

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

April 2018

Produced by THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION www.lyminge.org.uk

The Lyminge Association brings you:

STREAM CLEAN 7th April

Well Field - 10am start

Your chance to get wet, muddy and smiley as you help clear some vegetation and debris from a few of the water courses in the village.



LYMINGE LITTER PICK

Since the previous litter pick was postponed because of the poor weather, it has been rescheduled for

Saturday 5th May

Jointly sponsored by

The Lyminge Association and Lyminge Parish Council,

it will start from **Lyminge Village Hall at 10am**



GARAGE SALE SAFARI

and Table Sale

at Lyminge Village Hall

Saturday 21st April

starting at 9.00am

CURRENTLY TAKING BOOKINGS

For garages in Lyminge and surrounding villages Registration Forms available from

Snippers & Clippers

or download from www.lyminge.org.uk

Closing date Monday 16th April for further information call Sylvia on 01303 863537



DRAGONS DEN

The Lyminge Association (LA) plays a significant role in shaping the communities in which we live. Often this is by way of the monthly Newsletter and a number of one-off events such as the Musical Evening, Garage Safaris, Stream Clean, etc. All profits are fed back into the community via grants or donations.

This year, the LA is sponsoring a **Junior Dragon's Den** giving young people an opportunity to secure funding for projects. There will be five £100 grants. Projects should aim to bring benefit to the community within the area of Lyminge, Etchinghill, Rhodes Minnis and Postling and entry is open to any age group (8-18 years of age) within the community. Applications are invited from groups of young people or individuals and they will be judged by a panel of six, made up of 3 young people and 3 committee members plus a chair.

Now's the time to start about possible projects!! Full details and application forms will be available from The Editor in late April and the event will take place in the **Tayne Centre** on **23rd June at 2pm.**



LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

Church Website: www.lymingechurch.co.uk

If you need to contact the church during the absence of a
Rector please ring the Church Warden 01303 862151

SERVICES

Sun 1st April 11.00am Easter Day Eucharist

Sun 8th April 11.00am Sung Eucharist

Sun 15th April 11.00am Family Communion

with children's activity area

6.00pm Evensong

Sun 22nd April 11.00am Sung Eucharist

Sun 29th April 8.00am Said Holy Communion BCP

NO SERVICE at 11.00am

Everyone is invited to attend an Elham Valley Group Joint Eucharist Service at 10.00am at Wootton

Sun 6th May 8.00am Said Holy Communion BCP

11.00am Sung Eucharist

FORTHCOMING ACTIVITIES

Mothers Union

Wednesday 11th April at 10.30am in the lounge at Nailbourne Court A talk on the Salvation Army by Richard Blackwell

Music on a Friday

Friday 15th June in the church at 7.30pm 'Memory Lane'

Brings music from the 60/70's

PADDLESWORTH PARISH CHURCH SERVICES

Sun 1st April 6.00am Day Break Service with first fire

followed by breakfast at Church Cottage

Sun 8th April NO SERVICES

Sun 15th April 9.30am Holy Communion

Sun 22nd April NO SERVICES

Sun 29th April NO SERVICES - Everyone is invited to

attend an Elham Valley Group Joint Eucharist Service at

10.00am at Wootton

Sun 6th May 6.00pm Evensong

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.

8th April - Rev. Kevin Taylor (incl. Holy Communion) **15th April -** 10.15am Valley Service at Rhodes Minnis

22nd April - Mr Ian Couchman **29th April -** Mr Richard Blackwell



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.

1st April - Easter Day united service with Elham Methodists

- Rev. Sam Funnell (incl. Holy Communion)

8th April - Mr. Richard Blackwell

15th April - 10.15am Elham Valley service

- Rev. Kevin Taylor (incl. Holy Communion)

22nd April - Local Arrangement **29th April** - Mr. Richard Blackwell



POSTLING CHURCH SERVICES

1st April - Easter Day 9.30am. Family Communion

8th April - No service

15th April - 8.00am Holy Communion **22nd April** - 5.00pm Tea Service

29th April - No service



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CHRISTIANS IN LYMINGE



8th April: Talk titled " **Anglo Saxon Rights for Women**" 3.30pm in the Parish Church.

11th April: Please sponsor or take part in the **"Sponsored Knit-in 2018"** 2.15pm at the Harvey Grammar School. Sponsor money goes to the Rainbow Centre and knitted blankets go to **"Operation Sunshine".**

21st April: Saturday Morning Market at the Tayne Centre.

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

We look forward to seeing you at these events.

Lyminge Newsletter

Terms & Conditions: Copy deadline for next edition - 18 April 2018

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Business adverts cost £9.50 per month or £95.00 per year. Personal and charity adverts and articles from £3 per month, or £30.00 per year. The annual rate offers 12 entries for the price of 10. Please make cheques payable to '*The Lyminge Association*'. If you do not have email, a typed paper-copy may be left with the payment.

Lyminge Association accepts no liability for the accuracy of the advertisements or subsequent actions arising in conjunction with advertisers in the newsletter.

Further details from Peter Barnes (editor) on 01303 863737



BADGERS BRIDGE NURSERY

"Bridging the indoor and outdoor learning environment for children in their Early Years"

The Preschool Setting

Badgers Bridge nursery offers a smaller, calm setting environment combining Montessori principles alongside the EYFS to deliver the best start for your child. Our skilled and highly qualified practitioners will care and support your child during their time and learning at Badgers Bridge. We support the ethos of outdoor learning and are out and about in the surrounding areas as much as we can.

Forest School Wednesdays

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.

Email: badgersbridge@gmail.co.uk Website: www.badgersbridge.co.uk Tel: 01303 862951

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Lyminge Friends - April 2018

In March, we had another of Derek Smith's entertaining and informative talks, this time on 'The Kent & East Sussex Railway'. We then popped over to Brockhill Country Park Café for lunch.

On Wednesday 4th April, we have a return visit from Wendy Fraser who will give us her talk entitled 'A Walk Around St Margaret's at Cliffe and St Margaret's Bay'. Our Easter Monday Lunch will be in the Coach & Horses on Monday 2nd April. Don't forget to book your place with Marian.

On 2nd May, we will hear from Dr Andrew Richardson, of Canterbury Archaeological Trust, entitled '*The Making of the Kingdom of Kent*'. On 16th, we are due to go to the Folkestone Garden Centre for a look around and afternoon tea in their café. Make sure your place is booked with Marian.

Meetings are 10.30am - 12.30pm in the **Rigden Room** of the **Tayne Centre**. Entry for 2018 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.



Message from Lyminge Post Office Staff - Caroline and Sara

Sara and I, between us, have worked at Lyminge Post Office for some 32 years. We consider ourselves to have been very fortunate to have worked in such a busy and friendly rural community. Apart from being able to provide a valuable service, our

customers made our jobs so enjoyable as well. Having a chat, a joke or a laugh was all part of our day. We have been very touched by all the support and concern that we have received since the closure of the Post Office and we would like to say thank you so much, we really appreciate it. We are going to miss it very much indeed.

Caroline and Sara

A Post Office spokesperson said: "We sincerely apologise to customers for any inconvenience caused by the temporary closure of Lyminge Post Office.

"We understand and appreciate how much communities rely on our services. We would like to reassure customers that the decision to suspend services at any of our branches is never taken lightly. We take very seriously any decision to temporarily close a branch, and will only do so when it is warranted. "We are working hard to restore services for the community as quickly as possible. We cannot share any further details with you due to this being a confidential matter and we are unable to confirm when the branch is going to reopen. In the meantime, customers can access Post Office services at any Post Office, including Elham Post Office."

The full address of the nearest branch is:

• Elham Post Office (2.4m), The Kings Arms, The Square, Elham, CT4 6TJ (open Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday: 9.30am – 12.30pm).

... and with other POs in Sellindge (4.2m), Stelling Minnis (4.7m), Cheriton (5.3m), and Barham (6.9m).

Representations have also been made to Damian Collins MP and Councillor Susan Carey.

District Councillors Update - April 2018

From your District Councillors

So farewell Shepway. The Secretary of State has confirmed the name change to Folkestone & Hythe District Council from this April. With this change comes another as our Chief Executive since 2004, Alistair Stewart is taking voluntary redundancy. Alastair joined the Council at a very challenging time but saw us rise to a 'good' council and still improving. We wish him a long and healthy retirement. Our top team will be smaller as part of a larger programme to change the way we work – doing more online, less staff working in offices, more staff out in the district proactively tackling problems and helping residents.

Last year we put most of our claims system for benefits online which meant people could access it 24/7 and those who did not have a computer or smartphone could use one of the computers at the Civic Centre or be visited at home. Most people found this a much better service and it freed staff to help those who needed help. This project recently won first place in the Public Sector Transformation Awards.

On 28 February, the District Council set its budget for 2018/19 with a 2.98% increase in council tax which equates to an increase of £12.24 a year for a Band D property. The District Council is responsible for collecting council tax on behalf of Kent County Council, Kent Police, Kent Fire & Rescue Authority and your parish council and its share of the total bill is around 14%.

We are very pleased to report that Homes England, the Government agency which is responsible for delivering more homes, has bought land within the Otterpool Park Garden Town area and will be a full partner with the District Council. Homes England brings expertise, money and powers and this is another sign of the Government's support for the project. We expect the master-plan for Otterpool Park to be ready soon for public consultation followed by a planning application this autumn.

Jenny attended Lyminge Parish Council Meeting on 26 February; she also visited the Age UK Centre and went to the Postling Coffee Morning on 10 March. Susan was at the monthly market at Etchinghill Village Hall on 03 March, Susan gave two district council ward grants to local groups; £168 to Etchinghill Residents' Association for a drinks heater and £492 to Lyminge Scouts towards the costs of their new training room.

Finally a word of thanks to all those who helped during the snow emergency. We know Kent Highways was out day and night keeping the main roads gritted but many others made extra efforts to keep essential services going and as usual in this parish people helped one another. Thank you.

Susan Carey (susan.carey@shepway.gov.uk 01303 670561) and Jenny Hollingsbee (Jenny.hollingsbee@shepway.gov.uk 07887918458) - ward councillors for North Downs West, Shepway District Council

Women's Rights In Anglo-Saxon England

Sunday 8th April 3.30pm

Tea and Cake before a talk by Mike Foxon

St Mary & St Ethelburga Church
Lyminge

Rhodes Minnis Circle

Unfortunately because of the icy weather we had to cancel our February meeting.

Our meeting on 25th April will be a talk by **Ingrid Goodchild** on the **Goodchild Nursery in Gambia**.

We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 2.30pm and welcome both our members and visitors.

For further details please contact 01303 862913

Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

Table Top Fair Saturday 21 April

10am-1pm (stall holders from 9am) To book a table at £5 - contact 01303 863660

Free Entry - raffle and refreshments available

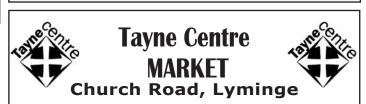
Hope to see you there

Obituary - Jean Howard

It is less than 12 months ago that Jean decided she would have to relinquish her position on The Lyminge Association committee. Unfortunately, her health continued to steadily deteriorate to a point when she passed away on 10th March.

Jean came to the area in 1996 and has been relentlessly involved in all-manner of village life, as reflected in the Etchinghill obituary (P5). She was a very sensitive soul and took on her responsibilities with a firm conviction to do it to the very best of her ability, irrespective of the time and effort it would take. Jean is now spared any further pain and suffering and she leaves this world a better place through her dedicated efforts.

Whilst she was a very private individual, we all knew she held her family in high esteem. She will be very sadly missed by us all and we all extend our heart-felt condolences to Debbie, Tim and all her family.



SATURDAY 21st April 9am - 12 noon

Pies, Preserves, Crafts, Cakes, Gifts, Vegetables, Jewellery, Cards.

Teas, Coffee, Bacon or Sausage in Roll

Etchinghill Update April 2018

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION - Dave McCombe 07939 076617

ETCHINGHILL CINEMA CLUB is showing the film 'The Time of Their Lives' (12) at Etchinghill Village Hall on Monday 16th April. Doors open at 7 pm for a 7.30 pm start. Determined to gatecrash her ex-lover's funeral being held in a glamourous French hideaway, former Hollywood siren Helen (Joan Collins), escapes her London retirement home with the help of Priscilla (Pauline Collins), and becomes involved in a love triangle with an Italian millionaire along the way. New and existing members are welcome. The entrance fee of £5.00 includes admission, refreshments and a lucky draw ticket. Film shows take place on every third Monday of the month, with the exception of December when there is no screening. For further information, please visit www.etchinghill.info

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS LITTER PICK is being held on Saturday 14 April. Please meet at the Village Hall at 10 am if you can spare an hour or two to tidy up the village. Thank you.

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION FUN QUIZ will be held on Saturday 19 May. Doors open at 7 pm for a 7.30 start. Tables may be reserved (6 persons max.) in advance - please contact Geraldine 07544 670363 or email gpmccombe49@gmail.com. Entry cost is £3 pp to raise funds for the ERA. Please bring your own refreshments.

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL - John White 863819

VILLAGE HALL MARKET – Saturday 7th April, doors opening at 10.00am. Many stalls available plus the usual refreshments and the famous bacon rolls.

OPEN HOUSE – every Monday (with the exception of Easter Monday) open from 10.00 – 12.00. The speaker this month will be Paula Cairds from Guide Dogs for the Blind on Monday 23rd April. Come along for company and a natter.

BINGO - Following the Easter break Bingo will continue on Wednesday 11th April starting at 2.00 pm **OBITUARY**

It is with deep regret that we have to inform friends and acquaintances that **Jean Howard** lost her long and brave battle with ill-health and passed away at The Pilgrims Hospice at Ashford on Saturday 10th March. Known as grandma to many youngsters in the area, Jean was a stalwart member of the community being involved, over many years, with St John's Ambulance, the Lyminge Association, Ethelburga Quilters, St Nicholas Fayre, Etchinghill Residents' Association, Etchinghill Village Hall, Shepway Footpath Preservation Society, Age UK, to name but a few. Her presence will be sorely missed, (as will her cooking). Our deepest condolences are sent to all her family.

If you have an item you would like included please contact Barbara on 862873 or Barbara.newing@hotmail.co.uk

News about Manor Vets Lyminge Clinic



As many of you are aware, Tony Barnes has recently taken a well-deserved retirement. This has meant we have been unable to run our popular Lyminge Surgery in the Tayne Centre.

We are delighted to report that we are now able to open again, generally on a Tuesday afternoon, 2.30pm - 4.30pm. Our Senior Vet, Stephanie, will be in attendance, accompanied by our Nurse, Lisa. We will now be able to take blood tests and also bring out food and medication if required for a more local collection.

If you wish to make an appointment, please contact the team on 01303 273203.



World War I Commemoration - Remembrance Sunday 11 November 2018

'There, But Not There'

On 11 November, Remembrance Sunday, there will be a series of national events to mark the centenary of the Armistice, marking the end of WWI. In Lyminge, there will be a poignant Service of Remembrance and the 28 fallen soldiers from this area that never returned home from fighting in WW1 will be remembered in a very special way.

The Lyminge Association and Lyminge Parish Church will be joining in with '*There, But Not There*' organisation, purchasing 28 perspex silhouette 'tommies' to sit in the pews of the church reflecting these fallen men.

The Lyminge contributors are mindful that other villagers and organisations may wish to contribute to the installation and be a very tangible part of this event. To that end, we would welcome any financial donations towards their purchase which may be passed to Adrian Willcox (01303 862699).

church. List of names on a memorial are all very well, but it is the visual impact which is so important."

More about the project can be found at www.therebutnotthere.org.uk
"I felt as if the souls and spirits of those who died all those years ago had been bought back to life in the

"A truly beautiful, moving and evocative memorial. It really brings it home. Wow!"



Postling Village is set in an area of outstanding natural beauty. There will be several gardens open around our village, including 2 gardens that can be found in the National Garden Scheme book.

POSTLING GARDENS OPEN

2nd & 3rd June 2018 1pm to 5pm

Free Car Parking

Entry by donation - money collected will be donated to our village church and a local charity Tea and cakes served in our village hall and plant sale in the car park

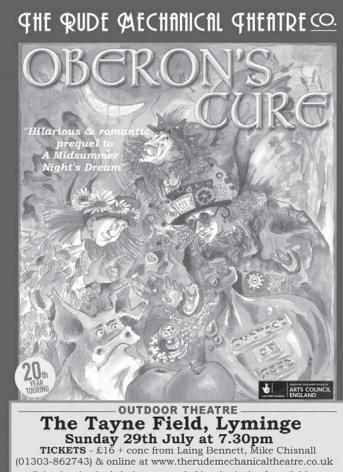


Lyminge Dramatic Society

We hope you all enjoyed the play in the pub in March. The next one will be in May and we will let you know the date in the May newsletter. We are very grateful to the Coach and Horses who very kindly let us use their backroom.

Advance notice! You may have heard about a film, starring Meryl Streep, about the real life Florence Foster Jenkins. Florence Foster Jenkins thought she was an excellent singer. She was quite the opposite, in fact positively dreadful.

Mike Chisnall will be directing the stage version of the story 'Glorious' in November which is hilariously funny more details to come in future newsletter entries.



Bring low backed chairs, warm clothing & picnics from 6.00pm

Outdoor Theatre in Lyminge

The very popular Rude Mechanical Theatre Company will be coming back to Tayne Field, Lyminge, this summer on Sunday 29th July.

It will be their 20th year of touring and the play is 'Oberon's Cure'. In this prequel to 'A Midsummer Night's Dream' an old goat of a fairy is not capable of resisting a beautiful young 'ooman woman. Now when has that not been in the news recently! But the waspish Hippolyta, running amok in the forest, is more than a match for him. Love is thwarted as the human and fairy worlds collide. But will it triumph in the end? A funny and at times deeply romantic play about how we deal with desire.

It starts at 7.30pm as usual, but you can get there from 6.00pm with your picnics. Bring your own low backed chairs and warm clothes.

Tickets are available on-line from the Rudes' website - www. therudemechanicaltheatre.co.uk - and locally from Laing Bennett and Mike Chisnall (01303 862743).

You won't want to miss this funny, romantic and rather poetic offering from the Rudes.



Snippers and Clippers Barbers

9am - 5.30pm 9am - 5pm CLOSED 9am - 5.30pm 9am - 6pm 9am - 4pm

Station Rd, Lyminge, Folkestone CT18 8HP 01303 647333

Appointments available but not necessary facebook llty scheme Free parking

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Elham Valley Branch of the

ROYAL BRITISH LEGION

is holding a Coffee Morning at St Mary's Hall Elham on Saturday 14 April 10.00 to 12.00.

Free coffee and cakes provided and there is no entry charge. Come and speak to local members and find out what the Legion does in your area.

> THE ROYAL BRITISH .EGION

I'd like to say to **THANK YOU** to

the people of Lyminge and surrounding areas who have supported so well the collection of postage stamps, postcards and coins for the Poppy Appeal.

The response has been staggering and I have so far banked £40.66 with more expected in the next few days.

Please can everyone keep collecting as this will be a permanent ongoing project. Items can be left at Snippers and Clippers and also Lyminge Primary School or if preferred I will collect upon request.

Susan Foster 01303 862779

Coach Horses



Senior Citizens 2 course lunches -

Available Monday - Saturday £7.50

Sunday Carvery - Every Sunday between 12-4pm

(booking essential)

Easter Sunday Carvery - Sunday, 1st April 12-4pm Children's meals include a free dessert (booking essential) Steak Night - Friday 13th & 27th April (booking essential)

Quiz Night - Wednesday 25th April from 7pm (booking essential)

Live Music - 80's Duo 'Miami Vice' Saturday 28th April from 8.30pm

Bookings and Contact: 01303 862694

For more information please check out our Facebook page and search 'Coach & Horses'





Lyminge Historical Society



Come and join us New members and visitors are welcome. Members: £11 per annum inclusive of talks. Visitors: £4 per person payable on the door.

Tea and coffee will be served.

Tuesday 3rd April at 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre Romney Marsh - The Fifth Continent Speaker: John Buss

Tuesday 1st May at 7.00pm in the Tayne Centre Rob Baldwin will address the Members prior to the talk

The Lyminge Churchyard Re-excavation Project followed at 7.30pm by a talk on A History of Pirate Radio Speaker: Bob Preedy

Please note: Following the publication of Lyminge a history part 9, this can be purchased through the shops at £7.00. Plus: purchase Parts 1-5 as a bundle for £22 or Parts 1-9 for £44*

To take advantage of the offer please call 01303 862865. This bundle offer is not available from the shops.

*Postage and packaging extra for postal deliveries

Lyminge Historical Society Mobile Tel. No. 07759 260816 Website:

www.lymingehistoricalsociety.co.uk



ETCHINGHILL MARKET

Back in full swing

Saturday 7th April

Everything from treats for your dog to home made cakes. Plus

all the local news, so pop in for a cup of coffee and a bacon roll for just £2

All your favourite stalls to enjoy in 2018.

From 10am Plenty of free parking **ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL**

Charity No. 302736

In Aid of Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund

Registered Charity: 283483 Park House, Stelling Minnis, Kent CT4 6AN Tel: 01303 862622 Fax: 01303 863007 Website: www.lordwhisky.co.uk ~ Email: lord.whisky@btinternet.com

Boot & Spring Fayre

Saturday 5th May at Park House

Boots from 8am (cars £7 / vans £10) - Entertainment from 12noon East Kent Piping Society ~ The Hawkinge Flyers ~ Sheep Shearing 'Froojamaflip and Fred', in association with Applause Outdoors Bouncy Castle, Hot & Cold Refreshments, Tombola & much more! Classic Cars & Motorbikes welcome

9th Annual Cyclo-Sportive

Bank Holiday Monday 28th May, from 9am at Park House

Entry £20 in advance or £25 on the day. Choose from testing 50 or 72 mile routes on the quiet roads of the Kent Downs and Romney Marsh. For further details and an entry form, visit our website or email nickracingsnake@btinternet.com

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Who's Who in our Neighbourhood - Lyminge Youth Action



The Tayne Field Park Redevelopment Project



- As part of Lyminge Youth Action, we are a team of local parents working to transform the Tayne Field play park.
- For the past year we have been speaking to the community, drawing up plans and raising funds, to deliver the park that Lyminge deserves. A big thank you to everyone who has provided feedback and support so far.
- Plans include creative spaces to be enjoyed by all ages from engaging sensory equipment to areas that will enhance outdoor arts opportunities. The parks will offer a place for the entire family to play together, as well as ample seating to enjoy the beautiful surroundings.
- We will soon announce the date of the next public meeting to unveil the park designs.
- Show your support by following us on Facebook, **@LymingeYouthAction**, where you'll find updates on the latest developments.
- Got a question about the project in the meantime, or ideas for fundraising? Please contact us on lymingeyouthaction@hotmail.com. We'd love to hear from you.
- We also run a Youth Club at Lyminge Village Hall on a Wednesday evening (term time).



To: Jas - Lyminge Pharmacy

Villagers throughout the Elham Valley who used the Pharmacy in Lyminge, would like to say a sincere thank you to Jas for his 17 years of, not only providing prescriptions, but for his helpfulness, patience and advice given when it was needed. He will be sorely missed.

We understand he has now retired from this profession and we wish him well for the future.

To: Age UK – Hythe & Lyminge

So many of us in the village have been saddened by the departure of many of the longstanding staff of Age UK over the last few months and would like to take this opportunity to express a very, very big Thank you for all the support and kindness they gave us and for all the hard work they have put in both for the benefit of the village and the Age UK Centre.

Some of the loyal staff had been at the Centre for many years including **Matthew Martin**, **Susan Foster and many more of the unsung heroes** who saw the Centre develop and provide so many essential services and facilities locally for us all to enjoy.

In appreciation we send our very best wishes to you all and thank you all again. We hope you will all find happiness and contentment in your new positions; you are all going to be missed by us.

pushing up daisies

Lyminge Conservation & Environmental Group 'the aim and purpose of supporting conservation and environmental projects within the parish of Lyminge.'

f's to give the community...

Do you have a project that we may help?

Deadline for these applications: 30 June 2018

Contact: Mike Foxon: 01303 862073 or jam.moonraker@btinternet.com Moonraker, High Street, Lyminge, CT18 8EN

Lyminge Judo Club

(British Judo Club Registered)

We are a small friendly village club.

We welcome and encourage both novices and skilled players and train every Monday evening at Lyminge Village Hall from 6.30pm

Open to all ages from 6 upwards - no upper age limit. Juniors £2.50 per week Seniors £3.50 per week. First session free, with no obligation.

Contact:

Selwyn Nichols 01303 862946 selwyn_nichols@hotmail.com

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ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Etchinghill Cinema Club

FILM SHOW

"The Time of Their Lives" 12
Monday, 16th April 2018
Etchinghill Village Hall, 7pm for 7.30pm
Entrance Fee £5 per head
Open to new and existing members
FREE Refreshments and Raffle



Railway Museum



Countryside & Craft Centre

The Museum, Countryside and Craft Centre is open every weekend and Bank Holiday until the end of November. The next event is the Miniature Steam Weekend 21st & 22nd April

www.elhamvalleylinetrust.org, www.facebook.com/ElhamValleyLine Trust.Official or Tel: 01303273014 Regular Activities - Art & Nature Club on 1st Saturday or each month.

Feel Good

Want to get fit, lose weight and don't know what to do, let me help you to feel good about fitness.

New Circuits Class

Tayne Centre, Church Road, Lyminge

Every Wednesday from 28th March 7-8pm

£5 per session

Contact Debbie feelgoodfitness18@gmail.com

07925 982995

LYMINGE GARDENERS' SOCIETY SPRING SHOW

When? Saturday 7th April Where? Tayne Centre Doors Open 2pm - Prize Giving 4pm

Bring your exhibits between 8:30am and 10:30am







Tuesday 17th April~7:30pm~Tayne Centre
'Age Proof Gardening'
Speaker: Malcolm Withall

Price: Members £3 Non-Members £5 (Contact Number: Veronica 01303 862264)



Support your local Age UK by joining the

100+ club

February 2018 Prize Winners

1 st	£25.00	4	Pat Kent
2 nd	£15.00	68	Brian Fagg
3 rd	£10.00	119	Betty Worthy

3 Winners every month

You could be one of them if you join now *All Prizes doubled in December*

Ask at the Centre or call Hayley on 269602

Numbers cost just £12.00 a year and each one sold raises badly needed funds to support local older people

Next Draw: Tuesday 3rd April 2018

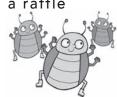
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Rhodes Minnis Village Hall BEETLE DRIVE

on Friday 27th April at 7.30pm

Teas/coffee and juice provided There are prizes and a raffle

Adults £2 – Children 50p Come and enjoy a fun evening. Newcomers very welcome.



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Clive Stanyon: 01303 840820 07771 922192 stanyonc@aol.com







The Lyminge Historical Society is very happy to announce that we have applied for and gained a grant from The Shepway Community Chest to help pay for a commemorative display board interpreting and celebrating the wonderfully successful archaeological digs on Tayne Field. We are promoting Lyminge Parish's significant archaeological past and plan to unveil the board on Tayne Field at the end of October.

As part of the celebration Dr Gabor Thomas will be giving a talk in the Methodist Church and we intend to make it a real historic occasion with other planned events on the day. We will be inviting the BBC, local press and dignitaries to the event. We want to make it a day to remember so put a note in your diary.

To pay for the event we need to raise funds so if you have any great ideas, or a cache of gold you no longer need, please think of us and let us know.

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Food - Quiz Night - Help!!??

Following on from the recent success of The Lyminge Association's **Quiz Night** held in The Lyminge Village Hall (10 March), we have been asked to run another in the Autumn (possibly 6 October)....BUT with a hot supper.

Is there anybody in the area willing to volunteer to cook a basic meal (2 courses) for about 80 people with all costs met? We need to find this kind soul who will step up to the plate (excuse the pun!!) and offer to do this for us. We'll support this person with what labour is needed to produce the meal - e.g. peel the potatoes, wash up, etc!!

Please contact Dave Hunt-Cooke for further details or preferably with an offer - 01303 862928 or davehc@uwclub.net



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 contact:

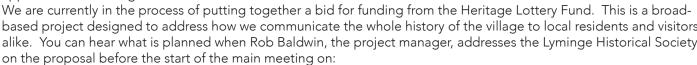
Ro Edmond 863201 or email welldorm@aol.com

Lyminge Churchyard Re-Excavation Project

In the 19th Century, the Rector of Lyminge discovered the remains of a masonry building in the churchyard. It is possible that it is the remains of the church built by St Ethelburga in the 7th Century. If so, this building is a very rare and important example of an early church. But records at the time were not good and the remains were reburied 90 years ago. So we do not know for certain what it was.

The Parochial Church Council has recently approved a plan to re-excavate the building and clarify what it is really. Dr Gabor Thomas who conducted the recent excavations in the village has been appointed Archaeological Director.

based project designed to address how we communicate the whole history of the village to local residents and visitors alike. You can hear what is planned when Rob Baldwin, the project manager, addresses the Lyminge Historical Society



Tuesday 1 May at 7pm in the Tayne Centre, Church Road, Lyminge

The meeting is free to members and is open to non-members for a charge of £4 on the door.

There will be a further open meeting (at a date to be announced) to which the whole community will be invited. This will allow us to begin to put together a plan for the activities we will undertake and for which we will seek funding. This will also be your chance to register your interest in taking part in the project and expressing your views on how to get people involved. This is intended to be a community-based project, so we invite everyone to get involved. If you are interested in exploring this important part of the history of the village, or would like to understand more about the scope of the project, then do come along to either or both meetings.

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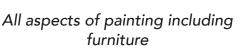
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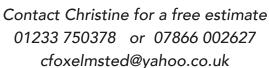
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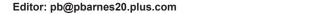
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Cait Byrne - 07850757571

Lyminge Baby and Toddler Group

We'd love you to bring your little ones along to our informal and friendly group for lots of fun. Come along and join us for craft, singing and lots more. We meet every Tuesday morning at the Tayne Centre 10.00-12.00, term time only. Cost: £2.00 per session, including refreshments for all.

Call: Any enquiries – **Jenny 0756 4130569** Sarah 0798 4939220.

E-mail: lymingetoddlergroup@yahoo.co.uk

Rhodes Minnis Toddler Group

-needs new members

We need new members and so if you are looking for something to do with your 0-4 years old we would be pleased to see you between 10am - 12noon on Thursday mornings (term time) at Rhodes Minnis Village

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Martin Fry 01303 863177 e-mail: book @rmvh.org.uk

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C&H: Coach & Horses; ECC: Etchinghill Cricket Club; EVH: Etchinghill Village Hall; ERA: Etchinghill Residents' Association; ELVH: Elham Village Hall, ES: Elham Square; JC Jubilee Centre; JF: Jubilee Field; KH: Korf House; 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; NP: Nailbourne Court; 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; RR: Rigden Room; SNL: See News Letter for info; SP: Sibton Park; TC: Tayne Centre; TF: Tayne Field; WF: Well Field

				One-Off	Event	S			
Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
07-Apr	10am	Spring Stream Clean	WF	862508	16-Sep		Autumn Garage Safari		863537
		Women's Rights in Anglo-Saxon							
08-Apr	3.30pm	England	LPC	862073	22-Sep		The Great War Victory Tea	LVH	
21-Apr		Spring Garage Safari		863537	06-Oct		Autumn Stream Clean	WF	862508
21-Apr	10am	Table Top Fair	RMVH	863660	06-Oct	7pm	Autumn Quiz	LVH	862928
							Celebrating Archaeological Digs		
05-May	10am	Lyminge Litter Pick	LVH	863737	End Oct		Day	TF	
							Archaeological		
13-May	10.30am	Lyminge Fun Run	LVH		End Oct		Update – Dr Gabor Thomas	LMC	
2/3 June	1pm	Postling Gardens			11-Nov		Remembrance Sunday	LPC	
15-Jun		Music on Friday - Memory Lane	LPC		24-Nov		St Nicholas Fayre	LPC	862073
23-Jun		Junior Dragon's Den	TC	863737	29-Nov		Switching on Christmas Lights		
21-Jul	7pm	Cantores Lyminge Prom	LVH	07813 071867	19-Dec	7pm	Cantores Concert		07813 071867
29-Jul	7.30pm	Rudes Theatre "Oberon's Cure"	TF	862743	21-Dec		Delivery of Christmas Presents		

GARAGE SAFARI - SATURDAY 21 APRIL

Weekly Events

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Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	10am	Open House	EVH	863394	Wed	10.45am	Singing For Health	JC	862364
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	LBC	863177	Wed	11.45am	Pilates	TC	07825109670
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	LMC	07951 572920	Wed	7pm	French Conversation	KH	862972
Mon	11am	Cookery	JC	269602	Wed	7.30pm	Cantores Dominicae Choir	LMC	07813071867
Mon	2&3pm	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	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
Mon	7.30pm	Yoga	RMVH	07977503897	Thur	2pm	Art Group - Afternoon	TC	862972
Tues 1	10am	Baby & Toddler Group	TC	863274	Thur	7.30pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610
Tues	10am	Baby Signing	EVH	07800737936	Thur	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842
Tues	10.30am	Art Class	JC	269602	Fri	10am	Feel A Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936
Tues	11.15am	Chairobics	JC	269602	Fri	10am	Talk Time	LL	03000413131
Tues	11.15am	Feel A Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936	Fri	11.15am	Baby Signing	EVH	07800737936
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	11am	Seated Exercise	JC	269602
Wed	10.15am	Mature Movers (Exercise)	TC	862873					

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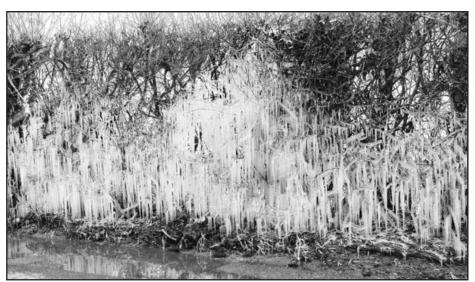
When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
3rd Mon	7.30pm	Etchinghill Cinema	EVH	863333	2nd Wed	10.30am	Mothers Union	NP	862221
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL	07715221705	4th Wed	2.30pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
1st Tues	10.30am	Reading Group	LL	03000413131	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694
1st Tues	11am	Reminiscence	JC	269602	1st Thurs	7.30pm	British Legion, Elham Branch	St Mary's Hall, Elham	862508
1st Tues ³	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	862972	4th Fri	7.30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
3rd Tues	9.45am	Family History	LL	03000413131	Last Fri	1.30pm	Team Quiz	JC	269602
3rd Tues ³	7.30pm	Gardening Society	TC	862264	1st Sat	10am	Village Market	EVH	863819
Last Tues	10.30am	Poetry Group	LL	03000413131	2nd Sat	10am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morning	PC	863536
1st Wed	10.30am	Lyminge Friends	RR	862598	3rd Sat	9am	Saturday Market	TC	862164

¹ In term time only ² Except Jan and Feb ³ Except Jan, Feb, and trip in Aug ⁴ Except Aug and Dec

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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!



Did you see this natural wonder of icicles from the water thrown up by cars passing the pothole in the road near the old Etchinghill Cricket Club pavilion?

Beautiful, but the very low temperatures did make the road somewhat dangerous!

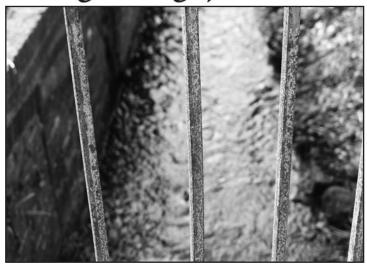


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Derek Smith [right] all about the Kent & East Sussex Railway.

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Last month's picture was part of The Lyminge Association's noticeboard in the village car park.

Have a go at this one - where have you seen these bars?



The old telephone box at Rhodes Minnis which was recently purchased by the Parish Council now has a new lease of life as a miniature library!

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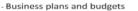
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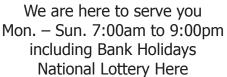
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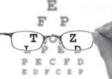


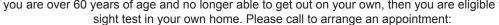
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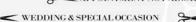
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