



THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

December 2020

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The Lyminge Association



THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION WOULD LIKE TO WISH ALL OUR COMMUNITIES A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

It would also like to take the opportunity to thank everybody who has been so supportive of each other over the past year. So many people have stepped up to the mark to ensure that each and everyone of us has been supported where this has been necessary.

A special thank-you to Age UK who have masterminded the Community Support Hub and the volunteers who offered to look after people who needed help during this difficult time, not forgetting the medical and service teams who have operated throughout under difficult conditions.

The Lyminge Association has managed to install the Christmas lights and although there has been no official switch on, the lights will hopefully lift a few spirits.

Needless to say, Father Christmas is having to re-schedule his visits this year and we hope the adults will be able to explain to the little ones the dilemma he has found himself in.

So please take care, stick to the government guidelines and help to keep our area as free of Covid-19 as possible in the hope that Christmas and the New Year will be enjoyable for everybody.



DIARY OF EVENTS

This page is printed to give readers and organisers the opportunity of planning events without clashing with existing ones, which are already in the 'diary'. It is not intended as a means of advertising and we take no responsibility for errors or omissions. Acceptance is at the discretion of the editor. Please send your updates by email to pb@pbarnes20.plus.com or via methods outlined on Page 3. **Location and name codes follow:**

C&H: Coach & Horses; **EVH:** Etchinghill Village Hall; **ERA:** Etchinghill Residents' Association; **ELVH:** Elham Village Hall, **EVLT:** Elham Valley Line Trust, **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; **LPS:** Lyminge Primary School; **LVH:** Lyminge Village Hall; **LW:** Lord Whisky; **NP:** Nailbourne Court; **PC:** Postling Church; **PH:** Lord Whisky, Park Hse; **PVH:** Postling Village Hall; **RVH:** Rhodes Minnis Village Hall; **RMC:** Rhodes Minnis Church; **RMCS:** Rhodes Minnis Cat Sanctuary; **RR:** Rigden Room; **SMVH:** Stelling Minnis Village Hall, **SNL:** See News Letter for info; **SP:** Sibton Park; **SPCC:** Sibton Park Cricket Club; **TC:** Tayne Centre; **TF:** Tayne Field; **WF:** Well Field

One-Off Events

Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
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**THINGS ARE ON THE MOVE -
PLEASE DOUBLE CHECK THE
DETAILS BEFORE TURNING UP**

Lyminge Festival - 7th to 20th June 2021

Weekly Events

Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	9.30am	Dementia Daybreak	JC	269602	Wed	11.45am	Pilates	TC	07825109670
Mon	10am	Open House	EVH	863394	Wed	2pm	Bingo	EVH	863819
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	LBC	863177	Wed ⁵	7pm	French Conversation	KH	862972
Mon	10am	Age UK Café and Shop now open	JC	269602	Wed	7pm	Tayne Centre Circuits	TC	07925 982995
Mon	10.30am	Men-in-Sheds (appointment only)	JC	269602	Wed	7pm	Cantores Dominicæ Choir	LMC	07813071867
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	LMC	07951 572920	Thurs	9.30am	Dementia Daybreak	JC	269602
Mon	11am	Pilates	TC	07825109670	Thurs	10am	RM Toddlers Group	RVH	863096
Mon	2.30pm	Knit and Natter	TC	863049	Thurs	10am	Art Group - Morning	TC	211364
Mon	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin/Salsa Dancing	TC	07966 751991	Thurs	10am	Age UK Café and Shop now open	JC	269602
Mon	6.30pm	Judo Club	LVH	862946	Thurs	10.15am	Baby Rhyme Time	LL	03000413131
Mon	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951698008	Thurs	2pm	Art Group - Afternoon	TC	862972
Mon	7.30pm	Yoga	RMVH	07977503897	Thurs	2-4pm	Free Computer Help & Guidance	LL	03000413131
Tues	9.30am	Dementia Daybreak	JC	269602	Thurs	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842
Tues	2pm	Pickleball	EVH	863819	Thurs	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951698008
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	8am	Chiropody (appointment only)	JC	269602
Wed	9.30am	Dementia Daybreak	JC	269602	Fri	9.30am	Dementia Daybreak	JC	269602
Wed	10am	Age UK Café and Shop now open	JC	269602	Fri	10am	Feel A Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936
Wed	10.30am	Hearing Aid Clinic (appointment only)	JC	269602	Fri	10.15am	Talk Time	LL	03000413131
					Fri	7.30pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610

Monthly Events

When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1st Mon	2pm	RBL, Elham Valley	St Mary's	862508	1st Thurs	6pm	Refill Station	LVH	
3rd Mon	7.30pm	Etchinghill Film Night	EVH	07544670363	3rd Wed	10am	Family History	LL	03000413131
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL	07715221705	4th Wed	2.30pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
1st Tues	2pm	Lyminge Reading Group	LL	03000413131	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694
1st Tues ³	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	863879	4th Fri	7.30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
2nd Tues	2pm	(Railway Readers)	LL	03000413131	Last Fri	1.30pm	Team Quiz	JC	269602
3rd Tues ²	7.30pm	Gardeners' Society	TC	07703149008	1st Sat	10am	Saturday@10	EVH	
Last Tues	2.15pm	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	862710
2nd Wed	10.30am	Mothers Union	NC	862221					

¹ In term time only ² Except Jan and Feb ³ Except Jan, Feb, and trip in Aug ⁴ Except Aug and Dec ⁵ Not held in August



St Mary and St Ethelburga Parish Church, Lyminge and Paddlesworth Church

Sunday 29 November	11am Elham Valley Benefice Service – Canterbury Cathedral Advent Sunday
Wednesday 2 December	8am Morning Prayer
Sunday 6 December	11am Ways of Worship Service (WOW) 2nd Sunday of Advent 6pm Evening Prayers - Paddlesworth
Wednesday 9 December	8am Morning Prayer
Sunday 13 December	8am Holy Communion (CW2) 3rd Sunday of Advent
Wednesday 16 December	8am Morning Prayer
Sunday 20 December	9.30am Morning Prayer - Paddlesworth 11am Holy Communion (CW1)
Wednesday 23 December	8am Morning Prayer
Thursday 24 December	Christmas Crib and Carol Service - On Line
Christmas Eve	11pm Christmas Carols and Pub Service - Paddlesworth
Sunday 27 December	10am Benefice Joint Service - Lyminge

To contact the churches, please phone:
Reverend Jane Weeks
01303 840219 or email revweeks@hotmail.com
www.elhamvalleygroupofchurches.co.uk or
www.achurchnearyou.com

Lyminge Methodist Church

Assuming Government restrictions have been lifted, the following services will be held at 11am, under current guidelines, and all will be very welcome to join us.

6th December - Rev. Kevin Taylor

13th December - Miss Barbara Lunn

20th December - Rev. H. Hollands - Carol Service

Christmas Day - Mrs. Christine Slater



CHRISTIANS IN LYMINGE



Unfortunately we are unable to hold St Nicholas Fayre this year or to have our usual carol services

The crib service will be on line and details of how to find out about all the services will be found on the Christmas Card which we will be delivering as usual.

We wish you all a happy and safe Christmas.

Lyminge Newsletter

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Further details from Peter Barnes (editor) on 01303 863737 or pb@pbarnes20.plus.com



Due to Covid-19 restrictions

The Christmas Day Lunch Club

will be under a different guise this Christmas. We will be offering a delivered hot meal on Christmas Day.

If you're resident in the local area and spending Christmas Day on your own, (singular or as a couple) please contact

Sam on 01303 863256

Numbers are limited and booking before 18th December is essential.

Covid safe practices will be observed during all food preparation and delivery.

If you would like to volunteer with the delivery of this service to the community, please contact me on the above number. DBS checks and training will be required.

Lyminge Friends - December 2020 Merry Christmas Everyone

The meetings and visits for December 2020, January and February 2021 have been cancelled due to Covid19.

We are really sad that we can't meet for our usual December and New Year activities but hope that we can get together soon. Keep well and stay safe



Meetings are 10.30am - 12.30pm in the Rigden Room of the Tayne Centre. Entry for 2021 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.



James Stanley Smith (Jim)

It is with great sadness that we announce that Jim passed away peacefully on 17th October, following a long illness. Trish and all our family would like to thank all those who have sent cards and messages of condolences.

We would also like to say how much we appreciated the support of those who, while restricted from attendance in the church, waited in the rain in the street to pay their respects on the day of Jim's funeral.



BECOME A GOVERNOR OF LYMINGE SCHOOL

Do you have the skills and insight needed to become a School Governor? We are looking for two people willing to give their time and commitment to take up this vital and important voluntary role in our local community. While specific experience is always welcome, we especially value applicants who can demonstrate a basic understanding of the principles of governance and who are willing and able to take up the many opportunities for training.

Lyminge School aims to inspire children with a lifelong passion for learning, to enable them to fulfil their true potential and to develop their gifts and talents for the benefit of others. As a Governor of Lyminge School you will work with an experienced and committed team to fulfil the statutory responsibilities of the Governing Board and support staff to ensure the school provides the best possible education for all its pupils.

If you are interested in applying for this role, please write a brief statement outlining what you would like to bring to the Governing Board and send it:

- By email addressed to the Chair of the Governing Body, via Susan Foster, Clerk, at sfoster@lyminge.kent.sch.uk
- By letter addressed to the Chair of the Governing Body via the school office or by post c/o Emma Wren (Senior Administrator), Lyminge Church of England Primary School, Church Rd, Lyminge, CT18 8JA

The closing date for applications is January 8th 2021

Applicants will be contacted soon after the closing date to arrange an informal meeting to discuss the role in more detail.

Coach & Horses



Forthcoming Events:

Subject to being able to re-open again...we will be doing:

- Christmas Day dinners (pre-booking essential)
- Christmas parties can be booked (Covid-19 compliant)
- New Year's Eve bash - pre-booking essential. (Covid-19 compliant)
- Take Away Menu available for collection or free delivery within a 3 mile radius - phone orders

We would like to wish everyone the best Christmas possible and a wonderful 2021 - Emily and Fred.

For bookings and any other help needed please phone 01303 901011 or check Facebook page 'Coach & Horses'



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We would like to sincerely thank our loyal supporters and friends, old and new, who have supported us through this challenging year. Your kindness and generosity have been very much appreciated.

We would also like to thank everyone who has given a loving home to one or more of our animals.

We wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year and look forward to seeing you all again in 2021

Don't forget, our Christmas Cards, Puddings and Gifts are available from the Tea Rooms in Rhodes Minnis, our Charity Shop in Hythe or by requesting our mail order form.



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For more information please visit my website:

annasanimalphysio.co.uk or feel free to contact me on 07944 606453 or anna@annasanimalphysio.co.uk



Fifth Trust Update - www.fifthtrust.co.uk

Unfortunately we have had to reduce the number of students attending during November due to Covid restrictions and we can't have our Christmas craft fair this year.

But our on-line sessions remain popular and we are still selling a great range of gifts and Christmas cards made by our students. Also real Christmas trees and homemade wreaths are in stock in the Vineyard Garden Centre. Even if the café has to remain closed, you can still buy a multitude of local produce and hampers from the farm shop. Why not have some of our own wine to celebrate Christmas! Please hurry to order homemade Christmas cakes, puddings and mince pies, as well as logs of course. If you are unable to visit, you can place an order by phone or email for collection or delivery – for details see our website: www.fifthtrust.co.uk/contact-us/. Merry Christmas from all of us!



Etchinghill Update - December 2020

'MERRY CHRISTMAS' TO ONE AND ALL

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION – DAVE McCOMBE (dmccombe1@gmail.com)

ETCHINGHILL CHRISTMAS TREE LIGHTS. Thanks to the participants in our very successful fund raising Zoom quiz at the end of October, together with many additional generous donations from residents, we raised £248 on the night, a splendid result. This figure, when added to grants from Lyminge Parish Council and KCC, has enabled us to purchase new commercial quality lighting for the Christmas tree located at Meriden Park and upgrade the lighting on the tree by the golf course entrance. We hope you like the display!

Because of everyone's generosity in supporting the above project, the ERA accounts remain in good shape to see us into the New Year.

Finally, the ERA committee would like to wish everyone in the Parish, their friends and families, a Very Merry Christmas. Please stay safe and let us hope that we can all meet under more social circumstances in 2021.

SWAN SONG – Barbara Collins-Newing (Barbara.newing@hotmail.co.uk, 01303 862873)

It is with deep regret that I am saying "goodbye" to all my friends and acquaintances in the area. Thank you all for your good wishes and kind words. I will be leaving in February but feel this is the appropriate time to bow out. Fortunately, we have been lucky enough to have a volunteer who is willing to take over producing the Etchinghill Update for the Lyminge Newsletter. Welcome to Jacqui Blandford, who can be contacted online at jacqui.blandford@gmail.com, tel. no. 01303 863798.. Please send your entries to her as from January 2021. All we need now is someone to take over producing the Quizzes for Open House? Therefore, this is the last of my offerings. I do have quite a large collection of memorabilia and historical documentation on the history of Etchinghill, which I would like to pass on to someone in Etchinghill who could make use of the information. Do get in touch if you are interested.

WITH FOND MEMORIES: Many of you may be aware that Wendy Preston has passed away following a long and debilitating illness. Despite being unwell she always showed an interest in the village and was known for her kindness and good humour. She and her husband, Leslie, have lived in the village since 1990 having previously lived in 17 worldwide locations whilst Leslie served in the army. Wendy had been involved in village life serving on the Village Hall Committee, the ERA, the Village Study and a keen committee member, and Treasurer of the Lyminge Bowls club. Wendy at the same time owned and ran a very successful business centre. Our thoughts are with Leslie and his family at this sad time.

Editor's Note: A personal thanks to Barbara for her very reliable contribution to the newsletter, reflecting the life within Etchinghill. She will be greatly missed. And a big thank you to Jacqui for stepping up to the plate - I look forward to working with you.

District Councillors' Update - December 2020



Events can move very quickly so it's best to check on www.folkestone-hythe.gov.uk for the latest information on services. The call centre number is 01303 853000 and if you get

stuck you can always contact one of us.

During the second lockdown, your District Council re-established community hubs to help with shopping, meals, dog walking, etc for those who needed help.

The contact details are: Open Monday - Friday 8.45am - 3.45pm

Email: covid-19@ageukhl.org.uk

Call: 01303 269602 (messages can be left outside opening hours)

The District Council is dealing with Government grants for businesses forced to close by law or adversely impacted by this second lockdown. To find out more go to folkestone-hythe.gov.uk/local-restrictions-support and complete the application form. We know people have been concerned about the level of reported fraud nationally for such schemes and we'd like to reassure residents that claims are properly checked. It's been heartening to see how quickly the grants have been paid to businesses in need even with the necessary checks.

Our district has one of the lowest infection rates in the country but it was rising sharply in line with other parts of the country so there is a real need for us to continue with social distancing, hand washing and the wearing of masks (unless exempt).

As we write, the planning officers are still evaluating the comments they have received on the planning application for 28 homes (including 6 affordable) by Pentland Properties for the land behind Broadstreet House in Lyminge. If the officers recommend approval the final decision will then be taken by the councillors on the Planning Committee. Although the formal deadline for comments has passed they will still be accepted and taken into consideration up to the date of the committee which meets every three weeks (the next meetings are 15 December and 19 January). The application number to quote when making comments is 20/1397/FH.

Like you, we miss all our usual village events but we are continuing to attend the online meetings of Lyminge Parish Council and Susan took part in the Etchinghill Residents Association Zoom quiz on 30 October to raise money for more Christmas lights.

We wish you all in Lyminge, Rhodes Minnis, Etchinghill and Postling a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year. Thank you to those who serve on the parish councils, run our churches and chapel, volunteer at Lyminge school, help at Age UK, those who write for, edit or distribute this newsletter, those who run our local shops, pub and businesses, the village hall committees and everyone who keeps the many village societies and organisations going for the benefit of all. This year above all thank you to all the volunteers and all the good neighbours.

Jenny Hollingsbee (Jenny.hollingsbee@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk 07887918458) and Susan Carey (susan.carey@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk 01303 670561) - your district councillors for North Downs West, Folkestone and Hythe District Council
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Community
Support Hub

**We continue to offer the following services
during the Covid-19 lockdown
November/December 2020**

- Home Meal Delivery
- Shopping
- Prescription Delivery
- Befriending calls
- Independent Living - support with jobs at home which may have become difficult
- Laundry Service
- IT support
- Dementia Support
- Odd Jobs
- Café in Hythe open for takeaways
- Chiropody continues at both Centres (hairdressing to be paused)
- Hearing Aid Batteries supply

Please call us on 01303 269602 for further information



The Rainbow Centre

wishes to appoint a **Volunteer Development Officer**

Salary: £16,800 per annum for a 30-hour week

This is an exciting dual role opportunity to (i) lead the development and implementation of a new volunteer management strategy to meet the Rainbow Centre service needs and (ii) manage volunteer mentors working on the Money Matters project which is a partnership project of the Citizens Advice, the Rotary Club of Folkestone and the Folkestone Rainbow Centre.

Your role will be to recruit, co-ordinate and retain the volunteers to support both the Rainbow Centre services and the Money Matters project.

For further details and an application pack, please contact:

Folkestone Rainbow Centre: theresa@rainbow-centre.org
or 01303 210559 Please note: CVs not accepted

Closing date for applications is 4 January 2021. Interviews will take place during week beginning 18 January 2021

**Are you craving to join a very proactive
community-focused group in Lyminge?**

Then look no further (or see the clue below) and contact:

Peter Barnes (chair)

01303 863737 or pb@pbarnes20.plus.com

The Lyminge Association



Pathways to the Past

Last month we showed a picture of our artist's reconstruction of the interior of Queen Ethelburga's church. Here is an exterior view of the monastery as it may have looked around 800 AD.



If you go to our website at

geopaethas.com/2020/10/07/re-creating-queen-ethelburgas-church, you can also see the interior view of the church. Printed copies are for sale through the website.

We are pleased to see the first green shoots coming through in the churchyard where we sowed seed in October. This is good news, and we hope this bodes well for a good display of bulbs and wildflowers next year.

We are still looking for funding to help us complete the last few elements of our project, which will include further work to enhance the churchyard through new planting and management of the trees. If you would like to donate to this initiative, then please go to our PayPal giving page at paypal.com/fundraiser/charity/3200879. You can make a gift by card or through PayPal, and if you are a taxpayer, you can add 25% to your donation through Gift Aid. PayPal does not charge us for this, so all your donation will go towards the project.

If you have any questions about the project, you can email us at geopaethas@gmail.com.

Write 300ish words on any subject - then send it to the editor

Girlguiding has been enjoyed in Lyminge for nearly 90 years! Surviving wars, re-organisations, good and not-so-good times! Unfortunately, we are struggling now!

Current Covid restrictions mean no face-to-face meetings, camps or outings for Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers but we are continuing via e-mail and Zoom with Adventures at Home, a free temporary resource provided for any girl aged 5 to 18 until we can meet safely again in 2021. (search: adventures at home Girlguiding)

We need new volunteers - to offer girls all the fun, opportunity, challenge, and the space to discover their potential. And to make a difference to the world around them. Girlguiding is all about fun, opportunity, challenge, exploration, inclusion, confidence building and giving everyone involved the chance to have a go and try their best - at anything!

We are looking for committed volunteers to join our team as new Rainbow (for ages 5-7), Brownie (for ages 7-10), Guide (for ages 10-14) and Ranger (for ages 14-18) leaders. By volunteering now, you can be part of the adventure, learn new skills and have fun - no matter your experience, your background, or your spare time. Becoming a role model does not need a full-time commitment - we need volunteers in all sorts of roles. So, if you want to help there are loads of ways to inspire girls with Girlguiding: The Leading UK Charity for Girls & Young Women.

There will not be any trips/camps/holidays for a while due to Covid restrictions but hopefully next year we will be out and about again.

Experience is not required; training will be provided. DBS checks, Safeguarding, First Aid and many more training opportunities provided. You will be involved in a friendly team and will be part of planning and co-running meetings, as well as regular meetings and activities with the rest of Girlguiding in our division. Most of all it's a lot of fun, and you will see the girls grow and form lifelong friendships.

To find out more please contact us: lymingegirlguiding@gmail.com or register your interest on the Girlguiding UK website: <https://www.girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved/>

Be an inspiration for girls and young women. Help girls to realise their full potential and share some unforgettable moments along the way. *Ann Baker*



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SEASONS GREETINGS TO ALL OUR MEMBERS



For further information about
Lyminge Gardeners' Society
please email: lymingegardeners@gmail.com



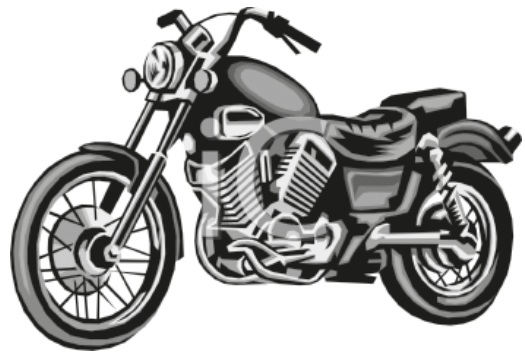
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Rhodes Minnis Circle

The Committee wish all our members and friends a Happy and Safe Christmas.
We look forward to a better New Year when we hope we will be able to meet again.
Best Wishes, Marion 862913



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Letters To The Editor.....

Dear Editor,

Everyone is experiencing their own difficulties during this second lock-down, but I would like to send special thanks and appreciation to the Ark Bakery and our wonderful friends and neighbours for their love and support to keep my family going while we cope with unexpected hospitalisation (not COVID related) of my husband. Your love and support has truly stopped us from falling apart completely, THANK YOU - Ann Baker"

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Dear Sir,

On/or around 5th October last year (2019) the bridge over the stream in the Tayne Field collapsed. During the subsequent one year and two months, we have been waiting for the replacement. On 27th August I was told the contractors hoped to have it completed "within the next week". Early October this year I was told by the Parish Council that it would be completed "very soon". How long is "very soon"? Yours sincerely John Adams

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*Lyminge  
Historical Society*



*MERRY  
Christmas*

However you spend Christmas in this strangest of years due to COVID 19, Lyminge Historical Society wish you all the best of health and that you stay safe and well.

Our monthly talks will not return until March 2021 at the earliest. So keep an eye on the Notice Boards and the Lyminge Newsletter for further updates.

**Lyminge Historical Society Committee**

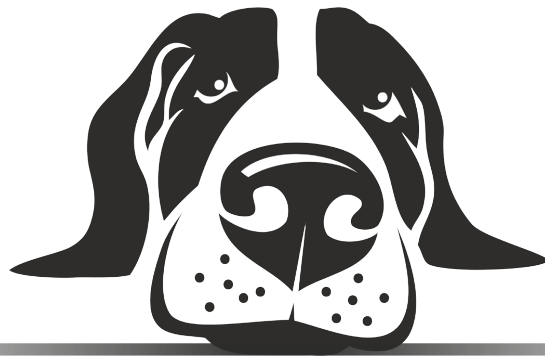
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the Premier Food Store**

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# SPRINGRISE

## CANINE CARE SERVICES

### **\*NEW PRODUCT LAUNCH - "SPRING RISE" PET FOOD RANGE\***

**Spring Rise** is excited to inform you of the launch of "My Own Label" dog food range. Over the past few months, I have been working hard to find a complete dog food that provides highly nutritious, ethically sourced, human grade fresh ingredients and a diet that can combine all the benefits of both raw and dry food. It was exciting to discover these criteria could be met using Freshtrusion™ technology, whereby my dog food ingredients (freshly prepared meats, vegetables and botanicals) are gently cooked at 90°C at low pressure which keeps in the freshness and protects the proteins, allowing the food to retain its full flavour and provide a highly nutritious food for your pet!

**Spring Rise** dog food provides a range of delicious dishes including, duck with parsnip, beetroot, orange, asparagus and pumpkin for those dogs with digestive issues or trout, salmon, sweet potato and asparagus! There are also lots and lots of mouth-watering treats such as calming and dental functional treats, along with healthy training treats and a variety of natural treats from my **Doggie Deli** to name a few!!!

If you have any special dietary requests, please let me know and I will discuss your requirements with the nutritionist and hopefully find a meal to suit your dog!!

***.....and what's more, I can deliver to your door!!***

### **\*TOUCHANGO K9 TRAINING TOYS AND CANINE ENRICHMENT BOXES \***

**Touchango K9 training toys** are locally, handmade - bright, funky and durable, designed to encourage interactive play between you and your dog. The toys are handmade using carefully selected durable products making beautiful, super tough toys for the strongest of tugging dogs.... and all the balls used are non-toxic and free from nasty chemicals. Some of the toys are made with sheepskin or rabbit fur which is responsibly sourced within the UK. All can be purchased from **Spring Rise Pet Store**.

**Spring Rise Enrichment Boxes** are designed to "enrich/enhance the quality of your dog's daily life by stimulating their mental and physical capabilities". **Spring Rise Enrichment boxes** include a variety of items that are specifically designed to stimulate the six categories of enrichment: sensory, feeding, environment, toys/puzzles, social and training. Therefore, the contents will include any of the following: a puzzle toy, likimat, interactive toy, information handouts for basic fun training, how to engage your dog with interactive walks and/or booklets for activities such as Freework or Tellington TTouch along with ideas for a sensory garden. Also included in the box will be some natural treats that will involve chewing, training treats and the box and packing can be used as a snuffle box!

**Contact: Spring Rise Pet Store**

**Maple Cottage, Westfield Lane, Etchinghill, Folkestone, Kent. CT18 8BZ**

**Mobile: 07582407637 : Telephone: 01303 863090 : Email: [susannahparkin@googlemail.com](mailto:susannahparkin@googlemail.com)**

[www.caninecare.thespringrise.co.uk](http://www.caninecare.thespringrise.co.uk)

# CHRISTMAS RAFFLE



Just a reminder about our festive Christmas raffle in conjunction with Lyminge Primary School. Tickets cost £2 with all money raised to be split between the park redevelopment and the school. There's lots of prizes up for grabs, including a boozy hamper, family hamper, Champagne, Coach and Horses voucher, Vanilla Vodka, Teddy and Chocs, Game and Chocs, Pizza stone, Pamper set and much more.

Buy tickets online using the donate button at [lymingepark.com](http://lymingepark.com) or drop money to Tara at 47 Silverlands Road.

Names will be written on tickets and a draw will be held after school on Wednesday 16 December on Tayne Field.

In other park project news, we'd like to say a big thank you to Jane Seymour for her very generous donation of £100. We are incredibly grateful.

We'd also like to thank everyone who entered our pumpkin competition. What a talented bunch! Congratulations again to the winner Indigo for her sensationally spooky creations. You can see a picture of Indigo's winning entry in the newsletter's Out & About section.

The LYA team is powering on with funding applications and setting timescale targets for 2021. We look forward to a great year ahead. Until then, we'd like to wish you and your family a very happy Christmas.

All the best, *Lyminge Youth Action*



## Hythe Garden Landscapes

**Take advantage of our winter offers now by arranging those essential gardening jobs for January and February 2021.**

To get the best of your garden in spring there are a number of jobs, which ideally should be done in the winter months:

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## Elham Village Hall

We are open and offering the following Art Classes for 2021, strictly following government guidelines to keep COVID safe.

**Mondays:** Art Master Class starting 11 January from 10 - 1pm

**Wednesdays:** Art for beginners starting 13 January from 7 - 9pm and **Thursdays** from 14 January at 1.30 - 3.30pm

Printmaking: **Thursdays** starting 14 January from 7-9pm

Oil Painting: starting **Wednesday** 24 February from 10 - 1pm

To enroll or for further enquires please visit the website:

<https://www.kentadulthoodeducation.co.uk>

Telephone: 03000 411040 email: [fkstnaec@kent.gov.uk](mailto:fkstnaec@kent.gov.uk)

## Elham Village Hall

*Thinking of marrying in Autumn 2021 or Spring/Summer 2022*

Our venue is licensed to hold wedding ceremonies and Civil Partnerships either outside in our newly built gazebo with stunning countryside surroundings or inside if preferred.

Contact our bookings co-ordinator for details:

[bookingsecretary.evh@gmail.com](mailto:bookingsecretary.evh@gmail.com) or 07746790618



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We are delighted to let you know that there will be lights as usual this Christmas!

However, there will not be a switch on event due to COVID-19 social distancing rules.

The lights will be on from 1st December until Twelfth Night.

We will, of course, be supporting the usual charities, British Heart Foundation, MS Society, Cancer Research and Lyminge Age UK.

We hope the lights will help to brighten up the year that has been tough for all of us and hope to see you enjoying them whilst adhering to the social distancing guidelines.

Thank you for your continued support.





The Royal Saxon Way ("RSW") is a new walking route created as part of the Pathways to the Past project. It runs for some 36 miles from coast to coast between Folkestone and Minster-in-Thanet, crossing the grain of the North Downs via Lyminge and the Elham Valley. There is also a shorter circular route of 16 miles that returns from Lyminge to Folkestone via Paddlesworth.

The main RSW links together 24 historic churches, including 16 active parish churches. Unusually, at either end the ancient parish church at Folkestone and the abbey at Minster preserve relics of their original Anglo-Saxon royal saints: St Eanswythe and St Mildreth. At Lyminge, the Anglo-Saxon church uncovered in 2019 was founded by St Ethelburga and had its own shrine, dedicated to St Eadburg. There are other historic churches with Anglo-Saxon origins along the route, so we see the whole walk as a celebration of the powerful Anglo-Saxon queens and princesses who founded these churches and abbeys that still survive today, and who were significant figures in the politics of the time. This is why we have called it the Royal Saxon Way.



*The fine view from Tolsford Hill*

The route is a rich and varied land, river and seascape. From the coast it follows the valleys of the Enbrook and Seabrook up to Etchinghill, and then from Lyminge follows the Nailbourne which joins the Little Stour which then flows into the Great Stour that passes Minster.



*The route between Folkestone and Sandgate*

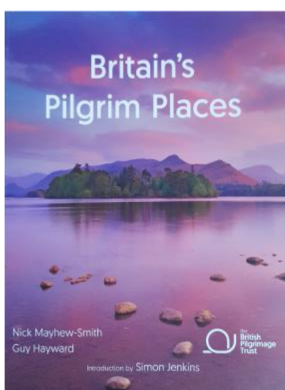


*The hills above Elham Valley Vineyard*

You can download routecards and a public transport map at the Pathways to the Past website at [geopaethas.com/lyminge-pathways-blog/a-long-walk/](https://geopaethas.com/lyminge-pathways-blog/a-long-walk/). You will also find lots more pictures and accounts written by people who have walked the route. Last year, the route featured in the local Ramblers Group programme, and this year it was adopted by the Long Distance Walkers Association.

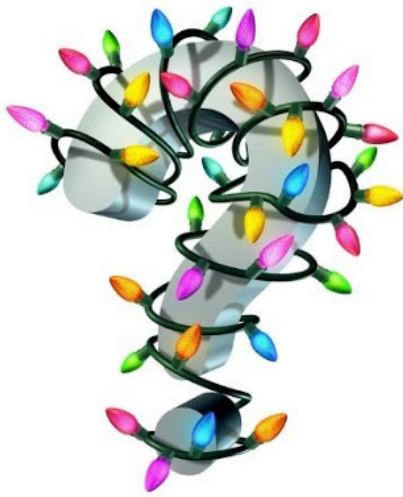


*The route following the Great Stour*



In the past, people went on pilgrimage for religious reasons. But in recent years, many have discovered that pilgrimage routes are just great paths to follow, passing through beautiful countryside and linking interesting historic sites. You don't have to be religious to go on pilgrimage. You don't have to go a long way. It is about taking the time to look and observe and experience the lovely countryside all around you.

We are delighted that the RSW is now publicised in the latest publication of the British Pilgrimage Trust. Lyminge has a feature of one and a half pages giving information about what has been found and what you can see here. There is a lot more information too on our project website at [geopaethas.com](https://geopaethas.com).



## Christmas Trivia Questions

- Q: In the song "Frosty the Snowman," what made Frosty come to life?
- Q: What Christmas decoration was originally made from strands of silver?
- Q: Who played George Bailey in the Christmas classic "It's a Wonderful Life?"
- Q: Per a recent holiday fad, what "spy" hides around the house, reporting back to Santa on who has been naughty and nice?
- Q: What Christmas beverage is also known as "milk punch?"
- Q: One of Santa's reindeer shares a name with a famous symbol of Valentine's Day. Which reindeer is that?
- Q: What Christmas-themed ballet premiered in Saint Petersburg, Russia in 1892?
- Q: In 1981, Bob and Doug McKenzie released their own version of a classic Christmas song. Which song is that?
- Q: What animated 2004 film is about a train that carries kids to the North Pole on Christmas Eve?
- Q: What much-reviled Christmas edible is known for its long shelf life?
- Q: In Charles Dickens' "A Christmas Carol," what was Mr. Scrooge's first name?
- Q: What Bing Crosby song is the best-selling single ever?
- Q: In the early 1800s, the first gingerbread houses were reportedly inspired by what famous fairy tale?
- Q: "Miracle on 34th Street" centres on what real-life department store?
- Q: In the song "Grandma Got Run Over by a Reindeer," what "incriminating" evidence was found on Grandma's back?
- Q: How many reindeer are featured in the poem "Twas the Night Before Christmas?"
- Q: What traditional Christmas decoration is actually a parasitic plant?
- Q: In "The Muppet Christmas Carol," who played Scrooge? Hint: It wasn't a muppet.
- Q: What beverage company has been using Santa Claus in its advertising since 1931?
- Q: According to legend, what holiday goodies were shaped to resemble a shepherd's staff, as a way to remind children of the shepherds who visited baby Jesus?

## Christmas Carol Cryptogram

Here is a list of 18 Christmas Carols whose titles have all been written in the same secret code. Can you figure out what the titles are? (Hint: replace the letter P with a C.)

- Q PQOR WYY VR JWFNSJBY
- AFYRUN UFTSN, SQYV UFTSN
- IRPZ NSR SWYYA DFNS MQBTSA QJ SQYYV
- SWXZ! NSR WUTRYA AFUT
- NSR JFXAN UQRY
- DR DFAS VQB W ORXXV PSXFANOWA
- FN PWOR BLQU NSR OFIUFTSN PYRWX
- F'O IXRWOFUT QJ W DSNR PSXFANOWA
- WDWV FU NSR OWUTRX
- AWUNW PYWBA FA PQOFUT NQ NQDU
- AFYERX MRYA
- YFNMYR IXBOORX MQV
- TQI XNAN VR ORXXV TRUNYRORU
- XBIQYLS NSR XRI UQARI XRFUIRRX
- F AWD OQOOV ZFAAFUT AWUNW PYWBA
- KFUTYR MRYA
- SWER VQBXARYJ W ORXXV YFNMYR PSXFANOWA
- Q PSXFANOWA NXRR



## Christmas Crossword



### ACROSS

- Pumpkin or mincemeat
- Santa's ride
- Celebration
- Newborn
- Northpole crew
- Word of praise
- Words on a Christmas card
- It's opened on Christmas

### DOWN

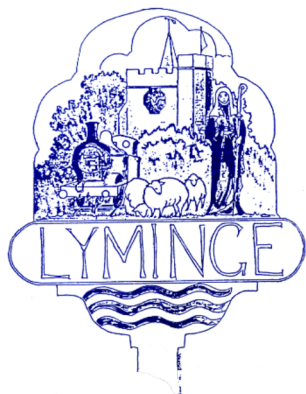
- Alternative word to 17 across
- Christmas drink
- Christmas dinner centerpiece
- Dec. holiday
- Christmas warmer
- "Jingle \_\_\_\_"
- Christmas tree
- O. Henry's "The Gift of the \_\_\_\_"
- What carolers do
- French Christmas.
- Snow glider



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## Answers on Page 18





# LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL

## December 2020 Newsletter

*Forthcoming Council and Committee Agendas are displayed on the Council notice boards in Lyminge Station Road car park, the Rhodes Minnis bus shelter and the entrance to the Village Hall car park, Etchinghill. Agendas and minutes are published on the Council's website [www.lymingepc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.lymingepc.kentparishes.gov.uk) and Facebook page. We invite you to read the minutes online or on the noticeboards which may provide the information you are seeking regarding a particular item, but correspondence is always welcome from parishioners and can be sent to the Clerk at the addresses given below.*

### SEASONS GREETINGS AND WISHING YOU A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR

from your Parish Councillors.



This year has been difficult for many of us and we are hoping 2021 will be better for everyone. Stay safe and please continue to follow Government advice to help protect us all against Covid-19.

We would also like to express our thanks to all NHS staff and key workers, Age UK and volunteers across the parish who have worked so hard over the last year and continue to provide such vital support for us all.

### GRANTS FOR COMMUNITY GROUPS

The Parish Council is keen to encourage village organisations, clubs and societies. We believe they contribute very much to making our community a great place to live. That is why each year we set aside some of our income from the Council Tax to fund grants to community groups. After months of lock-down that have restricted and mostly stopped normal activities, we know that many village groups are short of income. If your group is suddenly facing an unexpected bill that is difficult to meet, we would encourage you to consider whether the Parish Council is able to help.



Normally, we offer help with capital expenditure – one-off costs that are not expected to recur.

Also, as a general principle, we do not cover more than 50% of the expected

cost, so you will always need to find some money from somewhere else. To give an idea of the sort of things we support, over the past year or so, we have helped a number of groups, such as:

- Lyminge Scouts – a new hot water system in the Scout Hut;
- Etchinghill Residents Association – new lights for the Christmas Tree
- Lyminge Village Hall – CCTV for the village hall
- Pathways to the Past Project – information panels to be erected at archaeological sites in the village

The application form is available on-line at <https://www.lymingepc.kentparishes.gov.uk/parish-council-grants/> or click [here](#).

There is guidance to explain how to fill it in, and If you have any problems, you can also speak to the Parish Clerk before submitting the form. If you want your application considered quickly, please make sure that you complete the form fully, and supply all the supporting documents requested.

If you would like to tell us more about why you need the money, you can also come and speak to councillors at the Council meeting when your request will be considered. The Clerk will be able to confirm when this will be, and the location. At the moment, we are meeting remotely by Zoom, and you will be allowed up to 15 minutes to speak, if you want to do so.

*Rob Baldwin*

*Chair, Finance and Administration  
Committee, Lyminge Parish Council*

## FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION MEETINGS

Separate F & A Meetings recommenced in November by Zoom, having been suspended since March with all business being conducted at the full monthly council meetings in the interim. There is no F & A Meeting in December and these will re-start in January. As with full council meetings members of the public are welcome to attend. A date for January is to be announced in the next Newsletter.

## SALT BINS

Please remember these are for use in community areas only and not for use to clear private drives.

## 30 MPH SIGNAGE



We now have confirmation that the work to install 30mph repeater signs and 30mph roundels either side of the crossroads of Longage Hill with Green Lane/White Horse Lane, Rhodes Minnis, is due to take place on 13<sup>th</sup> January 21.

## HAVE YOU EVER CONSIDERED BECOMING A COUNCILLOR?

We are still looking for additional Parish Councillors. For more information on the role please contact the Clerk by email or telephone (details below).

**NEXT COUNCIL MEETING:** Monday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 7.30pm via Zoom Members of the public are welcome to attend the virtual meetings. There will be a specific opportunity to comment upon items on the agenda, or raise other matters. Anyone who wishes to attend should contact the clerk for details of how to join the meeting.

### **Cherri Norman, Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer**

Correspondence Address: Lyminge Parish Council, PO Box 1159, Canterbury, Kent CT1 9PR

Telephone: 07715 221 705 Email: [lymingepc@btinternet.com](mailto:lymingepc@btinternet.com)

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# Lyminge Climate Action



## Thoughtful Food....

.....is a group of local volunteers looking at our food, and how this impacts climate change. Our aims are to support people to produce more of their own food, and to shop locally, sourcing seasonal produce. We also run a community allotment in Lyminge and welcome new members. Contact: [thoughtfulfoodgroup@gmail.com](mailto:thoughtfulfoodgroup@gmail.com) or on Facebook and Instagram @thoughtfulfoodgroup. We are meeting on the first Tuesday evening of the month via Zoom - please email if you would like to attend.

## Having a Sustainable Christmas

Every year 10 million tonnes of food in the UK goes into landfill, with a third of this coming from our own homes. Christmas time is no exception, with people often buying in extra food to cater for others. Waste management company Biffa says that, staggeringly, 2m turkeys, 74m mince pies and 17.2m sprouts are thrown away every Christmas. This wasted food makes a significant contribution to global warming, and the good news is that there are lots of easy things we can do to change this. Here are our Top Tips for a greener Christmas, while many of these are relevant all year round:

- Plan your meals and only buy what you need to avoid surplus that is wasted
- Look for food with less plastic packaging where possible, and take your own bags and containers
- Use up leftovers the next day, or freeze any surplus that can be frozen
- Buy seasonal foods that can be produced locally - sprouts and parsnips are staples of the Christmas dinner for a reason!
- Consider vegetarian or vegan dishes to reduce meat intake or look for organic, or locally-produced meat where possible, supporting smaller-scale farms

From all members of the Thoughtful Food Group, we wish you a Merry Christmas and look forward to hopefully meeting you at village events next year.



## Action in December

### Saturday 5th December is WORLD SOIL DAY

1. Feed it an organic diet
2. Sheet mulch
3. Green manures and cover crops
4. Soil tests
5. Supply what is missing
6. Essential nitrogen
7. Weeds: pull, cover or smother.
8. Recycle perennial cuttings.
9. Let soils dry

**Read more:** <https://www.gardenista.com/posts/dirty-secrets-10-ways-to-improve-garden-soil/>

**2020** has been **the International Year of Plant Health** – end hunger, reduce poverty, boost economic development, and **protect the environment**

**Read more:** <http://www.fao.org/plant-health-2020/about/en/>





## Lyminge Climate Action (LCA) would like to help you go GREEN this Christmas

This Christmas we are asking you (if you can) to plant a tree(s) on land that is available to you. LCA will provide a range of different trees that you can choose from depending on the size of plot you have:

- Large Plot - Downy Birch, Rowan, Aspen, Wild Cherry and Field Maple
- Small Plot - Rowan, Bird Cherry, Hazel, Common Crab Apple and Grey Willow

If you are interested, please email us at [lymingeclimateaction@gmail.com](mailto:lymingeclimateaction@gmail.com) and we will be happy to help. **These trees will be ready for collection from the village hall on Saturday 19 December**

*"The creation of a thousand forests is in one acorn." - Ralph Waldo Emerson*

### Christmas Recycling and Refuse Collections 20/21

| Week      | Normal Collection Day | Revised Collection Day |
|-----------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| Recycling | Monday 21st Dec       | No change              |
|           | Tuesday 22nd Dec      | No change              |
|           | Wednesday 23rd Dec    | No Change              |
|           | Thursday 24th Dec     | No Change              |
|           | Friday 25th Dec       | Monday 28th Dec        |
| Refuse    | Monday 28th Dec       | Tuesday 29th Dec       |
|           | Tuesday 29th Dec      | Wednesday 30th Dec     |
|           | Wednesday 30th Dec    | Thursday 31st Dec      |
|           | Thursday 31st Dec     | Friday 1st Jan         |
|           | Friday 1st Jan        | Saturday 2nd Jan       |

Garden waste collections will stop on Friday 25th December and resume on Monday 11th January 2021

Garden waste collections due on Friday 25th December will be collected on Thursday 24th December

### Which bin do I put my Christmas items into?

#### Recycling (Purple Lidded Bin and Black Box)

- Christmas cards
- Tin foil and foil serving trays
- Champagne, wine & beer bottles
- Paper, only wrapping paper
- Cardboard boxes
- Sweet/chocolate tins
- Mince pie foil cases

#### Refuse (Green Bin)

- Tinsel
- Broken decorations
- Bubble wrap & soft plastic packaging like cellophane
- Foil/shiny wrapping paper
- Champagne & wine corks
- Polystyrene

### Top 5 Tips to make this Christmas the greenest one yet!

1. It's true that most wrapping paper can actually be recycled...but only if it's not the shiny and glittery type. If you want to know if the wrapping paper can be recycled or not, use the scrunch test. Scrunch up the paper in your hands and then let it go. If the paper stays scrunched up then it can be recycled but, if it unfolds by its own accord, then it likely contains non-recyclable materials. You can always opt for plain brown paper or gift bags as these can be used more than once.
2. Make your own Christmas decorations. Foraging for pine cones and holly is the perfect excuse to enjoy the great outdoors and keep kids busy. Check out some ideas at <https://www.hobbycraft.co.uk/christmas>
3. A staggering 1.5 billion Christmas cards are thrown away by UK households each year. Why not try giving people a call to wish them goodwill instead of sending a card. If a card is needed, try to find ones made from recycled materials and not containing too much shiny glitter
4. When it comes to selecting gifts, why not opt for making your own presents. Whether you love baking, sewing or painting, why not get creative this season. Best of all, the receiver will find joy in the gift long after the decorations have come down
5. Use the annual gastronomic extravaganza as an opportunity to show your support for some brilliant local producers. Sourcing your meats and vegetables locally is a good place to start: you'll use fewer food miles, less packaging and you can feel confident that you have supported local small businesses.

Final Tip: Eat the food in your freezer in the run-up to the main event, leaving plenty of room for leftovers. Surplus turkey and ham can be sliced, then wrapped in parchment and frozen. You can even freeze leftover Stilton and save it to use in a warming winter soup.

## Twelve Days of Christmas

(Solution on p18)



11 CALLING BIRDS  
CHRISTMAS  
DAYS  
DRUMMERS  
DRUMMING  
FRENCH HENS  
GEESE

8 GOLDEN RINGS  
LAYING  
LEAPING  
LORDS  
MAIDS  
MILKING  
PARTRIDGE

9 PEAR TREE  
PIPERS  
PIPING  
SWANS  
SWIMMING  
TURTLE DOVES  
TWELVE

## Christmas Crossword Solution (P12)



## General Christmas Quiz

(Solution on p18)

- Which real-life person is Santa Claus based on?
- Which country started the tradition of putting up a Christmas tree?
- How many ghosts show up in A Christmas Carol?
- What is the name of the last ghost that visits Scrooge in A Christmas Carol?
- In Home Alone, where are the McCallisters going on vacation when they leave Kevin behind?
- With what three words was the Grinch described in How the Grinch Stole Christmas?
- What Christmas decoration was originally made from strands of silver?
- What Christmas carol does the Peanuts gang sing at the end of "A Charlie Brown Christmas?"
- Which Hollywood actor played six different roles in The Polar Express?
- Which fairy tale were the first gingerbread houses inspired by?
- Three of Santa's reindeer's names begin with the letter "D." What are those names?
- What was the highest grossing Christmas movie of all time?
- In the movie Elf, how does Buddy get to the North Pole?
- What is the Grinch as cuddly as?
- What kind of bird has "gone away" in the song Winter Wonderland?

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## Christmas with KSS

*You keep us flying high*

Christmas will not be the same this year, but at KSS we have been working hard to put some sparkle back into your festive season.

- ◆ Brew with the (Christmas) Crew – Join us virtually at 6.30pm on the 15th December. Register for your invite below
- ◆ Why not give your virtual Christmas get together a KSS twist and download our fun party pack
- ◆ Or simply donate to our Christmas appeal to help our life-saving work

### CORONAVIRUS EMERGENCY APPEAL

Please help us to support the NHS and our communities

*Christmas  
Appeal*



FOR MORE INFORMATION ON OUR FESTIVE ACTIVITIES

Visit: [www.aakss.org.uk/christmas-with-kss/](http://www.aakss.org.uk/christmas-with-kss/) Call: 01634 471 900

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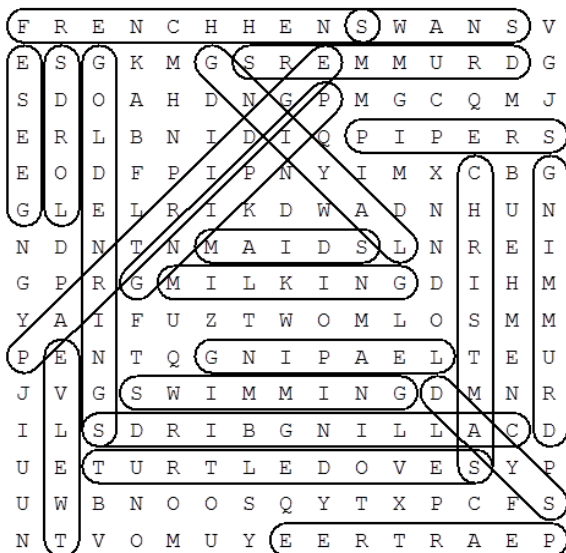
## Christmas Trivia Questions (P12)

1. A: An old silk hat
2. A: Tinsel
3. A: Jimmy Stewart
4. A: The Elf on the Shelf
5. A: Eggnog
6. A: Cupid
7. A: The Nutcracker
8. A: The Twelve Days of Christmas
9. A: The Polar Express
10. A: Fruitcake
11. A: Ebenezer
12. A: White Christmas
13. A: Hansel and Gretel
14. A: Macy's
15. A: Claus marks
16. A: Eight (no Rudolph!)
17. A: Mistletoe
18. A: Michael Caine
19. A: Coca-Cola
20. A: Candy canes

## Christmas Carol Cryptogram (P12)

1. O COME ALL YE FAITHFUL
2. SILENT NIGHT, HOLY NIGHT
3. DECK THE HALLS WITH BOUGHS OF HOLLY
4. HARK! THE ANGELS SING
5. THE FIRST NOEL
6. WE WISH YOU A MERRY CHRISTMAS
7. IT CAME UPON THE MIDNIGHT CLEAR
8. I'M DREAMING OF A WHITE CHRISTMAS
9. AWAY IN THE MANGER
10. SANTA CLAUS IS COMING TO TOWN
11. SILVER BELLS
12. LITTLE DRUMMER BOY
13. GOD REST YE MERRY GENTLEMEN
14. RUDOLPH THE RED NOSED REINDEER
15. I SAW MOMMY KISSING SANTA CLAUS
16. JINGLE BELLS
17. HAVE YOURSELF A MERRY LITTLE CHRISTMAS
18. O CHRISTMAS TREE

## Twelve Days of Christmas (P17)



## General Christmas Quiz Solutions (P17)

1. The Christian bishop St. Nicholas
2. Germany
3. Four
4. The Ghost of Christmas Yet to Come
5. Paris
6. Stink, stank, stunk
7. Tinsel
8. "Hark! The Herald Angels Sing"
9. Tom Hanks
10. Hansel and Gretel
11. Dancer, Dasher, and Donner
12. Home Alone
13. He hides in Santa's sack
14. Cactus
15. Bluebird







## Lyminge Pre-School



Lyminge Preschool provides quality Early Years education and day care all year round for children aged 2-5 years. The Pre-School is run by a team of qualified, highly experienced and dedicated practitioners.

Lyminge Pre-school has a safe, stimulating and fun environment that provides support and challenge for all of the children's individual needs. We welcome all children from the age of two from all surrounding areas.

To arrange to meet the team, please call 01303 863149 (day) or email [lymingepreschool@gmail.com](mailto:lymingepreschool@gmail.com) and visit our website [www.lymingepreschool.org.uk](http://www.lymingepreschool.org.uk)

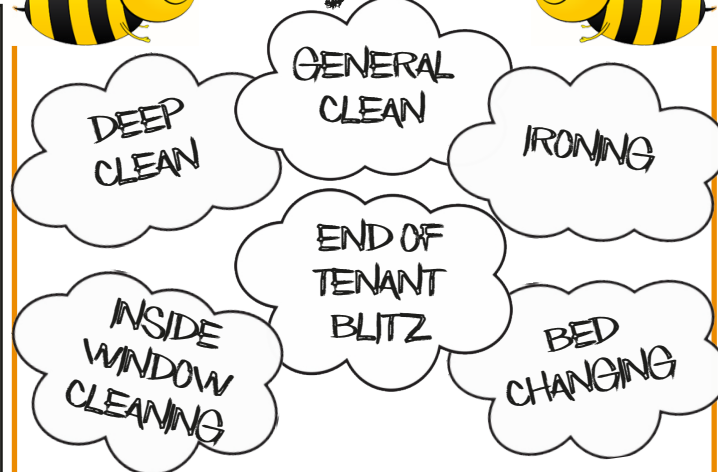
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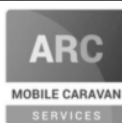
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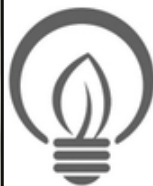
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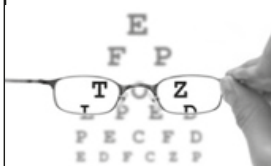
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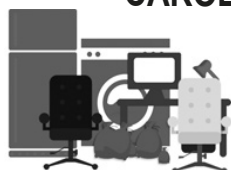
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# Out & About..

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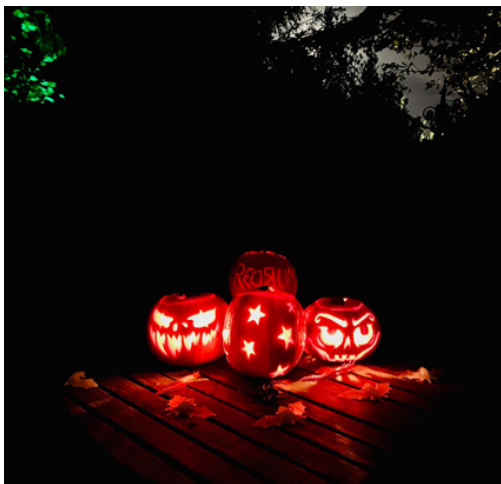


Photos  
Reflecting  
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# Out & About (contd)



Congratulations to the winner Indigo for her sensationally spooky creations in the recent Pumpkin Competition organised by the Lyminge Youth Action.

WOW!  
(I AM  
HAPPY!



This joyous picture was spotted pinned on the Tayne Field noticeboard. It is just what we need to lift our spirits when we are feeling low and rather sad.

Thank you to the person who has made us all smile!

Why not find uplifting pictures, spread them about the villages and bring a little joy to everyone around us?

## Wayside Watch

If you have any photos of favourite wild flowers in bloom locally, please send them to [adrian.willcox@virgin.net](mailto:adrian.willcox@virgin.net) together with a few words about them. Our thanks to Gillian Heywood this month.



**Common Teasel** ~ [*Dipsacus fullonum*] Way back in the summer these had blueish flower heads which have now turned in to these spiky seed heads. Goldfinches are attracted to them. According to the RHS there are at least 15 other names for this plant, including Adam's Flannel! They are popular for part of floral arrangements and there is even a diet supplement made from teasel extract!



The red berries



here are on a **Mountain Ash or Rowan** ~ [*Sorbus aucuparia*] Another plant that is valuable for wildlife. The berries are usually redder than shown here but the frost seems to have dimmed their colour. The tree also has a reputation for being the bane of witches!

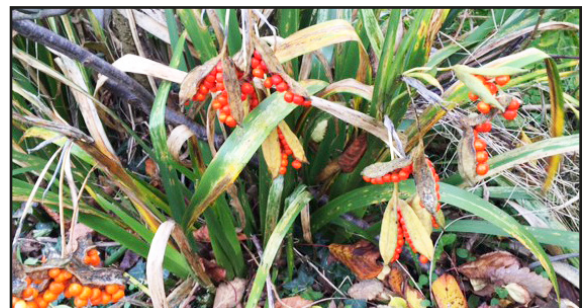
## Mystery Flowers !



This Mystery Flower has at last been identified! Thanks go to Kate and Dan Bennett, Maureen Cox, Mel Collingwood and Ruth Linton who all identified it as a **Broadleaved Helleborine** [*Epipactis helleborine*].

Now what about this one seen on the Church Road edge of Tayne Field.

Any answers to [adrian.willcox@virgin.net](mailto:adrian.willcox@virgin.net)



An interesting aside: a Lyminge resident gave their copy of the November edition of the newsletter to a good friend in Ashford who was particularly interested in things botanical. Recently, the phone belonging to the Lyminge person developed a fault and since the person lived on their own, the Ashford friend was concerned as to their well-being. Having drawn a blank on a few other routes of enquiry, contact was made using the Editor's telephone number at bottom of the newsletter and he was able to establish the person was well and reassure the Ashford person that there was nothing to be concerned about!! BT restored the phone line the following day.