



**Digital Champion Support  
Monthly Drop-In Session  
Wed 3rd September  
15:00-17:00**

As part of the Parish Council's well-being initiative, the Digital Champion service will now be available through monthly drop-in sessions at the village hall, starting in September.

From Wednesday, 3rd September, residents can come along to access support on the first Wednesday of the month, between 15:00 and 17:00. These sessions are open to all and do not require an appointment (though depending on residents' requirements, bookable slots may be introduced if needed).

So, drop in to get help with a wide range of digital queries and issues including (but not limited to), assistance with accessing online services such as NHS accounts, digital parking apps, and other public services. You can also receive guidance on using your personal devices more confidently and securely, whether it's a phone, tablet, or computer.

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Easy, enjoyable craft activities (no experience needed!) Light-hearted games and laughter  
Delicious drinks and snacks  
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Weekly, starting Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> September 3:30 to 5pm in the Village Hall

LYMPNE PARISH COUNCIL HEALTH AND WELLBEING PROJECT

**Volunteer Drivers Wanted**

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**We Need Help For**

- a lift to village clubs
- medical appointments
- Trips to Age Concern Hythe
- or even just to the post office

**REGISTRATION IS EASY**

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- Scan the code on this notice



What's on in

**September**

at Lympne Castle



**Friday 12<sup>th</sup> September  
Music Bingo**

4 games - £5 per person  
Match the songs played to those on your bingo card and compete for fabulous prizes. Gather your friends and family for a fantastically fun evening!

**Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> September  
Castle Book Club**

6:30pm - 8:30pm  
Bring your latest read and sit and enjoy a drink in the Great Hall or watch the glorious sunset on our terrace.  
Free entry- socialising optional!

**THURSDAY 18<sup>th</sup> September  
Curry and Quiz Night**  
Enjoy a delicious curry in a grand historic setting while testing your knowledge in a thrilling quiz.  
6:30pm £15 pp  
(inc. curry and quiz entry)

**Roast Lunches**  
Our famous Sunday Roast Lunches are being served on the following dates in September- 7<sup>th</sup>, 14<sup>th</sup>, 21<sup>st</sup>, 28<sup>th</sup>  
Book now to avoid disappointment

Please note that due to private events, the Castle will be closed to the public on the following dates:  
5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup>, 13<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup> and 26<sup>th</sup> September (subject to change)



The Castle is currently undergoing some renovations during the week. We would therefore recommend calling ahead prior to visiting, to avoid disappointment.



Please contact us to book on 01303 533533 or [enquiries@lympnecastle.com](mailto:enquiries@lympnecastle.com)

# LYMPNE VILLAGE HALL FILM CLUB

IN THE HARRY MARGARY HALL

Films will be shown every 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month (not December).

MAKE A DATE IN YOUR DIARY FOR THIS POPULAR VILLAGE EVENT. ALL PROFITS GO TO THE VILLAGE HALL FUND.



7.15 for a 7.30 start

FREE MEMBERSHIP



Entrance fee of £5.00 includes refreshments and lucky draw ticket.

Showing on 23<sup>rd</sup> September:

## THE KITE RUNNER

A childhood friendship leads to great courage and devotion, as two boys seek to right the wrongs of the past.

Showing on 28<sup>th</sup> October:

## BELLE

Based on a true story, an 18<sup>th</sup> Century girl of mixed race seeks to find her place in society.



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).

# VOLUNTEER NEEDED

HARMEN AVENUE LYMPNE  
COULD YOU FIND TIME ONCE A MONTH TO DELIVER THIS NEWSLETTER TO RESIDENTS IN HARMEN AVENUE IF SO PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH CLERK AT [newsletter@lympneparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:newsletter@lympneparishcouncil.gov.uk)  
We would like to send our thanks to Mrs. Keeble who has been delivering in this area for many, many years. The time has come for her to hang up their delivery bag.  
Thank you again for your help.

STANFORD WITH POSTLING AND LYMPNE WI  
A DATE FOR YOUR DIARY.

THE WI QUIZ IS ON SATURDAY 18<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER AT THE MAIN VILLAGE HALL  
TABLES OF 6 PLEASE AND IT IS £8 PER PERSON. A PLOUGHMANS IS INCLUDED.

To book a table ring IONA on 07774 096 208  
We are pleased to say Lympne has now been included in our WI name .  
Lympne WI sadly disbanded a few years ago but as we meet in Lympne and many members live in the village we felt it right that its name be included .  
So if you would like to become a member we would be pleased to welcome you.

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## Let's Talk Kent

Have Your Say on Kent's Roads and Transport  
Kent County Council is taking part in the National Highways and Transport Survey for 2025-26. Alongside the main survey, there are six quick online surveys open to everyone, covering:

- Road maintenance
- Accessibility
- Walking & cycling
- Public transport
- Road safety
- Tackling congestion

They're open until February 2026 and can be found here:

Website [www.letstalk.kent.gov.uk](http://www.letstalk.kent.gov.uk) Let's Talk Kent - Highways & Transport Survey

or using following link if you are reading our web version

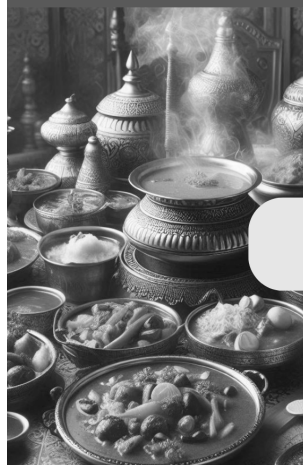
[National Highways and Transport Survey 2025-26 | Let's talk Kent](#)

The more responses, the stronger the voice for our community. Please take a few minutes to complete the surveys and share with others!

The County Members



## Join Us for Our Curry Buffet Night!



Indulge in a delicious evening of curry delights

Enjoy £18.49 for an all-you-can-eat feast, starting Tuesday, 12<sup>th</sup> August, from 6pm onwards.

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WEDNESDAY (BAR OPEN) 12-9pm (FOOD SERVED) 12-8pm  
THURSDAY (BAR OPEN) 12-10pm (FOOD SERVED) 12-9pm  
FRIDAY (BAR OPEN) 12-11pm (FOOD SERVED) 12-10pm  
SATURDAY (BAR OPEN) 12-10pm (FOOD SERVED) 12-9pm  
SUNDAY (BAR OPEN) 12-8pm (FOOD SERVED) 12-7pm



# St Stephen Church

## Services September

7th September Parish Communion 11am  
 14th September Family Service 11am  
 21st September Parish Communion 11am  
 28th September Parish Communion 11am

**Sunday Club (ages 3-10)**  
 Meet 10-11am  
 Lads' club Saltwood  
 Contact Christine Clover:  
 Call 0300 030 1662 or text 07379  
 877846  
[christineclover@lympneandsaltwoodchurches.uk](mailto:christineclover@lympneandsaltwoodchurches.uk)



1st Sunday of the Month, 9:45am, Lads' Club

## BUBBLE CHURCH



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### COFFEE MORNING

**SATURDAY 20 SEPTEMBER 2025**

**10.30am - 12.30pm**

- Join us for coffee, cakes and savoury bakes. If the sun is shining, sit out and enjoy.
- Take a break while out for that walk (well-behaved dogs welcome)
- Catch up with old friends and new

Proceeds to maintenance of the church plus  
 a donation to this month's nominated charity:  
**MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT**



### LYMPNE MOBILE LIBRARY

The mobile library is now coming to Lympne every fortnight. It will be parked at the top of Octavian Drive on the following dates  
 12th September 26th September  
 12.45pm to 1.15pm

Then fortnightly thereafter. It is manned by a very friendly helpful lady, who is looking forward to seeing there.

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Our next presentation is on **September 2<sup>nd</sup>** and will be presented by **John Simpson** who will be selecting more Tales of Lympe Airfield true stories from his final book in the trilogy he has written. He hopes to have copies available on the night.

**Our meetings start at 7.30pm at Lympe Church. Doors open 6.30pm. Admission £3. Refreshments available.**

*This month we look at the subject of aerial photography flights made from Lympe Airfield other than the more widely known company Skyfotos.*

## Other Aerial Photography From Lympe

by John Simpson

Not all aerial photography flown from Lympe Airfield was carried out by the company *Skyfotos* as the following account explains.

Peter Dorman better know as a pub landlord in and around Hythe over the years, formally had a career in commercial photography. In the late 1970s and early 1980s he recalled flying from Lympe Airfield on photography assignments for the consortium behind the Channel Tunnel project. Flying in the Edgar Percival EP9 Prospector\* belonging to the *Eagle Parachute Centre*, he remembers being strapped into the aeroplane next to the door aperture to enable him to point his camera out of the open door, which had been removed. The Channel Tunnel terminal site to be was his target as the EP9 put him in good view of the selected area. Properties to be compulsory purchased were also part of his brief on these flights.



Other assignments saw him take photographs for the *Windsurfer* magazine with a pilot, namely Keith Cameron which saw him taking photographs over the Channel of an air sea rescue exercise and other windsurfing activities. Keith was a regular aerobatics flyer at Lympe. This time the aircraft was a Beagle Pup 150, a four seat sporty low wing monoplane, which although there were four seats, two pairs in tandem, Peter had to take off in the front and climb over to the rear to take his photographs, once airborne, and return to the front to land.

Peter would go on to work for *Channel 4* television before working in Gibraltar in the grocery industry. He took his first pub in Shoreham, East Sussex on his return to the UK. Photography remains one of his great interests. Today he is mine host of the Potting Shed in Hythe High Street.

\* The EP9 was almost certainly the one lost in a fatal crash in July 1980.

**FOR INFO -Contact: John Simpson on  
07508 708725 or email:  
johnsimpson43@btinternet.com**

## STUDYING HISTORY AND ARCHAEOLOGY IN LYMPNE (SHAL)

**There was no SHAL meeting in August and our next meeting is on Tues. 16th in the Harry Margary Hall September at 7.30 pm when Andy Linklater will give a 'Talk on the Saxons, the Kingdom of Kent'.**

**Non - members are welcome.**

## Lympe Fellowship

August saw us enjoying our annual picnic on the playing field, always a lovely time to spend catching up and socialising with such a friendly group.

Now we're into September and our meeting this month will be our AGM, as usual with time to socialise once the formalities are over.

Lympe Fellowship normally meets at 1.15pm in the Harry Margary Hall on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of the month.

For further information about our group, please contact

**Jill Page on 07846 819693.**



Given the changing weather patterns we have experienced over the last few years it is sometimes difficult to differentiate the seasons and know what will happen next. Spring is earlier, so is summer but autumn and winter, will they also be earlier or delayed?

This year, already trees are beginning to drop their leaves through lack of water, but next summer may be wet. Perhaps we should do what is necessary in the garden not because it is autumn. Take out spent annuals as they go over but dead head, water and feed perennials and those in pots to encourage more colour. Bulbs are a winner for spring. If the soil is too dry, try starting bulbs in pots then transferring them into the border once rain has thoroughly soaked the ground. Now is the time to plant prepared hyacinths indoors for Christmas. Place in a cool, dark spot and move into a cool bright spot when the shoots are about 5 cms high. If plants must be replaced look for the Mediterranean ones with narrow, thick or 'furry' leaves which can resist drought. Water pots and the greenhouse in the morning so the ground can dry off to discourage slug and snails foraging at night. Now is good time to repair lawns, warm soil will encourage quick germination but keep moist and covered or birds will think it is breakfast. Also cover any newly sown salad or young brassica plants from pigeons which are always hungry. Collect seeds to sow next year but leave some for the birds to nibble. Clean water is always important whatever the weather to prevent transmission of infection.

Happy gardening.

Let's make this September a season of connection, care, and community  
Lympne Wellbeing Partnership  
3rd September: A Fresh Start in Lympne



We're still buzzing from the joy of our Summer Fair – thank you to everyone who came along and made it such a heartwarming day!

Thrive Through the Menopause

Our new Women's Group launches on 3rd September, 6.30pm at St Stephen's Church. Join us for honest conversation, support, and practical tools to help you thrive through the menopause.

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BEE CRAFTY**



### VILLAGE HALL NEWS

Our Summer Fair was a huge success, with a record number of interesting stalls, great entertainment for adults and children and a hotly contested and very popular dog show. After all expenses we made over £1,700, which will be used to maintain the halls, with some money also going to the playing field redevelopment fund. A

big thank you to the many volunteers involved in setting up and running the event, and everyone who attended and made it such a great day.

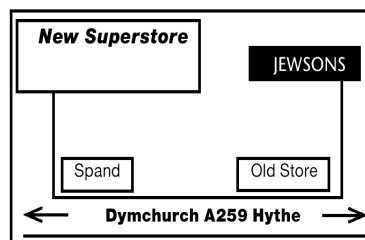
In other news, we have used the summer break to have acoustic tiles professionally installed in the Harry Margary Hall, a long overdue improvement. - Chair of the Village Hall Committee

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### CONTACT DETAILS

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#### Current Members

**Chair Mike Boor**

**Vice Chair Anne Beales**

**Claire Yates**

**Michael Potter**

**Judith East**

**Michael McAuley**

**James Sinclair**

Correspondence should be sent to the Parish Clerk

**Jeff Lawrence**

**29 Honeywood Close Lymgne**

**Tel: 01303 883 228**

**e-mail: clerk@**

**lympneparishcouncil.gov.uk**

## PLANNING MATTERS

Due to issues with space available planning applications are not published in the newsletter.

All planning matters are published with the agenda which can be found on the village notice boards or on line at

[www.lympneparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings](http://www.lympneparishcouncil.gov.uk/meetings)

## LYMPNE LUNCH CLUB FOR OVER 60S

On lovely summer's day Villagers of all ages were invited to see and enjoy the large, colourful display of flowers and shrubs at one of the Committee's Garden. The arrangements and quality of plants and flowers were better than seen in many a professional garden. There was an opportunity to buy plants for your own garden too. We could not go without a try on the tombola, with many lovely prizes to win and the afternoon would not have been complete without the included cup of tea and a slice of homemade cake. Can I say well done to all the organisers, volunteers and cake makers involved for making the afternoon so enjoyable and a special thankyou to Rosemarie for allowing us to visit her beautiful garden. All profits go to the Lymgne over 60s Lunch Club which meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday of each month. For more information call Margaret on 269557.

Thank you from Vera



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Contact  
Margaret on 01303 269557.  
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## REFUSE COLLECTION DATES SEPTEMBER 2025

Recycling (Purple Lid/Black  
Box) and Food Waste will be  
collected on: Tuesday 2nd, 16th  
and 30th

Non-Recyclables (Green Lid)  
and Food Waste will be  
collected on: Tuesday 9th and  
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Garden Waste Collections 2nd, 16th  
and 30th

*Please do not put the lid on the  
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