

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

February 2017

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THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION
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News from The Lyminge Association

An Evening of Music

For the first time ever !

The Lyminge Association are holding a Concert
with **Hythe Town Concert Band**

This will be on Saturday 25th February
A chance to banish those winter blues and enjoy
music from Beethoven to Broadway Musicals

See page 6 for full details

Stream Clean

Our commitment to the environment extends to maintaining the water course as the Nailbourne Stream flows through Tayne Field. To that end, The Lyminge Association organises two **Stream Cleans**, the first this year being on **Saturday 18th March at 10am**

As on previous occasions, this will prove to be a very enjoyable event with all age groups entering into the thrill, and spill, of it all.

So we look forward to seeing as many of you as possible with your barrows, rakes and wellies at **10am on 18th March**.

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E-mail: office@lymingechurch.co.uk

SERVICES

- Wed 1st Feb 7.30pm Open House
Bible Study & Discussion - coffee available from 7.20pm
- Sun 5th Feb 8.00am Holy Communion
11.00am WOW (Ways of Worship)
- Wed 8th Feb 7.30pm Open House
Bible Study & Discussion - coffee available from 7.20pm
- Sun 12th Feb 8.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist
- Wed 15th Feb 7.30pm Open House
Bible Study & Discussion - coffee available from 7.20pm
- Sun 19th Feb 11.00am Family Communion Service
with Children's Corner
6.00pm Evensong
- Wed 22nd Feb 7.30pm Open House
Bible Study & Discussion - coffee available from 7.20pm
- Sun 26th Feb 8.00am Holy Communion
11.00am Sung Eucharist

ACTIVITIES THIS MONTH

Mothers Union

on Wednesday 8th February at 10.30 am
in the lounge at Nailbourne Court
the speaker will be Rita Pengelly

*Please contact Sue Rawlings 862221 if you are interested in joining
and/or need transport*

Ethelburga Luncheon Club

Thursday 16th February meeting at 12.00 noon
at the Coach and Horses

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

Music on a Friday – a Valentine Special

Friday 17th February
All your favourite artistes
FREE ENTRANCE, BUCKS FIZZ & CHOCOLATES

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.

- 5th February** Mr Tim James
12th February Mr. Richard Blackwell
19th February Rev. Kevin Taylor (inc. Holy Communion)
26th February Rev. Robin Blount

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.

- 5th February** Mr Terry Preston
12th February TBA
19th February Rev. Kevin Taylor (inc. Holy Communion)
26th February Mrs Val Redding

POSTLING CHURCH SERVICES

- 5th February** No Service
12th February 9.30am Family Service
19th February 8.00am Holy Communion
26th February 9.30am Family Communion



CHRISTIANS IN LYMINGE

17th February Music on a Friday Parish Church 7.30pm

Lent Lunches

Come and join us in the Rigden Room at the Tayne Centre for a lunch of soup, bread, cheese and fruit all for £1.50. The lunches will be held every Friday in Lent from 8th March to 7th April starting at 12 noon. All profits will go to Water Aid

Every Monday afternoon "Knit and Natter" in the Methodist Church.

Lyminge Newsletter

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Further details from Peter (editor) on 01303 863737

PADDLESWORTH PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

- Sun 5th Feb NO SERVICES
Sun 12th Feb 9.30am Holy Communion
Sun 19th Feb NO SERVICES
Sun 26th Feb 6.00pm Evensong

Although the bad weather has not been as severe as first thought, we still recommend that you are prepared for bad weather and we advise that everyone replenishes their pantries with some longlife milk, some tins and a loaf of bread in the freezer. If anyone is aware of a neighbour who may be struggling, please let us know so that we can ensure that they are looked after with the necessary care and services in place.

Holiday 2017: We are taking bookings for the holiday to Bournemouth in April 2017. All the relevant paperwork is now available in the Centre so do call in to get your copy. The departure date is Saturday 1st April, returning on Wednesday 5th April, with accommodation at the Bournemouth Sands Hotel. Excursions will be to the National Trust property Kingston Lacey and to the New Forest National Park, Burley and Brockenhurst. Rooms will cost £299 or £339.

Forthcoming events: We shall be holding a Table Top sale on Saturday 18th February at the Hythe Centre. Tables will cost £6.00 and can be reserved by popping into the Centre. The sale will be open to the public from 9.30am -2.00pm and we hope to see lots of you there.

Diary Dates: We shall be holding another Bingo Evening, Friday 3rd March. We shall be playing for a variety of prizes, including cash so do please come along and join in the fun. Look out for posters around the village and in the Centre.

Activities in the Centre

Seated Exercise sessions are on Fridays at 11am ::

Communion Service - 11am on the first Thursday. Support and assistance with transport is available.

Singing for Health sessions have now resumed and are now held most Wednesday mornings.

Chairobics takes place every Tuesday at 11.15am. Chairobics is a fun and lively chair based exercise programme to music designed to improve your mobility, strength, flexibility, and balance. The cost is £2.60 per session and the service is open to anyone who may benefit.

We always encourage everyone to join our 100 Club. Numbers can be bought for £12 each with regular monthly draws throughout the year for a chance to win £10, £15 or £25 and in December the prize money is doubled. Please pop into the Centre for an application form or email to Susan at mfo@ageukhl.org.uk

For more information about any of our activities or services please call **01303 269602** and ask for **Matthew** or **Rachel** or why not just pop in and see us?

District Councillors Report - February 2017

From your District Councillors

The Otterpool Park Community Engagement Sessions took place in December 2016. Jenny attended 3 out of the 4 and was able to talk and listen to all views and concerns. Arcadis, the Independent Consultants, are due to report their findings on the sessions shortly which will help shape the master planning of this important Development. Further Community Engagement sessions will take place in March and will include Schools and Youth Organisations as well as other groups in the wider area. Details of the next sessions will be appearing on the Shepway website where you can also find more information and ask for more information and submit your views.

On a smaller scale but on the same theme of homes and jobs, Shepway District Council recently bought a parcel of land at Biggins Wood in Folkestone which has planning permission for both houses and employment use. It's an area that is rundown and the intention is to get the development built so that much needed homes and jobs are created. Once developed, the land will generate an income for the council and help finance our services to you.

The roof at Hythe swimming pool was damaged last year by storm Angus. The pool is due to reopen on 23 January but there's no doubt that this building is on its last legs. Shepway is progressing plans for a new leisure centre (swimming pool, gym stations and exercise rooms) on the former municipal tip site at Princes Parade.

Our budget for 2017/18 will be set at the council meeting on 22 February and a rise of just under 2% is proposed. This equates to around an extra 9p a week for a typical household.

Shepway is signed up to 'The Armed Forces Covenant' which is a promise by the nation to ensure that those who serve, those who have served, and their families are treated fairly. On 17 February there is a free 'Fun Day' at Folkestone Sports Centre which will also be informative. Jenny is the Armed Forces Champion for Shepway and she is pleased to report that we will be hosting the Kent & Medway Armed Forces Conference at the Leas Cliff Hall on 14 March. If you have an idea about work you would like to do in the local community to support the armed forces, then it may be possible to access the Armed Forces Covenant Grant Scheme. Further details can be found at www.shepway.gov.uk/armed-forces.

Shepway continues to fine HGVs that park in the restricted areas and collection rates for the fines have risen from 30 to 40% and will continue to be pursued. The fines cover the cost of enforcement and the aim is not to make money but stop the parking which does so much damage to our environment. Shepway came 10th out of 11 for the number of overnight lorries parked from a Kent wide survey taken of illegally parked HGVs in September 2016 and the fines do seem to have had a positive effect. We know there is more to do and we are as keen as anyone to deal with the problem.

Susan Carey and Jenny Hollingsbee, ward councillors for North Downs West, Shepway District Council

Jenny Hollingsbee (Jenny.hollingsbee@shepway.gov.uk 07887918458) Susan Carey (susan.carey@shepway.gov.uk 01303 670561)

VILLAGE HALL NEWS – John White

Open House: Every Monday at the village hall from 10.00 am. The speaker on 27th March will be a member of the Collective Legal Solutions team with a talk entitled "Tax, Care and Toy Boys!" i.e. Inheritance Tax, long term care and second marriages – something for us all! Come along and be amused and informed. All are welcome to join in, stay for a chat, refreshments, activities and good company.

Etchinghill Village Market returns for the New Year on February 4th with the extra bonus of a free tea and coffee voucher when you spend £4 on any one stall. Plus the opportunity to catch up on all the New Years' gossip.

Etchinghill Village Hall Christmas Hamper – Graham Barber

Thanks to all participants we managed to sell 185 tickets this year and the draw took place on Saturday 17th December 2016, with John White (Ticket 160) winning the hamper and the second prize of a Yoakes Court High Tea, valued at £35, kindly donated by Susan Landymore, was won by Jane Watts (Ticket 127).

Etchinghill Village Hall Christmas Petanque Challenge Cup

This annual event was held on Wednesday 28th December 2016, which was disputed between St Mary's Close and St Mary's Drive, with the former winning by 13-10, 9-13 and 13-9, to record their first win since 2011.

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION - Dave McCombe

Etchinghill Cinema Club: Monday 20th February doors open at 7.00 pm The film **"Love & Friendship"** a comedy, drama, romance based on Jane Austen book "Lady Susan" The film follows the exploits of the wry and calculating Lady Susan as she pursues the wealthy and hapless Sir James for marriage. Open to new and existing members. The entrance fee of £5.00 includes admission, refreshments and a lucky draw ticket. For further information please visit www.etchinghill.info or contact Lorna on 863665. Why go further afield when you have your own warm and cosy cinema on your doorstep?

Village Clean Up – March 4th – please put in your diary. There will be more details next month.

ETCHINGHILL NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH – Jim Parris

Criminals are using a genuine charity 'Migrant Helpline' to send scam emails that contain banking malware. If you click on the link in the email a well-known Trojan (Ramnit) will be downloaded to your device. Once activated the malware targets and steals personal and business banking information. If you receive this email delete it immediately

- Don't click on links or open any attachments
- Check your antivirus software is running and up to date
- Contact your bank immediately if you think your bank details have been taken

THE GATEKEEPER: Live music please check Facebook page for updates.

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

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

In the flower garden

- Prune your Wisteria now,
- Towards the end of the month prune summer-flowering Clematis before active growth begins
- Cut back shrubs such as Cornus and Salix down to their bases.
- Cut back the old foliage from ornamental grasses before growth begins
- Prune overwintered fuchsias back to one or two buds on each shoot.
- Prune Winter Flowering Jasmine (Jasminum nudiflorum) after flowering
- Prune winter flowering shrubs such as Mahonia and Viburnum x bodnantense after flowering
- Trim winter-flowering heathers as the flowers disappear
- Remove any faded flowers from your winter pansies
- Lift and divide snowdrops still 'in the green'
- If you need to move deciduous trees or shrubs, now is the time to do it provided the soil is not frozen or

waterlogged.

- Plant Lilies and Allium bulbs.
- Plant bare root roses in a sunny position
- Plant fragrant winter flowering shrubs
- Look out for Hellebore leaf spot and remove any leaves that are affected.

In the vegetable garden

- Force rhubarb plants and plant new rhubarb crowns
- Mulch perennial vegetables such as Asparagus
- Start chitting early potatoes in a bright, cool, frost-free place.
- Start sowing vegetable seeds such as leeks, onions and celeriac under cover now.
- Prepare vegetable seed beds

In the fruit garden

- Cut autumn-fruiting raspberry
- Continue to plant raspberry canes for the coming summer.
- Prune apple trees and pear trees. Leave plum trees, cherry trees and apricots until the summer.
- Prune currant bushes, and gooseberries
- Protect the blossoms of apricots, peaches and nectarines.
- Mulch fruit trees with well rotted manure or garden compost

Courtesy of Thompson and Morgan Website



Rehearsals are now underway for our production of **'The Vicar of Dibley'** which we are putting on from **4th - 8th April** at Lyminge Village Hall. This will be very popular so put the dates in your diary now. The tickets will be on sale in mid March. It promises to be a hilarious production and is being directed by Mike Chisnall who directed **Hi de Hi**.

Rhodes Minnis Circle

We had a lovely Christmas party in December with a delicious Bring & Share tea, an excellent Raffle, and cards and presents for everyone. We were entertained by the Joskins Duo, a delightful couple who played guitar and sang Christmas songs which we merrily sang along to. The competition was won by Diana Bennett with Barbara Smith 2nd, Jean Lissenden 3rd and Jaqui Storey 4th.

On the 15th February Martin Usher will tell us about "Catching Lives" - a Canterbury based charity supporting the homeless. We would be grateful for donations of unwanted clothes (especially for men) to give to this charity.

We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 2pm and visitors will be most welcome (the first visit will be free!) We wish all our friends a happy and healthy New Year. For further details please contact Marion Hoare on 862913.

Lyminge Weather Statistics – December 2016

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

	Temperature (°C)	Air Pressure (hPa)	Wind Speed (mph)	Total Monthly Rainfall
Maximum	12.4 (07/12/16)	1039 (28-29/12/16)	Gusts 26.0 (10/12/16)	34.5mm
Minimum	-2.4 (28/12/16)	1012.0 (11/12/16)	Highest Daily Rainfall	7.0mm (12/12/16)

Overall a comparatively mild/dry month. Coldest weather in last week of month. A confusing time in the garden, I only cleared the last of my summer bedding plants in the 2nd week of month. At the same time spring bulbs are shooting!!

THANK YOU....

Recently, when removing the Christmas trees and lights from the main road, we were asked who provided and funded the lights and trees. They were more than surprised to learn the whole exercise is normally funded and put on by the Lyminge Association, helped by the occasional grant from the Parish Council.

So our heart felt thanks to all the volunteers that made it possible.

Lyminge Friends

In **December**, Rosemary Piddock entertained us with her talk on Christmas customs **'Tis the Season to be Jolly** which was followed by our Winter Lunch Party which everyone enjoyed. At the time of writing we are looking forward to the last event of the year, our regular **New Year's Eve Lunch** in **China China**

In 2017, we start on Wed 4th January when we will hear from **Brian Rumbelow** from **Shepway District Council** on **Why recycling is important and where it goes**. This talk will be followed by the Christmas Lunch in the Coach and Horses.

In **February** the talk will be **Trials and Tribulations of a Public Speaker** on Wed 1st by **Barbara Stevens**.

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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Saturday 25th February - 10am to 4pm

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Meet Max the Llama

Craft Stalls ~ Tombolas ~ Hot & Cold

Refreshments

Tables £10, phone 01303 862622 to book

Please come and support us and help the animals.



HELP!!

Save the Christmas Day Lunch Club

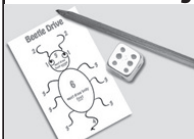
7th February 7.30 pm Harry Storey Room

For more details call Sam on 863256

Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

Got the winter blues?

Come and have an Old-Fashioned Family Fun Evening at **BEETLE DRIVE** on **Friday 24th February at 7.30pm**



Adults £2 – Children 50p



Teas, coffee and juice provided
There will also be a raffle
New players very welcome.

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE MARKET

**Saturday 4th February
& 4th March**

From 10am

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Sibton Park Cricket Club News

Sibton Park Cricket Club in Lymping 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 on 07545780794 or email srowe@hotmail.co.uk for more information.

This upcoming season the club will be hosting 2 boot fairs on a Sunday morning, dates to be confirmed.

Kwik cricket sessions open to boys and girls of primary school age will begin on Monday 8th May from 5:00-6:30. For more information or to register interest please contact Steven using the above details.



Open House

Monday 27th February 2017 10am

Etchinghill Village Hall

Do come along to a talk by Collective Legal Solutions

'Tax, Care and Toy Boys'



i.e inheritance tax, long term care and children of second marriages. Come and find out more - you could gain a great deal of information

All welcome - refreshments available



Mount Pleasant Close Christmas Lights

This is a big **THANK YOU** from the 'Mount Pleasant Close Christmas Lights'. Over the Christmas period we collected a magnificent total of **£964** which by now has been split equally between three charities - MS Society, British Heart Foundation and Cancer Research.

We would like to offer a big thank you to all those who supported the Switch On and everybody who visited the lights over the Christmas period and contributed to the collection.

We are already planning 2017 display and hope to see you at the next Christmas. **Paul**

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Lymping Hand Bells

The Lymping hand bell ringers have been playing in and around Lymping 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 travelling costs is also appreciated if we have to travel more than 5 miles from Lymping. Please provide plenty of advance notice. Want more info or make a booking? Please call **Ro Edmond** on **863201** or email welldorm@aol.com

The Lymping Association presents

Beethoven
to



Broadway
- a Concert



Hythe Town Concert Band
Lymping Village Hall

Saturday 25th February 2017

at 7.00pm

RAFFLE - REFRESHMENTS

Tickets £6

(accompanied children free)

available from Laing Bennett
from the beginning of February

1st Lyminge Guides
are hosting a fundraising
family quiz for all ages ~
everybody welcome!

Saturday 4th March 2017

Etchinghill Village Hall

~ 6:30pm start ~

Teams of 6 ~ £3 per person

There will be light refreshments and a raffle!

This is guaranteed to be a unique event and
definitely one not to be missed!

Please support us and book your team in now!

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we all look forward to seeing you there!



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NFU Ladies Section

Did you know that the **Elham and Swingfield NFU Ladies Section** has been meeting in the area for more than 50 years?

We are a friendly group open to anyone with an interest in farming, stock keeping or the countryside in general (you do not need to belong to the NFU or be actively involved in farming to join us). We arrange talks, demonstrations and visits covering country matters, crafts, local history, rural businesses, charitable activities and more. Social gatherings for lunch, dinner and cream teas are an important feature! We also help raise funds for RABI, the national farming charity.

We meet on the **first Wednesday of the month**, evenings or daytime depending on the activity. Our membership is wide-ranging; many are local to the Elham Valley, but some come from as far afield as the Dover, Canterbury and Ashford districts.

Annual subscription is only **£6** and non-member partners/guests, male and female, are welcome to attend meetings for a small charge (£2), which includes coffee, tea and homemade cake!

We welcome new members, so if you are interested in finding out more please call **01303 862729** or email anne.beecham@btinternet.com. Or just come along to one of our next meetings in **St Mary's Hall Elham** at **7.30pm**.

Events for 2017

1st Feb *From Dover to Dungeness* Brian Doorne

1st March *Life in the 'Big House' (Acrise Place in the 1960s)* Barbara Athow

5th April *Spoon Sculpture (History and craft of wooden spoons)* Roberta Harrold



SATURDAY MARKET

NO Market in February
Next one is in March

Look forwarding to seeing you all then!



LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL requires a new CLERK

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Lyminge a history Part Eight Reviewed by Nigel Thomas

[Following on from last month's first part of Nigel's review of volume eight of the history series here is the second and last part. The LHS is very grateful to Nigel for carrying out these independent reviews it is not easy and his ability to give a balanced and unbiased review has helped many people decide on whether to add the volumes to their book shelves.

The first half of this review ended with his summary of the chapter on the Elham Poor Law Union House. Here he picks up the thread with the chapter on Sibton Park Estate].

And then a striking contrast: the history of the Sibton Park Estate, its various owners and architecture. Again, the documents, as organised and presented by Mike Osborne, offered fascinating insights into the history behind the imposing façade of the current buildings.

We take piped water for granted, but it is salutary to trace the history from well to tap throughout the local area, which is what Ron Martin has done in his article.

There then follows two sets of related articles. One, by Duncan Harrington, tracing the documents relating to the building of the two village halls and the other being mini biographies of two totally different men of the church associated with Lyminge. Rosemary Piddock presents Spencer Weigall who was licensed to officiate in the workhouse at Etchinghill. He had a wonderful reference in 1924 from the then Bishop of London.

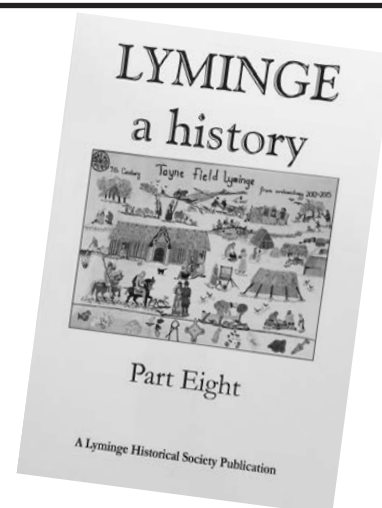
"Spencer Weigall was ordained by me in Lichfield Cathedral about a thousand years ago.... By some means or other he got across Bishop Carey of Bloemfontein.... He feels very bitter about it, but I comforted him by marrying him off to a nice young lady a few years ago. What a Union Chaplaincy is I do not know but he is thoroughly to be trusted in every way." He got the job!

Richard Uttokcestre, another piece of Duncan Harrington's research work, was, at the time of the Peasants' Revolt in 1381, a priest cut from entirely different cloth. He seems to have been rarely out of the courts, declared an outlaw and put on trial for murder. He changed his name to *Auditour* but still seems to have maintained his status as parson of Lyminge. There is the potential here for a film based on his life!

The volume ends with a superbly illustrated update from the Tayne Field dig, which puts Lyminge right at the very front of significant European archaeology. A beautiful feature of this is a full page illustration of the modern Lyminge Tapestry, which exquisitely catches the texture of Anglo-Saxon life.

As an end-piece, there is an advertisement for a book written by John and Rosemary Piddock, *"Volunteering on the Archaeological Excavations"*. The photographs on its cover make an important general point. They show two groups of people, from different times, performing identical tasks, in this case, on hands and knees sifting through the soil looking for anything of historical value. It makes for a complex metaphor for the whole Lyminge History Project. This is exactly what the various contributors have done, sifting through the documents and memories to make a coherent record of the past, and also what has been done in Lyminge throughout the generations. The same posture has been shared by villeyns planting seed, tending crops and gleaning corn; you could not get a better illustration of how history connects you to the past.

I wonder what else remains to be presented? *Nigel Thomas December 2016*



Summary Lyminge Weather Statistics – 2016

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Maximum	36.6 (18/07/16)	1039 (28-29/12/16)	Gusts 51.0 (27/03/16)	252.5 (10in)mm January
Minimum	-3.6 (25/05/16)	987.0 (10/02/16)	Highest Daily Rainfall	41.0mm (1.62in) (19/11/16)

Annual Total Rainfall 1094.1mm (43.41in)

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Letters to The Editor

Whenever possible we like to support local businesses.

We are so pleased that we chose the *Big Little Bathroom Company (Etchinghill)* to revamp our old and dated bathroom. Matthew is very creative and came up with excellent ideas and suggestions of what would work. He and Nick, his experienced fitter, worked extremely hard to carry out the installation.

Well done to you both for such an amazing transformation. We are delighted with the result!!

Brian and Ro Edmond

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The Wright family would like to say a huge thank you to all the kind people who helped Katy when her horse fell on her in Lyminge Forest earlier this month. Their help and assistance was greatly appreciated and the emergency services were excellent. Katy is recovering well from a fractured pelvis.

Judy Wright

theWI
INSPIRING WOMEN

We regret the January meeting was the last one to be held....

The W.I. has been part of Etchinghill for the past 94 years, starting in 1922 and sadly, this was the final meeting. Due to a fall in membership and unable to fill the posts of President and Treasurer and without a full committee, it was unable to continue.

Dorothy Douse, Honorary Federation Treasurer from the Federation Office, came as overseer for the final closure. Barbara Syrett, President for the past 15 years, spoke about what a good successful club it had been with a good friendly atmosphere. She thanked all the members and the committee for all their support and hard work - it will be sadly missed by us all.

We finished the afternoon with the last of our fabulous teas which was rather a special one.

Editor: Many thanks to Daphne who has, month-in and month-out, diligently captured the news and sent it through to the newsletter. Many thanks Daphne!!

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Saturday 17 June, 4 to 6 pm

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Saturday 8 July at 7 pm

Lyminge Village Hall

COFFEE CONCERT

Saturday 4 November, 10.15 for 11 am

Lyminge Methodist Church

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Tuesday 7th March at 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre

Henry Clifton, a Littlestone Lifeboat man

Speaker: Rosemary Piddock

Tuesday 4th April, 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre

Kent Mummers Plays and the Hooden Horse

Speaker: Geoff Doel

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 Historical Society

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Thank you for all your help over the past 4 months. Please come and join the work party that meets once a month, on the second Thursday of every month at 10.30am for approximately an hour and a half. We meet in the Village Hall car park next to the field. We are trying to support the natural habitat by creating biodiversity for plants and animals and to make the field suitable for the community to enjoy. If you would like to help in one of these practical sessions, please come along and lend a hand. You do not have to commit to this every month.

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If you have any queries please contact

Julia Tesoro 07809705309

Lyminge Baby and Toddler Group

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Call: Any enquiries – **Jenny 0756 4130569**

Sarah 0798 4939220.

E-mail: **lymingetoddlergroup@yahoo.co.uk**

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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.
4 February	7.30pm	80's Music Quiz and Disco	LVH		29 April		GARAGE SAFARI		863737
17 February	7.30pm	Music on Friday - Valentines Evening	LPC		13 May		LITTER PICK		863737
25 February	7.00pm	MUSICAL EVENING: HYTHE TOWN CONCERT BAND	LVH	862699	17 June	4pm	Cantores - Joint Concert	See ad P 10	
27 February	10am	Open House "Tax, Care and Toy Boys"	EVH		17-25 June		LYMINGE FESTIVAL		863737
4 March	6.30pm	Family Quiz	EVH	07964295218	24 & 25 June		GARDEN SAFARI		863737
11 March	10am	Table Top Fair - RM Cat Sanctuary	See ad P9	862243	8 July	7pm	Lyminge Prom Concert	LVH	
18 March	10.30am	STREAM CLEAN	Tayne Field	863737	4 November	10.15	Coffee Concert	LMC	
25 March	5.15pm	Cantores - Tea, Cake and Music	Saltwood PC						

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	Chairiobics	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	Age, UK	862779
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 annual pétanque competition for the John White Christmas Trophy between residents of St Mary's Drive and St Mary's Close Etchinghill took place on Wednesday 28th December. The Close won for only the second time in 6 years and therefore were really pleased with themselves ! The Drive are reviewing tactics ! The winning team comprised David McCombe, Graham Barber and Colin Manvell.



▲ **Lyminge Friends** celebrating New Year's Eve at China China.



▲ The final meeting of the **Etchinghill W.I.** which has had to close after 94 years of existence. A very sad day for all the members.



▲ Another celebratory meal for **Lyminge Friends** - this time at the Coach & Horses.

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Mystery Photo

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