



WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

The village community working together

August 2021

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WOODCHURCH Community Calendar



Weekly events:

Saturdays:

Boot Camp 9:00am-10:00am on the Village Green

Mondays:

Knit and Natter 2:00pm - 3:30pm in the Pop In Lodge, Lower Road

Beavers 6:00pm - 7:00pm in the Community Centre, Lower Road

Scouts 7:30pm - 9:00pm in the Community Centre, Lower Road

Tuesdays:

Puzzle Club 2:00pm - 4:00pm in the Pop In Lodge, Lower Road

Cubs 6:00pm - 7:00pm in the Community Centre, Lower Road

Wednesdays:

Pop-In 2:15pm - 4:30pm Tea and coffee and boot fair marquee at the Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre

Fish and Chips 4:30pm - 7:30pm in the Village Car Park

Thursdays:

Pizza Van 4:30pm - 7:00pm in the Village Car Park (every other Thursday)

Explorers 7:30pm - 9:30pm in the Community Centre, Lower Road

Fridays:

Scrabble 2:00pm - 4:00pm at the Pop-In Centre

Other Events:

Sun 1st **Morning Worship** 11am at All Saints Church

Classic Cars 12:00 at the Bonny Cravat

Sat 7th **Weald of Kent Steam Rally** 10:00 at Little Engeham Farm

Picnic On The Green 12:00pm on the Village Green

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- Sun 8th **Benefice Eucharist** 10:00 at All Saints Church
Weald of Kent Steam Rally 10:00 at Little Engeham Farm
- Tue 10th W.I. Members Lunch 12:00pm at the Pop-In
- Sat 14th **Woodchurch Cottage Flowers open weekend** at Brook Farmhouse TN26 3SP
Front Garden Competition 2:00pm award ceremony at Woodchurch Cottage Flowers
- Sun 15th **Woodchurch Cottage Flowers open weekend** at Brook Farmhouse TN26 3SP
- Thu 19th **Woodchurch Parish Council Meeting** 7:00pm - 9:00pm at the Memorial Hall Annexe
- Sat 21st **The Old Post Office Coffee Shop opens** 9:00am
- Sun 22nd **Holy Communion** 11am at All Saints Church
- Sat 28th **Pop/Proms** 2:00pm and 7:00pm at the Pop-In
- Sun 29th **Pop/Proms** 2:00pm and 7:00pm at the Pop-In

HOPE Butterfly Unveiled

The painted pebble butterfly unveiled by children from Woodchurch School.
 More details inside



A PICNIC ON THE GREEN

Saturday August 7th

An afternoon and evening of fun, music and food. Come and bring your picnic to The Green. Listen to the bands live on stage throughout the afternoon. See inside for more details

THE BIG THIN
Red line

WOODCHURCH SURGERY UPDATE

When I joined the team in 2011 the Surgery became accredited as a training practice for junior doctors wanting to be GPs. The community has been great in supporting them and they have all assured me that their experience at Woodchurch will be fondly remembered. Local retention of doctors that have been trained in Kent has always been low, so I am proud that of our previous trainees one remains with us (Dr Arinaitwe), one is taking a partnership with New Hayesbank and one has joined Ivy Court. Our latest trainee, Dr Chakravarti, is joining Wye surgery in October and will extend her experience in Obstetrics and Gynaecology but also develop her new interest in Dementia - I wish her all the best in this role and she will be a credit to the team at Wye.

So, in August we welcome Dr Mukundh Putkoor who is a second year GP in training and brings with him several years as a doctor in hospital medicine. He will be with us for 4 months and should be back with us next August for a year.

In August we also welcome back Dr Henrique Lourenco who should be with us for 6 months to complete his training. He has already spent a year with us and then spent time down in Herne Bay and we are pleased to see his return.

Along with this news we will see a return of medical students from the University of Kent. Last year we hosted the first new students and some of you will have met Lily and Declan who were very enthusiastic and great to have around. Our new students will be in their second year and will spend a 2-week block with us at a time. I'm sure that they will be as popular as Lily and Declan were, and I thank you in anticipation for enabling them to learn.

So, the start of the new academic year will certainly be busy for us. The extension and refurb will be used to the max and these will be new faces that people will encounter. The GP trainees are all qualified doctors with hospital experience and come to us to evolve their knowledge and relate to the community as a GP. Although they are supervised by me the whole team have a role in their education. Similarly, we occasionally supervise Student Nurses who you may meet through the year.

I suspect a number of our trainees have been a bit surprised to end up in Woodchurch having only experienced hospitals in inner-City locations,

however they have all understood the value of our community and enjoyed their experiences here. To see that realisation gives me as much pleasure as them passing their exams and I look forward to Mukundh and our second-year students having the epiphany that a small rural community is a hugely rich learning opportunity that inspires them to stay in Kent to enjoy working as GPs.

This educational role is massively important for the provision of primary care in the future, and we are really proud to be involved. Thank you for all being so welcoming to the trainees.

With best wishes on behalf of the Surgery,

Jack Hickey - GP

Tai Chi and Qigong Taster

Tai Chi classes will be starting in the Community Centre, Lower Road every Monday morning from 10:45, beginning the 6th September. Suitable for all ages and levels of fitness. £6 per session

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www.taichiforyou.co.uk

or contact Emma on 07587 167756

or email taichiforyou@hotmail.co.uk



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WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL • **UPDATE** •

The PC this month has been looking at various projects, some ongoing and some brand new!

An application for finding has now been submitted to KCC for the Brattle bus stop renovations- watch this space and we'll update you when we know more. We are also looking at what can be done to improve the bus stop outside of the surgery after a resident brought this issue to our attention as well.

On 21st July contractors completed work on the flagpole which means it is now fully functional again and looking like new. Thanks to everyone who had to be patient while the work took place and took up a part of the car park for the day.

The very same day the PC Chair attended the unveiling of the Hope Butterfly, dreamt up by Windbloom and created by the very talented people of the village. It is now a permanent installation outside of the Memorial hall, and looks really fantastic. Thanks to all those who took part in this amazing project and for Winbloom for overseeing the project, to the school children and others who have painted so many beautiful stones to make the butterfly as striking as it is, and to the Memorial Hall Committee for agreeing to host the installation in front of the Village Hall. We are so pleased that the project has been such a success and a lasting reminder of how the village pulled together to support one another in the last 18 months.

The PC is also working on a project to try to bring electric car charging points to the village car park. We are keen to hear your views on this idea - do you feel this is something you would use if we were to install them? Any thoughts you have on the plan which would involve a couple of charging points in the car park would be most helpful, as we will be discussing this issue at our next meeting on August 19th.

One of the topics which was raised in the PC meeting in July was the ongoing concerns from residents about the issue of speeding in the Village and surrounding roads. If you have any thoughts on this then please do get in touch. The Speedwatch initiative is hoping to restart soon, having had to pause during the pandemic. If you wish to be involved in this please get in touch with the PC and we can pass your details along to the Speedwatch team.

Finally, we hope the whole community is looking forward to a lovely summer, and if you are looking to entertain your children or young people, please take a look at the Reconnect programme being run by KCC- www.kent.gov.uk/education-and-children/schools/reconnect

This website lists many activities to get involved with, and also offers free bus travel for 11-18 year olds through the

summer, as well as family passes if you have children under 11. The Reconnect programme is also offering dramatically discounted passes for local leisure centres to allow children to use the passes to go swimming over the summer for a fixed fee. Definitely a website worth looking at if you have a young family to entertain!

Finally, as some of you will already be aware, there is a new planning application for a proposed development of 40 houses which has been submitted to Ashford Borough Council last week. The PC will of course be looking very carefully at this development and would welcome as much feedback from the Parish as possible before we are asked to submit our thoughts on it. We will be discussing this application at our next meeting on 19th August, so please feel free to submit your thoughts to us before this date, or else come along and share how you feel in person at the meeting. We appreciate this is a proposal which many residents will feel strongly about and we want to be able to represent your views as clearly as possible when we discuss the application.

How to contact your Parish Council

In person: By talking to one of your councillors - details on the Parish Council Web site

By email: clerk@woodchurch-pc.gov.uk

By phone: 01233 733994

Through The HUB: Place your correspondence in a sealed envelope marked "Parish Council" and deliver to The HUB

By post to: Woodchurch Parish Clerk

Keg Barn, Hornash Lane, Shadoxhurst, Kent, TN26 1HX

Through the contact form on the Parish Council Web site:

www.woodchurchhub.uk/parish-council/

Parish Council meeting dates, agendas and minutes can be found at www.woodchurchhub.uk/parish-council/

JOB VACANCY - CALF REARER

Part time calf rearer required in Woodchurch - assisting with dairy herd on modern robotic dairy farm.

Mornings (Approx 7 - 9:30 / Afternoons Approx 4 - 6:30)

For more information call 07717 441208

Items For Future Newsletters

The purpose of the Woodchurch Parish Newsletter is to inform the residents of Woodchurch what is going on in our village. We are keen to share as much of what is happening as we can. If there is something that you would like to have included in future editions then please send them to:

enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk

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| * forthcoming events | * club/society reports |
| * announcements | * interesting facts |
| * memorials | * photos |
| * adverts | * etc. etc. etc. |



All Saints Church



Dear Friends, I hope you are keeping safe and well, and enjoying a few more freedoms after this difficult year. Thanks to all who support our church in any way - it has been wonderful to see the churchyard transformed after each of the volunteer gardening weekends. I am very grateful to those who give their time.



This month I want to let villagers know that All Saints church is really struggling financially. We are in the midst of a project to replace our heating and lighting in church, and this will use most of the funds we have in the bank. For those of you who may not be aware, we do not receive any central funding for maintaining our beautiful Grade 1 listed church building. Sadly, church income has fallen, but we still have regular maintenance and insurance commitments and repair work to do, as well as plans for improvements and redecoration.

Some of our future plans are to:

- Repair to front churchyard wall - leaning badly and will cost up to £70,000 to rebuild/repair
- Remove some pews at the rear of church to give greater flexibility in how we use our space
- Repairs and improvements to doors

We have applied for a number of grants to supplement our funds. Fundraising events held to supplement the weekly plate collection have had to be cancelled during the pandemic, but are now starting to be organised again. As members of the congregation, we are tasked with maintaining a safe and fit place for future generations to worship, to visit and as a place that helps everyone to mark the milestones in their lives as it has done for over 700 years. The Church is open for private prayer every day.

We hope you can help to ensure the church stays open in our village for many future generations to come. Please support us as we start to organise fundraising events. Please consider a regular standing order donation, or a one-off gift. Our bank details are: account name: Parochial Council Woodchurch; account number 74392875; sort code 60-01-21. Cheques and cash donations can be put into the safe just inside the church door; we have Gift Aid forms available on request.

If you have an interest in historic buildings, and have time to help we can always do with help and support with building management - it can feel a very onerous responsibility to be looking after a building which has been around for such a long time.

Every Blessing, Reverend Sue

NATIONAL FESTIVAL FINALISTS 2018, 2019 & 2021

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In Concert

28th August 2021 at 7:00 pm

ALL SAINTS CHURCH,
WOODCHURCH

Tickets £6 (includes glass of wine/softdrink & nibbles)

Raffle will be held

In aid of All Saints Church

To reserve tickets for collection on the door please contact Eavanne:
07712660689 or eavanne@msn.com

All the boys are students of NKS & Highworth-

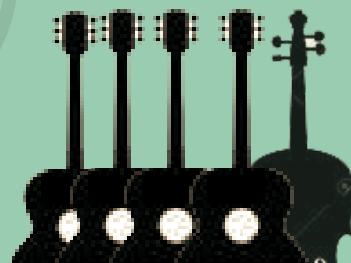
Harry Bellamy

James Temple

Max Cox

James Allen

Gabriel Webb



FRIENDS OF KENT CHURCHES

RIDE AND STRIDE

Saturday 11 September 2021

10.00 am to 6.00 pm

CYCLE OR WALK AROUND KENT CHURCHES

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THE FRIENDS OF KENT CHURCHES AND THE
CHURCH OR CHAPEL OF YOUR CHOICE**

Sponsorship forms available from

Your local organiser: *Reverend Sue Rose*

Or see www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk

Event Co-ordinator:

Lucy O'Flaherty, tel: 01580 240 802 email: kentcountyorg@gmail.com

BONNY CRAVAT **Classic Car Rally**



The Bonny Cravat is holding a Classic Car Rally on the first Sunday of every month, starting at midday. Please come visit and enjoy these beautiful cars and chat with their owners.

COMING SOON - The date of our beer / Wine festival will be announced in the coming weeks, as well as details of our forthcoming Quiz Nights.

Diane - The Bonny Cravat Pub



Museum 150+ July Lottery Draw

Support your local museum- you could win a £50/£30/£20 prize every month. An annual ticket costs £12 in September.

For more information please contact Joyce via The HUB - enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or 01233 861381

1st prize	£50	Amy Felstead	393
2nd prize	£30	Margaret Sawyer	1374
3rd prize	£20	Jenny Stone	373

Need a planning application?



Call **01233 861177**
vernacularhomes.com

Woodchurch Yard Together ("WYT")

*Our next volunteer gardening weekend in the
Churchyard is:*

**28th & 29th
August**

'HOPE' - our permanent pebble butterfly

We are delighted to announce that on Wednesday 21st July, Woodchurch Church of England Primary School children helped us launch 'HOPE'!

It all started 15 months ago, when we invited villagers to get involved by painting pebbles and adding them to our growing 'caterpillar' outside the school gate. We were delighted over 600 people joined in by painting their own individual pebbles. A few months and lockdowns later, 'HOPE', the caterpillar has now been transformed into 'HOPE', our permanent pebble butterfly, representing Woodchurch during 2020.

A big Thank You to everyone who has been involved in creating and building 'HOPE' for the benefit of the Village. In particular, we would like to thank:

Les Fenton, Chair of Memorial Hall, Chris Woodcock for leading the building of HOPE, Rowan & Ethan Fenton, Peter Wood and Alan Baker for supporting the building of HOPE, Peter Massey for donating the sleepers, Richard and Cindy Stewart for creating and donating the plaque, Mrs Dawes (Head of School, Woodchurch CEP School) and all the school children, Woodchurch Parish Council for their ongoing support, The 'Bonny Bikers' for their kind donation

HOPE is now proudly displayed on the grass adjacent to the Memorial Hall main doors for all to enjoy!



Substantive planning applications in Woodchurch

The following substantive planning applications have been registered with Ashford Borough Council and are currently under consideration. If you would like to review the applications and register any comments that you have, please visit the Ashford Borough Council Planning portal planning.ashford.gov.uk. All comments posted will be taken into consideration during the decision process. If you do not have access to the Internet, copies of the applications can be viewed at The HUB.

Application 21/00624/AS - : Land south east of Bridge Close, Appledore Road, Woodchurch, Kent

Millwood Designer Homes

The proposal consists of 33 units presented in a mix of houses with designs influenced from the surrounding areas materials and vernacular, taking reference from the Woodchurch Village Design Statement.

The site proposes the following mix;

- 4 x two bedroom apartments
- 4 x one bedroom units
- 3 x two bedroom units
- 13 x three bedroom units
- 5 x four bedroom units
- 4 x five bedroom units



Application 21/01284/AS - : Land between, 82-120 Front Road, Woodchurch

Gladman Developments

Outline planning application for the erection of up to 40 dwellings (including affordable housing), structural planting and landscaping, informal public open space and children's play area, surface water flood mitigation, vehicular access point and associated ancillary works

All new planning applications within the Parish of Woodchurch are discussed at the Parish Council meetings. If you have comments regarding any of the proposed applications these can be shared either in person at the meeting or in writing to the Parish Clerk.

Please remember that the Parish Council is one of several statutory consultative body and so **does not have direct influence on the final planning decision**. You are therefore advised to also leave your comments directly on the ABC planning portal.



Application 21/00474/AS - : Land north of 14 and 15, Kirkwood Avenue, Woodchurch

CS Developments

Erection of 4 x 2 bedroom and 3 x 3 bedroom bungalows and the provision of new public amenity space, together with associated access, parking and landscaping.



Another month has passed by and although members were not able to meet formally in July due to the ongoing Covid restrictions, a few of our members took the opportunity to meet up on Wednesday, 7th July for a Garden Party in Sandra's glorious back garden, with Josie acting as the hostess and provider of a wonderful selection of yummy cakes - a huge "Thank you" to both ladies! The early afternoon weather looked a bit doubtful with a grey, overcast sky and there was even a drop or two of rain, but fortunately the sun prevailed and the afternoon ended on a much brighter note. It was lovely to meet up face to face again, to simply chatter exchanging news, views and idle gossip; something we have all felt the lack of in the past 18 months. It also just happened to be Joyce Haynes' birthday, so we were able to celebrate with a delicious chocolate cake!

With the recent lifting of restrictions we can now look forward, cautiously, to the resumption of normal meetings commencing on the 14th September at 7.15 pm in the Memorial Hall, but before that we are planning to meet up for a catered lunch commencing at 12 noon for a 12.30 start on Tuesday, 10th August, 2021 at the Pop-In Centre in Lower Road, Woodchurch. This event is reserved for members only and we look forward to welcoming as many of you as possible there!



The Old Post Office Coffee Shop Opening Saturday 21st August



It is with great excitement that we can now announce an opening date for The Old Post Office Coffee Shop! We will be opening our doors to you all

on **Saturday the 21st of August**

at 9am. We look forward to meeting everyone and want to take the opportunity to say a big thank you for all your support, patience, menu suggestions and enthusiasm along the way. **The Old Post Office Team**



Surgery Opening Hours

Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm



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Woodchurch Community Calendar

Have you let us know the dates of activities/events for your club or society so that they can be included in the Community Calendar?

The Community Calendar directly feeds into the Newsletter and so it is important that you help us to keep it up to date. Please send event details, and updates, to enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk.

The full Community Calendar can be found at www.woodchurchhub.uk/community-calendar

WOODCHURCH ART SOCIETY

We are planning to restart our weekly Thursday morning meetings from the beginning of September.



After “resting” for so many months, we hope this will herald the production of some great Art for our Annual Exhibition which we hope to hold at its usual time in May next year.

Meanwhile, our Coffee Mornings on the Green have been very popular and here is a taste of how we have been occupying our time these last few months.

“The Art Group who meet on the Green
Where pencils will never be seen.
There’s never a rush
To produce a brush
And paper stays remarkably clean!”

Pauline Feakes

Rare Breeds Centre

Summer has kicked off at the Rare Breeds Centre. We are open 7 days a week with 100 acres to explore. Book online in advance to attend.



We have not opened our indoor café yet as we want to keep people extra safe, but we do have an incredible takeaway menu to try.

**10% off meals
for Woodchurch Village Residents**

**** Restrictions apply—see below**

**** If you bring this newsletter with you to the Patio Café - we will give Woodchurch Residents 10% off their meals in exchange. This can only be used once per resident (Summer season ONLY - until 1 Oct).**

WOODCHURCH VILLAGE LIFE MUSEUM



Woodchurch Museum is now open from 10am to 4pm at weekends and Bank Holidays. Entry is free

(though we always appreciate donations) and we are only a short walk from the village pubs, down Susans Hill.



This year we have a new exhibition called "**Inspired by Woodchurch**" which includes information and items from village residents and artists, both present and past, who have been inspired by our beautiful village.

Walkers are welcome. If you are walking around the village and are looking for a place to stop, the Museum is a good place to take a break. Cold drinks and toilets are available as well as free high-speed broadband. We have outside seating on the Museum lawn where you can eat your picnic before continuing on. Well behaved dogs are welcome in the Museum grounds. **Village publications and souvenirs are available**, including "**Then and Now**", "**Voices of the Dead**", "**Scuppets & Scutchell**", the popular booklet "**A Stroll Around The Green**" which provides a fascinating history of the village around the Green.



The Museum is staffed entirely by volunteers and is able to remain open due to generous donations from those who visit, and from fund raising through its 150+ Club and Garden Sale and Barbecue events which are held at the museum.

Watch this space for more fund raising events.

Woodchurch Cottage Flowers Open Weekend 14th and 15th August

Linda Crew is opening up her flower farm and garden on 14th and 15th August, 10am to 4pm as part of the 'Flowers from the Farm big Weekend' - all Villagers are very welcome to visit and enjoy a walk around the cutting gardens, the orchard, mature gardens and wildlife pond.



- Free entry
- Tea and delicious homemade cakes on sale too.

For more info, please visit:
www.woodchurchcottageflowers.co.uk

Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre

The over 60s Pop-In have now re-started (although we do now welcome anyone, who is over 50.) We meet every Wednesday afternoon from 2. to 4pm. It is mainly a social gathering with refreshments provided. During the two hours we hold a short bingo session (about 10 minutes) a general knowledge quiz and a raffle. However it is worth mentioning that for the time being it would be preferable for people to bring their own mug. Table tennis tables, both inside and out, are available during this time. Further details from Richard, 07798 566 849

During the same time the marquee is open for anyone to visit, to either make donations or purchase any of the thousands of items for sale. We can also be available at any other time for viewing, by appointment. Tel: Clive or Shirley for further details on 01233 860 139.

Six Bells Cycle Ride Presentation



Neil and Gordon, from Six Bells Park, completed their joint 155 laps of the village covering a total of 219 miles, in the allotted number of days and raised a total of £1008.

Half of this was presented to Pat Byrne, Chairperson of The Big Thin Red Line and the other half to

Jean Mealham Centre Pop-Prom Concerts 28th and 29th August



Following the sell-out success of last year's concerts, they have returned for 2021 by popular demand. The concerts will take place on Saturday 28th and Sunday 29th August (August bank holiday weekend) and there will be two held on each day (beginning at 2pm and 7pm). Due to Covid precautions the number of tickets for each performance are strictly limited and must be booked in advance. The cost of which will be by a donation on the day.

For more information and to reserve your tickets contact Richard on 07798 566 849.

Roger Knight, Chairperson of Knight, Chairperson of the Six Bells Residents Association.

The presentation took place on Sunday 25 July at the Six Bells pub.

A big 'Thank You' to everyone who donated and/or clapped them as they rode through the village.



Woodchurch Players

Like most of the other organisations in the village, we are pleased that we are out of 'partial lock-down' and into 'freedom day' as the newspapers refer to it. It was really lovely to see the Morris Men in full Morris Men dress uniform dancing in front of the Bonny the other Friday. However, we proceed with caution, at the moment our next production will be pantomime in January 2022. Thank you to Emma Priest who will direct 'The adventures of Robin Hood', and thank you to volunteers - Nicola Davy (stage manager) Ross Stevens as musical Director, and Ann Tiplady is already organising and thinking about costumes. Knowing Emma I am sure she has chosen the

music, sorted out the scenes (full stage or front of tabs) and has held backstage meetings about the production. At the moment it is planned to hold auditions on Wednesday 8th September and Wednesday 15th September, times and place to be notified later. We say this with keeping our face-masks handy, our Covid vaccinations up to date and our fingers crossed behind our backs!

Hoping you will all stay well and Covid free.. Val Smith

SUNFLOWER SUMMER CHALLENGE



Nearly time.....

Judging will take place on Bank Holiday Monday,
30th August!

Reminder that the 3 categories for judging are:

- ♥ Which will have the largest "face"?
- ♥ Who will grow the tallest?
- ♥ Which will have the funniest face?



To take part in our fun competition, please
either pick up an entry form from Woodchurch
HUB, via www.woodchurchhub.uk or request a
form by emailing
woodchurchinbloom@hotmail.com

Please ensure all entries are in by 22nd August!

Getting in Touch:

Linda Baker – THRIVE lead: 07795 383945

Philippa Jones – Chair: 07774 608281

WoodchurchinBloom@hotmail.com

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Grand Yard/ Garage Sale Saturday 11th September

If 12 or more households are interested The HUB will
organise another GRAND YARD/GARAGE SALE on
Saturday, 11th September. Please contact The HUB to
express an interest and give your name and address to
be included on the map.

enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk - 01233 861381

Front Garden Competition Results

Well done and thank you to everyone who entered the
Front Garden Competition, Garden for Wildlife.
Judging took place on Monday 19th July and we
managed to get round to all the gardens before the
heavens opened!

The main points were given for Food, Shelter and
Water. The main needs for our wildlife to thrive and
each garden was judged on its own merit. All the
gardens impressed the judge and it is fantastic that so
many gardeners consider the wildlife we have.

Everyone who entered is a
winner but the biggest
winner is the
wildlife...Thank you!

Gold was awarded to:

- Margaret Smith
- Elaine and Tony Warne
- Jenny Mills



We are delighted that Linda Crew, of 'Woodchurch
Cottage Flowers' will be presenting
the awards on Saturday 14th August
at 2pm in her garden at Brook
Farmhouse, Brook Street TN26 3SP
(Blue dot on map - first house on the
right when leaving Brattle).



Parish Council Vacancies

The Parish Council currently has two vacancies. If you
are dynamic, have a passion about the village and
would like to help shape the future of the Woodchurch
community. You must be over 18 years of age, an
elector and live in the parish of Woodchurch or within
3 miles from it. Please leave your application in a
sealed envelope at The HUB or apply online here
www.woodchurchhub.uk/parish-council/parish-council-vacancy/. You CAN make a difference.

Woodchurch HUB Opening Times

Monday - Friday	10:00 am - 1:00 pm
Tuesday - Community Warden	2:00 pm - 4:00 pm
Saturday	10:00 am - 12:00 pm

Advertising in the Parish Newsletter

If you would like to advertise your business or rental property in future editions of the Newsletter please go to
www.woodchurchhub.uk/the-hub/newsletters/parish-newsletter-advertising/
or contact enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk for more information.

Strawberry Tea



Rain and wind may have stopped play at Wimbledon on Tuesday 6th July, but the strawberry tea, organised jointly by **Woodchurch Village Life Museum** and **Woodchurch in Bloom**, went ahead at the Pop In. Thanks to Richard Carley for use of the venue and to donors of cakes and raffle prizes, especially to Karen Stevens whose chocolate bouquet *was a great success.

This was a joyous occasion where friends, who had not seen each other for many months, were able to have a good chat with a delicious cream tea to accompany them. Unstinting servers kept to their tables of 6 and were justly complimented on their professional service.

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Woodchurch Village Life Museum 2021/22 150 Plus Club

Woodchurch Village Life Museum invite you to join their 2020/2021 "WOODCHURCH MUSEUM TRUST 150 PLUS CLUB" which is a lottery. Cash prizes are given to the winners each month: the remainder goes to the Woodchurch Village Life Museum. Although the Museum is a charity and is operated entirely by volunteers, it still costs £7,000 each year to keep the museum open. The 150+ club is one of our main fundraising activities and contributes about a third to our required funds.

The annual contribution to the 150 Plus Club is just £12 (£1 per month) and you will receive four numbers for the year. Each month three winning numbers are randomly drawn, commencing in October.

THERE ARE THREE PRIZES TALLING £100 TO BE WON EVERY MONTH.

- FIRST PRIZE £50
- SECOND PRIZE £30
- THIRD PRIZE £20

Winners are notified directly and the results are published each month in the village newsletter. The Museum has been raising funds through the 150 Plus club for 20 years and the cost per ticket has always remained the same.

If you would like to be included in the next draw please contact **Joyce at jnash@nashweb.net** or contact **The HUB** for a registration form.

PICNIC ON THE GREEN

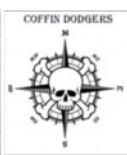
7th August 2021.

THE BIG THIN
Red line

The crew at the Big Thin Red line are very proud to present this great opportunity for a well-earned festivity. It's time for friends and family to enjoy some live entertainment in a safe environment.



Xanthia Skye
& the Pirates



The Coffin
Dodgers



Elvis T King



Brad
Pittance

We have been granted a licence from 12 till 8pm for the music and bars, as ever we are putting back into the community so the event is free. Please support the food and drink stalls. Woodchurch Football club will be raising funds with their BBQ stall - hot dog or burger only £2.50. Cash only please.

The two Bars, The Gin palace and Ale House will provide reasonable priced drinks, all this proceed goes back in the pot for further community activities and support. Cash only please

A massive thank you for support and contributions from:

- John Redman Birchwood Utilities
- James Greenwood JMS Mobility
- Rick Stephen's
- Richard Sturgess RT Development
- Adrian Moon Allure Windows
- Woodchurch Parish Council

Small businesses/societies from Woodchurch are welcomed to trade on the day - **with prior agreement.**

For more information contact Pat on 07584 075 008 or email Patrick7171@hotmail.co.uk



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Walking Football

It's Come Home - **Woodchurch 4 The Bell 3**



A great mornings walking football on the green saw the challenge cup come back to Woodchurch.

An early goal from Darren Quinn saw us take the lead, followed by a neatly taken effort from Steve Davis (potted in the corner ??). Darren Quinn then added to his tally with his other foot needing just a header for the perfect hat trick, which was going to be difficult with the limits on height of ball. 3-0 at the break.

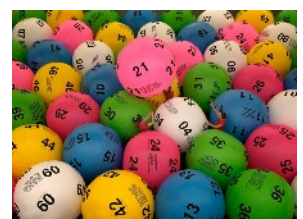
The Bell came back in the second half getting 2 goals back before Roger Lightfoot scored a cracker from a seemingly impossible angle. The Bell got another back leading to a tight finish.

Some really outstanding saves from Adrian kept us in the lead.

Big thanks to Emily and the team at the Six Bells for accommodating us back there.

Woodchurch Football Club LOTTERY

Woodchurch FC are delighted to announce the launch of our club lottery. £36 per year will include players in 12 monthly draws each with a minimum top prize of £100. Forms are available from the Woodchurch Hub, the Jean Mealham pop in centre and the Six Bells. You can alternatively message the club Facebook page. We are able to take payment through cash or cheque at all outlets or by card at the Hub. We can also support bac payments through the Facebook page. Please support us in this, the more players we get the higher the prize pool.



Weald of Kent Steam Rally

Little Engeham Farm, Woodchurch, TN26 3QY
7th and 8th of August

With over 30 full size steam engines taking part in arena events, steam 'working area' with threshing machines and saw benches, a Victorian Fair complete with Carousel and traditional side shows, over 60 scale steam engines and ride on railway, classic cars, stationary engines, commercial, farming, military vehicles and stalls, there really is something for everyone. Throughout the weekend there will be steam games to watch and participate in, a restoration marquee giving you access to what goes into bringing these beautiful machines back to life.



For full information about the weekend event visit wealdofkentsteamrally.co.uk

Woodchurch Football Club 1937



Bringing home the trophy (outside the Bonny Cravat)
(Photo courtesy of the Woodchurch Ancestry Group)