 December
Sleeping Beauty
Plenty of songs and slapstick.

Dorking Halls
Dorking

Tickets: dorkinghalls.co.uk

Saturday 15 to
Saturday 29 December
Beauty and the Beast
Starring Peter Amory as the Baron.

Epsom Playhouse
Epsom

Tickets: epsomplayhouse.co.uk

Friday 14 December to
Sunday 6 January
Jack and the Beanstalk
A family-friendly tale of adventure.
Wednesday 23 January
Stephen K Amos:
Bouquets and Brickbats
A new tour from this comedian.

Farnham Maltings
Farnham

Tickets: farnhammaltings.com

Thursday 20 to
Saturday 22 December
The Nutcracker
Wonderful family theatre.

G Live
Guildford

Tickets: glive.co.uk

Thursday 6 December
Tom Allen: Absolutely
Talented comedian on tour.

Wednesday 26 to
Friday 28 December
Saint Petersburg Classic Ballet
Performances of *The Nutcracker*.

Guildford Shakespeare
Company

Holy Trinity Church, Guildford

Tickets:
guildford-shakespeare-company.co.uk

Sunday 3 to Sunday 24 February
Measure for Measure
The Company's 40th show
explores expectations of gender.

Guildford Spectrum
Guildford

Tickets: guildfordspectrum.co.uk

Friday 14 to Sunday 16 December
Snow White on ice
Annual ice pantomime.

Rose Theatre Kingston
Kingston-upon-Thames

Tickets: rosetheatrekington.org

Thursday 6 December to
Sunday 6 January
Hansel & Gretel
A festive new version of the
Brothers Grimm tale with witch's
curse and fairytale bandits.

The Electric Theatre
Guildford

Tickets: electric.theatre

Thursday 20 to
Saturday 22 December
Peter Pan
A classic family treat.

Monday 7 to Saturday 12 January
January Film Festival
Includes screenings of
The Happy Prince and Cold War.

The Woodfield Entertainers
Ashted Peace Memorial Hall

Tickets: woodfieldentertainers.co.uk

Thursday 13 to
Saturday 15 December
Treasure Island
Traditional fun pantomime.

Wintershall Nativity Play
Bramley

Tickets: wintershall.org.uk

Wednesday 12 to
Sunday 16 December
A unique experience with a large
cast of players and animals as the
story begins in the open air and
continues in the atmospheric barn.

Yvonne Arnaud Theatre
Guildford

Tickets: yvonne-arnaud.co.uk

Friday 7 December to
Sunday 6 January
Cinderella
Starring Michelle Gayle as
The Fairy Godmother.



Paul Merton as Widow Twankey, *Aladdin*, New Wimbledon Theatre



Kate Rusby at Christmas, *G Live* PHOTO COPYRIGHT: DAVID ANGEL



Stephen K Amos, *Epsom Playhouse*



Spotlight on...

Hampton Court Palace ice rink

Hampton Court Palace, East Molesey

Until Sunday 6 January (except Christmas Day)

Skate back in time as the ice rink returns to the stunning surroundings of Henry VIII's spectacular Thames-side Tudor Palace. Why not book an evening session on the rink, which has to be one of the most scenic skating settings, and see the Palace lit up after dark whilst skating under the stars with friends and family? Alternatively, make a day of it: explore the Palace State Apartments, galleries and 65 acres of formal gardens, visit the Ice Rink Café and Bar for some delicious warming food and skate at a time which suits. We recommend booking early for this festive treat with special rates for families, students, pensioners and groups. The rink has a limited number of penguin skate aids available during each session which can be booked on a first come, first served basis. Wrap up in warm outdoor clothing and don't forget to wear gloves. You will really need to get your skates on for this one!

Information: hamptoncourtpalaceicerink.co.uk

Music

Boilerroom
Guildford

Tickets: theboilerroom.net

Throughout the year
A community hub showcasing
music, events and the arts.
See website for gig details.

Cranleigh Arts Centre
Cranleigh

Tickets: cranleighartscentre.org

Friday 14 December
Catfish
Band awarded a UK Blues Award
as Blues Act of the Year.

Friday 18 January
Wilson & Wakeman
Featuring Damian Wilson on
vocals and acoustic guitar, with
Adam Wakeman (son of Rick) on
piano, vocals and acoustic guitar.

Epworth Choir
Christ Church, Woking
Tickets: epworthchoir.org

Monday 10 December
A Christmas concert showcasing
carols old and new.

G Live
Guildford

Tickets: glive.co.uk

Monday 3 December
Kate Rusby at Christmas
Traditional folk singer and band.

Tuesday 4 December
Katie Melua & Gori Women's Choir
Katie will be joined by Gori
Women's Choir, featured on
her 2016 album *In Winter*.

Wednesday 19 December
The Overtones Christmas 2018
Vocal harmony group perform.

Tuesday 8 January
Paul Jones and Friends
Annual charity gig with secret
guests in aid of The Prostate Project.

Guildford Choral Society
G Live, Guildford

Tickets: guildfordchoral.org

Saturday 5 January
Handel: Messiah
An evening of sublime music-making.

Rushmoor 'Odd Fellows'
Male Voice Choir
Farnham Maltings

Tickets: farnhammaltings.com

Friday 14 December

A programme including male
voice classics, show tunes and
popular songs, with some festive
tunes included.

Southern Pro Musica
Holy Trinity Church, Guildford

Tickets: southernpromusica.org

Friday 14 December
**A celebration of carols and
Christmas music**
A performance for all the family.

Surrey Hills Family
Christmas Concert
Cranleigh Village Hall

Tickets: surreyhillschoirs.uk

Saturday 8 December
Family Christmas Concert
Something for everyone at this
Christmas concert.

Vivace Chorus
Normandy Village Hall
Information: vivacechorus.org

Saturday 26 January
**Come and Sing 'A Sea Symphony'
by Vaughan Williams**
Popular *Come and Sing* day
costing £24 to include music hire,
lunch and refreshments.

Exhibitions

Dorking Museum
The Old Foundry, Dorking

Information: dorkingmuseum.org.uk

Thursdays, Fridays and Saturdays
throughout December
(excluding Christmas week)
**Rob Walker and Dorking's part in
motor racing history**
Remembering the Rob Walker
Grand Prix winning motor racing
team based in Dorking from 1953
to 1970.

Haslemere Museum
High Street, Haslemere

Information: haslemereuseum.co.uk

From Tuesday 8 January to
Saturday 2 March
Historic Haslemere
The fascinating history of Haslemere.

McAllister Thomas
High Street, Godalming

Information:
mcallisterthomasfineart.co.uk

From Thursday 29 November
The Winter Exhibition
Artwork by Gallery artists.

Cinemas

Cranleigh Arts Centre 01483 278000 or cranleighartscentre.org
Farnham Maltings 02152 745444 or farnhammaltings.com
Odeon Esher 0871 2244007 or odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s89/esh
Odeon Epsom 0871 2244007 or odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s88/epsom
Odeon Guildford 0871 2244007 or odeon.co.uk/fanatic/film_times/s92/guildford
The Screen Walton 01932 252825 or screencinemas.co.uk
The Ambassadors Cinema, Woking 0844 871 6743 or ambassador tickets.com/cinema

Museum of Farnham
West Street, Farnham

Information:
farnhammaltings.com/museum

To Saturday 22 December
Behind Closed Doors:

300 years of Willmer House
Celebrating the anniversary.

The Lightbox Gallery
and Museum

Woking
Information: thelightbox.org.uk

To Sunday 13 January
Impressionism: The Art of Life
A rare combination of French
Impressionist paintings and sculpture.

To Sunday 6 January
Elisabeth Frink:

A Collector's Passion
Commemorating 25 years since
Elisabeth's death in 1993.

Saturday 12 January to
Sunday 31 March
**Cyril Mann: Painter of Light
and Shadow**
An exhibition of the painter's works.

Watts Gallery

Compton, Guildford
Information: wattsgallery.org.uk

To Sunday 6 January
In Print: Making Impressions
With contributions from a dozen of
the foremost British printmakers.

To Sunday 17 March
Christina Rossetti: Vision & Verse
Explore the Victorian poet's
connection with visual art
showcasing paintings, illustrations,
works on paper and photography.

National Trust

National Trust properties
offer perfect venues to explore
this festive season. We list a few
here, but visit nationaltrust.org.uk
for more.

Box Hill

Tadworth
Information: **01372 220644**

Thursday 6 to Friday 7 December,
10am–3pm
Crafts for Christmas
Meet at Box Hill's Shepherd's Hut
to make natural festive decorations.

Claremont Landscape
Garden

near Esher
Information: **01372 467806**

Saturday 8 to
Sunday 23 December, 10am–3pm
Rescue Rudolph trail
Christmas trail to find Rudolph
and help him return home.

Saturday 22 to
Sunday 23 December, 11am–12.45pm
Santa Paws
Bring your dog to meet Santa Paws
and receive a festive biscuit.

Wednesday 26 December to
Tuesday 1 January, 10am–3pm
Party like it's 1819 trail
2019 is the 200th anniversary of
Queen Victoria's birth. Discover
what it would have been like at a
New Year's Eve party 200 years ago.



Portrait of Christina Rossetti, 1857, by John Brett, Watts Gallery PHOTO COPYRIGHT: PRIVATE COLLECTION



Finsbury Square by Cyril Mann (1911-1980), The Lightbox PHOTO COPYRIGHT: THE ARTIST COURTESY PIANO NOBILE



Polesden Lacey in winter PHOTO COPYRIGHT: NATIONAL TRUST/NICK MEERS

Hatchlands Park

near Guildford
Information: **01483 222482**

Saturday 1 December
to Sunday 6 January, 10am–4pm
Gulliver's Travels' children's trail
Follow the trail in the parkland to
find Lilliputian houses and ships
from the classic tale. Don't miss the
carousel in the Victorian courtyard
each weekend in December.

Hindhead Commons

Surrey Hills
Information: **01428 681051**
Saturday 1, 8 and
Sunday 9 December, 10am–2pm
Harvest your own Christmas tree
Cut your own perfect pine.

Leith Hill Place

near Dorking
Information: **01306 711685**
Friday 7 December, 5.30–7pm
A Tudor Christmas
Join authors Alison Weir and
Siobhan Clarke for a festive
evening exploring Christmas
traditions of the past.

Polesden Lacey

Great Bookham, near Dorking
Information: **01372 452048**
To Sunday 23 December
1930s Christmas Party
Meet glamorous guests and
loyal servants enjoying seasonal
festivities in style. Don't miss the
weekend horse and carriage rides
and party animals' trail.

Wednesday 26 December to
Wednesday 2 January
Polesdenopoly
A life-size version of the classic
Christmas game in the gardens.

Winkworth Arboretum

Godalming
Information: **01483 208936**
Saturday 8 December
to Tuesday 1 January, 10am–3pm
Mince pie hunt
Follow the clues around
the Arboretum to claim a
tasty festive treat.

Out and about

Albury Vineyard

Silent Pool, Albury
Tickets: alburyvineyard.com

Sunday 9 December, 12 noon–4pm
Christmas wine tasting
With music from Godalming
Community Gospel Choir.

Birdworld

Holt Pound, Farnham
Tickets: birdworld.co.uk
Selected dates in December
Christmas at Birdworld
Don't miss the winter wonderland.

Bocketts Farm Park

Leatherhead
Tickets: bockettsfarm.co.uk
Until Monday 24 December
Father Christmas at Bocketts Farm
Hop on the Express to see Santa.

Brooklands Museum

Weybridge
Tickets: brooklandsmuseum.com
Wednesday 19 to Friday 21 and
Thursday 27 to Friday 28 December
Christmas holiday family fun
Christmas-themed family
workshops and tours.
Tuesday 1 January
New Year's Day Classic Gathering
Classic, vintage and veteran cars,
motorcycles and vehicles.

Sunday 27 January
VSCC Driving Tests
The Vintage Sport-Car Club
display some 60 pre-war cars.

Denbies Wine Estate

Dorking
Information: denbies.co.uk
Sunday 9 December, 10am–12noon
5K Santa Fun Run 2018
Hundreds of Santas run, jog or walk
around a beautiful course.

Painshill Park

Cobham
Tickets: painshill.co.uk



The very beautiful Shetlands, Mane Chance Sanctuary

To Sunday 23 December
Painshill festive illuminations
Walk the glowing winter trail
around the landscape garden.

Godstone Farm

Tilburstow Hill Road, Godstone
Tickets: godstonefarm.co.uk
To Monday 24 December
Wiglet's Christmas adventure
Farmyard fun and see Santa.

Kempton Park

Sunbury-on-Thames
Tickets: kempton.thejockeyclub.co.uk
Wednesday 26 to
Thursday 27 December
32Red Winter Festival
Grade 1 racing and festive cheer.

Mane Chance Sanctuary
carols at Christmas

St Peter's and St Paul's Church,
Godalming
Information: manechancesanctuary.org
Sunday 9 December, 5pm

A festive evening for all the family
raising funds for this great charity
with celebrity readers, Shetland
ponies, carols and refreshments.

RHS Wisley

Woking
Tickets: rhs.org.uk/wisley
Saturday 1 December to
Wednesday 2 January
Glow 2018

Follow a twinkling trail after dark
with larger-than-life botanical
illuminations accompanied by
atmospheric music.

Surrey Wildlife Trust

Various locations
Information:
surreywildlifetrust.org/events
Various dates
Visit the Surrey Wildlife Trust
website above for details of events
taking place in December and
January on the organisation's
8,000 hectares of land.

Farmers' markets

Camberley Saturday 15 December and 19 January, 10am–3pm
Cranleigh Every Friday, 9.30–11am
Epsom Sunday 2 December and 6 January, 9.30am–1.30pm
Farnham Sunday 23 December and 27 January, 10am–1.30pm
Guildford Tuesday 4 December and 5 February, 10.30am–3.30pm
Haslemere Sunday 2 December and 6 January, 10am–1.30pm
Milford Sunday 16 December and 20 January, 10am–1.30pm
Ripley Saturday 8 December and 12 January, 9am–1pm
Walton-on-Thames Saturday 1 December and 5 January, 9.30am–2pm
Woking Thursday 6 December and 3 January, 9am–2pm