



WOODCHURCH COMMUNITY NEWS

The village community working together

July 2022

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WOODCHURCH Community Calendar



Weekly events:

Saturdays:

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

Mondays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am in the Memorial Hall

Tai Chi and Qigong 9:45am - 11:45am 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

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

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

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

Tuesdays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am, 10:15am-11:15am and 6:00pm-7:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Coffee Morning 10:00am-12:00pm in All Saints Church

Little Leaves Forest School 10:00am - 12:00pm under 5's Play Group based in Woodchurch

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

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

Blend Youth Cafe 3:00pm-5:00pm in All Saints Church

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

Wednesdays:

Pilates 9:00am-10:00am in the Memorial Hall

Museum Volunteers 9:30am-12:00pm at the Museum

Over 60s 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

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

Boot Camp 6:15PM-7:15PM on the Village Green

Thursdays:

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

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

BodyTone 7:15pm-8:00pm at the Memorial Hall Annexe

Badminton 7:00pm-11:00pm at the Memorial Hall

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:

Sun 3rd **Classic Car meet** 12:00pm at the Bonny Cravat

Mon 4th **CARM** 10:30am to 12:30pm in the Memorial Hall
Temporary reduced 40mph speed limit on B2067 Warehorne Road

Wed 6th **Six Bells Quiz Night** from 7pm at The Six Bells Inn

Thu 7th **Parish Council Meeting** (additional) 7pm at the Pavilion

Fri 8th and Sat 9th **ROAD CLOSED** for resurfacing - B2080 Tenterden Road, Appledore

Sat 9th **"Woodchurch Yard Together"** all weekend at All Saints Church

Sun 10th **Pop-up shop - Woodchurch Market Garden.** 10am - 2pm on Village Green car park

Holy Communion at All Saints Church 11:00am

Newspaper collection by Woodchurch Scouts

Tue 12th **W.I. "MGM Musicals"** at the Memorial Hall 7:15pm

Wed 13th **Borough Councillors Surgery.** 11am to 12am at The HUB

Sat 18th **Woodchurch Bumblebee Garden Party** 4pm to 6pm at the Memorial Hall

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

ROAD CLOSED for bridge examination - Ashford Road, Hamstreet - continuing on Mon 20th

Tue 20th **Bonny Cravat Quiz Night** from 7pm at the Bonny Cravat

Sun 24th **Holy Communion** 11:00am at All Saints Church

Thu 28th **Parish Council Meeting** 7:00pm in the Annexe

Fri 29th **Ashford Astronomical Society** - "Learning to fly in space" at 7:00pm in the Memorial Hall

Sat 30th **Football Woodchurch Firsts vs Charing** - 2pm on the Village Green

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



Weekly calendar events sent directly to your email

Did you know that you can have the village calendar events sent directly to your email each week. If you would like to automatically receive the most up-to-date village events please email enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or contact The HUB.



WOODCHURCH SURGERY UPDATE

What a great start to the month with 4 days off for the Jubilee and a huge turnout for the impressive Woodfest. It was pretty brutal returning to work after a such a short week but then we had our own Woodchurch Surgery celebration getting together for the first time in over 2 years to reflect on how the team have worked hard for each other and patients alike. It was a well-deserved celebration and the first time many of us had seen each other without face-masks in a long time.

The latest government advice has allowed us to open the doors and make face-masks optional for all staff except the "clinical" staff (i.e. Doctors/Nursing team) who still have to wear them when seeing patients. Patients can wear a mask but we ask that any who have new coughs/flu-like/covid-like symptoms wear a mask to protect others in the building.

Sadly we have seen Sophie leave us from the Dispensary, and thank her for all her efforts having started just after the first lockdown. To replace her we have now welcomed three newcomers to the Dispensing Team. Rebecca is a qualified Dispenser we also welcome Denise and Karen (Kaz) who will be both front-of-house and prescriptions clerks. We have become so busy that we hope the addition of these roles will help streamline the journey of a request to a take-home medication and allow the Dispensers to get on with their roles. We still aim to turn-around all repeat requests within 3 working days.

Next month will see the arrival of Ryan Mowat who some of you may know as "Ryan-from-the-hospice". He is a senior Nurse who has walked the boards here before as a District Nurse 10 years ago and is keen to come back to the community to support our Care Homes and Chris Hamilton (our Nurse Practitioner) with all the work she does.

I'm pretty excited about July as I have two weeks off with the family and plan to go to Mallorca. We've grown pretty used to the entitled feeling that if we book a holiday we should be there to enjoy it, however the world is on it's head at the moment. I guess we're paying for the chance of getting there and staying where we have booked, so if it happens it will be amazing. With all the publicity about cancelled flights and strikes I'm a bit nervous - interestingly you can get some good info on the "health benefits of going on holiday" but there don't seem to be any health benefits of holidays being cancelled. Hopefully the holiday season will be good for lots of us and not too many cancellations experienced...

With support from the Hub, Parish Council and village residents we now have a defibrillator for public use outside the dispensary. We hope that no one ever needs it but will give the south end of the village a lot of comfort.

With Summer love to everyone on behalf of the Surgery -

Jack Hickey, GP



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Warehorne Road
Hamstreet
Kent TN26 2JJ

[Find us on facebook](#)



Tel: 01233 733848

Email: hamstreetdentalclinic@gmail.com

Dear Friends,

How to turn Brass into Gold



Now hopefully that got your attention!! Yes it's really true - you can turn brass into gold, and that is exactly what we did when we organised the Snowdown Colliery Band to play at Woodchurch. For those able to attend it was a wonderful evening of music that literally filled the church with sound. Churches were built to carry the sound heavenwards, and that is why they are such popular acoustic venues. All Saints rose to the challenge and as trumpets and tubas echoed around the spire we raised £1012.40 towards our lighting and heating project. The installation work is complete and operational, and we are now fundraising for the cost of decommissioning the old oil-fired system, and to remove the old Victorian chimney behind the church.

We also had a raffle that raised £380 for DEBRA, our charity of choice for the evening. Some of you may be aware that this skin condition affects a young girl within our village and it was with great joy that we were able to run this raffle in aid of funds with such an important and local need.

We are having another wonderful musical event on 1st October 2022 - so if you are a live-music aficionado, keep that date in your diary. We are excited to have booked a Jazz Band - The Drawtones, <https://thedrawtones.co.uk>, who are the headline act at the Rye International Jazz and Blues Festival in August. The band have also appeared at Ronnie Scott's Jazz Club in London.

We are still learning as we go, and some people have said that they have not realised events were on, or would like a bit of a longer lead time to organise their diary. If you would like to go on a mailing list to be the first to find out about future fundraising events run by our fundraising group, please send your email details to Philip Gardiner gardinerp@aol.com.

We love our church building and see retaining it as a real asset to the village. The church is open every day if you would like some quiet space to reflect and/or pray, or just pop in and admire the building - steeped in history.

Summer Blessings to you all, from Reverend Sue - Revsuerose@outlook.com, 01233 820266

Contactless Giving

We have now introduced contactless giving to All Saint's Woodchurch. If you would like to donate to help maintain our beautiful church you can do so by scanning this QR code with your smart phone or visit our website www.bhhw.org.uk/donations/ and click the donate button.



Thank you for your kindness and generosity. Without your help our church would be very different indeed

Upcoming events at St Margarets Church, Bethersden

Friday 15th July - **The King's Men** Cambridge Choral Music
7pm - Tickets £15

The Friends of St Margaret's present an **Art and Craft Fair** in Bethersden Village Hall on 30th and 31st July 9.30 - 4pm

For more details Contact Carol on [07749 576871](tel:07749576871)



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The Friends of St Margaret's Church
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World Class Choral Music
with
the KING'S MEN
CAMBRIDGE



Friday 15th July, 2022

Admission by ticket only - £15

Online: <https://tinyurl.com/Bethersden>

or from Bethersden Post Office

or email brushwood1@hotmail.co.uk

or telephone Rosalind on 01233 820 713

7:30pm at St Margaret's Church, Bethersden
Wine & champagne bar available from 7pm

On a gloriously sunny evening in June Sue Howell gave a talk entitled "Laura Ashley - An Inspiring Woman," which seemed an eminently suitable topic for the start of summer, for who can forget Laura Ashley's romantic, floaty, floral, summer frocks of the 1970s and '80s? Indeed they seemed to capture the very essence of summer! Sue's speech was divided into three parts - Laura's early life, her life as a wife and mother and life as a business woman. We learnt that Laura was born in 1925 in Merthyr Tydfil, Wales. She was the eldest of four children and her grandmother was a great early influence on the young Laura, which continued when in 1938 Laura, aged 13, was evacuated back to Wales from the family home in Croydon. Unfortunately, as rural Wales was considered to be a safe haven, many other, even younger, children were also evacuated to Wales, This created a scarcity of school places and Laura was obliged to attend Aberdare Secretarial College in order to continue her education. At the age of 18 she met her future husband, Bernard Ashley, who was confident, out-going and gregarious - in fact everything that Laura was not, but she had, thanks to her grandmother's teachings, a determined air and an inner strength, which meant she was more than a match for Bernard and as she had decided that Bernard was the one for her, they married in 1949!

From 1942-1952, Laura worked as a Secretary for the National Federation of Women's Institutes and while working for the Federation and raising the first of her four children, Laura undertook some development work for the Institute on quilting, a craft she had learnt from her grandmother. A Woman's Institute display of traditional handicrafts at the Victoria and Albert Museum inspired Laura to design her own fabrics to create headscarves, napkins, table mats and tea towels. The couple, who at this time, were living in a small attic flat in Pimlico, invested £10 in wood, dyes and linen and Bernard, being very practical, was able to manufacture a screen frame so that Laura could produce her very first scarves. Soon she had persuaded John Lewis on Oxford Street to take two dozen of the scarves on a sale or return basis and was delighted when they very quickly wanted a further supply.



Laura now had a business, which gradually became successful enough, thanks to Laura's strong work ethic and ability to juggle working life and looking after 2 lively children, to enable Bernard to leave his city job to print fabrics full time. The family spent a brief time in Kent, before moving, with their (by

now) four children, back to Wales to continue to develop the business. There they employed local folk and proved themselves to be very good employers. Laura's first shop was opened in Wales in 1961 and eventually, as adults, all four children were involved in the business.

Tragically, in 1985 just after her 60th birthday, Laura fell down the stairs one night while staying with her daughter, Jane, in the Cotswolds and she died in hospital ten days later. She was certainly a truly inspiring woman. Thank you, Sue, for delivering such an interesting talk.

Our next meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, 12th July, 2022 at 7.15 pm in the Memorial Hall. Delia Taylor will be our Speaker on MGM Musicals and the competition will be "A Re-jig of the MGM logo."

WI Ladies who lunch

Woodchurch Women's Institute..... It's not just Jam and Jerusalem

Founded in 1927, Woodchurch WI celebrated its 95th birthday a few months ago, and we would dearly like to make it to 100 in 2027! But to do that we need new members. If you're a woman, aged over 18, that's you!

This is what one 24 year old said about her WI in Berkshire: "I joined the WI because I wanted to listen to inspiring talks after a long day at work. Since graduating and starting full-time work two years ago, I quickly realised most 20-somethings' lives were a routine of going to the gym, using social media and working long hours. Instead I wanted to support local charities, go on trips with other women, carry on learning and to bake! The WI seemed like a perfect fit."

Many people have the idea that the WI is for oldies. Well, it is, but it's also for younger members too. Each WI is different and the activities we do really reflect the member's interests, whether that's craft, volunteering, sailboarding or engaging with the local community. That's because, although we are affiliated to the National WI, each individual WI is run by its own committee, which plans a programme for the year. So if a WI member has ideas about what they would like to do, they can either put themselves up for election to the committee or let a committee member know what their idea is. We have a suggestion box at each meeting. And if the subject of one meeting isn't your thing, it may well open new horizons, or even just be an opportunity to relax and socialise.

So what do we do at the moment? We have a meeting once a month, except August, in the Memorial Hall (second Tuesday at 7:15) and each month we try to do something different. This year we still have to come to talks on The History of the Theatre Royal, Perfumes, and Lewes-The Bonfire Night Capital of the World. We also make time for refreshments and a chat at all meetings.....we are a very friendly institute!

But that's not all. We have activities outside the main meetings. 'The Ladies who Lunch' meet once a month at a different restaurant or pub in the local area. It's very

informal and you don't have to make a commitment to go every month....we're all busy sometimes.....just sign up for lunch at the previous monthly meeting so we know how big a table to book. We usually have between 6-10 at each one, so it's a good size to chat and you can choose what you want to eat from the menu. We don't have a set meal. In the photo you can see six of us enjoying June's meal at Montalbanos, the Italian restaurant in Tenterden. Our craft club meets up once a month too, again informal.....you don't even have to sign up for this one. Bring your own craft to do while we have drinks and a chat.....and if you want to learn a craft, or get advice, we're there to help each other. We even have one lady who comes for just the chat!

We also actively support the local community. In February one of our members held a 'Souper Lunch' which proved very popular and provided funds for the School and the Surgery. We also support things going on in the village by talking about them at our meetings and encouraging members to join in, as well as having speakers from different local, and international, charities which allows them to raise their profile. Earlier this year we invited a doctor who spoke about the Mercy Ships.

Being part of a national organisation also has its advantages. All members are able to access 'My WI' online, which has details of our campaigns (in 2022 it is to support women with ASD and ADHD) and a host of activities such as cookery, craft, floral art, culture, science and more. We also receive a magazine in the post which comes as part of the yearly subscription. If you are thinking this sounds good, but are not really sure, our meetings are open to visitors free of charge. Come along once or twice, and then we ask you to join on the third meeting if you decide it suits you.

For more information ring Lynn ([01233 860662](tel:01233860662)) or Josie ([01233 860363](tel:01233860363)) or take a look at our website: Woodchurchwi.weebly.com

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

The Six Bells Inn



Well, how do you follow the amazing events which took place in June?

Queens Jubilee and Carnival Weekend which will be imprinted on our minds for ever.

We do, however, have some fantastic long-awaited news!

Introducing, at last, with great anticipation "Our chef Matt and his loyal team" who have settled in and are producing mouth-watering food.

Matt is a real enthusiast with years of experience and loves a challenge, so if you have a request please just say and he will happily see what he can skilfully prepare for you.

The possibilities are endless and with our new extension open for business and the large garden, the long summer days and evenings are looking sensational.

We have the facilities and capabilities to offer an area for various events from small gatherings to larger occasions.

The menu is currently served from 12 noon to 3pm and 6pm to 9pm Tuesday to Saturday, Sunday from 12 noon to 3pm (We are flexible so if other times are required, please just ask and we'll see what we can do to assist you)

We have our Quiz night scheduled for Wednesday 6 July, so please call to reserve your table, this month may be the month when everything goes to plan!

We look forward to seeing you and if you have any requests please just say and we will do our best.

The Defibrillator is all installed and is located on the front wall, next to the entrance door to the Bells.

"Nothing brings people together like a traditional country pub with great food, great company and great beer (and wine)"

Woodchurch - Thank you once again for being an absolutely one in a million Village

See you soon
Emily and "All at The Bells"

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Tai Chi

At our Woodchurch Carnival Emma and her students provided a demonstration in the arena of Tai Chi, Qigong and both Sword and Fan weapons Tai Chi.



Emma called her school 'Tai Chi For You' because that is exactly what it is, a class made accessible to everyone. She has 12 years' experience in the ancient Chinese martial art and is honoured to be Master Joe Lok's Indoor Student. This is a huge honour and will only ever be for the few. It is not decided on ability only but on character, kindness and dedication. She is now the 28th Generation Inheritor of Wudang Sanfeng Natural & 20th Generation Inheritor of Dragon Gate & 2nd Generation Inheritor of Natural Energy Daogong.

Emma's journey has not been smooth as she lives with Multiple Sclerosis and had to stop her role as a school teacher and started Tai Chi when experiencing loss of mobility. She is now fully mobile, has improved balance, co-ordination, stability plus physical and mental strength. She is dedicated to her teachers Qigong system and continuing his pursuit to contribute to the good health of all.

The essential principles of this slow, flowing form of exercise is mind and body integration, fluid movements, controlled breathing and mental concentration. A gentle form of low-impact, weight-bearing, aerobic exercise within reach to all as there is no floor work and it can be practised seated. It can also decrease the risk of falls, ease pain and stiffness, reduce stress and anxiety. You do not have to take my word for it as it is supported by Arthritis, Osteoporosis, full prevention and Diabetes foundations worldwide.

The practice is simple, the benefits last a lifetime.

There are 10 classes a week to choose from in and around Ashford and two are in Woodchurch on a Monday morning at The Community Hall (Scouts Hall). In addition you can come along to Beginners Taster session on Monday 11th July 10:30am at Woodchurch Community Hall.£6.

For further details contact us on:

www.taichiforyou.co.uk 07587 167756
taichiforyou@hotmail.co.uk



Bonny Cravat

Well, what a month June was! The Queen's Jubilee Weekend was absolutely amazing and it was so wonderful to see the village coming together for an absolutely brilliant four days of celebrations.



Our stunning garden is now fully in bloom! The terrace is beaming with colour and the WIB Thriving Together Garden looks absolutely beautiful. It's so lovely to see everything growing so well. We have lots of cutting flowers, vegetables, herbs and many more so do pop in and take a look... or perhaps snip a few of the cutting flowers/herbs for yourself, friends or family.



We had a great turn out for our last quiz night. Congratulations to our winning team for June and thank you to all who came along, a fun evening was had by all. We have ANOTHER cash prize roll over! Can you believe it!?

The next Bonny quiz will take place on Tuesday 19th July at 7pm. Don't forget to book in your team - someone has to win that cash prize soon, could it be you?

We are also thrilled to announce that our Bonny Dog Show will be back by popular demand on Saturday 27th August (full details to be announced soon), followed by music from the fantastic 'The Clarke Collective' from 7pm. We had so much fun last year and hope to have even more fun and see even more furry friends this year so very much hope to see you all there!



Bookings and enquiries on 01233 860345
Leigha - www.facebook.com/bonnycravat/

Proms Weekend

(names of the groups to follow)

Saturday 27th & Sunday 28th August
Starting at 2pm & 7pm

*Welcome to supply own drinks –
tea, coffee and food will be available*

**At: Jean Mealham Centre,
Woodchurch TN26 3SQ**

Tickets available at Woodchurch HUB,
Carley Butchers or call 07798 566849

Donations on the door

The Great Woodchurch Village

Yard Sale

Saturday 13th August



A repeat of last years successful village up-cycling, for sale and "give-aways" will be held on

Saturday 13th August 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 Sunday 7th August.

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/

Meals Delivery Service now available in Woodchurch

The "meals-on-wheels" style Meal Delivery service has been running successfully in Woodchurch since the beginning of February and now has several residents making regular use of the service. This is a daily delivery of a 2-course hot meal from 12:15 pm., Monday to Friday (not currently at weekends). You do not need to subscribe to every day.

This service is being organised in Woodchurch by The HUB, in conjunction with Tenterden Social Hub. Your meal will be delivered piping hot by Woodchurch's own volunteers.

There are still spaces for customers and also a need for reserve drivers.

For more information please contact The HUB at enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or phone 01233 861381 or contact Tenterden Social Hub on 01580 762882.

Upcoming roadworks in and around Woodchurch Information from KCC and one.network

Temporary speed limit - B2067 Warehorne Road **4th July 2022**

Closure in force: None

Description: Repair frame and cover. 40mph Speed restriction

Resurfacing - B2080 Tenterden Road, Appledore **8th July - 9th July 2022**

Closure in force: Road Closed - diversion in force

Name: Between Redhill Bridge and Pines Farm, Appledore

Description: Carriageway resurfacing works

Road Closure - Ashford Road, Hamstreet **19th - 20th July 2022**

Closure in force: Road Closed

Description: Examination of rail over road bridge

Road Closure - School Hill, Warehorne **2nd - 4th August 2022 (3 Days)**

Closure in force: Road Closed - diversion in place

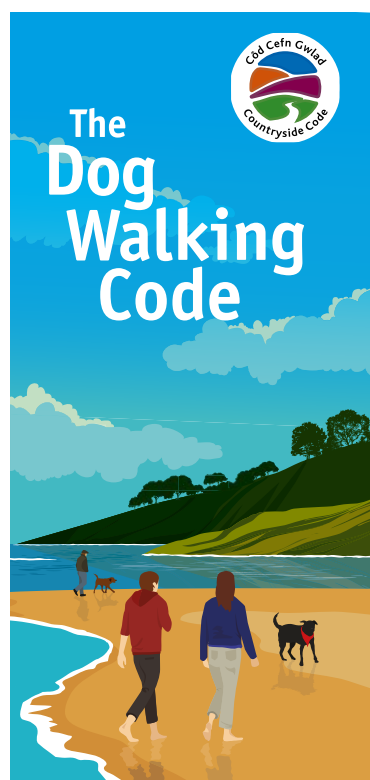
Description: Replace decayed pole. 3 day closure between 08:00-18:00.

We love the magical setting of Woodchurch so much we want to extend a discount of 10% off your meal at our Patio Takeaway (Grass fed burgers, veggie and vegan) when you visit the Rare Breeds Centre and live in a Woodchurch postcode. Book online in advance to attend. www.rarebreeds.org.uk



You can use the discount as many times as you like but proof of postcode required when placing order.

Offer open until 1 September 2022.



The Dog Walking Code

For safe and happy walks with your dog, and to avoid causing problems for others:

1. Ensure your dog is under effective control, which means:
 - You have a short lead with you and use it when needed (e.g. around livestock, near cliff edges or where signage requests it)
 - You do not let your dog off the lead unless you keep it in sight and close enough to come back to you on command
2. Prevent your dog from approaching horse riders, cyclists, or other people and their dogs uninvited.
3. Keep your dog with you on paths or access land and don't let it stray into crops including fields of grass, fruit and vegetables.

4. Never let your dog worry or chase wildlife or livestock. Follow advice on local signs to reduce disturbance to plants and animals.
5. Stay **SAFE** around farm animals and horses:
 - Stop, look and listen before entering a field; be aware of any animals present
 - Always keep your dog on a short lead
 - Find the safest route around animals, giving them plenty of space and using paths or access land where possible
 - Exit the area calmly and quickly if threatened, releasing your dog to make it easier for you both to reach safety

6. Always bag and bin your dog's poo wherever you are. You can use any public waste bin or your bin at home.
7. Never leave bags of dog poo lying around, even if you intend to pick them up later. Containers and deodorised bags can make them easier to carry.
8. Ensure your details are on your dog's collar and it is microchipped, so you can be reunited quickly if it is lost.
9. Keep your dog's vaccinations and worming up to date. Ask your vet for more information.
10. Contact your local authority, or look out for signs, to get more information about what to do and where to go in your area.

This is general advice for dog walkers developed with input from:
Natural England, Natural Resources Wales, Kennel Club, Forestry Commission, National Farmers' Union, NFU Cymru, Ramblers, Ramblers Cymru, National Trust, Country Land and Business Association, Hampshire County Council, The British Horse Society and the British Mountaineering Council.

Jacob and Jonathan - Scouting Heroes

Woodchurch WI would like to share with you news about their two special Scout helpers, Jacob and Jonathan. One of the aims of the WI includes being involved with the local community. Similarly the Scouting movement overlaps that ideal, in that the scouts also positively encourage personal development in order to make a constructive contribution to their local society and community.

Woodchurch members are very aware how these two groups are interacting purposefully together. Two of the village's Scout Troop give up one night a month to help the WI set up the meeting hall with chairs and tables and then they return at the end of the evening to put everything away. Jacob and Jonathan are working towards the Bronze Level of the Duke of Edinburgh Award which is open to anyone aged 14-24 years. The award includes helping the local community which these two are definitely doing. The boy's efforts are greatly appreciated by the committee and members and it is delightful to see the interaction between the two generations.



For Jacob and Jonathan to commit to a monthly teamwork activity takes time, determination and dedication

and the boys should be applauded and acknowledged for those attributes. Well done you two, you deserve a big thank you and best wishes from Woodchurch WI as you work towards your award.

Barbara Turner on behalf of Woodchurch WI

Woodchurch Karate

A new year for 2022. - Come and train with us at Woodchurch Karate.

3 sessions per week at the superb new dojo in The Jean Mealham Centre, Lower Road, Woodchurch.

We are led by Sensei Mark Carley. Mark is an internationally experienced 4th Dan(level) black belt within Gima-Ha(UK) Karate-do with over 35 years of knowledge as well as being a long time qualified karate instructor.

Woodchurch Karate is a small club that is always open to new members with or without martial arts experience. We meet 3 times per week at the times listed below, upstairs at The Jean Mealham Centre.

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Friendlies July/August 2022

Saturday 23rd July 2022 14:00 KO

Lenham V Woodchurch First (William Pitt Playing Field, Lenham)

Saturday 30th July 2022 14:00 KO

Charing V Woodchurch First (Charing)
Woodchurch Reserves v Ticehurst (The Green, Woodchurch)
Ref Roger Corkhill

Saturday 6th August 2022 11:30 KO

Woodchurch Intra-Squad Friendly (The Green, Woodchurch)
Ref Ben Marshall

Saturday 13th August 2022 14:00 KO

Woodchurch First v Smarden (The Green, Woodchurch)
Ref Roger Corkhill

Saturday 20th August 2022 14:00 KO

Tenterden Reserves V Woodchurch (The rec, Tenterden)
Woodchurch Reserves v Bromley Green Reserves (The Green, Woodchurch)
Ref Ben Marshall

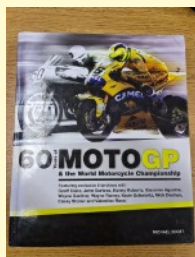
Saturday 27th August 2022 14:00 KO

Woodchurch First V Fountain (The Green, Woodchurch)
Ticehurst v Woodchurch Reserves (Ticehurst)
Ref Ben Marshall

Our first friendly on the Green is Saturday July 30th which is Woodchurch reserves v Ticehurst - we then have one every Saturday through August with the season starting 1st weekend of September. Training will be starting on the Green Saturday 2nd July open to new faces 16 years old and above.

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. Do you recognise any of the items that have recently been handed in?



POP-UP SHOP - Woodchurch Market Garden

Woodchurch Market Garden will be holding a pop-up shop at the Woodchurch Village Green car park on Sunday 10th July from 10am to 2pm.



Please help support the Newsletter



With the Newsletter size increasing to 16 pages each month we now need more help to cover the printing costs. If you are a local business and would like to advertise or would just like to give a donation, please visit to The HUB area on the Web site for more information - or contact The HUB on:

01233 861381 or enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk

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:

enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk

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

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Woodchurch Art Society

Would like to say a big thank you to everyone who supported our Art Exhibition last month.

It was nice to see so many of our regulars and also many new faces.

We are proud to tell you that we sold over 70 paintings of our 204 on display.

The result of the Raffle was:

Bluebell Path	Phil Gardiner
Fruit Bowl	Tim Lee
Hedgehog	Ros Parmei

The Vote for "My Favourite Painting" was

Waterways by Angela Moore

Once again, thank you for your support and we look forward to seeing you in 2023

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Saturday 16th July 2022, 4pm onwards

Hosted by Woodchurch in Bloom and the Bumblebee Conservation Trust

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Guided walks around the buzzing Woodchurch meadow and flower-filled churchyard. Bee nets and pots supplied for a closer look

Fun for all the family with activity sheets, Trust merchandise stall, raffle, make your own bee-friendly seed balls, and refreshments

For more information, email: nikki.gammans@bumblebeeconservation.org



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Keeping in Touch:

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Search: 'WoodchurchYard Together'

Woodchurch Memorial Hall Trust

It is exciting times for the Woodchurch Memorial Hall as we brush off our 60 year old cobwebs and governance shackles and stride confidently into the the 21st Century. We have now updated ourselves to become a new incorporated charity (CIO), which has given us much greater freedom in the way we can operate.

Re-born as the Woodchurch Memorial Hall Trust we are now looking to expand our committee with keen individuals who would like to help support and guide the hall complex through the next decade and beyond.

If this could include you and you would like more information please contact us at enquiries@woodchurchhalls.uk



Woodchurch Memorial Hall Film club



The Woodchurch film club is hoping to restart its activities when the licenses for some of the current blockbuster movies become available. The film club has a number of exciting opportunities for new volunteers to become involved in running film evenings . If you would like to help with any of the following :

- " Set up including projection / sound equipment
- " Packing away after the showing
- " Putting out and packing away chairs
- " Provision of refreshments

Please contact Colin at colin.woolger@btinternet.com

For the Local Engagement Meeting, look for the police vehicle parked close to the Woodchurch village sign



Local engagement meeting

Your local officers will be holding a meeting in

The following locations on Monday 11th July 2022.

Wittersham – near War Memorial – 10:00 – 11:00

Woodchurch – Near village Green – 11:45 – 12:45

Bethersden – The Street near village shop – 14:30 – 15:30

Come and speak to your local officer about your concerns on crime and anti-social behaviour

One of our CSU Officers – PCSO Stevens will be on hand to discuss any issues with you.

For news, safety advice and information about policing in your area, visit www.kent.police.uk



Thursday 2nd June - The Beacon



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PARTICIPATION IN THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE BEACONS ASSOCIATED ACTIVITIES

I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for the amazing part you played in celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee on 2nd June, whether you were a Town Crier, Piper, Bugler/Cornet Player, Choir or a private or community Beacon Organiser, for without your involvement The Queen's Platinum Jubilee Beacons and its associated events would not have been the enormous success they were.

TOGETHER, as a worldwide team, we ensured this unique tribute to our unique Queen Elizabeth, showed the world that the United Kingdom, Channel Islands, Isle of Man, UK Overseas Territories and the Commonwealth, along with those who took part from other countries, came together as one, and undertook a celebration party "fit for a Queen," an occasion that will be fondly remembered by millions upon millions of people for many generations to come.

I don't mind admitting, when standing next to Her Majesty The Queen at Windsor Castle, London, as she lit her Principal Beacon at 9.45 GMT, a number of tears of joy filled my eyes knowing that you had all played the part you promised, making huge efforts to do so, and I am extremely proud of you all, so again, THANK YOU.

My warmest regards,

Bruno Peek

Bruno Peek LVO OBE OPR
Pageantmaster



Saturday 4th June



From all at the Carnival Committee, a massive thank you for your support and making the comeback Carnival to celebrate Jubilee a successful weekend. We would also like to thank everyone that made the day happen, with putting up tents, running bars and stalls, selling, and running round, just doing bits. THANK YOU!

All those who made the parade a success a great show, well done to the winners it was a tough job judging. The bands that played and retro cars, scooters, steam engines - you made it. The band of the Princess of Wales Royal Regiment were fantastic - well done Tigers. To the pilots of the spitfires seeing them roll over The Green was a dream that we thought we would never achieve, but thanks to Bill Giles for all the advice and shifting the flight pattern - we look forward to the steam rally.

We could not believe the numbers who came to celebrate - many travelled a long way to attend. With good music, food and drink, the funfair and the stalls and displays, a good time was had by all - and at the end of the day the green was spotless. Roll on 2024, when we hope that we can do it all over again and the Carnival will return again.

The team met after a small recovery break to review the Carnival and some of the aims of the weekend.

- Large community event incorporating individuals and groups, so they continue to support each other in the future.
- To build on the community spirit and recognise that some may need help - and that its OK to ask.
- To promote inclusivity in our community and provide opportunities for all residents to work and play together.
- To enhance opportunities for the people of Woodchurch to build relationships, volunteer and be involved with coaching and learning new skills.
- To support local businesses and bring revenue into the village.
- To promote Woodchurch village and encourage visitors.
- To raise funds for local groups working for the benefit of the community of Woodchurch.
- To have fun!

From the feedback we have received we achieved this and more. We did not start out with the intention that the Carnival would make money - we wanted to support the local community and for everyone to have fun. When the Carnival was over and the dust had settled we were pleased to see that it has also been a financial success. Some details below:

- In order to hold the Carnival we managed to raise £14,000 from grants and donations. The cost of running the Carnival was £14,000. Part of this cost has left the village with community assets (including a marquee and radios) that will be available for use by clubs, societies and organisations for future events.
- Many items on the day were subsidised to ensure that the day was affordable for all families.
- We originally hoped that we could put £1,000 back into the community after Carnival. Due to the success of the day we can now confirm that this amount is now £3,000. Clubs, societies and other village organisations will be invited to apply for some of these funds - more detail to follow.
- Knowing how much it cost to put on the Carnival this year, we have secured a sum of £8,000 for the Carnival Committee to use as their seed fund for 2024.
- We have invested in trophies that will be used in future carnivals and donated a commemorative plaque to display on the village beacon.

So, what's next?

The photos and videos are being collated - please add photos on our Carnival Web site www.woodchurchcarnival.uk or send them through Facebook. These will be put together in a souvenir booklet and held in the Museum. It may also be available to buy - more detail to follow.

We also need people that may remember older carnivals, we would like to interview you for the video. Please let us know if you would like to take part.

We will work out how the assets bought for the carnival can be best loaned/hired out to other village organisations.

An open meeting will be arranged in next few months for the purpose of establishing the new committee for Carnival 2024.

What we have achieved this year shows what can be achieved in a very short time with a positive attitude and determination. THANK YOU!



WOODCHURCH CARNIVAL 2022



Sara Thornton puts Woodchurch Village Life Museum on the map



On Friday 27th May Sara Thornton (the weather presenter from BBC South East Today) presented the weather forecast from Woodchurch Village Green. This was preceded by her report

discovering and highlighting Woodchurch Village Life Museum. Prior to the broadcast "On the Map" Sara spent several hours at the Museum with her film crew, where she interviewed the Museum Curator, Charles Boxer, and the Museum Co-Chair, Gina McKay.



Sara explained that she had received several requests to feature Woodchurch in her "On the Map" series and during her research was excited to discover that Woodchurch was one of the few villages in Kent who had their own Museum.



Go to www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/p0c9hp4x to watch the broadcast.

Why not visit the Museum? It is open on Saturdays and Sundays and bank holidays from 10am to 4pm. Admission is free. www.woodchurchheritagetrust.uk.



Support your local museum- you could win a £50/£30/£20 prize every month. For more information please ask at the Museum stall at the Carnival or contact Joyce via The HUB - enquiries@woodchurchhub.uk or 01233 861381

June 2022 Draw Results

1st prize	£50	Gordon Baker	1014
2nd prize	£30	John Harris	962
3rd prize	£20	Dick Copeland	700

Museum Maintenance - every Wednesday morning

After the museum was featured on Sara Thornton's "On the Map" visitor numbers at the weekends have increased - which is great for the museum and the village. If you would like to join our meet-and-greet team please contact The HUB for more information.

Looking after the village heritage requires constant attention and so volunteers continue to meet at the museum on Wednesdays to garden, repair and maintain. If you can spare 30 minutes, why not come along from 9:30 am - or just come for a tea/coffee and a chat from 10:30?

There is always something to do throughout the year and the coffee is accompanied by delicious cakes and biscuits...

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We also welcome pre-arranged tours throughout the season on any mutually convenient date.

We are currently looking to find local volunteers who would like to help in the garden, perhaps doing a morning or afternoon on a weekly basis, and working alongside the regular garden team.

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