THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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Lyminge Association News

Information Board at Lyminge shops - we are currently revamping the old unused Tourist Information board to inform you about general information and our new events AGM - Tuesday 23 September 2008 - 'Is it a crime to have CCTV in a village?' debate Garage Safari - Sunday 14th September 2008 - get planning to have a clear out 'Welcome to Our Village' leaflet - this leaflet is being rewritten and will be out later this year

LOCAL HISTORY

John Carr would like to thank the gentleman who left some papers with him for the Local History Archives and asks him to make contact by telephoning 01303 862972. Also if anyone else has any items they think may be of interest to local historians, John would be very pleased to hear from them.

Lyminge Heritage Questions and Answers

A10 I have been put in contact with Mr Desmond Sampson who has kindly helped in answering the question about Lyminge's livestock market. He worked for Hubert Finn-Kelcey as an agricultural valuer from 1949 to 1963. Although he was not directly involved in the market, he remembers everybody having to 'muck in' on Market Day and thus remembers how the market functioned.

The market, according to V Mitchell and K Smith (in Branch Lines Around Canterbury, 1995, Midhurst: Middleton Press) 'was established in 1904 mainly for the sheep trade' and that the siding from the Elham Railway Line into what is now the car park, was laid for the market. The siding can, however be seen on the 1898 Ordnance Survey map so this may not be correct. The market first appears on the 1907 OS map, where a large building has been built, labelled 'Cattle Market', where Greenbanks is now. Mr Sampson says that he was told that the market building had been a submarine shed from Dover Harbour that was purchased after WW I. The 1907 and 1939 OS maps show what appears to be similar size buildings so perhaps pieces of the submarine shed were acquired to add walls or the like? The covered market was surrounded by an open field and Mr Sampson says that on Market Day this was filled with pens holding livestock. He adds that the noise from all the lambs could be quite loud and on occasion irritated the villagers. Mitchell and Smith state that the siding at the station was used by the market extensively between 1922 and 1939. Up to 205 wagons were loaded with sheep on one day.

By studying local trade directories, it can be seen that, by 1913 in Kelly's Directory, Hubert Finn-Kelcey had become an 'auctioneer, valuer, land & estate agent and grazier'. (Mr Sampson tells me that the Finn-Kelcey family business of farming seems to have developed into auctioneering.) The same directory says that a 'stock sale is held ... every three weeks'. By 1934, Kelly's Directory tells us that 'a fat stock and poultry produce market is held here every Monday and a store stock sale every three weeks'. It appears that business boomed between these dates. I understand from Mr Sampson that fat stock is livestock that is ready to go the butcher and store stock is livestock that is sold on to another farmer. He also tells me that the market served the farmers in an area of about 10 miles around Lyminge. There were other markets at Ashford, Canterbury, Sandwich and Cheriton. Mostly this livestock was brought to market 'on the hoof along the roads of the locality as well as by using the railway.

The coming of the railway was probably responsible for the commencement of the market and its departure in 1947 was partly responsible for its end. Also responsible for Lyminge Market's decline was the increasing dominance of Ashford Market. During Mr Sampson's time, the markets in Lyminge became increasingly infrequent. Furniture sales were added in an attempt to diversify but by the time Mr Sampson left in 1963, the markets were very occasional. In the end, the market building became so dilapidated and unsafe that no further markets could be held. This ended the era of Lyminge being a market village. Can you add anything else; perhaps a memory of Lyminge Market? If you can, contact me through the editor or the forums.

Next month I will report on an interview I have had with Mr Roy Collins who remembers Lyminge in the interwar years. He has told me of the country dancing at the school, horses with leather horseshoes and a famous railway developer living in the village.

Alistair Bailey

Out and About

A Selection of the photos received of events that have taken place in the last few weeks



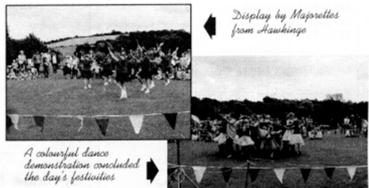
Lyminge Archive Comes Home

After many years scattered about the locality the Aistorical Society's collection is now housed in one location. On 3rd June The Lyminge Historical Society Archive Room at the Village Hall was opened by quest of honour, Dr. Lig Hallam Smith, Director of Information Services and Librarian for Parliament. Dr. Hallam Smith is seen here with Derek Boughton, the Society's President. Representatives of local organisations which have helped the Society with this project attended the evening together with a good turnout of the Society's membership.

Lyminge School Fete Saturday 14th June

Our Village School Tele with an European theme enjoyed a great day's weather after a worrying start. A great day was had by all and over L2,000 was raised for the School.

for the School.
Children and parents danced
to "Making Your Mind Up" in
the arena, followed by Mini
Olympics!



Rainbows Celebrate 21 Years ~ Lyminge Rainbows joined in with other Rainbows from the Tolkestone area at Christ Church Primary School in Tolkestone to celebrate the 21st Anniversary of the Rainbows. A brilliantly organised day of activities for the youngest members of the Girlfuiding movement. The Lyminge Rainbows also presented Sunflowers to both the Doctors' Surgeries, the Chemists, Age Concern and both the Parish and Methodist Churches as part of the celebrations.





For further information about Lyminge Rainbows contact Karen Jones on 07704 565207





If you have any photographs of local events or your group 'In Action' that could be included in the Newsletter please contact our Newshound via 01303 862328

Forthcoming Village Events

We would like you to give us details of your future events for this page, to help us all plan for our events and spread them throughout the year.

There is no charge for entries on this page.

For entries into the next issues please call Gillian on 863232

DATE	EVENT	VENUE	CONTACT	
1-JUL	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY VISIT	PEENE RAILWAY MUSEUM	840419	DEREK
2-JUL	LYMINGE FRIENDS	LYMINGE METHODIST PARLOUR	862427	MAVIS
1-JUL	SUMMER SERENADE	LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH	864394	DEAN
3-JUL	POSTLING OPEN GARDENS	ROUND POSTLING VILLAGE	862 142	JANE
11-JUL	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION COMMITTEE & BRANCH MEETING	ST. MARY'S HALL, ELHAM	864255	JOHN
11-JUL	WE ALL DO GOOD THINGS TOGETHER EXHIBITION	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
12-JUL	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
12-JUL	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE FETE	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862488	JEAN
15-JUL	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY VISIT	PINES GARDEN AT ST. MARGARET'S BAY	863225	PETER
16-JUL	RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	861913	MARION
17-JUL	JUNIOR PRODUCTION TO PARENTS	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
18-JUL	JUNIOR PRODUCTION TO PARENTS	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
19-JUL	CRAFT FAYRE	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862928	HONOR
20-JUL	PARISH WALK	9.45AM LYMINGE P.O., 10AM RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862015	RICHARD
21-JUL	SPORTS DAY	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
25-JUL	COFFEE MORNING	AGE CONCERN - EVERIST COURT	862364	MATT
26-JUL	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
28-JUL	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862184	PAM
2-AUG	SUMMER SALE	POSTLING VILLAGE HALL	862142	JANE
2-AUG	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
2-AUG	FLOWER SHOW	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862865	DAPHNE
5-AUG	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALK	PADDLESWORTH CHURC H	840419	DEREK
6-AUG	LYMINGE FRIENDS	LYMINGE METHODIST PARLOUR	862427	MAVIS
9-AUG	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
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9-SEP	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY INTERCLUB COMPETITION	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
12-SEP	ROYAL BRITISH I EGION COMMITTEE & BRANCH MEETING	ST. MARY'S HALL, ELHAM	864255	JOHN
13-SEP	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
14-SEP	GARAGE SALE	AROUND THE VILLAGE	863197/862972	LIZ AND JON
16-SEP	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETYTALK BY DAVID HOARE "FROM VEGETABLES TO ALPINES"	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
17-SEP	RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862913	MARION
20-SEP	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
21-SEP	PARISH WALK	10AM LYMINGE P.O CAR PARK	862015	RICHARD
23-SEP	LYMINGE ASSOCIATION AGM	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862073	MIKE
26-SEP	OPEN DAY	AGE CONCERN - EVERIST COURT	862364	LISA

27-SEP	QUIZ NIGHT	LYMINGE BOWLS CLUB	862015	MARIAN
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27-OCT	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862184	PAM

LYMINGE FRIENDS

Our next meeting is on Wednesday 2nd July when we have a speaker, Peter Ellis, Posture Stability Instructor from the Ashford & Shepway Falls prevention team. We look forward to seeing old and new friends.

Time between 10am and 12 noon

POSTLING GARDENS OPEN

Sunday 6th June 1 - 5pm Teas, Cakes Etc (For Church Funds)

Stelling Minnis

WINDMILL FETE

Saturday 19th July -12 - 5pm Live Music with Jazz Ominbus Wantsum Morris Men Hawkinge Flyers Twirling & Pompom Team

Canterbury Schools Gymnastics Display
Children's Talent Competition
Shire Horses & Cart rides
Minature Steam Engine Trailer rides
Go-Karting (Children 4-9 years) * Kiddies
Roundabout

Steam & Stationary Engines
Vintage agricultural vehicles & Machinery
Classic Cars & Motorcycles (pre-booked
only)

CRAFTS * STALLS * SIDESHOWS DISPLAYS

Bar * Barbecue * Teas * Ice Creams Windmill & Museum Open Entry £2: 11-16 yrs £1 Accompanied Under 11 yrs - Free For information ring 01227 709238

CRAFT FAYRE

Saturday 19th July 2008 In Lyminge Village Hall From: 2.00-5.00 p.m.



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July 12 - 20th 2008

Work by local artists, both amateur and professional

Adults and children

Free open evening Sat 12 July 6pm (tickets available from Elham Valley Arts) Entry forms for artists are available from the gallery.

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Registered charity 262245
The Staff, Trustees & all the Cats invite you to their

Annual Open Day

At Seathwaite, Green Lane, Rhodes Minnis (Between Lyminge & Stone St B2068) On Sunday 20th July 2008 From 11am - 4 30pm Refreshments available Contact Honor: 862928 or Niki 862530 for details

Organised by the Village Hall Management Committee Reg Charity 281845

Daydream Creative Workshops Spot light on all local 5-14 yr olds! Do you have ambition? Do you want to improve your Drama skills? Do you want to make tons of new friends and grow in confidence?

Participate in a selection of Daydream's workshops this summer and who knows - you could be Kent's next shining star of stage and screen!

"Who Will vou Be Today?" - Monday 28th July, Bossingham Village Hall, 9-12 (10-14 yrs)

"Tricks of the Trade" - Tuesday 29th July, Bossingham Village Hall,

9-12 (10-14 yrs)

"Let's Wish Upon a Star Together"
Thursday 31st July, Bossingham Village
Hall,

9-11 (5-9 yrs)

"Super Sci-Fi Adventure", - Friday 1st August, Bossingham Village Hall, 9-11 (5-9 yrs)

"Roll Camera - Action! - Tuesday 5th August,

Bossingham Village Hall,

9-12 (10-14 yrs)

"Hollywood Experience" - Thursday 7th August,

Lyminge Village Hall,

9-12 (10-14 yrs)

"Once Upon A Time" - Friday 8th August, Lyminge Village Hall,

9-11 (5-9 yrs)

"On the Box" - Monday 11th August Lyminge Village Hall,

9-12 (10-14 yrs)

"In a Land Far, Far Away" - Tuesday 12th August

Lyminge Village Hall,

9-11 (5-9 yrs)

"West End Experience", - Thursday 14th

The Garden Party With All The Cats Stalls with Cat Related Novelties and Cards Bric a Brac - Books & Videos - Home made cakes & Jams, Large selection of Plants all grown by our supporters

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Refreshments All Day - Ample Parking Entry 50p Children 25p

All profits from the day go to support our work of taking in & finding new homes for unwanted cats

In Aid of the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund

Registered Charity Number 283483

Our next event is our

Boot & Summer Fayre

Saturday 26th July -12 noon - 3.30pm At Park House Animal Sanctuary Stelling Minnis, Nr Canterbury Live Music with Burt Butlers Jazz Pilgrims Raffles ~ Stalls ~ Tombolas and lots more Hot & Cold Refreshments ~ Ice Creams Plenty of Parking ~ Admission by Donation Car Boots £7.50 \sim Vans £20 Tel 01303 862622

Forthcoming Events

Garden Party at The Tea Rooms ~ Sat 23rd August Boot & Autumn Fayre ~ Sat 6th September Halloween Supper at The Tea rooms ~

Fri 31st October

Look out for further details next month If you are interested in helping raise funds for the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund, please ring us on 01303 862622. We would be very pleased to hear from you

JULY BEETLE DRIVE

Come & join us at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall Saturday 26th July Starts at 7.00 pm Adults £2.00 Children 50p

August Lyminge Village Hall, 9-12 (10-14 yrs)

Please refer to the leaflet given to your child by their school for exciting details on each workshop, prices and how to book! Alternatively visit

www.daydreamcreativeworkshops.co.uk o r phone Emily Rosen on 01227 764619!

NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL Quiz Night

18th July. 7.30pm £2 a head, teams of 6. Selection of wine for the winning team.

POSTLING SUMMER SALE

Saturday 2nd August 2.30pm Teas (For Church funds)

LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Tuesday 5th August - 7.45pm A site meeting at PADDLESWORTH CHURCH For a talk on the Church and Parish By Derek Boughton Those who require transport please turn up at the Methodist Church for 7.15pm

POSTLING WEEK

Saturday 9th August Finale Concert of Classical and Light Music in the Church 7.30pm Tickets at the door £5 Inc a glass of wine Under 16's Free

W.I. COACH TRIP

(For the Church Funds)

To Michelham Priory Nr Hailsham Tuesday 19th August Gardens, Watermill Licensed Restaurant £15 Leave Etchinghill 9.15am Includes refreshments. There will be a raffle

Lyminge 9.30am 'Phone Stella Samuels on 862363

Rhodes Minnis Summer Flower Show

Come & Join us at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall Saturday 2nd August For

Rhodes Minnis Summer Flower Show.

Doors open at 2.30 pm For a schedule please contact Mrs Daphne Andrews on 862865

POSTLING WEEK

August 4th to 9th Coffee Mornings & Photographic Display in the Church 10am - 1pm Coffee, Tea and Cakes 5 - 7pm For a glass of Wine

(For Demelza House & Church Funds)

Storage Space Wanted

Secure dry storage needed for household stuff. Minimum 6 months garage or similar space. Can you help? Please phone 01303 863232

1st Lyminge Brownies

Adult volunteer needed to help our girls continue on their Brownie Adventure. Come and have fun with us on Thursday evenings 6.00-7.45 Contact Angela on 862073

Dudley

LYMINGE PAR	RHODES	
Wednesday 2nd	7.00pm Short Holy Communion	MINNIS
	7.30am Open House	METHODIST
	(Bible Study and discussion)	CHURCH
	9.15pm Wednesday Silence	This small
	(quiet prayer until 10pm)	Chapel in
Sunday 6th July	8.00am Holy Communion	beautiful
	10.30am World of Worship Family	countryside
	Service. Followed by the Teddy Bear	surroundings
	parachute jump from the Church tower	holds a weekly
Wednesday 9th	7.00pm Short Holy Communion	Sunday
	7.30am Open House	Service
	(Bible Study and discussion)	normally at
	9.15pm Wednesday Silence	9.30am
	(quiet prayer until 10pm)	Followed by
Thursday 10th	2.00pm Pram service	coffee and
Sunday 13th July	10.30am Holy Communion	biscuits
Wednesday 16th	7.00pm Short Holy Communion	
	7.30am Open House	A warm
	(Bible Study and discussion)	welcome is
	9.15pm Wednesday Silence	extended to
	(quiet prayer until 10pm)	any visitors
Sunday 20th July		
Wednesday 23rd	7.00pm Short Holy Communion	The Preachers
	7.30am Open House	for July are:
	(Bible Study and discussion)	July 6 - Mr.

9.15pm Wednesday Silence

(quiet prayer until 10pm)

Sunday 27th July 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am Holy Communion

6.30pm Sunday Silence

Wednesday 30 7.00pm Short Holy Communion

7.30am Open House

(Bible Study and discussion)

9.15pm Wednesday Silence

(quiet prayer until 10pm

July 13 - Mr. Tim James July 20 - Rev. John Lines (with holy communion) July 27 - Mr. Dudley Shipton Aug. 3 - Mrs.

Mary Blanch

Shipton

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA in Nailbourne Court - 6th July

Our Sunday afternoon teas continue to be held on the first Sunday of the month in the lounge at Nailbourne Court from 3.00 to 5.00pm. If you would like to come, but need a lift, please contact Vanessa at The Rectory.

COFFEE MORNING - 14th July

Coffee mornings continue to be held on the second Monday of each month from 10.00am to 11.30am in Wentworth Close lounge. Do join us as we meet with the residents of Wentworth Close for coffee and a chat.

PRAM SERVICE - Thursday 10th July

On every 2n Thursday of the month at 2pm in Lyminge Church. A short pre-school friendly service followed by refreshments

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LUNCH - 17th July

The lunches continue on the 3r Thursday of each month. The meal will comprise of two courses followed by coffee, at a cost of £6.50 per head. Transport can be arranged for those who need it. All welcome Please let Vanessa know if you would like to book a place.

LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH

Visitors are very welcome to join us at our weekly Service at 11am and invited to share fellowship afterwards with a cup of tea/coffee

Preachers for July are:

6th July - Mr Dudley Shipton 13th July - Mr Terry Hayes 20th July -Rev. John Lines (inc. Holy Communion) 27th July -Rev. Alan Hewitt

Monday Fellowship Please note

Monday
Fellowship
will not be
meeting in July
and August
Marilyn's Patio
Party will be
held on
Monday 21st
July at
Robinscroft,
Brady Road

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals, please contact the Minister, Rev Barry Armson, on 01303 266281

POP-INN

Every
Wednesday
2.30-4pm at
Methodist
Church Free
coffee, tea and
biscuits
ALL welcome

ALL welcome
- if you are
collecting
children from
school or just
passing

PLEASE NOTE

We shall be closing for the holidays after 16th July 2008

L.E.T.

Methodists and Anglicans working together

L.E.T. (Lyminge Ecumenical Team)

<u>Prayer Box.</u> Please place any prayer requests concerning a bereavement or illness in the prayer box at Lyminge Post Office. It would help to have the name of the person you are praying for but not necessarily your name. These will be included in Sunday worship in both churches and added to private prayer life.

Lyminge Bowls Club

You are cordially invited to have a restful afternoon at Lyminge Bowls Club watching others enjoying their sport, with refreshments on hand from bar and kitchen, and where there is a variety of seating in sun or shade (or indoors). All welcome. July home fixtures are as follows:-

Friday 4 July - 2.30 start against New Romney (ladies only)

Friday 4 July - we host the Easton Cup starting at 6.00 pm

Saturday 5 July - 2.30 start against New Romney (gentlemen only)

Sunday 6 July - 2.30 start against Thurrock (a team from Essex)

Tuesday 8 July - 2.30 start against Hythe (ladies only)

Friday 18 July - we host the Easton Cup starting at 6.00 pm

Sunday 20 July - Ladies v Gents starting at 2.30

Tuesday 22 July - The ladies play host to the Kent Ladies Executive as part of our 75th Anniversary celebrations

Thursday. 24 July - 6.00 pm start against Canterbury (gentlemen only)

Saturday 26 July - 2.30 start against Victoria Park

On Wednesday afternoons and Friday evenings members get together for friendly 'roll-ups'. Do come along as it may be possible for you to 'have a go' if you would like to (flat soled shoes are the only necessity).

Club members look forward to welcoming you ... but if you want to find out more before 'taking your seat', then please call 863495.

Age Concern Elham Rural

The winners of our April 100+ club draw were lsl prize, number 6, Jean Howard, 2nd prize, number 10, Vanessa Carr and 3rd prize, number 17 Gillian Haywood. If you would like to join the 100+ club please contact the Day Centre or Marian Chubb on 01303 862015. Each number you choose cost £12 for the year. At the end of each month we make a draw using all the entered numbers, 1s prize winning £25, 2nd £15, 3rd £10.

The winner of our bi-monthly quiz was Mr Colin Manville. The new Quiz for June and July is now on sale for £1.

We are holding our Annual General Meeting at the Day Centre on Wednesday 23rd July 2008 at 3pm.

All are welcome to come along and hear about our achievements over the past year and our plans for the year ahead.

Our Advice and Information Officer is available to help with benefit applications. If you want help to check you are getting everything you are entitled to or help with and Attendance Allowance, Pension Credit, Disability Living Allowance, Carers Allowance, Council Tax and Housing benefits please

contact Sue Chitty Advice and Information Officer on 01303 863861, e-mail <u>acer.information@atlas.co.uk</u> or call into the centre. Home visits can be arranged.

We are increasing the number of seated exercise classes at the Day Centre. The sessions are open to any older person wishing to participate. If you are interested please contact the Day Centre.

Would you like to make your own greetings cards, try your hand at painting or drawing, or may be try painting on china? If so, why not come along on a Tuesday morning and join our friendly mixed ability group. There is no charge and materials are provided. We would be delighted to see you. Tuition is available if required, also free of charge.

We have some availability for lunches within the centre. Lunch is served at mid day and consists of a small orange juice, main meal of meat and 2 veg, a sweet and tea or coffee for £3.75. Please contact the centre if you wish to come in for lunch or use any of our other services or activities ask for Lisa Hodden or Matthew Martin on 01303 862364, e-mail ac.elhamrural@atlas.co.uk or pop in to the Day Centre at Everist Court.

Lyminge Dramatic Society- Autumn production

Don't forget play week which will be week commencing 17th November in Lyminge Village Hall. Auditions will be held on the evening of Tuesday 15th July at Sibton Park Cricket Club and younger adults will be particularly welcome but the not so young will also be very welcome. We look forward to seeing people at the auditions. Tickets will go on sale during October.

ETCHINGHILL UPDATE

Farmers'/Craft Market

The next market is on 12th July. This month it is linked to the Etchinghill Country Fete so don't miss out on this extended market. Starts at 10.00 and finishes at 15.30. Contact Anne on 863174 for details

Village Hall

Did you miss the quiz in May? Seven tables of 'intelligent' people battled it out to see who this month took away the prize. The quiz raised much need funds to pay for remedial works to the hall this year. These works have already started with the new dado rail around the main hall now complete. It will prevent the tables and chairs damaging the walls in the future. As mentioned last month the hall will be closed for 2 weeks in August as the floor and walls to the main hall plus outside will be resealed and painted.

At the same time the man-made pond in the corner of the amenity land will be filled in starting 11th August. If you can spare an hour or a day that week then contact Anne on 863174.

Great news! Following recent inspections the hall has passed with flying colours the requirements of Health and Safety, Food Hygiene, Fire and Rescue risk plans and we now hold a Premises Licence for any user to organise dance (participation or exhibition), music (live or canned), drama (amateur or professional) and cinematography (professional or tutorial). Sorry folks, but we do not have a Liquor licence. You will have to organise your own or better still

ask the New Inn to run your bar.

Etchinghill web site

A new web site has been set up so why not log on to www.Etchinghill.org to see what is there. It is early days yet but it is intended to let you know a bit about the history of Etchinghill, what is going on in the area, who to contact in an emergency, what facilities are available and what groups organise events in the locality. It is also hoped to link to the Village Hall diary so that you can see whether gaps are available for your party or group meetings. If you have any data that you feel is useful to the community then give Barbara a ring on 862873. When it's up and running there will be a requirement for a web manager. Is that you?

Etchinghill Country Fete

Have you seen the adverts? Are you participating in the sideshows? Are you just coming to spend your time and money enjoying yourself with the kids or grandchildren? More than 40 games, stalls, demonstrations and exhibits will be in the grounds of the village hall on 12th July with FREE parking on the amenity land in front of the village hall. Coconut shies, whack a rat, tombola, barbecue and beer tent as well as children's corner, 'putt' for a fiver, cream teas and ice creams will be joined by Rhodes Minnis Cat Sanctuary, Pilgrims Hospice and many other stalls there for your enjoyment. The list is endless. Well nearly! Even the police will be there to security mark bikes so get on down there kids and have your bike coded. Entrance to the Fete is FREE and opens between 12.00 and 15.30 overlapping the Farmers Market which starts at 10.00. If you can spare an hour or so either Friday, Saturday morning and evening or Sunday helping erect or dismantling stalls then Contact Jean on 862488. See you there!

Neighbourhood Watch

Come to the Fete on 12th July and speak to Judith about NhW. She will be at their wagon in the car park and see for yourself what you get for 'free'.

Etchinghill Village and Keep Kent Clean

J F Kennedy used this quote at his inauguration and we have adapted it today under the title 'Taking Pride in Where You Live'. Not What Etchinghill can do for you but what can you do for Etchinghill? Take a look around you and then ask 'have I done everything I can to improve the environment in which I live?' Rubbish, vegetation, tidiness and appearance makes all the difference to people's attitudes towards the area we live so be proud and do your bit.

Dates for forthcoming events

12,h July, 9th August, 13th September Farmers/Craft Market 1 2th July Village Fete

THEATRE TRIP

Would you like to join our trip to see MAMMA MIA at the Prince of Wales, Theatre, London on Wednesday 27th August leaving Lyminge at 4.00pm getting back about midnight. We have reserved 49 of the Best Available seats, some in the Stalls and some in the Dress Circle. The total price will be £44.25, including return coach travel. Interested? Please put your name on the list provided in Church, one box for each member of your party. Any questions please ring Andree or Derrick Hamer on 863182.

ETCHINGHILL W.I.

Barbara Syrett, President, welcomed members to the June meeting. Dottie Cross was thanked for holding a very successful coffee morning and plant sale at her home recently. Also a visit to Bletchley Park was enjoyed by some.

Our annual summer outing is to Michelham Priory on Tuesday 19th August. Please contact Stella Samuels for details, on 862363.

Birthday posies were presented to Eileen Lofty, June Manton and Daphne Melrose.

Our speaker, Mrs Tsuyoko Page, demonstrated Ikebana flower arranging which we all found most interesting. Afterwards the arrangements were raffled. Tea was then served, the hostesses being Eileen Lofty, Alison Jelly and Joan White.

The next meeting is on Tuesday 5th July at 2.30pm when our speaker will be Major Chris Sands who will talk

about the Salvation Army.

Visitors are always welcome. For further information please contact Barbara Syrett on 265229 or Dottie Cross on 862141

RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE

Our speaker on the 18th June was Ann Hill who gave us a most interesting talk on the Royal British Legion which is the worlds leading charity. Ann has been a co-ordinator for the Poppy Appeal for 42 years, and works tirelessly as a volunteer throughout Kent to raise funds. There are 4,000 branches of the British Legion including those overseas. Ann is also involved in sending parcels to troops in Iraq and Afganistan, and setting up benefits for injured servicemen and war widows. We will be thinking of Ann on the 28th June when she hopes to complete a parachute jump for the Legion - a truly remarkable lady! The competition "A picture or photograph of a war memorial" was won by Daphne Andrews, with Margaret Chambers 2nd, Pauline Hodder 3rd and Connie Burrows 4th. Our next meeting is on the 16th July when John Pearce will tell us about "The Missing Nurse". We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 7.30pm and everyone, both ladies and aentlemen. are very welcome. Marion Hoare 01303 862913

LYMINGE GARDENERS SOCIETY

This month's meeting is a visit to the Pines garden at St Margaret's Bay. The cost will be £2.50 for members and £3.00 for non-members. Tea and biscuits will be served at an additional cost. If transport is required please be at the Library car Dark at 5.45Dm or the Pines aarden for 6.30pm

SOFT FRUIT FOR SALE AT HOMEFIELD, CUCKOO LANE, POSTLING

You can buy fruit from the gate or order larger amounts by 'phoning 01303 863096.

Gooseberries, Raspberries, Blackcurrants, Redcurrants and Rhubarb. Also vegetables when available

Elham Valley and Wye Lions Club

The Charity Concert at Elham Village Hall was enjoyed by all who went and raised about £900 for our Charity Fund. Thanks to the Railway Swing Band and all who went or otherwise supported us.

Our annual GOLF DAY takes place on Friday 12 September at Sene Valley Golf Course. For further details please ring Neil on 01303 862837.

Part Time Pre-School Assistant

required to join this friendly committed team to cover maternity leave with the possibility of becoming a permanent position. For an application form email admin@lymingepreschool.org.uk or contact Alison 01303 892508.

THANK YOU!

On behalf of Lyminge Pre-School, we would like to say a huge thank you to everyone in Lyminge who has supported our Summer Raffle. We have had an overwhelming response to the raffle organised specifically to raise funds for the refurbishment of the toilets at the Village Hall, where the Pre-School is based. At time of print, the draw will have taken place and we hope that the lucky winners enjoy their fabulous prizes!

Thanks again to everyone for their generosity.

The Pre-School Fundraising Committee

Elham Farmers' Market

2nd and 4th Sunday of the month 11.00 to 13.00 The Triangle (the green opposite Elham Primary School Next markets: 13

July, 27 July

Fresh, seasonal, locally produced food (vegetables and fruit, meat, eggs, fish, cheese, bread and cakes, chutneys, plants, and more).

www.elhamfarmersmarket.co.uk

LINE DANCING

Beginners Class
Wednesdays 7 - 8pm £4.
Lyminge Village Hall
Bring Refreshments
Adults only
Ring Debbie 01303 864213

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL HIRE FEES

Occasional Users

Lyminge Village Hall

At the heart of our community our recently redecorated Village Hall offers an excellent venue for up to 200 people and can meet a variety of requirements with it's small Committee room, larger Club room and the Main Hall with servery and large stage.

Excellent parking, kitchen facilities available and all in a delightful part of the Village. Price example. Friday or Saturday evenings £50.00

Committee Room costs £6.00 per session for Regular Hirers, £6.00 per hour for Non-Residents and £5.00 per hour for Residents.

All-day hire for Weddings, Banquets and Commercial Functions:

£100.00 for Residents

£200.00 for non-Residents.

For bookings and enquiries, please contact Eileen on 01303 862832

RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL

Are you looking for a hall in which to hold Practice sessions, private party/function or Meeting? Rhodes Minnis Village Hall has the capacity to take parties of up 100 and has kitchen facilities at no extra cost.

Rates:

Sun - Fri £13.00 per session. £32.00 per day Sat - £19.00 per session. £26.00 evening session £50.00 per full day.

Session Times:

AM session 8.30am - 12.30pm

PM session 1.30pm - 5.30pm

Evening Session 6.00pm - 11 45pm

A £25.00 returnable deposit is payable in advance. Electricity will be charged at 14p per unit. Regular users will be given a special reduced rate.

For details contact Mick or Dorothy Athow on 01303 862616

Sibton Park Cricket Pavilion Club

Having a party? Need a local venue? Why not take advantage of Sibton Park Cricket Club's lovely pavilion?

We have a bar with club price drinks & friendly efficient staff.

There is capacity for up to 100 guests. For further information or to make a booking please Contact Lesley Kirk, Tel: 01303 862366

Afternoon weekday birthday parties £13.00

For full price details and availability give Jacqui Storey a call on 862044

LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL HIRE

Hall

1 June to 30 September £5 per hour £17 per 4 hour session £32 full day 1 October to 31 May £7 per hour £24 per 4 hour session £42 full day (includes heating)

Parlour

£4.50 per hour all year with use of Electric over heaters if required

Overnight stays

1 June to 30 September £30 1 October to 31 May £40 (Including heating)

For any enquiries please 'phone 07971 722401

Lyminge Pre-School

One of very few in Kent awarded an 'Outstanding' category by Of sted (Oct 2007).

We are a well established pre-school with committed, enthusiastic and friendly staff passionate about providing excellent childcare. We welcome children from all the surrounding villages and towns and offer a breakfast club together with a range of sessions to suit your needs. Located in the village hall we have a fabulous new outdoor play area for 2008 together with spacious indoor facilities. Places for September are filling up fast so to register your child and find out more please call 01303 863149. Alternatively visit our website www.lymingepreschool.org.uk or email.

admin@lymingepreschool.org.uk