

# HE LYMINGE

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

October 2021

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**From The Lyminge Association** 



The Lyminge

Association

## 7.30pm - 12 October **Tayne Centre**

Throughout the pandemic the Lyminge Association has helped to maintain some cohesiveness in the community, by supporting a regular dialogue through the use of the Lyminge Newsletter.

Now, as we hopefully emerge from this crisis, we can start to re-establish our more dynamic role in the community by putting on events, as well as giving financial support to groups that need our help.

We would therefore dearly like to see people from our community at the AGM to give feedback, as well as putting forward ideas for the future. There will also be an opportunity to hear how *Thoughtful Food* and Lyminge Climate Action are moving ahead, promoting new ideas to support and develop our environment.

Please put the date in your diary and we look forward to seeing you all.

#### notice of essential works in THIS AREA - ROAD GLOSURE

**Broad Street House to Greenbanks** 23 to 31st October See page 5 for further details

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Seating and tables will be set out in accordance with the relevant government and local guidelines

A Lyminge Festival

## **Margaret Saunders' Meanderings**

This is an assemblage of three different walks I undertook whilst staying with family in Falkirk in August. Wikipedia says that "Falkirk is a large town in the Central Lowlands of Scotland, historically within the county of Stirlingshire. It lies in the Forth Valley, 23.3 miles north-west of Edinburgh and 20.5 miles north-east of Glasgow and is at the junction of the Forth and Clyde and Union Canals."

The first walk was along the foreshore of the Firth of Forth towards Kincardine and the path passed along the edge of fields, full of rich golden wheat and barley on one side and woods on the other. Here and there the ground is littered with pine cones lit up by the sun as it filters through the trees. Gradually the ground opens up and I pass by two lagoons, one of fresh water and the other of sea water, the second fed by the salt water from the tidal Forth which seeps through a high bank. This area is a designated bird sanctuary and at one point, a curlew can clearly be heard and oyster catchers are searching the mud in the distance. Cows with their calves are grazing near the water's edge.

Walking parallel with the lagoons I pass a lime or linden tree with its small spherical shaped fruit. I spot wild raspberries starting to ripen. These are smaller than cultivated ones but the taste is stronger and sweeter, filling the mouth with a full bodied flavour. Early blackberries are beginning to ripen too. In Scotland, from the Spring equinox to the Autumn equinox, the days lengthen considerably more than they do in southern England, giving the nights around the Summer solstice a softness as the darkness never seems to be quite complete. This in turn means that the growing season begins later, but is more vigorous, as it has more light, although often more cold and rain too.









Another walk took me just outside Linlithgow and started at Park Farm, beside the Union Canal. Taking the tow path towards the distant town, or burgh, the path is shared by walkers and cyclists, all out on a warm sunny day to enjoy the countryside and all considering each other's needs, as requested by the notices. Tall common reed grass waving gently in the breeze lines the banks between towpath and canal, together with rosebay willowherb, birdsfoot trefoil, clover, oxeye daisies and thistles, whose downy seeds form soft tufted cushions, ready to take off and spread as far as the wind will carry them. Bulrush seeds begin to burst out of their dark chocolate-brown seedheads. I hear the chug-chug of a boat from behind and soon it overtakes me, hired by a family for a day's outing. It seems the perfect occupation for this most glorious of summer days, as the Rat in Toad of Toad Hall so eloquently observed: "... there is nothing – absolutely nothing – half so much worth doing as simply messing about in boats."

Looking away from the canal to the open countryside cows are walking in a sedate line on a well trodden track as the Edinburgh to Glasgow train rushes past in an effort to keep to its tight schedule. Apart from this nod to modernity, the timeless scene is one of warmth, tranquillity and abundance. As a backdrop to this are the Ochil Hills, atop of which is a windfarm and way to the west these hills run into the Trossachs, behind which sits Loch Lomond. Right in front of me is a dry stone wall, its stones neatly fitting together.

Returning to my starting point I take the towpath in the opposite direction, for this is an enjoyable stroll rather than a dedicated walk. I pass three narrow boats and see the sign 'Narrowboat Farm' indicating an 'eco friendly' market garden behind the hedge. Continuing my amble, something dark and furry catches my eye ahead, as it scurries across the path and into the water reeds. It's shape is ferret or weasel-like, but it is not the right colour or fur length. After a short search, Wikipedia tells me it is a mink and the image exactly fits what I had seen. I see one again on my return, which confirms my identification. In the distance I can see the new Forth Road Bridge and a small amount of red in the background, which is the iconic cantilever rail bridge, completed in 1890.

Once back to the beginning of the walk, someone is inflating an inflatable canoe, for a gentle paddle along this quiet stretch of water, once more reminding me of Kenneth Grahame's Rat, who would have felt perfectly at home in this setting.

The last walk was in Callendar Woods which is a rich mix of deciduous and coniferous trees managed by Forestry and Land Scotland. There had been a heavy burst of rain the previous evening and much of the undergrowth was still wet. However, wide pathways make walking easy and sign posts clearly mark the various routes.

The first thing I notice is the smell of earth, pines and vegetation - a heady mix of natural perfumes. Bracken abounds and sometimes deer can be seen in amongst the trees. Bright green mosses and lichens cover rocks and wood alike adding to the myriad of greens that permeate this wood. I am travelling home tomorrow, so I have to curb my natural instinct to pick up anything that takes my interest. Here again, even amongst the shade, the wild raspberries are ripening, but this time, I have a little box with me, so can carry back my pickings.

Deep cut gulleys indicate that in the Winter months, rainwater gushes down the slopes in a rush to enter the canal at the bottom of the slope. A recent spell of dry weather means that these have dried out, leaving only a hint of mud and damp debris. Huge beech and oak trees aim for the sky, their multiple trunks gnarled and fanciful, monster-like in both their appearance and proportions. Beneath these giants grow blueberries on shrubby bushes, their tiny bluish-purple fruit no bigger than a petit pois, but packed full of flavour.

I turn to walk along the canal where the sky is clearly reflected in the water and hope to see a heron, but I am disappointed. This stretch of the canal is bordered by dock plants, their tall flowers in various shades of green through to orange. Oxeye daisies are sprinkled in between. This is my last walk for this visit but my appetite for more has been well and truly whetted.

## 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 pb@pbarnes20.plus.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.	
02-Oct	7pm	A Quiz Through The Ages	LVH	See P1	23-Oct	10.30a m	RBL Coffee Morning	St Mary's Hall, Elham		
03-Oct		Harvest Festival	LPC	840219						
09-Oct	5pm	Cantores - Purcell's King Arthur	LVH	See P12	20-Nov	7.30pm	The Captain's Table	LVH	See P8	
12-Oct	7.30pm	Lyminge Assoc AGM	TC	863737	04-Dec	7.30pm	Haywardians Concert	LMC		
20-Oct	7.30pm	RM Village Hall AGM	RMVH		10-Dec		Christmas Concert	LPC	See P7	

Weekly Events											
Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.		
Mon	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Wed	10.45am	Singing for Health	JC	862364		
Mon	10am	Open House	EVH	863394	Wed	11.45am	Pilates	TC	07825109670		
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	LBC	863177	Wed	1.30pm	Dementia Café	JC	269602		
Mon	10.30am	Carers Coffee Morning	JC	269602	Wed⁵	7pm	French Conversation	KH	862972		
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	LMC	07951572920	Wed	7pm	Tayne Centre Circuits	TC	07925982995		
Mon	11am	Pilates	TC	07825109670	Wed	7.15pm	Cantores Dominicae Choir	LVH	07840796383		
Mon	12.30pm	Lunch Club	JC	269602	Thurs	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602		
Mon	2.30pm	Knit and Natter	TC	863049	Thurs	10am	Art Group - Morning	EVH	211364		
Mon	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin/Salsa Dancing	TC	07966751991	Thurs	10.15am	Baby Rhyme Time	LL	03000413131		
Mon	6.30pm	Judo Club	LVH	862946	Thurs	1.30pm	Cream Tea	JC	269602		
Mon	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951698008	Thurs	2pm	Art Group - afternoon	TC	07870494644		
Mon	7.30pm	Yoga	RMVH	07977503897	Thurs	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842		
Tues	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Thurs	7pm	Pilates	EVH	07951698008		
Tues	9.45am	Young at Heart Dance/Fitness	EVH	07565182259	Fri	8am	Chiropody (appointment only)	JC	269602		
Tues	2pm	Pickleball	EVH	863819	Fri	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602		
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	10am	Feel a Fairy Tale Sensory	EVH	07800737936		
Wed	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	JC	269602	Fri	10.15am	Talk Time	LL	03000413131		
Wed	9.30am	Age UK Info & Advice - drop in	JC	269602	Fri	12noon	Cognitive Stimulation Therapy	JC	269602		
Wed	10.30am	Cognitive Stimulation Therapy	JC	269602	Fri	7.30pm	Ballroom and Salsa Dancing	EVH	07967979610		
Wed	10.30am	Carers' Dementia Café	JC	269602							

#### **Monthly Events**

When	Time	Event	Wnere	rei, ivo.	wnen	ııme	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1st Mon	2pm	RBL, Elham Valley	St Mary's	862508	2nd Wed	10.30am	Mothers Union	NC	862221
3rd Mon	7.30pm	Etchinghill Film Night	EVH	07544670363	1st Thurs	6pm	Refill Station	LVH	
Last Mon		Parish Council Meeting	SNL	07715221705	3rd Wed	10am	Family History	LL	03000413131
1st Tues	2pm	Lyminge Reading Group	LL	03000413131	4th Wed	2.30pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
1st Tues <sup>3</sup>	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	863879	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	862694
2nd Tues	2pm	(Railway Readers)	LL	03000413131	4th Fri	7.30pm	Beetle Drive	RVH	862616
3rd Tues <sup>2</sup>	7.30pm	Gardeners' Society	TC	07703149008	Last Fri	1.30pm	Team Quiz	JC	269602
Last Tues	2.15pm	Poetry Group	LL	03000413131	1st Sat	9am	Saturday Market	TC	07977899559
1st Wed	10.30am	Lyminge Friends	RR	862598	2nd Sat	10am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morning	PC	863536

 $<sup>^{1}</sup>$  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, 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 House; PVH: Postling Village Hall; RVH: Rhodes Minnis Village Hall; RWC: 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 3rd October**

Lyminge - 11.00am Harvest Thanksgiving Service

Paddlesworth - 6.00pm Evensong

**Sunday 10th October** 

Lyminge - 8.00am Holy Communion BCP

**Sunday 17th October** 

Lyminge - 11.00am Holy Communion - CW1

Paddlesworth - 6.00pm Evensong

**Sunday 24th October** 

Acrise - 9.30am Joint Fellowship Service with

Lyminge

**Sunday 31st October** 

Lyminge - 9.30am Benefice Family Communion

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**

3rd October 9.30am Holy Communion in Church and on

Zoom

10th October 8.30am Breakfast service in Church 17th October 9.30am Morning Service by Zoom 24th October 6pm In the Church: Sing Something

Special and The Bible's Best Bits

31st October No service in Postling

#### **Lyminge Methodist Church**

The following services will be held at 11am (with sensible precautions) and we look forward to welcoming you.

3rd October - 11am Harvest Festival at the Parish Church

10th October - Mr Tim James

17th October - **9.30am** Valley Service at **Elham** 24th October - Rev Gill Songer (inc. Holy Communion)

31st October - Local arrangement on Climate Change/COP26

#### **Rhodes Minnis Chapel**

A warm welcome is extended to anyone who wishes to join us for the following services held at 9.30am. Some Covid restrictions may still be in place which will be strictly adhered to.

3rd October - No Service

10th October - Rev. Gill Songer (incl. Holy Communion)

17th October - No Service at Rhodes Minnis but a Valley

Service will be held at Elham Methodist Church

at 9.30am

24th October - The Service will be led by the local congregation

31st October - No Service

## Christians in Lyminge



**Sunday 3rd October** A Harvest Festival service will be held at 11am in the Parish Church. All donated food will be given to the Rainbow Centre and the charity supported will be the RNLI.

**Sunday 14th November** A Service of Remembrance will be held at the War Memorial starting at 10.45am followed by a service at the Methodist Church.

#### Lyminge Newsletter

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



We had an incredible afternoon at our **Summer Party** last month - and hope you did too! It was great to see everyone come together and have fun in the sunshine.

We'd like to say a HUGE thank you to those who also gave their time to volunteer at the event, helping get everything set up and running stalls throughout the afternoon.

And thank you to everyone who attended and gave so generously. **We're thrilled to say that together we raised an incredible £728.95!** 

In August we also ran a stall in the Garage Safari, which raised another £60 to add to the park funds. Thank you to those who donated items for sale.

Our fundraising efforts continue. Our application to the National Lottery Fund has been submitted, and we hope to plan something special for Christmas! So watch this space (and our Facebook page)! All the best

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#### South East Region Notice of essential works to Water Supply

Printed copies uncontrolled unless stamped 'Controlled' in red

#### NOTICE OF ESSENTIAL WORKS IN THIS AREA – ROAD CLOSURE

ROADS AFFECTED:

Broad Street - Lyminge

AREA OF WORKS:

Broad Street closed from Adj Broad Street House to nr Jct Greenbanks access will not be maintained. Diversion agreed Canterbury Rd/Station Rd/Canterbury Rd/Longage Hill/The Minnis/Stone Street B2068,A20 Ashford Rd/Beachborough, Canterbury Rd. Bus Co advised

REF:

DS0022100

Permit Number:

EV001-10128300

Dear Customer,

It will be necessary for us to carry out work on the water supply distribution system.

The works are scheduled as follows

START OF WORKS:

Saturday 23rd October 2021

WORKS TO FINISH:

Sunday 31st October 2021

Scope of works:

Diversion of commercial supply pipe.

We apologise for any inconvenience this may cause and would ask you to visit our website www.affinitywater.co.uk or call 0345 3572407 should you require any further information or advice.

There will be NO interruption to your supply. However, it may be necessary to flush your kitchen tap after these works

Please be aware that our area of works is a dangerous construction zone, so please take care to ensure that children & pets are kept away from the site.

Should you have any queries or concerns, please call 0345 357 2428, Monday to Thursday 8:30am - 5:00pm, Friday 8:30am - 4:30pm and quote DS0034726

Notification Date: Week commencing 27/009/21

With regards

Claire Joblin

DS@affinitywater.co.uk

Approver: Community Operations Regional Manager SE

Issue Date: 22/09/2021

## The Lyminge Association AGM 7.30pm - 12 October - Tayne Centre

#### **PILATES**

MONDAY 18:15 - Stelling Minnis Village Hall

WEDNESDAY 10:30 - Rhodes Minnis Village Hall

THURSDAY 15:30 - Etchinghill Village Hall



For more information:

lucianaclarke.pilates@gmail.com 07944028445

For online classes: www.lucianaclarkepilates.com/book-online



# WHAT IS A FOREST GARDEN?

Come along to The Tayne Centre on Tuesday 19th October at 7.30pm and hear Jo Barker (Permaculture Educator) explain what a Forest Garden is and answer all your questions.

> Gardeners' Society Members £3 Non-Members £5



In association with



For more information: Email ymingegardeners@gmail.com or call Anne on 07703 149008

For more information: Email thoughtfullfoodgroup@gmail.com

#### District Councillors' Update - October 2021



The garden waste subscription service is due to start at the end of September. The District Council has been assured by Veolia that they have enough staff to deliver a reliable service but should there be problems please report them both to the District Council and us.

The District Council is finding homes in the private rented sector for five families from Afghanistan. The council and its partners will also provide support for the families to begin their new lives in the UK. This will not affect our social housing waiting list and work to help local people to find housing also continues.

The Government has announced that Napier Barracks will continue to house adults seeking asylum in the UK until September 2025. The council has not had any role in this decision as the government used special planning regulations to extend the use on a temporary basis for another four years. We have not changed our initial view that Napier Barracks is not the right place either for the men placed here or the nearby community.

Residents and businesses are being asked for their views on a new licensing policy for the district. The Government requires that we update the policy every 5 years so the new policy will be in place till 2026. Whilst every application is determined on its own merits, the overall policy provides the framework for evaluating the applications and guidelines for opening hours. The consultation is on the council website and runs until 27 October.

We're pleased to report that the breach of Consumer Standards notice, issued by the government's Regulator of Social Housing in September 2019 has been lifted. This reflects the considerable progress made in our service to our social housing tenants since the service was brought back in-house in October 2020 from the joint arrangement we had with East Kent housing (an arms-length management organisation with the social housing of Folkestone & Hythe, Canterbury, Dover and Thanet councils).

The very final stage of the consultation process for the policy that lays out where homes, businesses and leisure facilities may be built is about to be reached. Once the District Council cabinet agree the changes made by the Independent Planning Inspector, the document will go out for a final round of public consultation. (At this stage it is only the changes that are open for consultation, not the whole document.) The Core Strategy will guide development in our district until 2036/37 (unless the Government makes major changes to the planning system). As well as being a legal obligation, the Core Strategy provides clarity for everyone on where development may take place and where not. Districts without such protection have found developers able to win appeals to the Planning Inspectorate for building wherever they choose.

Congratulations to The Lyminge Association who organised a splendid Medieval Banquet at Lyminge Village Hall on 11 September. Susan attended this as well as volunteering with two Speedwatch sessions in Etchinghill.

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**

It was lovely to meet again in August just for a cup of tea and a chat with lots of catching- up to do!

On October 27th we look forward to Derek Smith telling us about The Kent & East Sussex Railway.

The letter for the competition will be 'M'

We meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 2-30pm and visitors will be warmly welcomed.

For further details please contact Marion 862913



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.hytheagua.org.uk



#### TAYNE CENTRE MARKET

begins again on the first Saturday of the Month, starting on 2nd October 9am -12noon

Refreshments available.
For further information or to discuss booking a table please contact

Debbie 07977 899559

#### MUSIC ON A FRIDAY

Wishes to thank MEMORY LANE, the supporters, helpers and all who made the BBQ evening on 3rd September, such a FANTASTIC evening.

Our next

# CHRISTMAS CONCERT Friday 10th December

all being well, with mulled wine and mince pies and Christmas cheer, ALL FREE!!

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

## Rhodes Minnis Village Hall AGM

Wednesday 20th October

7.30pm Rhodes Minnis Village Hall Anyone who uses or has an interest in what happens in this hall will be very welcome to attend this meeting. We hope we will see some of you there. Tea coffee and biscuits will be served.

#### Sadly, Mike Deacon..

... a former resident of Lyminge, member of the Lyminge Dramatic Society and FHODS, passed away peacefully at home on 16 September 2021. Funeral details TBC.

#### RIP - James White

James lived in Etchinghill for 70 years and played a prominent role in the life of the village. People will remember him as a supporter of many local groups and charities and will appreciate his time, given in a typically unobtrusive way, and his generosity of spirit. Christmas Day always saw him serving dinners for the Salvation Army in Hythe and from rescued cats and dogs to displaced farmers in Zimbabwe, and his nominated charity, the Mission for Seafarers, James cared about these people and causes passionately.

An alumni of Tonbridge School where he boarded, he was an accomplished cross-country runner and rugger player. On leaving school he did his National Service in Germany and returned to train as an accountant. As a Christian his faith was central in his life, and he played an active role at Postling Church

He has been variously described as, 'a proper gentleman', kind, generous, and helpful. He had a sharp mind which he maintained right to the end, able to debate politics and sport, history and social trends in equal measure. He developed a comfortable rhythm in a life that he described as simple but ultimately left people enriched for having known him.

He died on 14 September, aged 85 at Balgowan Care home in Hythe.



## ROYAL BRITISH LEGION ELHAM VALLEY BRANCH

#### **COFFEE MORNING**

Saturday 23 October

1030 - 1230

At St Mary's Church Hall

Come and enjoy some refreshments and fellowship.

Free entry and refreshments;
Retiring collection



#### Fifth Trust Update www.fifthtrust.co.uk

We were delighted on 6th September to return to the full range of classes and activities for the first time since the pandemic started. For our 150 students that means more options and more opportunities. As well as seeing more students working in the Vineyard Garden Centre and Café, you will also see them tending gardens and delivering logs (call in or ring 01227 831052 to order).

We also hope to hold our annual Christmas Fair (which was much missed last year) on Sat 4th December.

A big "thank-you" to all those who sponsored our team in the 50k KM Big Bike Ride on 12th September. The team has raised £1,050 so far.

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#### Come and join the new



## Lyminge & District Community Children's Choir

Initially running from Lyminge Primary School, the choir will run as an after-school club from 3:15pm-4:30pm and is for KS2 children, Y3-Y6. We cover a wide variety of styles and our initial focus will be preparing for 'Young Voices'; see <a href="https://www.youngvoices.co.uk">www.youngvoices.co.uk</a> The cost will be £2 a session and will probably run on a TUESDAY, but this is flexible.

It will be arranged by myself, Gerry D'cruz, a recently retired headteacher living in the village. I have led children's singing and choirs for more than 40 years. I volunteer with Lyminge Primary School and have a full and current DBS.

All KS2 children in the district are welcome. There are no auditions and profits remain in the choir to pay for venues, music, equipment, and transport. I am also looking for volunteer helpers as I would like to enjoy some holidays in retirement too!

Email me for further details: gerry@dcruz.eu

#### Dave Fryer Memorial Golf Day 10th September 2021

#### A VERY BIG THANK YOU to all who donated to "The Dave Fryer Memorial Day"

We would like to say a huge thank you for your kind donations towards the Dave Fryer Memorial Day. With your support we raised a massive £1260, giving £630 to the Lord Whisky Animal Sanctuary, Stelling Minnis, and Demelza Hospice Care for Children. It was an amazing amount considering we had only half the number of people than previous years, due to the pandemic.

Both charities were delighted with the donation. It meant so much to them as the last number of months have been very difficult financially, as we all know!!

The Golf Day went off so very well. Dave was a lovely man who lived in Lyminge and was known to many. We are so grateful to all those who helped with raffle prizes: Snippers and Clippers, both Ladies and Men's, China China, Laing Bennett Estate Agents, D/P Vehicles Garage Sellindge, Electro Kart Ashford, Ashford Garage, Bliby Plastic's Ashford, Tesco's Cheriton, The Coffee Cabin, Dog Groomers in Lyminge, Ray & Carol, Pam & Mick, Chris & Dave, Jayne (Dave's wife), and Graham (Jayne's brother) and Etchinghill Golf.

A very big thank you to Etchinghill Golf Club for putting on a magnificent day together with a lovely meal. And a big thank to all the staff who looked after us so well.

Finally, we would like once again to thank you for your kind donation, as without the kindness and generosity of everyone, the day itself would not have been such a success. Jayne Fryer would also like to extend her gratitude in memory of her wonderful husband.

Yours sincerely Ackey & Chris Esposito

# Home-grown Live Theatre returns to Lyminge!



A new Amateur Theatre Group based in Lyminge!

Don't miss the

#### THE CAPTAIN'S TABLE

- a Variety Show for everyone.

Saturday 20th November, 7.30pm Lyminge Village Hall

#### ONE NIGHT ONLY!

Reserved seats at tables ~ Bring your own supper, drinks, plates and cutlery for the interval

Tea and coffee will be available

Tickets, £7, in advance will be available from Laing Bennett from 1st November



Etchinghill Village Hall

**SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER 2021** 

7pm (Doors open at 6.45pm)

PLEASE JOIN US FOR OUR

#### **'TRIVIAL' AUTUMN QUIZ**

Fun for all your family and friends!
Please bring your own refreshments
and snacks
Cost is £3 pp (payable on the night)

Contact Geraldine by email to book (up to 6 persons per team): gpmccombe49 @gmail.com or call 07544 670363

An Etchinghill Residents' Association event. Funds raised will be used for the benefit of the local community

#### Etchinghill Update - October 2021

#### **ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (ERA)**

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

Website: www.etchinghill.info, Facebook: Etchinghill Residents

FILM NIGHT: MONDAY 18 OCTOBER - ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL. We will be screening the film 'Resistance' (15) Biography/Starring Jesse Eisenberg, Clemence Poésy and Ed Harris. A remarkable film based on a true story, about a lesser known part of the French Resistance in World War Two. Before he becomes a world-famous mime artist, aspiring Jewish actor Marcel Marceau (Jesse Eisenberg) joins the resistance, thanks to his friend Emma (Clemence Poésy), in order to save thousands of orphaned children from the Nazis. Their mission is to take the children safely across the Swiss border whilst being pursued by the ruthless SS and Klaus Barbie.

Entry fee is only £5pp (please have the exact money ready to reduce handling by our volunteers) and includes a glass of wine, tea or coffee and a free raffle. Prior reservation is not required and new members are welcome.

#### VILLAGE LITTER PICK: SATURDAY 16 OCTOBER VENUE - PLEASE MEET AT **ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL BY 10AM**

Please join our band of willing volunteers for our Autumn Litter Pick - hoops and refuse sacks, pick-up sticks, gloves and reflective jackets will be supplied. The litter collection usually lasts around 1-2 hours maximum

#### AUTUMN 'TRIVIAL' FUN QUIZ: SATURDAY 30 OCTOBER - DOORS OPEN AT 6.45PM **FOR A 7PM START**

Please join us for our autumn quiz which, this year, will be primarily general knowledge based. This is a light-hearted event and funds raised will support the ERA, as our reserves are falling rather low due to the knock-on effect of the pandemic on our fund raising events. To book a table of up to 6 persons, please contact Geraldine by email: gpmccombe49@ gmail.com or call 07544 670363. Please bring your own refreshments and snacks. Cost of entry (payable on the night) is only £3pp

#### FOR THE RECORD by Colin Manvell, SPEEDWATCH Coordinator

A Parish resident recently asked what happens when details of a speeding vehicle are recorded by a Speedwatch Team. The records are sent electronically to the Speedwatch HQ Team where the details of date, time, speed recorded, vehicle registration, make and colour are vetted by the Administration Team. Depending on the severity of the offence, they are then sent to the police. The police decide to either send a warning letter, a caution, or to prosecute the driver of the vehicle.

To post an item of Etchinghill news please contact Jacqui Blandford- 07543 966830 or email: jacqui.blandford@gmail.com



#### POSTCODE LOTTERY **SCAM**

- from KCC Public Protection

There is currently a scam telling people by text, email or letter from the People's Postcode

Lottery that they have won a large amount of money. They are then told to contact a non-existent company and send personal details or a payment in order to claim the prize. People's Postcode Lottery advises:

Legitimate lotteries will never ask you to pay anything to receive your winnings or to keep your winnings a secret. If you haven't bought a ticket, you can't be a winner. If you have entered a competition, you can only win the prize which has been advertised.

If you are unsure about anything you receive from People's Postcode Lottery, contact them on 0808 109 8765 or info@ postcodelottery

For advice and to report issues to KCC Trading Standards contact: Citizens Advice consumer helpline: 0808 223 1133 or Consumer Advice scams action line: 0808 250 5050. Mon to Fri from 9am to 5pm. Or visit the website: https://www.citizensadvice.org.uk/ consumer/scams/get-help-with-online-scams/



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#### End of Year Boot Fair & Clearance Sale Saturday 2nd October

at Park House Animal Sanctuary, Stelling Minnis Boots from 8am - all boots just £5 Christmas Cards & Puddings ~ Tombola ~ Refreshments Admission by donation ~ Ample free parking

#### 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

#### The Lord Whisky Tea Rooms

Gate Lane, Rhodes Minnis CT4 6XY 01303 862349 Open daily from 9am to 4pm Delicious breakfasts, lunches, cakes, Cream Teas etc. Sunday Roasts (booking advisable) We are now open on Friday evenings from 6pm-9pm For delicious Fish & Chips. Eat-in or Take-Away

#### Continental Cruise-Breaks – Local Departures in 2022



Pick-ups in Elham, Lyminge, Etchinghill, Hawkinge, & Cheriton. Connecting feeder services picking-up in Sellindge, Lympne, Saltwood, Hythe & Sandgate. All Departures include cruising-electric with Backwaters award-winning day cruisers, coach transfers with Eurotunnel crossings, 3\* hotel stays, most meals, guide services and entrances.

No deposits required - payment on confirmation of booking 10-12 weeks pre-departure

Gardens of Picardy –Sun 8<sup>th</sup> May 2022 – 5 days including 3 half-day cruises of the Somme between Amiens and Abbeville and visits to some of the lovely Gardens of Picardy. Hotel in Amiens. £750, solo supp £35

Historic Flanders –Fri 29<sup>th</sup> July 2022 – 5 days including 3 all-day cruises on the Lys between Lille and Gent with a trip along the Belgian Coastal Tramway and time in Bruges, Gent, Kortrijk and Ypres for the Last Post Ceremony at Menen Gate. Hotel in Kortrijk. £795 with solo supplement £95

Champagne for the Birds! – Wed 12<sup>th</sup> October 2022 – 5 days including 2 full-day cruises between Reims and Châlons-en-Champagne, and a guided day at Lac du Der for the grand seasonal migration of European cranes. Sightseeing in Reims & Châlons, and a champagne tasting! Hotel in Reims. £845, solo supp £75

Remembering the Somme - Thu 3<sup>rd</sup> November 2022 – 3 days with two cruises covering the 42km between Amiens and Cappy, and guided visits to some of the historic locations and memorials of the Somme Battlefield. Hotel in Amiens. £395 with solo supplement £25

Mons Christmas Market - Sat 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022 – 3 days with two evenings spent at Mons Christmas Market and two half-day cruises between Mons and Ronquières, including the 73m boat lift at Strépy-Thieu and the 67m inclined plane at Ronquières. Includes military history guide as we follow the Canal du Centre around Mons and a visit to St-Symphorien Military Cemetery. Hotel in La Louvière. £425 with solo supp £55

For full narratives and/or to make a provisional booking please email info@backwaters.tours or call 01303 316116

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#### **NEWS FROM OUR SURGERIES:**

**New Lyminge Surgery** (as of 17th September) by Marie Hunnisett, Practice Manager.

Despite delays with delivery of the **Flu vaccine**, the NLS hoped to have held their first Flu clinic for patients aged 65 and over on 25th September. As there are many people in this age group, clinics will be held throughout October, and everyone in that age group will be invited to attend. Eligible patients who are under 65, will be invited as soon as vaccines suitable for this age group have been delivered to the Surgery. As of 17th September, there are no definite details from NHS England regarding **Covid vaccination booster** arrangements. However, eligible patients will be invited as soon as further information is received and these clinics will be held at Oaklands Health Centre.

**The Surgery, Church Road** (as of 17th September) by Tara Woolgar, Practice Manager

**Flu Vaccine:** please book your Flu vaccine on-line through the NHS app or Patient Access. Should you not have this facility, then please contact The Surgery on 01303 862109.

**Covid Boosters:** please <u>DO NOT</u> call The Surgery regarding Covid boosters. Once the plan has been agreed then someone will contact you either by text or phone.

## Pet Photography

Studio or Location
Photo session & 2 prints £50
Call Albane to book!
07957 207 891





Musical Director Adrian Bawtree

#### CANTORES PRESENTS PURCELL'S KING ARTHUR

#### Saturday 9 October 5pm Lyminge Village Hall





Programme includes Purcell's King Arthur ARRANGED BY MUSICAL DIRECTOR ADRIAN BAWTREE

Accompanied by Adriamus String Quartet

Jane Browne - Violin Adrian Smith - Violin Georgie Davis - Viola

Dan Burrowes - Cello

#### Cash Bar

Including sale of specially brewed QUEEN ETHELBURGA'S ALE Queen Ethelburga's Ale, is specially crafted for the Lyminge Festival

Raffle

TICKETS - £10 (children under 12 FREE)

Available on the door or email Nancy - nancybenham@aol.com

To get more in tune with the era, we invite you to come dressed as an Anglo Saxon!!

## Calling all 55 and over's WHAT'S OCTOBER 2021

MON

Carers coffee morning for those living with Dementia Seated exercise Lunch club Monday Games and quizzes French classes (starts 20th sept)

10:30am - 12pm 10:45am - 11:45am 12:30pm 12.30pm 1:30pm - 2:30pm 6pm - 7.30pm

Forget Me Not Café Lyminge Age UK Hythe Forget Me Not Café Lyminge Age UK Hythe

TUE

Seated yoga Boules Games and quizzes

Seated exercise

10:45am - 11:45am 1:30pm - 2:30pm 1:30pm - 2:30pm 6pm - 7pm

Age UK Hythe Oaklands Park Oaklands Park Age UK Hythe Age UK Hythe

WED

Walking football Low impact Aerobics Seated exercise Everybody's talking about Jamie Games and quizzes Curry Night - (15th Sept members only)

10am - 11.30pm 10:30am - 11:30am 10:45am - 11:45am Leaving Hythe at 11am 1:30pm - 2.30pm Entry from 6pm

Hythe Cricket Club Guide hall Hythe Age UK Hythe London Age UK Hythe Age UK Hythe

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eated yoga Out and about Gardening club Cream tea

10:45am - 11:45am 12.30pm - 3pm 1.30pm - 2.30pm

Oaklands Park Where ever we fancy Age UK Hythe Forget Me Not Café Lyminge Age UK Hythe

1.30pm - 3pm 3.30pm - 6pm Art Classes with Steve Thompso

Games and cards Shed project Games and quizzes or music 10:45am - 11:45am 10:45am - 11:45am 1.30pm - 2.30pm 1.30pm - 2.30pm

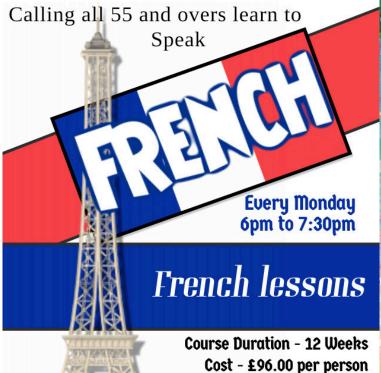
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Hythe & Lyminge SEK Social Enterprise Kent

Ecole Française Age UK Hythe, Sanford House, Stade Street, Hythe, CT21 6BD To book call: 01303 269602



# LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL OCTOBER 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: <a href="https://www.lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk">www.lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk</a> 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.

**COMMUNITY** GRANTS FOR GROUPS - The Parish Council is keen to encourage village organisations, clubs and societies. That is why each year we set aside some of our income from the Council Tax to fund grants to community If your group is suddenly groups. 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, in the past, we have helped a number of groups, such as:

- Lyminge Historical Society new website
- Etchinghill Residents
   Association new lights for the
   Christmas Tree

- Lyminge Village Hall CCTV for the village hall
- Pathways to the Past Project information panels at archaeological sites in the village



Application form available on-line at <a href="http://www.lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk/Policies">http://www.lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk/Policies</a>. 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 one of our monthly Council meetings.

VOLUTEERS NEEDED – Many organisations that have relied on volunteers in the past, have suffered due to Covid and now need new people to come forward to support them. Some local groups are looking for "new blood" including:

**Speedwatch -** Council would like to thank Colin Manvell who has been the parish Speedwatch Coordinator for many years and who will soon be stepping down from the role as will some of the other volunteers. As such, they are very keen for new recruits as without some, the work will not continue.



If you are interested in helping please contact the clerk who will forward on your details to the Speedwatch team. The time spent as a volunteer is minimal. At most, a volunteer spends one hour a day on two days of a week when the Speedwatch Team is at a particular site. Sometimes the Team does two Sessions in a month.

**Youth Club** – Sadly the Youth Club that has run in Lyminge for many years is no longer active. If there is anyone interested is starting this up again, there is some equipment that would be available for use. For more information or a general chat about what would be involved please contact Gary Harrison on 07977 982185.



**Guiding -** The Girl Guides have 3 units for ages 5 - 16 years. They undertake a range of activities including crafts, skill development and games.

We are looking for volunteers to help as numbers are low and we do not want to stop providing. If you are interested, please contact Sue on email below. If you cannot commit to every week this is fine as we can support a rota to cover the sessions. Lymingerainbows@gmail.com

#### **OCTOBER COUNCIL MEETING DATES:**

F&A Committee - Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October at 7pm in the Rigden Room, Tayne Centre Full Council - Monday 25<sup>th</sup> October at 7.30pm in the Rigden Room, Tayne Centre

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

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

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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 **5th October 2021** and **Tuesday 2nd November** at 7.45pm at the Coach and Horses.

#### 'Surplus Saturday'

Thank you to everyone who gifted and collected produce on Surplus Saturday (4th September.) It was lovely to see so many people, and to hear your excitement to use the extra produce. I hope you all enjoyed eating it!



#### **Raised Beds for Growing Vegetables**

We are cracking on with our plans to install some raised beds at the community allotment in Lyminge. This will enable us to offer some of the spaces to different community groups to tend, on a short or long-term basis. We would still benefit from a little more wood for this project, so do please get in touch if you have anything suitable to donate.

Looking ahead to next year, if you are interested in growing some of your own veg, why not consider installing some raised beds in your own garden? Here are some pros and cons to this approach, to help you decide....

Your garden beds - to raise or not to raise?

Here are some things to think about when answering this question: -

- Soil quality Raised beds give you the opportunity to create your ideal soil type through the addition of compost, well-rotted manure etc. This may not be relevant if you have good-quality soil in your garden already (lucky you!).
- Cost It costs both time and money to install raised beds. It is worth looking out for free materials on Freecycle, Facebook or elsewhere.
- Appearance Raised beds make it easier to keep your garden looking neat with clear pathways; or maybe you prefer the 'wild' look?
- Height Installing deep raised beds can reduce the strain on your back as there's less bending over; though you do need a lot of soil/ compost to fill deep beds.
- Soil compaction With less trampling by people (children!) and pets on a raised bed, there is less soil compaction, meaning the soil has better drainage and more space for roots. This benefit can also be seen if you are careful not to walk on your ground-level growing spaces. However, better drainage can also make plants more vulnerable to drought so more watering (or other measures such as mulching to protect the soil) may be required.
- Temperature Raised beds warm up quicker in the spring so can allow earlier planting of seeds/ seedlings. Soil in raised beds is warmer through the summer season giving better growth but too much of a good thing has consequences – you may need more frequent watering of raised beds to avoid plant dehydration.
- Deterring pests Raised beds can be lined underneath with chicken wire or similar to stop any burrowing pests like moles from disturbing your plants.
- Weed intrusion The walls of raised beds are useful to stop weeds from surrounding areas from gradually encroaching on the bed. When installing, you can line the bed with a weed barrier, or put a layer of

cardboard at the base of the bed to suppress weeds before adding your soil on top. These measures do take time and effort to implement.





**A Thank You to Veronica** who kindly donated some cloches and mini-greenhouses for the community allotment plot. These will be very useful indeed.

# White storks in Etchinghill! For the first time in over 600 years?



On the 12th September residents of Etchinghill were astonished to be joined by a magnificent flock of white storks, who decided to spend the night on the pylons at the base of Tolsford Hill. Social media was suddenly inundated with sightings and some stunning photos. Debbie Reynolds summed it up perfectly: "They were an awesome sight flying right over our heads. It looked like a scene from 'How to Train Your Dragon'. What a treat."

So what was all the fuss about? Well white storks were driven to extinction in the UK several hundred years ago. Occasional migrants from Europe have been spotted over the years but it was not until the birth, five years ago, of the White Stork Project that efforts were made to encourage the re-establishment of a breeding

population.

So far the project has been based primarily at Knepp Estate in West Sussex, where juvenile storks, bred at the Cotswolds Wildlife Park have been kept since 2017 and released since 2019. The presence of these birds at Knepp has encouraged migrating wild storks to stop and nest in the area. Having visited the project back in 2017 Tony King sent a link to the photos of the Etchinghill birds to Charlie Burrell and Isabella Tree at Knepp. They loved the photos but Charlie replied that it's "always a worry when you see storks and cables!" They passed him onto Lucy Groves, the stork project manager at the Durrell Wildlife Conservation Trust, who confirmed that "They are indeed our birds from Knepp! We have some GPS tagged birds amongst this group which is made up of our released juveniles from this year, the wild hatched chicks from Knepp and possibly some of our adults too."



Having spent the summer around Knepp, the storks should be going to Europe and possibly Africa for the winter. According to Lucy "They are finally getting ready to migrate. They are a week later than last year but we think this is due to weather conditions. Hopefully now that they are down that way they will think of crossing the Channel if the weather stays favourable."

Lucy later explained further: "Knepp has been the release site for captive bred juvenile white storks since 2019, with 27



individuals being released in summer 2021. It has also been home to six wild breeding pairs this year, with a total of 14 wild bred chicks successfully fledged in 2021. Knepp is now home to approximately 80 individuals of this fantastic species, and it is around this time of year that we bid them farewell and safe travels on their winter migration. As storks save energy on these long flights by gliding on thermals, they avoid travel over large water bodies. Their expected migratory route from the UK is to make a short crossing over the channel around Dover, then travel south over Europe and cross at the Strait of Gibraltar into Africa. Every year, some of the storks released as part of the project are fitted with GPS tracking devices giving us information on where they go. From data collected from these GPS tags, and sightings sent in of birds, we know that a large flock of all of this year's juvenile birds, both wild and captive-bred, as well as possibly some adult birds, have

been travelling together. Our

latest GPS data placed them in the flock spotted in Etchinghill, so we expect them to make the crossing very soon and join previously released GPS tagged birds in mainland Europe. Over the past two years, three of the Knepp white storks have successfully reached Morocco, whilst several others have stopped and wintered in mainland Europe, and we can't wait to see where this year's end up going."

For more details see: <a href="www.nationalgeographic.co.uk/">www.nationalgeographic.co.uk/</a> animals/2020/07/after-606-years-white-storks-are-nesting-in-britain-again



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Low-Income Veterinary Clinics
Monday & Friday, 2pm-3pm at Herne Common
No appointment necessary
Tuesday & Thursday, from 2pm at Rhodes Minnis
By appointment only. Ring 01303 862622

#### **Lyminge Friends - October 2021**

## Wednesday 6th October 2021 10.30am in the Methodist Church

We have arranged the following speakers for the next 3 months:

6th October - John Buss and Growing up in the 40s

3rd November - Derek Smith on a subject TBA

1st December - Andrew Ashton will talk about Banksy or Street Art.

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

#### We look forward to seeing you

Meetings are 10.30 - 12.30 in the Methodist Church. Entry for 2021 is £3.00.

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.

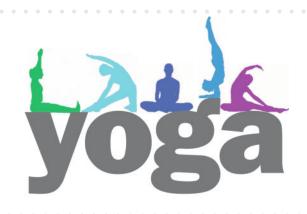


#### WELL-BEING YOGA CLASSES

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,  $7.00-8.30 \, \text{pm}$  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



#### **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





# Lyminge Historical Society GREAT NEWS



Lyminge Historical Society Committee is delighted to welcome you back to our monthly meetings. They will recommence on **Tuesday 5th October 2021** and, as before, will be held in the **Tayne Centre** starting at **7.30pm**. The talk will be on **Kent Fire Brigade** and the speaker is **Howard Myers**.

Although Covid restrictions are rapidly easing and wearing masks is no longer compulsory, we do advise that you continue to do so and also use hand sanitizer. Do bring your own drink, as refreshments will not be provided until further notice. If you did not pay your 2020 Membership fee, please pay

separately for each visit to the end of the year, ie £4 per talk. Visitors also pay £4 per talk at the door.

We are very much looking forward to your company and being together after such a long absence.

## Lyminge a history can be purchased individually through the Premier Food Store and the Library

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.
\*Postage and packaging extra

Editor: pb@pbarnes20.plus.com 17 Tel: 01303 863737



#### \*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 FreshtrusionTM 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



#### Lyminge Pre-School



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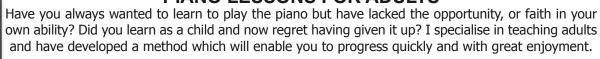
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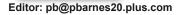
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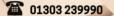
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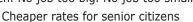




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# Wayside Watch

If you have any photos of favourite wild flowers, or any interesting wildlife, please send them to adrian.willcox@icloud.com together with a few words about them. Mystery ones also very welcome!!

A thank you to **Pathways to The Past** for donating a cask of Queen Ethelburga's Ale which literally went down very well. As can be seen in the pictures some brave souls came dressed

for the evening and everyone had a great time.

Way back in Wayside Watch No 2 we included **Traveller's Joy ~** [Clematis vitalba] in its floral form with white flowers, see inset. Now that we have come to autumn, it appears in its **Old Man's Beard** form. The white plumes act as a means of wind dispersal for the seeds. When in a mass they can look like lots of white

Another wild plant with fluffy seeds is

hair - hence the common name!

Rosebay Willowherb [Chamerion angustifolium]. When the long seed pods become dry they curl up and release the fluffy seeds also to be carried away on the breeze. Earlier in the year it had bright pink flowers.



## Mystery Flower



This month's Mystery is not a wild flower, but was sent in by a reader who had bought it some years ago and the label had been lost. When it came up again this year no one could remember what it was! Can you help?

Any answers to: adrian.willcox@icloud.com

Last month no one came up with an answer, so you now have a second chance with the little yellow flower. Perhaps the leaves will give a clue?



## Out & About..

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### The Winners of This Year's Championships at The Lyminge Bowls Club

Mike Foxon winner of the *MEN'S*CHAMPIONSHIP pictured with Captain John
Tappenden (centre) and runner up Bob Norris

#### **LADIES CHAMPION** Maggie Young

(right) pictured with ladies Captain Jean - Criddle (centre) and runner up Anne Port

MIXED PAIRS winners Anne Port and Mike Theof (right) pictured with runners up Jill Backwell and Michelle Mitchell



#### TWO WOODS COMPETITION

Anne Port beat Paul Jarvis. Pictured with

Chairman Alan Hewitt (centre)

The **YARDSTICK COMPETITION** (no photo) was won by **Barbara Boucher** with **Anne Port** runner up