

THE LYMINGE NEWSLETTER

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

June 2007

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The Lyminge Association

	VERA'S FARM SHOP 01303 862870 Fancombe, Skeete Road, Lyminge	
Free Range Hen and Duck Eggs Bedding and Vegetable Plants Cut Flowers, Fresh Fruit & Vegetables Selection of Organic Produce & Eggs		
Mondays 10.00am – 12 noon Everist Court Fridays 10.00am – 1.00pm Nailbourne Court		
	Come and say 'Hello' to all the animals at the farm	

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR

Health before Wealth

The Lyminge Parochial Church Council has recently made the courageous decision to forgo the considerable income that would have been generated for the church by the installation of a Mobile Phone Base Station in the interest of the health and well-being of the community. The installation company is still determined to install this equipment in Lyminge and is currently in dialogue with at least 8 private individuals and businesses in the village who stand to profit from allowing the equipment to be erected on their property. As these sites are spread around the village, all residents of Lyminge will fall inside the critical distance to the mast(s).

During the 1920's, smoking was not seen as a threat to health. Now we know it kills. During the 1960's, asbestos was widely used in construction and DIY. Now we know it kills. In the 2000's, microwave ovens and mobile base stations are under the same scientific scrutiny. The installation company QS4 argues that it will not pose a public health risk. They invoke scientific evidence that supports this assertion. They would. They stand to gain financially from the enterprise.

Many scientists disagree with this evidence. All over the world, authoritative scientific research is now demonstrating that long term proximity to a Base Station (p to 400 metres, ie

most of Lyminge) can cause a broad range of health problems, from sleeping disorders and headaches and a variety of cancers.

It is clear that scientific opinion is still divided regarding the health risks caused by living in the proximity of a mobile phone Base Station. Science still needs more guinea-pigs. Where Science does not know for sure, there is by definition risk.

The Base Stations may give us cancer. Do we want to take the risk?

Kent County Council are also not taking any such risks. Pending further long term studies, they have already taken the bold decision to ban mobile phone masts from all their property because of fears about the risks to public health. Hampshire County Council will only approve of Base Stations “in exceptional circumstances where such sites are away from populated areas”.

All over the world, responsible national and local organisations are choosing “Health before Wealth”, and are seeking to locate Base Stations away from populated areas.

The health of ourselves, our family and our community are at the very core of human well-being. Our health is too dear to put at risk for financial gain of a handful of individuals and businesses. To expose fellow villagers to this risk would be un-neighbourly, opportunistic and by all standards of human decency simply wrong.

Residents of Lyminge can protect themselves from this threat by regularly checking the Planning Applications on www.shepway.gov.uk and systematically objecting to any and all applications for siting a Base Station in the village.

Name and address supplied

LYMINGE PARISH COUNCIL – ETCHINGHILL WARD

Having read in the Lyminge newsletter of the “threat” that Etchinghill might lose it’s voice if no candidates were forthcoming for the Parish council elections, I was concerned that this should not happen. I now find myself the Councillor (albeit un-contested) representing Etchinghill residents.

I believe that my position as a Councillor is non-political and that I will do my best to help maintain and improve our little hamlet.

If you wish to contact me on Council matters my telephone number is 862324 and my email address is: colpat@pipex.com.

Sincerely

Colin Manvell 13 St Mary’s Close Etchinghill CT8 8NX

I hope that my family are among many that are now enjoying the walk along the alley way between Nailbourne Court and the High Street, as you may have noticed a kind and lovely lady, who has recently moved to Lyminge, has spent many Sunday afternoons preparing and planting the overgrown verge. We would like to say thank you for your kind thoughts, actions and invites to plant along the pathway. I am sure that we are not the only people to add to the flowering collection of plants that now make this pathway inviting and enjoyable. Thank you
- Emma, Ella & Penny.

Kind regards

Emma Harvey

On behalf of ‘The Seventh Day Adventist’ Church, I wish to thank the residents of Lyminge and the surrounding area for their generous donations from our door to door collection during April of this year. £492.00 will be used by A.D.R.A.(Adventist Development Relief Agency)

in the UK and abroad.

Adventists are a Christian denomination who take the bible as a whole and believe in the birth, death and resurrection, and salvation by faith in Christ Jesus, worshipping on the biblical seventh day Sabbath.

The Adventists are a world wide church formed in 1844 by the founder, Ellen G White, who came from a Methodist background in America.

Name and address supplied

HOLIDAY WATERING SCHEME

Any Gardener interested in watering my Garden whilst I'm on holiday and I'll return the favour, Lyminge /Etchinghill area.

If so please telephone Nicky or Malcolm 01303 862268

The Lyminge Village Hall Social Committee wish to extend their grateful thanks to all those who helped during Lyminge Day on a very windy 12th May. Special mention must be given to our sponsors, Haxtons Estate Agents and Red Dragon IT; our local village traders, who provided prizes for the Tombola and Ray Hill who kindly donated the milk. Finally we once again thank all those within the local community who turned up to support the Village Hall. Despite the weather, which could have been a lot worse, the committee are pleased to announce that it was another successful day with a profit of approximately £2,000 made to support improvements to our Village Hall.

Stuart Hunnisett

Dear Sir or Madam

There are many un-sung heroes in Lyminge but on one night a local organisation and an its manager were recognised and I would like to add my congratulations for both achievements. Age Concern Elham Rural won an award from Shepway Chamber of Commerce for their service to the community. This award recognised the hard work and dedication of the staff and volunteers at the Day Centre in Lyminge. Lisa Hodden, the Chief Officer of Age Concern Elham Rural won the Channel Chamber's Business Woman of the Year Award in recognition of her outstanding work for this local Charity. Since her arrival four years ago she has turned a moribund organisation into a buzzing, lively, caring and essential service for the older residents in our area.

Yours sincerely

Mr Bill Chitty

Dear Editor

I would like to thank the gentleman who rebuilt the bus shelter that was burnt down at New Barn Corner. I thought we would not have a bus shelter, so what a lovely surprise to see it being rebuilt and what a good job has been done.

Thank you G M Fagg

Editor. I add my sentiments to this letter – rebuilt by a man who is proud of his work.

Congratulations!

Please could you help me, I am researching my husbands family history. His relative had the

grocer shop in Etchinghill (or Eachendhill as it was known in 1851/1861).

I would like to find out more about the shop, does it still exist? I have tried to e/mail the Etchinghill website, but they have a problem, and I am unable to submit a message. Looking forward to hearing from you.

Regards

Beryl Brooks

Email: brooks@blendon.freemove.co.uk

With reference to the article in the last newsletter regarding Tom Grant who was in the Lyminge Home Guard from July 1940 – December 1945. The photograph below shows a group of Home Guard with Tom Grant 2nd from right in the back row. If any other faces are remembered please contact David Harrison on 01227 458892



Lyminge Bowls Club

You are cordially invited to have a restful afternoon at Lyminge Bowls Club watching others enjoying their sport, with refreshments on hand from bar and kitchen, and where there is a variety of seating in sun or shade (or indoors). All welcome. June home fixtures are as follows:-

Saturday 2 June – 2.30 start against Hythe

Saturday 9 June – Ladies v Gents starting at 2.30 – could be one worth watching!

Tuesday 12 June – 2.30 start against Ashford Rail

Saturday 16 June – 2.30 start against Dover

Sunday 17 June – 2.30 start against Ham Street

Saturday 23 June – 2.30 start against Shell Bowls Club

Tuesday 26 June – 2.30 start against Barham

On Wednesday afternoons and Friday evenings members get together for friendly ‘roll-ups’. Do come along as it may be possible for you to ‘have a go’ if you would like to (flat soled shoes are the only necessity).

Club members look forward to welcoming you ... but if you want to find out more before

'taking your seat', then please call 863495.

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

5-Jun	LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY	LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH		DEREK
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	
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
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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-Ju	GARDEN SOCIETY VISIT	SIR CHARLES JESSEL, HASTINGLEIGH	863225	PETER
3-Ju	JUMBLE SALE (1PM)	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
7-Ju	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
7-Ju	FARMERS' MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862421	KATHARINE
7-Ju	SUMMER FETE	MISTY, RHODES MINNIS	862 865	DAPHNE
7-Jul	TEDDY BEAR JUMP	LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH	862432	MARGARET
8th- Jul	TOUR DE FRANCE	[FARTHING COMMON/STONE STREET]		
8th-Jul	RUDE MECHANICAL THEATRE	TAYNE FIELD		
10th-Jul	LOCAL HISTORY SOCIETY	POSTLING PARISH CHURCH		DEREK
15-Ju	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	01233 650633	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
4-Sep	JUMBLE SALE	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
7-Sep	BEETLE DRIVE	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
8-Sep	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862 060	EDGAR
8-Sep	BOOT SALE	LORD WHISKY ANIMAL SANCTUARY	862622	
8-Sep	FARMERS' MARKET	ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862421	KATHARINE
8-Sep	GARAGE SALE	ETCHINGHILL		
9-Sep	POSTLING RIDE	POSTLING VILLAGE	862436	JANE
16-Sep	PICNIC IN THE PARK	OUTSIDE ETCHINGHILL VILLAGE HALL	862028	RODNEY
1 8-Sep	GARDENS TALK	METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
1 9-Sep	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
29-Sep	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
29-Sep	BOOT SALE	ETCHINGHILL CRICKET CLUB	862060	EDGAR
29-Sep	GARDENERS' AUTUMN SHOW	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
5-Oct	QUIZ NIGHT	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
16-Oct	GARDEN SOC AGM	METHODIST CHURCH HALL	863225	PETER
17-Oct	BINGO	COACH AND HORSES	862694	CHRISTINE
20-Oct	BEETLE DRIVE	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK
27-Oct	KIDS' HALLOWEEN PARTY	NEWINGTON VILLAGE HALL	272056	KIRSTY
27-Oct	QUIZ	RHODES MINNIS VILLAGE HALL	862616	MICK

Go green to watch the Tour de France

For walking routes to Farthing Common from Lyminge and Etchinghill to watch the Tour de France on July 8th, [click here](#).

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

Pilgrims Hospices IN EAST KENT

Sunday 3rd June

Pilgrims Hospice 25th Anniversary
celebration

Canterbury Cathedral 6.30pm

Details Geoff Walters 01233 504104

In aid of the Lord Whisky Sanctuary Fund
(Charity No. 283483)

Tel: 01303 862622

DOGGY FUN DAY & BOOT FAIR

Saturday 9th June 12.30 – 3,00pm

At

Park House Animal Sanctuary, Stelling
Minnis

Nr Canterbury

Fun Dog Show with Fancy Dress

Book on the Day

*ATTRACTIONS *

Dog Training and Agility Displays

Golden Retriever Society Display Team

The Folkestone Angels Dance Display

Stalls * Face Painting * Raffles * Tombolas

Hot & Cold Refreshments * Ice Creams

Car "Boots" £7 – Vans £10

Wednesday 6th June
Our monthly coffee morning.
Sales table Raffle and Refreshments
Holy Trinity Church Hall, Sandgate Road,
Folkestone 10am – 12 noon

GARDEN OPEN
For The National Gardens Scheme
Mounts Court Farmhouse, Acrise
Sunday June 3rd 2 – 5pm
Admission £2.50 – children free
TEAS for Kent Air Ambulance

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
5th June 7.45pm at Lyminge Parish Church
A talk on Lyminge Parish Church
By Derek Boughton
An opportunity to follow up on Dr Thomas'
May lecture
Looking at the Saxon work within the
present Church and later periods of
construction

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.

MIND, BODY & SPIRIT
A Relaxing Day With the Therapy To suit
You
On Offer Will Be:
Indian Head Massage, Reflexology, Reiki,
Spiritual Healing, Aura Photography With
Reading, Psychic Readings With
International Mediums, Stall With Crystals,
Books & Tarot Cards etc. For Sale Being
Held At: Rhodes Minnis Village Hall On:
Sunday 17th June From: 12.30 Until 5.30
For Further Details Please Contact Ali on:
07749464016

Lyminge Village Hall Management
Committee

Plenty of Parking
Admission by Donation

EXHIBITION
For South East Open Studios
Enter the Labyrinth
Clare Danstead
3 Ivy Close, Etchinghill, Kent O1303
863213
Open Saturdays and Sunday 10 – 5pm
9th, 10th, 16th, 17th, 23rd, 24th, June

Newington Village Hall
ANNUAL SUMMER FETE
Saturday 9th June 2007
11.30am - 3.30pm
Fun and games for all:- with Traditional
sideshows,
Coconut shy, Craft stalls,
Smash 'a' plate, Bar-B-Q
...Plus much more...
Free entry - Free car parking
For more information please ring:-
Kirsty on 01303 272056
Karen on 01303 277950
Attractions correct at time of printing
Registered Charity No: 302812

HISTORICAL SOCIETY
10th July 7.45pm at
POSTLING PARISH CHURCH
A talk on Postling Parish Church
By Derek Boughton
A small church in a beautiful situation with
a number of unique features for a Parish
Church

RHODES MINNIS CAT SANCTUARY
(Charity No 262245)
The Staff, Trustees and all the cats invite
you to their
ANNUAL OPEN DAY
At Seathwaite, Green Lane, Rhodes Minnis
(Between Lyminge and Stone St B2068)
On Sunday 15th July 11am – 3.30pm

proudly present on
Saturday 23rd June

Midsummer Barn Dance

7.30pm at Lyminge Village Hall

With the fabulous Ian Pietre Barn Dance
Band

‘American Supper’ – bring your own food
& refreshments

Tickets £6.50 in advance available from
Lyminge Post Office
Or £7.50 on the door

WESTENHANGER CASTLE

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 www.aswinggthing.com, the ticket
hotline on 0845 389 1199 or direct from
Westenhanger Castle on 01303 261068

JUNE BEETLE DRIVE

Come & join us at
Rhodes Minnis Village Hall
Saturday 23 June
Starts at 7.00 pm
Adults £2.00
Children 50p
Includes refreshments.
There will be a raffle

GARDEN FETE

at “Misty”, Chapel Lane, Rhodes Minnis
(if wet in the Rhodes Minnis Village Hall)
Saturday 7th July from 2.30pm
Strawberry Teas, Cakes, Bottle Stall, Books,
Plants, Bric-a-Brac, Tombola and much
more All in aid of Rhodes Minnis Methodist
Chapel’s Building Fund
Car parking at the Village Hall
A very warm welcome to everyone

Stalls with cat related novelties and
cards, Bric-a-brac, Books & Videos – Home
made cakes, Jams, Large selection of Plants
all grown by our supporters
A huge tombola with lots of high value
prizes, Reflexology, Tortoises,
Photographic competition and a chance to
make a new feline friend
Refreshments All Day – Ample parking
Entry 50p – Children 25p
All profits go to support our work with
unwanted cats

GARDEN OPEN

For the National Gardens Scheme
Mounts Court Farmhouse, Acrise
Sunday July 22nd 2 - 5pm
Admission £2.50 – Children free
TEAS for Cystic Fibrosis

Ballroom & Latin Dancing

at
Etchinghill Village Hall
Thursdays
New Classes as below
New 16 & Under Beginners including Salsa
6.15-6.45pm £2.25
16 & Under Improvers including Salsa
6.45-7.45pm £4.50
New Adult Beginners
7.45-8.45pm £4.50
Adult Improvers
9.00-10.00pm £4.50
New Adult Beginners Salsa
10.00-10.30pm £2.25
For details phone Lynn on
01303 279504 / 07967 979610

LYMINGE FESTIVAL

16 – 17 June 2007

Lots of activities to see or to take part in

Garden Safari. Once again the keen gardeners of Lyminge and Etchinghill are opening their gardens. This is a unique opportunity to glean some ideas to implement your own garden design or look at plant groupings or arrangements. Most of the gardeners will say 'It's nothing special' but believe me they are all fantastic. As a keen gardener myself I can appreciate how much goes into making their garden 'special'. It will be interesting to see how some of the gardens have changed since the last garden safari in 2005. Some of the gardens then were in the middle of being redesigned aesthetically and some were changing the designs to suit, perhaps, getting older, or making a space for children or grandchildren. We have several new gardens opening this year and having viewed them I can assure you they are well worth a visit. Many of the gardeners will be selling plants and/or selling tea/coffee and cake in aid of their chosen charity.

Generally the gardens will be open Saturday and Sunday from 10am – 4.00pm but not all gardens will be open both days and some may only open for part of the day so..... you will need to purchase a 'Passport' complete with a map. This will not only point you in the right direction but will also detail the days and times of opening. They will cost £3.00 for each adult but no charge for accompanied children.

However, there will be something for the smaller children while you look around! In the gardens who are opening both days will be 'hidden' a picture of a bird or animal. There are 12 in all and you can pick up a form (free) from any of the participating gardens. When the children have found all 12 and from which garden, they can complete the form and pop it through the letterbox of Lyminge Hardware from where they will be collected on Monday morning. There will be a prize for the first correct entry.

Scarecrows. Another important part of the Festival is the making of a scarecrow! Have you ever made a scarecrow? I entered last time. I did not win but it was great fun making it. Getting it into a standing position proved slightly more difficult! However, there is plenty of time to practise so think about starting now. There will be a prize awarded by an out of the area Judge. Children – if your parents are too busy to help how about enlisting the help of grandparents – I am sure they would enjoy the challenge!

You will need to complete an entry form from Lyminge Coffee Shop (free) and leave them there so that we know where to look for them. You do not have to have your garden open in order to enter the scarecrow competition but it must be in a visible position at the front of the house or garden from they will be judged from 3pm on Saturday.

Shepway District Councillor, Mr George Bunting will be judging the Scarecrows on Saturday afternoon.

Children - if your parents are too busy to help how about enlisting the help of grandparents - I am sure they would enjoy the challenge!

Flower Festival. The Methodist Church will be holding their Flower Festival and I am sure it will be worth visiting. I am told they will also be having some craft stalls and TEAS.

Ethelburga Quilters will be displaying work produced by members in the Methodist Church Hall on Saturday only. Their work is really worth viewing if you do any sewing or

craft work and simply amazing if you don't! They do not just make quilts for beds. You will see wall hangings, cushions, table covers, Christmas decorations - the imagination runs riot. There may be fabric and threads for sale. Admission is free but they will only be open on Saturday from 10am – 4.00pm.

Lyminge Dramatic Society will be holding an Exhibition of Costumes from their productions in the Methodist Parlour.

So, it's all happening in Lyminge that weekend. Please come and see what we do – it will be worth it.

LYMINGE PARISH CHURCH SERVICES – JUNE 2007

Sunday 3rd 8.00am Holy Communion
 10.30am 'WOW' service
Wednesday 6th 7.00pm Holy Communion
(Short/Said)
 7.30pm OPEN HOUSE
 9.15pm Wednesday Silence
Sunday 10th 10.30am with Holy Communion
Wednesday 13th 7.00pm Holy Communion
(Short/Said)
 7.30pm OPEN HOUSE
 9.15pm Wednesday Silence
Thursday 14th 2.00pm Pram Service
Sunday 17th **FATHERS' DAY**
 10.30am Holy Communion
Wednesday 20th 7.00pm Holy Communion
(Short/Said)
 7.30pm OPEN HOUSE
 9.15pm Wednesday Silence
Sunday 24th 8.00am Holy Communion
 10.30am Holy Communion
 6.30pm Sunday Silence
Wednesday 27th 7.00pm Holy Communion
(Short/Said)
 7.30pm OPEN HOUSE
 9.15pm Wednesday Silence

ORDINATION SERVICE - 1st July 10.30am

The Ordination of Stephen Dougal will take place in Lyminge Church on Sunday, 1st July at 10.30am in the presence of Bishop Michael.

SUNDAY AFTERNOON TEAS in Nailbourne Court

Our Sunday afternoon teas have been cancelled until further notice while work is carried out in Nailbourne

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 June are

3rd June - Mr Graham Whistance

10th June – Mr Dudley Shipton

17th June – Mr Michael Dallin

24th June – Rev. Robin Blount with Holy Communion

For Baptisms . Weddings or Funerals, please contact the Minister, Rev Barry Armson, on 01303 266281

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

L.E.T.

Methodists and Anglicans working together

RHODES MINNIS METHODIST CHURCH

Court. We apologize for this, but feel that there is no other suitable venue. We will, of course, resume as soon as possible - watch this space for further information!

PRAM SERVICE – 14th June

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 – 11th June

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 – 21st June

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.

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 June are
June 3rd – Rev. Barry Amson
(Holy Communion)

June 10th – Mrs Chris Bence
June 17th – Mr Mike Dallin
(with visitors at this Service from the Baptist Caravan Fellowship)

June 24th – Rev. Robin Blount

July 1st – Rev. Barry Amson
(Holy Communion)

The Local Churches in Lyminge are arranging a trip to see the musical BILLY ELLIOT at the Victoria Palace Theatre on Tuesday 19th June. The cost including return coach fare to the West End is £44.50 per head. The coach leaves the village at 4.00pm, giving time for a snack before the 7.30pm performance, getting back to Lyminge around midnight. If you are interested in joining us while there are still tickets available please ring Andree or Derrick Hamer on 863182

THE EYE IS SEARCHING!!

Calling all local parents and kids.....

Etchinghill Youth Enterprise (EYE) is having it's first AGM at the Etchinghill Village Hall on Monday the 25th June 2007 at 7:30p.m, everyone is welcome as it is yours and your children's club and with over 50 members in the first year, you have a right to know

how we are going to run it on into 2007 and beyond.

If you don't know about us we have been running for just over a year and in that time we have had a lot of fun getting to know what the children of the area between 8 and 16 want!!

Our first year ended in December 2006 with the Chairperson Simon Rosenberg (Big thanks from us and the kids Si!!) stepping down to let the then Treasurer - Karl Dodd assume the lead of the club. His team include Phil Reynolds - Treasurer and Tony Jackson - Secretary with his merry helpers, Tracey Daughters and Shell Carey and we cannot forget the tireless Jean Howard. The club would not be able to run without all of these VOLUNTEERS spending their own time to run the highly administrative side of things. We all need you to come and support us, not only at the AGM which is being held on a club night so you can see for yourself what challenges we face and also the amount of fun we have but also on those club nights.

WE NEED MORE VOLUNTEERS!!!!!!!!!! YES THAT MEANS YOU!!!

Both Karl and Phil do not have kids at the club so that is no excuse not to help out. If you can dedicate 1 Monday evening (2 Hours that all!!) in every 2 months it will help us make a more safe and fun environment for the kids of the local area.

We hope to see you both at the AGM and also at our club nights, all are welcome.

For info please call Karl Dodd on 01303 863106

ETCHINGHILL UPDATE

Farmers'/Craft Market

More than 200 people turned out at the last Farmers' and Craft Market where seventeen stalls sold produce, plants and crafts. It is hoped that a baker and a fishmonger will be there in June to add to the variety of produce available. In view of the continued success we will open the market 30 minutes earlier than advertised - now 10.00 till 12.30. Are you are a vendor wishing to join us? Then contact Anne on 863174

Garage Safari

Ten households have already confirmed to 'open their doors' in the garage sale 'safari' on Saturday 21st July. Contact Rodney on 862028 before 30th June if you wish to take part in this fund raising event. Only £3 will secure your place on the map. Time to clear that loft perhaps!

Multi Sports Court WOW!

We have received a contribution of £10,000 towards the proposed MSC at the village hall. We are extremely grateful to The Tory Family Foundation for this most generous offer. Our fund raising events are beginning to increase with vigour alongside this good news. Can you help with fund raising? Then speak to Barbara on 862873. It is not onerous but you will make it easier on the village hall subcommittee who are struggling with resources at the moment. Ask yourself, do I want to use the facilities at the MSC and if so, how can I help? It will not build itself

Cricket Club Car Boot Sale

Our thanks go to the committee and punters of the April car boot sale at the cricket club, who raised over £180 by throwing their spare change into the buckets held by committee

members of the Etchinghill Residents Association at the gate. £165 is being passed on to the MSC

Picnic in the park

Following a zero response to the idea of having a social event on the amenity land on 16th September, other than one resident who offered to provide music, together with the lack of support in organising the event it has been decided to cancel the event

Traffic Violation Survey

Be aware! We have been advised that a survey to monitor traffic misdemeanours through the village is scheduled to take place with immediate effect and will run for 6 months at random times of day and night. It will determine the type of law breaking and times when this is most prevalent, together with recording repeat offenders who the police will follow up as necessary. Don't let it be you! If you have any thoughts or ideas on speed reduction measures, especially a sign that flashes up the speed of those vehicles exceeding the limit for the village, then speak to David on 863918 (but please be aware he cannot afford to pay your fine if you ignore it!)

Village Improvements

The Parish Council have agreed to replace the sign post at the bottom of Teddars Leas with one more in keeping of a rural scene. It is also being proposed by the Lyminge Association to provide a flower trough on the triangle at the junction of Teddars Leas and Canterbury Road following the hopeful relocation of the salt bin back to its original location. Are you a gardener and would you volunteer to join a team to stock and maintain such an asset? Contact Sue on 863345

Parish Councillor

As many of you will know our new Parish Councillor for the Etchinghill Ward is Colin Manvell. We all wish him well in his new endeavour and look forward to meeting him at Village events

Dates for your 2007 diary

Farmers' market - 9th June, 7th July, 8th September

Garage safari - 21st July

ETCHINGHILL W.I.

Barbara Syrett opened the Resolutions meeting on a wet and windy May afternoon.

Earlier this month members visited the Whitecliffs Centre on the Western Heights, Dover for a cream tea, which was much enjoyed by all.

In June a pub lunch is planned at the White Lion Hotel in Hythe.

Our annual coach trip to Pashley Manor Gardens in East Sussex on Tuesday 21st August is open to all. Members £12.50, Visitors £13.00. There is a non-returnable deposit of £5.00. For further details please call Stella on 862363.

Birthday Posies were presented to Gladys Harris, Rita Warner, and Connie Greenstreet. Rita Warner gave a very comprehensive Resolutions address, 'Closure of Community Hospitals'. Members voted unanimously that it is essential to keep hospitals open for the benefit of the local community.

'Stretch a Tenner' auction was then held which was very successful and entertaining.

Afternoon tea was served, the hostesses being Gwen Webb, Joan white and Pat Kent. The winner of 'Flowers in a Teacup' competition was won by Alison Jelly. Next meeting is on Tuesday 19th June at 2.30pm in Etchinghill Village Hall when Mrs H Wood will speak about 'Designing and making Panto costumes'. For further information please contact Barbara Syrett 01303 265229 or Dottie Cross on 01303 862141

AGE CONCERN ELHAM RURAL

We have been informed of a number of lottery scams being sent to a number of older people in our area. They have received letters from Australia and Spain telling them they have already won money, they are provided with forms to complete asking them to give their bank details. We have informed Trading Standards of the situation and they are taking up the case. You should NEVER give your bank details to anyone.

We have just started operating a shopping service from the Day Centre in Lyminge. Our minibuses leave the centre at 11am on a Tuesday going to Sainsburys and on Thursday to Morrisons. Our minibus will then collect shoppers at 1pm and take them and their shopping to their front doors. The cost of this service is £2.50. Space is limited so pre-booking is essential.

We are planning to hold an initial information meeting for anyone affected by Parkinson's disease – which does, of course, include carers. We have asked one of the area Parkinson's nurses specialist to attend. The idea of the first get together is for people to have the opportunity to talk about Parkinson's and ask any questions about any aspect of the condition and about what resources are available in the area. At this meeting it can be decided whether or not it was useful and if it is something members of the group want to carry on.

The date for the meeting is to be finalised but will be sometime in Mid June. The session is open to anyone in the community. If you are interested in attending please telephone the centre.

If anyone is interested in any of these opportunities or would like further information about any of our services they should pop in or ring the centre on 01303 862364 and speak to Matthew or Lisa.

Lyminge Pre-School

Registered Charity No. 1029226

- Fun-packed sessions available for children from the age of 2 years.
- Flexibility for parents with a choice of mornings, afternoons or a combination of sessions.
- Monday to Friday between 9am and 3pm (term time only).
- Friendly staff fully trained and experienced at providing a safe and stimulating environment for children to learn & play.
- Children benefit from an enjoyable and seamless transition to Lyminge Primary School.

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

- Members of the Pre-School Learning Alliance and awarded the highest marks possible in our latest Ofsted report.

- We are located at Lyminge Village Hall on Woodland Road. Please feel free to call in and visit or telephone Julie on 01303 862634 or Lynn on 01303 862831. Email address: lymingepreschool@aol.com
We are a non-profit making charitable organisation.

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

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 01303 862366
Email address lesley@invercot.fsnet.co.uk

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. Casting will take place during July. 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 A.G.M. was held on the 16th May when 21 members attended. The competition cup was won by Diane Potter, and a fish and chip supper was enjoyed after the meeting. Our next meeting at 7.30pm in Rhodes Minnis Village Hall is on the 20th June when Mr Peter

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

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

Come and visit

The Lord Whisky Centre, Rhodes Minnis

Tea Rooms and Gift Shop
Open every day 10am - 4pm
Fresh cut sandwiches, home-made cakes, snacks and lunches
All freshly made on the premises
Bookings welcome
Tel: 01303 862349/862622

Meiklejohn will give a talk on Canterbury Cathedral. Visitors and new members are very welcome. The competition for members will be a picture of a stained glass window.
Marion Hoare 01303 862913

LYMINGE GARDENERS SOCIETY

The next meeting is a visit to Mr Derek Copeland's wonderful garden at Droveaway House, Wheelbarrow Town, Canterbury, Kent. Be at the Library car park at 6pm or at Droveaway House at 6.30pm. Cost for the evening is £1.00 for members and £2.00 for non-members.

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

Elham Valley Twinning Association

The Elham Valley Twinning Association (EVTA) is developing links with a group of villages in the wine growing region of Beaujolais, 45 minutes north west of Lyon. In July we are expecting a group of about 30 to visit our valley and preparations are in full swing to host and show our guests the beauty of our valley and surrounding countryside. Joining EVTA will give you an opportunity to get to know like-minded people both in the Elham valley and Beaujolais and to enjoy annual visits to each other's region. We recruit members in the Elham valley and surrounding areas. There is a flourishing social scene up and down the valley with events arranged to keep members in touch with one another. We produce a regular newsletter and our website contains information about the association and its activities - see www.evta.org.uk
For further information please contact Anna Bailey on 01303 862580.

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