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DECEMBER 2019



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WEDNESDAY, 18th December 2019

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### CHRISTMAS A TIME FOR COMMUNITY, FAMILY AND FRIENDS- BUT IS THIS THE STORY FOR EVERYONE.

Age uk report on their website that as Christmas approaches 278,000 older people in the South East have not met up with friend in the last month. For the elderly in our community loneliness is a problem all year round but at this time of year can be magnified. Age Concern offer a weekly friendship call which you can register for on their website at <https://www.ageuk.org.uk/services/befriending-services/sign-up-for-telephone-befriending/>, the Lympne Lunch Club is available (see details on page 3) to meet others. For those fortunate to be with friends an family this year please find some time to consider your neighbours and may be check they are ok, a friendly hello could be the start of contact for those who suffer through loneliness and isolation. Advice can be found at [www.ageuk.org.uk](http://www.ageuk.org.uk).

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**Please consult the KCC libraries webpage for updates:**

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7.15 for a 7.30 start

There is no Film Club in December.

Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup>: January:- Something's Gotta Give (12) Comedy

Starring Diane Keaton, Jack Nicholson & Keanu Reeves

Ageing playboy Harry encounters the risk of dating a much younger woman.

We reserve the right to show a substitute film should the need arise or to refuse admission.

Children under 16 must be accompanied by an adult (ID

**Punch and Judy playgroup** have recently announced that they will be opening on Tuesdays from January 2020. The playgroup has been established at the village hall for over thirty years and has recently been opening on Thursday afternoons. This extended opening has been very popular with local families. Diane Latter, the setting manager, explained that the playgroup was committed to listening to the suggestions of parents and carers, "one of the most requested changes from families was for Punch and Judy to be open more regular hours. From January we will be open term time from 8.30-3pm every day of the week with the exception of Wednesday when we open 08.30-12.45."If you would like more information about the playgroup you are welcome to pop in and speak to Diane, or Becs. Alternatively additional information can be found at their website [www.punch-and-judy.org.uk](http://www.punch-and-judy.org.uk)

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### New Booking Information for Village Hall

We are sadly losing Gary as a result of increased pressures at work. He has dealt with the regular bookings for the Hall since he joined the Committee early in 2017. David is also giving up the non-regular bookings, something we have planned for some time, but will remain on the Committee. We are fortunate to have co-opted Ian White onto the Committee specifically to take on the role of Booking Clerk. He is now dealing with both regular and non-regular bookings for the Hall. For all booking enquiries please contact Ian via email: [book-ing.lvh@gmail.com](mailto:book-ing.lvh@gmail.com) or phone: 07497 370290. **Village Hall Committee**

**Wi-Fi and CCTV for Village Hall**-We will soon see the Wi-Fi extended to the Harry Margary Hall. At the same time CCTV cameras will be installed around the buildings. The wiring for all this equipment was put in place when the Annexe was built, but we didn't have the money to complete the work. The Parish Council is funding the extension of the Wi-Fi system as well as updating the existing one. Awards For All have given permission to use the remaining money from their grant for the Harry Margary Hall towards the CCTV equipment and District Councillor John Wing has supported an application from his budget for the balance of the cost. The Village Hall Committee would like to thank all of these sponsors. We are sure all users of our facilities will welcome these enhancements. **Village Hall Committee**

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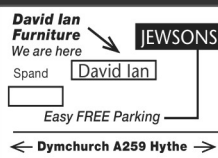
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### Lympne Lunch Club

Our next lunch will take place on Friday 13<sup>th</sup> December when we will be having our festive Christmas Lunch. We will also be extending the length of the session until 3.15 pm to allow time for some activities including a Christmas raffle.

To book your lunch please contact Denise 01303 237159 or email [lympnelunchclub@gmail.com](mailto:lympnelunchclub@gmail.com) preferably as early as possible week beginning 9<sup>th</sup> December, but no later than 6.00 pm Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> December.

If you are still not sure whether to join our friendly group either contact Denise or phone Anne 07791 324596 or Jon 07969 583915 for a chat and more information. We are particularly interested in hearing from people who live alone, who might benefit from joining the Lunch Club. Transport can be arranged if necessary.

### Lympne Lunch Club

### LYMPNE MEMORIES EVENING TUESDAY 14 JANUARY 7.30 pm HARRY MARGARY HALL

Following last January's successful event, SHAL will once again give everyone an opportunity to bring and share their memories of life in our village, with Carole Edwards' millennium boards and memorabilia from years gone by. So start digging out those photographs, scrapbooks, old film and whatever you have hidden away. Whether you've lived in the village for 50 years, or just moved in and want to find out more, everyone welcome.

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**STUDYING HISTORY AND  
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(SHAL)**

We were treated to an entertaining talk at our November meeting on **The Beaney Collection** by Coralie Clover. The Grade II Listed Beaney House of Art and Knowledge in Canterbury houses a collection of 50,000 objects, only one tenth of which are on display at any time. Dr James Beaney, born in 1828 and from a very poor working class Canterbury family, studied to

become a surgeon, developed his career in Australia, and became a politician and philanthropist. With considerable wealth he was generous in his donations to various institutions, including £1000s to Canterbury Cathedral where he demanded a monument be built to him. Described as "egotistical, ostentatious and crass", he was known as "Diamond Jim" for his behaviour in wearing diamond rings and drinking champagne while carrying out surgery. He was charged with murder in 1866, but not convicted, following the death of one of his patients. He died in 1891, leaving £10,000 (£17 million in today's money) for the creation of "The Beaney Institute for the Education of the Working Man in Canterbury, England", which opened in 1891 with Royal Assent.

The eclectic collection is vast, from very local to international, and includes items from Natural History, Geology, Social History, Ethnography, Archaeology, and Art. An example include:

A rook which boys had trapped and dressed in a red coat. The poor bird escaped, but was killed by other rooks who did not recognise and accept it. It was subsequently stuffed, taxidermy being very popular, and given to The Beaney.

Bagpuss, the television series filmed in Blean, ran for 13 episodes in 1974, but captured public imagination

Ceramics illustrating the City's hop picking history - the High Street was once lined with oast houses.

The fossil of a fish 38 - 38.9 Million years old

Chinese face slapper, used on women in prisons

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the 5<sup>th</sup> century in Canterbury.

Art collection connected to Canterbury, including portraits of Sir Basil Digwell by Van Dyke and Granny Knowles who came with her family from the East End for the hop picking season, painted by Dame Laura Knight.

The Beaney also runs **Health and Wellbeing projects**, particularly working with people with **dementia**.

Coralie currently works at Dover Castle which holds in the keep museum a football used in WW1 between the Allies and Germans in no-man's land.

Our next meeting will be a **Bring and Share Christmas Party** which will be held in the **Harry Margary Hall, Lympne on Tuesday 10 December 2019** commencing at **7.30 pm**. Just bring a plate of food, your choice of drink, and enjoy the entertainment.

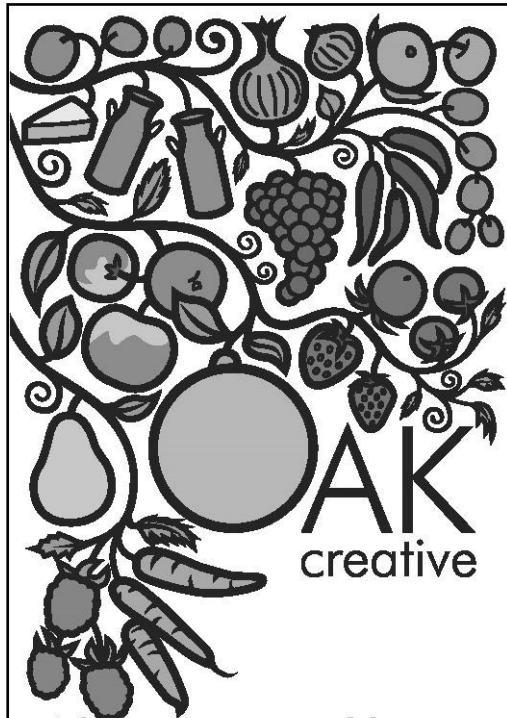
Visitors are very welcome to our meetings - a donation of £3 is requested for non-members.

For further information about this and other SHAL events, please contact Fiona Jarvest on 01303 237143 or email [fionajarvest1@gmail.com](mailto:fionajarvest1@gmail.com).

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## Lympne Airfield History Society

Our final presentation of the year on November 5th was well attended and featured the Free French RAF pilot Pierre Clostermann and James A. Goodson, an American in the RAF Eagle Squadron. Our presenter Phil Read took us through these two respective flying careers. Both pilots born in 1921, survived the war and lived well into the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Phil finished on a quiz giving away good quality prizes to an appreciative audience. On **January 7th**, the subject of our presentation will be the **Eagle Sport Parachute School's** story at Lympne Airfield presented by guest presenter **Ian Daniels** who was there in the 1970's. One such highlight was a performance by Paul McCartney & Wings as they took over their hangar to make a video. Parachuting at Lympne finally stopped in 1981 and was one of the last flying eras of our old airfield.

Please feel free to enjoy our continuing celebration of our Airfield in the wonderful surroundings of Lympne Castle's East Bar and main hall. **All meetings start at 7.30pm sharp. There is no charge.** Thanks to our generous hosts Richard and Aimee at the castle, and Brian our regular barman.. For more information please contact: **John Simpson 01303 265078** Email: [johnsimpson43@btinternet.com](mailto:johnsimpson43@btinternet.com)

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### Winnie Reports-

There have been reports to the Council about a rise in dog waste being found in the streets. Please remember like all good dog owners do, to clear up after your best friend.

In support of our litter volunteers a dog waste bag dispenser has been placed at the Airfield for those that have forgotten to bring a bag

**KENT GARDENER** December is a month when darkness exceeds daylight and temperatures are dipping to uncomfortable lows. But we can still do our bit to help our wildlife make it through to the spring. The days are short, so less time to search for food and the cold means they need to eat more to stay warm. Pressure on their countryside habitats, from intensive farming and development means many of our native birds, mammals and insects are already finding it difficult. Did you know that Wrens can lose up to 10% of their body weight on a cold night, just by trying to keep warm. And some butterflies survive winter weather by producing chemicals to stop their blood from freezing. All is not lost though. Our gardens can be vital sanctuaries especially if we grow the right plants. Of course we can put out nuts and seeds but there are plenty of plants that will provide food too, berry laden trees and shrubs such as holly, honeysuckle and cotoneaster. Leave some seed heads on annuals and perennials, these can be picked over by finches and other birds. Winter heathers not only supply food for bees and insects but the evergreen foliage and pretty long-lasting flowers from November to March make them a cold-season classic for gardeners. If you are thinking of planting a native hedge blackthorn (*prunus spinosa*) is one of the best, (now is the time to plant), many of you will know this prickly beast as sloe. You can make sloe gin from its blue fruit. Blackthorn is prompted into flower by cold temperatures and provides an invaluable source of nectar and pollen for early flying bees and the foliage is also the food for caterpillars of many moths. Talking of food, Christmas is almost upon us when there seems to be ample food about, of which I eat too much, so all that leaves me to say is I wish you all a Very Merry Christmas and a Healthy New Year..

**SERVICES AT ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, LYMPNE**

**DECEMBER 2019**

1st December – Parish Communion 11am  
 8th December – Family Service 11 am  
 15th December – Family Carol Service 11am join us for a warm punch and mince pie before the service  
 24th December – Midnight Communion 11.15pm  
 29th December – Benifice Family Communion 10am  
 All Services at 11am unless stated  
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St Stephen's has a junior church called Steve's Sunday Club held on Sunday mornings at the Village Hall during school term times from 10.45- 1145 (except the **Second** Sunday, when we **lead** the Family Worship at the church). We have fun groups for children aged 3-10 years old, and always welcome new faces. For more information please ring Christine Clover on 03000 301 662

**Lympne Fellowship-**

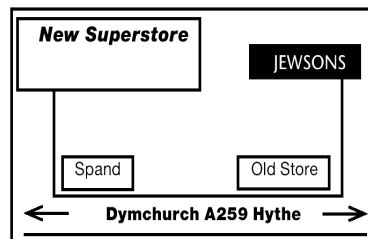
In November members enjoyed a highly thought provoking and awareness raising presentation about **Dementia** by Carole Garner. We learned that there are four types of dementia - Alzheimers Disease, Lewy Body, Vascular and Fronto Temporal, some being progressive and others developing in steps. Symptoms include gradual memory loss, especially short-term memory, and can affect language, concentration, attention and the ability to reason and to carry out simple actions. The Alzheimers Society run free sessions to raise awareness of this debilitating disease which affects so many people, their families and friends. Lympne Fellowship meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month, with a programme of interesting and informative talks and activities. For further information about our group, please contact Beth Lewsey on 01303 264577.

**COUNTRY MATTERS WITH MICHAEL OWEN**

December is now here, the drought gone and now too much rain!!, Only 43 yearlings animals now down on the army training ground by Hythe to come in this week for the winter. Ewes with the good weather have grown good fleeces to keep them warm, as long as we don't have floods like up north we should be OK. In our youth in the 50's we had no TV so it was the pictures we went to see. If it was an adult film we would have to wait until an adult came along and we would ask them to take us in, we did not stay with them, 1 Shilling 3 sixpence for the cheap seats, the propriety knew all about these things, but it filled up the cinema. We brought a TV in late 1953/4. The Queen got married in Nov 53, the Royal Oak at Newingreen had a small TV with a black & white screen, on which a lot of local people watch the Coronation on. I missed it as I had National service in Gibraltar, they was no TV in Spain. As a matter of interest, does anyone know where The Ritz & Grove Cinema's in Hythe was? We have ¾ of cows are now in calf. Twelve still to calf, all by a beef bull. Keep it that way, we don't want Friesian calves now. Better earlier in the year so in two years' time, they will have their own first calf in fine weather from July to October. Just started putting in Robotic milking system. Only two. The cows will milk themselves, once trained. That will be the worst bit. It is like training old humans on new kit.  
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**Sally Edwards – Chair, Jo Howes – Vice Chair, Rob Auger John Burrows, Ian White ,Kerry Boyland-Wood and Claire Yates**, All Correspondence should be sent to the Clerk Clerk: **Jeff Lawrence 29 Honeywood Close Lypne** Tel: 01303 230 525 e-mail:

**lympnepc@outlook.com** The next meeting of Lypne Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 6th December** at 7:00pm in the Village Hall Committee Room. An agenda will be put on the public notice boards before the meeting. All welcome

### Kent County Councillor

Your Kent County Councillor is Martin Whybrow

He can be contacted via e mail on

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## YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

### Doug Wade and John Wing

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