



WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

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November 2021

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WOODCHURCH Community Calendar



Weekly events:

Saturdays:

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

Mondays:

BodyTone 6:15am - 7:00am at the Memorial Hall

BodyFlex 7:15am - 8:00am at the Memorial Hall

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

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

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

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

Tuesdays:

Little Leaves Forest School 10:00am - 12:00pm at
Boldshaves Gardens

Community Warden 1:00pm - 3:00pm in the HUB

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

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

Wednesdays:

Bootcamp 6:15am - 7:00am at the Memorial Hall
Annexe

Pop-In 2:00pm - 4:00pm Tea and coffee and
boot fair marquee at the Jean Mealham
Pop-In Centre

Rainbows 4:15pm - 5:30pm in the S&G Community
Centre, Lower Road

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

Guides 7:30pm - 9:00pm in the S&G Community
Centre, Lower Road

Thursdays:

BodyFlex 6:15am - 7:00am at the Memorial Hall

BodyTone 7:15am - 8:00am at the Memorial Hall

Art Society 10:00am - 1:00pm at the Memorial Hall

CARM 10:00am - 12:00pm in Jean Mealham
Pop-In Centre

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

Previous editions of the Newsletter can be
found on The HUB Web site
www.woodchurchhub.UK



Other Events:

Mon 1st **Woodchurch Local History Soc** - Three talks by
the Woodchurch Ancestry Group. 7:30pm at the
Memorial Hall

Sun 7th **Morning Worship** 11am at All Saints Church

Classic Cars 12:00 at the Bonny Cravat

Tue 9th **PCSO available at The HUB** 1:00pm to 3:00pm
at The HUB

W.I. 7:15pm to 9:15pm in the Memorial Hall

Fri 12th **Tri Services Dinner**

Sat 13th **Exhibition of paintings by Rowan Crewe RBA-**
10:00am to 5:00pm at the Memorial Hall -
Continues on Sunday

Sun 14th **Exhibition of paintings by Rowan Crewe RBA-**
10:00am to 5:00pm at the Memorial Hall

Service of Remembrance 10:45 at All Saints
Church

Mon 15th **Nigel Hawkes - Service of Remembrance** 2:00pm at
All Saints Church

Tue 16th **Pre-Christmas shopping trip** - Hempstead Valley.
Leaving Six Bells Park at 10:00am

Thu 18th **Carnival 2022 Planning Group** - 6:30pm at the
Pop-In

Fri 19th **Museum American Supper.**

Sun 21st **Morning Worship** 11:00am All Saints Church

Mon 22nd **Patient Participation Group** - 6:00pm at the
Memorial Hall Annexe

Thu 25th **Woodchurch Parish Council Meeting**
7:00pm - 9:00pm in the Memorial Hall
Annexe

Fri 26th **Scrabble** 2:00pm - 4:00pm at the Pop-In Centre
Ashford Astronomical Society - Telescope
Workshop 7:30pm to 9:30pm in

Sat 27th **Woodchurch Yard Together Weekend** - at All
Saints Church. Continues Sunday

Sun 28th **Woodchurch Yard Together Winter Social** -
2:30pm at All Saints Church.

Christmas Tree on the Green - lights switch-on -
5:00pm on The Green

TO VIEW THE FULL CALENDAR ONLINE GO TO
www.woodchurchhub.uk/community-calendar/

WOODCHURCH SURGERY UPDATE

As I reflect on the achievements of October I feel an ache in my legs that reminds me our team completed the brilliantly-organised Woodchurch 5mile run on Sunday. We were all really pleased to take part and complete the course with the assistance of a lot of cheering on. I understand all the Marshalls are local volunteers who gave up their time to help and I even got to meet the paramedics I thought we might need! Dr Smith took off like the gazelle she is while the rest of us set a more moderate pace. We are all proud owners of uniquely designed medals which was a lovely surprise.



The 5 miles around Woodchurch in fair weather has been dwarfed by the incredible story of "Three Dads Walking". If you haven't seen the coverage, it is the determination of three fathers who have lost their daughters to suicide and by walking over 300 miles to raise awareness of mental health and the charity Papyrus whose goal is suicide prevention. While October has celebrated Black History Month and Breast Cancer Awareness, November will try to raise awareness of Men's Mental Health and Prostate Cancer, their stories highlighted that suicide came at the most unexpected time for them. As a society we are getting better at talking about mental wellbeing but the 3 Dads' message is to encourage us to go further and not shy away from us talking openly about suicidal thoughts with friends, family or professionals.

Onto the Covid Boosters... We had a temporary leave of our senses and had been talking of doing a walk-in immunisation clinic at Charing until we pictured the scenes of chaos and gridlock. If you heard the rumour, please do not turn up uninvited at Charing on Saturday the 6th November. Instead, we are booking people into appointment times on Saturday 6th November splitting the PCN's appointments between Ivy Court Surgery in Tenterden and Charing Surgery. Having covered the 450 or so living in care homes we will be inviting the "extremely vulnerable" and over 80's first then down to 75's if we still have appointments left. I'm pleased to see that a large proportion have gone elsewhere for their boosters demonstrating that we are a really engaged community in the fight against Covid - perhaps we want to spend Christmas together this year?

We have been really lucky with the weather so far but are planning to make the dispensary waiting area a little more weather-proof for the winter. Please remember that if you have difficulty getting prescriptions that there is a daily delivery for routine items - so please contact the dispensary if you need to use this service. While we don't have the corporate clout of the big pharmacies, we want to be able to provide our rural community with what you need so we are

trying to develop this service within the constraints we have.

Amazingly we don't have any new members to the permanent team this month to welcome but have met our two new medical students who will be with us for blocks of a week at a time. We have Hugh and Yuta with us this year and I appreciate your patience and understanding if you get to meet them.

Best wishes on behalf of the Surgery - Jack Hickey, GP

Patient Participation Group

Next PPG meeting – Monday 22nd November 6pm in the Memorial Hall Annexe

I'm pleased to confirm that we will be restarting our PPG meetings from November. I'm delighted that both Dr Jack Hickey and Helen Fox (Practice Manager) will be attending to provide latest updates from the Surgery and they will also be happy to answer any questions.'

We also hope to have a speaker during the evening, the details of which I will confirm nearer the time.

Hot drinks and cakes will be available for a small donation too!

All Woodchurch Surgery Patients are very welcome to come along and join us.

Philippa – PPG Chairperson
Philippa.nick@btinternet.com



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Scout Group Paper Collection

Woodchurch Scout group collect paper in the village on the second Sunday of every month. Please have your paper outside your property, visible from the road, by 9am. The proceeds from this help to run the mini bus which allows the scout group to get about for activities.

If you would like to bring your own paper donation there are some blue bins outside the gates to the Scout and Guide Centre/ pop in centre in Lower road.



Bonny Cravat - November Events

We currently have steak nights running from 6pm every Wednesday. This includes 2 steaks (served with skin on fries and a salad garnish) and a house bottle of wine for £29.50.



We have recently had our first live music event, this went very well and we are hoping to making this more of a regular occurrence - so watch this space. We also have a monthly quiz night. We endeavour to continue with our Classic Car Rally every first Sunday of the month (weather permitting).

And lastly, with Christmas just around the corner we have started taking bookings for 'Christmas Parties' and are offering a delicious set festive menu so please call us or pop in with any enquiries.

Leigha - www.facebook.com/bonnycravat/

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Nigel Hawkes - 1943-2021

Nigel and his young family moved to Well House on Front Road, Woodchurch in 1980. He was Science Editor of The Times and then Health Editor. In 1999 he was awarded a CBE for services to journalism and to science.



I got to know Nigel in 2002 when Woodchurch Windmill needed a bit of tender loving care. A public meeting elected a new committee of The Friends of Woodchurch Windmill (FWW) with Nigel as Chairman. Nigel's forte was fund raising. He wrote some letters and over 50 thousand pounds arrived.

Nigel was ever gentle, articulate, realistic, modest and balanced. He told us - "old windmills go through a continuous cycle of restoration and decay". He wrote - "a windmill is an inspiring example of the continuity of village life". Nigel's committee helped Woodchurch windmill back on its feet and the sails turned once more. He resigned as our FWW chairman in mid-2006, giving us all a farewell drink at the AGM.

Nigel loved Woodchurch and seemed never happier than when working in his garden which he enlarged in his mid-70s. Few saw him quietly sitting out at the back enjoying the view and the fruits of his labours. We shall miss our neighbour two doors down and are thinking of Jo, Georgina, Will, Alex and the grandchildren.

Jon Chaplin

— Service of Remembrance for Nigel —

Thanks for the many lovely messages about Dad. We really appreciate it.

I wanted to share details of the services to remember Dad. There'll be a service of remembrance at All Saints Church in Woodchurch, Kent, at 2pm on Monday 15th November, followed by food and drinks nearby in the village hall (the Memorial Hall). We will also hold a memorial service in London at St Bride's in a few months' time.

You are very welcome to attend either or both. If you are planning to come to the Woodchurch service, let us know. I'll send details about St Bride's once a date is confirmed.

Please pass this on to anyone who knew Nigel and might like to come.

Alex Hawkes - 07830 126632, hawkes.alex@gmail.com



**Woodchurch HUB now has over
1,000 Facebook followers**





The society usually meets on the first Monday of the month in the Memorial Hall at 7:30pm.

Our speakers on Monday November 1st are three-fold. We are fortunate in having three members of the

Woodchurch Ancestry Group come to us and each will give a 20 minute presentation of a subject of their choice. They will all be delivering a topic of Woodchurch village history. These talks should also appeal to villagers interested in Woodchurch's past. Visitors are very welcome.

The speakers and their topics are :-

Josie Mackie - Crime, Punishment and the Whipping of Ann Brisley (yes, in Woodchurch).

Jon Chaplin - Three Eureka Moments.

Gary Samson - The Village Pump.

Our December meeting on Monday 6th December is at the same venue and time. Traditionally, a member or two of the society will give a small presentation and this would be followed by some Christmas nibbles and wine. Sometimes, we will have a quiz. This year, the evening's content is yet to be announced.

We are always looking for new members - subscription rate is £10 annually, starting from next March. Visitors are also welcome paying £3 at the door.

For more information contact Geoff Turner, 860393.

The Woodchurch Ancestry Group will be giving three mini-talks to the Woodchurch Local History Society on Monday 1st November at 7:30 At The Memorial Hall.



1. Three Eureka Moments
2. Crime, Punishment and the Whipping of Ann Brisley
3. The Village Pump



WLHS members: no charge Visitors: £3



We would like to personally invite you to be part of an exciting adventure to hold the Woodchurch Carnival 4th June 2022. This event will tie into the national celebrations and also will become another historic day in village life.

We want all groups/societies and people to be part of that day in what ever way they wish, we do see it as a day that you can use to show yourselves off.

We have sketched a plan for the day that includes, floats, stands, bands and we would like you to have the chance to input by attending the next meeting the **18th November at 6:30 pm** the Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre.

We already have many involved, The Hub, Church, Yard society, Woodchurch Blooms, museum, Players, pop in centre and TBTRL. There are opportunities for groups to promote themselves through many ways such as sponsoring a float/having a stand or even doing a show/presentation.

We are still in the very early stages of organisation and we really want this to be a great time for all the village. We need you to be part of that so please feel free to call or email and to come along to the November meeting.

We look forward to hearing and seeing you.

Pat Byrne on behalf of the Carnival Committee.

www.woodchurchcarnival.uk

At the end of a gloriously sunny October day Woodchurch WI met for the second conventional meeting since March, 2020, and having taken so much for granted previously, we now all really appreciate each and every opportunity to meet together face to face. This month was our Annual Meeting when we elect a new Committee, choose a new President and review the past year. Six members were willing to stand for committee and, as that exactly fits the required number, they were elected. However, it was necessary to vote for a President and Lynn was again duly re-elected. Our thanks go to two ladies from Wittersham WI for their help with the entire process.

The Treasurer gave her Financial Report and Joy, our Secretary, briefly reported on the past year. Unfortunately Covid had, of necessity, curtailed many of our usual activities, but in spite of the worldwide situation, the Committee had made every effort to maintain a safe connection with members during the pandemic by means of a monthly newsletter, a raffle and birthday cards. Easter and Christmas were also celebrated with small appropriate gifts and gradually as restrictions eased slightly, during the summer months, we were able to enjoy several Garden Parties at members' homes. The highlight of the year, however, was a fully catered buffet lunch provided by Ripley's Garden Restaurant, Bethersden, with puddings courtesy of one of Lynn's daughters, finishing with coffee and mints, all ably served by Richard, Clive and Shirley of the Pop In. We now have 29 members and whilst acknowledging that coronavirus will still be a part of our lives for a while yet, hopefully in the year to come with the help afforded by the vaccination programme, we will be able to meet more frequently and enjoy the excellent programme Sandra, our Programme Secretary, has in store for us.

Having successfully completed the "business" part of the evening, we were able to relax and enjoy chocolates and a glass of wine (or two), play a few games and make selections from the clothes and jewellery in the October "Swish" and just wallow in the opportunity to socialise and enjoy some convivial, idle chit chat.

On Tuesday 9th November at 7.15 pm in the Memorial Hall Howard Smith will be our speaker for the evening with a talk entitled "The Golden Age of Transatlantic Luxury Liners". Most of us have embarked on an ocean or a river cruise, so the competition will be a piece of memorabilia from such a holiday. We look forward to greeting as many members as possible and

also visitors are very welcome to attend if interested.

Finally, don't forget to firmly add Woodchurch WI's Christmas Market to your diaries or calendars. It will be held on Saturday, 4th December 2-4 pm in the Memorial Hall and Annex and stalls will include Books, Bric a Brac, Cakes, Refreshments and Tombola! Also you can book your own stall

Woodchurch Museum



On Friday 15th October, the museum welcomed a group of 24 year 3 pupils, accompanied by several adults, from Folkestone. They had come to visit not only the museum but the village and the windmill because all the classes in the school are named after villages and their class is Woodchurch. It was a pleasure to have them at the museum and we hope that they learned a great deal, not only from visiting the museum but also from their visit to the village.

The museum will close its doors for this year on Sunday 31st October and will re-open at Easter in April 2022. Visits over the winter months can be arranged by appointment.

There is an American supper planned for all museum volunteers on Friday 19th November. If you would like to be part of the museum team, either front of house, gardener or maintenance then please leave your name and contact details at The Hub.

Richard Carley receives his British Empire Medal

Richard Carley was presented with his B.E.M. On the 27th October by the Lord Lieutenant of Kent, The Lady Colgrain, at Sevenoaks.



Congratulations Richard for the support you have given to Woodchurch village over the years.

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All Saints Church



Dear Friends,

Mike and I have been enjoying all our church and school harvest festivals. It was great to see All Saints Churches full with children and families as we come together to celebrate after such a long time apart. The churches have looked beautiful, with flowers in wonderful Autumn colours arranged beautifully by our team in the church. This has been a great time for appreciating all the gifts of creation around us before our season changes.



We are now busy planning and preparing for our Advent and Christmas events. Advent starts this month on 28th November - the first Advent candle will be lit in church on that day. We will have lots of different services and events in church, outside, and around our villages during Advent, so do keep an eye out. We are all



especially looking forward to Christingle and crib services next month. I understand these have been great occasions for families in each village to come together in previous years. My first Christmas here was mainly spent leading things online. It will be wonderful to be able to meet families this year. I look forward to seeing you as we celebrate together.



Every Blessing, Reverend Sue - 01233 820266

[70th Wedding Anniversary](#)

We were delighted to hold a renewal of wedding vows service for John and Violet Syers who celebrated their 70th wedding anniversary last month - amazing! Their family surprised them by arranging for Meridian TV to film the service and interview them, and also Reverend Mike who conducted the service. They talked about humour being the essential ingredient which has made their relationship such a long and happy one - John talked about not allowing the doom and gloom to get in the way - such a lovely couple.



Congratulations from all in Woodchurch!

Reverend Sue Rose

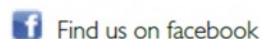
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Woodchurch Players

The Players are so pleased to be back rehearsing again and our first production is, of course pantomime 'The adventures of Robin Hood' on stage in January. Tickets will shortly be on sale, (on-line and through The HUB) and the dates of the performances are set out below. Emma Priest our director, tells me that rehearsals are going well, lines, music and songs are being learned - from a cast consisting of regular Woodchurch panto players and newcomers to the group.



Dates of Pantomime performances in January 2022:-

- Friday 14th at 7.30pm (a special childrens' performance)
- Saturday 15th at 2.30pm and 7.30pm/
- Sunday 16th at 2.30pm
- Friday 21st at 7.30pm
- Saturday 22nd at 2.30pm and 7.30pm

Tickets cost £10 adult and £8 for children.

Other productions planned for 2022

In February we welcome a visit from 'Out of a Suitcase' travelling drama group for two performances of Yasmina Reza's very funny play (described as a philosophical comedy) 'God of Carnage'.

Two performances in Woodchurch on Saturday 12th and Friday 18th of February.



WoodchurchYardTogether ("WYT")

Our next volunteer gardening weekend in the Churchyard is:

27th & 28th

November

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WoodchurchYardTogether ("WYT")

Winter Social – Sunday 28th November 2.30pm

Please come along on the Sunday of our November WYT volunteer weekend to see the difference we are making in the Churchyard, learn about our Churchyard management plans and enjoy a hot drink and sweet treat for just £3!

Please just come and find us at 2.30pm in the Churchyard (Porch if wet)

ARE YOUR EVENTS IN THE COMMUNITY CALENDAR?

Have you put your event dates in the Community Calendar? Although we are still early in the year we are already seeing clubs and society event clashes. Email your event dates to enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk to make sure they are included in the calendar.

Supporting The HUB

The HUB is a not-for-profit organisation that exists to help support the residents of Woodchurch, the village clubs and societies and also village businesses. It is managed entirely by volunteers. The Newsletter is partially funded by advertising and the rest through fundraising and voluntary donations. If you would like to make a donation to help support The HUB then please go to The HUB web site and click the the "Donate" button. www.woodchurchhub.uk

Sunflower Competition presentations

We had a thoroughly enjoyable morning on 2nd October celebrating with our Sunflower competition entrants and winners.

After presenting certificates and 'seed cards', we then had fun cutting down the sunflowers in the Churchyard and making bird feeders.



Thank you to Reverend Sue for allowing us to use the Church to avoid the autumnal weather and also thank you to the ladies who provided hot drinks and cakes, specially decorated with sunflowers.

A very enjoyable morning all round!



Woodchurch Meeting Point

1st Thursday of the month

10am – 12pm

Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre

9 Lower Road, Woodchurch

Would you like to see some friendly faces and have a chat together over a **cup of tea & a biscuit**?

Then do come along!



CARM Meeting Points are your local place to drop in, enjoy the occasional speaker, outings, games, and **make friends**. £1 voluntary contribution.

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Woodchurch Christmas Tree on The Green Lights 'switch-on' Sun 28th November

Woodchurch in Bloom are pleased to confirm that we will be coordinating the Christmas Tree on the Village Green again this year!

The lights 'switch-on' will be Sunday 28th November at 5pm

We are hoping to make the lights 'switch-on' more of an event this year (restrictions allowing) so thanks to 'The Big Thin Red Line' support, we are already planning some singing, selling of mulled wine/cider during the evening and we hope more.....

If any other club/society would like to be part of this significant event for the Village, please contact Philippa Jones philippa.nick@btinternet.com



2021 Poppy Appeal

This year's poppy appeal will run between 30th October and 13th November but because of my previous appeal for collectors falling on virtually deaf ears, vast swathes of the village will not be visited. Thank you to the team of collectors. If you would like to be involved next year then please contact me.

If you are not one of the households lucky enough to get a visit from one of the volunteers, you will still be able to source your poppies etc from the usual village businesses who I thank for their continued support.

Chris Dudman - 07767 378 649 - chris.dudman@btinternet.com

If you miss your local Poppy Collector then you can get your poppies at The HUB



You may or may not be aware that in 2022 a bank holiday is set to take place 2/3 of June, in order to celebrate the Queens Platinum Jubilee. It will also be our "TBTRL"s own 5th Birthday. Because of this we will be helping to arrange the Woodchurch Carnival on the 4th June 2022. We held an initial meeting on the 21st October to establish whether there was sufficient interest in the village and were encouraged by the number of societies and individuals who attended. Between us we formed the start of a Carnival Committee and sketched out a skeleton plan to get this up and running. We still need more societies and individuals to join in this to create a village event for everyone. The next meeting will be 18th November 18:30hrs at the Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre - Please come along.



Our music Bingo in September, was a great success and money raised supported Woodchurch Football club, Richard Carley, Woodchurch yard Together and also money for Cancer research . At two events, one that our very own Coffin Dodgers, played. At another, for a ex village person under treatment, his wife Donna French completed a head shave . The total money raised was £400.00.

We are also pleased to be involved with many other societies within the village, as well as completing our own events. We will be supporting over the next months:

- 12th November Last super dinner for serving and ex services
- 14th November Remembrance Parade
- 21st November Woodchurch Football club dinner funding and attending to assist
- 28th November Woodchurch in bloom Lighting the tree we will support with Refreshment stall and with hope of live music.
- 18th December supporting Richard Carly Jean Mealham centre and Farther Christmas will join us on December 19th December after his village tour.

As you can see we are churning away in the background and we have been growing stronger each year and in 2021 we have had several new members join us. We are still accepting members please contact us. or via email

We are very keen that, with The HUB, we can help join up with more groups and events so everyone can prosper. As ever we thank all groups and committees in the village for their efforts and also would encourage those interested to become part of our group to contact us - by email at Patrick7171@hotmail.co.uk , on facebook or call me 07584 075 008

Ashford Astronomical Society

Telescope Workshop with Steve Walker & Ewan Vellacott

Friday November 26th in the Memorial Hall 7:30pm

Entry is free to AAS members or £2 on the door for non-members.



Items For Future Newsletters

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

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Meet our Community Warden and PCSO

Our Community Warden in Woodchurch is **Kathy Carter** and she is available in The HUB each Tuesday afternoon from 1 to 3 to meet with local residents and answer any community questions. Kathy is the KCC representative for our community. www.kent.gov.uk/communitywardens



Kate Richards is our Police Community Support Officer (PCSO) and she is available once a month on a Tuesday from 1 to 3 in The HUB (see above for the October date). No appointments are needed. If you have any questions for either of them please come along.



Beaver Leader / Helper wanted

We are looking for a Squirrel leader or helper. It will be a shame if the Beavers have to close. If you can help, please contact Julian West, Group Scout Leader on 07887 748692



Six Bells Residents Residents Association - Pre-Christmas shopping trip

To Hempstead Valley on Tuesday 16 November 2021

Pick up 10:00/10:15 Return 15:45/16:00 Cost £15

Hempstead Valley is wheelchair friendly with purpose built ramps and toilet facilities. It has a choice of more than 50 popular high street stores including the biggest M&S in Medway. The Venue offers a wide selection of well known restaurants and eateries.



Open to all village residents but limited places available. First come, first served.

Places can be booked via Woodchurch Hub.

Calling all local businesses

Over the past two years the Community Newsletter has increased in size from 2 ½ pages, through 4 and 8 pages, and now stands at 12 pages each month. Its circulation within the village has also risen from approximately 500 to **now over 850 houses each month free of charge**. The increase in popularity of the Newsletter has also led to an increase in its production costs.



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Rowan Crew - exhibition of his art 13th and 14th November in the Memorial Hall

Rowan Crew is an acclaimed artist who was born in Woodchurch in 1952 and who started exhibiting work in London in 1979, when all of his work was selected for the Britain in Watercolour Exhibition held at the Mall Galleries. In 1987 Rowan was elected a member of the Royal Society of British Artists and he is now a Senior member of the society. He has exhibited widely in both group and solo exhibitions, and his work is now held in public and private collections.



The Kitchen Garden

The exhibition will be held on the 13th and 14th of November (Saturday & Sunday) in the Memorial Hall from 10am to 5pm on both days

Most of the work will be for sale and will include work spanning Rowan's professional working life, with much work created in and around Woodchurch.

Some of Rowan's work can be seen now as he features in the 'Inspired by Woodchurch' exhibition at Woodchurch Village Life Museum, which is open at weekends until the end of October and at other times by appointment.

For more information contact Rowan on 07960 449235 or email rowancrew@btinternet.com



Support your local museum- you could win a £50/£30/£20 prize every month. An annual ticket costs £12 For more information please contact Joyce via The HUB - enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or 01233 861381

October 2021 Draw Results

1st prize	£50	Dorothy Bird	28
2nd prize	£30	Mrs Brant	379
3rd prize	£20	Julian West	729

Village Lost Property at The HUB

If you find any lost property around the village please bring it to The HUB. We will hold it there waiting to be claimed for four months. For any valuable/important items that we have handed in, we will place notices online, in the Newsletter and on social media. If you have lost something around the Village please let The HUB know as it may have been handed in.

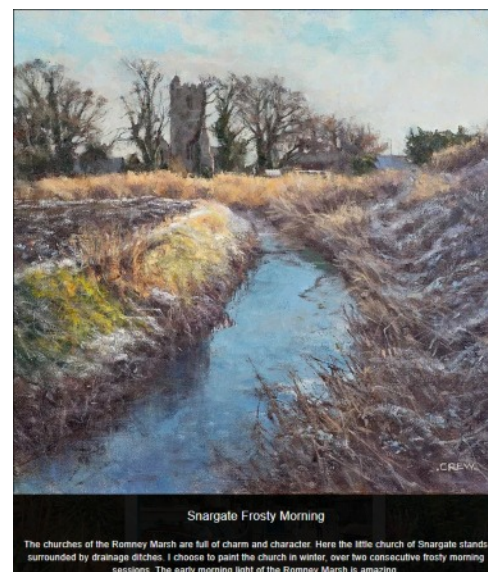


Kent Police and Crime Plan Survey

Your opportunity to have your say on various topics, such as your feelings of safety, your experiences of being a victim and road safety etc. These responses will shape the next Police and Crime Plan, so you'll be helping make a big difference.



www.smartsurvey.co.uk/s/PCC2021/



Snargate Frosty Morning

The churches of the Romney Marsh are full of charm and character. Here the little church of Snargate stands surrounded by drainage ditches. I choose to paint the church in winter, over two consecutive frosty morning sessions. The early morning light of the Romney Marsh is amazing.

Meal Delivery Service in Woodchurch Drivers Needed

Following the announcement in the October newsletter that the Tenterden Hub would be able to begin delivering hot food to Woodchurch residents in need, sufficient people have come forward to request the service. In order for it to commence we still need volunteer drivers who would be prepared to deliver the meals.

This would entail collecting the meals from Tenterden (ready to deliver and stored in insulated hot boxes) and deliver them to the residents in Woodchurch. This delivery will take approximately an hour. You would not be expected to deliver food every day and with sufficient volunteers this could be as little as once per week.

If you can spare the time to help with the meal delivery please contact The HUB for more information.

Tenterden Social HUB Meal Delivery Service

Once there are sufficient residents in Woodchurch registered for the service it will be very easy to use. They will deliver menus out to you every Monday so that you can choose your meals for the following week. You can easily let them know your choices either by phoning them on the number at the top of the menu or by handing the completed menu to the delivery driver.

All meals are 2 courses and cost £7.50 per meal including delivery. Payment can be made on the day to the driver or you can be invoiced monthly for the service. Meals will be delivered between 12.15 - 1.30pm.

The meal will arrive HOT ready to eat.



To register an interest in either the meals service or becoming a volunteer driver please email enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or phone 01233 861381.

Woodchurch Christmas Market at The Jean Mealham Pop-In Centre

The Woodchurch Christmas Market is being held on Saturday 18th and Sunday 19th December from 10am-3pm both days at the Pop-In Centre.

To secure a table for this new outdoor Christmas Market, contact The HUB by November 14th - £10 for Saturday, £15 for both days.

enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or phone 01233 861381



TENTERDEN GARDEN CENTRE

THURSDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 5PM - 9PM

CHRISTMAS LATE NIGHT SHOPPING

GET A HEAD START ON YOUR CHRISTMAS SHOPPING.
EAT, DRINK AND SHOP UNTIL LATE!

- 10% OFF ACROSS THE STORE!
- LARGE, FREE CAR PARK
- COMPLIMENTARY FESTIVE TREAT & IRISH CREAM HOT CHOCOLATE*
- FREE PRIZE DRAW TO WIN £100, £50 OR £25 GROVEWELL GARDEN CENTRE VOUCHERS

*18 YEARS+ ONLY. ONE PER PERSON

APPLEDORE RD, READING STREET, NR. TENTERDEN, KENT, TN30 7HT
CALL : 01233 758510 | INFO@TENTERDENGCC.CO.UK

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ThreadsandTeak

Hi all - I am Jemima and I live in Woodchurch. I work from home in my studio sewing commissions made through my online shop on Etsy and for locals.

If you have any sewing needs then please do let me know. I can do alterations, remakes and custom orders.



Why not check out my shop and see my work.
www.etsy.com/uk/shop/ThreadsandTeak

Call me today and enquire 07864 975539

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

TENTERDEN GARDEN CENTRE

TO BOOK YOUR GROTTO EXPERIENCE PLEASE
VISIT BOOKFATHERCHRISTMAS.CO.UK/TENTERDEN

FATHER CHRISTMAS' GROTTO

Visit Father Christmas in his self-built grotto EVERY WEEKEND
from 20th November until 19th December. Fridays from 26th November – 17th December
AND Monday 20th December – Friday 24th December. Entry £7.50 per child, includes
age appropriate wrapped gift and activity trail BOOKING REQUIRED

PRE-BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL. TO BOOK YOUR GROTTO EXPERIENCE PLEASE
VISIT: BOOKFATHERCHRISTMAS.CO.UK/TENTERDEN

SEN GROTTO OPENING

WE BELIEVE CHRISTMAS SHOULD BE FUN, SAFE AND MAGICAL FOR ALL

This year for SEN children and their families we are offering grotto visits between
9am - 10am Saturday 11th & 18th December and Monday 20th – Friday 24th December.
Sessions are marked gold in the booking system. BOOKING REQUIRED

PRE BOOKING IS ESSENTIAL

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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/

ethanol being sucked through the fuel system. This can result in components deteriorating and difficulties in engine starting and running. 2-stroke engines are very badly affected by this as they do not have a specific lubrication system. The water leads to the separation of the 2-stroke oil/petrol mix resulting in the oil not bonding to the engines metal components - and without lubrication the engine will rust. The extra ethanol content can also result in the rapid deterioration of older fuel lines and rubber seals that are not designed to be used with the E10 fuel.



Using E10 petrol in our 2-stroke garden equipment

We fill up and use fuel in our cars on a regular basis, whereas our lawnmowers, strimmers and other garden machinery will sit around with fuel left in them until we next use them. E5 has 5% ethanol and E10 has 10%. Ethanol is hygroscopic, which means that it naturally attracts and absorbs any moisture in the air. When you add fuel that contains ethanol E5/E10 to your fuel tank, any moisture in the air inside the tank will mix with the ethanol in the fuel, which eventually results in water and

More recent models of garden equipment will have been manufactured to work with E10 fuel, but to ensure that you do not damage your machinery you should check its compatibility with the manufacturer.

The older E5 petrol will still be available from some garages, albeit at a higher price. Ethanol-free petrol is also available in cans from garden machinery suppliers. It is advisable when using E10 fuel in a 2-stroke machine to mix the 2-stroke fuel in small batches that will be used quickly, and also to empty the fuel tank after use when the equipment is to be unused for any length of time - Advice from Webbs of Tenterden.

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 £11 for 11 months (£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 TOTALLING £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 before 25th October** or contact **The HUB** for a registration form.