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**HUB**  
COMMUNITY INFORMATION CENTRE

December 2019

## Contact Us

Open 10:00 am until 4:00 pm Monday to Friday

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## What's on in Woodchurch in December

### Pop-In Sunday Boot Fair

Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> December 9am - 12pm at the Pop-In

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Woodchurch Community Warden Kathy Carter  
is available in the Hub every Wednesday from 2pm to 4pm

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### W.I. Christmas Market

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Memorial Hall

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Football - Woodchurch Reserves v S. Willesborough Reserves

Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December 2:15pm on the village green

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### Woodchurch W I - "A Kent Christmas"

by Geoff Doel and John Morgan

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 7:15pm in the Memorial Hall

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### Quiz Night at the Six Bells

Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> December 8pm at The Six Bells

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### Organ concert with Carols

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 2:30pm at The Pop-In

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### General Election - Polling Day

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 7:00am to 10:00pm in the Memorial Hall

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### Tenterden Lions Float

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 4:30pm to 5:00pm

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### Parish Council meeting

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December 7pm in the Memorial Hall

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Organ concert of all-time popular favourites

Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December - 7:00pm at the Pop-In

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### Woodchurch Film Society - "Yesterday"

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 7pm in the Memorial Hall

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### Ashford Borough Councillors' Surgery

Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> December 11:00am to 11:45am in The HUB

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### Christmas Tree Festival in All Saints Church

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 5:30pm till Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> December

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### Woodchurch Christmas Fair

Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December 2:30pm to 5:30pm on the Village Green

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Billy No Mates Christmas Meal with the band "BENZ"

Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December 6:30pm at the Bonny Cravat

## A refreshing future for our old village Post Office

It has now been confirmed that the old village Post Office has been bought by a group who are close to the village with the intention of converting it into a village cafe. Lucy, Ben and Catherine are currently undertaking the building works required to convert the old Post Office sorting room and are hoping to open the cafe in the spring of 2020.



## Woodchurch Wagon - Use it or lose it

The Wagon has now been with us for 3 months and people are starting to realise that it is available to use. We do need it to get a lot more use in the future so that it will cover its costs (currently being subsidised by Ashford Borough Council). It is likely that the months of January/February will be quite quiet however this is being helped by Wye village renting the bus each Wednesday until next April to transport residents from Wye and surrounding villages to Canterbury market.

If you are a member of a society organising an outing, or a local resident planning a family celebration, then consider using the Woodchurch Wagon to help simplify your transport.

The Wagon team will be organising a series of trips throughout next year, so all suggestions for destinations will be welcomed. Please contact The HUB for more details.

## The POP-IN Centre is open Boxing Day

11:00 am till 4:00 pm. Light refreshments available, entertainment, raffle, quiz and bingo

## Open Mic Night with Bromley and Taylor

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 7:30pm in the Six Bells

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## Morris Men Comedy Bit "Biggles Flies Undone"

Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> December 8:00 at the Bonny Cravat

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## December Disco with Johnny Quo

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 8:00 at the Bonny Cravat

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## New Years Eve Party (no tickets required) with free buffet

Disco with Johnny Quo

Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> December 8:00 at the Bonny Cravat

Any items for the newsletter- please contact the Woodchurch Hub

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## Woodchurch Village Life Museum - 150+ Club

Our Museum, which is nestled at the bottom of Susans Hill, is a wonderful source of local history. It is open every weekend and public holiday from Easter to September and entrance is free. Although the Museum is run by volunteers it relies entirely on fundraising to pay for its maintenance, restoration, electricity, insurance, rates etc. The museum has therefore been running a 150+ club for many years to help cover its operational costs and there are currently 10 tickets remaining for the 2019/20 draws. For £12 a year you have 4 numbers entered into each monthly draw with the chance of winning one of more of the monthly prizes (£50, £30, £20, £15, £10). Although the draws began in October there are still 10 tickets available to enter and these will be available to buy at the hub for £10 - to cover the remaining 10 months. If you would like to help support the museum by joining their 150+ Club and/or volunteering during the summer, please contact Joyce on 01233 860297 or [jnash@nashweb.net](mailto:jnash@nashweb.net).



## Woodchurch Village Life Museum 150+ club draw

### October

1 <sup>st</sup>	£50	409	Linda Baker
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£30	817	Alex Morrison
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20	138	Susie Anderson
4 <sup>th</sup>	£15	243	Bertie Kingsworth
5 <sup>th</sup>	£10	787	Janet Andrews

### November

1 <sup>st</sup>	£50	528	John Cridge
2 <sup>nd</sup>	£30	164	Mrs Busby
3 <sup>rd</sup>	£20	733	Chrissie Northfield
4 <sup>th</sup>	£15	911	Pam Moate
5 <sup>th</sup>	£10	622	John Swift

## Woodchurch Parish Council have a vacancy for the post of Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

with effect from 1st January 2020. The position is for 10 hours per week, split between home and the village Hub. Parish Council meetings are held monthly on the third Thursday of each month in Woodchurch Memorial Hall Annexe. Duties will include managing meetings and providing guidance to Councillors, taking Minutes, implementing actions and decisions, handling the Parish Council's finances and ensuring all necessary statutory and regulatory disciplines are adhered to. You will need to be able to work independently, be well organised and have excellent communication and IT skills. Salary will be dependent on experience and qualifications and previous experience as a Clerk would be a distinct advantage. Please contact [admin@woodchurchhub.uk](mailto:admin@woodchurchhub.uk) for further information and an application pack.

## Village Bins

For the past couple of months our village cleaners have been finding found loose fire ash deposited in the bins around the Green and also dumped on the new wildflower meadow. Please will the person/people who are responsible for this dispose of it in their own general waste bins. Our cleaners have also been finding builders' rubble in the bins around Brattle. This may be a case of fly-tipping however, if it is being done by a local resident, please dispose of it properly and not leave it in village bins.



## A BUMPER CHRISTMAS ORGAN CONCERT

Following the success of popular international star Chris Powell's recent organ concert at the Woodchurch Pop-In there will be a bumper Christmas concert - with carols - on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 2:30pm. A second recital, including all-time popular music, will also be held on the same evening at 7:00pm. Tickets are available from The HUB or call 01233 861483. The price is not fixed - the cost is the amount that you can afford to donate.

The Department for Digital, Culture, Media & Sport have launched a Gigabit Broadband voucher scheme where businesses can claim up to £2,500 against the cost of connection either individually or as part of a group project. Residents (with businesses) can benefit from the scheme as part of a group project and can claim for a voucher of £500 each. For more information visit [gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk](http://gigabitvoucher.culture.gov.uk) or pick up a leaflet from the HUB

**Market**

Toys  
Gifts  
Jewellery

23rd & 24th November  
10am - 4pm  
Rare Breeds Centre  
Woodchurch (B2067)  
01233 732684

PRESENTED BY THE INFAMOUS  
**ILLUSTRIOUS COMPANY OF WOODCHURCH MUMMERS**

**BIGGLES**  
FLIES UNDONE  
In aid of The Pilgrims Hospice

THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 7.30 P.M. AT THE CIRCUS POPS, THE POPPONY  
THURSDAY, 12TH DECEMBER, 9.30 P.M. AT THE WHITE HORSE, BRISTOLTON  
FRIDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 8 P.M. AT THE BUCK'S HEAD, HAM STREET  
FRIDAY, 10TH DECEMBER, 9.30 P.M. AT THE BELL, IVY CHURCH  
SATURDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 8 P.M. AT THE DONNY CRAVAT, WOODCHURCH  
SATURDAY, 13TH DECEMBER, 8.30 P.M. AT THE ANGERS HUB, WOODCHURCH

## Community Calendar

As we move into 2020 it is time to ensure that your events are included in the Community Calendar. If you manage the events for a local club or society please let the HUB know the details of any you have booked throughout the year. By adding them into the calendar it will also help ensure they are included in both the Parish Magazine and the Newsletter.

You can also request to have all your events listed on the Community Web Site directly at:  
[www.woodchurchhub.uk/community-calendar-event-request](http://www.woodchurchhub.uk/community-calendar-event-request)

The HUB would like to wish everyone in the village a Happy Christmas and a Prosperous New Year. Although the HUB may be closed over the holiday period you can still be contacted by email at [enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk](mailto:enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk). If you know of anyone in the village who will be alone over Christmas, why not help brighten up their day and pay a visit. If you are alone over the holiday period you can find good company on Boxing Day at The Pop-In.

WOODCHURCH VILLAGE GREEN  
 Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December  
 2.30 - 5.30PM EVERYONE WELCOME

**Woodchurch  
 Christmas  
 Fair**

- SEASONAL FOOD & DRINK
- CHRISTMAS MUSIC
- KIDS GAMES & SANTA'S GROTTTO
- CRAFTS & LOCAL FOOD PRODUCE

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO BOOK SANTA'S GROTTTO  
 PLEASE CONTACT fwsa@woodchurch.kent.sch.uk

WOODCHURCH CE PRIMARY SCHOOL  
 CHARITY NUMBER: 1578151

**All Saints Church  
 Christmas Tree Festival**



Come and see all of the wonderful trees that have been decorated by individuals, clubs, societies and businesses from around the village. Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December from 5:30 pm at the Church.

For more information contact Ann on 01233 861363



**BOOK ONLINE NOW TO VISIT  
 SANTA'S GROTTTO AT THE  
 WOODCHURCH CHRISTMAS  
 FAIR – space is limited**

<https://signup.com/go/TmaugOA>

**FRIDAY 13<sup>th</sup> OF DECEMBER 2019**

**FROM 2pm-5.30pm**

Booking will also be possible on Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> of Nov at the School gate 8.30-9.45 and for disco drop off and collection

Please ensure you make your payment of £3.50 per child with-in 48 hours of booking your slot, at the school office or the Woodchurch Hub or your slot will be released.



**The Good Elf**

**Christmas opening times at the HUB**

The HUB will be open as usual from 10:00 am to 4:00 pm until Friday 20<sup>th</sup> December. It will then be closed over the Christmas and New Year period, reopening on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> January.

**W.I. Christmas Market and  
 Coffee Afternoon**

The WI Christmas market and coffee afternoon will be held at the Memorial Hall on Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> December from 2pm - 4pm

**Christmas Dinners at our Pubs**

Both the **Bonny Cravat** and **The Six Bells** will be serving their Christmas menus from the beginning of December. To book your Christmas celebrations, contact the **Bonny** on 860345 or **The Bells** on 860246.