

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

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£4 pp!

SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER

FUN AUTUMN QUIZ

ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL

Doors open 6.45 pm - 7 pm start

**AN ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS'
ASSOCIATION EVENT**



**HAVE A GREAT
TIME!**

Join us for our Fun Autumn Quiz with a mix of general knowledge, themed & musical questions

The quiz is always a fun & very popular event so please book early - to reserve a table please contact Geraldine by email: gpmccombe49@gmail.com or call 07544 670363

In the interest of fair play, please ensure there are no more than 6 players in each team

Entry fees are payable on the night - no charge for full time students or children aged under 18

Please bring your own snacks and refreshments as the kitchen will be closed

Raffle prize donations will be gratefully received - please contact Geraldine to arrange

Funds raised will be used by the ERA for the benefit of the local community or various national & local charities

AGM

The Lyminge Association

10th October

7.30pm

Lyminge Village Hall

Please try to give us your support.

Margaret Saunders' Meanderings

From my house I can see the hills opposite, on the eastern side of the valley and I like to look at them at different times of the day and in different lights. Today, I have decided to walk up to the top of that side of the valley, where grey clouds are hovering with a hint of menace. However, the rest of the sky is blue with a scattering of white clouds.

Taking footpaths down into the village I cross the main road into North Lyminge past dwellings old and new and for a few yards I walk alongside the Nailbourne, now in its Summer mode of slow movement, which at this point is only visible by light flickering on the surface through the trees. A little further along the gradient must be slightly steeper as it begins to tumble and at one point, even to gurgle.

I turn right onto the Bridle Path where deep shadow has cooled the air. Sunk between two banks the path climbs gently but steadily. Spikes of cuckoo-pint, or lords-and-ladies, push up, their brilliant red berries in stark contrast to the deep greens which surround them. Passing through the gate I am now on a narrow footpath with partial shade from my right and open fields full of sheep to my left. Blackberry bushes are still in flower on this north facing path and I wonder if they will ever come to fruit this late in the season. A few thistles are growing from the base of the wire fence and the pale pink and white flowers of bindweed cover the ground on my right, but apart from these flowers, no others are visible. Summer is moving on and flowers are becoming scarce. There is no breeze here as the path is in the lea of the westerly wind.

Ahead of me is a gate leading into a wide, open field populated by sheep and I know this is one of the fields I can



see from my house. A faint track shows me which direction to take. Silence is all around me except for the sound of my feet brushing through the crisp dry grass. Grateful for the stronger cooling breeze I am now in full sunshine and the early afternoon heat is surprisingly intense. Pylons stride across the fields, tall and strong. I turn to look back at 'my' side of the valley. How different it looks with houses here and there along the valley road, smaller fields and plenty of trees. This eastern side is more open, more remote and has little known treasures – small valleys hidden from view that only become apparent when the land is walked. The silence is intense and beautiful. A buzzard circles overhead, black against the sky.

Adjacent to the next gate a notice warns me that I am entering MOD land which is used as army training ground. I am to keep to the path and not touch any suspicious objects. From here onwards the path becomes steeper as it climbs towards the top of the valley. At one side of the path, brambles grow tall and plentiful and wild marjoram has tucked itself



into the base of this jumble, attracting meadow brown butterflies, easy to identify as they fold their wings when they land. I rub some of the leaves between finger and thumb and inhale the pungency of the herb. Behind is a steep bank covered with trees, some of which at the edge grow out at right angles. Hawes on hawthorn trees are ripening to orange as nature prepares itself for Autumn and Winter. It is very dark in amongst these trees but I can see patches of earth in places which have had army boots sliding down the banks as the soldiers,

some of them Ukrainian or Gurkhas from Nepal, train for active service. As the grass path turns into a gravelled track, there is open sky ahead of me and it is not long before I am at the top of the valley at Shuttlesfield Farm. Here the land flattens for some distance and fields are smaller than those behind me. Farm machinery is all around, some well camouflaged by clumps of thistles from which feather-like thistledown emerges, gathering speed as they enter the drift of the wind. Further along, round hay bales from a previous harvest are home to outcrops of rosebay-willowherb, a flower I always associate with the fading days of Summer.



Sheep scatter ahead of me on the bridle path, leaving their resting places amongst the shade of small scrubby trees. It feels like another world up here. The farm is at the end of a track which leads no further and sheep are everywhere but at times it will sound like a battlefield when the army is on manoeuvres.

The grey clouds that I had previously seen hanging over this area have disappeared and the sky is now full of interesting cloud shapes. I will look at the hills with different eyes, as I can now picture the contours that lie behind the view.

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.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.
01-Oct	10am	Digital Support	AUKL	269602	04-Nov	11am/2pm	Tommy Tea	LPC	See P14
10-Oct	12.30pm	Dementia Cafe	AUKL	269602	09-Nov	10am	Coffee and Cake Morning	PC	
10-Oct	6.30pm	Neighbourhood Plan Meeting	EVH		12-Nov	7.30pm	RMVH AGM	RMVH	
10-Oct	7.30pm	Lyminge Association AGM	LVH	863737	26-Nov	10am	Scrabble & Dominoes	LBC	862073
12-Oct	10am	Coffee and Cake Morning	PC		01-Dec	4.45pm	Christmas Lights Switch On	EVH	07544 670363
18-Oct	10.30am	Breast Cancer Coffee Morning	LPC	See P11	01-Dec		Mount Pleasant Christmas Lights		
19-Oct	6.45pm	Fun Autumn Quiz	EVH	07544 670363	07-Dec	10am	Christmas Craft Fair	LVH	
22-Oct	10am	Scrabble & Dominoes	LBC	862073	08-Dec	11am	Community Christmas Gathering	LPC	862073
26-Oct	6.30pm	Fundraising Quiz, School Trip to SA (see P12)	LVH	07921834547	08-Dec	6.30pm	ERA AGM	EVH	07544 670363
31-Oct	6pm	Elham Christmas Market	Elham VH	840430	13-Dec	7pm	Music on a Friday - Christmas Concert	LPC	
02-Nov	11am	Coffee Concert	LMC	See P14	14-Dec	4pm	Cantores - Christmas Concert	LVH	

Weekly Events

Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	Day	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
Mon	10am	Dementia Daybreak	AUKL	269602	Wed	10am	Dementia Day Break	AUKL	269602
Mon	10am	Bridge Club	LBC	863177	Wed	10am	Baby/Toddler Group	EVH	07817777975
Mon	10.30am	Maintenance Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (MCST)	AUKL	269602	Wed	11am	Singing For All (term time only)	AUKL	269602
Mon	10.30am	Lyminge Larks (Singing)	LMC	07951572920	Wed	7pm	Tayne Centre Circuits	TC	07925982995
Mon	10.30am	Chromatic Greys Art Class	EVH	07783575802	Wed	7.30pm	Cantores Dominicae Choir	LVH	07778 333339
Mon	1pm	Lyminge Knitters	AUKL	269602	Thurs	10am	Boxfit (non-contact)	AUKL	269602
Mon	1.30pm	Maintenance Cognitive Stimulation Therapy (MCST)	AUKL	269602	Thurs	10am	Dementia Day Break	AUKL	269602
Mon	5.15pm	Pilates	EVH	07951608008	Thurs	10am	Lyminge Morning Art Group	EVH	01303211364
Mon	6.15pm	Pilates	EVH	07951608008	Thurs	10.15am	Baby Rhyme Time	LL	03000413131
Mon	6.30pm	Ballroom/Latin/Salsa Dancing	TC	07966751991	Thurs	11.45am	Streetz to Streetz (fish and chips)	AUKL	07955926835
Mon	6.30pm	Judo Club	LVH	07369225021	Thurs	2pm	Lyminge Afternoon Art Group	TC	07870494644
Mon	7pm	Yoga	RMV	07977503897	Thurs	5pm	Pilates	TC	07951608008
Tues	9am	Seated Yoga	AUKL	269602	Thurs	6.15pm	Pilates	TC	07951608008
Tues	9.30am	Tai Chi Qigong	EVH	07402203239	Thurs	7pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842
Tues	10am	Lyminge Baby & Toddler Group	TC	07870405567	Thurs	7.30pm	Ballroom and Latin Dancing	EVH	07967979610
Tues	10am	Painting and Drawing	AUKL	269602	Fri	8am	Chiropody (appointment only)	AUKL	269602
Tues	10am	Dementia Day Break	AUKL	269602	Fri	9am	Pilates with Katherine	AUKL	269602
Tues	11.45am	Pilates	EVH	07834839801	Fri	9.30am	Dementia & Me Unit	AUKL	269602
Tues	1.45pm	Pickleball	EVH	862696	Fri	9.15am	Nikki Barratt Art Group	EVH	07870494644
Tues	3pm	Seated Yoga	AUKL	269602	Fri	10am	Dementia Day Break	AUKL	269602
Tues	6pm	Board Games Night	Coffee Cabin		Fri	10am	Painting and Drawing	AUKL	269602
Tues	6.45pm	Short Mat Bowls	LVH	863842	Fri	10.15am	TalkTime	LL	03000413131
Tues	7pm	Bridge Club	EVH	07790160476	Fri	10.30am	Main Cog Stim Therapy (MCST)	AUKL	269602
Wed	8am	Pilates	TC	07951698008	Fri	6pm	Junior Cricket Training Sessions	SPCC	07869283195
Wed	9am	All Day Breakfast	AUKL	269602	Fri	7pm	Table Tennis	EVH	
Wed	10am	Pilates	TC	07825109670					

Monthly Events

When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.	When	Time	Event	Where	Tel. No.
1st Mon	2pm	RBL, Elham Valley Branch	St Mary's Hall Elham	862508	Last Tues	10.30am	Lyminge Poetry Group	LL	03000413131
1st Mon	10am	Stroke Support Group	C&H	07903150099	1st Wed	10.30am	Lyminge Friends	TC	862598
2nd Mon	7pm	Parish Council Meeting	TC	07544670363	1st Wed	2pm	Bingo	EVH	
3rd Mon	7pm	Etchinghill Cinema Club	EVH	07903150099	4th Wed	2.30pm	RM Circle	RVH	862913
3rd Monday	10am	Stroke Support Group	C&H	07715221705	Last Wed	7.30pm	Quiz Night	C&H	01303901011
1st Tues	2pm	Library Reading Group	LL	03000413131	2nd Sat	10am	Postling Ch. Coffee Morning	PC	863536
1st Tues ³	7.30pm	LHS Talk/Event	TC	863879	2nd Sat	10am	Ethelburga Quilters	EVH	
2nd Tues	2pm	Library Reading Group	LL	03000413131	4th Sun	9.30am	Farmers' Market	LVH	
3rd Tues ²	7.30pm	Gardeners' Society	TC	07703149008	3 monthly Sunday	10am	Blue Kangaroo Baby Class	EVH	07800 737936

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 ** Every three months

AUKL Age UK Lyminge; **C&H**: Coach & Horses; **EVH**: Etchinghill Village Hall; **ELVH**: Elham Village Hall; **ERA**: Etchinghill Residents' Association; **ES**: Elham Square; **EVLT**: Elham Valley Line Trust; **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

6th October

Lyminge 10am WOW Service
Paddlesworth 6pm Evensong (BCP)

13th October

Harvest Festival

Lyminge 11am Joint Harvest Thanksgiving in
Methodist Church
6pm Choral Evensong(BCP)

Friday 18th October

Lyminge Coffee Morning for Breast Cancer Charity

20th October

Lyminge 10am Holy Communion (CW1)
Paddlesworth 6pm Evensong (BCP)

27th October

Paddlesworth 8am Holy Communion
Lyminge 10am Family Praise

3rd November

Lyminge 10am WOW Service
Paddlesworth 6pm Evensong (BCP)

If more information is required please contact the Church Wardens,
Derek Smith 01303 862508 or Mike Chinneck 01303 863911

Rector's Message

Dear Villagers,

It is delightful to be invited along to so many village gatherings and events: Summer Fairs, community lunches, well-being groups and in September I attended the launch of a new Community Shed group in Elham.

In all these activities we seek for the peace and well-being of the communities in which we live – not just for ourselves and our families but for all who live here.

This is a God given directive, *'But seek the welfare of the city and pray to the Lord on its behalf, for in its welfare you will find your welfare'* (Jeremiah 29:7).

May our communities know God's blessing and peace. May they be places where everyone can flourish.

God bless you. *Rev'd Carol Bates*



Lyminge Methodist Church

A warm welcome awaits you at the following services to be held at **11am**, followed by a time of refreshment and fellowship.

6th October Mr Dwight Harris

13th October Rev Gill Songer – Harvest Festival:
United Service with our Parish Church
and village friends

20th October Mr David Songer

27th October **10.15am** Valley Service: Rev Adrian
Roux (incl. Holy Communion)

3rd November Rev Kevin Taylor

Rhodes Minnis Chapel

A warm welcome is extended to anyone who wishes to join us for the following services at 9.30am in our small and beautiful Chapel and to share fellowship after the services over coffee and biscuits.

6th October Mr Dwight Harris

13th October Mr Ralph Bradshaw

20th October Mr David Songer – includes Holy
Communion

27th October A united Valley Service will be held at
10.15am at Lyminge with Holy
Communion, led by Revd Adrian Roux

3rd November Revd Kevin Taylor

Postling Church Services

6th October 5.30pm Harvest service

13th October 8.30am Morning service

20th October 8.30am Holy Communion

27th October No service in Postling

Lyminge Newsletter

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

District Councillors' Update - October 2024

Waste collection service – there have been some issues with collection of waste from several properties in the North Downs West Ward. These seem to have been resolved but if anyone does have a problem with waste collection please do let me know.

Folkestone Sports Centre – this is now in the hands of the Administrators. Local residents are anxiously awaiting further details, particularly in relation to the swimming pool and ski centre.

Annual Canvass – FHDC has just started the annual canvass, a statutory requirement, to ensure the electoral register is up-to-date. Residents will either receive an email about this or – if the council does not have your email address – a paper form through your letterbox. Households should read the instructions carefully as there may not be a need to respond. More information about the process can be found on the council's website.

My Community Voice – (Kent Police Local Policing team) Book your Fraud Protect Presentation - The Fraud Prevent and Protect Officer is keen to give presentations to organisations and community groups on how to protect yourselves from the threat of scams and avoid criminals stealing your money. These can be tailored for the needs and requirements of any group and can be booked for anytime in the future. If you are part of or in charge of any groups, including businesses that would benefit from this input, then please contact Stephen Kelly at Stephen.kelly@kent.police.uk

Ticket Fraud Many of you may have been unsuccessful in obtaining tickets for next year's Oasis concerts. It is important now if you are looking on-line for tickets being sold second hand that you do not end up "looking back in anger" from buying fake Oasis tickets. Criminals will see this as a wonderful opportunity to advertise fake tickets for sale via social media etc. Be vigilant, avoid clicking on suspicious links and only ever use authorised ticket agents to buy tickets. For further information on ticket fraud visit the Action Fraud Website - Ticket fraud | Action Fraud.

Radnor Lodge Tea Room – FHDC is seeking offers from interested parties wanting to take on the Radnor Lodge tearoom in Folkestone. The lease contract allows trading from the tearoom between 9am and 7pm every day and permits the selling of hot (warmed through only) and cold food, non-alcoholic beverages, and ice cream (or any combination of these). For further information contact mhairi.richards@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk

Contact: jenny.hollingsbee@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk Mobile 07887918458 X (Twitter) @jennyhollingsbe

F&HDC has launched a new campaign called Raise the Rate which aims to improve the District's current recycling rate of 44.6% by encouraging residents to be extra careful about putting the right things in the correct bins. As part of the campaign an A-Z guide for recycling and waste page has been launched along with details for recycling and waste resources. See F&HDC's website for details

Sibton Meadows is being advertised on a camping website and motorhomes and tents have been seen on it. The Enforcement Officer told me that the use of land for a recreational campsite for not more than 60 days in a year is permitted and therefore it is not in breach of planning control.

The District is facilitating both the Autumn Well Event and the Winter Well Event again this year. The Autumn Well Event is being held on the 20th September in Hythe and the Winter Well Event is being held on 27th November in Folkestone. These events are a one stop shop morning providing advice and help from a range of agencies.

F&HDC is launching their annual canvass in October and November for 2024. This is a legal requirement to make sure the electoral register is accurate and up to date every year. Please check and make sure your details are correct if you are contacted to do so.

KCC is consulting on its statutory Local Transport Plan. The consultation is open until October 8th 2024. All the details of the draft Local Transport Plan and how to respond are on the KCC website at www.kent.gov.uk/ltp5. The Local Transport Plan sets out KCC's priorities for transport investment in the county as whole and across the district.

Contact: elaine.martin@folkestone-hythe.gov.uk

Etchinghill Update - October 2024

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION (ERA)

Chairman: David McCombe - 07939 076617 E-mail: dmccombe1@gmail.com

Website: www.etchinghill.info Facebook: Etchinghill Residents

ERA FILM NIGHT AT ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL - MONDAY 21 OCTOBER - FILM STARTS AT 7.30 PM - DOORS OPEN 7 PM. "OPERATION MINCEMEAT" (12). Drama / War starring Colin Firth, Matthew Macfadyen and Kelly Macdonald. It's 1943 and the Allies are determined to break Hitler's grip on occupied Europe and plan to launch an all-out assault on Sicily, but they face an impossible challenge - how to protect the invasion force from potential annihilation. Two intelligence officers, Ewen Montagu and Charles Cholmondeley, formulate the most inspired and improbable disinformation strategy of the war, centred on the most unlikely of secret agents: a dead man. This is an extraordinary, gripping and true story. Entry fee is only £6 pp and includes a glass of wine, tea or coffee with biscuits and entry into a free raffle. New members are welcome, simply register and pay on the night - no need to book.

ERA FUN QUIZ - ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL - - SATURDAY 19TH OCTOBER - DOORS OPEN AT 6.45 PM FOR A 7 PM START. We are already receiving bookings, so please reserve your table soon as this is always a popular event. TO ENSURE FAIR PLAY, 6 PERSONS PER TEAM MAXIMUM PLEASE. Entry is only £4 pp (no charge for children under the age of 18 or full time students). Please remember to bring your own refreshments as the kitchen will be closed. To reserve a table, or to donate a raffle prize, please contact Geraldine on 07544 670363 or email her - gpmccombe49@gmail.com

News contact: Jacqui Blandford – 07543 966830 or email: jacqui.blandford@gmail.com





LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Our next meeting will be at 7.30pm on Tuesday 1 October
at The Tayne Centre, Church Road, Lyminge CT18 8JA



Lyminge School Photo 1955 (from the collection of Lyminge Historical Society)
Lyminge School Photo 1955 (from the collection of Lyminge Historical Society)

The Age of Blackboards and Chalk: Life in local rural schools before the 1960s

Speaker: Kevin Bailey of Hythe Museum

Members Free
New members and visitors are always welcome
Visitors: £4 Payable on the door

All our publications, including our latest volume Lyminge a History Part 13, are on sale at our meetings. We accept payments by cash or card.

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

5 November: 'The Shepe hath payed it all' - *the English wool industry* by Anne Beecham
3 December: AGM and 'A distinguished example of worth and excellence' - *the Shorncliffe hero who saved Wellington's career* by Rob Baldwin

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Rhodes Minnis Circle

We were all deeply saddened to lose our member Daphne Andrews in August. Daphne is missed for her enthusiastic contribution to our group's meetings and as a committee member and dear friend to so many. She had been Treasurer for a number of decades and the books were of course meticulously up to date when she handed them over earlier in the year. We would like to express our gratitude to her for everything she did for our group and for so many others in the community, she was a very special lady.

On 23rd October the novelist **Emma Batten** will be speaking about the Saxons in Lyminge.

We normally meet at Rhodes Minnis Village Hall at 2.30pm and visitors are always welcome. For further information contact:

Lis Hirlemann 07590 913856

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MEDITATION COURSES

More and more people are learning to use the skills of meditation and their breathing as a way of supporting their health and wellbeing, keeping their minds fit and regulating their nervous systems.

I invite you to join me on my next Mindfulness Meditation Course Commencing Saturday 5th October 2024
Ending Saturday 23rd November 2024
10.00am - 12.30pm for 8 Sessions
Location: The Committee Room, Lymyne Village Hall

Alternatively, on a WEEKDAY EVENING
Commencing Thursday 3rd October 2024
Ending Thursday 21st November 2024
6.00pm - 8.30pm
Location: The Committee Room, Lymyne Village Hall

For more information and to book a place
Contact Ellen: 07740857109
Email: ejgarrard2712@gmail.com
<https://ellengarrard.co.uk/>





The POSTLING COFFEE & CAKE MORNING IN AID OF THE PILGRIMS HOSPICE

Saturday 12th October 10am to 12noon at Postling Church

ALL DONATIONS GO TO THE PILGRIMS HOSPICE IN THEIR ENTIRETY - PLEASE BRING CASH

ETCHINGHILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

Film Night

"Operation Mincemeat" *Rated 12*

Monday 21st October

Etchinghill Village Hall - 7 for 7.30pm

Entrance Fee £6pp

Open to new and existing members
Free Refreshments and Raffle



www.etchinghill.info

Danny Price - RIP

I am very sad to announce the death of Danny Price, who ran the Lyminge French Conversation Group for many years. Danny always made these meetings varied and entertaining, as well as instructive; and his fiendish French crosswords were legendary for members of the group!

A quiet, gentle and kindly man, and a great lover of nature, he was a true gentleman, and will be much missed. We all felt it a privilege to have known him.

Danny had many other interests, and had one of the most enquiring minds of anyone I have ever met. As well as being an excellent French scholar he studied other languages, not least Gaelic. He was also a clarinettist, weaver and accomplished maker of breads and cheeses, to name but a few accomplishments.

He lived with his wife June in Etchinghill from the 1970s, until a recent move to Dymchurch. He raised his children Lorna and Philip there, and our thoughts are with them and June at this time.

Vanessa Carr

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or for further details, or information about
private lessons, contact Lynn on 07967979610

lynn.chapman0127@btinternet.com

IDTA (AB), (AL), (SalDip)



Flower Arranging Workshop

with Gill Broadley and Yvonne Neville

Tuesday 15th October
7:30pm at The Tayne Centre, Lyminge

Refreshments from 7:15pm



For more information about the Gardeners' Society please email:
lymingegardeners@gmail.com or call Anne on 07703 149008



Lyminge Friends

CONNECTION
TO
COMMUNITY

On **2 October** eminent local Author **Emma Batten** is coming along to speak about **"Discovering Lyminge through my Writing"**. Emma lives on Romney Marsh and her novels are all based in the local area.

Wednesday, 6 October is our annual **"Open Review"** session when the group discusses the Christmas lunch preparation, January pub lunch venue and look ahead to next year and, of course, there will be **Coffee and Cake**. The cost for this meeting only will be £2.00 plus there will also be a **raffle**.

Everyone welcome – Entry is £4 for social meetings (including Tea/Coffee)

We are a friendly social group and welcome new members and visitors so just drop into a meeting, or if you'd like to talk to one of us first, please call 07904 157897. All meetings are held in The Methodist Church, Church Road, Lyminge from 10.30am to 12noon **unless stated otherwise**.

Lyminge Judo Club

(Bushido 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: Craig Munn email: craig.munn1@yahoo.com

Facebook: www.facebook.com/Lymingejudoclub



Fifth Trust Update

www.fifthtrust.co.uk

Free half-term Halloween hunt: Fly your little wizards and witches down to our Vineyard Garden Centre between 26 October and 3 November, 10am-3pm. If they find all the monsters lurking around the garden centre, they'll win a ghastly prize! Why not increase their chances with a go at our new lucky dip – only £1.

Care & share: If you have a family member with learning disabilities, you are warmly invited to join the Care & Share group on Thursday 7 November from 9am at our Vineyard Café. At this session, Andy Roberts will be delivering an insightful talk covering a range of important topics. Andy brings over 13 years of experience, specialising in Social Security and Child Support Tribunals. He will also discuss the PIP application process, etc. Please get in touch with Jacqui at jacklabell@aol.com if you are interested in attending.



Hythe Aqua Swimming Club has vacancies for potential competitive swimmers Level 7 and above. Join a Club with a nationally accredited swim programme. Lessons/Coaching sessions are held on Tuesday & Thursday evenings at Hythe Pool.

We also welcome adult length swimmers to our Adult training on Tuesdays & Thursdays at 9.00pm

To book your place

Email: hytheaqua@btinternet.com or checkout our website:
www.hytheaqua.org.uk or **F/book**

Christmas Craft Fair

Saturday 7th December 2024

10am ~ 3pm



Lyminge Village Hall
Woodland Road CT18 8EW

Support our Base Camp Fundraising Weekender!

Age UK Ashford, Joe Fagg Community Centre, Farrow Court, Stanhope Road, Ashford, TN23 5RF



BASE CAMP BINGO

Friday, October the 4th / Doors open at 6:30PM / Eyes down at 7PM

Entry is £2, and a book is £12. All proceeds will go towards our fundraising efforts. Please bring a raffle prize, drinks, and nibbles if you want them. Refreshments and sausage rolls will be available.



JUMBLE SALE AND THE BIG BASE CAMP RAFFLE

Saturday, October the 5th / 10AM - 2PM

Come along to our jumble sale and find a bargain! Plus, get your tickets for our Big Base Camp Raffle, where prizes include donations from local businesses! If you would like to drop off a prize, please get in touch with wellbeingleadashford@ageukhla.org.uk



MANDALA WORKSHOP

Saturday, October the 5th / 12:30PM - 2PM / Donations are welcome

Mandalas are a geometric design that hold a great deal of symbolism in Hindu and Buddhist cultures, and are used as instruments of meditation and symbols of prayer. Come along to our workshop to understand their fascinating history, and practice mindfulness whilst you create your own mandala!



TAI CHI WORKSHOP

Saturday, October the 5th / 11AM - 12PM / Donations are welcome

Tai Chi focuses on slow and gentle movement, supporting your balance and posture. Come along to this gentle and welcoming session, helping you to relax and de-stress. This class will be led by Sam, who will be part of the Base Camp hike!



CAKE SALE

Saturday, October the 5th / 10AM - 2PM

We are calling out for delicious cakes, bakes, and sweet treats for our Base Camp Cake Sale! If you would like to deliver a bake, please get in touch with wellbeingleadashford@ageukhla.org.uk for drop off times. Donations will be taken until up to the morning of the event. Please bring a list of ingredients/allergens!

Our Café will be open throughout the weekend for hot and cold drinks, hot sausage rolls, and delicious light snacks!

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Come along to our Diabetes Support Group!



The last Thursday of each month at Age UK Hythe
1:00PM – 3:00PM

Come along and talk to others with Diabetes, gain support with various issues, and get help and advice.

This peer to peer support group is free, and refreshments will be available.

Age UK Hythe, Sanford House, Stade Street, Hythe, Kent, CT21 6BD

Booking is essential. Please call **01303 269602**



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AGE UK - LYMINGE

AGM

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



Come along to our AGM, stay informed on our successes this year, and hear about our plans for the future!

Everyone is welcome, and refreshments will be available after the meeting. You'll also have the opportunity to meet our Trustees, and hear why they are so passionate about our work in the community!

For more information, or to receive a copy of the agenda, please call 01303 269602 or email Cleo on co@ageukhla.org.uk

**WEDNESDAY, 27TH NOVEMBER 2024
MEETING STARTS AT 3PM**

AGE UK HYTHE, SANFORD HOUSE, STADE STREET, HYTHE, KENT, CT21 6BD

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LYMINGE AND ELHAM VALLEY STROKE SUPPORT

Have you or someone you know been affected by a stroke?

Come and join our informal support group. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month (except Bank Holidays) usually at The Coach and Horses between 10am and 12noon

October Meetings

7th October 2024

A talk by the charity Headway about how head injuries and strokes can affect people and what strategies can improve brain health.



the brain injury association

21st October 2024

Get together followed by lunch.

For more information, to check the dates of meetings/events, or if you would like support but are unable to attend the meetings
Email: Lymingestrokesocial@gmail.com
or Telephone Fran on 07846 177 409 or Heather on 07427 664 084

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Monday 23rd December 2pm & 7pm
Christmas Eve 2pm
Friday 27th December 2pm & 7pm
Saturday 28th December 2pm & 7pm
Sunday 29th December 2pm

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Lyminge Speedwatch Group

On Friday 26 July 2024 Lyminge Speedwatch took part in an organised county-wide Action Day.

We arranged four Speedwatch sessions in the Parish: in Lyminge village, Rhodes Minnis and Etchinghill hamlets, each lasting one hour with three or four volunteers at each one.

The combined results show that a total of 481 vehicles passed us (we only record in one direction during the sessions), of which 24 were recorded travelling at 35 mph or higher speeds (5% of all vehicles).

County-wide, more than 300 volunteers took part in the Action Day at 113 locations with 1237 vehicles observed exceeding the local speed limit, all of which are now added to the Speedwatch database. In incidents like this, drivers can receive a letter or a visit from a Police Officer.

We know from conversations with local residents during all our Speedwatch sessions that many are concerned about the speed of vehicles through our village and hamlets. However, with an average of 5% the figure is low compared to other Speedwatch teams' results. Nevertheless, there is more to be done.

The overall percentage of offenders in 2024 is about the same in Lyminge and Etchinghill with a slightly higher percentage in Rhodes Minnis.

If you would like more information about Lyminge Speedwatch or might wish to volunteer please contact me.

Dennis Charman : Lyminge Speedwatch Coordinator
07739998262 : lymingespeed@aol.com



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19th Annual Elham Christmas Market
in aid of Pilgrims Hospices
Thursday 31st October 6 - 9pm
Elham Village Hall
(From 5.30pm for our disabled visitors)

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www.facebook.com/lhamValleyLineTrust.Official

Found: iPhone A mobile phone was found on the football field next to a goal at Lyminge Village hall.

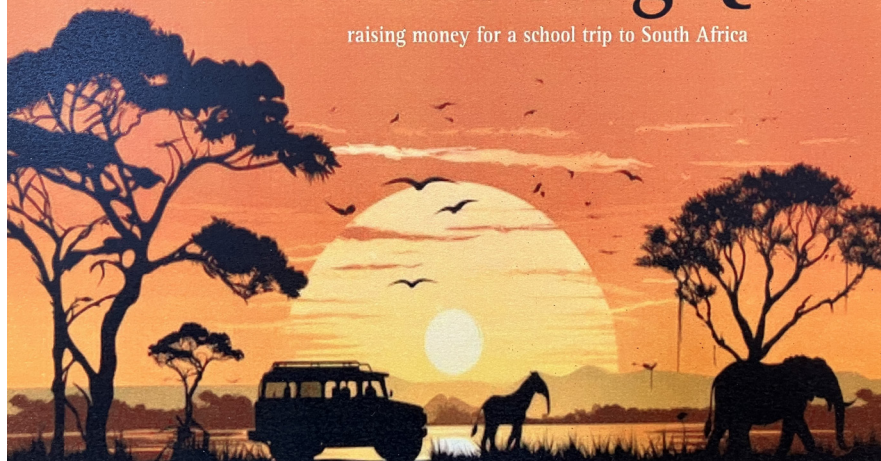
It was an iPhone with a name on the back of it with a green symbol. It appeared to be a child's mobile.

I took it to Folkestone police station and it has been booked into their property store.

Paul Donovan

Fundraising Quiz

raising money for a school trip to South Africa



Saturday 26th October 6.30pm
Lyminge Village Hall

£10pp includes welcome drinks and canapés
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Editor: pbarnes20@icloud.com



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- Mobile phone and charger
- Pet food
- Food and water
- Emergency contacts



STEP

2

Make a 'Household Emergency Plan'

Make an emergency plan for your home and practice it with your household. Your plan should include: contact numbers, how to turn off your gas, electricity and water, and sources of information and advice.



STEP

3

Sign up for weather and flood alerts

- Sign up for Met Office weather alerts: www.metoffice.gov.uk
- Get Environment Agency Flood Warnings: www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings



STEP

4

Check your flood risk

Check your home's flood risk by visiting the Environment Agency website at www.gov.uk/check-long-term-flood-risk



STEP

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Join the Priority Services Register

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CANTORES

Music Director: Malcolm Munro



Coffee & Cake Concert

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At Lyminge Methodist Chapel

Saturday, 2nd November at 11am

Arrive from 10:15am for refreshments

including those cakes

Tickets on door: £7.50 children free

Charity registration No. 1087409



LYMINGE AND ELHAM VALLEY STROKE SUPPORT GROUP

enjoyed a fascinating visit to the Royal British Legion Industries (RBLI) in Aylesford earlier this year. We are now hosting a Tommy Tea to help raise funds for this very worthwhile cause. Come and join us for tea and homemade cake/savouries at:

Lyminge Parish Church

Monday 4th November

11am and 2pm



RBLI is completely separate from The Royal British Legion and receives no financial support from the annual poppy appeal. The charity must raise its own funds to deliver care and employability support and build more homes.

Cantores Diary

Autumn! Season of mists, pumpkin, spiced lattes and ... new repertoire of music and events for your local choir, Cantores.

But firstly, the exciting news that we have a new Musical Director, namely Malcolm Munro; welcome to Malcolm. We have had our first rehearsal with him which was thoroughly enjoyable, and he has given us plenty to work for the first event in our autumn calendar- the popular **Coffee Concert** on **2nd November** in Lyminge Methodist church (see poster above). We tackled Lauridsen, Ravel and Mozart works for a start on the programme - it's going to be a cracker!

Then on **14th December** in Lyminge Village Hall our next event will be the ever-popular **Christmas Concert** with Hythe Town Band - always a guaranteed crowd pleaser!

We look forward to seeing many of you at the above concerts, and as always, if you should like to join the choir, we welcome you with open arms, but slightly more open if you are a tenor or a bass! We rehearse on Wednesday evenings at Lyminge village hall at 7.30 pm. Just drop in; **no auditions needed**, so come and give us a try - contact through any members you may know or to john.vincett@gmail.com.



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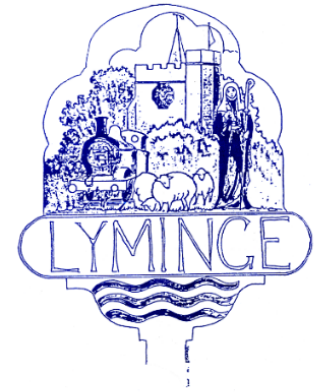
"The man who moves a mountain begins by carrying away small stones." - **Confucius**

LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL

Etchinghill - Lyminge - Rhodes Minnis

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Agendas, minutes and relevant reports are published on the council website. If you would like a copy of council documents please contact the clerk.

MERIDEN PARK:

Work should begin on Meriden Park this month and take approximately 6 - 8 weeks to complete. The process should be relatively minimal in terms of disturbance but there will be some noise on site. Works should only take place during social hours and we've been assured the noisier bits will not take long!

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN:

Our next Neighbourhood Plan meeting takes place on 10th October and will be from 18:00-19:00 at Etchinghill Village Hall. Please come along and get involved, we need all hands on deck as this is an important document setting out the future of our parish.

RHODES MINNIS PLAY PARK:

The Rhodes Minnis Play Park meeting is taking place on 2nd October at 18:30 in Rhodes Minnis Methodist Church. This is to begin discussions on the refurbishment of the park and all are welcome!!

GRANTS:

We still have plenty of budget available for awarding grants, if you would like more information, click the grants tab on our website or contact the Clerk.



JOIN THE COUNCIL

We still have open spaces on the parish council and would welcome applications to join. Lyminge Parish Council is a rare council in that it has a very even spread of ages, abilities, sex and experience. Though being a councillor can seem nerve-wracking, it is an interesting and varied role and is less time consuming than you think! If you are interested in joining, come to our meetings and see what you think or email the Clerk!

CONTACT INFORMATION

General - clerk@lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk / 07999 403948

Handyman - fred@lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk

LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL

Notice of conclusion of the audit

Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2024

Section 25 of the Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

Accounts and Audit (England) Regulations 2015

1. The audit of accounts for the Council for the year ended 31 March 2024 has been concluded.

2. The Annual Governance and Accountability Return is available for inspection by any local government elector of the area of the Council on application to:

Chani Sanger

Proper Officer / Clerk to Lyminge Parish Council

C/O Coach and Horses

Church Road

Lyminge

CT18 8JA

3. Copies will be provided to any local government elector on payment of 20p per page for each copy of the Annual Return.

Announcement made by: Chani Sanger (Proper Officer/Clerk)

Date of announcement: 24 September 2024

UPCOMING MEETINGS

FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION - 7 OCT - 18:30 - LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH (LMC)

COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT & EVENTS - 7 OCT - 19:30 - LMC

FULL COUNCIL - 14 OCT - 19:00 - RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHURCH

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - 10 OCT - 18:00 - ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL

PLANNING AND LICENCING - 17 OCT - 9:30 - ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL



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](https://www.instagram.com/thoughtfulfoodgroup)

Next **Thoughtful Food** meeting, **Tuesday 1st October, 7.30pm**, at the Coach and Horses Public House

Ultra Processed Main Meal Replacement

Simple quick main meal swaps that can be picked up on the way home but are not heavily processed really need to be researched as it can be very confusing. In Lidl's I noticed several products that looked very similar but scored very differently in terms of healthy ingredients. It is really worth spending some time looking at the boxed store-bought foods you use regularly and finding the best minimally processed version. After looking at so many labels over the last few months, it seems to me that buying ready cooked meals is the same as purchasing Ultra Process Food like substances.

Canned and frozen veggies are easily stored, minimally processed and with, baked potato, rice, couscous, quinoa, eggs, cheese herb, spices and fresh veggies can usually offer easy dinners. Maybe we all need to stop watching cooking programmes and get cooking. Much easier said than done I suspect!

UPF Main meal	Substitute
Pizza	Flammekuech, veg and cheese tart by Duc De Coeur (Lidl) 63/100 Yuka score
Chicken nuggets	Foxwood Premium Chicken Nuggets (Costco) 69/100 Yuka score
Indian Takeaway	Chicken Tikka Masala (Gym Kitchen, Tesco Asda, Sainsbury's Morrisons) 90/100 Yuka Score

Yuka deciphers product labels and analyses the health impact of food products and cosmetics.

Jobs To Do In The Garden This Month

- You can sow overwintering broad beans in situ. Cover with fleece to protect against frosts
- Sow overwintering varieties of peas such as 'Douce Provence' or 'Meteor'
- Plant out spring cabbages. Remember to net them for protection from pigeons
- Finish planting autumn onion sets for a crop in early to mid-summer next year
- Plant garlic cloves
- Dig up and store your roots crops such as carrots, beetroot and potatoes

Tried And Tested Cooking Hacks

The easiest way to cook beetroot. Pop it into the sink. Top and tail and scrub with a scourer or brush. Place each individual beetroot onto a piece of silver foil large enough to completely cover. Splash on a generous dash of balsamic glaze. Bake in oven at 180°C. The time will depend on the size of beetroot but a fist sized bulb normally takes around 40 to 60 minutes. Insert a knife into the foil and see if it's soft. Serve with whatever you like or use in the traditional way, cold and in a salad.



Sometimes You Just Need Something Sweet!

The bread mix used in the pizza recipe last month is quite versatile. You can use it for loaves, focaccia, rolls as well as sweet things.

Chelsea Buns

Empty the bread mix into a large bowl.

In a measuring jug, break an egg, vegans can use an egg substitute or soaked flax seed. Make up to the required amount of liquid with some warm milk and a dessert spoonful of sugar and a dash of oil. Pour into the bread mix.

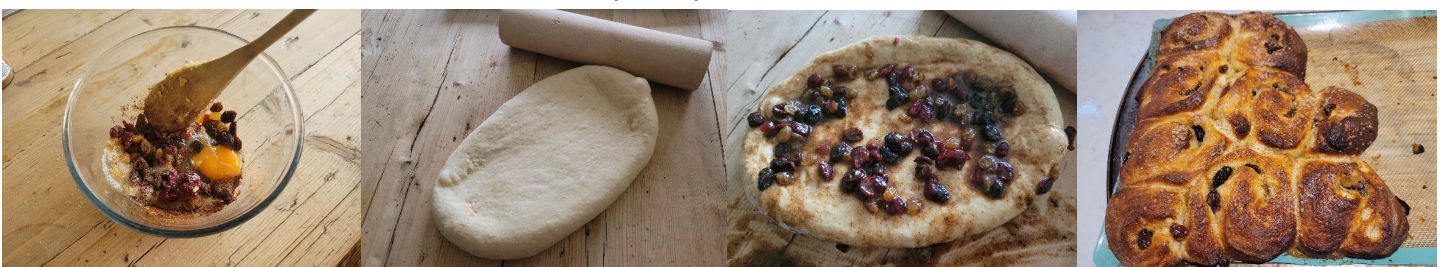
Knead together for around 5 minutes in the same bowl (less messy).

Cover bowl and leave to double in size. Knock dough together to distribute air, shouldn't take long. Roll into a rectangle about 1cm thick.

In a small bowl, mix together 1 egg (or vegan substitute), 1 dessert spoonful of sugar, 1 teaspoon of mixed spice and a handful of dried fruit. Spread this over the dough before rolling up like a sausage roll. Cut across the dough into slices around 3cms thick giving the familiar Chelsea bun shape.

Carefully place the buns side by side on greased baking tray. You should get around 10. Lay them touching each other at the edge. Sprinkle with demerara sugar and leave to rise till double in size again.

Bake at around 200°C for 20 to 30 minutes, then EAT!! (you may want to let them cool a little!!)



Very Best Seasonal Wishes from Thoughtful Food



Lyminge Parish Neighbourhood Plan - Natural Environment Policies

Hopefully you all know that we are working towards creating a Neighbourhood Plan for the Parish. More details can be found through the Parish Council and their website. As part of the Plan we will be developing various policies related to our natural environment. Currently we expect these policies to cover aspects such as “Biodiversity and wildlife corridors”, to map out our green and blue infrastructure and demonstrate how it can be safeguarded, expanded, and better connected, with scope to identify biodiversity opportunity areas; “Local green spaces”, to safeguard demonstrably special green space from inappropriate development; “Significant local views”, to identify views that are particularly special and safeguard from the impacts of development; “Dark Skies”; and “Flooding and drainage”. We may organise some small group meetings to work on these Natural Environment policies, if you would like to join in please let us know via tony.king@lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk, otherwise keep an eye out for news from the Parish Council about how to get involved in other policy areas or in the Neighbourhood Plan process more generally.

Do you need some hedge plants or tree whips this autumn/winter?

As we have done for the last few years we will be sourcing young native tree whips this autumn/winter for planting around the Parish. If you have ideas of where would be good places for planting hedges or trees, or if you would like to have some for your own hedge or property, please contact us on tony.king@lymingeparishcouncil.org.uk

Butterfly Conservation

Big Butterfly Count results: “We’re in a Butterfly Emergency”. Thanks to everyone who participated in the Big Butterfly Count this year. However the national results illustrate how terrible 2024 was for butterflies in the UK. According to Butterfly Conservation just seven butterflies were spotted on average per 15-minute Count, a drop of almost 50% on last year’s average of 12, and the lowest in the 14-year history of the Big Butterfly Count. It was the worst summer in the Count’s history for Common Blue, Holly Blue, Green-veined White, Small White, Small Tortoiseshell, Painted Lady and Scotch Argus. And the majority of species (81%) showed declines in the number seen this year compared with 2023. See the full results of the Count on <https://butterfly-conservation.org/news-and-blog/uk-butterfly-emergency-declared>

Rare Ruderal Bumblebees Found in Lyminge Again



In better news for our pollinators, we managed to find two more Ruderal Bumblebees in Lyminge during August. Having found a queen in spring last year, the first time this rare bumblebee had been reported from the Parish, we stepped up our efforts this year to find more. We were rewarded in August with two males found, one on red clover flowers



on Brady Hill, the other on a flowering teasel at the top of Court Lodge Green. Males can be distinguished from the similar Garden Bumblebee by their golden “whiskers” and shorter cropped hair. The thoughtful management of Brady Hill and Court Lodge Green in recent years has probably helped the species locally.

Parish Council Climate Action Meetings

Lyminge Parish Council recently decided to create a Climate Action Committee. If you have any suggestions for climate action initiatives that could be supported in the Parish please do let us know, if possible by coming along to one of the Committee meetings as advertised by the Parish Council. The next meeting is on Monday 4th November at 7.30pm in the Lyminge Methodist Church. Keep an eye out for the agenda as advertised by the Parish Council.

What Does Harvest Festival Mean to YOU??

As I set out to write about Harvest this year, I wondered how I could possibly find anything new to say about our familiar, annual thanksgiving and celebration of God's goodness and the productivity of our land.

Good fortune came my way. I have just been in Uganda, helping to train a group of Christian doctors from ten different countries. So, I asked them: 'What does Harvest Festival look like in your churches?'. This was met by silence and blank faces. None of them have harvest festivals in their churches, but this is what they did share with me.

In Nigeria, Anglican churches may have a festival that we might recognise, but the important yam harvest is mostly celebrated by people of traditional religions. In Guinea, on the west coast of Africa, there is no celebration of harvest from the land, but, at a certain time of year, the sea boils with fish, and there is general thanksgiving after this annual event.

In Uganda and the Democratic Republic of Congo, being so close to the equator, there is no rhythm of the seasons as in temperate zones. Various crops such as wheat, maize, and ground nuts are harvested at different times. People will bring some of their crops to the church to be blessed by the priest and distributed to the poor. It is always the first of the crop, or the best of the crop, that they offer to God in this way.

In Russia, there is no celebration because there is still a total disconnect between the land and the food eaten by people in towns and cities - a legacy from the huge collective farms of Communist times.

The city-dwellers of Australia, have little sense of the fragility of the land, whereas rural people are all too aware of their dependence on a balance of sun and rain, and concerned by the changes happening to the climate.

Most Christians in South Sudan are nomads, moving according to the needs of their cattle. They have no harvest as they do not stay in one place long enough to grow crops.

In Zambia, the harvest of crops - maize, pumpkin, ground nuts - is entirely dependent on the season's rainfall. Last year, the rains lasted only a month and a half instead of the usual five. Entire harvests failed, families lost everything, and hospitals are seeing children with malnutrition. But people still bring to church to give thanks for what they have managed to grow.

In Barbados, the sugar cane harvest celebration is entirely secular, with parties and dancing.

In Tanzania, families bring their harvest- and their livestock - to church on Sunday to be used according to the needs of the church. Chickens and goats are brought into the church, but fortunately the cows remain outside.

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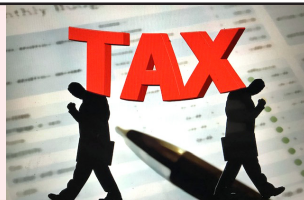
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LYMINGE THEN AND NOW

Our monthly look at how Lyminge has changed over the years, with thanks to Lyminge Historical Society.



After looking at Yew Tree Cross in September, this month we have moved along Brady Road to the junction with Woodland Road and a view in the direction of the hamlet of Woodland. The picture on the left is from a postcard post-dated 1962, although the picture could easily have been taken at any point in the fifty years prior to this date.

The tree in the centre of the picture on the right is an example of the significantly increased tree-cover around the village that exists now compared with even sixty years ago, let alone the half century or more before that. Aside from the tree, the greatest visible change between these views is in the addition of street furniture, even at this peripheral part of the village. A kerb has now been put around the verge, a decorative flower trough has been installed, there is a seat, speed and road width signs, a footpath finger-post, and a litter bin on the fence. Just out of shot is the village sign installed by Kent Highways at the request of the Parish Council only in 2020, the first time so far as we know that this entry point to the village had ever been formally marked.

The hedge along the north side of Woodland Road hides the view to the right in both pictures. In the 19th Century, this was Mill Field, part of Robus Farm (now Old Robus). Building began on this field only between the World Wars with the construction of Valley Farm, Hill View and Pill Rags, (the latter name taken from the field to the left in the middle distance bordering Skeete Road). These were all standing when the picture on the left was taken some time around 1960, although they are hidden from view by the hedge. Two more bungalows were added as infill later, and then two houses at the end of the row in the late 1990s to complete this development extending the envelope of the village that we know today.



Members of the **Rhodes Minnis Circle** enjoying an afternoon tea at the Folkestone Garden Centre on Wednesday 28th August.

Recent Deliverers' Tea Party at Age UKan opportunity to say 'Thank You' to the volunteers who support the Lyminge Association



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Daphne Lilian Andrews (17 March 1946 – 16 August 2024)

An outstanding Citizen of Lyminge



Daphne lived in and around Lyminge all her life. She was born at Hawes Farm in Stelling, on the Droveaway between Wheelbarrow Town and Elham, which serves as the parish boundary with Lyminge. When she was three, the family moved to Little Rhode Farm in Rhodes Minnis. Here Daphne spent the next thirteen years of her life, attending the old Lyminge Primary School (now the site of Church Court), and later Harcourt Girls' School in Cheriton, helping out on the farm when she was not at school, collecting eggs, delivering the butter her mother made weekly and feeding the animals, amongst many other tasks.

After school, Daphne went to Folkestone Technical College. She learned typing and shorthand, which she used to get jobs first for the Citroen car dealership in Folkestone, then at Godfrey Davis car hire, based at the Peacocks Ford dealership, managing the offices in Folkestone and Dover. Later, she began working part-time at Lyminge Post Office where she became well-known, both for her friendly smile of welcome to customers and for her scrupulous attention to detail. She was unfailingly cheerful, conscientious and efficient.

Daphne continued to live at home in Rhodes Minnis, caring for her mother. After she died, Daphne married the love of her life Ian Andrews, whom she had met at Peacocks, and they had twenty three happy years together in Lyminge until Ian's death in 2017.

Throughout her life, Daphne was an active member of many community organisations. At Rhodes Minnis Methodist Chapel, she was organist, a position she held for sixty years. She also served as treasurer and took on much of the administrative work. The chapel was kept beautifully decorated with flowers, mostly supplied from Daphne's garden.

Daphne was a keen gardener and belonged to not just one Gardeners' Society but two, being active at both Rhodes Minnis and in Lyminge, helping at the regular shows, taking notes and photographing the winners for local press reports, and often winning prizes herself. She was always generous of her time, and her flowers, and had a particular passion for dahlias and lilies.

Daphne was well-known for her attention to detail, a talent that she ably employed proof-reading the monthly Lyminge Newsletter for the Lyminge Association, as well as 'Lyminge a History', the annual publication of the Lyminge Historical Society. Daphne's ability to spot errors of detail as well as typographical mistakes was second to none.

As a member of Lyminge Friends, Daphne was always ready to participate in outings and act as chauffeur for those who needed a lift. She was a member of Etchinghill Women's Institute, and was treasurer of the Rhodes Minnis Monday Club and of the Rhodes Minnis Circle. On the committee for Lyminge Historical Society over many years, she ably managed sales of the society's publications, and was the ever-friendly face who greeted people as they arrived for meetings.

It is no surprise that Daphne was recognised with the Parish Council's Good Citizen Award in 2012, presented by the Deputy Lord Lieutenant of Kent. But perhaps the best tribute of all was the service held at Rhodes Minnis Chapel following her funeral which was standing room only. Daphne would no doubt have found it great fun and we would have been blessed with her famous broad smile. We will all miss her deeply.



Results from

The Sun Flower Competition

organised by Lyminge Gardeners' Society

Thanks to the stalwart few who managed to nurture sunflowers past slugs, snails, rain and wind to enter them for the competition!

Well done to David from Lyndon Way for his 10ft 2 inches (just over 3m!) flowers coming in first, Anthony, second, from Mill House for his at 8ft 2 inches (just under 2.5m) ones, and Veronica from Mayfield Road coming in 3rd with a huge-headed 7 footer (2.1m).

Special thanks must also go to Annie Begley for the beautiful pottery sunflower prizes which she made for the winners. They were much admired and will be cherished by them all.



1st Prize Winner -
David Jones



2nd Prize Winner - Anthony
from Mill House