

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

For the communities of
LYMINGE, ETCHINGHILL,
RHODES MINNIS and POSTLING

June 2008

Produced by
The Lyminge Association

Junior Tennis Coaching

Programmes Running in the Week

Course Age groups 5 to 6 yrs 7 to 10 yrs 11 to 16 yrs All equipment Supplied	@ Elham Tennis Club	Adult Coaching Courses available
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Come and Have a Go Trial Sessions available

To reserve a place call Graham on 07791 297886 (LT.A. Licensed Coach)

Lyminge Heritage Questions and Answers

A3 Following the short history of Lyminge Football Club in the February Newsletter, Steve Hickmott sent me two pictures of the football team The first was the same as the photograph that was reproduced in that article and showed the club in 1920-21 but the second photograph was of the club in 1950-51.



A Seymour, R Boughton,
 E Sayers, P Hogben, A Boughton, R Johnson, M Hawker, R Blackford, E Woods, J W Boughton
 L Freeman, W Garwell, B Swaffer (captain), E Want, T Webb

Apparently, the team was photographed at Sibton Park. This was a time when Lyminge Football Club and Sibton Park Cricket Club were part of Lyminge Sports and Social Club. In the back row is Alan Boughton who provided the history of Lyminge Football Club in the previous newsletter article. Does anyone else recognise himself in this picture? Are there any stories of funny incidents, enormous wins or heavy defeats? Both the photographs have now been placed in the Lyminge Historical Society archives.

A7 Lyn Cowdrey has told me that she saw a pair of buzzards to the west of Etchinghill last year. Has anyone else seen these large birds of prey? They have been gradually spreading eastwards in Southern England. Have they reached here? Finally a new question:

Q10 Does anyone have any recollections or information about Lyminge's livestock market that existed before the Second World War? If you can answer this or any other question, contact me through the editor or the www.lyminge.org.uk/forums *Alistair Bailey*

The Midland Bank Sub-Office, Canterbury Road, Lyminge- late 1960's

(Some personal recollections of activity surrounding the branch's operations)

The branch was situated in two small rooms at the front of Frank Clayson the Builders premises in Canterbury Road, the building now fronted by Browns the estate agent's window display. It was run as a sub-office to the Midland Bank Ltd, Sandgate Road, Folkestone from where a cashier and a guard left at 9.05am to catch the number 18 bus from Bouverie Square for the journey to Lyminge three mornings each week. Opening hours were 10.00am until noon. After close of business on Mondays and Fridays the cashier balanced his till, did his books and caught the number 17 bus to Elham where another sub-office was opened in The Square from 1.30pm to 2.30pm. This was in a segregated part of the house owned by Mrs Cook, once the bakery I believe. There was no Elham extension on Wednesdays so the

number 17 bus was caught outside Mr Bunn's the Post Office for the return direct to Folkestone, but more of this in a minute.

Only modest amounts of cash were carried to meet the day's requirements, so a leather bag with a wrist strap was all the security needed for the outward journey, plus of course the wary eyes of one of the two guards who took turns to do this 'Country Run' and stay with the cashier until the day's routines were over. Oh, and we had a whistle. Both guards were OAPs, one slim, intelligent and rather frail, the other large and somewhat deaf. The intelligent one was preferable as he could do the books, but the larger one still had an enjoyable attribute - he played the mouth organ on the bus.

With one regular exception, there was no real pressure of work in Lyminge, and there was plenty of time to practice flicking elastic bands at the white light globe to ensure settling flies did not take off again although over time this did make the room a bit dark. One enterprising cashier washed his hair in the back and sat drying it on the pavement out at the front one early June morning, a story known to all Sandgate Road staff because his ablutions coincided with the Manager's surprise visit.

Monty Plascott, the manager was of the old , not the forgiving type The men were required to parade before him in his office on summer mornings to ensure no-one's nipples were visible through the shirt before any were all allowed to remove our jackets. String vests were never allowed.

It was always difficult to close promptly at noon on Wednesdays as a nearby customer with an overdraft felt he needed to bank as much as he could as late as he could to keep his interest charges down. 11,50am was his target, but he rarely made it that early and would usually be in the branch well past closing time. Fair enough, you could understand his motives, but he was a busy retailer with a lot of cash and cheques to pay in, always wanted change for his till, and our number 17 bus left Mr Bunn's for Folkestone at 12.05pm. With the intelligent guard on duty, this was mostly just about possible, but the larger somewhat deaf guard was no help at all, and it was necessary therefore to throw all the cash and cheques into the strapped leather bag, run to the bus stop and claim the full width of the downstairs back seat to lay the bag's contents out to complete the balancing work to the strains of mouth organ music from the seat in front. Whilst the top deck of the bus might have been more secure, the guard could not manage the stairs

Perhaps the apparent lack of security will cause some of you to take a sharp intake of breath. Well, I've missed off one important bit. The Police were aware that the greatest risk to the cash (and us I suppose) occurred when we waited at the bus stops. The local Bobby would therefore usually appear on his grey Velocette noddie bike and wait with us. This was especially useful on Wednesdays because he would hold up the bus for us until we arrived, although it was a bit more fun when Sergeant Evans was on this duty with his Ford Cortina - he did not trouble to hold the bus but would bundle us into his car and race to overtake the bus and flag it down. We always caught it up before Beachborough Pond, overtaking on the slightly wider road in this area. No-one seemed to mind, certainly not the bus drivers - all part of rural life, I suppose.

To ensure that the staff worked only on the Bank's behalf and not set up any subsidiary business of our own, frequent random staff changes were made at Lyminge. The Folkestone manager had to make a surprise monthly cash check and premises inspection, but this was

(almost) always very near the end of the month. Possibly this was because a check early in the month left the remainder of the month without threat of a surprise visit, or more likely, the task was irksome and postponed until the last moment. You can probably guess that the 'hair-washing cashier' placed too much reliance on this principle, the poor fellow not expecting a visit so early in the month.

Chris Sessions

Out and About

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



A brisk trade inside the Hall and a remarkable display from the Chinese Lion Dancers outside

Lyminge Day 2008



The Lyminge Historical Society display in the Hall inspired interest in local history!



Part of the Lyminge Association Committee who cleared the triangle and painted the white railings just before Lyminge Day



The Lindy Hop evening at Etchinghill Village Hall was a sell-out with 120 people having a great evening



If you have any photographs of local events that could be included in the Newsletter please contact our Newshound via 01303 862328



A Quizzical Night at Etchinghill Village Hall. The winning team was 'The Troublemakers' and over £150 was raised for the Hall.



In Action ~ Ethelburga Quilters meet at Etchinghill Village Hall once a month. Did you see their rainbow display in Lyminge Parish Church?

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	
3-Jun	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY OPENING OF THE ARCHIVE ROOM	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	840419	DEREK
3-Jun	ENTERPRISE WEEK BEGINS	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
4-Jun	LYMINGE FRIENDS	LYMINGE METHODIST PARLOUR	862427	MAVIS
"-Jun	ELHAM VALLEY SEA CADETS REUNION	ELHAM VILLAGE HALL	862791	TED
14-Jun	CALL MY BLUFF	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862928	HONOR
14-Jun	TEAPARTY FOR EVE APPEAL	ROSENEATH CERAMICS. RHODES MINNIS	862979	KATHERINE
14-Jun	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
14-Jun	PFA SUMMER FAIR	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
15-Jun	PARISH WALK	START P.O. CAR PARK. 10 AM	862015	RICHARD
17-Jun	LYMINGE GARDEN SOCIETY VISIT	GARDEN OF DR & MRS INGRAM AT COMPTON ASH	863225	PETER
18-Jun	RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862913	MARION
21-Jun	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
21-22-Jun	ELHAM OPEN GARDENS	AROUND THE VILLAGE		
21-Jun	LYMINGE PRE-SCHOOL SUMMER BALL	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862580	ANNA
28-Jun	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
30-Jun	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	LYMINGE METHODIST PARLOUR	862184	PAM
1-Jul	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY VISIT	PEENE RAILWAY MUSEUM	840419	DEREK
6-Jul	POSTLING OPEN GARDENS	ROUND POSTLING VILLAGE	862 142	JANE
7-Jul	LYMINGE FRIENDS	LYMINGE METHODIST PARLOUR	862427	MAVIS
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	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE FETE	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862488	JEAN
12-Jul	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
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		
26-Jul	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
28-Jul	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862184	PAM
5-Aug	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALK	PADDLESWORTH CHURCH	840419	DEREK
2-Aug	SUMMER SALE	POSTLING VILLAGE HALL	862 1 42	JANE
2-Aug	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
2-Aug	FLOWER SHOW	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862865	DAPHNE
4-9-Aug	COFFEE MORNINGS	POSTLING CHURCH	862 142	JANE
3-Aug	CONCERT	POSTLING CHURCH	862 142	JANE
Cc-Aliq	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
16-Aug	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
27-Aug	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	RHODES MINNIS VILAGE HALL	862184	PAM
30-Aug	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR

2-Sep	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALK	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	840419	DEREK
6-Sep	QUIZ EVENING	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862928	HONOR
6-Sep	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
9-Sep	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY INTERCLUB COMPETITION	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
12-Sep	ROYAL BRITISH LEGION 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' SOCIETY TALK 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
27-Sep	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
29-Sep	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862184	PAM
4-Oct	BOOT FAIR	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
5-Oct	AUTUMN TIDY UP	AROUND THE VILLAGE	862972	JON
5-Oct	RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHAPEL HARVEST FESTIVAL	RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHAPEL	862865	DAPHNE
7-Oct	LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY TALK	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	840419	DEREK
11-Oct	CANDLELIGHT SUPPER	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862928	HONOR
11-Oct	FARMERS & CRAFT MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	863174	ANNE
14-Oct	LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY AGM	LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
15-Oct	RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862913	MARION
18-Oct	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
22-Oct	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL AGM	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
25-Oct	DEMEZLA HOUSE COFFEE MORNING	SIBTON PARK CRICKET PAVILION	862913	MARIAN
27-Oct	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862184	PAM

Elham Valley and Wye Lions Club

You may still be in time for our
Charity Concert by the
Railway Swing Band

On Wed 4 June at

Elham Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm.

Tickets, £10 from Browns Estate agents or
ring 862837.

The sponsored walk on 27 April took place
in glorious weather and we hope to have
raised over £800. Unfortunately last year's
winner gave it a miss as she has now turned
seventy-five.

Thanks to all those who took part in our
Easter Egg raffles from which we raised
£1,300. Special thanks to the landlords of
the Coach and Horses, The New Inn,
Etchinghill Golf Club, and Rose and Crown
Stelling Minnis.

In Aid of The Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund

Registered Charity Number 283483

DOG & OWNERS FUN DAY

Saturday 7th June -12 noon - 3.30pm

At Park House Animal Sanctuary

Stelling Minnis, Nr Canterbury

Fun Dog show ~ Stockbury Dog Club

Kent Police Dog Unit

Dog ID Microchipping £10

Raffles ~ Stalls ~ Tombolas and lots more

Hot & Cold Refreshments ~ Ice Creams

Plenty of Parking ~ Admission by Donation

Car Boots ~ Vans £10

Tel 01303 862622

Forthcoming Events

Boot & Summer Fayre ~ Saturday 26th July

Boot & Autumn Fayre - Saturday 6th Sept.

All held at Park House from 12 noon ~
3.30pm

For further details , phone 01303 862622

If you are interested in helping to raise

My Magical World

by

Claire Danstead

Preview of Exhibition For South East Open

Studios **Friday 6th June 6pm ~ 9pm**

3 Ivy Close, Etchinghill, Kent

01303 863213 R.S.V.P.

If you cannot make the Preview

7th, 8th, 14th, 15th, 21st, 22nd June

10am ~ 5pm

Newington Village Hall

ANNUAL SUMMER FETE

Saturday 7th June 11.30am - 3.30pm

Fun and games for all:- with Traditional

sideshows Coconut shy, Craft stalls

Smash'a'plate, Bar-B-Q

...Plus much more...

Free entry - Free car parking

For more information please ring:- Kirsty on

01303 272056 Karen on 01303 277950

Registered charity No: 302812

LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL

Church Road, Lyminge

are holding a

FETE

European style

Saturday 14th June 11.30-2.30

French Cafe - BBQ - Ice Creams

Various fun games including

Coconut Shy- Penalty Shoot-out ~ Bouncy

Castle

Craft stalls

Home-made produce

Arena entertainments

Please come along and support your local school. If you are able to assist by running a

stall on the day, please notify the school

office and leave a contact 'phone number

CALL MY BLUFF

14 June 2008

LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL

Bar - Hot Food - Raffle

Tables of 4 - 8 persons

£7.00 per person

7.30pm for 8.00pm start

funds for the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fun,
please ring us on the above number. We
would be very pleased to hear from you.

Sibton Park Car Park Sale

on

Friday 13th June

11am - 4pm

- selling goods after refurbishment to
include furniture, pictures and household
goods. 11am until 4pm Friday 13th June.
Any enquires please call 01303 863022.

Science and Religion - Friends or Foes?

a discussion to be led by John Polkinghorne

Friday June 13th, 7.45 to 9.30 pm,

Elham Village Hall

The Revd Dr John Polkinghorne, KBE,

FRS, is a

former President of Queens' College
Cambridge and Professor of Mathematical
Physics at the University of Cambridge. He
was ordained in 1981 and has since spoken
and written much about faith and science.

John Polkinghorne was Vicar of Blean from
1984 to 86 and is well known to many

people in Kent.

Come and share your views

ALL ARE INVITED

'The FAQs of Life': discussions arranged by

St Mary's Elham, to help us consider

Frequently Asked Questions that concern
many people

LYMINGE GARDENERS SOCIETY

Tuesday 17th June

A visit to Drs Tim and Gillian Imgram at

Compton Ash, 105 Ashford Road,

Faversham.

Cost for this evening is £2.00 per person.

Tea and

biscuits would be available for £1.00 per
person. Be at the library car park at 6pm or

at Compton Ash as

6.30pm

LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH

An evening of wide ranging music -

from Bach to Percy Grainger

To book your table call:
Honor 862928 or Niki 862530
Organised by the Village Hall Management
Committee Reg. Charity 281845

Cantores Dominicae

Would you like to join a local choir? - Then
you are just the person we are looking for
(*tenor and bass parts especially welcome!*)

Please come and join our singing workshops
on **-Wednesday 18 June & Wednesday 9
July 2008 -7:30pm - 9:30pm**

Lyminge School, Church Road, Lyminge
For more information phone: Jan Galbraith
01304 813579 - Jenny Raper 01233 503686
- Maddy Scarre 07717 500060

Or just come along to any of the workshops
above -We look forward to seeing you
there!

JUNE BEETLE DRIVE

Come & join us at
Rhodes Minnis Village Hall
Saturday 28th June
Starts at 7.00 pm
Adults £2.00
Children 50p
Includes refreshments.
There will be a raffle

Saturday 21st June 7.30pm
Performers will include Kathy Butcher.
David Lewis, Elvina Davenport, Belinda
Lewis, Dean Hayward and Peter Naylor
Refreshments will be provided. Free entry
and a retiring collection for the Church
funds
All are welcome

Stowting Country Fair Saturday 21st June

12 noon ~ 5 pm
Hill House, Stowting Hill, Stowting, -TN25
6BE
(6 miles north of Hythe, just off Stone
Street)

A traditional country fair in the Kent
countryside

Fun Dog Show -Terrier Racing ~ Duck Dog
Demonstration ~ Birds of Prey display
team ~ Sheep Dog Demonstration ~ East
Kent Hounds & Wye Beagle Parade ~ East
Kent Morris ~ Live Music Beer & Pimms
Tents ~ Hog Roast & BBQ ~ Craft Stalls ~
Face Painting
Bouncy Castle & lots of Fair Games for the
kids.

A Great Day out for all the family, in idyllic
surroundings ~ you won't be bored., you
won't be disappointed... you won't want to
leave !!!!

Free Car park ~ Disabled car parking.
Sponsored by Jackson Fine Fencing

W.I. COACH TRIP

Tuesday 19th August
To Michelham Priory, Nr Hailsham
Gardens and Water Mill
Licensed Restaurant
£15.

Leave Etchinghill 9.15am - Lyminge
9.30am

Phone Stella Samuels on 01303 862363

LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH - JUNE 2008

Sunday 1st June 8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am World of Worship Family service
Wednesday 4th [NO Holy Communion]

RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHURCH

This small Chapel in
beautiful countryside
surroundings holds a

7.30pm Open House
 (Bible Study and discussion)
 [NO Wednesday Silence]
 Sunday 8th June 10.30am Holy Communion
 Wednesday 11th [No Holy Communion]
 7.30pm Open House
 (Bible Study and discussion)
 [NO Wednesday Silence]
 Sunday 15 June 10.30am Holy Communion
 Wednesday 18th [NO Holy Communion]
 7.30pm Open House
 (Bible Study and discussion)
 [NO Wednesday Silence]
 Sunday 22nd June 8.00am Holy Communion
 10.30am Holy Communion
 6.30pm Sunday Silence
 Wednesday 25th 7.00pm Short Holy Communion
 7.30pm Open House
 (Bible Study and discussion)
 9.15pm Wednesday Silence
 (quiet prayer until 10pm)
 Sunday 29th June 10.30am Martins followed by
 Holy Communion

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA in Nailbourne Court - 15th June

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 - 9th June

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 19th June

On every 2nd Thursday of the month at 2pm in Lyminge Church.

A short pre-school friendly service followed by refreshments

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LUNCH - 26th June

The lunches continue on the 3rd 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.

For more information on any of the above please contact the Rectory On 862432 and speak to Vanessa.

PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF DATE FOR THE PRAM

weekly Sunday Service
 normally at 9.30am
 Followed by coffee and
 biscuits

A warm welcome is extended to any visitors

The Preachers for June are:

June 1st - Mr. Dudley Shipton

June 8th - Mr. Mike Dallin

June 15th - Rev. Robin Blount

(Holy Communion)

June 22nd - Mrs. Sue Brockman

June 29th - Mrs. Chris Bence

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 June are:

1st June- Mr Dudley Shipton

8th June - Methodist Homes for the Aged

Sunday - Rev.

Alan Hewitt

(incl Holy Communion)

15th June - Mr Tim James

22nd June - Rev. Robin Blount

29th June - Mr Colin Hancox

Monday Fellowship

2.30 - 3.30pm (NOT Bank Holidays)

2nd June - Mrs Sue Chitty

**SERVICE AND BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LUNCH
FOR JUNE ONLY**

will talk about Age
Concern

Saturday 21st June -
Church Concert - see
'Dates for your Diary'
section

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 - if you are
collecting children from
school or just passing

L.E.T.

Methodists and Anglicans
working together

L.E.T. (Lyminge Ecumenical Team)

Prayer Box. 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 HISTORICAL
SOCIETY**

Tuesday 1st July 7.45pm

An outing to the
Elham Valley Railway Museum at
Peene

Those who require transport please turn
up at the Methodist Church for 7.15pm

Summer Ball

Saturday 5m July

Etchinghill Village Hall

7.30- 10.30pm

£6 per ticket

Soft drinks & nibbles available or bring
your own wine or beer.

If you like ballroom dancing this is for

BUS PASSES

A very big Thank you' to all who
signed the petition or wrote to
Shepway Council or Kent County
Council regarding the time slot for
using a bus pass. It seems that KCC
have agreed to revert the start time of
bus concessions to 9am and will be
paying the bill (approx. £120,000 pa).
They had lots of complaints! Talking
about the Bus Pass Concessions on
Radio Kent, Keith Ferrin said that
KCC have agreed to revert the start
time of the bus concessions to 9 am.
When asked by John Warnet who
would be paying for it, he replied that
KCC would be picking up the
(approx) £120,000 pa bill this year

you. In aid of CHANGE. 'Helping young people change their lives for the better.'

Enquiries and ticket. Roger & Katherine Goody.
Tel: 01303 862979

Etchinghill
Country Fete

Saturday 12th July from 12 noon
At and around Etchinghill Village Hall
Pencil it in your diary
Tattoo it on your knuckles
And tell your friends
Free Entry
Barbecue - Bar - Fresh Produce - Stalls
Games - Cream Teas - Summer Music
And much, much more
Etchinghill Village Hall
Registered Charity No 302736 (1947)

Don't miss The Rude Mechanical
Theatre Co's
2008 visit to Lyminge!

NOAH BABEL'S ARK

A comedy thriller version of the Noah's
Ark story
set in Bermondsey in 1922
Sunday 20th July
at 7.30pm on Tayne Field
Hilarious, poetic and provocative!
Great mime! Great music!
Physical theatre at its very best.
Tickets from Lyminge Hardware or ring
01323-50-12-60 or buy online at
www.therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk
and read more about the play & this
popular company
"Simply beautiful!" Independent on
Sunday "Such a good time!" The Times

and going on into the future too.
Apparently they had lots of
complaints! It just shows that the little
people can change things sometimes!

Age Concern Elham Rural - June
2008

The winners of our April 100+ club
draw were 1st prize, number 72,
Patricia Smallwood, 2nd prize,
number 2, Josie Morgan and 3rd prize,
number 49 Vanessa Carr. 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, 1st prize winning £25, 2nd
£15, 3rd £10.

We will be holding a fundraising
coffee morning on Friday 25th July
from 10am till Mid day. Please come
along and support us, have a look
around the centre and see what we do.
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 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 acer.information@atlas.co.uk
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 and 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 ASSOCIATION NEWS

Clubs and Societies - we are trying to create a new 'Welcome' leaflet and update our library list - any update contact John on 862972 or e-mail jon@serenitas.co.uk

Spring clean on Sunday 11th May (our apologies for the incorrect date on last months front page). We worked in partnership with Lyminge Village Hall after another successful Lyminge Day with 8 volunteers plus a group of Brownies who all came along to litter pick and take down some of the protruding bushes. The previous week the committee had cleared 'the triangle' at the entrance to the hall of more protruding bushes and also repaired & repainted the railings. It just shows that if people volunteer WE can make a BIG difference to OUR community.

Garage Safari - Sunday 14th September 2008 - get planning for this event!

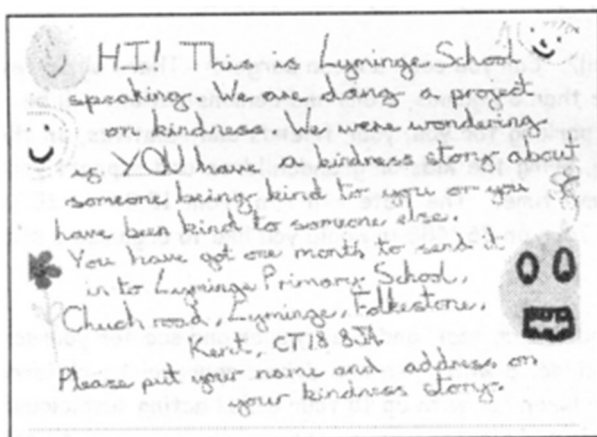
Walk leaflets - 2 walks have been prepared with 2 more volunteers for a couple of the remaining 4 'Millennium walks'. We hope to test the routes and decide upon the leaflet format shortly plus we still expect to re-launch the Pine Walk a bit later than planned.

New house finder map - this is being pursued and would be located on the back of the Area map near to the shops in Lyminge.

Troughs - we were waiting to hear back from Shepway DC but as they have now indicated that they have no unused ones to relocate we will have to buy some very soon.

Lyminge toilets - would you be willing to unlock and lock these - please contact Mike on 862073

Free Seniors bus pass - we hear that you can now use this after 9.00 am (previously 9.30 a.m.). Well done to all those who campaigned to be able to catch the 09.12 to Folkestone!



Lyminge Dramatic Society - Separate Tables

Our Autumn production will be Terence Rattigan's -Separate Tables. The play centres on the relationships between residents of a Bournemouth Hotel and was a triumph for Rattigan when it first opened. It was later made into a film starring Rita Hayworth, Deborah Kerr and Burt Lancaster. The play will run during week commencing 17 November in Lyminge Village Hall and auditions will be held on the evening of **Tuesday 15th July at Sibton Park Cricket Club.**

Younger adults will be particularly welcome but the not so young will also be very welcome. We are starting the search for a 1950's pram if anyone can lend us one for the play.

We look forward to seeing people at the auditions.

Elham to have a market once more

It's about two centuries since Elham had a regular market, but all that is changing with the start of a new regular Farmers' Market on Sunday 15 June. It will be held twice a month on the Triangle (the green at the southern end of the village) as a pilot for four months, by kind permission of the Elham Village Hall Committee.

Conceived over two years ago as an Elham in Business initiative, supported and funded throughout by the Kent Downs Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty (AONB) and with training provided by the Kent Farmers' Market Association (KFMA) the market is now all set to become a reality. It is managed by a committee made up of members representing all sections of the community who were delighted when Anne Leva (previously of Eurotunnel) agreed to become its first manager.

The market will be held on the second and fourth Sunday of the month, from 11.00 to 13.00. We aim to have up to 12 stalls at every market, selling a selection of produce including fruit and vegetables (some organic), eggs, cheese, fresh meat, fish, bread, cakes and pies, honey, jams and pickles, and wine. The majority of the produce will come from between 10 and 30 miles of Elham and will be sold by the producers themselves. Elham Farmers' Market is a place for shoppers to meet, it helps the environment by reducing food miles and encourages healthy eating by making fresh, high-quality food available in season and at realistic prices. Future market dates to put in your diaries are:

Sundays 15 June; 29 June; 13 July; 27 July; 10 August; 24 August; 14 September, 28 September. If it is judged to be a success after this time it will become a permanent feature in Elham's calendar.

For further information, please contact Anne Leva, Elham Farmers' Market Manager, t:

01303 840144, m: 07962 480144, email anneleva@tiscali.co.uk. Or visit our website <http://www.elhamfarmersmarket.co.uk>

ETCHINGHILL UPDATE

Farmers'/Craft Market

The next market is on 14th June. It gets bigger every month and in July it is linked to the Etchinghill Country Fete so don't miss out. Book both dates now. Contact Anne on 863174 for details Residents' Association

A good turn out at the Extraordinary General meeting of the Residents' Association heard what is happening in the village - who represents you on the new committee, and what they hope to achieve in the next year. Whether it is speeding, planning, highway maintenance, social issues, Neighbourhood Watch, or liaison with Lyminge Association, the Parish Council and the Village Hall Management Committee they will try to assist in resolving your concerns and interests. There is even talk of starting a regular coffee morning, 4U, at the hall to share issues, books, CDs or just companionship so watch this space. Your contact is David on 863918 **Village Hall**

Following the EGM of the Residents' Association the Extraordinary General Meeting of the Village Hall outlined the changes to the Constitution wherein the manner of election and the number of positions on the Management Committee was explained. Approval was also given to extend the tenure of the incumbent committee till May 2009 when the next ASM is scheduled. The decision not to proceed with the security camera surveillance was agreed subject to vandalism levels being low. This year is an expensive year, what with painting the hall, resurfacing the floor, electrical checks together with regulatory inspections of the fire alarms, fire extinguishers, emergency lighting and means of escape so a variety of fund raising events are planned for you to enjoy at the same time as raising much needed funds. It is your hall so why not support these events? Sorry but the hall will be closed from 11th August for two weeks whilst the works are going on. **Lindy Hop**

You sure missed something if you did not go to the Lindy Hop last month. Over 120 people were given a demonstration of this American craze of the 40's and 50's and then they were asked to join in towards the end of the evening to experience this type of dance. Nearly £700 was raised for the village hall funds and our thanks go to Keith and Rosemary Sutton for bringing Etchinghill to life by arranging such a great night out. Hoorah!

Etchinghill Country Fete

Can you supervise car parking? What about running a game or stall? Can you cook a mean burger? There are a few places left to show off your skills to the neighbourhood. More than 35 games, stalls and demonstrations will be in the grounds of the village hall on 12th July with plenty of FREE parking for you, your friends and relatives, on the amenity land in front of the village hall. So why not come along, bring the kids or grandchildren and support your community at this fun day out and help raise funds at the same time. The Fete will run from 12.00 to 15.30 overlapping the Farmers Market which starts at 10.00. Contact Jean on 862488 if would you like to organise a stall or game or just help on the day. There's still time you know! **Neighbourhood Watch**

If you come to the Fete on 12th July you will see the Neighbourhood Watch team and their wagon and see for yourself what you get for 'free'. Recent notification from the police include; a white van and driver approaching children whilst playing in Hythe, Ashford, Dover and Deal; a silver Chrysler Neon car with up to four males acting suspiciously in Lyminge and Hawkinge; guide lines to safe guard your garden tools and

planters during the growing season. All this is available to you for nothing. Better to be safe than sorry. Speak to Judith, your NhW coordinator, if you have any concerns on 862498

Dates for forthcoming events

14th June, 12th July, 9th August Farmers/Craft Market

12th July Village Fete

The New Inn
Etchinghill

Require Full-time Kitchen
Assistant Split shifts and
weekend work Hours and
wage to be discussed
at interview
To help chef prepare all dishes
For full details please call
Kevin on 862026
8am to 11am only - any day.

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Bought in error - brand new
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drawers
Includes many attachments
with full instructions
Any sensible offers
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RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE

Our AGM was held on the 21st May with 21 members attending. We have had another good year and the Committee was thanked for their hard work and support, and new members were encouraged to join the team. The Treasurer gave her report and finances look healthy. The competition cup was won by Daphne Andrews, with Jean Lissenden in 2nd place, Veronica Mosley 3rd, and Marie Hambrook 4th.

"Demelza Child", the new children's hospice being built in Eltham, won the vote for our charity for the year. The Raffle, Sales table and Tea ladies were also thanked for their efforts. We look forward to some more good speakers in the coming season, and on the 18th June Ann Hill will be talking on "The Royal British Legion". The competition for members will be a picture or photograph of a war memorial.

We finished the evening with an enjoyable fish and chip supper, followed by the Raffle. We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 7.30pm. Everyone is assured of a warm welcome. Marion Hoare 01303 862913

ETCHINGHILL W.I.

At the start of our May meeting a one minute silence was observed for Doreen Barnes, a long standing member who will be sadly missed.

The President welcomed thirty members to the resolutions meeting.

We have enjoyed two outings recently, a pub lunch to the Fountain Hotel, Seabrook and a cream tea at Farthingloe Farm, Dover.

A very successful bring and buy cake stall was held during the afternoon in aid of 'Project Paddington' water system for new Jerusalem Peru. Proceeds raised sufficient monies for two wells.

The resolutions ban on bottom trawling and the inappropriate imprisonment of the mentally ill were read by June Manton and Gill Le Cras. Members voted and the inappropriate imprisonment of the mentally ill was put forward.

Birthday posies were presented to Gladys Harris, Maggie Tappenden and Rita Warner. Tea was then served, the hostesses being Doreen Brown and Evelyn Holt. The next meeting is on **Tuesday 17th June at 2.30pm** when Mrs Tsuyoko Page will speak about flower arranging. Visitors are most welcome as this promises to be a very interesting subject. For further information please contact Barbara Syrett 265229 or Dottie Cross 862141

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL

HIRE FEES

Occasional Users

Standard weekday rates (08h30 to 23h00)

Hourly rate - up to 4 hours.....£7.00

1 Session - 4 continuous hours..... £21.00

2 Sessions - 8 continuous hours..... £42.00

All-day rate £70.00

Weekend rates (08h30 - 22h00 Sundays) will be £10.00, £30.00, £60.00 and £100.00 respectively

Discounted rates are available for **Etchinghill Residents** who are occasional hirers and for **Regular Users** after 12 months' hiring. **The 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 to 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.

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 its 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 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 Ofsted (Oct 2007).

We are a well established pre-school with committed, enthusiastic and

For details contact Mick or Dorothy Athow on
01303 862616

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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

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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
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area for 2008 together with spacious
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September are filling up fast so to
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admin@lymingepreschool.org.uk