



THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

December 2021

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THE LYMINGE ASSOCIATION
www.lyminge.org.uk

From The Lyminge Association



*"The mince pies are warming and
wrapping begun
Children's excited eyes
As the tree is encircled with twinkling stars
Lights that will light up the skies
Presents beneath, angel atop
Symbol of hope for our time"*
Part of carol written by Chris Kimmance, Ashford Sings

This year The Lyminge Association is happy to confirm that Santa and his willing elves will be personally delivering Christmas presents to the children in their homes on the evening of Monday 20th December.

However, there is a considerable change with regards to where the presents may be deposited and the area to which they can be delivered (please see map on page 10).

Presents may be left at The Methodist Church, Church Road, Lyminge CT18 8JA on either Saturday 11th or Saturday 18th December between 10am and 4pm. Sorry - no other dates or times!! A receipt will be given for each bag of presents deposited.

As in previous years, the parcels need to be well wrapped and **CLEARLY LABELLED WITH THE RECIPIENT'S NAME AND ADDRESS including POSTCODE.**

A small charge of £2 is made per address; there is no limit to the number of presents per household, but they all need to be clearly marked with the recipient's name and address.



Margaret Saunders' Meanderings

My meanderings today are more of the eye than the feet as I am sitting on Hythe beach on one of the big boulders laid down as part of a groyne. Projecting out of the sea, just beyond the groyne, is what I, and many others, nick-name a lamp post, with a red 'shade', which as an outfall marker is a familiar sight along this stretch of the coast. The wind is strong today, after some recent gales and I enjoy the freshness it brings. It is late afternoon and looking westwards two Martello towers stand proud of the coastline and much further along, something is catching the sun's rays and shining brightly, like some secret signal.

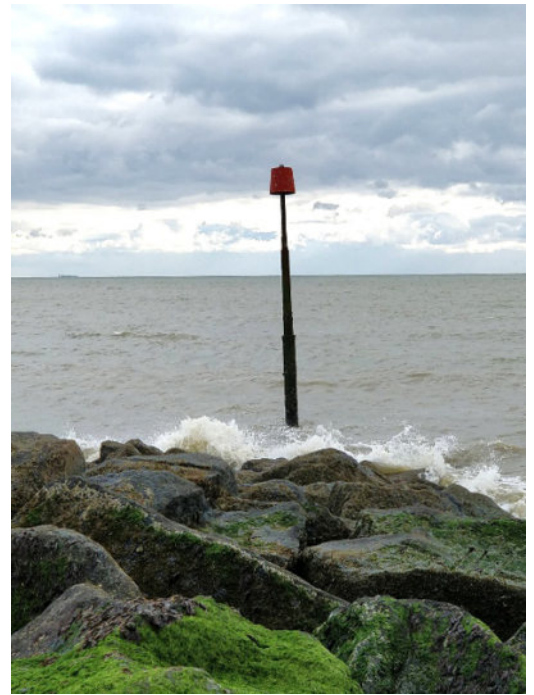
The sky is a multitude of greys and a sharp line demarcates the joining of sea and sky, grey-green below and soft grey above. Higher up, the tips of clouds, like tangled wool, catch the sun and here and there a puff of lower cloud is highlighted into a bright whiteness. Shapes and colours are changing constantly, as the wind moves the clouds at pace, causing dark shadows to move over the waves - a sky that cannot stand still. A white ship on the horizon catches the light and a container ship laden with goods, ploughs its way steadily from east to west, supplying our endless needs and desires. At Dungeness the two solid nuclear power station towers and nearby lighthouses, stand dark grey against the sky.



I change my focus and observe the things around me: boulders, tightly hugged by bright green seaweed, some showing the parallel lines of the dynamite used to break them from the earth's surface, tumble in juxtaposition forming small caves where they overlap; seagulls, both young and mature pick up stones, fly a few feet, then drop them in an endless game of follow-my-leader or Simon Says; pebbles of such variety - pitted, patterned, smooth, rough, angular, mottled and some shining wet; cuttlefish bone litters the beach, white and distinctive in shape; a piece of driftwood, sodden and sea-worn; a small soft and patterned feather from a juvenile seagull, caught between two stones, flutters constantly in the wind; other seagulls fight over a washed-up dogfish - a feast indeed after a diet of discarded chips; foam flecked water swirls as the waves throw themselves ashore in the ceaseless rise and fall of the tides; the susurrations of each wave as it breaks, splashes then draws back, dragging shingle; a small fly staggers about on a rock. Two turnstones peck around on the boulders and the shingle, looking for sand hoppers and other small crustaceans (sand hoppers are so called because they can jump several inches into the air to avoid predators). Turnstones that winter in Britain breed in the Canadian high Arctic so have come a long way, which probably accounts for their slightly dishevelled look.

Looking up once again, the view has changed and a lowering sky, dark grey and heavy with rain, has blocked out the sun as well as Dungeness. But to the east, the sky is blue, showing a very different colour palette from the western view. And in the same direction, above the white crested waves, I can see two separate lumps of land, showing the hills between Calais and Boulogne. Nearer the shoreline, a pair of black winged gulls bob about together, in and out of view, riding the endless waves.

There is still a welcome warmth in the sun even though the wind is fresh. Seagulls ride the air currents, hovering one minute then diving down to the beach the next. The young cry of these birds sounds more like a squeak as they have not yet quite mastered the raucous cry of the adults. I cloud watch and imagine I can see recognisable shapes: a mouse, a sheep, a duck. But look away for a few moments and the shape disappears, so fast are the winds high up. An hour has passed since I first sat down and I reluctantly leave this most energetic and yet soothing of scenes, a contradiction in terms I know, but somehow true nonetheless. My eyes have done the walking today.



Diary of Forthcoming 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 pbarnes20@icloud.com or via methods outlined on Page 4.

Location and name codes below:

One-Off Events

Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Date	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
All December		Mount Pleasant Lights On			05-Dec	7pm	Etchinghill Residents Assoc. AGM	EVH	
04-Dec	9am	Tayne Centre Market	TC	07977899559	09-Dec	7.30pm	Cantores Christmas Concert with a Difference	LVH	07840796383
04-Dec	7.30pm	Haywardians Concert	LMC		10-Dec	7pm	Christmas Concert	LPC	See P7
04-Dec	10am	Christmas Tree Festival	LPC	863911	20-Dec		Christmas Present Delivery		07840796383
05-Dec	1pm	Christmas Tree Festival	LPC	863911	25-Dec		Christmas Day Lunch Club	LVH	863256

Weekly Events

Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Wed	10.30am	Carers' Dementia Café	JC	269602
Mon	10am	Open House Coffee House	EVH	863394	Wed	10.45am	Singing for Health	JC	862364
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	LBC	863177	Wed	1.30pm	Dementia Café	JC	269602
Mon	10.30am	Carers Coffee Morning	JC	269602	Wed	2pm	Bingo (Start date TBC)	EVH	
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	LMC	07951572920	Wed ⁵	3pm	French Conversation	Call	862972
Mon	11am	Pilates	TC	07825109670	Wed	7pm	Tayne Centre Circuits	TC	07925982995
Mon	12.30pm	Lunch Club	JC	269602	Wed	7.15pm	Cantores Dominicae Choir	LVH	07840796383
Mon	2.30pm	Knit and Natter	TC	863049	Thurs	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602
Mon	5.30pm	Pilates	EVH	07951608008	Thurs	10am	Lyminge Art Group	EVH	
Mon	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin/Salsa Dancing	TC	07966751991	Thurs	1.30pm	Cream Tea	JC	269602
Mon	6.30pm	Judo Club	LVH	862946	Thurs	2pm	Art Group - afternoon	TC	07870494644
Mon	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951608008	Thurs	3.30pm	Pilates	EVH	
Mon	7.30pm	Yoga	RMVH	07977503897	Thurs	5pm	Pilates	TC	07951608008
Tues	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Thurs	6pm	Pilates	EVH	
Tues	9.30am	Dance Fitness Class	EVH		Thurs	6.15pm	Pilates	TC	07951608008
Tues	9.45am	Young at Heart Dance/Fitness	EVH	07565182259	Thurs	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842
Tues	12noon	Pilates	EVH		Thurs	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951698008
Tues	2pm	Pickleball	EVH	863819	Thurs	7.30pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	8am	Chiropody (appointment only)	JC	269602
Wed	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Fri	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602
Wed	9.30am	Age UK Info & Advice – drop in	JC	269602	Fri	9.30am	Art Class	??	??
Wed	10am	Pilates	TC	07825109670	Fri	10am	Feel a Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936
Wed	10am	Baby/Toddler Group	EVH		Fri	12noon	Cognitive Stimulation Therapy	JC	269602
Wed	10.30am	Cognitive Stimulation Therapy	JC	269602	Fri	7pm	Table Tennis	EVH	

Monthly Events

When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1st Mon	2pm	RBL, Elham Valley	St Mary's	862508	4th Wed	2.30pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
3rd Mon	7pm	Etchinghill Cinema Club	EVH	07544670363	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL	07715221705	4th Fri	7.30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
1st Tues ³	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	863879	Last Fri	1.30pm	Team Quiz	JC	269602
3rd Tues ²	7.30pm	Gardeners' Society	TC	07703149008	1st Sat	9am	Saturday Market	TC	07977899559
1st Wed	10.30am	Lyminge Friends	LMC	862598	2nd Sat	10am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morning	PC	863536
2nd Wed	10.30am	Mothers Union	NC	862221	2nd Sat	10am	Ethelburga Quilters	EVH	

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

C&H: Coach & Horses; **EVH:** Etchinghill Village Hall; **ELVH:** Elham Village Hall; **ERA:** Etchinghill Residents' Association; **ES:** Elham Square; **EVL:** 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 House; **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 Newsletter for info; **SP:** Sibton Park; **SPCC:** Sibton Park Cricket Club; **TC:** Tayne Centre; **TF:** Tayne Field; **WF:** Well Field



St Mary and St Ethelburga Parish Church, Lyminge

Sunday 5th December

Lyminge - 10am WOW Service
Paddlesworth - 6pm Evensong

Sunday 12th December

Lyminge - 8am Holy Communion- BCP

Sunday 19th December

Lyminge - 10am Holy Communion - CW1
- 6pm Candle-lit service of Nine Lessons and Carols

Friday 24th December - Christmas Eve

Lyminge - 3pm Children's Crib Service
- 11pm Midnight Holy Communion

Sunday 26th December St. Stephens Day - Boxing Day

Lyminge - 10am Benefice Holy Communion

Notice: At Lyminge the main Sunday Morning service will be at 10am

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

Postling Church Services

All services are in the Church

5th December 9.30am Morning Service

12th December 8.30am Informal Breakfast Service

19th December 5pm Advent Meditation

Monday 20th December 7.30pm Advent Carol Service with the Shepway Singers

Friday 24th December 11.30am Crib Service

Saturday 25th December 9.30am Morning Service for Christmas Day

26th December No service in Postling

Lyminge Methodist Church

The following services will be held at 11am and we look forward to welcoming you.

5th December - 11am Mrs Christine Slater

12th December - 9.30am at Elham Rev. Gill Songer (Holy Communion)

19th December - 10.15am Rev. Gill Songer - Valley Service

24th December - 6pm Carols - come and choose your favourites!

2nd January - 11am Mr Roy Hollands

We send greetings of Joy and Peace to you all for Christmas and the New Year.

Rhodes Minnis Chapel

We are holding an Advent course called 'Migration & Movement' on **Thursdays - 2nd, 9th & 16th December at 2pm** in the Chapel, led by Rev. Gill Songer.

This course reflects on migration and the global movement of people, with stories from the world church. Tea and coffee will be served and everyone will be very welcome.

5th December - Sunday service led by Mr. Richard Blackwell

12th December - No service

19th December - No service at Rhodes Minnis but we will be joining in a Valley service at Lyminge at 10.15am

Christmas Day - No service

26th December - No service

2nd January - Service will be led by the local congregation

Christians in Lyminge



CHRISTIANS IN LYMINGE

4th December: Haywardians concert at 7.30pm in the Lyminge Methodist Church

4/5th December: Christmas Tree Festival at the Parish Church

4th December: Tayne Centre Market 9am to noon
10th December: Music on a Friday at the Parish Church

19th December: Candlelit Carol Service at 6pm at the Parish Church

Lyminge Newsletter

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

District Councillors' Update - November 2021

The District Council has partnered with Kent County Council and other local authorities for the roll out of one of the largest networks of Electric Vehicle charging points. Our six existing off-street charging points will be replaced by Connected Kerb, one of the UK's biggest EV charging point providers and replaced with 100 new EV charging points. These will be a mixture of fast 7Kwh, 22kw and rapid 50Kwh with at least four charging points in 25 of our public car parks and (technical issues allowing) Lyminge is one of the car parks in the scheme. The installation is planned to start early next year. Connected Kerb has committed to installing 190,000 EV charging points across the UK by 2030 and it should really help to have a consistent network for EV charging.



Those of you who subscribe to the kerbside garden waste collection service will receive a discount of £9.70 for the next annual charge due on 01 April 2022. This reflects five missed collections for the fortnightly service for the 10 weeks the service was suspended earlier this year. A discount seemed the most straightforward way to deal with the refund and there will be special arrangements for those not renewing their subscription.

We're pleased to report that the team that deals with Revenue and Benefits at the District Council has won the Excellence in Education and Staff Development award given by the Institute of Revenues Rating and Valuation. The team was also shortlisted in three other categories - benefits and welfare reform team of the year, revenues team of the year, and excellence in social inclusion. This area of the Council's work often goes unnoticed but is of vital importance to many vulnerable people and it's good to see their hard work recognised this way.

'Your District Today' magazine will be delivered to every household soon. Look out for details of any changes in dates for collections (we don't collect on Christmas Day!) and the free parking offer for local Christmas shopping.

Jenny attended the meeting of Lyminge Parish Council on 25 October and we both attended the Joint Advisory Committee of the Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty on 09 November (Jenny representing Folkestone & Hythe District Council and Susan Kent County Council.)

Age UK Hythe & Lyminge - A reminder that Dementia Daybreak is available at Lyminge 3 days a week on Tuesday, Wednesdays and Thursdays. Sessions are flexible and can include a two course freshly prepared lunch with tea or coffee. The Café and Charity Shop are open and welcome visitors. For further details see Dementia daybreak (ageuk.org.uk)

We wish you all a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year and thank all the people who make our villages good places to live. 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, pubs and businesses, the village hall committees and everyone who keeps the many village societies and organisations going for the benefit of all. Thank you to all the volunteers and all the good neighbours.

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

Rhodes Minnis Circle

Unfortunately, our October speaker was unable to come to us, but we had a quiz instead followed by a good chat and a cup of tea.

The competition was won by Helen Durrant, with Marion Hoare 2nd, Diana Bennett 3rd and Fran Davis 4th.

Our members Christmas Party is on 8th December at 2pm (Please note date & time). We look forward to seeing Ann Finney again who will be presenting a Christmas Selection. This will be followed by a Bring & Share Tea and Raffle. There will be no competition (Please bring a glass and plate).

We wish all our friends a Very Happy Christmas.

Marion 862913

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We would like to sincerely thank our loyal supporters and friends, old and new, who have supported us this year.

Your kindness and generosity has 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 2022**

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.



**Christmas is a
season not only
of rejoicing but
of reflection.**

**Winston
Churchill**

**"It's not how much we give but how
much love we put into giving."
Mother Theresa**



**Grab your pens, paintbrushes and glitter -
it's time for our Christmas art competition!**

DESIGN A CHRISTMAS BAUBLE

Whether it's a sparkly celebration of all things glitter, a festive snow scene or a portrait of Father Christmas himself, enter your design for a chance to win a Christmas goody bag.

The competition is open to all primary school-aged children, with separate categories for KS1 and KS2.

Send a photo of your design to lymingeyouthaction@gmail.com to enter, along with a £1 donation to our GoFundMe campaign: gofundme.com/lymingeparks. A winner for each category will be selected via a prize draw.

All money raised will go towards rebuilding the Tayne Field and Jubilee Field play parks.

Thank you for your support. We know we have many talented young artists in our community so we can't wait to see your festive creations.

FUNDRAISING UPDATE

So far we have raised a total of £97,000, leaving us just over £30k from our target. We will continue working hard to get there, and as we come to the end of the year we want to thank you for supporting us along the way, with your generous donations, time and encouragement.

From all of us at LYA - Tara, Nicola, Mark, Adam and Rachel - we wish you a very merry Christmas, and a happy New Year. **Here's hoping 2022 is the year of the parks!**

All the best

LYA

PILATES

MONDAY 18:15 - Stelling Minnis Village Hall

WEDNESDAY 10:30 - Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

THURSDAY 15:30 - Etchinghill Village Hall



For more information:

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For online classes:

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LAST CHANCE TO BOOK

CHRISTMAS LUNCH AT THE COACH & HORSES

(Members Only)

**Tuesday 14th December
2021**



call Vi on 01303 863920 or email:

vi.mcintee@btinternet.com by 3rd December to book
your place.

**FIRST EVENT OF 2022
AGM 18th January - 7.30 at The Tayne
Centre (More information next month)**

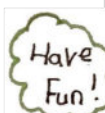
For general information about the Gardeners' Society:

Email lymingegardeners@gmail.com
or call Anne on 07703 149008

CHRISTMAS TREE FESTIVAL



There Will Be Mince Pie's
And Mulled Wine!



Lyminge Parish Church
Saturday 4th December 10am-4pm
Sunday 5th December 1pm-4pm
Funds raised for St Mary and St Ethelburga Church

Poster details taken from designs by Lyminge School pupils

Lyminge Friends - December 2021

In November's meeting, Derek Smith brought the **Battle of Little Bighorn, (Custer's Last Stand)**, to life. Very entertaining!

Wednesday 1st December 2021
10.30am in the Church

Andrew Ashton will talk about **Banksy and Street Art**.

The talk will be followed by our **Christmas Lunch Party** in the main hall with a raffle (donations of prizes appreciated), and a Secret Santa. Lunch is £5 in addition to the normal £3 entry. Please don't forget to book and pay for your place - call 862015

We end the year with **lunch on New Year's Eve in China China, Friday 31st December at 12 noon**. Please call 862015 if you haven't already booked your place.

We start the year on **Wednesday 5th January** with an illustrated talk from **Wendy Fraser** on **A Visit to Florence** followed by a **Pub Lunch** in the **Kings Arms, Elham**. Lunch must be pre-booked so call us on 862015 to book your place.

Please wear a mask or shield and use the hand sanitiser provided and don't forget that the door will be open so you will need appropriate clothing.

Merry Christmas Everyone

Meetings are 10.30am - 12pm in the Methodist Church. Entry for 2022 will be £3.50.

We are a friendly social group and welcome new members so just drop into a meeting, or if you'd like to talk to one of us first, please call 863500.



MUSIC ON A FRIDAY



Lyminge Parish Church
Friday 10th December
7pm

Do come and listen to your favourite Christmas songs and enjoy mulled wine and mince pies.

ALL FREE

**DO COME ALONG IF YOU ARE ABLE FOR
AN EVENING OF FESTIVE MUSIC**



Fifth Trust Update www.fifthtrust.co.uk

Don't miss out on The Fifth Trust Christmas craft fair at the Elham Valley Vineyard on Saturday 4th December from 11am-3pm.

Join us for a joyous festive occasion with student-made gifts and decorations, an art exhibition, real Christmas trees and wreaths, refreshments including mince pies and mulled wine and carols from Canterbury Christ Church University Music Society.

All proceeds will go towards the provision of creative, fun and educational activities and work experience opportunities for adults with learning disabilities.

Please note the Vineyard Garden Centre and Café will be closed from mid-day on Christmas Eve until Tuesday 2nd January. Merry Christmas!

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China 城



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Update your Group's details

As people are beginning to gain confidence and emerge from their 'lockdown hibernation' they are starting to make contact and join back into events and social groups.

Can I please ask all organisations to check that the details printed each month in the Lyminge Newsletter are correct. Should they need altering, please contact me and I'll change them in the following edition.

With kind regards **Peter E Barnes**
(Editor)



THE TOWER THEATRE
FOLKESTONE

Starring **MIKE NOLAN**
from The Fizz

Dick Whittington

11-28
December

2021

JOHN PRITCHARD
as EDNA THE COOK

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AFHODS
The Association of Folkestone and Hastings Old Dramatic Societies

Elham Christmas Food & Craft Festival

Sunday 12 December 11am - 2pm
Elham Square & Church

Santa  in his vintage shepherd's hut, elves, donkeys, presents for children

30+ stalls selling delicious festive food and gorgeous gifts

Raffle in aid of Papyrus UK

Refreshments
Mulled wine - Hot chestnuts -
Chancel Café - Kings Arms

We hope to see you there!

elhamfarmersmarket.co.uk
For information: Julie Woodgate 07756 087935
facebook.com/elhamfarmersmarket



Merry Christmasto all our Readers

Lyminge Businesses' Christmas and New Year 2021/22 Opening Hours

	Thurs 23-Dec	Fri 24-Dec	Sat 25-Dec Christmas Day	Sun 26-Dec Boxing Day	Mon 27-Dec	Tues 28-Dec	Wed 29-Dec	Thurs 30-Dec	Fri 31-Dec New Year's Eve	Sat 01-Jan New Year's Day	Sun 02-Jan
Auto-Economy Garage	Normal	8am-1pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Normal	Normal	8am-1pm	Closed	Closed
Chemist	Normal	Normal	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Closed
China China	Normal	Normal	12noon-7pm	12noon-7pm	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal	Normal
Coffee Cabin	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed
Coach and Horses	12noon-11pm	12noon-10pm	11.30am-1.30pm Drinks Only	12noon-4pm	12noon-9pm	12noon-9pm	12noon-9pm	12noon-10pm	12noon-1am Tickets Only	12noon-10pm	12noon-10pm
Farm Shop, Lyminge	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open	Open
Farm Shop, Ottinge	Op-re-ordered collections	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Open	Closed	Closed	Open	Closed
Laing Bennett	9am-1pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	10am-2pm	10am-2pm	Closed	Closed	Closed
Library	10am-5pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	10am-2pm	10am-5pm	10am-2pm	Closed	Closed
Premier Food Store	7am-9pm	7am-7pm	12noon-2pm	7am-4pm	7am-7pm	7am-7pm	7am-7pm	7am-7pm	7am-7pm	8am-2pm	7am-9pm
Snippers and Clippers (Ladies)	9am-5pm	9am-1pm	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	9am-4pm	9am-4pm	9am-2pm	Closed	Closed
Snippers and Clippers (Men)	8.30am-6pm	Appointments Only. Call 07522494969	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Appointments Only. Call 07522494969	Appointments Only. Call 07522494969	Appointments Only. Call 07522494969	Closed	Closed
The Surgery, Church Road	Normal	8am-6.30pm	Closed	Closed	8am-6.30pm	8am-6.30pm	8am-6.30pm	8am-8pm	8am-6.30pm	Closed	Closed
New Lyminge Surgery	Normal	Normal	Closed	Closed	Closed	Closed	Normal	Normal	Normal	Closed	Closed
The Gatekeeper	Normal	Normal til late	12noon-5pm	12noon-5pm	Closed	Closed	Normal	Normal	Normal til late	Normal	Normal

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

Update your Group's details

As people are beginning to gain confidence and emerge from their 'lockdown hibernation' they are starting to make contact and join back into events and social groups.

Can I please ask all organisations to check that all the details printed each month in the Lyminge Newsletter are correct. Should they need altering, please contact me and I'll change them in the following edition.

With kind regards

Peter E Barnes
(Editor)



Musical Director
Adrian Bawtree

Cantores

presents a

CHRISTMAS CONCERT

Thursday 9 December at 7.30pm

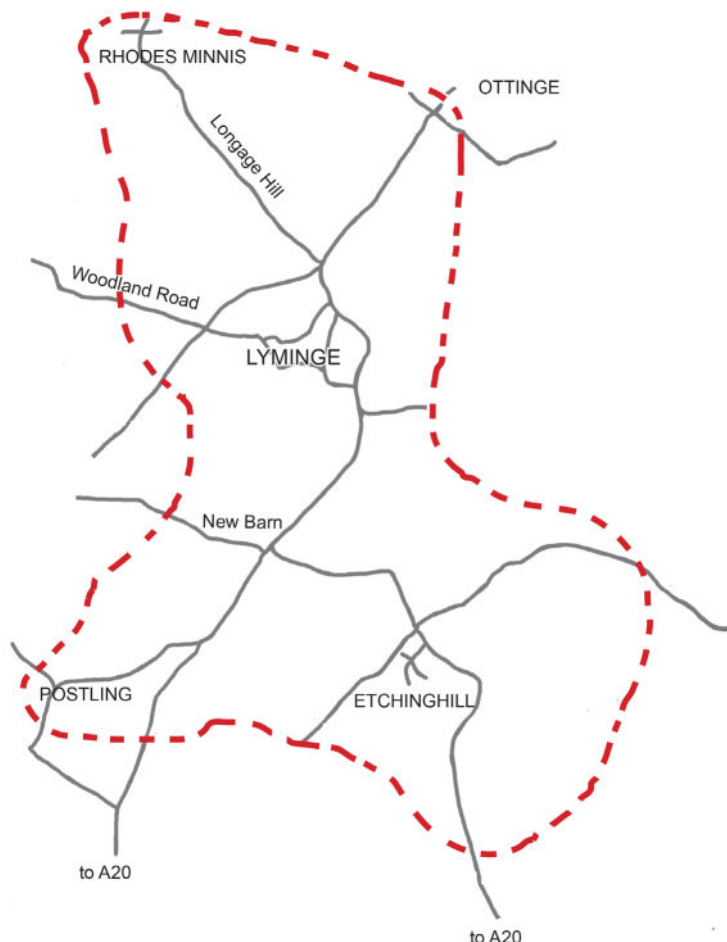
Lyminge Village Hall

Varied & interesting programme,
including some African carols

featuring
Adriamus String Quartet
& Lyminge Handbells

Tickets £10 - to include a mince pie and festive drink.
Children under 12 free!

On sale from 'Snippers and Clippers', Station Road, Lyminge,
on the door, or Nancy - email nancybenham@aol.com



Santa's Delivery Area



This is the area to which Christmas presents will be delivered by Santa and his elves on the evening of Monday 20th December. The area covered by Santa is shown on the map and excludes the far end of Woodland Road and Elham!!

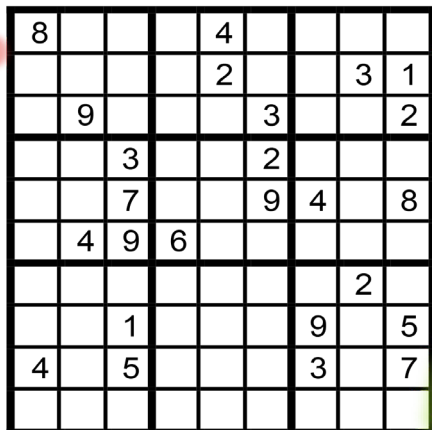
To repeat what is printed on the front page, the presents may be left at The Methodist Church, Church Road, Lyminge CT18 8JA on either Saturday 11th or Saturday 18th December between 10am and 4pm. Sorry - no other dates or times!! A receipt will be given for each bag of presents deposited.

The parcels need to be well wrapped and **CLEARLY LABELLED WITH THE RECIPIENT'S NAME AND ADDRESS** including POSTCODE.

A small charge of £2 is made per address; there is no limit to the number of presents per household, but they all need to be clearly marked with the recipient's name and address.

Family Christmas Puzzles

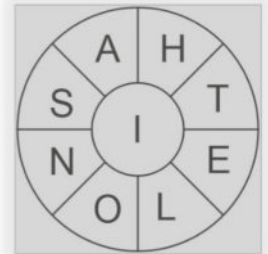
L. A. Sudoku Puzzle - 2021



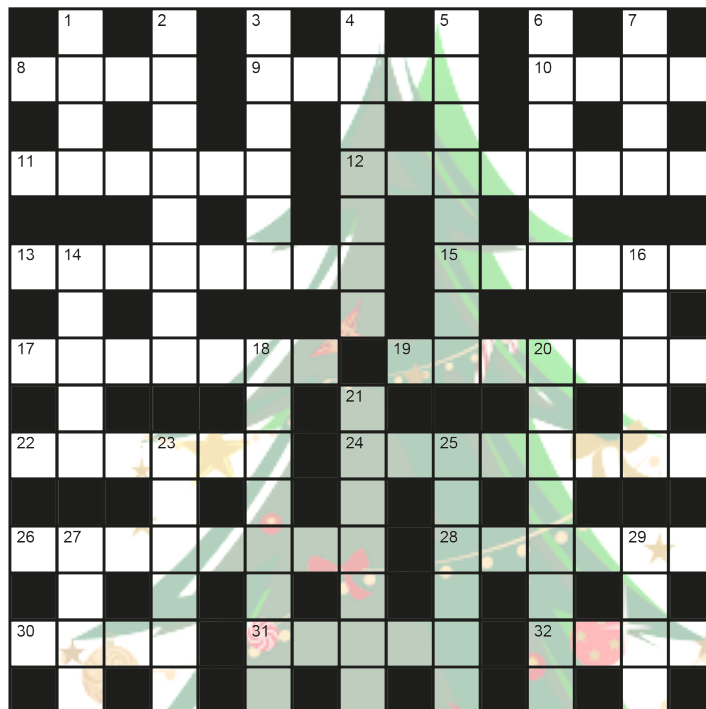
POLYGON PUZZLE

Make as many words as you can from the letters. Always include the centre letter.

The score for each word is the number of letters used in the word. All words must appear in your Dictionary. Bonus score of 50 if you use all nine letters.



December 2021 crossword



Across

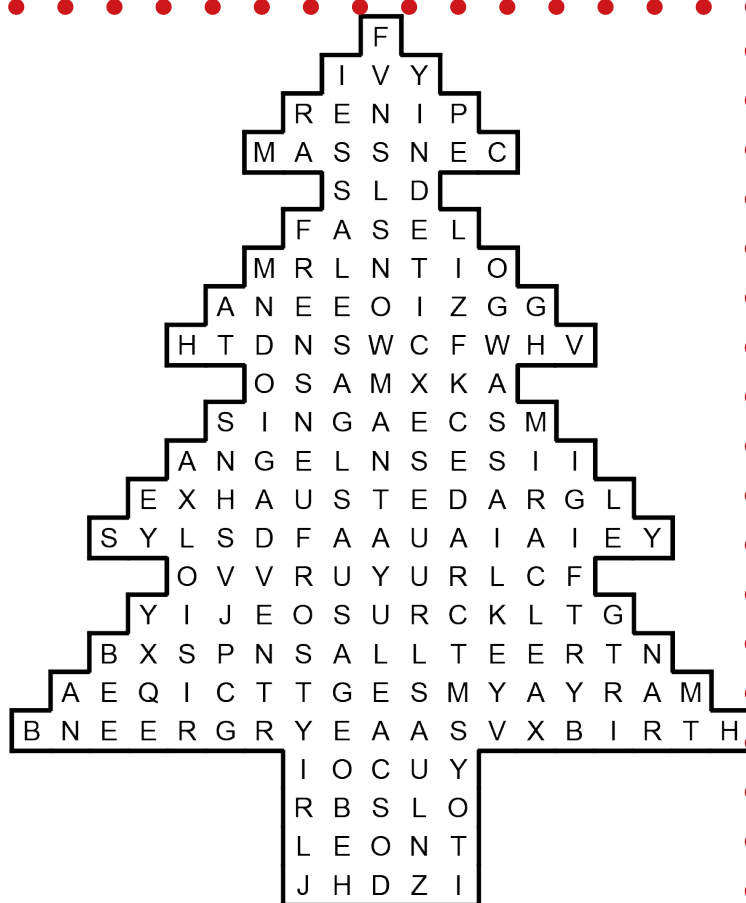
- 08 Back (4)
- 09 Forbidden (5)
- 10 Like a halo (4)
- 11 Assault (6)
- 12 Having a small elevation (3-5)
- 13 Western continental landmass (8)
- 15 A source of danger (6)
- 17 Lymphatic mass in the throat (7)
- 19 At that place (7)
- 22 Sports judge (6)
- 24 A narcotic (8)
- 26 A non-commissioned officer (8)
- 28 Bear witness (6)
- 30 A round plate (4)
- 31 An island in the Marshal Islands (5)
- 32 Wise men (4)

Down

- 01 Charges (4)
- 02 Dress rehearsal (5,3)
- 03 Slanting text (6)
- 04 Like Cleopatra's Needle (7)
- 05 The time in your pocket (3,5)
- 06 Barrister (6)
- 07 A club or heavy metal it's same word (4)
- 14 Can connect you to the web (5)
- 16 "Farewell, mon ami" (5)
- 18 Cold and wet (3,5)
- 20 Actual elapsed period (4-4)
- 21 Drawing planner (7)
- 23 Insert (6)
- 25 Accepted practices (6)
- 27 Give off, as light (4)
- 29 Kind of palm (4)

CHRISTMAS WORD LIST

Advent Angel Baby Birth
 Camel Cedar Crib Elves
 Excited Exhausted Family Fir
 Flock Frosty Gift Gold
 Gravy Green Ham Holy
 Inn Ivy Jesus Joy
 Mary Mass Miracle Noel
 Pie Pine Red Roast
 Sales Sauce Sausage Season
 Sing Sled Sleigh Snowman
 Star Toys Turkey Vixen
 Wassail Xmas Yule



Find a word from the list in the tree and ring
 using a sharp pencil. There are 47 words to
 find.

Answers

L. A. Sudoku Solution - 01 2021

8	3	2	1	4	7	5	9	6
7	5	4	9	2	6	8	3	1
1	9	6	8	5	3	7	4	2
6	8	3	4	7	2	1	5	9
2	1	7	5	3	9	4	6	8
5	4	9	6	8	1	2	7	3
9	7	8	3	1	5	6	2	4
3	2	1	7	6	4	9	8	5
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CHRISTMAS MAZE

Which path should Harry go to reach the Christmas Tree ?

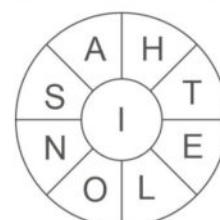


ANSWERS TO CROSSWORD

Across: 8 Rear, 9 Taboo, 10 Aura, 11 Assail, 12 Low-lying, 13 Americas, 15 Threat,
 17 Adenoid, 19 Therein, 22 Umpire, 24 Laudanum, 26 Serjeant, 28 Attest, 30 Disc, 31 Ebeye,
 32 Magi.

Down: 1 Fees, 2 Trial run, 3 Italic, 4 Obelisk, 5 Fob watch, 6 Lawyer, 7 Iron, 14 Modem,
 16 Adieu, 18 Ice water, 20 Real-time, 21 Plotter, 23 Inject, 25 Usages, 27 Emit, 29 Sago.

9 Letter Answer HAILSTONE



Etchinghill Update - December 2021

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (ERA)

Chairman: David McCombe, 07939 076617, email dmccombe1@gmail.com

Website: www.etchinghill.info, Facebook: Etchinghill

FILM NIGHT: PLEASE NOTE THAT WE DO NOT SHOW FILMS IN DECEMBER - OUR NEXT SCREENING IS ON MONDAY 17 JANUARY 2022. We plan to show the film, **'Dream Horse'** PG which tells the inspiring true story of 'Dream Alliance', an unlikely race horse bred by small town Welsh bartender Jan Vokes (Toni Collette). Please watch this space and visit our website for further information

ERA ANNUAL AGM - ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL - SUNDAY 5 DECEMBER - 7PM FOR A 7.15PM START. Local residents are invited to this public meeting to discuss matters affecting the hamlet and to vote in a new committee for 2022. Please spend an hour or so to air your views and to help us formulate plans for the coming year. Refreshments will be provided.



RODNEY AND JANE WATTS - FAREWELL

A gathering of 24 or more was held at the Etchinghill Village Hall on Monday 8th November to say farewell to Rodney and Jane Watts, who are moving to Peterborough to be near their family.

Rod and Jane have contributed a tremendous amount to the village and the community since moving here 18 years ago.

They were presented with a huge card and good wishes from John White on behalf of the Trustees of the Village Hall and a wonderful tribute was made by Colin Manvell on behalf of Dave and Geraldine McCombe and the residents of Etchinghill. A card was also presented with wonderful tributes from all their friends in the Village, together with a substantial amount of garden vouchers and a plant to them both to remember us all. They will be greatly missed. By Ann Byles



SEASONS GREETINGS: We would like to thank everyone who has supported the ERA throughout 2021 and wish them and all parishioners a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year

Etchinghill News Coordinator: Jacqui Blandford: jacqui.blandford@gmail.com, mobile 07543 966830



LYMINGE SHORT MAT BOWLS

New Members Wanted

Join us for a warm welcome and fun
at Lyminge Village Hall 7 to 9pm
On Tuesday and Thursday evenings
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Quiz Night - Saturday 18th December

From 6.30pm at The Lord Whisky Tea Room, Rhodes Minnis

£10pp to include a Ploughman's Supper

Prize for the winning team - Raffle

Teams of up to six. Ring 01303 862622 / 862349 to book

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Sunday Roasts (booking advisable)

Bookings are now being taken for Christmas Lunches

Served daily from 1st - 24th December

3 courses £25pp - 2 courses £19pp

A £10pp non-refundable deposit is required when booking
For more information or for reservations, ring 01303 862349

Coach & Horses



Quiz Nights: (always the last Wednesday of the month)
December 29th - 7pm for a 7:30pm start - £2 for quiz or £7 for quiz and food. Groups or solo entries welcome! (No more than six per group)

Raffle:

We have a Christmas hamper that we are raffling off. Tickets are £5 per strip and available from the bar. The draw will be on Sunday 19th December.

Christmas Parties:

Available any day (except Sunday) from 1st December through to 20th December inclusive.

Two courses for £24 or three courses for £27, lunch or evening. Smaller course sizes available Monday through Thursday lunchtimes - two courses £14 or three courses £17

Menu available upon request 01303 901011

Christmas Day: (need to be booked by December 10th)

Open for drinks from 11am to 1:30pm

Open for food from 2pm with food served at 2:30pm.

£55 per person for three courses - booking required 01303 901011. Menu available upon request 01303 901011

Boxing Day:

Open for drinks from 1pm to 7pm

Food options will be limited to bar snacks

Charity Challenge on Boxing Day:

We have an exciting new annual charity challenge for anyone who wishes to take part. Spud wars!

How good are your potatoes? Why not put it to the test? We are looking for entrants who think they make the best of any of the following categories: roast potatoes, mash potatoes, bubble and squeak and one buffet item (this can be any item you would expect to find at a buffet, be creative!)

Participation costs £2.50 per category - any money raised will be put to use in the village. There will be a prize for the winner of each category. Participation encouraged by both adults and children! Entry forms available by email or from the Coach and Horses.

For more information call 01303 901011

New Year's Eve:

Open for drinks from 12noon through to 1am.

Open for food from 12noon to 2:30pm with bar snacks available until 8pm

There will be a New Year's disco here at the Coach and Horses starting from 8pm - the event will be £5 per ticket and will include a drink up to the value of £5 and a small buffet. Please call 01303 901011 for more information or to purchase a ticket.



We would like to wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year! Thank you for all of your support!

Emily and Fred



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



*Lyminge
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Society*



**MERRY
CHRISTMAS
EVERYONE!!**

The next meeting will be on Tuesday 7th December at 7.30pm in the Tayne Centre. Following the short AGM there will be a talk as follows:

**'Women of the Elham Valley'
Speaker: Derek Boughton**

There will be the usual Winter Break in January and February and we will resume on Tuesday 1st March 2022. The talk will be:

**'Unravelling Dreams - a story about silk'
Speaker: Dr. Ben Marsh**

We are delighted that refreshments will be served - Mince pies and biscuits. We are very much looking forward to your company

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Plus: purchase Parts 1-5 as a bundle for £22 or Parts 1-10 for £50*

To take advantage of the offer please call Daphne Andrews on 01303 862865. This bundle offer is not available from the shop.

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TAYNE CENTRE MARKET

**Saturday 4th December
9am - 12noon**

(No market in January)

Refreshments available.

**For further information or to discuss
booking a table please contact**

Debbie 07977 899559

Resumes Saturday 5th February 2022



We have space available for Lengths/Improvers for Expanded Learn to Swim Scheme (Swim England LTS Level 4+)

Due to the expansion of our successful (nationally accredited) Swimschool at Hythe Aqua we currently have immediate vacancies for lengths and intermediate level swimmers

Club Secretary: 01303 862353

family.parris13@btinternet.com www.hytheaqua.org.uk



LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL

DECEMBER 2021 Newsletter

Forthcoming Council and Committee Agendas are displayed on the Council notice boards in Station Road car park and Tayne Field and the entrance to the Village Hall car park, Etchinghill. Agendas and minutes are published on the Council's website: www.lymingeparishcouncil.org.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 at the bottom of this page.

JOB VACANCY

CLERK TO LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL - A vacancy has arisen for the post of Clerk to Lyminge Parish Council.

Responsible to the Parish Council as a whole and implementing the decisions that result from full meetings, this part-time position is for 18-20 hours per week, including attendance at approximately 2 evening meetings per month. For further details and a full job specification please contact the Clerk on 07715 221 705 or email: lymingepc@btinternet.com

SPEEDWATCH CO-ORDINATOR REQUIRED

Colin Manvell who has been the Speedwatch Co-ordinator for many years, has decided to relinquish this role.

A new co-ordinator is therefore needed for the start of next year. If you would be interested in helping with this or would like more information please contact the Clerk on 07715 221 705 or email: lymingepc@btinternet.com



A BIG THANK YOU TO COLIN MANVELL - The council would like to express their grateful thanks to Colin for his past work in connection with Speedwatch.

STREET LIGHTING - any problems with Street Lighting should be reported to Kent County Council at <https://webapps.kent.gov.uk/KCC.KHSFaultsGIS.Web.Sites.Public/ReportAFault.aspx> where you will need to pinpoint the location of the fault on the on-line map or provide the address of the building nearest to the faulty light.



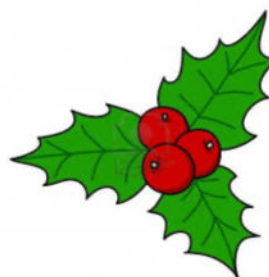
FIREWORKS ON TAYNE FIELD

- Council were disappointed that a group of residents decided to hold an unauthorised firework display on the field over bonfire weekend. This is not something that the council allow, nor are we insured for. Also, it was very disappointing that as well as scorching numerous patches of grass, a great deal of rubbish left was left behind.

PARKING IN LYMINGE - There continues to be an issue with people parking on the double yellow lines near the shop. If observed properly, the current system works well in that it still allows parking directly outside the shop, whilst giving safer traffic flow to the vehicles travelling southbound. Parking on the double yellow lines means that cars have to approach the blind bend on the wrong side of the road posing a danger to motorists and pedestrians. Please be considerate.

If people continue to be inconsiderate and put other's safety at risk LPC will have to look to FHDC to consider enforcement action.

SEASONS GREETINGS - Finally we would like to wish everyone a happy and safe festive season.



DECEMBER COUNCIL MEETING DATES:

F&A Committee – No meeting in December

Full Council – Monday 13th December at 7.30pm at The Tayne Centre, Lyminge

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

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Community Safety Contacts

The **PCSO for Etchinghill, Lyminge and Rhodes Minnis** is

Nicholas Hazell, who can be contacted on 101

KCC Community Warden Gary Harrison can be contacted on 07977 982185



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 or on Facebook and Instagram @thoughtfulfoodgroup

Our next meeting will be on **Tuesday 11th January** at 7.45pm in the Coach and Horses pub.

Mini Plots Available at the Community Allotment

Would you or your community group like to have a go at growing your own food?

Thoughtful Food tend a community allotment plot at the Methodist Church site in Lyminge, and we would like to offer space within this to others, free-of-charge. The mini-plots are around 1 square metre in size, and can be looked after by individuals, couples, families, or community groups. It's a great way to have a go at growing your own food on a smaller scale, and with the support of Thoughtful Food to do so, using sustainable and environmentally-friendly methods. If you are interested in taking on one of the mini-plots, please call Anne on 07703 149008 or email thoughtfulfoodgroup@gmail.com



Raised Beds at the Community Allotment

The new raised beds have now been made and installed at the community allotment (see picture!) This has only been possible thanks to the generosity of Sue and Richard, who donated the wood, Gerry who donated topsoil, Judy who donated horse manure, and the fantastic craftsmanship of Geoff and Anne. Thank you so much to you all.

Food Waste at Christmas

Every year in the UK, we waste 270,000 tonnes of food over the Christmas period. Here are a few top tips to reduce your carbon footprint through food waste this festive season.

- Plan your meals and quantities so that you only buy what you need. It's always tempting to pick up something on a special offer, or buy a selection of different items, but chances are, if you're not sure how you're going to use it, it might go to waste.
- Ensure you have sufficient, suitable storage. Running your fridge and freezer down earlier in December can free up space to store leftovers, and to keep food fresh for as long as possible, maximising your chances of using it.
- If you're eating with others, discuss in advance who is bringing what to avoid excess and duplication.
- Compost anything that can't be eaten in a home composter. You can then use the nutrients in your garden later in the year.

Gardening Workshops 2022

Just a reminder that we are now taking bookings for our workshops for new or inexperienced vegetable growers. This will be held in Lyminge on the following dates:

Get Ready to Grow-

Sunday 13th February 14:30-16:30

Seeds and Sowing-

Sunday 20th March 14:30-16:30

Potting and Planting-

Sunday 24th April 14:30-16:30

If you have always wanted to 'grow your own' or want to learn more, now's the time!

To book your place, please email thoughtfulfoodgroup@gmail.com. Places will be allocated on a 'first come, first served' basis.



Wishing you all a wonderful festive season, from all of us at Thoughtful Food.

Was COP26 a success?

COP26 had one main aim "to keep the Paris' deal's goal to limit global temperature rise to 1.5 degrees Celsius in sight". After a flurry of flashy (but loophole-filled) announcements across the COP26 summit, it became possible for the Climate Action Tracker project to input all these policies and plot the trajectory that the world is now on. It is because of this that some have decided that the rich countries have shirked their responsibility to the planet and to the people who've done least to cause the climate crisis as we remain on a path to 2.4°C of heating. We have already seen some of the disastrous impacts at 1.1°C this year with flooding and extreme heat. Reaching Net Zero is hugely important, but it will take decades before temperatures come down, so building resilience is also essential.

Can we remain hopeful for the future on the back of COP26? If, together, we keep up the momentum then, YES:

1. Some countries have recognised the need to end coal, oil and gas use. Others committed to stop financing fossil fuels overseas. That happened because people (like us) demanded progress.
2. The climate movement is bigger and broader than ever before. There are incredible network of groups that have done an incredible job of getting their local communities behind climate action. Billions of people around the world are now demanding change.
3. The UK government is under real pressure to ditch new coal, oil and gas projects. The summit has highlighted the government's hypocritical position on fossil fuels. Wealthy countries are under greater pressure to drop fossil fuels.
4. The unfairness of the climate crisis has been in the spotlight. Nowhere near enough has been done to support poorer countries that have done the least to cause global heating. But thanks to global protests the issue is finally getting more recognition.
5. Although the media billed COP26 as the last chance to save the planet, that was never the case. It was an opportunity for progress. But progress doesn't only happen at these UN summits – the climate crisis was never going to be fixed in 2 weeks. We now mustn't let the government off the hook until the next summit rolls around.

Water Quality, would you swim in raw sewage?

Last year, water companies dumped raw sewage - including human waste and wet wipes - into our waters more than 400,000 times, for more than three million hours. They say they do this to prevent flooding when it rains. But even in dry weather, sewage discharges have become a daily occurrence!

New study reveals huge declines in once common species amounting to loss of one in six birds since 1980.

One of every six birds – a net loss of 600 million breeding birds in total – have disappeared over less than four decades. Among the common species that are vanishing from the skies are yellow wagtails (97m fewer), starlings (75m fewer) skylarks (68m fewer) and there are 247m million fewer house sparrows in Europe than there were in 1980.

Is Jair Bolsonaro an absolute scumbag?

Deforestation in Brazil's Amazon rainforest soared 22% in the past year to the highest level since 2006, the government's annual report has shown, undercutting president Jair Bolsonaro's assurances that the country is curbing illegal logging. Brazil's space research agency, INPE, recorded 13,235sq km (5,110 square miles) of deforestation in the world's largest rainforest and then kept quiet until COP had finished!

Christmas Day Lunch Club



Are you on your own as a single or couple and would rather not spend Christmas Day alone?

The Christmas Day Lunch Club is now taking bookings for those that live in and around the surrounding area of Lyminge and the Elham Valley. We provide a 3-course meal, pack-up tea and most of all company.

Transport can be provided.

The Club was set up 10 years ago by 2 friends to provide those who are by themselves an unforgettable Christmas Day.

Phone **01303 863256**



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By appointment only. Ring 01303 862622

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 or 07746790618



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WELL-BEING YOGA CLASSES

Well-being yoga classes designed to release aches and pain and to increase your flexibility are now available. Accessible to all abilities and ages, these classes will also help you become calmer and more peaceful.

The classes are run every Monday, 7.00-8.30pm at the Rhodes Minnis Village Hall, Chapel Lane, Rhodes Minnis, CT4 6XR. Cost: £12 pay-as-you-go or £9.50 per session when booking for the term.

Contact Michèle for details or to book: 07977 503897



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BOOK-ENDS - Last Friday I lunched with two friends, ex-colleagues who had retired at the same time as me. Conversation turned to the silverfish; not the swimmer, but the house-bug that thrives on paper. Its Latin name, *Lepisma saccharina*, derives from the fact that it feeds on starch in, for example, old wallpaper and bookbindings. It is distinct from the booklouse and the bookworm but just as damaging to books. Richard Jefferies, in Chapter Five of *Wild Life in a Southern County* (1879) referred to "...some tall volume which he bent over with such delight, heedless of dust and silver-fish and the gathered odour of years..."

I first discovered silverfish as a small child in my grandmother's parlour. The creatures were attracted there by her collection of books on Kent and Kentish themes, and so was I. In a world largely dominated by bombing, shelling and doodlebugging, it was reassuring to be able to retreat to this haven, populated by stories and pictures of characters no worse than those in Charles Dickens, Russell Thorndike and, above all, the Reverend Richard Harris Barham.

Barham was born in Canterbury in 1788 and inherited the Manor of Tappington at the age of six. After becoming a minor canon at St Paul's and Vicar of Warehorne and Snargate, he achieved national fame with the publication in 1840 of his *Ingoldsby Legends*. This is a collection of quaint stories, often in verse, and rich in nineteenth century slang, centred on Tappington Hall at Denton, but extending to the whole of East Kent and beyond. For example, *The Smuggler's Leap* is set in a chalk pit at Acol, close to what is now the end of the runway at Manston Airport and visible until recently.

My grandmother never seriously doubted Barham's view that "the World is divided into five parts, namely Europe, Asia, Africa, America and Romney Marsh" (March 2000) © *Steve Osborne*



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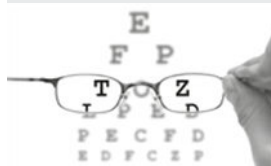
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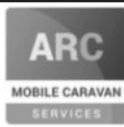
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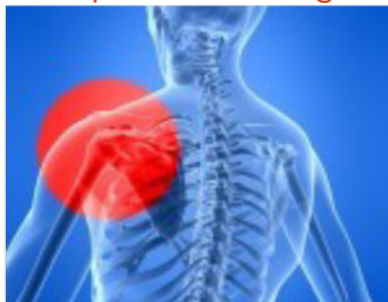
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Stream Clean - November 2021



Remembrance Sunday 2021

The beautiful Remembrance display outside the Methodist Church, was prepared by Denise and Christina (ably assisted by their husbands) and uses the many poppies knitted and crocheted by members of the Knit and Natter Group a few years ago.



'Captain's Table'

- a recent variety show performed by the newly formed Phoenix Theatre Company led by Adrian and Sandra Willcox and supported by a raft of talent from in and around the area.

The photo above shows the cast singing the Finale while the other reflects some of the audience socialising during the interval.

