

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

April 2017

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THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION
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News from The Lyminge Association Happy Easter

Our next big event is the **SPRING GARAGE SAFARI**, to be held on **SATURDAY 29TH APRIL**.

Booking forms will be available from 1st April from **Snippers and Clippers hairdressers** (Mon 9-5pm, Tues 9-5.30pm, Wed 9-6.30pm, Thurs/Fri 9-5.30pm, Sat 9-4pm). The former outlet, Claire's Country Kitchen, will be closed for refurbishment.

We make a charge of £5.00 to register your garage. For this we will provide all the advertising, a map of participating garages, (which will appear online close to the actual day) along with a distinctive marker indicating the whereabouts of your garage on the day. Only registered garages are able to participate in this event.

So, collect your form from **Snippers and Clippers** or download it from our **website** (www.lyminge.org.uk). When completed, return the form, together with your £5, to **Snippers and Clippers** - and we do the rest for you. If you have any specific queries then please call Sylvia Norris - 863537. All that remains is for you to pull out all the goods you want to sell on the day - **Garage Safari Day - Saturday 29th April**.

All money raised from our events are ploughed back into the many groups and societies in our villages who ask for some financial assistance with a particular project or issue.

Thanks...

..... to all those who supported the Hythe Town Concert Band concert held in late February. It proved to be a resounding success with all the seats in the house sold. The outcome was beyond our expectations and we will certainly consider repeating it again 2018.

..... to all those that turned up for the stream clean held 18 March. This has proven to be a very popular activity, appealing to all age groups from young children through to those of us at the other end of the spectrum. The **Lyminge Litter Pick** is scheduled for **Saturday 13th May**.

..... and my personal thanks to all the committee and other individuals who have helped to make these events so successful.

Lyminge Association would like to build on this success and so if anybody has any other ideas that would be able to harness this energy and enthusiasm, then please let me (Peter Barnes, 863737) know and we'll see if we can turn our hands to some other fun projects.

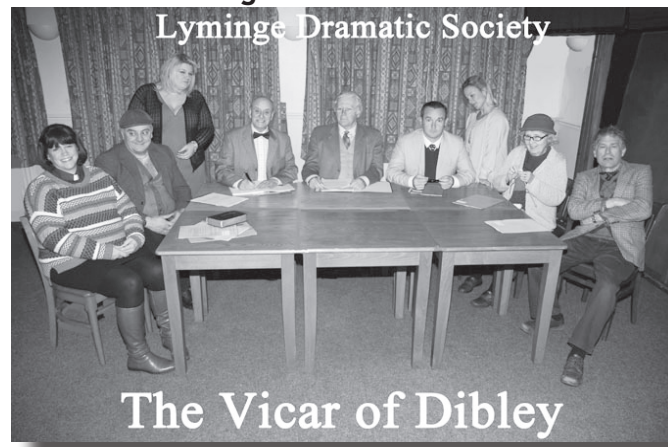
Lyminge
DRAMATIC SOCIETY
presents

the Vicar OF Dibley

A stage play by **Ian Gower and Paul Carpenter**
Directed by **Mike Chisnall**
**Wednesday 5th April to
Saturday 8th April 2017**
at 7.30pm
Lyminge Village Hall

Adapted from the original TV series by Richard Curtis and Paul Mayhew-Archer
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The cast of the Vicar of Dibley rehearsing a parish committee meeting...





LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES & ACTIVITIES

Church Website: www.lymingechurch.co.uk

E-mail: office@lymingechurch.co.uk

SERVICES

Sun 2 nd April	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	WOW (Ways of Worship)
Wed 5 th April	7.30pm	Lent Course <i>Bible Study & Discussion</i> <i>coffee available from 7.20pm</i>
Sun 9 th April		Palm Sunday
	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Sung Eucharist
HOLY WEEK		
Mon 10 th April	7.30pm	Service of Preparation for Easter
Tues 11 th April	7.30pm	Stations of the Cross
Wed 12 th April	7.30pm	Agape Meal
Thurs 13 th April		Maundy Thursday
	7.30pm	Eucharist of the Last Supper <i>with washing of the feet</i>
Fri 14 th April		Good Friday
	12.00 – 3.00pm	Church will be open for silent prayer and meditation before the Cross
Sun 16 th April		Easter Day
	11.00am	Family Holy Communion
Sat 22 nd April	11.00am	British Legion Service <i>with laying up of the old flag in church</i>
Sun 23 rd April	8.00am	Holy Communion
	11.00am	Sung Eucharist
Wed 26 th April	7.30pm	Open House Bible Study & Discussion <i>coffee available from 7.20pm</i>
Sun 30 th April		NO SERVICES
	10.30am	Benefice Sung Eucharist at Stanford

ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

Mothers Union

on Wednesday 12th April at 10.30am in Nailbourne Court
the speaker will be Richard Blackwell
who will give a talk on Edith Cavell

please contact Sue 862221 if you are interested in joining and/or need transport

Ethelburga Luncheon Club

Thursday 20th April meeting at 12.00 noon
at the Coach and Horses

please contact Lynne 863010 if you are interested in joining and/or need transport

PADDLESWORTH PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 2 nd April		NO SERVICES
Sun 9 th April	9.30am	Holy Communion
Sun 16 th April		EASTER DAY
		lighting of new Paschal Candle, first Communion of Easter <i>followed by breakfast at Church Cottage</i>
Sun 23 rd April	6.00pm	Evensong
Sun 30 th April		NO SERVICES – Benefice Service at Stanford

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.

2nd April Mr Ralph Bradshaw

9th April 9.30am Valley Service at Elham

16th April Easter Day: Rev. Derek Hancock (incl. Holy Communion)

23rd April Mr Colin Pearson

30th April Mr. Dudley Shipton

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.

2nd April Mr. Tim James

9th April NO service at Rhodes Minnis

16th April Easter Day - Rev. Derek Hancock (incl. Holy Communion)

23rd April Mrs. Georgia Reed

30th April Mr. Dudley Shipton

7th May **3pm** - Rev. Paul Dean - Chapel Anniversary

POSTLING CHURCH SERVICES

2nd April 5pm Afternoon Tea Service

9th April 9.30am Family Service

14th April Good Friday 12 noon. An Hour in front of the Cross

16th April Easter Day 9.30am Family Communion

23rd April 9.30am Family Communion

30th April No service in Postling



CHRISTIANS IN LYMINGE



2nd April: Social Breakfast in the Parish Church from 9.30 to 10.30am

An Ecumenical retreat will take place 7th to 9th April

7th April: Final Lent lunch 12 noon in the Methodist Rigden Room.

12th April: Agape Meal in Parish Church, 7.30pm

14th April: 11am there will be a Good Friday service outside the Methodist Church followed by hot cross buns.

20th April: : **Saturday Morning Market, Tayne Centre.**

Monday afternoons "Knit and Natter" Methodist Church

Lyminge Newsletter

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Further details from Peter (editor) on 01303 863737



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Forest School Wednesday's

On our own forest school site we provide an outdoor day every week. Fun at Badgers set is learning in it's most natural form. Our Forest School is a unique way of building independence, self-esteem and a positive attitude towards learning in children and young people as they explore and experience the natural world for themselves.

Flexible sessions. Free Early Education places for 2, 3 and 4 year olds. Childcare voucher schemes accepted. Places available from September 2017.

Email : badgersbridge@gmail.co.uk

Website : www.badgersbridge.co.uk

Tel : 01303 862951

Ofsted Registered : 395128

Companies House Reg : OC375571

Lyminge Dramatic Society



Come and join us to see the hilarious production of **The Vicar of Dibley** which runs from April 5th to the 8th at Lyminge Village Hall. Please note it starts at 7.30, a change from previous productions. Come and enjoy Geraldine's jokes, Alice's naivety and Owen's earthiness - no, no, no, no, yes! Mike Chisnall is the

director and it promises to be a very funny evening. Tickets are on sale at Laing Bennett in Lyminge or online at lymingedramaticsociety.co.uk The tickets are £8 and on the Wednesday under 18s and over 60s can get concessionary tickets at £6. This show will be popular so hurry and get your tickets beforehand as we cannot guarantee that tickets on the door will be available. There will be a bar at every performance and we will be serving before the show as well as in the interval. Tea and coffee will be available in the interval. We look forward to seeing you at the **Vicar of Dibley!**

On behalf of LDS we would like to give a huge thank you to Laing Bennett for their sterling work selling tickets for us. We would be very lost without their invaluable support, help and patience!

Rhodes Minnis Circle

"Headway" was the subject of our talk in March. Liz Hatfield, along with associate Catherine, gave us an insight into the work of **Headway** which offers support for brain injury sufferers. There are 5 centres in East Kent where clients are offered activities, exercises, games and singing sessions to help with their rehabilitation.

Fund raising is an essential part of the activities and Catherine spoke of her limited daily living following a series of strokes - a very courageous lady who previously had a demanding career in London. The winners of the competition were Ann Weatherall 1st, Eileen Edwards 2nd, Ronnie Mosley 3rd and Barbara Smith 4th.

On the 19th April Farthing Common Nursery will be bringing along plants for sale - attention gardeners! We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 2pm and visitors are very welcome. For further details contact Marion Hoare on 862913.

Please don't let your attention to security lapse - there have been a recent spate of cold callers and minor vandalism (stolen plants, flour daubed over property, etc). Please be cautious, alert and keep your property locked.

Lyminge Weather Statistics – February 2017

With thanks to Mr D. Godden for these weather statistics and notes.

	Temperature (°C)	Air Pressure (hPa)	Wind Speed (mph)	Total Monthly Rainfall
Maximum	14.7 (21/02/17)	1017 (16-17/02/17)	Gusts 16.0 (27/02/17)	67.5mm
Minimum	-1.8 (24/02/17)	964.0 (28/29/02/17)	Highest Daily Rainfall	14.0mm (27/02/17)

Overall an above average month for warmth, but below average for rain. Effectively this brought 'spring' to us some 2/3 weeks early.

Etchinghill Update April 2017

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION – Dave McCombe (01303 863164)

Etchinghill Cinema Club at the Village Hall, Monday 17th April, doors open at 7.00 pm for 7.30. The film this month is *"Mothers' Day"*, a comedy/drama starring Jennifer Aniston, Julia Roberts and Kate Hudson. The Mothers' day holiday takes on a special meaning. Open to new and existing members. The entrance fee of £5.00 includes admission, refreshments and a lucky draw ticket. For further details please contact Lorna 863665.

Fun Spring Quiz, Etchinghill Village Hall, on Saturday 6th May. Doors open at 7 for a 7.30pm start. Entry costs £3 per person, payable on the night, for tables of up to 6. Please book your table with the ERA secretary, Geraldine McCombe - email gpmccombe49@gmail.com or phone 07544 670363. As last year, questions will be set by our village teenagers and their friends, so please join us for what is sure to be an entertaining and challenging evening. Please don't forget to bring your own food and refreshments.

Our new **Village Sign** should be with us in early April. Please keep an eye on local notice boards and the ERA website www.etchinghill.info for installation and unveiling details.

VILLAGE HALL – John White (01303 863819)

Open House every Monday from 10.00 – 12.00. Good company : refreshments : entertainment. The return of our speaker, John Barber on 24th April on *"The Art of Grabology"* is sure to be amusing - intrigued? Come along and find out more.

Village Market Saturday 1st April from 10.00 am. Many stalls displaying craft, produce and much more to look at. Refreshments available all morning.

SPEED WATCH – Colin Manvell (01303 862324) During the two weeks of our first Speed Watch session this year, 55 motorists have been recorded speeding. We continue with our efforts to educate drivers. New volunteers are welcome.

BUS SHELTER ETCHINGHILL By the time the Newsletter is published, a new bus shelter will have been installed in Canterbury Road opposite Upstreet Cottages. A refuge for all commuters during inclement weather.

PASSING BAY – WESTFIELD LANE Residents are reminded that the PASSING BAY is not a spare parking bay. The bay has been installed to allow large vehicles to pass easily up Westfield Lane thus avoiding congestion. The Parish Warden and P C S O's have been asked to police the bay.

THE GATEKEEPER INN - Harriet (01303 864345)

Saturday 22nd April - Good Company are playing from 8.30pm. **Sunday 30th April** - Rudy Warman & The Heavy Weather will be playing, the time to be confirmed. It is Bank Holiday weekend, come along and help us celebrate 2 years of being at the Gatekeeper.

To include an entry in the Etchinghill Update please contact Barbara on 862873 or barbara.newing@hotmail.co.uk

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION – ELHAM VALLEY

The Elham Valley Branch of the Royal British Legion will dedicate a new Standard and lay up its existing standard in Lylinge Church on Saturday 22 April 2017 at 10.45am.

All members of the branch and any residents of the branch area in Elham and Lylinge parishes are warmly invited to attend the service and join in refreshments afterwards. For information: Derek Smith – 01303 862508



Plants To Provide Ground Cover

The Lylinge Association is engaged in turning the bank around The Well area into a more attractive area whilst maintaining its natural beauty. Normally wild banks of nettles and brambles emerge during the spring.

Should you have any ground plants surplus to your requirements, then please let us know and we would willingly collect them and plant them in the bank.

Please contact Adrian on 862699



**The Jubilee Centre, Everist Court
Station Road, Lylinge
CT18 8HQ
Tel: 01303 269602**

Spring is showing itself everywhere and if, like us, you're sorting out your wardrobe ready for the warmer weather, you may be finding clothes that no longer fit quite right. Did you know that we have a sewing service whereby clothes can be mended, altered and hems can be lifted up or down? We can even visit you at home to take accurate measurements, to collect and deliver the finished items. An experienced seamstress has volunteered her services and we make no charge for this service, although we do appreciate all donations in recognition of a job well done.

We'd like to thank all those of you who came to our Volunteer Recruitment event. We are looking forward to welcoming five new volunteers to our Lylinge Centre – but we still have room for more, especially befrienders, so if you have a little time on your hands, do pop in to the Centre to find out more.

The Friends of Age UK Hythe and Lylinge are organising an Easter cream tea with an egg hunt on Monday 17th April, 3-5pm at our Hythe Centre. The cost is £3.00 per person, and £1.50 for the egg hunt. Everyone is very welcome to join us, raising valuable funds for our two centres at the same time.

If you would like to know more about our services, activities, events or more details on how to become a Friend or a volunteer, please pop in to the Centre and speak to Matthew or Rachel or contact Susan on 01303 269602 or even email to info@ageukhl.org.uk



Sibton Park Cricket Club

Our cricket club situated on **Longage Hill** in **Lyminge** is looking for a scorer for the 2017 season. If you enjoy watching cricket and would be available to score on Saturdays from midday until around 7pm, please contact Steven using the contact details below.

Kwik cricket sessions open to boys and girls of primary school age will begin on Monday 8th May from 5:30-6:30pm. Colts training (ages 11-15) will also be running on Sunday mornings from 9:00-10:00am beginning 7th May. For more information or to register

interest please contact Steven using the contact details below.

Diary Dates April 2017:

- Sat 15th April: Groundforce Day 10am
- Sat 22nd April: 1st XI v Hythe CC 12pm
- Fri 28th April: Quiz Night 7:30pm

The clubhouse and grounds are available to hire for regular events, private functions and marquee weddings. We offer a fully licensed bar at club prices and very competitive hire rates. For further information or to make a booking please contact **Adrienne** on **07545 280342** or **Steven** on **07545 780794** email **age-rowey@hotmail.co.uk**

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE MARKET

Saturday 6th May

Spring is here!!

From 10am

Local crafts, local produce, local meat

Home made jam, pies & cakes

Fresh bacon roll £1.50

Cup of tea or coffee 50p

Plenty of free parking

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL

Charity No. 302736



Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

Got the winter blues?

Come and have an Old-Fashioned Family Fun Evening at **BEETLE DRIVE** on **Friday 28th April at 7.30pm**

Adults £2 – Children 50p



Teas, coffee and juice provided

There will also be a raffle

New players very welcome.

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION



SATURDAY 6 MAY 2017
ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL
Doors open at 7 for a 7.30pm start

As last year, the Fun Quiz questions will be set by village teenagers and their friends, so please join us for what is sure to be an entertaining and challenging evening

To book a table (maximum of 6 persons) please contact **Geraldine McCombe**, the ERA secretary, by email **gpmccombe49@gmail.com** or phone **07544 670363**

Cost is £3pp payable on the night
Please bring your own food and refreshments

Spring Clean Art Materials Sale

Thursday 6th April 2017

Between 12:30pm and 2:00pm

Tayne Centre, Church Road, Lyminge.

The Thursday Art Groups are selling off their excess items.

Paints

Brushes

Inks

Pens

Paper

Books

Pots & Pallets

.....and much, much more

All are welcome to come along and pick up a bargain.



Lyminge Hand Bells

The Lyminge hand bell ringers have been playing in and around Lyminge for well over 25 years. We love to attend fetes and local private celebrations throughout the year so if you think the sound of hand bells would suit a special occasion you are planning, then please contact us. We have an increasingly wide selection of music to choose from or just leave it to us. All we require at the venue is a large table for our bells and music, room for up to 11 players and a minimum donation of £40 for our current charity, the Nepali Children's Trust. A small contribution to traveling costs is also appreciated if we have to travel more than 5 miles from Lyminge. Please provide plenty of advance notice. Want more info or make a booking? Please call **Ro Edmond** on **863201** or email **welldorm@aol.com**



Tayne Centre MARKET



Church Road, Lyminge

15th APRIL

9am - 12noon

Preserves, Cakes, Jewellery,
Bread, Pies, Books

Sausage or Bacon Rolls,
Tea and Coffee
Phone 01303 862710

Yippee!!!!

Messy Church is Back for Easter!



Come and join us.....

*For fun Easter craft activities..music..stories...
friendship and a lovely tea. Bring your family and
friends have fun!*

See you on **Easter Sunday 16th April**
from **3.30pm until 5.30pm**
at **St Mary and St Ethelburga Church... Lyminge**

*Messy Church is for Children, parents, grandparents
and carers to have fun and explore faith. It's called
Messy Church because you will get messy!*

For further details please call Hester 07858 795758

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Etchinghill Cinema Club

FILM SHOW

"Mothers' Day" 12A

Monday, 17th April

Etchinghill Village Hall, 7 for 7.30pm

Entrance Fee £5 per head

Open to new and existing members

FREE Refreshments and Raffle



www.etchinghill.info

NFU Ladies Section

Our March meeting was very well supported by members and several new visitors; the first time, in fact, that we have run out of chairs in St Mary's Hall! We had all come to hear Barbara Athow's personal memories of 'Life in The Big House' at Acrise Place in the 1960s and 70s. Barbara entertained us with amusing stories of her time acting as guide, tea shop waitress and souvenir gift box maker when Mrs Papillion opened the house and gardens to the public. A time not so long ago, but a way of life that has disappeared completely from the area today.

If you would like to join our group as a guest or become a member, please do come along to our next meeting at 7.30pm in St Mary's Hall, Elham or contact me for further details.

5th April **The History and Craft of Wooden Spoons**,
Roberta Harrald

3rd May **Annual Dinner** Broome Park (sign up at the
April meeting)

7th June **Day visit to Belmont House and Gardens**

Anne Beecham:

anne.beecham@btinternet.com 01303 862729

Garage Safari - 29th April

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From your District Councillors

A large number of local residents throughout the Ward, turned out to support the "Great British Spring Clean" and many thanks go to all involved. I have been asked by residents to clarify who is responsible for litter picking and the situation with regard to the Veolia Contract, particularly around J11, the B2068 and the A20 from Newingreen to Otterpool Lane. As I understand it, Shepway is responsible for the verges and have contracted Veolia to carry out this work on our behalf. However, there is a limit to how far Veolia go back into the verge and also the issue of closing roads for Health & Safety reasons. Our Community Engagement team also help as and when requested but, of course, their resources are limited. Our Officers are looking at whether road closure is always necessary and they will also be carrying out more regular inspections. Highways England are responsible for the slip roads at J11 and the M20 and they have promised to send an inspector out to see the problems.

On Otterpool Park, a leaflet is being delivered to every house in Shepway, entitled "Your questions answered" and I hope that this will encourage local people to get involved and influence the master plan. The Government Housing White Paper – Fixing our broken housing market states "Since the 1970's, there have been on average 160,000 new homes each year in England. The consensus is that we need from 225,000 to 275,000 or more homes per year to keep up with population growth and start to tackle years of under-supply. This isn't because there is no space or because the country is "full". Only around 11% of land in England has been built on."

Air Quality is often a subject raised with me. Shepway monitor Air Quality on a monthly basis at 13 different sites (one has recently been added in Kennet Lane Stanford) and all have shown 100% compliance as part of an annual assessment reported to DEFRA. The compliance relates to the fact that we meet all air quality objectives set by DEFRA. We measure the concentration levels of contaminants in the air compared to acceptable levels set by DEFRA.

At the Armed Forces Covenant Conference held at The Leas Cliff Hall, all three services invited applications from young people to apply for apprenticeships – if you know anyone who is interested please let me know.

Finally, further details on the proposed East Kent Merger will follow next month as at the time of writing, the full Council Meeting to debate this issue has not taken place.

Jenny Hollingsbee (Jenny.hollingsbee@shepway.gov.uk 07887918458) - ward councillor for North Downs West, Shepway District Council

Things-To-Do in April to Get Your Garden Ready for the Garden Safari, 24th & 25th June

In the flower garden

- Dig in a 5cm (or more) layer of compost or well rotted manure into your beds. You can also work in a general purpose fertiliser such as pelleted chicken manure or fish, blood and bone.
- Apply a layer of mulch around your perennials, trees and shrubs before the hot weather arrives. Use organic matter such as well rotted manure.
- Feed trees, shrubs and hedges with a balanced, slow-release fertiliser by lightly forking it into the soil surface. Roses are greedy plants and will greatly benefit from feeding as they come into growth.
- Lift and divide perennial plants now to improve their vigour and create new plants for your garden.
- Divide Hostas before they come into leaf.
- Divide Primroses after they have finished flowering.
- You can start to move evergreen shrubs and trees now provided the soil waterlogged.
- Plant summer-flowering bulbs such as Lilies, Gladiolus and Ranunculus.
- Continue to plant herbaceous perennials.
- If any of your garden plants need supporting, put the supports in now so the plants grow up through them.
- Tie in climbing and rambling roses to their supports.
- Honeysuckle and Clematis - tie in new stems to train the plant along its support.
- Check any tree ties to make sure the tie is not cutting into the trunk. Loosen any that are tight to allow the trunk room to expand.
- Prune your Penstemons now - cut all the old shoots

back to the base provided there is new growth at the bottom of the plant. If there are no new shoots at the base, cut just above the lowest set of leaves.

- Prune Forsythia as they finish flowering, cutting back to strong young shoots.
- Trim winter-flowering heathers as the flowers disappear, to prevent the plants becoming leggy.
- Remove any faded flowers from your winter pansies to stop them setting seed. This will encourage flushes of new flowers throughout the spring.
- Deadhead daffodils and tulips as the flowers finish but leave the foliage intact allowing it to die back naturally.
- Direct sow hardy annuals outside or in pots.
- Check that your container plants are not drying out - warm weather will quickly affect soil moisture levels.

In the vegetable garden

- Dig in a 5cm (or more) layer of compost,
- Plant your chitted potatoes.
- Harvest asparagus spears.
- For quick and easy pea supports push some twiggy sticks around your pea plants now.
- Thin your carrot seedlings to achieve good-size carrots
- Prepare vegetable seed beds.
- Many crops can be direct sown into the ground now including parsnips, cabbages and radishes.

Looking after your lawn

- Sow lawn seed now and keep the soil moist whilst the seed is germinating.
- For an instant lawn, lay new turf now.
- Repair any bare patches in your lawn.
- Apply a high-nitrogen fertiliser to your lawn now.
- Apply specialist lawn weed killers to your lawn where moss and weeds are a problem.
- On dry days, brush away any worm casts on the lawn.
- Mow your lawn more regularly.

Courtesy of Thompson and Morgan

Coach & Horses



Senior Citizens 2 course lunches

Available Monday - Saturday £7.50

Friday Food Theme Nights

7th April - Mexican

14th April - Italian

21st April - Indian

28th April - Polish

Quiz Night

Wednesday 26th April

Saturday 29th April

Live Music with *Strangely Drawn* from 8.30pm

More information regarding opening times available at the pub or via Facebook page

Bookings and Contact: 01303 862694

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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

JOINT CONCERT
with Kingsley Choral Group
(Dagenham)

Saturday 17 June, 4 to 6 pm
Holy Trinity Church, Folkestone

LYMINGE PROM CONCERT

Saturday 8 July at 7 pm

Lyminge Village Hall

COFFEE CONCERT

Saturday 4 November, 10.15 for 11 am

Lyminge Methodist Church

AN EVENING OF CHRISTMAS MUSIC

Friday 15 December at 7.30 pm
and Wednesday 20 December at 7.30 pm
Sibton Park

Look out for further information on all our events

www.cantoresdominicae.co.uk

Claire's Country Kitchen

We regret we will be closed for refurbishment from Friday 31st March for approximately 3 weeks. We apologise for any inconvenience and look forward to welcoming you back.



Lyminge
Historical Society



The next talks in 2017 will be as below:

Tuesday 2nd May, at 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre
How the 'Light Bobs' saved England from Napoleon

Speaker: Chris Shaw

Tuesday 6th June, at 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre

The Making of the Kingdom of Kent

Speaker: Dr. Andrew Richardson

(Canterbury Archaeological Trust)

Please note the following:

The Summer Outing will be a trip to tour the Shepherd Neame Brewery in Faversham on Wednesday 12th July at 10.45am.

Tasting optional!

Cost £10.95 per person

Bookings taken and paid for at May meeting

New members and visitors are welcome.

Members: £10 per annum inclusive of talks

Visitors: £4 per person payable on the door.

Tea and biscuits will be served.

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Lyminge Friends - April 2017

In March we heard an interesting mystery talk from Melanie Gibson-Barton on 3 Women 1 Man - glamour, wealth and heartbreak, followed by Lunch in Etchinghill Golf Club. Later in March we also had a lovely Cream Tea in St Mary's Tearooms in Dymchurch.

In April, on **Wednesday 5th**, we have a return visit from Don Wilks with *Bluebells, Butterflies and Beasts* and on **Monday 17th** we will have our annual Easter Monday Lunch in the Coach & Horses. Remember to prebook your Lunch place.

On Wednesday 3rd May we have Toni Mount and her presentation entitled Medieval Housewives and on Wed 17th, we will have a car shares trip to Sissinghurst. Guests and non-members are welcome but call 862015 first as Lunches or Cream Teas places must be prebooked and paid for.

Meeting are 10.30 - 12.30 in the Rigden Room of the Tayne Centre. Entry for 2017 is £3.00 which includes light refreshments. We are a friendly social group and welcome new members so just drop into one of our meetings, or, if you'd like to talk to one of us first, please call 863500.



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To our Guiding friends and the community of Lyminge (and beyond!)

Thank you to everyone who came and supported the 1st Lyminge Guides Quiz 2017.

We were overwhelmed by the level of support and were encouraged by the memories and comments received.

The evening was brilliantly supported by 14 teams, the Guides really rose to the challenge and gained confidence to present a thought-provoking evening.

We covered our annual costs and, more importantly, the girls gained belief in themselves to make things happen.

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Report from

Gary Harrison KCC Community Warden

In general, crime is low in the area and the majority of young people are behaving.

Anti-social behaviour continues in our area, carried out by a minority of selfish individuals - the latest being flour bombing of properties and cars on Monday 20th March. It might seem a harmless prank to those involved. However, the elderly people who had their windows attacked were terrified and those who had their cars covered with flour did not find it amusing. This act may well be recorded as "criminal damage" which could lead to these people receiving a criminal record. It is hoped that those involved will have been identified by the time you are reading this, but any information relating to this incident would be most welcome. We are taking it very seriously.

Litter at Jubilee Field: People are continually asked to put their litter in the bins provided next to the skate park, but a minority continue to throw their cans and bottles else where. I would like to warn those who leave their rubbish like this that I am now sending their details to the enforcement officers at Shepway who will be issuing fines. You know who you are, so be warned and parents who allow their teenagers out in that area please remind them it may result in a fine which you may have to pay for them.

Theft of Delivered Parcels, left in the usual places by drivers when people are not home, is happening quite a lot in this area. Please use a "pick up point" if you are not going to be in, as people may be following the delivery vans and watching where they leave the parcels.

Cold Calling: There are new people in the area cold calling for all aspects of building work, including driveways, roofing and general interior and exterior building work. Although it is not illegal for them to do so, they have to give a cooling off period of 7 days in writing, so you can change your mind about the work. Our advice would be to never accept anything from any person selling any product at your door, regardless of how cheap it may be or how professional they may appear. Only use local established companies or people that have been recommended or carry the KCC fair trader logo which you can check online or by phone.

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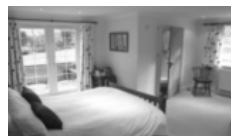
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Julia Tesoro 07809705309

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Location and name codes follow:

C&H: Coach & Horses; **ECC:** Etchinghill Cricket Club; **EVH:** Etchinghill Village Hall; **ERA:** Etchinghill Residents' Association; **ES:** Elham Square; **JC:** Jubilee Centre; **JF:** Jubilee Field; **LB:** Laing Bennett; **LBC:** Bowls Club; **LL:** Library; **LMC:** Lyminge Methodist Church; **LPC:** Lyminge Parish Church; **LSH:** Lyminge School Hall; **LVH:** Lyminge Village Hall; **LW:** Lord Whisky; **NVH:** Newington Village Hall; **PC:** Postling Church; **PH:** Lord Whisky, Park Hse. **PVH:** Postling Village Hall; **RVH:** Rhodes Minnis Village Hall; **RMC:** Rhodes Minnis Church; **SNL:** See News Letter for info; **TC:** Tayne Centre.

One-Off or Irregular Events

Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1 April	10.30am	St Ethelburga's Day Talk	LPC		17 June	7.30pm	Haywardians	LMC	
1 April	2.30pm	RM Spring Flower Show	RMVH		24 June		Etchinghill Boot Fair		
5-8 April	7.30pm	<i>Vicar of Dibley</i>	LVH		19-25th June		LYMINGE FESTIVAL		863737
8 April	2pm	Lyminge Spring Show	TC		24-25th June		GARDEN SAFARI		863537
24 April	10am	Table Top Fair	RMVH	863660	24-26th June		Flower Festival	LPC	
29 April		GARAGE SAFARI		863537	8 July		Etchinghill Boot Fair		
29 April		Etchinghill Boot Fair	ECC		8 July	7pm	Lyminge Prom Concert	LVH	
6 May	7.30pm	Fun Quiz	EVH	863164	17 September		GARAGE SAFARI		863537
13 May	10am	Lyminge LITTER PICK	LVH		14 October	10am	Etchinghill Village Clean-Up	EVH	863164
13 May		Etchinghill Boot Fair	ECC		14 October	7.30pm	Fun Quiz	EVH	863164
27 May		Etchinghill Boot Fair	ECC		4 November	10.15	Coffee Concert	LMC	
10 June		Etchinghill Boot Fair	ECC		23 November	5pm	Lyminge Christmas Tree Lighting Up	LB	863737
17 June	4pm	Cantores - Joint Concert	See ad P8		26 November	5pm	Etchinghill Christmas Tree Lighting Up	Meriden Park	863164

Weekly Events

Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	10am	Open House	EVH	863394	Wed	11.45am	Pilates	TC	07825109670
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	BC	863177	Wed	7pm	French Conversation	KH	862972
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	TC	01233750223	Wed	7.30pm	Cantores Choir	LSH	07813071867
Mon	11am	Cookery	JC	269602					
Mon	2pm	Computer Buddy (need to book)	LL	03000413131	Thur	9.30am	Baby Rhyme Time	LL	03000413131
Mon	2.30pm	Knit and Natter	TC	863049	Thur	10am	RM Toddlers Group	RVH	863096
Mon ⁵	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin/Salsa Dancing	TC	07966 751991	Thur	10am	Art Group - Morning	TC	211364
Mon	6.30pm	Judo Club	LVH	862946	Thur	11am	Shopping trips to Supermarket	JC	269602
Tues ¹	10am	Baby & Toddler Group	TC	863274	Thur	2pm	Art Group - Afternoon	TC	862972
Tues	10am	Baby Signing	EVH	07800737936	Thur	6pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610
Tues	10.30am	Art Class	JC	269602	Thur	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842
Tues	11.15am	Chairobics	JC	269602	Fri	10am	Feel A Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936
Tues	11.15am	Feel A Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936	Fri	10am	Talk Time	LL	03000413131
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	11.15am	Baby Signing	EVH	07800737936
Wed	10.15am	Mature Movers (Exercise)	TC	862873	Fri	11am	Seated Exercise	JC	269602
Wed	11am	Singing For Health	JC	862364					

Monthly Events

When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
3 rd Mon	7.30pm	Etchinghill Cinema	EVH	863333	3 rd Wed	2pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL	239500	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694
1 st Tues	10.30am	Reading Group	LL	03000413131	1 st Thurs	7.30pm	British Legion, Elham Branch	St Mary's Hall, Elham	862508
1 st Tues	11am	Reminiscence	JC	269602	2 nd Thur ⁶	10.30am	Court Lodge Green Clean	LVH	864235
1 st Tues ²	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	862972	4 th Fri	7.30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
3 rd Tues	9.45am	Family History	LL	03000413131	Last Fri	1.30pm	Team Quiz	JC	269602
3 rd Tues ³	7.30pm	Gardening Society	TC	862264	1 st Sat	10am	Village Market	EVH	863819
1 st Wed	10.30am	Lyminge Friends	LMP	862598	2 nd Sat	10am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morning	PC	863536
2 nd Wed	10.30am	Mothers Union	NP	862221	3 rd Sat	8am	Saturday Market	TC	862164

¹ In term time only ² Except Jan, Feb, July and August ³ Except Jan, Feb, Aug ⁴ Except Aug and Dec ⁵ Except Bank Holidays ⁶ Starting September

Out and About

Do you have any photos of local events or local groups in action, please call 01303 862699. Give your group a FREE plug!



The Lyminge Guides Quiz

held on Saturday 3rd March. Well done to The Sparklers, who really did sparkle this time and won the quiz!

The Spring Clean Litter Pick in Etchinghill on 4th March. Thanks to everyone who took part.



Etchinghill's Badminton in the Hall is now attracting families, novices and players. Just phone the Hall to book a slot



Lyminge Primary School's parents and friends committee busy planning their annual Summer Fayre - Saturday 17th June between 11am and 2pm on Tayne Field. If your business or group would like to be involved, perhaps with a stall, a display or a raffle prize, please e-mail the PFA on lymingepfa@hotmail.com

A history trip from Etchinghill to the Shepherd Neame Brewery in Faversham on Saturday 13th March was enjoyed by all - one way or another!



Over 30 people came to the Stream Clean on 13th March. This was combined with a Litter Pick - a big thank you to you all!

This time we were also joined by members of a group that helps with litter picks all over Shepway. More information about these groups can be found at...

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/1891148337838046/?ref=bookmarks>

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Mystery Photo

Last month's picture was the gate into the field off Canterbury Road, heading towards Elham,, just past North & South Cottages.

Again, you have probably walked past this one - look for a clue in the background!



Getting the litter picking equipment ready



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