

# LYMPNE

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OCTOBER 2019



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**IN THIS MONTHS ISSUE:**  
Halloween at the hall, become a reading  
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Charity in need of  
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reading helpers in Lympe  
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primary school supporting*

*children to read well?*

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If you would like to become a reading helper please visit the website at [www.corambeanstalk.org.uk](http://www.corambeanstalk.org.uk) to complete the online form or call Coram Beanstalk on 020 7729 4087.

**LYMPNE VILLAGE HALL**  
**INDOOR TRICK OR TREATING**  
**THURSDAY 31<sup>ST</sup> OCTOBER 2019**  
**6PM – 7:30PM**  
**COME AND JOIN IN THE SPOOKY,**  
**GOOEY FUN!**  
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**TRICK OR TREAT BAG WITHOUT**  
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## Lympe Fellowship

Thanks went to our committee for a very interesting programme of events over the past year at our AGM in September. With the usual plea for a new Chair, Treasurer and Secretary, which as normal fell on 'selective hearing' ears, these stalwart members all agreed to continue. With one member stepping up and one stepping down, planning for next year will continue at a pace. With ever increasing numbers, it was agreed to see how we felt about transferring from members' homes to the Harry Margary Hall, hence the venue for our October meeting. With the conclusion of official business everyone took the opportunity to catch up on events over cheese and wine nibbles.

Our next meeting will be on **Thursday 10 October**, at the new **Harry Margary Hall**, commencing at **8.00 pm**, when **Andrew Ashton** will be speaking on **'Banksy'**.

This meeting is **open to all Lympe residents** (until the hall reaches capacity!) with guests being invited to make a donation towards St Stephen's Church funds. Just about everyone knows of Banksy's artwork and this promises to be a highly interesting talk. Do come and join us!



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## COUNCIL CATCH UP

Lympne Parish Council are working hard day by day on issues raised by residents. Councillors attended a site visit at the Airfield with members of SHAL and the Lympne Airfield society and our District Councillors John Wing and Doug Wade. This was to look at the biodiversity and discuss future plans for the protection of the area. The Council are still in discussions with Homes England about Stewardship of the area and you will be updated as soon as any further progress is made. Progress has been frustrated by changes at Homes England, but rest assured the Council are not letting this go.

### YOU SAID-WE DID

**You said** you were concerned about speeding vehicles entering the village from the direction of

Aldington. **The Council** contacted Community Speed Watch and it has been agreed that speed checks will recommence in the area of the County Members.

**You said** you were concerned about the chicanes in Stone Street. **The Council** contacted KCC Highways and it has been agreed that traffic priority will be reversed as an experiment to support visibility when using the chicane near to Owens Farm.

**You said** you were concerned about traffic safety in Court At Street **The Council** contacted our County Councillor who after a site visit has arranged for data to be collected to see if a speed limit could be introduced along with visible deterrents to reduce traffic speeds.

The Council has also agreed to fund an upgrade to the Village Hall IT equipment to encourage further use of the hall.

Expressions of interest are also being requested to form a Village Shop committee, to support the future of the Shop which is now owned by the Parish. If you are interested please contact the Clerk.

The Council would also like to thank Peter Geering for his services to the Council and the Village over the last few years. Peter has decided to stand down from the Council. This means that a new Councillor is needed to fill this now vacant seat. Notices have been placed as required by the regulations and it is anticipated that the Councils Co-opting powers will be used soon.

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## FORMER CLLR PAULINE BOOR

It is with deep regret that we have to report the passing of former Cllr Pauline Boor. Pauline held the office of Councillor for some years and stood down at the last elections. Pauline was a strong voice on the Council fighting for what she believed were the best interests of the residents of Lympne playing a full and positive roll in many decisions. Our thoughts are with Pauline's family at this time.

**A Successful DIY Day** Eight people turned up following the request for help to sort out the repairs that were required to the Play Park. Much progress was made with everyone happily working together. We were amazed at the talent and tools that reside in Lympne, which helped make what appeared difficult jobs so much easier to accomplish. More work is required and other DIY days are planned. The next one will be on Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> November 9.30 am to 4.00 pm Thank you to all those that helped and we hope to see you all and your tools again! New helpers always welcome. Please contact David Jones 01303 269151 for more information.

**Village Hall Committee**

## **LYMPNE VILLAGE HALL FILM CLUB**

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**FILM SHOWN 3<sup>RD</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH  
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and lucky draw ticket  
**7.15 for a 7.30 start**

**Tuesday Oct 15<sup>th</sup>**

**What We Did On Our Holiday (12)**

Doug, Abi and their children travel to a birthday party  
in Scotland

Starring Rosamund Pike, David Tennant & Billy  
Connolly

**Tuesday Nov 19<sup>th</sup>**

**High Society (U) Musical**

Heiress Tracy is engaged to one man, attracted to another  
but just maybe in love with her ex.

Starring Bing Crosby, Grace Kelly, Frank Sinatra,  
Celeste Holm & Louis Armstrong

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 will be requested)

## **Lympne Lunch Club**

20 people sat down for a meal at our first successful lunch. Eight of our volunteers were on hand to greet people, serve the meals, coffee and tea and make sure everyone was well looked after. The next lunch will take place on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> October. Don't sit at home on your own - come and join a friendly group for a chat over lunch. We can provide transport if you can't make it to the Harry Margary Hall. Phone Denise 01303 237159 or email [lympne-lunchclub@gmail.com](mailto:lympne-lunchclub@gmail.com) to book a meal. For more information on becoming a member of the Lunch Club phone Anne 07791 324596 or Jon 07969 583915 or Denise.

## **REGIFTING**

Do you have any unwanted presents cluttering up your drawers or cupboards? If so the Village Hall Committee would be delighted to accept them, whether they are large or small. We are always looking for suitable prizes for our raffles, which take place at various events we hold throughout the year. They contribute towards our fund-raising efforts. If you can help please contact Denise on 01303 237159 to arrange collection or delivery. **Village Hall Committee**

## **1<sup>ST</sup> LYMPNE GUIDES**

We have had an exciting summer term with a Fun Day shared with the Brownies and Rainbows of the Romney Marsh Division. We then camped overnight on the Village Hall field and tried out our new tents. It didn't rain so we couldn't really test them properly but everyone agreed that they were very superior to our old ones.

We've also enjoyed ten pin bowling in Ashford and a picnic on Hythe beach. Eight Guides paddled bell boats up the Canal to enter a Kent County competition, we didn't win, but had a lot of fun getting wet and we didn't visit the bank as often as the Guide Leader's boat.

14 Guides and 4 leaders went to Brownsea Island for our annual week away. We weren't camping under canvas this time but staying at South Shore Lodge, a delightful house on the shore of the island, facing Poole harbour. We have signed up for a day canoeing from the island to the mainland which proved to be an exciting adventure.

We are back for regular weekly meetings from Friday September 13<sup>th</sup> at the Village Hall at 6.30 p.m. If you are between 10 and 14 years old why not come and join us? Ring Jessica Cole on 07796959681 or Rosemary Stutchbury on 01303 266966 or contact [www.girlguiding.org.uk/join.us](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk/join.us).

## **Hythe Environmental Community Group**

**Apple Pressing and Produce Swap - Saturday 5th October** we have two events on the Town Square in Hythe from 11am to 3pm. **Community Apple Pressing:** bring your garden, orchard or allotment apples - cooks or eaters equally good - and join in or watch the busy team as they wash, chop, crush and then press the apples for juice. Sample the juice - fresh from the press - or take some away in return for the apples you brought along. **Autumn produce, plant and seed swap:** bring your surplus produce, plants and seeds to swap with others at the event - no money involved. This is always a good place to share meet new friends, share your knowledge and experience and learn from others; it's always interesting to have the opportunity to grow something different next year!

**STUDYING HISTORY AND  
ARCHAEOLOGY IN LYMPNE  
(SHAL)**

Dr Sheila Sweetinburgh gave a highly interesting talk on “Mayor Making and Other Civic Celebrations in the Kentish Cinque Ports” at our September meeting. From the 11<sup>th</sup> century the Cinque Ports received certain rights and privileges in return for giving ship service to the King of 57 ships, each with a crew of 21 men and a boy, for 15 days every year.

By the 13<sup>th</sup> century towns nationally wanted independence and the Cinque Ports’ privileges were not as exceptional. Customals stipulating the economic, political, and social customs of each town, were written to show their importance. Civic elections customals, written for the annual choosing of the civic mayors, record the date and venue, civic paraphernalia and use of the common horn to summon the commonality to attend a specified church. Of the Cinque Ports, only Sandwich and Dover had mayors in the 13<sup>th</sup> century, Hythe briefly in the 15<sup>th</sup> century and New Romney not until 1564. Each port had an elected body of jurats (*people performing a duty on oath, e.g. a juror*).



The dates for elections and the ceremonies differed among the four ports. In Sandwich, on the Monday following the Feast of the Apostle (30 November), the Town Sergeant sounded the common horn at 14 common places, summoning the people to St Clement’s Church. The current Mayor, leaving his symbols of office behind, would be asked to withdraw. The views of the jurats were heard and the chosen candidate would be called in to take his oath, receive the wand and key of office, and subsequently the common chest. The jurats were sworn in, followed by a procession to the Mayor’s

house. On the following Thursday the new Mayor instructed the sergeant to summon the jurats and commons to St Peter’s Church. The election of other town officers took place, possibly in the north aisle, surrounded by the tombs of notable predecessors.

The use of parish churches demonstrated the sanctity of the election procedure which was conducted in the sight of God surrounded by the signs and symbols of God’s omnipotence. This would have ensured the elected candidates were accepted by the town’s people and outside authorities.

Our next meeting on **8 October 2019** will be a visit to **New Hall, Dymchurch**, meeting there at **6.20pm**. New members and visitors to SHAL meetings and events are always welcome. 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).

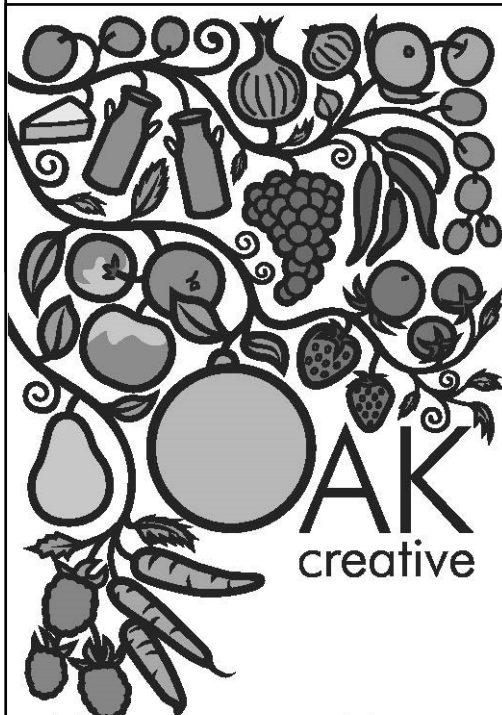
## Lympne Airfield History Society

Our September presentation on Balloons, Airships and Aeroplanes featured many rare photographs from the archive of local aviation author **Tony Moor**. A common site in the Kent skies, airships were often seen being flown by the Royal Naval Air Service up to and into the First World War. Balloons were also featured, along with early aeroplane types in military service. By comparison a much later photograph of the *Good Year* helium filled airship was shown landing at Lympne in modern times.

Our **November 5th** meeting will feature the Free French RAF pilot Pierre Clostermann, no stranger to Lympne Airfield. **Phil Reid**, our presenter on the night, will also feature James A. Goodson, an American in the RAF Eagle Squadron, as part of his presentation.

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 Rod at the castle, and Brian our regular barman..

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Are you, or do you know of any hidden heroes or heroines, you know those that do things in the village without being asked, perhaps tidy up an area, done a good deed for someone or generally do good in the community. Let us give them the recognition they deserve and tell their story in the newsletter. Let us know through the Parish Clerk [lympnepc@outlook.com](mailto:lympnepc@outlook.com)

**KENT GARDENER** October is the time to tidy dying borders even if, due to late warm weather, plants that should have been long gone by now are still putting out a few flowers. But they really need to go to make room for winter bedding or to allow for a thick layer of mulch to be added to protect herbaceous plants and improve soil. My loppers and secateurs have gone into overdrive at the moment, so much to clear, but we need to spare a thought for the wildlife trying to find refuge during the winter. Leave some garden edges, so insects such as ground beetles can find shelter. And perhaps ask yourself, could these seed heads or berries be useful to wildlife. Some plants may have hollow dry stems that tiny insects can roost in. You may wonder why I would want to encourage all these insects into my garden, its because they all have a part to play in the eco structure of the garden and what thrives in it. Just because winter is nearly upon us it doesn't mean your garden has to be colourless, a few simple container combinations, in pots, window boxes or baskets, are all it takes to bring light and life into our shortest days. Make up some winter containers now with perhaps some cyclamen, iris reticulata, viola and pansy, also heuchera for added foliage colour. Plant early flowering bulbs (now is the time to get planting your spring bulbs) in the borders, starting this month also ensures everything gets settled in before the chilly weather sets in. Talking of chilly weather, make sure plastic hoses, watering cans and anything else that is holding water, put them all under cover before the hard frosts freeze them. British Summertime ends this month, so fit good padlocks to your garden shed, greenhouse and garage for the long dark nights ahead. We have less time to spend in the garden now so make the most of it while you can, and don't forget to alter your clocks at the end of this month.

**COME AND JOIN US  
ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH  
HARVEST THANKSGIVING  
SUNDAY 13th OCTOBER 2019, 11.00 AM**



Followed by a Bring & Share Lunch

Tins and packets of foods will be donated to the Rainbow Centre.

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

**OCTOBER 2019**

6th October – Parish Communion  
13th October – Family service  
20th October – Morning Prayer  
27th October – Parish Communion  
All Services at 11am unless stated

PLEASE FEEL WELCOME TO ATTEND

Tea and coffee are served after all morning services

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Benefice Administrator on 03000 301 662 or  
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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 – 11.45 (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

**Country Matters with Michael Owen**

As of today (20/09/19) we have 58 calves, average 25 females to 35 males, by Christmas we shall

have more bull calves as used bull calves sexed semen, which will be for beef. Sold 600 approx. lambs cross, some fat and some to other farmers who are mostly outside of Kent for fattening. We have no good grass for the end of September this year. The harvest is in and have planted wheat for 2020.

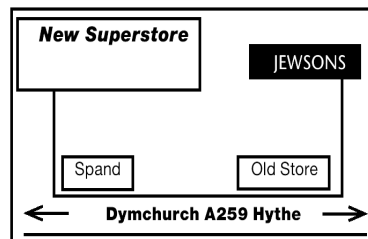
Philip Sassoon who died in 1939 had brought the estate of Port Lymne. He was Under Secretary for Air from 1924 to 1937. He was Mayor of Hythe for many years. He had collected many medals for duty in France and elsewhere in the 1<sup>st</sup> world war. He was going to give the women the vote, but he was overseas when the vote was called and could not put his name down. He had very many local and oversea visitors to Port Lymne, he had a four seater plane at Lymne and would fly to India and the far east. I used to get all my local knowledge from Arthur Woods at Newingreen Farm he lived there from 1932 to 1970 approx

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**Sally Edwards – Chair, Jo Howes – Vice Chair, Rob Auger John Burrows, Peter Geering, 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](mailto:lympnepc@outlook.com)** The next meeting of Lypne Parish Council will be on **Wednesday 2nd October** 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

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## YOUR DISTRICT COUNCILLORS

### Doug Wade and John Wing

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- Report a minor traffic collision.
- Give information to the police about crime in your area.
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