

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

<http://www.lyminge.org.uk/>

August 2011

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THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION

LYMINGE ASSOCIATION NEWS

Everyone is invited to the Lyminge Association's **DRAGONS' DEN** at our AGM on Wednesday 28th 2011. Could your Organisation, Club or Society do with £250 ? We are hosting the Lyminge version of *Dragons' Den* and you could make your case in a five minute presentation to the panel of our "Dragons" to win an award of £250. This is open to groups that benefit the communities of our distribution area of Lyminge, Rhodes Minnis, Etchinghill and Postling. For more details please look out for posters around the village, or contact Richard on 862015.

Lyminge Calendar 2012 ~ We are producing a Jubilee Calendar for next year and we need pictures! Do you have any photographs of the villages over the past 60 years to show how things have changed ?? Particularly the shops and businesses in the villages, including the ones that are not there any more. Please call Adrian on 862328 if you can help.

The Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II ~ One of the events being planned for part of the celebrations next June is to be an Audio-Visual presentation along similar lines to that produced for the Millennium - do you remember that? This will cover the Queen's reign and some of the world events that have occurred over the past 60 years together with what has happened closer to home in our villages, and how our lives have changed in those years ! Do you have any special memories of village events and photographs that would help with this presentation? We are also looking for iconic objects from those decades. Do you still have one of those tiny TVs, that we watched to see the Coronation, tucked away in attic, or a really old radio?? If you can help and have some ideas of your own, please contact Adrian on 862699.

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LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Wed 3 rd Aug	7.00pm	Holy Communion (short 10-15mins said)
	7.30pm	Open House (Bible study & discussion)
	9.15pm	Time of Silence & Quiet Prayer until 10pm
Sun 7 th Aug	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW order 2)
	10.30am	WOW (World of Worship) with puppets)
Wed 10 th Aug	7.00pm	Holy Communion (short 10-15mins said)
	7.30pm	Open House (Bible study & discussion)
	9.15pm	Time of Silence & Quiet Prayer until 10pm
Thurs 11 th Aug	2.00pm	Time for Tots
Sun 14 th Aug	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wed 17 th Aug	7.00pm	Holy Communion (short 10-15mins said)
	7.30pm	Open House (Bible study & discussion)
	9.15pm	Time of Silence & Quiet Prayer until 10pm
Sun 21 st Aug	10.30am	Family Communion with Sunday School
	6.00pm	Evensong
Wed 24 th Aug	7.00pm	Holy Communion (short 10-15mins said)
	7.30pm	Open House (Bible study & discussion)
	9.15pm	Time of Silence & Quiet Prayer until 10pm
Sun 28 th Aug	8.00am	Holy Communion (CW order 2)
	10.30am	Holy Communion
Wed 31 st Aug	7.00pm	Holy Communion (short 10-15mins said)
	7.30pm	Open House (Bible study & discussion)
	9.15pm	Time of Silence & Quiet Prayer until 10pm

Afternoon Tea - Nailbourne Court – NO MEETING THIS MONTH

This is held in the lounge from 3 - 5pm.

If you would like to come but need a lift, contact Sue on 862221

Wentworth Craft Group – Wentworth Close - Tuesday 2nd August

2pm – 4pm in the lounge. Even if you are not a 'crafty' person, you are still very welcome to come along for a cup of tea and a chat

For more information contact Lynne on 863010

Coffee morning – Wentworth Close - Tuesday 9th August

This is held in the lounge from 10.00-11.30am. Do join us as we meet with the residents of Wentworth Close for coffee and a chat

Time for Tots – Thursday 11th August

This is a short pre-school friendly service for babies and toddlers with toys and action songs. Also a chance for their carers to get together and chat. Refreshments provided

For more information contact Vanessa on 862432 or Trish on 862151

Mothers Union

For more details about the dates below please contact Sue on 862221

NO MEETING IN LYMINGE THIS MONTH

Thursday 25th August - 12 midday

Prayer time in St Gabriel's Chapel at Canterbury Cathedral

Prayer Shawl Ministry Group – Wednesday 17th August

This group meets in Nailbourne Court Lounge from 2.30 -4.30pm to knit prayer shawls and pray for the people they are for. This is a joyous and useful way to bring prayer and healing to our world and everyone is welcome to join in whether you can knit or not. Tea & coffee are provided. For more information contact Madelaine Lewis on 863582.

Bereavement Support Lunch – Thursday 18th August

Coach and Horses Pub - 12.00 for 12.30pm

All are welcome and transport can be arranged,

Please contact Vanessa on 862432

St Nicholas Fayre Craft Group – Tuesday 23rd August

This group meets at 68 Silverlands Road every month to organise and create articles for the St Nicholas Fayre Craft Stall.

Anyone is welcome especially if they have some new ideas for us

Contact Lynne on 863010

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 August:-

7th Aug - 9.30am Valley Service, Rhodes Minnis

14th Aug - Rev Robin Blount

21st Aug - Rev Derek Hancock (Holy Communion)

28th July - Mr David Forman

4th Sept - Rev Kevin Taylor

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals, please contact the Minister, Rev Kevin Taylor on **01303 266281**

Rhodes Minnis Church

This small Chapel in beautiful countryside surroundings holds a weekly Sunday Service normally at 9.30am. Followed by coffee and biscuits

A warm welcome is extended to any visitors

Preachers for August:

August 7 - Mr. Dudley Shipton - Valley service (with the congregations of both Elham and Lyminge).

August 14 - Pastor Richard Blackwell

August 21 - Rev. Derek Hancock (includes Holy Communion)

August 28 - Mr. David Foreman

POSTLING CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 7th August Evensong 6.30pm

Sunday 14th August Family Communion 9.30am

Sunday 21st August Holy Communion 8am

Sunday 28th August Family Service 9.30am

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 all churches and added to private prayer life.

Terms and Conditions. Next month's deadline is the 18th of the month

Email your copy in word.doc format to the editor – see below. Your payment must be received before your article or advert can appear in the Newsletter. Please leave your payment in a sealed envelope at the Lyminge Hardware Store or at the Lyminge Library. Your name, organisation and telephone number must be included on the envelope and with your advertisement or copy.

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WHAT'S ON

We would like you to give us details of your future events for this page. This will help us all plan for our own events and help spread them throughout the year. There is no charge for entries on this page. For entries into future issues please phone **Gillian on 863232** and leave a message if necessary, or email **page3lym@googlemail.com** by 18th of the month.

One Off Events In Forthcoming Months		When and Where?	Contact Details
6 Aug	Concert: "From the Cradle to the Grave"	7:30 Postling Church	863284 Peter
6 Aug	Rhodes Minnis Summer Flower Show	2:30pm Rhodes Minnis Village Hall	862865 Daphne
13 Aug	Boot Sale	6:00 am Etchinghill Cricket Club	
13 Aug	Gardener's Summer Show	2:00 Lyminge Methodist Hall	863225 Peter
15 Aug	Cinema Club Preview Film	7:00 Etchinghill Village Hall	863873 Barbara
15-17 Aug	Beer Festival	Coach and Horses	862694 Alicja
15 Aug	Interclub Gardeners' Competition	7:00 Newington Village Hall	863049 Christina
27 Aug	Boot Sale	6:00 am Etchinghill Cricket Club	
13 Sep	Talk: Spanish Sun by Shaukat Khan	7:15 Tayne Centre	862073 Mike
17 Sept	Quiz Night	7:00 Etchinghill Village Hall	863333 Lorraine
20 Sept	Talk: Bee Keeping	7:30 Lyminge Methodist Hall	863049 Christina
2 Oct	Garage Safari throughout the village	And Lyminge Village Hall	863197 Liz
15 Oct	Quiz Night	7 for 7:30pm start Lyminge Village Hall	862928 Honor 862530 Nikki
5 Nov	Bonfire Night	6:30 for 7pm. Lyminge Village Hall	862928 Honor 862530 Nikki
18-26 Nov	Play by Lyminge Dramatic Society	Lyminge Village Hall	
3 Dec	St Nicholas Fayre	Lyminge Village Hall	
7 Dec	Railway Swing Band	7 for 7:30pm start Lyminge Village Hall	862928 Honor 862530 Nikki
Weekly Events	What?	When and Where?	Contact details
Mondays	Singing. Starting in September	10:30 – 12 Lyminge Methodist Hall	01233 750585 Celia
Mondays	Etchinghill Open House	10 am Etchinghill Village Hall	863394 Edna
Mondays	Monday Fellowship	2:30 Lyminge Methodist Parlour	863832 Mary
Mondays	Women's Circuit Training Fitness	7:30-8:30 Lyminge Methodist Hall	07951698008 Katherine
Wednesdays	Gentle Exercise Class	10:15-11:15 Lyminge Methodist Hall	862465, 862873 Christine
Wednesday	Cantores Dominicae Choir	7:30 Lyminge School	01233 503686 Jenny
Wednesdays	Scottish Dancing	8:00 Etchinghill Village Hall	
Wednesdays	French Conversation	7pm, Korf House. Canterbury Road	862972 Vanessa
Thursdays	Lyminge Art Groups – AM/PM	10am, 2pm Lyminge Methodist Hall	211364 Linda, 862972 John
Thursdays	Rhodes Minnis Toddlers' Group	10am Rhodes Minnis Village Hall	863096 Elaine
Fridays	Women's Circuit Training Fitness	11:30-12:30 Lyminge Methodist Hall	07951698008 Katherine
Monthly Event	What?	When and Where?	Contact Details
1 st and 3 rd Mon	Healthwalk	10:15 Lyminge Village Hall	862959 Val
2 nd and 4 th Mon	Healthwalk	10:15 Elham Square	862959 Val
Last Mon	Parish Council Meeting	See Parish Council page in Newsletter	239500 Crispin
1 st Tue	Lyminge Historical Society	7:45 Lyminge Methodist Hall	840419 Derek
3 rd Tue	Etchinghill W. I. Meeting	2:30 Etchinghill Village Hall	863503 Rita
1 st Wed	Lyminge Friends	10:30 Lyminge Methodist Parlour	862427 Mavis
2 nd Wed	Mothers' Union	10:30 Lyminge Nailbourne Parlour	862221 Sue
3 rd Wed	Rhodes Minnis Evening Circle	7:30 Rhodes Minnis Village Hall	862913 Marion
4th Fri	Beetle Drive	7:30pm. Rhodes Minnis Village Hall	862616 Mick
1 st Sat.	Farmers and Craft Market	10:00 Etchinghill Village Hall	862832 Bryan
2 nd Sat	Coffee Morning	10:00 Postling Church	863536 Pat
3 rd Sat	Coins for Clutter	Lyminge Methodist Hall	862164 Denise
Last Wed	Quiz Night	7:30pm. Coach and Horses	862694 Alicja
3 rd Sun ¹	Parish Walk	10:00 Rhodes Minnis Village Hall	862015 Richard
Last Sun	Lyminge Poetry Group	Methodist Church Parlour	863474 Dave

¹ Note: The August Parish Walk is on Sun 14th.



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Alternatively, email admin@lymingepreschool.org.uk and
visit our website www.lymingepreschool.org.uk



SIBTON PARK CRICKET CLUB CRICKET WEEK 8th-12th August

The fixtures for the week are as follows:

- a) Monday 8th August v The GNOMES
 - i. 2pm Start
 - ii. Bangers and Mash after the game
- b) Tuesday 9th August v OVERSEAS X1
 - i. 2pm Start
 - ii. Former West Indian Legend Collis King
will be turning out for the club
 - iii. Aussie BBQ after the game
- c) Wednesday 10th August v The Forty Club
 - i. 2pm Start – includes Vice President's
Lunch
 - ii. Activities night – includes a giant game
of rounders and water balloon throwing
 - iii. Chilli Con Carne for supper
- d) Thursday 11th August v Selsdon CC
 - i. 2pm Start
 - ii. Games Night
 - iii. Camping sleepover at the Park
 - iv. Jacket Potatoes and a variety of fillings
- e) Friday 12th August v MCC – 11am
 - i. 11am Start
 - ii. Cooked Breakfast for the sleepovers
 - iii. Hog Roast in the evening
 - iv. Live Band – CHUTES – play an acoustic set
in the marquee

We welcome all residents to the club at any time during the week
and offer an open invitation to utilise the club's excellent facilities
and programme of events.

For further information please contact Andy Allon –
aallon@harveygs.kent.sch.uk or call the club on – 01303 863251



In Aid of the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund Registered Charity: 2843483

Step Back in Time at our Boot Fayre & 40's Themed Afternoon

**on Saturday 20th August
12 noon - 3.30pm**

at Park House, Stelling Minnis

Vintage Track Vehicles - Jeeps - Large Lorries

Land Rovers - Motorbikes

Home Guard - Desert War Display - Civil Defence

Cooking Lessons with short ingredients

Live Music

Dancing to Music with Khanright Dog Training

Fun Classes for Dogs

Refreshments

Admission by donation - Plenty of free parking

Boots are welcome from 8am: Cars £7.50 / Vans £10

More Events at Park House

Saturday 10th September - Boot & Autumn Fayre

Saturday 22nd October - Boot Fayre & Clearance Sale

**For further information telephone
01303 862622**

Email: lord.whisky@btinternet.com

Visit our website: www.lordwhisky.co.uk



FARMERS and CRAFT MARKET ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL

St Mary's Drive, Meriden Park CT18 8 NQ

Saturday 6 August

10.00am – 12.30pm

First Saturday in the Month

Contact Number for bookings

Bryan – 01303 862832

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Hall Redevelopment Fundraiser

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Talk @ 7.30pm
Tuesday 13th September
 price £3 ~ free tea/coffee at 7.15

Zumba Classes!

Every Monday at Lyminge Methodist Church Hall

6-7pm

Classes are only £4 or book a block of 5 sessions for £18!

If you would like to know any more information, contact me on:

Email: kayleigh.hall@pent-valley.kent.sch.uk

Mobile: 07898300504

Website: <http://www.zumba.com/profiles/148894/kayleigh-hall>

No need to book, just come along and bring your friends!

Ditch the workout, join the party!

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THE LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY'S



ANNUAL COACH TRIP

20TH SEPTEMBER 2011

A DAY OUT AT CHATHAM DOCKYARD

INCLUDING

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- THE STORY OF THE TRAGIC LINER AND HER SISTER SHIPS



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Lyminge Gardeners Society

Saturday 13th August Summer Show

Staging of Exhibits 8.30-10.30am.

Doors Open at 2pm. Lyminge Methodist Hall

Monday 15th August Interclub Competition
 with Newington and District Garden Association.

To be held Newington Village Hall at 7pm.
 Come along and enjoy the evening.
 Refreshments and raffle.





THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION ELHAM VALLEY BRANCH

The Royal British Legion, Elham Valley Branch, would like to thank all the residents of Lyminge and its surrounds who supported our recent evening with the 1st Royal Gurkha Rifles. Visitors were piped into the Village Hall by the regiment's pipe major in full tartan regalia. We were thrilled to welcome Major David Jones and Lieutenant Charlie Russell who fascinated an audience of 140 with their photos and tales of their most recent tour to Afghanistan. We learned of the day to day trials and rewards of life with the local people and what it is like to deal with the Afghan authorities, as well as the hardships of daily battle. 18 riflemen were present, all of whom had seen action in Afghanistan and they were very proud to show and to explain to us their guns and equipment. The evening was concluded with a comprehensive raffle and we would like to thank all the local people and businesses who donated prizes. As a result of the evening, we will be very pleased to send cheques for just over £500 each to the Poppy Appeal and the Gurkha Wounded fund.



COINS FOR CLUTTER

TABLE BOOT FAIR
SATURDAY 20 August
RAISING FUNDS FOR
TAYNE CENTRE RENOVATION GROUP
LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH
TO BOOK A TABLE PHONE FLORRIE
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Junior Football - We have entered U8, U10, U12, U13 & U15 teams into the Faversham & District Friendly Junior Football Series. There are still squad places available, we are a friendly club who want to give children the opportunity to play football! Please contact us if you would like to join on 840770.

Men's Football - Our first few training sessions have been very successful and new players are always welcome. Training starts at **10.30am on Sundays**. Training is taken by retired Coventry City and Dover Athletic (to name but a few) professional player Tony MacDonald. All players need shin pads and please bring a drink. This training session is for adults and players 16+. The team has been accepted into the Hythe, Folkestone and District League, First Division. Please contact Richard on 840770 for more information.

LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

TUESDAY 9th AUGUST 2011

An afternoon visit to

Goodnestone House and Gardens

Meet at the Methodist Church for those requiring transport

Non-members welcome.

Call Marian on 01303 862015 for further details

COACH & HORSES BEER FESTIVAL

19TH - 21ST AUGUST 2011

- ❖ Selection of Real Ales and Ciders
- ❖ BBQ & Hog-roast
- ❖ Live Music

Call 01303 862 694 for reservations, and updates on the beers and ciders.

Have a great day with the family sampling the best beers, tasting scrumptious ciders and chilling out to some great music

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Lyminge Dramatic Society

We are delighted to announce that our next production, "**The Flint Street Nativity**", has now been cast and rehearsals will be under way very soon. Our set designers are scratching their heads to design a complicated set and our costume people are already rifling through the costume store to find appropriate costumes, although we fear that they will have to get out their sewing machines in the very near future.

All that remains of for our very loyal audience – the people of the Elham valley – to make a note of the dates, **23rd - 26th November**.

Please remember though, that despite the title, this is **NOT a traditional nativity play** suitable for young children. All the parts are played by adults and the themes explored are quite mature ones, more suited to older children and adults. However, that said, it is a very funny play which began life as a BBC play, acted by the likes of Frank Skinner, Stephen Thompkinson, Jane Horrocks and Josie Lawrence to name but a few, but more about the show in the autumn. Just make sure that you have those dates in your diary – you really won't want to miss it!



Flower Festival and Garden Safari 25th and 26th June 2011

Lyminge Methodist Church would like to thank all the wonderful people who made the weekend so special. The theme was 'The Royal Wedding'.

Farthing Common Plant Centre set the scene by kindly loaning us four 9' trees for the "Westminster Abbey look-alike". The following organisations displayed clever flower arrangements throughout the church, supported by Pam Couchman's wedding dress, as it happened to be Pam and Ian's wedding anniversary as well!

Etchinghill W.I.	Lyminge Guides & Scouts
Ethelburga Parish Church	Lyminge Primary School
Folkestone Rainbow Centre	Mothers and Toddlers
Lyminge Badminton Club	Operation Sunshine
Lyminge Bowls Club	Rhodes Minnis Methodist Church
Lyminge Friends	Samuel Jacobs Hair Salon
Lyminge Gardeners	Sibton Park Holiday Homes

The Rainbows with their lovely "Crock of Gold at the end of the Rainbow" display. Outside the "Arts & Crafts" group had erected an enormous lady called "Lily Litter" displaying the rubbish collected on Tayne Field opposite over a short period of time, to make a very important point.

The whole village came alive for two days, discovering the "Ethelburga Quilters" in the Parish Church and not forgetting their lovely quilt enhancing our own Methodist Church (much admired). There were open gardens everywhere to enjoy and our recently named Tayne Centre (formerly Methodist Hall) hosted many things with competitions and "feeding of the 4,000" - organised by our wedding couple Pam and Ian Couchman and their hard-working helpers, including Pat Gear, who was firmly rooted at her raffle table!! Thank you everybody for making it such a memorable event.

Marilyn Norton

LYMINGE YOUTH ACTION

- Do You Want To Get Fit?
- Have you tried Jubilee fields exercise machines yet?
 - These machines are for **ALL** ages.
 - They are free, you can go there anytime, they are easy to use.

The tennis net is now up in the multi-surface area it would be nice to see it being used.

If you want some company to start you off, ring Jane 01303 862142

Have some fun and get fit too!

Jane - Lyminge Youth Action

ST MARTIN'S CHURCH ACRISE

Flower Festival

**6th and 7th of August 2011
10am to 4.30pm**

Come along and enjoy a visit to our Church which will be decorated.

There will also be stalls, games, ploughman's lunches and other refreshments, and lots of fun.

FREE entry and FREE parking

LYMINGE FRIENDS

Meetings are 10.30 - 12.30 in the Methodist Church Parlour.
Everyone welcome.

Wednesday 3rd August - A talk on Hearing Dogs for the Deaf - R. Stichbury then Pub Lunch
Wednesday 17th August - Day trip to Walmer Castle -***note change of date....***
Wednesday 7th September - A talk on Stained Glass - Judith Lansdell then Pub Lunch
Wednesday 14th September - Trip to Little Farthingloe Farm & Women's Land Army Museum
Wednesday 5th October - A talk on a Family History journey back in time - Rosemary Piddock
Friday 14th October - Curry Night

No membership fees - only £1.50 per month. For more details contact Marian on 862015

Lyminge Bowls Club

There are not many home fixtures in August, but a warm welcome awaits you if you want to come along and watch.

Friday 5 th	Ladies Captain's Day – the green will be full of our lady members and guests invited from all neighbouring clubs.
Tuesday 9 th	Ladies from Hythe visit for a friendly game
Sunday, 14 th	Today we will be visited by bowlers from Wear Bay
Tuesday, 16 th	Ladies from Folkestone visit for a friendly game
Saturday 21 st	Barham bowlers visit Lyminge
Saturday 21 st	Geoff Marsh Trophy – an all day club competition starting at 10.00 am
Sunday 16 th	Today we will be visited by bowlers from Minster



All games (except on the 21st) start at 2.30 pm. In addition, club members will be found playing on the green on Wednesday afternoons and Friday evenings. If you want to have a go, come along and ask. Call 863495 for further information.

Rhodes Minnis Evening Circle

Our speaker on the 20th July was Mrs Tswyoko Page who demonstrated "Ikebana". This is the Japanese art of flower arranging which is an ancient craft using simple flower arrangements. Mrs Page made eight beautiful arrangements which she kindly donated for the Raffle. The competition was won by Ann Weatherall. In August we have an outing to Squerryes Court in Westerham, and on the 2nd September we are having lunch at the Kings Arms in Elham. Our next meeting is on the 21st September when Kieran Renihan will talk about The Chocolate Man. We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 7.30pm, and everyone is welcome to join us. Marion Hoare 862913

ETCHINGHILL W.I.

Members were welcomed to the July meeting by Barbara Syrett.
Many of us enjoyed lunch at the Black Horse, Monks Horton last month. We were asked to support a W.I. scheme nationwide to sign a petition to keep local libraries open.
A birthday posy was presented to June Price.
Our speaker, Mr. Eric Spear, gave a talk about Victorian school life. A retired headmaster of Staplehurst School for many years, he spoke about the history of the school which was the first board school to be opened in 1872. He showed slides of original photos of the school staff and pupils going back over 100 years. The life and times of that era was most interesting.
We then enjoyed tea, the hostesses being Gladys Harris, Pat Kent and Julia Tappenden.
There will be no meeting in August, next meeting will be on 20th September at 2.30pm in the village hall when Helen Allinson will speak about "A hundred years of toys and play". Visitors always welcome.
For further information please contact Barbara Syrett on 265229 or Rita Warner on 863503

Lyminge Heritage Questions and Answers

A couple of months ago, I speculated that I had seen a raven circling on the thermals above the North Downs' escarpment (Q25). They are known to be nesting on the White Cliffs and to be foraging on Romney Marsh so a sighting seems possible. Since then, Mr David Godden has told me that in April, this year, he saw a Raven in his garden, in Lyminge, feeding on food left out for the birds. Recently he has added, "We have seen the Raven twice more. It flies over at some height, never coming into the garden. It does settle from time to time in the trees [near the Parish Church]. It's size make it easy to pick out from other birds."

I think it is fascinating that this most noble of birds has been seen in the locality. Has anybody else seen a raven nearby? As Mr Godden points out, ravens are much larger than other black birds having a wing span of 4 to 5 feet (1.2 - 1.5m). In comparison, a crow, the next largest black bird, has a wingspan of 3 to 3½ feet (0.9 - 1.1m). Other notable features of ravens are: a long, very thick bill; a wedge or diamond shaped, long tail; and long, 'fingered' wings.

Moving on, I have been reading a book about the pub games of Britain (A Taylor, Played at the Pub, (2009) Swindon: English Heritage.). Of interest, I have discovered that the Rose and Crown at Elham was the first public house in England to have a bar billiard table installed, in December 1933. At that time, to play a game of bar billiards cost 6d (3p) and a pint of beer cost 4d (2p).

This has set me thinking about what pub games/sports have been played at the local pubs. At the Coach and Horses, I remember darts, pool, and cribbage being played. Quiz nights are held there at present and Lyminge Football Club is based there. I also recall that there was an outdoor skittle alley, at the back of the pub, bordering on Tayne Field, in the 1980s. Memorable were the typical summer evening sounds of balls rolling along the alley, followed by the fall of skittles and the cheery banter of the rival teams. Darts has been played at the New Inn but I am unaware of any other pub games/sports being played locally. Does anyone know of others? (Q26). If you do then please contact me. In particular, was Bat and Trap, one of the forerunners of cricket, ever played locally?

That's all for this month. If you have any answers or want to ask any questions about the local heritage then please get in touch with me. Alistair Bailey (email: abailey447@aol.com tel: 864235)

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION MONDAY 15TH AUGUST

Come and see the mystery film at

Etchinghill Cinema Club's

first screening

Free entrance to all local residents.

7.00 pm at Etchinghill Village Hall.

Do come and sign up to become a member.

For more information please contact

Barbara on 862873.

Harry Storey

Jacqui & Family would like to thank everyone for all their support, numerous cards, flowers, donations and condolences at this very sad time.

Special thanks from all the family to Clive and Sheila at Sterry's Funeral Services.

It has been a great comfort to us all that Harry was so well liked and loved by so many. Harry your passing has left a huge void in our lives.

Many thanks

Jacqui Storey

Sibton Park Cricket Club Fund Raising **West to East Challenge 14th-19th August**

Mark Dobson (ex, Kent Cricketer and England Ladies Coach) and I, Andy Allon, will be travelling down to Lands' End on 14th August to cycle the 450 mile journey back to Sibton Park Cricket Club arriving back in the early evening of Friday 19th August. We are completing the ride to raise money for two projects, the development of Sibton Park's indoor facilities (for the benefit of all the community) and the Kenyan Manyatta Project, which is to reduce the impact of deforestation and help develop the local educational facilities.

The money raised for the Kenyan Manyatta Project so far has been of an enormous benefit to the area. For instance, in order to attend school, parents have to provide all the exercise books, pens, pencils etc. as well as contributing to the school running costs. When the average daily wage is the equivalent of £1.50, the purchase of such items is a considerable drain on a family income. All pupils in the village nursery school as well as the children of people who work in the tree nursery have been provided with books and stationery to last them a year. The tree nursery has also benefitted with contributions towards a huge water tank, seeds, seed bags and other running costs. Nursery provision is very much the poor part of the Kenyan education system. The village has to provide the buildings and any equipment and the parental contribution pays the teachers' salaries. The Nursery School in Manyatta is in dire need of assistance to make it fit for purpose, such as a water supply, a ceiling and proper windows.

I have set up an online donation facility that can be accessed using the following link – www.justgiving.com/Andy-Allon

For further information please contact Andy Allon – aallon@harveyqs.kent.sch.uk

CHRISTMAS DAY LUNCH CLUB

CHRISTMAS COMES BUT ONCE A YEAR

ON YOUR OWN, NO JOY?

**OH DEAR - COME AND JOIN US AT THE HALL
MAKE CHRISTMAS DAY THE BEST FOR ALL**



We are running a Christmas Day Lunch Club and are looking for members

- FOR:** Traditional Turkey Dinner and company
WHERE: Lyminge Village Hall
WHEN: 25th December: 12 noon
WHO: Anyone retired who is spending Christmas alone (couples also welcome)
MEMBERSHIP: £5 annually, payable in advance.

For further details please ring:
Sam/Kirsty - 01303 863256
or Clive (evenings only) - 01303 862540

Raising funds on behalf of Lyminge Village Hall
Reg Charity 281845

Etchinghill Update

August 2011

Farmers' Market

The next Farmers' Market will be held on Saturday morning 6th August from 10-12.30pm at the Village Hall.

Open House

Meetings as usual in the Village Hall, every Monday morning from 10-12, except 29th August which is the Bank Holiday.

15th August – Bring and Share luncheon

Etchinghill Residents' Association

17th September - Quiz Night with our resident Quiz Master, Robert Godfrey.

Tickets, costing £6.00 per head, will be on sale shortly and will include a Ploughman's Supper. Make sure you reserve a seat by contacting Lorraine on 863333

15th August - Preview of Etchinghill Cinema Club at Etchinghill Village Hall. 7.00 pm onwards.

All Etchinghill Residents are invited to our first film showing. **Free entry to all.** Come along and complete a membership form. All new members offered preferential rates. You also get a chance to let us know what films you would like us to screen. Our projectionist has kindly offered to screen a film (of his choosing) for free. The next two dates for film screenings will be Monday 17th October and Monday 21st November. For more information contact Barbara on 862873.

LYMINGE BABY AND TODDLER GROUP

Calling all parents, grandparents or carers with children under school age at a loose end on Tuesday mornings. We meet every week (during term time) at the Methodist Hall in Lyminge between 10.00am - 12 noon to give the children a chance to play and interact with others the same age.

We offer a wide range of craft and play activities including trikes, bikes and slides to painting books and jigsaws

We charge £1.50 per session (1st session free) which includes 'half time' refreshments for both adults and children.

Come and join in the fun.
For further information 'phone Karen
01303 863274

RHODES MINNIS TODDLER GROUP

We are a small group open to mums, dads, grandparents and carers who meet on Thursday mornings at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall any time between 10 am – 12 noon during term time.

Come and have a tea/coffee while having a friendly chat as your child plays. £1.50 per session (first session free)

Now on holiday – back Thursday 8th September

'Phone Elaine on 01303 863096 if you need more information

TAYNE CENTRE Hall HIRE



Previously known as the
Lyminge Methodist Church Hall

1 June to 30 September £5.50 per hour
£19.00 per 4 hour session £35.50 full day

1 October to 31 May £8.00 per hour
£26.50 per 4 hour session £46.50 full day
(including heating)

Parlour

All Year £5.00 per hour, with use of electric -
over heaters, if required.

Overnight Stays

1 June to 30 September £33
1 October to 31 May £44

For any enquiries please call **07971 722 401**

Lyminge Village Hall

Lyminge Village Hall, a Hallmark accredited 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 bar and servery and of course a large stage. We continue to improve the facilities with upgraded toilets and storage. The Management Committee hold regular fundraising events which are advertised elsewhere in the Newsletter. With the full stage now available, concerts and band bookings can be accepted. With excellent parking, kitchen facilities and plenty of tables and chairs our Village Hall makes a great place for larger celebrations or charity events.

Price example: Friday or Saturday evening £55.00

For full price details and availability just give

Jacqui Storey a call on 862044

Arriba Weight Loss Challenge

Running from Thursday 18th August

Lyminge Methodist Church Hall

6pm to 7pm.

The challenge runs for 12 weeks and costs only £39 for the 12 weeks. Our current leader in the Lyminge challenge has lost 28lbs and still has 3 weeks left to go.

Want results like this?

For your FREE wellness evaluation call Denise or Richard on 01303 890829 or 07514 818983.

We are offering the first 10 callers a free facial worth £25.

WHAT HAVE YOU GOT TO LOSE ???

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 £14.00 per session. £34.00 per day

Sat - £20.00 per session. £27.00 evening session

£55.00 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 18p 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



Lyminge Handbells



The Lyminge Handbell group continue to expand their selection of music and are available to play at private as well as public functions. If you are planning an occasion where the sound of traditional handbells would add to your celebration, we will be more than happy to come along. All we need is a large table, room for up to 12 players and a donation of at least £40 for our new charity, the Nepali Children's' Trust. A contribution to travelling costs is asked for if bookings are at locations more than 5 miles from Lyminge. Weekends and evenings only please and plenty of advance notice.

Want more info or make a booking? Just call Ro Edmond on 863201 or email welldorm@aol.com.

ROUNDERS AND BBQ

FUNDRAISING EVENT

Thursday 25th August

5pm - 9pm on Jubilee Field

Please come along and join us for this family fun event to help raise funds for the TAYNE CENTRE PROJECT

The rounders match is free and open to all
Hot BBQ food and cold drinks will be on sale.

See you there!

RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL

Summer Flower Show

At the Village Hall

Saturday, 6th August 2011

(viewing from 2.30pm)

Schedules now available from
Daphne Andrews on 862865

Classes Open to Everyone!

There will be a Raffle, Tombola, Bric-a-Brac, Cake and Produce Stalls.

Lots of Fun for everyone



Lyminge Football Club



The new season starts with a series of friendlies on Sundays throughout August at the Village Hall pitch with games kicking off at 10.30am.

Last year was our most successful finishing fourth in the League. We also came second in the Respect League for our behaviour on and off the pitch. The club is now well set up with many local people playing a prominent role and Alice at the Coach and Horses providing financial backing. We welcome people from the village becoming involved, be it on or off the pitch and the players really appreciate supporters cheering them on. Any sponsorship received, whatever the amount, would greatly benefit the purchasing footballs etc.

For more information please contact Ross Butcher at rbutcher5@aol.com or 07967342226.

LYMINGE WEATHER STATISTICS - June 2011

Thanks to Mr D. Godden for these weather statistics and notes.

	Temperature (°C)	Air Pressure (hPa)	Wind Speed (mph)	Total Monthly Rainfall
Maximum	30.2 (28 June)	1025 (4-5 June)	28 (12 June) SW	101 mm (3.96 in)
Minimum	3.8 (10 June)	1001 (17-19 June)	Highest Daily Rainfall	21 mm (0.83 in) 5 June

This was the wettest June for seven years, roughly double the June average. Very welcome

Elham Tennis Club Welcomes New Members

Members can either book and play, or join the friendly club tennis sessions. Private and group coaching available for adults and juniors. There are currently nearly 20 juniors taking coaching. It's great fun! New people always welcome to join the coaching sessions at any time. Ball machine available for members wishing to practice.

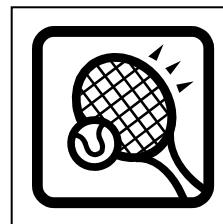
INFORMATION

Chairman: Richard: 3salrich@talktalk.net

Membership: Mike: m.ridley736@btinternet.com

Tournament: Helen: helenbright@btinternet.com

Coaching: Greg: on 07725195039 or greg@adttennis.co.uk



CLUB SESSIONS

Tuesdays 09.30 non competitive:

Sally : 3salrich@talktalk.net

Wednesdays 18.30 :

Scott: scott@jaggercreative.co.uk

Saturday afternoons: TBC

Richard: 3salrich@talktalk.net



Answers to last month's Word Search for 32 vegetables

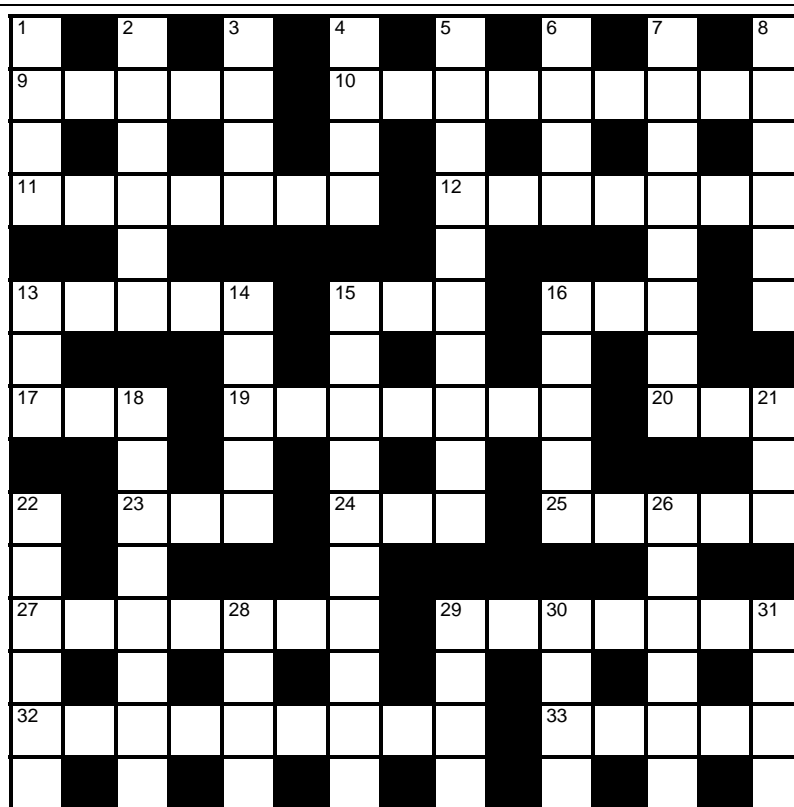
Aubergine Bean Beet Caper Celery Chard Chili Chive
Cole Corn Cress Endive Fitch Garlic Gherkin Greens Kale
Kohlrabi Leek Lentil Maize Mustard Nettle Okra Onion
Pea Radish Sage Soy Spinach Swede Yam



The Occasional Crossword – Cryptically inclined this month with some anagrams. Answers next month

Across

- 9** A foreigner found when mixed up in a line. (5)
10 Attending in an action or on the stage. (9)
11 Less gas - makes liquid containers. Could also be slang for spectacles. (7)
12 Making a copper drum - ain't imp confused? (7)
13 Treads in more ways than one. (5)
15 Cease to exist (3)
16 Perceive by 16 down (3)
17 An Egyptian goddess, makes a hard shelled seed and affixes it to a bolt, as small as half an em. (3)
19 An avian spring activity (7)
20 The outcome of a solidifying action (3)
23 What an oculus is to you or me. (3)
24 Pin something down (3)



- 25** Savour, change a test for a result. (5)
27 A small country house (7)
29 Siblings (7)
32 When a marmoset and Louis initially, enter a whirlpool this is the outcome. (9)
33 All of a dither I sit on this. (5)

- 22** Undergo a change or development. (6)
26 "... is believing." So we are told. (6)
28 Likewise Laos, as well. (4)
29 Quantifier. (4)
30 Yielding readily to pressure or weight. (4)
31 Mould (4)

Down

- 1** "You _____ Milord?" (4)
2 When a mathematical concept leads the charge for a job, then you can expect this type of plunderer to appear. (6)
3 Used when referring to my things. (4)
4 Verbalises (4)
5 Speak agitatedly and disjointedly (10)
6 Raise crops or animals (4)
7 From which muezzins call the hours of prayer (8)
8 Lie on rug, looking even more horrible. (6)
13 Male heir (3)
14 From that time. (5)
15 Persia's pad gets confused, then is gone from sight. (10)
16 What 23 across gives you. (5)
18 A time of roaring, when flappers danced and jazz blossomed. (8)
21 An article? Definitely. (3)

Out and About

Do you have any photos of local events or local groups in action, please call 01303 862699



◀ The SINGING LIVELY group in action at the Tayne Centre. This organisation won a grant from the Big Lottery Fund to provide a free six week singing course, which as can be seen was very well attended



▲ **CONGRATULATIONS** to our very own Auto Economy Centre in Etchinghill who have recently been awarded the AutoCare Group's "Garage of the Year Award"



◀ **The Village Hall Summer Madness Quiz** was won by Frugal Fergus team with 121 points. BUT we felt that the losers should have a moment in the limelight! So here are The Dimwits who only just trailed in at the end with a respectable 93 points

Mystery Photo

Last month's picture was the old turnstile leading down to the bottom of St Ethelburga's Well. Have a go at this one...



▲ **LYMINGE GUIDES** celebrated their 80th birthday this year, having been first registered in 1931. A grand Tea Party was held in the Village Hall when past members of the Company gathered for an afternoon of reminiscing. The Company scrapbooks were on display as was a display of the different uniforms that the Guides have worn over the past 80 years. A Visitors Book was available for everyone to add their memories. A great afternoon ! ▶



OPEN GARDENS SAFARI



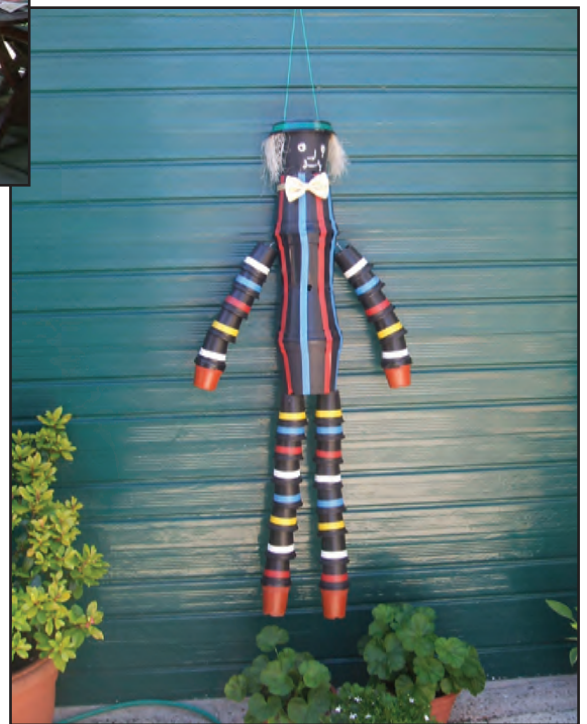
A small selection of photos of the beautiful gardens, the Quilts and the Flower Festival that were visited by over 300 people over the week-end of 25th and 26th June. It was all an inspiration to everyone and just goes to prove what we have always said - that Lyminge is a very special village. Thank you also to the two gardens in Etchinghill who added to the beauty of the week-end.

The results of the **Garden Art Competition** were as follows:

- 1st ~ Hannah Mumford, Alex Collingwood and Abbey Mumford
- 2nd ~ Ian Andrews "Village Park Attendant"
- ~ Lyminge Rainbows 'Rainbow Gardens'
- 3rd ~ Fran & Rod Davis "Flower Pot Man"
- ~ Lyminge School Class 1 "Pebble Minibeasts"
- ~ Lyminge School Class 5 "Decorated Flower Pots"
- ~ Gillian Beswick "Ceramic Toadstools"

All received vouchers for Lyminge Hardware and a special Certificate to keep. Thank you to all who took part.

The "Flower Pot Man" ~ Rod & Fran Davis' entry to the Garden Art Competition



'Help for Heroes' Quilts made by the Ethelburga Quilters on display in the Parish Church. These quilts have now been delivered to the 'Help for Heroes' charity.



**Some more views of
the Garden Safari and
Lyminge Festival**



The Royal Wedding theme at the Methodist Church. What a brilliant idea with those hats !



Just part of the colourful display of quilts
in the Parish Church



The view from the top of the tower at St. Mary & St. Ethelburga, well worth the climb up all those steps !

*Thank you to everyone who supplied
photographs for these pages*

