

# THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

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

**January 2012**

Produced by  
**THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION**

## LYMINGE ASSOCIATION NEWS

*Happy New Year from the Lyminge Association !*

**Lyminge Calendar 2012** ~ If you didn't receive one of these collectors' items for Christmas or didn't manage to buy one - good news - you still have a chance to buy one. They will still be available for a little while longer in Lyminge Hardware, the Post Office and the Newsagents. Don't miss out !!

*A Big Thank You* to Bill and Ian at Laing Bennett for providing even more lights for the Village Tree this year and for helping with the Father Christmas Delivery Service.  
Our thanks also go to Mr & Mrs Hunt-Cooke for donating the tree itself to the village once again.

**BUS TIMETABLE** - We were asked if we could include bus times in the Newsletter and we have included the latest times from Stagecoach in this issue. We hope to keep this up to date and include it when space allows. Please let us know if this is helpful.

**Garage Safari** - If you have a great New Year Clear Out, don't throw things away - keep them for the Spring Garage Safari to be held on Saturday 21st April and turn them into cash !!

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## **LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES & ACTIVITIES**

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**Church Website:** [www.lymingechurch.co.uk](http://www.lymingechurch.co.uk)

<b>Sun 1<sup>st</sup> Jan</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b> (CW order 2)
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>WOW - World of Worship</b>
<b>Sun 8<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
<b>Wed 11<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Open House Bible Study &amp; Discussion</b>
<b>Thurs 12<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>2.00pm</b>	<b>Time for Tots</b> A short pre-school friendly service for babies and toddlers with toys and action songs
<b>Sun 15<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Family Communion</b> with Sunday School
	<b>6.00pm</b>	<b>Evensong</b>
<b>Wed 18<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Open House Bible Study &amp; Discussion</b>
<b>Sun 22<sup>nd</sup> Jan</b>	<b>8.00am</b>	<b>Holy Communion</b>
	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Joint Service with the Methodists</b> (at the Parish Church) <b>for the Week of Prayer for Christian Unity</b> (followed by lunch in the Tayne Centre)
<b>Wed 25<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>7.30pm</b>	<b>Open House Bible Study &amp; Discussion</b>
<b>Sun 29<sup>th</sup> Jan</b>	<b>10.30am</b>	<b>Matins</b> followed by Holy Communion

### **Afternoon Tea - Nailbourne Court**

THERE WILL BE NO TEA THIS MONTH

The next meeting will be on Sunday 5<sup>th</sup> February

This will be 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**

THERE WILL BE NO MEETING DURING JANUARY.

Meetings will recommence on Tuesday February 7<sup>th</sup> at 2.30pm

### **Coffee morning – Wentworth Close - Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> January**

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

### **Mothers Union**

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

#### **Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> January**

12.noon Christmas Lunch at the Coach and Horses Pub

#### **Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> January - 12 midday**

Prayer time in St Gabriel's Chapel at Canterbury Cathedral

### **Prayer Shawl Ministry Group – Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January**

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 19<sup>th</sup> January**

Coach and Horses Public House - 12.00 for 12.30pm

All are welcome and transport can be arranged,

Please contact Vanessa on 862432

### **St Nicholas Fayre Craft Group**

#### **2.00pm – 4.00pm on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> January**

Meeting at 'Arran' 68 Silverlands Road

We will be reviewing this year's very successful Fayre (our stall raised around £450) and we will be planning what to make for 2012

Anyone is welcome especially if they have some new ideas for 2012

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 coffee/tea.

**1<sup>st</sup> January** - Mr Terry Preston

**8<sup>th</sup> January** - Mrs Georgia Reed

**15<sup>th</sup> January** - Mrs Chris Bence

**22<sup>nd</sup> January - 10.30am** United Service at the Parish Church Preacher: Rev. John Makey

**29<sup>th</sup> January** - Mr Colin Pearson

**5<sup>th</sup> February** - Mr David Foreman

**Monday Fellowship** 2.30-3.30pm Weekly in the Parlour Re-start 9<sup>th</sup> Jan. Feeling low after all the festivities?

Come and join a welcoming group of ladies and gentlemen, with interesting speakers, singing, games, etc., and a cup of tea.

**Wednesday 7.30-8.30pm – Reflections:** A less formal time of worship.

For Baptisms, Weddings or Funerals, please contact the Rev. Kevin Taylor, on **01303 261500**

## **Rhodes Minnis Church**

This small Chapel in beautiful countryside holds a weekly Sunday Service normally at 9.30am followed by coffee and biscuits. A warm welcome is extended to any visitors.

Jan. 1 - **3pm** Covenant service - Rev. Sam Funnell

Jan. 8 - Mrs. Georgia Reed

Jan.15 - Mr. Hugh Burnham

Jan.22 - Rev. Derek Hancock

Jan.29 - Rev. Kevin Taylor

## **POSTLING CHURCH SERVICES**

**Sunday 1st January** Evensong 6.30pm

**Sunday 8th January** Family Communion 9.30am

**Sunday 15th January** Holy Communion 8am

**Sunday 22nd January** Family Service 9.30am

**Sunday 29th January** No service in Postling

## **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. Copy deadline is 18th January**

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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# Event Planner

This page is printed to give readers and organisers the opportunity of planning their events without clashing with existing events which are already 'in the diary'. It is not intended as the sole means of advertising and we do not take responsibility for errors or omissions. Acceptance is at the discretion of the editor. Please send your updates either by email to [Page3lym@aol.com](mailto:Page3lym@aol.com) or via the other methods outlined on Page 2. Location and name codes are as follows:

**C&H:** Coach & Horses; **ECC:** Etchinghill Cricket Club; **EVH:** Etchinghill Village Hall; **ERA:** Etchinghill Residents' Association; **ES:** Elham Square; **JF:** Jubilee Field; **KH:** Korf House; **LB:** Laing Bennett; **LL:** Library; **LMC:** Lyminge Methodist Church; **LPC:** Lyminge Parish Church; **LPO:** Lyminge Post Office; **LSH:** Lyminge School Hall; **LVH:** Lyminge Village Hall; **LW:** Lord Whisky; **NP:** Nailbourne Parlour; **NVH:** Newington Village Hall; **PC:** Postling Church; **PH:** Lord Whisky, Park Hse. **RVH:** Rhodes Minnis Village Hall; **RMC:** Rhodes Minnis Church; **SNL:** See NewsLetter for details; **TC:** Tayne Centre.

ONE OFF or IRREGULAR EVENTS					ONE OFF or IRREGULAR EVENTS				
Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
<b>2012</b>									
16 Jan	7.00pm	Etchinghill Cinema	EVH	863333					
21 Jan	11am	Jumble Sale	TC						
28 Jan	7.30pm	Winter Blues Quiz	LVH	862928					
3 Feb	7.30pm	Quiz Night	LVH	863506					
4 Feb	10.00am	Village Market	EVH	863819					
10/11 Feb	6.00pm	Valentine Meal	C&H	862694					
18 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am	Jumble Sale	Lympne						

WEEKLY EVENTS					WEEKLY EVENTS				
Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	10:00am	Open House	EVH	863394	Wed	7:30pm	Cantores Domincae Choir	LSH	01233 503686
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	TC	01233 750223	Wed	7:30pm	Circuit Training	LVH	07951 698 008
Mon	2:30pm	Monday Fellowship	TC	862164	Wed	8:00pm	Scottish Dancing	EVH	
Mon	7:30pm	Circuit Training	LVH	07951 698 008	Thu	10:00am	RM Toddler Group	RVH	863096
Tues <sup>1</sup>	10.00am	Baby and Toddler Group	TC	863274	Thu	10:00am	Art Group – Morning	TC	211364
Tues	6pm	Football Training	JF	07967342226	Thu	2:00pm	Art Group – Afternoon	TC	862972
Wed	10:15am	Gentle Exercise Class	TC	862465	Thu	6.00pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610
Wed <sup>1</sup>	5:00pm	Digital Quandary Group	LSH	862972	Fri	9:10am	Circuit Training	TC	07951 698 008
Wed	7:00pm	French Conversation Grp.	KH	862972					

MONTHLY EVENTS					MONTHLY EVENTS				
When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1 <sup>st</sup> Mon	10:15am	Health Walk	LVH/ES	862959	1 <sup>st</sup> Fri	6.00pm	Mexican Night	C&H	862694
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL		3 <sup>rd</sup> Fri	6.00pm	Curry Night	C&H	862694
1 <sup>st</sup> Tue <sup>2</sup>	7:45	LHS Talk/Event	TC	862972	4 <sup>th</sup> Fri	7:30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue	2:30pm	Etchinghill W.I.	EVH	863503	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	10:00am	Village Market	EVH	862832
1 <sup>st</sup> Wed	10:30am	Lyminge Friends	LMP	862427	2 <sup>nd</sup> Sat	10:00am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morn.	PC	863536
2 <sup>nd</sup> Wed	10:30am	Mothers' Union	NP	862221	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sat	8:00am	Coins For Clutter	TC	862164
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed	7:30pm	RM Evening Circle	RVH	862913	Last Sat	11:00am	Lyminge Poetry Group	LL	863474
Last Wed	7:30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694	3 <sup>rd</sup> Sun	10.00am	Parish Walk	Richard	862015

<sup>1</sup> In Term Time only

<sup>2</sup> Except Jan. & Feb.



## Lyminge Pre-School

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visit our website [www.lymingepreschool.org.uk](http://www.lymingepreschool.org.uk)

## In Aid of the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund

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Park House Animal Sanctuary, Stelling Minnis, Kent CT4 6AN  
Tel: 01303 862622 Email: [lord.whisky@btinternet.com](mailto:lord.whisky@btinternet.com)  
[www.lordwhisky.co.uk](http://www.lordwhisky.co.uk)

Happy New Year from all at Lord Whisky  
We hope to see you at our fundraising events in 2012

### Fur, Feather & Exotic Exhibition

**Saturday 25th February ~ 10am - 4pm**

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and have a chat with the experts.

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**Boot & Spring Fayre ~ Saturday 5th May, 12 noon - 3.30pm**  
**3rd Annual Cyclo-sportive ~ Bank Holiday Monday 4th June from  
9am**

**Dog & Owners Fun Day ~ Saturday 9th June, 12 noon - 3.30pm**

**Boot & Summer Fayre ~ Saturday 28th July, 12 noon - 3.30pm**

**Boot & Autumn Fayre ~ Saturday 8th September, 12 noon -  
3.30pm**

### Become a Friend of Lord Whisky

For a minimum donation of £10 (or £60 to become a Friend for Life)  
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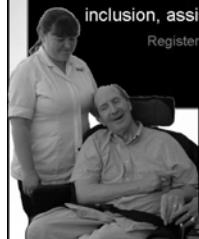
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## JUMBLE SALE

**Saturday 21 January**

**11.00 to 2pm**

**Tayne Centre**

**For Centre's Refurbishment Fund**

## QUIZ NIGHT

**7.30pm Friday 3rd February 2012**

**Lyminge Village Hall**

In aid of Eleanor and Keziah travelling to South Africa to  
participate in a community volunteer scheme.

Quiz plus fish and chip supper £10 per person; table of  
up to 8 people

Contact Rowena or Fiona  
on 863506 or 840442

**Lyminge Village Hall**  
**100 CLUB RESULTS**  
**The monthly winner of the**  
**New Village Hall 100 Club**  
**was drawn at the Coach & Horses**  
**on 14 December 2011**

**The winner was**  
**Alan Beattie**

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**Niki - 862530 or Sue - 862696**

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**WINTER BLUES QUIZ**

**28<sup>th</sup> January 2012**

**We hope you enjoyed Christmas.**

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**7:00 for 7:30pm start**

**Hot meal, Bar**

**Tables of 4-8 @ £8.00pp**

**Hurry - tickets going fast!!**

**For details contact:**

**Honor: 862928 or Niki 862530**

Organised by the Village Hall Management Committee Reg Charity 281845

**Thank You**

**The Jenkins Family** would like to say a sincere  
 thank you to all their friends and neighbours in  
 Etchinghill, Lyminge, at the School and the Church  
 for all their support and messages of goodwill during  
 Dion's recent illness.

Dion has finished all treatment and is well on the  
 road to a complete recovery.

**Gary, Dion, Max and Ruby**

**Happy New Year to you all!!**





## **YOGA & RELAXATION CLASSES**

Local friendly classes suitable  
for all ages & abilities

**Mon 1.30 – 3.30pm Elham Village Hall –  
Intermediate/Advanced**

**Mon 7-8.30pm Rhodes Minnis Village Hall-General class**

**Wed 11.00-12.00pm Elham Village Hall – Gentle class**

**Thurs 9.30-11.00am Etchinghill Village Hall-General class**

**Thurs 6.30-8.00pm Elham School – General class**

**Tel: Christine Yorke on 01303 863196**

**Or email [yorkes@yoga4freedom.co.uk](mailto:yorkes@yoga4freedom.co.uk)**

**For more info visit [www.yoga4freedom.co.uk](http://www.yoga4freedom.co.uk)**

*An open Letter from Steve Huntley to the Lyminge Villagers.  
Lyminge Association takes no responsibility for its contents.*

## **LYMINGE TO GET A NEW VILLAGE GREEN?**

For many years, people in Lyminge have been using the field between the Churchyard and the village hall known as Church Green, The Bumpy Field or simply The Green, to walk, ride horses, exercise dogs, play, ride bikes, sledge, fly kites, play in the pond, for school lessons, and for Scout and Guide activities.

So in July 2010, I applied to Kent County Council to make The Green an official village green in order to secure the rights of all those who have been using the field over the years, and to protect the land from any future development. My application was supported by over 80 people whose use of the field had been frequent and had extended over many decades – some for up to 80 years!

Without village green status the field is not protected from development, so please help me to secure The Green for us all and for future generations to enjoy. KCC are now considering the application, so, if you have any stories, photos or videos of people sledging, playing, horse riding or walking etc on the field, these will help support our efforts to protect this green field space.

Please email me on [lymingevillagegreen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lymingevillagegreen@hotmail.co.uk), or drop them into Well House, Church Road, Lyminge.

Many thanks *Steve Huntley*

Answers to questions that you may have:

- **How many village greens can a village have?** As many as can meet the application criteria.
- **Will ownership of the land change?** No.
- **Will it cost the Parish Council any money?** Not a penny.
- **Can the land be developed in any way?** No. Nothing can be constructed on it to restrict people's use, not a mobile phone mast, restrictive fences, houses etc.
- **Does it mean that the land will have to look like a classic village green?** No. 'Village Green' is only a status, the field will not need to be altered in any way.
- **Could the land be grazed by livestock?** Yes, just like it did when sheep used to graze there.
- **Could I continue to use the field for lawful pursuits and pastimes?** Yes – and no one could stop you.

Please contact me on [lymingevillagegreen@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:lymingevillagegreen@hotmail.co.uk), or drop any stories, etc into Well House, Church Road, Lyminge.

## **Etchinghill W.I.**

Members were pleased to welcome Barbara Syrett, president, to the December party after her recent knee replacement operation. A birthday posy was presented to Ann Morgan. Jill Le Cras was thanked for holding a splendid coffee morning at her home in November which was well attended.

There was a very festive atmosphere in the hall when we enjoyed a game of bingo, a quiz and dancing. A delicious tea was also enjoyed, the hostesses being the committee.

Next meeting is on Tuesday, 17th January at 2.30pm in the village hall when Lesley Gould makes a welcome return speaking about Japanese festivals and celebrations. For further details please contact Barbara Syrett on 265229 or Rita Warner on 863503

## **ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION**

### **Etchinghill Cinema Club FILM SHOW**

**'MADE IN DAGENHAM'**

**Monday 16<sup>th</sup> January**

**Etchinghill Village Hall at 7.00pm**

**Entrance Fee £5 per head**

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**Lorraine 863333 for info.**

## **VIBRATION POWER PLATE PERSONAL TRAINING CLASSES!**



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## Lyminge Handbells



With a successful Christmas behind us we are taking a short break from rehearsals before starting again for the popular summer events we support.

If you are planning a celebration where the sound of hand bells would add to the special day just give us a 'ring'. 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 naturally we need plenty of advance notice. Want more info or make a booking?

Just call Ro Edmond on 863201 or email [welldorm@aol.com](mailto:welldorm@aol.com)

## Hythe Lyminge

Do you have any unwanted Christmas presents or good quality items that we could use in our raffles or sell in our shops? Proceeds from donated items will continue to help us to provide much needed services for local older people. Please contact the Centre and we will arrange to collect them.

We are currently looking for volunteers to help us with sorting bric-a-brac and preparing items for sale. Please contact Matthew on the number below for further information.

We now offer a handyman service to assist with jobs such as: changing tap washers, minor repairs and glazing, fitting shelves, decorating, light garden work and installing/setting up electrical goods. The cost of this service is £12 per hour plus the cost of materials (the minimum charge is £6).

Due to popular demand Lindsey our hairdresser is increasing the days she operates from the Centre. We have a well equipped comfortable salon and anybody over 50 is welcome. Examples of the services provided and cost are: shampoo and set £8, gents cut £5, wash & blow dry £9.50 and a perm & finish £30. Please contact Lindsey at the centre to book an appointment or discuss your requirements.

We continue to offer a shopping service every Thursday and have some availability for our lunches on Monday, Tuesday and Thursdays.

**If you would like to know more about the services we provide or wish to join our invaluable team of volunteers please contact Matthew Martin on 01303 269602**



## Ballroom, Latin & Salsa Dancing

Etchinghill Village Hall on Thursdays

**New Classes as below, commence 19 January 2012**

**New 16 & Under Beginners 6.00-6.30 £3.00**

**16 & Under Improvers 6.30-7.30 £6.00**

**New Adult Beginners Ballroom & Latin 7.30-8.30pm £6.00**

**New Adult Beginners Salsa 8.30-9.00 £3.00**

**Adult Improvers Ballroom & Latin 9.00-10.00 £6.00**

For details, private lessons & parties phone Lynn on

01303 279504/07967979610

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## Lyminge Dramatic Society

The new year will be another busy one for the dramatic society! We have two big productions planned for 2012. Instead of producing a play in March/April as we usually do, we have decided to tie up with Lyminge's jubilee celebrations and stage a **variety show in June**, at the end of Jubilee Week.

Believe it or not but the planning for this has already begun and we will be entertaining audiences with suitably themed acts covering Her Majesty's 60 years on the throne. It promises to be first class entertainment - certainly not to be missed!!

In December, we are pleased to be putting on another panto - always popular with young and old alike! This one will be **Beauty and the Beast**, with all the traditional elements - oh no it isn't; oh yes it is! Watch out for more details in the coming months.

Please don't forget that we are always pleased to welcome new members, whether they want to act, help backstage or to support in other ways, such as make-up or costumes. Do give us a call (01303 862823) if you are interested in joining us - especially with two big productions in the offing with lots of opportunity for 'treading the boards', you will be welcomed with open arms!

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank everyone who has turned out to support us. The Society goes from strength to strength, but we would be nowhere without you, our audience. Long may you continue to come along! Oh, and we would like to wish you all a very happy and a very peaceful 2012.



## Rhodes Minnis Evening Circle

The guest at our Christmas party on the 14th December was Ann Finney who entertained us with Christmas music and readings, finishing with a sing-a-long and much laughter!

A bring and share supper was enjoyed and presents and cards distributed. The competition was won by Marion, with Diana 2nd, Ann Weatherall 3rd, and Daphne 4th.

On the 18th January we look forward to Mike Chisnall taking us on a "Visit to Peru".

We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 7.30pm and visitors are very welcome. Marion Hoare 862913



## DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY 2012

**"HAPPY NEW YEAR"** to digital

photographers, both old and new. The **Digital Quandary Group** meets weekly to discover how best to improve our photography. The group's name reflects our purpose - to seek out ways of changing and manipulating our snaps to create new or improved images. We are not professional or even fanatical photographers; we are just a group of amateurs facing up to the challenge of the digital camera. The Group always welcomes new members - young, old or middle aged.

So, if you have just received your first digital camera, or if you are an old hand and want to share your knowledge and experience, come and join us. We meet in the school hall of Lyminge Primary School in Church Road, on Wednesday evenings between 5 and 7 o'clock. If you want to find out more please give me a call on 01303 862972. We are happy to welcome new members from around the area. John Carr

## ZUMBA FITNESS

To all my lovely Lyminge Zumba class, I would like to thank you for all your continued support and for attending my classes.

Hope you had a fabulous Christmas and a Happy New Year!! Look forward to seeing you on the 9<sup>th</sup> January Kayleigh x

Mob: 07898300504 Email: kayleigh.hall@pent-lley.kent.sch.uk

## LYMINGE FRIENDS

We had a really fun time at our meeting last month, followed by a busy December ending with our New Year's Eve Lunch in China China. We are looking forward to our new 2012 Programme which has lots of interesting talks and outings.

**Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> January** - Members Christmas Lunch in Rose & Crown Stelling Minnis

**Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January** - A talk by Peter Ewart: *Rye - the Story of an Ancient Town*

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> February** - A talk by Robert Gill: *The History of Canterbury Cathedral*

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

We have no membership fees, only £1.50 a month entry which includes refreshments. We are a friendly social group for anyone who'd like a bit of company - why not come along and give us a try. *Men are especially welcome as our one chap is rather outnumbered!* If you'd like to talk to one of us first then call 862427 or 862015 for a chat.

## Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

**Beetle Drive 7.30pm**

**Friday 27 January 2012**

Adults £2 - Children 50p

To include refreshments

There will be a raffle

**Come and enjoy a family fun evening**



## MUSICIANS AWAKE

We are looking for a **keyboard** and/or a **saxophone player** to join a fun, music loving group, playing the old swing, jazz and Ballard standards. Enthusiasm is more important than ability.

**If interested, please give Roger a call on 01303 862979**

## Jumble Sale at Lympe Village Hall

**Saturday 18th February**

**9.30 - 11.00 a.m**

One man's trash is another man's treasure

Come early to avoid disappointment.

There will be plenty of bargains, a cake stall and refreshments on sale. Plenty of free parking.

***If you have any jumble you would like to donate, please bring it along on Friday 18th February. The hall will be open from 10.00 am - 8.00 pm. Sorry no electrical goods***

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## Coach & Horses



**Mexican Night**

Friday 6th January - 6-9pm

**Curry Night**

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> January - 6-9pm

**Quiz Night**

Wednesday 25th January - 7.30pm start

**Valentine Meal**

10th & 11th February - 6-9pm

**Contact: 01303 862694**



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## 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* [now known as the *Tayne Centre*] 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 (1<sup>st</sup> session free) which includes 'half time' refreshments for both adults and children.

For more information 'phone Karen 01303 863274

## Etchinghill Update January 2012

**Village Market.** Please note, there will be no Village Market this month. Congratulations to Rodney Moppet, winner of the December raffle prize. The next Village Market will be held on Saturday 4<sup>th</sup> February, 10-12.30 at Etchinghill Village Hall.

**Open House** is held every Monday morning at Etchinghill Village Hall from 10 -12. Everyone is welcome to come along for a coffee, chat, crosswords and listen to occasional speakers. This month we have speakers on the following Mondays:

**16<sup>th</sup> January-** Kim Fletcher from Action with Communities in Rural Kent will outline what is necessary for the digital switchover for television reception.

**30<sup>th</sup> January** – Nicholas Reed, historian and archaeologist, will give a presentation entitled '**My father, the man who never was**'. Mr Reed, who appeared on the BBC TV programme Double Agents, will talk about his father's experiences in MI5 during WW2 and the Cold War.

### Etchinghill Residents' Association

Thank you to those residents who attended the **ERA** AGM and we are delighted to welcome Joyce Knapton to the committee. We are still looking for volunteers to help with the ERA as none of us are getting any younger. We can only presume that most of the residents of Etchinghill are happy with our results as no one had any complaints or ideas for improvements to the village. If anyone has thought of anything since then please contact Wendy on 01303 863495

**The Christmas Tree Lighting ceremony** was a big success and thank you to Cllr Susan Carey for switching on the lights and leading the singing with Penny Keutenius providing the music. Everyone enjoyed the mulled wine and mince pies at the Village Hall afterwards. Next year we will try not to "light up" on the same evening as Lyminge! We hope you are enjoying the Christmas lights during these dark nights and they are bringing you some cheer.

**Etchinghill Cinema Club's** next screening will be "**Made in Dagenham**" on **Monday 16th January at 7.00 pm** at the Village Hall. This film is set in 1968 and many will remember the Dagenham Motor Strike and the stand made by the female workforce. Membership is free to all. Tickets are £5.00 per head and include entrance, refreshments and a raffle ticket. The Cinema Club is the third Monday in the month. Check the Etchinghill website for the next film to be shown or contact Lorraine on 863333 for further information.

**The Big Lunch** will be held on Monday June 4th and will form part of the Queen's Jubilee Celebrations in the area. If you are interested in helping or have any ideas how we can make this celebration a day to remember for all the Parish do contact Ann on 07964 295218.

## 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)

'Phone Elaine on 01303 863096 for more information

## TAYNE CENTRE Hall HIRE

Previously known as the  
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**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**



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and 2313.

There are also route 18 buses to Sandling Str & Hythe - for times  
see our website or call the number below.

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**MONDAYS TO SATURDAYS except Bank Holidays**

There are route 17 buses at 0727 (schooldays only),  
0732, 0752, 0904, 0944, 1044, 1144, 1244, 1344, 1444,  
1559 (Saturdays and Mondays to Fridays during school  
holidays only), 1614 (schooldays only) 1704, 1804, 2001  
and 2201.

There are also route 18 buses to Canterbury via Stelling Minnis and  
Bostingham - for times see our website or call the number below.

**SUNDAYS & BANK HOLIDAYS**

There are route 17 buses at 0827, 1027, 1227, 1427, 1642  
and 1842.

These times will operate from 8<sup>th</sup> January 2012.



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## Lyminge Village Hall

Lyminge Village Hall, a Hallmark accredited hall  
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elsewhere in the Newsletter. With the full stage now  
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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**

## ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL HIRE FEES

On and from 1<sup>st</sup> January 2012, the standard fees for  
the hiring of the main hall and kitchen are:

Weekdays (08h30 to 23h00.....£10.00 per hour  
Saturdays (08h30 to 23h00.....£12.00 per hour  
Sundays (09h00 to 22h00.....£12.00 per hour

Discounts on the above are available to all for lettings  
of more than three continuous hours. Further  
discounts are available to Etchinghill Residents and  
to Regular Hirers after twelve months' hiring.

The Committee Room costs:

Non-Residents.....£8.00 per hour  
Residents.....£6.00 per hour  
Regular Hirers..... £4.00 per hour

During the winter months (1 November to 31 March  
inclusive) a Winter Supplement of £1 per hour, non-  
discountable, is charged.

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.  
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## Lyminge Heritage Questions and Answers

It's the time of year that we review the subject areas that have appeared in these articles. In alphabetical order, they are:

- Anglo-Saxon Lyminge
- 'Captain Swing' agricultural riots (1830)
- Celebratory events
- Churches
- Church's bells and bell ringers
- Environmental projects
- Folklore (eg St Augustine & the Saxon gods and ghosts)
- Lyminge market
- Lyminge School
- Lyminge's Dens
- Local inhabitants
- Music makers (eg Lyminge Silver Band)
- The Nailbourne
- Natural history (eg buzzards, stoats)
- Notable buildings
- Objects / structures that reflect the locality's heritage (eg the gates at Yew Tree Cross)
- Old dances, popular songs and community songs
- Place name origins
- Public houses
- Public Transport (eg the Elham Valley Railway)
- School playground games
- Sports clubs
- Shops and businesses
- Weather events
- Woodlands
- The Workhouse / St Mary's Hospital, Etchinghill
- The World Wars.

Over the course of the forthcoming year, I hope to pull together all the local heritage information that has been gathered in these articles into one longer document so that they can all be found in one place. If you have any other information about the subjects above or anything else that might be of interest please contact me.

Joan Tugwell has phoned me. She lived in the village during the war and remembers that it was the house called Newlyn, in Church Road, that was used by the Reconnaissance Corps during the war. She recollects it being used as a first aid post. She also recalls that the Old Rectory was used as a headquarters.

In the last month, I have been told several ghost stories involving buildings in the locality. They have all come from people who no longer live in the buildings in question. Unfortunately, it is difficult to tell these stories without the permission of the current owners. So, if you own a building you believe is haunted and you want to tell your story, please get in touch.

Happy New Year.

Alistair Bailey (email: [abailey447@aol.com](mailto:abailey447@aol.com) tel: 864235)

### LYMINGE WEATHER STATISTICS – November 2011

Thanks to Mr Godden for these weather statistics and notes.

	Temperature (°C)	Air Pressure (hPa)	Wind Speed (mph)	Total Monthly Rainfall
<b>Maximum</b>	20.0 (1/11/11)	1020 (25-29/11/11)	33 (29/11/11 - SE)	45.5mm (1.79 inches)
<b>Minimum</b>	-2.3 (27/11/11)	995 (3-5/11/11)	<b>Highest Daily Rainfall</b>	16 mm (0.63 inches) 3/11/11

A month notable for the following:

Driest November for 24 years

Warmest November since I commenced recording Lyminge Weather in 1969

Caldest November since 1969. This was due to our being immediately beneath the centre of an area of high pressure which lasted from 9-29/11/11.



Blood donors from across Kent attending a recent awards ceremony in Bexleyheath have donated enough blood to save almost 20,000 lives. **Mr Malcolm Arnold**, from Lyminge, was amongst 89 donors honoured by NHS Blood and Transplant (NHSBT) at the awards event at Bexleyheath Marriott Hotel on Wednesday 25 November 2011. The ceremony honoured long-serving blood donors who had donated blood on at least 75 occasions, with 20 of the lifesavers commended for reaching the 100 donation milestone. Between them, the donors have given over 6,600 units of blood, the equivalent of almost 5,500 pints.

Donors (particularly from Lyminge area which only has only one blood giving unit) can book on NHSBT's donor line - **0300 123 23 23** - available 24 hours a day, seven days a week.



# Out and About

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



Saturday 3rd December saw Lyminge Village Hall thronging with folk coming to the **St. Nicholas Fayre**. The weather was kind this year and attendance was very good. The event was opened by St Nicholas himself followed by a delightful rendition of carols by Lyminge Primary School Singers. There were also two special recitals by the Lyminge Handbell Ringers



Later on the same day many villagers gathered outside Laing Bennett Estate Agents for the **Switch-On of the Village Christmas Tree**. The turnout was fantastic and everyone enjoyed Father Christmas pressing the Big Button to turn on the lights and then Mulled Wine and mince pies were served courtesy of the Lyminge Association, together with hot savouries and soup kindly given by Lyminge Hardware.



▲ The **Tayne Centre** put on a very enjoyable Enter**Taynement** on 10th December. Beautiful singing by the Haywardians (right) was interspersed with sketches by members of the Lyminge Dramatic Society (above, performing an excerpt from "A Christmas Carol")



◆ **Father Christmas** once again joined with the Lyminge Association to deliver some very special presents on the evening of 20th December. He was very impressed with the Lyminge Guides and Rangers who assisted him this year and says a big Thank You to them.

Nearly 70 different addresses were visited and there were lots of smiles and happy folk, both children and adults, as Santa made his rounds. He is hoping that he will be able to join up with the Lyminge Association next year.





Were you a Guide or Brownie in Lyminge or do you have Guiding connections in the Folkestone area? If so this book is for you. It has been researched during the Guide Centenary year of 2010 and tells the story of Guiding in Folkestone.



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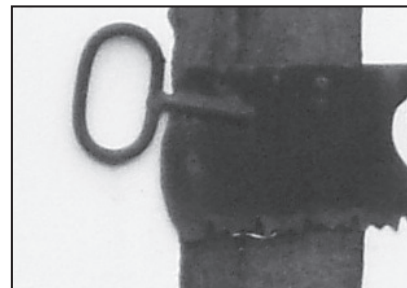
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## Mystery Photo

The Mystery Photo is back !  
Where can you see this ?  
It is in plain view from the road somewhere in Lyminge



All set to serve Christmas Dinner in the Village at the **Christmas Lunch Club**. What a wonderful idea! Another one of those things that makes Lyminge special.

***The Diamond Jubilee of Queen Elizabeth II*** ~ The Lyminge Association needs photos of the Coronation Celebrations in Lyminge. Can you help? please phone Adrian on 862699. We also need pictures of the Great Storm of 1987. We need these for the Audio-Visual Presentation being prepared for the 2nd June 2012 at the Village Hall . ***We need your help, please !!***



## Christmas Lights



Black and white pictures do not do them justice, but so many folk have made a wonderful effort to make their roads look so festive,

we just had to include a few pictures. Top three in Mount Pleasant Close with the bottom left in Station Road. With so many other displays around the village, it all looked fantastic.