



WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

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September 2021

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WOODCHURCH Community Calendar



Weekly events:

Saturdays:

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

Mondays:

Tai Chi and Qigong 10:45am - 11:45pm at the Community Centre, Lower Road

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

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 2:00pm - 4:00pm 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:

Sat 4th **Woodchurch FC** 2:45pm - Woodchurch Reserves v Pilgrims Reserves on the Village Green

Sun 5th **Morning Worship** 11am at All Saints Church

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www.woodchurchhub.UK



Mon 6th **Woodchurch Local History Soc.** 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall. - "Pam and the Orpington Car"

Wed 8th **Woodchurch Players pantomime auditions** 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall - Adults (over 18)

Sat 11th **Woodchurch Garage Yard Sale** 10:00am to 3:00pm around the village
Woodchurch FC 2:45pm - Woodchurch Firsts v Kennington FC on the Village Green

Sun 12th **Holy Communion** 11:00 at All Saints Church

Tue 14th **W.I.** 7:15pm to 9:15pm in the Memorial Hall

Wed 15th **Woodchurch Players pantomime auditions** in the Memorial Hall
7:30pm to 8:15pm ages under 10
8:15pm to 9:30pm ages 10-17

Sat 18th **Woodchurch FC** 2:45pm - Woodchurch Reserves v Lenham Wanderers on the Village Green

Sun 19th Morning Worship 11:00am All Saints Church

Thu 23rd **Woodchurch Parish Council Meeting** 7:00pm - 9:00pm in the Memorial Hall Annexe

Fri 24th **Ashford Astronomical Society** 7:30pm in the Memorial Hall - "The Crowd and the Cosmos" by Chris Lintott

Sat 25th **WYT Volunteer Weekend** at All Saints Churchyard (Saturday and Sunday)

Sun 26th **Holy Communion and baptism** 11:00am at All Saints Church

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
Telephone (01233 861381)	7 days a week

Poppy Appeal - volunteers needed

Can you spare a few hours between 30th Oct and 13th Nov to help with the Woodchurch poppy appeal which raises money and awareness for The Royal British Legion?



It will involve visiting households (hopefully your neighbours) with poppies etc. in the village. You will be fully supported by me and everything you need will be provided to make it easy and pleasurable for you.

Woodchurch has got a strong tradition of raising a lot of money but for a number of reasons I am very short of collectors having lost a lot since the last poppy appeal 2 years ago.

If this is something that you feel you would like to be part of then please contact me ASAP and I will gladly give you more details.

Chris Dudman, Poppy appeal organiser Woodchurch
01233860023, 07767378649
chris.dudman@btinternet.com

School Governor Required

Our village school needs you!

An exciting opportunity has arisen for a new School Governor to join us as we develop and grow our Governing Body.

School Governors make a positive contribution to children's education by offering supportive challenge to help raise the standards and monitor resources effectively. School Governors meet six times a year and work as a team, bringing a wide variety of backgrounds to add value to the school life volunteering their diverse skills, expertise and time. Training and support is available so no prior experience is required of being a school Governor.

If you would like to know more, please contact Clair Silcock, Chair of Governors, by email on gb@woodchurch.kent.sch.uk or visit the school Governor website page.

www.woodchurch.kent.sch.uk/our-governing-body-1/



HANDYMAN / GARDENER REQUIRED

Location: Woodchurch
Hours by negotiation and are flexible
Call 07775 584448 to discuss

Woodchurch Players 2022 pantomime

'The adventures of Robin Hood'



We will be holding auditions for our January 2012 pantomime on the following dates:

Wednesday 8th September.....from 7.30pm to 9pm
(Adults) (over 18 years)

Wednesday 15th September 7.30pm to 8.15pm for under 10 year olds and 8.15pm to 9.30pm for the over 10 year olds

All auditions will be held in the Memorial Hall Woodchurch.

Emma Priest will be directing and if you have any queries her telephone number is 01233 860726

Please come along - as well as pantomime actors, singers and dancers we need helpers front of house and backstage.

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

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WOODCHURCH PARISH COUNCIL • *UPDATE* •

This month we co-opted a new Councillor onto the Parish Councillor - Paul Glasgow. He joined us for a very busy first meeting on 19th August and we are very pleased to welcome him on board. We still have a vacancy for another councillor, so if you would like to get more involved in the village and lend your time and skills to the community, please do get in touch through the Web site www.woodchurchhub.uk or by contacting the Clerk on clerk@woodchurch-pc.gov.uk.

At this meeting the updated by-laws for the village green and the signs for the village car park were also approved and these will be on display shortly. The updated bye-laws have clarified several of the existing items and the car park signs will make it clearer that overnight parking is not permitted in the car park without the express permission of the Parish Council - something which we have had issues with recently.

The council is also on the lookout for some local expertise to support the work we do.

Firstly, if any residents are knowledgeable regarding flag flying protocol (when and how the flag should be hoisted and which flags should be flown for certain occasions etc.) please contact us if you can help in ensuring our flag pole is always properly adorned!

Secondly, we would like to know if there is anyone in the village who has knowledge and experience of managing green areas and who would be able to provide expert advice to the Parish Council regarding the maintenance of our village green spaces. This would include liaising with our local sports teams and volunteer groups and advising in the appropriate frequency and height of mowing of the grass on The Green and maintenance of the wildflower meadow. If you think you could help then please get in touch.

WinBloom are looking to organise a Windmill Path Tidy. We are very pleased that they are taking the time to do this as the path up to the Windmill can be extremely difficult to navigate. If you are free in October when they are holding their two-day event, please do get in touch with them and offer your support.

It has been brought to our attention in the last month that the fence around the play area has been damaged. If you notice any damage to the equipment or fencing in and around the play area and adult exercise equipment please contact The HUB (01233 861381, enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or clerk@woodchurch-pc.gov.uk immediately so that we can ensure it is safe and can affect any necessary repairs.

Finally, this month the Parish Council meeting had a large attendance of residents concerned with the new planning application. In response to the outline planning application (21/01284/AS) for the development of 40 new dwellings to the west of Front Road, Woodchurch Parish Council has

submitted an objection notice to the Ashford Borough Council (ABC) Planning Department. The developers outline planning application has all matters reserved, except for access, which means that detailed planning information such as layout, architecture, drainage, ecology, etc., will not be submitted to Ashford Borough Council until a later stage in the planning application process. Our objection consequently focused on the following elements associated with access:

- Land take in excess of the Policy S40 site (i.e., some 375%)
- The large number of dwellings (40) proposed and associated access roads
- Departure from the ribbon development layout that currently exists along the western edge of Front Road
- The use of a single access road to enter the proposed development area
- The dangers of the single access road, aligned on a blind bend along Front Road
- The dangers of a steeply graded access road
- Access road adoption within the proposed development and the potential cost implications to future residents
- Concerns with development access to Woodchurch village's foul water drainage system and plans to address its current inadequate capacity
- Access road runoff and storm water flood mitigation
- As this is a major project for Woodchurch, the requirement for additional design information and further community consultation between villagers, the developer, Southern Water, ABC and other associated parties.

A copy of the Parish Councils letter to Ashford Borough Council Planning, is available on the [community Web site](http://www.woodchurchhub.uk), from the Hub, any councillor and on ABC's Planning website: (<https://planning.ashford.gov.uk/planning>)

If you have any questions regarding any of the issues mentioned in this update, or anything else, then please do get in touch.

[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/

Public Rights Of Way - PROW

It is wonderful to see so many walkers out and about the parish continuing to enjoy our many marvellous countryside Public Rights of Way (PROW) footpaths that surround the village. As the pandemic continues it is important that we all continue to respect other walkers, our natural environment, land owners and farm animals by:



- Parking carefully so as not to block pavements, access to gateways and driveways;
- Checking the PROW route on a map before you start so that you do not get lost;
- Keeping to the marked paths and not wandering off onto private lands and property;
- Leaving countryside gates and property as you find them;
- Following the marked paths and giving way to others where it's narrow;
- Leaving no trace of your visit by taking all your litter home;
- Keeping dogs under effective control, especially near other walkers and farm stock;
- Never leaving dog poo on PROW verges and footpaths, bag it up and take home or place in a village red bin;
- Following advice and local signs;
- Landowners keeping PROW's that pass over their land open by trimming back trees, hedges and bushes as needed
- Washing your hands after the walk.

Remember you can report a fault to a stile, path, bridge, drain, etc., to the KCC using their websites:

For the countryside public right of ways:

<https://webapps.kent.gov.uk/countrysideaccesscams>

For the village roads and pavements:

www.kent.gov.uk/roads-and-travel/report-a-problem

Alternatively please talk to a member of the WPC or contact The HUB and we would be happy to review the fault and report if necessary. Above all, continue to enjoy our lovely village and countryside!

Parish Council Vacancies

The Parish Council currently has a vacancy. If you are dynamic, have a passion about the village and would like to help shape the future of the Woodchurch community please contact us. 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.**

Ashford Astronomical Society

"The Crowd and the Cosmos" by Chris Lintott - perhaps best known for his work as presenter of BBC's Sky At Night.

Friday September 24th in the Memorial Hall 7:30pm

The Great Woodchurch Autumn Garage Yard Sale

A repeat of the successful spring village up-cycling, for sale and "give-aways" will be held on Saturday 11th September from 10:00 am to 3:00 pm. There is no charge if you wish to be included on the map. Please let us know at The HUB or by email to enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk with your name and address by Monday 6th September.



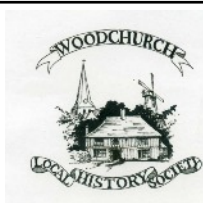
More stalls will be available all day at the Museum (spaces still available), as well as a lunchtime BBQ and refreshments from 11:30.

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

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 860139.



Our summer event this year went well and comprised a superb cream tea at the Woodchurch Wine Estate, Susan's Hill on Wednesday 18th August. About 30 members

attended and all commented on the quality of the scones etc. and of the view we had from the newly installed balcony at the visitor centre. We would like to thank Graham and Donna Barbour for providing such a lovely location and a superb tea. On Monday September 6th, 7:30pm we are recommencing our society talks in the Memorial Hall. The topic is 'Pam, Woodchurch and the Orpington car'. The story is of Frank Smith,



grandfather of village resident Pam Moate, who, with his business partner Jack Milroy, designed and marketed a car in the 1920's. The family eventually retired from Orpington to run Brickwall Farm, Susan's Hill. Pam continued to make Woodchurch her home.

The meeting is also open to visitors who pay £3 at the door. We will be encouraging the audience to socially distance and the wearing of a face mask is optional.

Our October meeting is on Monday 6th and is, as usual, in the Memorial Hall at 7:30pm. This time we have our



invited speaker Steve Hookins who will give a presentation entitled 'Doing Our Bit'. Steve is in character as 'Mr Foreman' of the WW2 Emergency Road Repair Service where he will no doubt give an hilarious performance. He will then talk of the roles carried out by the Home Front's unsung heroes. This should provide a very

memorable and lively evening.

Our society normally meets on the first Monday of the month at 7:15pm for a 7:30pm start. Our talks and presentations are selected to cover historical topics, mainly covering Woodchurch and Kent in general. Members pay £10 annually and new members are very welcome. Please come and try us out. For more information contact Geoff Turner on 860393.

Woodchurch Windmill Update

There is nothing specific to report at the moment however wheels are still turning in the background. Ashford Borough Council have commissioned a second report by the Kent Mills Heritage Officer and we are currently waiting for this to be made available. - Mel Bailey



MUSEUM 150+ 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	Peter Buckley	974
2nd prize	£30	July Teulings	755
3rd prize	£20	Margaret Sawyer	1375

Need a planning application?



Call **01233 861177**
vernacularhomes.com

Woodchurch Football Club

Our season kicks off on September 4th.

The first game is a Home grudge match against Fountain FC who won the league last year with us finishing 2nd. it should be a good game!



September 2021 Fixtures - All kickoff times are 14:45

Saturday 4th September

The Fountain v Woodchurch Firsts
Woodchurch Reserves v Pilgrims Reserves

Saturday 11th September

Woodchurch Firsts v Kennington FC
Bromley Green Reserves v Woodchurch Reserves

Saturday 18th September

Len Valley FC v Woodchurch Firsts
Woodchurch Reserves v Lenham Wanderers

Saturday 25th September

Woodchurch Firsts v Sellindge
Charing v Woodchurch Reserves

Wildflower Meadow on the Green extension



Volunteers who planted out wildflowers in the meadow last May will have noticed that their efforts have been rewarded, with some localised splashes of colour in the designated areas. We were lucky that it rained hard immediately afterwards! Hopefully these plants will now seed themselves further into the surroundings as they are carried about by the hay harvest. The meadow should soon be receiving its annual cut. After this, when the hay bales have been removed, we plan to temporarily cover a few small sections with tarpaulins, in order to suppress the most vigorous areas of grass, allowing us to introduce more wildflower seeds and plants this autumn.

We will be planting out more seedlings on Sunday 31st October between 11am and 1pm. Thank you again to all the Villagers who have been helping with this and continue to do so.

Please contact us if you would be interested in the initial laying of tarpaulins, or in planting out the seedlings in October – please see contact details below

LAUNCHED ... Woodchurch in Bloom's new website!!! www.WoodchurchinBloom.com

We are pleased to invite you to take a look around our new website and see what's happening in Woodchurch in Bloom. [Small disclaimer: the website is work in progress and some items are yet to be completed but we wanted you to see it first!]

- We need your help!

In October, we plan to announce our next exciting venture for Woodchurch in Bloom, so please watch this space.....

In the meantime, to help us prepare for its launch we would welcome donations of any of the following items:

Wooden pallets, Spare timber, Cardboard – ideally large boxes, Chicken wire

- We're looking for volunteers to overwinter some plants for us

If you are able to help with either of these requests, we look forward to hearing from you – thank you

woodchurchinbloom@hotmail.com, Linda: 07795 383945, Philippa: 07774 608281

WoodchurchYardTogether ("WYT")

Our next volunteer gardening weekend in the Churchyard is:

**25th & 26th
September**

PLEASE COME ALONG AND
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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.

UPDATE on Application 21/00474/AS - : Land north of 14 and 15, Kirkwood Avenue, Woodchurch
Planning permission on this development has been refused

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

The Parish Council have reviewed this application and based upon the limited information currently provided by the developers have registered an objection to this development.



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 Parish Council are fundamentally in agreement with the proposed development however there are a number of elements that need to be clarified. Because of this the Parish Council have raised an objection until more

Well we made it, Picnic on Green take 4 went ahead despite the ridiculous weather for August. The Crew pulled it off, with a lot of support from many others. The event cost the group just over £2k and we recouped £1800 back from the day, we contributed also to Woodchurch football club as they worked hard feeding our bands and you. A massive thank you for your continued support and the generous contributions from Woodchurch Parish Council, John Redman Birchwood Utilities, James Greenwood JMS Mobility, Rick Stephen's, Richard Sturges RT Development, Adrian Moon Allure Windows, The Six Bells, The Ancient Borough and Tesco's Express, Mace Lane. it was humbling to get all the good feedback from many of you, so we will be doing it again next year, bigger and better and hope more of the other village groups will join in. A distance voice has mentioned "carnival" watch this space.

THE BIG THIN
Red line

Moving forward, the annual Remembrance parade will take place on the 14th November. Dare I mention Christmas - the team have contacted the big man himself and arranged a visit around the village with Father Christmas and his elf helpers, more details to follow.

Richard Carley has kindly provided us with an HQ for the team to meet. We blessed the lodge and invited veterans for a free buffet and beer which took place on 7th August. We are now looking to get charity status, so we can achieve more in our community. Doors are still open to all and we welcome you to join, we are still eager to set up a youth section. This will be active participation in planning for future community events and tasks ages 16 to 18yrs.

Please contact us on facebook or call me 07584 075 008 or via email Patrick7171@hotmail.co.uk

In between almost biblical outbreaks of rain, Woodchurch WI somehow managed, in the early part of August, to fit in two super social events without a drop of rain falling to mar the occasions. Catherine's wonderful garden was the venue for a small gathering early in the month, and although it had been distinctly overcast and threatening early in the morning, the sun shone to order beautifully in the afternoon; thus avoiding the need for a mad, panic-filled dash for cover. Thank you to both Catherine and her glamorous assistant, Sandra. Then on 10th August nineteen of us met up at the Pop-In Centre for a fully catered luncheon; an event originally planned for the previous year, but for obvious reasons postponed until this summer. The delicious buffet was provided by Ripley's Garden Restaurant, Bethersden and the puddings (a choice of coffee flan, chocolate flan or strawberry flan) came courtesy of Lynn's daughter, with coffee and mints to follow and all ably served to us by Richard, Clive and Shirley - a big thank you to all concerned in bringing it about! It was a doubly special occasion for one member, Amy, as it also just happened to be her birthday and so we were delighted to sing a lusty "Happy Birthday" to her. One positive aspect to have emerged from the current pandemic is that with so few chances to socialise since March 2019, we all now really appreciate each and every available opportunity and so this was a truly enjoyable and memorable occasion!

Next month, barring any unforeseen setbacks, we are hoping to be able to meet in the Memorial Hall on Tuesday, 14th September at 7.15 p.m. The speaker for the evening will be Anna Astin with a talk intriguingly entitled "Jolly Hockey Sticks" and in keeping with the schooldays theme, members are invited to bring along something relating to their former school life for the competition. Of course, as this will be our very first meeting of 2021, it almost goes without saying that we are eagerly looking forward to welcoming as many members as possible. Hope to see you there!



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Monday to Friday 9am to 5pm



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'Match your Skills for Volunteering' Course

Thursday September 16th 2021

9.30am - 3.00pm

Volunteering is an excellent way of developing new skills and utilising existing ones. It can also be a stepping-stone back into employment or simply to a different life direction. Ashford Volunteer Centre, in partnership with Response, will help you recognise your skills and match them with the many local opportunities available.

Lunch and refreshments included

Places are limited so early application recommended.

This course is open to any adult over 19, unwaged or low-waged.

Contact the Volunteer Centre on 01233 665535 or email contact@ashfordvc.org.uk



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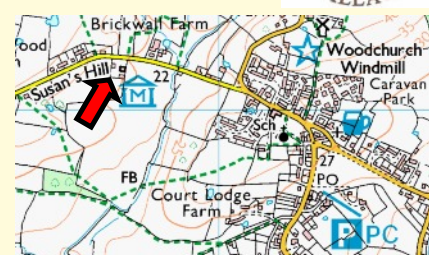
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WOODCHURCH VILLAGE LIFE MUSEUM



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.

www.woodchurchmuseum.com

Woodchurch 10&5 Mile Run



The Woodchurch 10&5 mile running event this year is being held on the morning of Sunday 24th October. The event includes a Childrens' 1 mile run round the green: 4 x 400m laps; a vibrant race hub village with refreshments and the buzz of the race registration tent, baggage holding area, the start and finishing lines. The Scouts will be on duty at water stations and handing out the finishers medals.

We welcome any other community groups to get involved to help raise funds for their own causes. So please do contact Ben Hebblethwaite (07967 817 327) if you'd like to set up a stall on the green or get involved in other ways such as marshalling. A well populated team of marshals is essential for the success and smooth running of the event and it's a surprisingly very rewarding experience to take part in.

The adults (or 14yr olds and over) can enter the 5 mile or the two lapped course of the 10 mile. Starting near Place Lane on The Green, the course takes runners down Lower Road, round the entire kite shape of the village, then off to Susan's Hill out past the Woodchurch Vineyard and back round to the village via Boldshaves and Redbrook Street to finish on the green. A single road closure from the crossroads of Redbrook St / Bethersden Road all the way down through the village on Front Road to the junction with Lower Road. The closure is just for the Sunday morning, with the bulk of the race lasting two hours. For those that need access via the closed road, a little planning ahead, will minimise any inconvenience. The race starts at 9:30am and the last runner is done by 12pm.

Prizes galore at this event! Bespoke medals all round and a bottle of wine from Woodchurch Vineyard for those that prove to be the fastest Man or Woman in the 10 and 5 mile races. This year the medal is the result of the winning design of the competition entered by every year group of the village school.

For full details of the Woodchurch 10&5 mile: www.nice-work.org.uk



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

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. |

Maintenance Volunteers

Woodchurch Village Life Museum are always looking for volunteers to assist with light gardening duties, maintenance, in-house staff and meet-and-greet. If you are interested and can spare an hour each week then why not come along on a Wednesday morning from 9:30. You will be made very welcome.

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 Memorial Hall Vacancies

Booking Clerk - £30 per week (contract)

Ideal for someone who needs to work from home - preferably within the Woodchurch Village area. This role involves taking and coordinating bookings for the Memorial Hall and Annexe and making keys available to hirers as required. The hours will vary depending on the volume of bookings and, although the working time will need to be flexible, the total hours worked will usually not exceed 3 hours per week.

Society Secretary - Volunteer

The Memorial Hall committee are seeking a Society Secretary to support the Chair (also a volunteer) and prepare the paperwork for, and also minute, the monthly meetings.

These are exciting time for the Memorial Hall and these positions will play a key role in helping it to get back to full speed following the pandemic shutdown.

For more information please contact Les Fenton on 07796 884439 or bethles.fenton2@btinternet.com



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Boldshaves Gardens

The Gardens (and Tea House) here at Boldshaves will remain open until 15 October, and will then close for the season, re-opening in March 2022. Please visit our website for details of self-catering accommodation, Barn bookings or 2022 events. www.boldshaves.co.uk



The Wealden Literary Festival 2022 will take place at Boldshaves over the weekend of 25/26 June 2022: see www.wealdenliteraryfestival.co.uk for further details in due course.

For more information call 01233 860283 or email enquiries@boldshaves.co.uk

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The Schreiber-Webb Family by Jon Chaplin

Karl Schreiber was born far away in Durlach near the German city of Karlsruhe. He moved to London in the 1740s and traded in furs, building a fortune that his descendants were to enjoy. Karl later lived at Enfield and Tewin a village now near Welwyn Garden City. Karl was quite a character, having three wives and nearly four. His first-born son William grew up at Tewin, and later moved around living in Ipswich, Bures on the Essex/Suffolk border and in the New Forest at Brockenhurst. He bought Hengherst at Woodchurch towards the end of the 18th century and his eldest son John Charles inherited the estate when William died in 1821.

John Charles Schreiber married Amelia Cameron in 1823, taking up residence there in 1828. John Charles was our village squire for 40 years until he died childless in 1863. Amelia carried on at Hengherst for another 20 years and Duncan Cameron her nephew kept her company there, with his family.



In 1883, Amelia died and the estate was inherited by Arthur Schreiber (pictured left), a nephew of John Charles. His wife Elizabeth (below) was a Yorkshire lass. In the photographs, she looks somewhat severe but Arthur appears to have been a gentle soul who was well-loved by those who knew him well. They had just one child, Evelyn (third picture), who inherited the Hengherst estate when Arthur died in 1902.



In 1899, Evelyn had married an army man, Captain Somerset Edward Deane Webb. Evelyn was very active in Woodchurch affairs, donating regularly to All Saints as had John Charles. The couple had three children, a boy and two girls. The eldest was known locally as 'Tommy'. Evelyn died of skin cancer in 1931, leaving Hengherst to him.

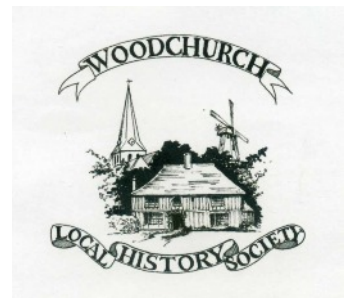
The estate included many properties in Woodchurch with a total of over 2500 acres. Evelyn was worth a total of over what would have been £20 million in today's values. In 1937 the estate was auctioned off and

Tommy (below) moved to Ireland. Thus ended 114 years of Schreibers as the squires of Woodchurch. John Charles, Amelia, Arthur, Elizabeth and Tommy all lie in All Saints churchyard near the western end of the church.



Suggested Reading The Schreibers are mentioned in Then & Now and A Social History of Woodchurch and which is a title published by Woodchurch Village Life Museum.

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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 BACS payments through the Facebook page. Please support us in this, the more players we get the higher the prize pool.



Woodchurch Village Life Museum 2021/22 150 Plus Club

Woodchurch Village Life Museum invite you to join their 2021/2022 "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.

The Old Post Office Coffee Shop Opening Now Open

After many months of destruction, reconstruction, hard work and determination The Old Post Office Coffee Shop opened its doors to the "WOW" of a crowd of expectant customers at 9 am on Saturday the 21st August. It was agreed that it well worth the wait - as the coffee was poured and the sandwiches, breakfasts and cakes were served.



The Old Post Office Coffee Shop is determined to use as much local produce as it can and is sourcing its coffee from Coldblow Coffee - from right here in Woodchurch.

The journey has not been an easy one as considerable structural work was needed in order to prepare the cafe for opening. The result is spectacular though, and the inside was described by one customer as "being like a TARDIS".



Congratulations to the team for their dedication and for providing the village with their long awaited cafe.

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