# THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

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#### LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Can you remember back a couple of months to Saturday 24th February, around 11.30 in the morning? Notice anything unusual? Notice the air plane flying very low?

Did you wonder why, what it was doing? I'm sure I wasn't the only one, but was surprised there was no comment in last month's newsletter about it, so thought I must put a note in to see if I imagined it!

The air plane was a one off, however it was an example of what will be flying over OUR houses EVERY FORTY MINUTES within a few years and even more soon after that if Lydd airport gets it way. The plane was laid on by the developers to supposedly show that the expansion would have little impact on the surrounding area. However for me it back fired. Rather than be reassured, I was genuinely shocked and astounded by how low and how noisy the plane was and the thought of that (or actually bigger planes in reality) at least every forty minutes flying over my garden, just horrified me.

Now for those that know me you will know I am not one to put pen to paper, not one to rally the troops to fight a cause, but I am so shocked by the prospect I felt I had to do

something. I know there are some who support the planned expansion, the new jobs it will bring, but I also know there are more that oppose it. The danger is that the remainder, the silent majority, either don't realise it is going to impact on OUR parish or don't think it is going to happen anyway, so don't say anything.

If you don't like the idea of passengers peering out of the window looking down on you in the garden (and from that height they could probably read your newspaper), then I urge you not to be complacent, but lodge your objection to the proposal with Shepway District Council, your MP, County and District Councillor and Lydd airport itself. If you have access, the Lydd Airport Action Group has an excellent web site (<a href="https://www.kentnet.org.uk/laag/index.htm">www.kentnet.org.uk/laag/index.htm</a>) which gives you all the information you need. (I have to be honest and only just looked at the web site this evening thinking that it would be completely emotive and biased, but it really is clear, concise and simply is a forum to

Any expansion will impact on our environment, our children (for example recent studies have shown how aircraft noise impacts on the reading age of children), our property prices (an article showed that homes blighted by the proposed expansion of Stansted airport had lost an average of 20-30% of their value) and not least have a huge negative effect on the quality of life for us all.

exchange information regarding the facts of the proposed development)

Perhaps I am a lone voice, but if not I ask we all and in particular the Lyminge Association and our Parish Council lead in taking a more proactive interest in this issue. This proposed airport expansion is a reality. All it needs to become an unstoppable reality is the apathy and complacency of ordinary people. If it goes ahead, our way of life will be gone for ever; our garden will no longer be a place where you can relax with friends and family. Andrew Hutchinson

We are 2 vegans of many years standing and wonder if there are any other vegans or vegetarians locally. Is there any interest in setting up a group for informal get-togethers? Perhaps to socialise over a coffee or maybe just as a way of sharing information. We are still learning and are always happy to share. Are there any elderly vegans or vegetarians who maybe need some extra help?

Also, if you are non-vegetarian who has to cater for vegetarians, perhaps we can help. Sometimes vegetarian cookery looks difficult but it is easy when you know how and we are more than happy to help if we can. We have lots of delicious recipes including dairy-and-egg-free chocolate and Christmas cakes so I'm sure there will be something to suit and guess what? No special cooking skills required!!

Give us a call on 01303 862015 (leave a message if necessary and we will get back to you) We look forward to hearing from anyone interested and hopefully make a few new friends.

Marian and Richard Chubb

We are writing to express our heartfelt thanks to all our neighbours in Mount Pleasant Close, Lyndon Way and around the corner to Silverlands Road. We only moved here in December but on our wish list was to have a cat. We took a rescue cat who, we were warned, was very timid and nervous. We finally introduced him to the outside world last week and, after a couple of days, he disappeared late Tuesday afternoon. After no sign by Wednesday morning we put notes through all the doors and pictures around this area. The response from everyone was wonderful. We had calls, visits and finally 30 hours later Muff was spotted. He is back home now none the worse for his adventure but a little more inclined to stick around! So, to

all our neighbours and friends - our sincere thanks for caring. This is a wonderful village to live in

Alice and Ben Mills

Can anyone help me with any information about Tom Grant, 7th Battalion Lyminge Home Guard from July 1940 - December 1945. I would be grateful for any news of this gentleman. Please contact David Harrison on 01227 458892

#### **Forthcoming Village Events**

We know that this list is not complete; apologies for any omissions. If you would like to make any additions or corrections to this list, please phone Gillian on 863232

Date 4-May	Event  LIVE MUSIC: "SITUATION VACANT-	Venue COACH AND HORSES	<b>Contact Details</b>	
			862694	CHRISTINE
5-May	BOOT SALE	LORD WHISKY ANIMAL SANCTUARY	862622	
5-May	CLUB TRIPLES COMPETITION	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233 650633	DAVID
5-May	HOG ROAST	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
6-May	BOWLS COACHING STARTS	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	862044	HARRY
6-May	LYMINGE v RIVER	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233650633	DAVID
12-May	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
12-May	FARMERS' MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862421	KATHARINE
12-May	LYMINGE DAY	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862044	JACQUI
12-May	QUIZ	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
13-May	LYMINGE v BIRCHINGTON	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233 650633	DAVID
1 5-May	GARDEN SOCIETY VISIT	MAJOR BLIZARD, HYTHE	863225	PETER
18-May	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
19-May	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
19-May	LYMINGE v GATEWAY	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233650633	DAVID
20-May	LYMINGE v ASHFORD RAIL	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233650633	DAVID
20- May	MEMBERS' DAY	RHODES MINNIS CAT SANCTUARY	267858	CHRISTOPHER
25-May	LIVE MUSIC: "MENTAL FLOSS"	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
25-May	QUIZ NIGHT	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
26-May	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
26- May	LYMINGE vWHITSTABLE	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233 650633	DAVID
26-May	STEAM FAIR	SELLINDGE	01304828990	
27-May	LYMINGE v KENT FIRE SERVICE	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233 650633	DAVID
28-May	OPEN TRIPLES COMPETITION BOWL	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233650633	DAVID
8-Jun	LIVE MUSIC: "LOADED UK"	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
9-Jun	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
9-Jun	BOOT SALE	LORD WHISKY ANIMAL SANCTUARY	862622	
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9-Jun	FARMERS' MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862421	KATHARINE
9-Jun	SUMMER FETE	LYMINGE PRIMARY SCHOOL		
9-Jun	SUMMER FETE	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
13-Jun	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
16-Jun	GARDEN SAFARI	LYMINGE VILLAGE	862488	JEAN
17-Jun	GARDEN SAFARI	LYMINGE VILLAGE	862488	JEAN
1 9-Jun	GARDEN SOCIETY VISIT	DEREK COPLAND, WHEELBARROW TOWN	863225	PETER
23-Jun	BARN DANCE	LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL	862 044	JACQUI
23-Jun	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
3-Jul	GARDEN SOCIETY VISIT	SIR CHARLES JESSEL, HASTINGLEIGH	863225	PETER
3-Jul	JUMBLE SALE (1PM)	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
7-Jul	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	01233732875	EDGAR
7-Jul	FARMERS' MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862421	KATHARINE
7-Jul	SUMMER FETE	MISTY, RHODES MINNIS	862 865	DAPHNE
7-Jul	TEDDY BEAR JUMP	LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH	862432	MARGARET
15-Jul	ANNUAL OPEN DAY	RHODES MINNIS CAT SANCTUARY	267858	CHRISTOPHER
18-Jul	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
20-Jul	QUIZ NIGHT	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
21-Jul	GARAGE SAFARI	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE		
28-Jul	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
28-Jul	BOOT SALE	LORD WHISKY ANIMAL SANCTUARY	862622	
28-Jul	GARDENERS' SUMMER SHOW	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
4-Aug	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
8-Aug	COFFEE MORNING WEEK	POSTLING CHURCH		
11-Aug	FLOWER SHOW	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
1 5-Aug	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
18-Aug	FLOWER SHOW	LYMINGE METHODIST HALL	863225	PETER
19-Aug	EAST KENT FINAL, BOWLS	LYMINGE BOWLING GREEN	01233650633	DAVID
20-Aug	GARDENERS' TABLE COMPETITION	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
25-Aug	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
25-Aug	FAMILY FUN DAY	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY

#### **CHINA CHINA**

6 Station Road, Lyminge 01303 863288

**Charity Night Sunday 3rd June** 

CHINESE Lion Dance And LIVE MUSIC We're only selling 30 tickets All money goes to local

Charities £20 per head

Price includes a two course meal

LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE Reg'd Charity No 281845

#### WILD WEST LYMINGE DAY

Sat 12th May - 1 pm to 4.30pm
On Jubilee Field
"Wild Western" Village Fete Fun!
Side shows + Displays
Buckin' Bronco
Fun Fair + Games
Beer Saloon + Barbecue
Admission £1 for Adults, accompanied

children FREE!

#### **Pilgrims Hospices IN EAST KENT**

Wednesday 2nd May
Our monthly coffee morning.
Sales table
Raffle and refreshments
The Holy Trinity Church Hall,
Sandgate Road, Folkestone
10am -12 noon

In aid of The Lord Whisky Animal
Sanctuary
(Pagistared Charity No. 282483)

(Registered Charity No. 283483)

#### **Boot & Spring FAYRE**

Saturday 5th May 12 noon- 3.30pm Cars £7-Vans £10 Park House Animal Sanctuary Stelling Minnis, Nr Canterbury, Kent \* Attractions \*

Live music with the Folkestone Pipes & Drums

The Canterbury Carnival Court will select a Prince & Princess at 2pm Anyone under the age of 12 years can enter on the day

\* Dancing Display \* Lots of Stalls \*

\* Tombolas \* Bouncy Castle \* •

Face Painting

Hot and Cold Refreshments

Telephone 01303 862622

Admission by Donation - Plenty of Parking

### AMERICAN SUPPER (bring & share) with QUIZ

At Rhodes Minnis Village Hall
On
12 May at 7pm
Admission by ticket only
£3.50 ticket
Tel 862616

Under Starters Orders .....they're off!!!!

#### Race Night ....Sat 19 May, 7.30pm Lyminge Village Hall

Licensed Bar, hot food, races, auctions ££s to be won... over 18's only
Tickets £5 available from
Haxtons Estate Agents, Lyminge

Event sponsored by Red Dragon IT. and Haxtons

### LYMINGE VILLAGE HALL ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Tuesday 29th May 2007 8.00pm
Please come along if you have an interest in how Lyminge Village Hall should be run.
We welcome any new committee members and look forward to seeing you there.
For details 'phone Dave on 862928 or Val on 862959.

#### GARDEN OPEN Sandling Park HYTHE

1/2 Mile from Junction 11 M20 Sundays 6, 20 and 27 May 2007 Wednesdays 9,16 and 23 May 2007 1 pm to 4 pm Admission £4 Children Free No dogs

#### ngs gardens open for charity Garden Open Sandling Park

Hythe Sun 13 May 10am -5pm Admission £4 Children £1

#### **OAST QUILTERS' SHOWCASE**

Saturday 26 - 28 May 2007 at
Westgate Hall. Westgate Hall Road
Canterbury CT1 2BT
AN EXHIBITION OF
All sizes of quilts, wearable art
Cushions, bags and novelties
Demonstrations, Traders' Stalls,
Members' Sales Table, Raffle.
Refreshments
Open 10.00am - 5.00pm Sat & Sun
10.00am -4.00pm Monday

Open 10.00am - 5.00pm Sat & Sun 10.00am -4.00pm Monday Entry £3.00 adults, £2.00 concessions Children under 14 free

#### **MAY BEETLE DRIVE**

Come & join us at
Rhodes Minnis Village Hall
Saturday 26 May

Limited numbers so buy early to avoid disappointment

### BRIDGE FARM GARDENS OPEN DAYS

Sunday 27th May - Monday 28th May Saturday 2nd June - Sunday 3rd June 11am-5pm Admission £3.00 Plants for sale Teas & home-made cakes Come and enjoy our beautiful garden Sorry NO DOGS

#### **Elham Valley Lions Club**

presents a Charity Concert featuring

#### The Railway Swing Band

Elham Village Hall

Wed 6th June - 7 for 7.30 p.m. This is now an annual event and has proved very popular. There will be a bar. For tickets, £10, ring 01303 862837 (answer phone), or contact any club member.

Starts at 7.00 pm
Adults £2.00 Children 50p
Includes refreshments.
There will be a raffle

### WESTENHANGER CASTLE OPEN DAYS

Sunday 27th May and Monday 28th May
10.00am-5.00pm
Medieval Siege Society
Re-enactments and Parades
Guided Tours
Craft Stalls
Entry fee - Adults £4.00
Children under 12 - £2.00

The Castle will be open to visitors this summer on Tuesdays from 5th June to 18th September inclusive between 9.00am and 4.00pm.

We are also hosting two concerts this year: **Saturday 23rd June** - "It's a Swing Thing" (tickets £17.50) and on **Sunday 24th June** - "Nashville Nights and Dixie Days" (tickets £10).

Tickets for both concerts are available on line at <a href="https://www.aswinqqthing.com">www.aswinqqthing.com</a>, the ticket hotline on 0845 389 1199 or direct from Westenhanger Castle on 01303 261068

### <u>LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES - MAY</u> 2007

Wednesday 2 7.00pm Holy Communion (Short/Said)

7.30pm OPEN DOOR RETREAT #2

9.15pm Wednesday Silence

Sunday 6th 8.00am Holy Communion

10.30am 'WOW service

Wednesday 9th 7.00pm Holy Communion (Short/Said)

7.30pm OPEN DOOR RETREAT #3

9.15pm Wednesday Silence

Thursday 10th 2.00pm Pram Service

Sunday 13th ROGATION SUNDAY

10.30am with Holy Communion

Wednesday 16th 7.00pm Holy Communion (Short/Said)

7.30pm OPEN DOOR RETREAT #4

9.15pm Wednesday Silence

Sunday 20th 10.30am Holy Communion

Wednesday 23rd 7.00pm Holy Communion (Short/Said)

#### LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH

Visitors are very welcome to join us at our weekly Service at 11am and invited to share fellowship afterwards with a cup of tea/coffee

Preachers for May are
6th May - Rev. Robin Blount
with Holy Communion
13th May - Mr Edward
Simpson
20th May - Mr David
Foreman
27<sup>TM</sup> May - Pentecost - Rev
Barry Amson with Holy

Communion

7.30pm OPEN DOOR RETREAT #5
9.15pm Sunday Silence
Sunday 27th PENTECOST (WHIT SUNDAY)
8.00am Holy Communion
10.30am Holy Communion
6.30pm Sunday Silence

#### SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEA -NAILBOURNE

**COURT** - 6tn May Teas are held on the first Sunday in each month from 3 - 5pm in Nailbourne Court Lounge for all people who live on their own in the village of Lyminge. If you would like to come, but need a lift, please contact Vanessa on 01303 862432.

**PRAM SERVICE** - 10th May Our monthly services for pre-school children continue on the second Thursday of every month at 2pm in Lyminge Church. The service will finish in plenty of time to collect older children from school. For more information, contact Vanessa on 862432

**COFFEE MORNING** - 14th May Coffee mornings continue to be held on the second Monday of each month from 10.00am to 11.30am in Wentworth Close lounge. Do join us as we meet with the residents of Wentworth Close for coffee and a chat

BEREAVEMENT SUPPORT LUNCH - 17th May The lunches continue on the 3rd Thursday of each month. The meal will comprise of two courses followed by coffee, at a cost of £6.50 per head. Transport can be arranged for those who need it. All welcome. Please let Vanessa know if you would like to book a place.

CRAFT ACTIVITY AFTERNOONS If you enjoy crafts, then you are warmly invited to join in our afternoons of craft activities. These will be held on the first Tuesday of each month from 2 till 4pm at Joan Coleman's house, 9, Greenbanks, and on the third Tuesday of each month at Ann Healey's house, 15, Mountpleasant Close . For more information, contact Joan on 863485.

Monday Fellowship except
Bank Holidays
Weekly 2.30-3.30pm
Come and join our friendly
group of men and women and
enjoy a range of speakers,
slides and music, etc and chat
over a cup of tea.

For Baptisms . Weddings or Funerals, please contact the Minister, Rev Barry Armson, on 01303266281

#### POP-INN

Every Wednesday 2.30-4pm at Methodist Church Free coffee, tea and biscuits ALL welcome - if you are collecting children from school or just passing

LET Methodists and Anglicans working together

#### RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHURCH

This small Chapel in beautiful countryside surroundings holds a weekly Sunday Service normally at 9.30am
Followed by coffee and biscuits
A warm welcome is extended to any visitors

The Preachers for May are

May 6 - Mr. David Foreman May 13 - Mr. Dudley Shipton May 20 - Mrs. Val Redding May 27 - Mr. Peter Ellis (all age service)

#### LYMINGE FESTIVAL 16-17 June 2007

Plans are well under way for this fun weekend.

#### The Lyminge Garden Safari

We would welcome a few more gardens open. At present we have some from Lyminge and Etchinghill but it would be lovely to be able to visit some in Postling and Rhodes Minnis, so come on, think about it. It is a good opportunity to raise a little money for your favourite charity or even for your own garden fund by selling excess plants, or if you have any ready, bunches of flowers. Gardeners love gardens and it is an opportunity to see how other people plan their gardens and, in some cases, see how their plans have developed from our last visit in 2005. Don't be shy - it does not have to be perfect, just interesting. There will be a competition for the children along with the open gardens and a prize to be won!

#### **Scarecrow Competition.**

How about making a scarecrow? We started the idea at the last Lyminge Festival and many people entered with enthusiasm to produce some fantastic scarecrows. Now you know what to expect, how about having a go - or perhaps the children would like to make one. Entry forms will be available shortly in order that they can be found and judged, with a prize for the best one.

#### **Ethelburga Quilters**

Once again we are inviting you to visit the Methodist Church Hall to view the range of lovely quilts and quilting ideas made by our members over the last two years. Please come and look at these fabulous makes

Lyminge Dramatic Society will be displaying some of the costumes which-have been made for some performances. This also takes place in the Methodist Church Hall and we are hoping that the local art club will be exhibiting some of their paintings as well.

**Lyminge Methodist Church** will be holding their Flower Festival at the weekend and also hope to have some craft stalls for you to peruse.

#### LET'S MAKE IT BIGGER AND BETTER THAN EVER

#### **AUTO ECONOMY CENTRE 1997 - 2007**

On 20th May it will be Auto Economy Centre's 10th Anniversary. It is hard to believe that it was ten years ago when we first opened our doors for business. In the past ten years we have seen many changes and thought it may be a good time to put pen to paper and share some of this history.

In April 1997 we moved into what was then, the derelict Orchard Garage site. We spent the next six weeks decorating the garage on a very tight budget using mostly reclaimed materials purchased from the old hospital site, being demolished at the time. At last, on 20th May 1997, we opened the doors for the first time, to find a couple who had broken down in their VW camper van right outside the garage the night before, this couldn't have been a better start, customers already!.

Over the next few years we went from strength to strength, enjoying every second of our new venture and establishing a very good and loyal customer and supplier base. However, whilst we were very busy investing our resources into vehicle repairs we had overlooked the building, which was starting to fall into disrepair once again.

At this point we had been trading for eight years and we felt it was time to get back to basics. With a fresh outlook, a lot of help from friends, family and suppliers and even customers, we have spent the past eighteen months refurbishing our facilities and over the next few months will be carrying out much needed repairs to our forecourt.

Finally, we would like to take this opportunity to thank all our customers and suppliers for their support over the past 10 years. Remember those who have sadly passed on and welcome to the many new faces we see each week.

Once again a very big thank you to everyone for making it possible.

#### **Lyminge Dramatic Society - Cinderella**

It's pantomime time! - oh no it isn't! Well, not yet, but this is early notification to reserve the week of 26th November in your diaries as the Society will this year be staging that much loved pantomime, Cinderella, in Lyminge Village Hall during that week. This will be a traditional pantomime suitable for the whole family. Watch this space for details of special offers nearer the time.

#### **RHODES MINNIS EVENING CIRCLE**

Our speaker on 18th April was Martin Lloyd. He told us 3 fascinating stories, beginning in 19C France, the last in Germany in 1945, all involving "Passports, Assassins, Traitors and Spies". The competition - words of 4 letters from "Passports & Traitors", was won jointly by Diane Potter and Pam Brown, 2nd was Connie Burren and 3rd Marie Hambrook. Our next meeting is the A.G.M. at 7.30 in Rhodes Minnis Village Hall. Visitors, who are very welcome, please let me know in advance if they would like to join in the Fish & Chip supper following the meeting. Marion Hoare; 862913

#### ETCHINGHILL W.I.

Our President, Barbara Syrett welcomed members to the April meeting and spoke about various events planned for the summer, including a coach trip to Pashley Manor Gardens, Ticehurst, Sussex, on Tuesday 21st August, open to non-members. Dottie Cross gave an account of the Annual council meeting held at he Winter Gardens, Margate, on 28th March, with Clarissa Dickson-Wright the guest speaker. Eight members from Etchinghill attended.

Lt Col. D. Bolton then gave a most interesting talk about Romney Marsh and it's Churches.

Our resolutions meeting is on Tuesday 15th May at 2.30pm at Etchinghill Village Hall followed by 'Stretch a Tenner Auction'

For further information please contact Barbara Syrett on 01303 265229 or Dottie Cross on 01303 862141.

#### **LYMINGE GARDENERS SOCIETY**

On Tuesday 15th May we will be visiting the garden of Mr and Mrs Blizzard at Sea Close, Cannongate Road, Hythe. The Chairman recommends this garden as he visited it last year when we had to cancel. The cost for the evening will be £1.00 for members and £2.00 non-members and refreshments will be available. If you require transport please be at the library car park at 5.45pm or meet at Sea Close at 6.15pm.

#### **ETCHINGHILL TODDLER GROUP**

The toddler playgroup group would like to advertise new numbers and names as a point of contact for future sessions, timetable of events, for any groups wanting to contact regarding marketing baby products etc as:

Marie Reynolds 01303 862827 Katie Dodd 01303 863106

#### **ETCHINGHILL UPDATE**

#### Farmers' Markets

Well what a great success. Over ten stalls sold produce and crafts during the morning and so many people supported the event that one stall even sold out of eggs and another had to restock. It is hoped that even more stalls will be there next month. You'll have to come early before they sell out again. If you are a stall holder wishing to join then please contact Barbara on 862873

#### Garage Safari

Several people have already confirmed to have their garage included in the garage sale 'safari' on Saturday 21st July. Join in with the whole of Etchinghill on this day. A charge of £3 per garage, in support the efforts of the Etchinghill Residents Association, will secure your location on a map of all participating garages. Contact Rodney on 862028 if you wish to take part.

#### Learn to Play Bowls for Free!!

Come along to Lyminge Bowls Club, Woodland Road (near the Village Hall) on every Sunday morning in May and early June (stalling 10.30).and try your hand at this most frustrating yet very enjoyable sport. All equipment will be provided for your use. Just bring some flat heelless shoes so as not to harm the green.

This sport is suitable for ALL AGES. Come alone, with a friend or in a family group - whatever combination you will be warmly welcomed.

One of the club's coaches. Harry Storey (862044), or the club's treasurer, Wendy Preston (863495), will be pleased to answer any queries you may have. We look forward to seeing you.

If you would like a restful afternoon watching others enjoying their sport, with refreshments on hand from bar and kitchen, then come along to Lyminge Bowls Club where there is a variety of seating in sun or shade (or indoors). All welcome. May home fixtures are as follows:-

Thursday 3 May - 6.00 start against Charing

Saturday 5 May - an internal club competition from 10.00am all day • ...

Sunday 6 May - 2.30pm start against River - . ,.

Sunday 13 May - 2.30pm against Birchington

Tuesday 15 May - 2.30 pm start against River

Saturday 19 May - 2.30pm start against Buckland Mill

Sunday 20 May - 2.30pm against Ashford Rail

Tuesday 22 May - 2.30pm against Wear Bay

Saturday 26 May - 2.30pm against Whitstable

Sunday 27 May - 2.30pm start against Kent Fire Service . .

Monday 28 May - Open Mixed Triples Competition from 9.30am throughout the day Tuesday 29 May- 2.30pm start against Cheriton

Club members look forward to welcoming you ... but if you want to find out more before 'taking your seat' then please call 863495

#### **LYMINGE HANDBELLS**

What can Lyminge Handbells play for you in 2007? You may be surprised. If you want to find out, why not call us to book the bells for your special occasion. We have a large selection of music for all occasions both formal and informal and are quite happy to come to your home for a special celebration. All we need is a large table for our bells, room for up to 10 people and a donation of at least £35 for the Pilgrims Hospice. We also play tunes appropriate to the occasion from our classical and contemporary repertoire. Weekends and evenings only please. Call Ro Edmond on 863201 or Stuart Hunnisett on 862530. Alternatively you can e-mail Stuart on stuarthunnisett@hotmail.co.uk

#### THE ETHELBURGA COTTAGES TRUST

The Trustees will shortly have a cottage in Lyminge available to let. To qualify, the applicant(s) must be aged 60 or over and have been resident in the Parishes of Lyminge, Postling or Stowting for 20 years or more (either continuously or in total). A married couple, a single woman or a widow all qualify but not a single man or widower. As the Trust is a Registered Charity and the rent payable will be considerably less than the market rent, the applicant(s) will be required to satisfy certain financial criteria. If you wish to apply, or would like more information, please write to The Chairman of the Trustees: Michael Kirk at Frederic Hall, Solicitors, Clyde House, 78 Maison Dieu Road, Dover, Kent CT16 1RQ before the closing date for applications: 1st July 2007.

#### **Lyminge Pre-School**

Registered Charity No. 1029226
We hold our sessions at Lyminge Village Hall,
Woodland Road. Monday - Friday 9am - 3pm
(Term rime only). We accept children from the
age of 2 years.

We are a non-profit-making charitable organisation.

We are members of the Pre-School Learning

#### Sibton Park Cricket Pavilion Club

Having a party? Need a local venue?
Why not take advantage of Sibton Park
Cricket Club's lovely pavilion?
We have a bar with club price drinks &
friendly, efficient staff
There is capacity for up to 100 guests.
For further information or to make a
booking please Contact Lesley Kirk, Tel

Alliance and on our latest Of sted report we were (warded the highest marks possible. Our staff are friendly and experienced at providing a safe and stimulating environment for the children to learn, play and hove an—enjoyable transition from Pre-School to Primary School.

Please feel free to call in and visit or telephone Julie on 01303 862634 or Lynn on 01303 862831.

#### Lyminge Village Hall

At the heart of our community our recently redecorated Village Hall offers an excellent venue for up to 200 people and can meet a variety of requirements with it's small Committee room, larger Club room and the Main Hall with servery and large stage.

Excellent parking, kitchen facilities available and all in a delightful part of the Village. Price example.

Friday or Saturday evenings £45.00 Afternoon weekday birthday parties £12.00 For full price details and availability give Jaqui Storey a call on 862044

#### RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL

Are you looking for a hall in which to hold practice sessions, party/function or private meeting?

Rhodes Minnis Village Hall has the capacity to take parties of up to 100 and has kitchen facilities at no extra cost.

Rates: Sun - Fri £13.00 per session £32.00 per day Sat £19.00 per session. £26.00 evening session £50.00 per full day

Session Times: AM session 8.30am - 12.30pm PM session 1.30pm - 5.30pm Evening 6.00pm - 11.45pm

A £25.00 returnable deposit is payable in advance. Electricity will be charged at 14p per unit. Regular users will be given a special reduced rate.

For further details contact Mick or Dorothy Athow on 01303 862616 01303 862366 Email address lesley@invercot.fsnet.co.uk

#### LYMINGE METHODIST CHURCH HALL HIRE

Hall

1 June to 30 September £5 per hour £17 per 4 hour session £32 full day 1 October to 31 May £7 per hour £24 per 4 hour session £42 full day (includes heating)

#### Parlour

£4.50 per hour all year with use of Electric over heaters if required Overnight Stays

1 June to 30 September £30 1 October to 31 May £40 (Including heating)

Please note that Mrs Jean Strange is no longer the hall booking secretary. For any enquiries please 'phone 07971 722401

#### **GARDEN DESIGNER**

Jane Reynolds, BSc. Diploma garden design Does your garden need a face lift? I can design whatever you want for your garden, large or small. From a complete design with water features, pergolas, patios and steps to just a planting plan for a single border. I can organise and oversee a contractor to do the work for you if you wish. Contact me on 01303 862464 or email info@janesgardendesign.com

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