

# GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

November 2012

**RECYCLE DAYS**  
*Please check Dover  
District Council Website  
[www.dover.gov.uk](http://www.dover.gov.uk) for full  
details of recycling days.*

**WEBSITE**  
[www.mongeham.co.uk](http://www.mongeham.co.uk)

Kent Police telephone  
number for non-  
emergencies is **101**  
**Community Warden**  
Tel. 07813713722.

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The reinstatement of the **LYCH GATE** at St Martin's Church will cost almost five and a half thousand pounds. This involves new footings, treating and repairing the timber framework, retiling and re-siting, plus the emergency removal. So far £1210 has been raised, if you would like to make a donation, however small, please make cheques payable to St Martin's Church. (PS)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Autumn Fair**  
Saturday 24<sup>th</sup>

**Great Mongeham Society**  
AGM 29 November

**Great Mongeham Horticultural Society**  
AGM on November 7th

**Saint Martin's WI**  
November 8th meeting 'Preparing for Christmas'.

**Great Mongeham Singers**  
Wednesdays the 14th and 28th at 7.30 at the church.

**Drop In**  
NO Drop In on Thursday 15th November because of elections

**Bingo**  
Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7-30 in the Parish Hall

We would be grateful to receive any items for the next edition before the 20th of the month by e-mail to [greatmongehamnews@gmail.com](mailto:greatmongehamnews@gmail.com)  
Anyone wishing to advertise in subsequent issues should produce 420 copies on an A5 flyer - these will then be delivered for £10 - telephone Peter Hambrook on 364457.

## **ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH**

Benefice Priest in Charge: Rev. David Flewker Tel. 374076  
Ordained Local Minister: Rev. Peter Hambrook, 4 Brewery Cottages, Northbourne  
Road, Great Mongeham. Contact for Weddings and Baptisms Tel. 364457  
Church Wardens: Bob Osbourne, 27 St. Radigunds Road, Dover. Tel. 330200  
Jennie Esposito, 224 Mongeham Road, Great Mongeham. Tel 369304  
Secretary: Wendy Madgwick, Glendower, Mongeham Church Close, Great  
Mongeham. Tel. 239143  
Treasurer: Nigel Pitchford, 141 Mongeham Road, Great Mongeham. Tel. 362202

## **ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH SERVICES**

Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> November Morning praise 10-00 AM  
Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> Remembrance Sunday Holy Communion with Remembrance 10-00 AM  
Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> Family Service 10-00 AM  
Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> Holy communion 10-00 AM

### **Flower Rota (LL)**

4<sup>th</sup> November Mary and Elizabeth  
11<sup>th</sup> Wendy and Cynthia

Note to flower arrangers for Remembrance Sunday. The flowers for this day are Poppies and evergreens which will be at the Church. (PH)

18<sup>th</sup> June and Queenie  
25<sup>th</sup> Mary and Elizabeth

## **AUTUMN FAIR**

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> November - Table top Sale, 9 till 12 in the Parish hall. Please see separate Flyer.

**FRIENDS OF ST MARTIN'S CHURCH** A big thank you to everyone who exhibited, helped, visited, bought goods and generally supported the 21<sup>st</sup> Art Show in St Martin's Church. It was a very enjoyable and successful four days, with the sale of 21 artworks and numerous craft items. In all a total of £710 was raised from hanging fees, commission on art and craft sales, donations and refreshments. This money will go toward the refurbishment and re-instatement of the lychgate, which is very much part of the village, to its former glory. Many people have asked what the lychgate means and its use. The lychgate (meaning corpse (Old English lich or lik gate) is an important part of a country church. In the Middle Ages, when most people were buried in shrouds rather than coffins, the dead were carried to the lychgate and placed on a bier, where the priest conducted the first part of the funeral service under its temporary shelter. In later times, the coffin bearers rested the coffin there before carrying it into the church yard.

## **BINGO**

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> at 7-30 in the Parish Hall

**CHRISTIAN CENTRE** Graham Herbert Tel: 366332 Mick Godden Tel: 239801

Mobile 07713274760

The Tuesday Group meet for Tea, Coffee, Chat, Craft Aid (no charge) on Tuesdays from 10 am –12 Noon at Great Mongeham Christian Centre. Contact Anne 381378

**SERVICES** 10.30 am Every Sunday

## **CLUB, SOCIETY AND VILLAGE REPORTS**

### **GREAT MONGEHAM SOCIETY**

On the 18 October Vince Burrows gave a fascinating talk illustrated with original slides about the application of geophysics to archaeology. He is well known in Kent for his work in uncovering an Anglo Saxon cemetery in the Alkham Valley that revealed several skeletons, one known as the Wolverton Warrior, the story of which will be told in a unique display at Dover Museum. They uncovered the remains of two former Bronze Age barrow mounds and a series of 6th and 7th century Anglo Saxon burials. Next Meeting AGM 29 November. (NB This is the 5th Thursday of the month)S AW

### **GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

After the summer break the Autumn Show took place on October 3rd and it was good to see the hall filled with colourful flowers, fruits and vegetables. While the judging went on members enjoyed a light hearted quiz, coffee and raffle. Then judges, Mrs. Keys-Evans and Mr. R. Austin discussed the reasons for their choice of prize winners and passed on many useful tips to exhibitors for future reference. Chairman Keith thanked them for their time and expertise and also paid tribute to show secretary Carol for producing yet another successful show. The Cup for most points in show went to Alan Ford and the John Catherick Apple Cup jointly to Peter Aplin and Mike Blee. Members were reminded of the AGM on November 7th. JEB

### **SAINT MARTIN'S WI**

Saint Martins WI voted for Mrs Pam Oiller to stay as President for the coming year with a full committee to help her with WI business and events. November 8th meeting will have members and visitors 'Preparing for Christmas'. 2013 will be this WIs 40th year and they said it would not last! Great Mongeham is one of the very few places to have 2 WIs meeting each month, in the Parish Hall. Saint Martins WI 2nd Thursday at 7.30pm, and Mongeham and Ripple WI at 2.30pm 3rd Wednesday except December 2nd Wed. P.S-B

### **GREAT MONGEHAM SINGERS**

Great Mongeham singers are meeting next month on Wednesdays the 14th and 28th at 7.30 at the church. We have been practising several songs for a while and are now ready to sing with Abbeyfield residents on the 6th November. We are a small group of about 12 regular singers and we just SING for fun. We will be singing with the Abbeyfield residents again in December, at that festive time of year it will be carols. If you like singing in the shower and hum whilst hoovering please do join us. Most of us do not read music, do not play an instrument and just like singing for the feel good factor. It's official - singing is good for you! So please come along. You will be welcomed with open arms. Val Rees (Phone 373307)

### **DROP IN**

There is NO Drop In on Thursday 15th November because of elections. A sales table is a feature at the weekly Drop In on Thursdays from 10 to 11 am at the Parish Hall. As well as seasonal produce and plants there are greeting cards for every occasion. Second hand items include clothing, books and jig saw puzzles. A small amount of money is made and 10%, goes towards the Parish Hall. Come and enjoy a chat over coffee. (BS)

### **PARISH HALL**

Thank you to the Parish Hall Committee and hall users for their help and support over the five years I was in the Chair. Rev Peter Hambrook is now Chairman, Mrs Lesley Lawrence is Vice- chair and Mrs Jo Wells is Administrator (07825373926). For hall bookings telephone 01304-362815 (PS-B)

<b>ORGANISATIONS AND CLUBS IN THE PARISH</b>			
<b>Organisation or Club</b>	<b>Meeting times /Location (Parish Hall unless states otherwise)</b>	<b>Contact Number</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
Gt. Mongeham Parish Council	1st Thursday of the month 7.15 pm	Terry Madgwick	239143
	no meeting Aug & Jan	Sarah Wells	614320
1st Gt. Mongeham Brownies	Weds 5.30-7pm Term-time. <b>Baptist Hall</b>	Julie Caldwell	372493
Baby Movement	Friday 4pm	Jan Anton	813749
Ballet & Tap	Juniors 4.45pm, Seniors 5.30pm	Jan Anton	813749
Bell Ringers	Tuesday 7.30 pm. <b>St Martin's</b>	Peter Deverson	365460
Bernice Dance Group	Friday 1.30-3.30 pm (not 4th in month)	Bernice	368920
Cabaret/Tap for 40s+, beginners	Monday 4.45 pm	Jan Anton	813749
Drop In	Thursday 10.00 am	Barbara Spence	375786
Friends of St. Martin's		Nigel Pitchford	362202
Good Companions	Thursday 2.30-4.15pm	Barbara Spence	375786
Great Mongeham Society	3rd Thursday 7.30 pm	S. Afzal-Woodward	372792
Gt. Mongeham Art Group	Tuesday 1.45-3.45pm Term-time	Julie Kersey	373299
Gt M Horticultural Society	1st Weds. 7.30pm (not Jan & Sept)	Liz Atkinson	381719
Jazz & Acrobatics (5 to 7 years)	5to7 yrs Mon 4pm.7to12 yrs Tues 5pm	Jan Anton	813749
Karate	Mons. and Weds. 6.30pm	Jan Easton	367001
Keep Fit For Life	Monday 10.15am—11.15 am	Jan Anton	813749
Mongeham-Ripple W.I.	3rd Weds.2.30pm (Dec.2nd Wed)	Sue Case	374025
Parish Hall Bookings		Tel	362815
Pilates	Thursday 5.45 –6.45pm	L Pullen	07734473784
Scottish Country Dancing	Tuesday 8 pm	Mary Quinton	375836
Special Needs Dance Club	Tuesday 5.45 to 6.30pm	Jan Anton	813749
St. Martin's W.I.	2nd Thursday 7.30 pm	Pam	373604
Sunday School (3 yrs.& over)		Sylvia Griffiths	367124
T.A.F. Playgroup	1.00pm Monday. Term-time	Wendy Madgwick	239143
Tots Ballet and Gymnastics	Friday 4 pm	Jan Anton	813749
Weightwatchers	Friday 10 am	Tracey Tonks	
Yoga	Tuesday 10.30 am	Audrey Clarke	368521

### **Lets Dance closed.**

The class on Mondays 8 pm to 10 pm with Mrs Dean has had to close

### **VILLAGE DESIGN STATEMENT- FREE COPIES**

The VDS committee wish to remind village residents that there are still full-colour documents of the village design statement available for any residents of the village who have not yet received one. If you know of new-comers to Great Mongeham, please let us know so that we can provide them with a copy. These documents are illustrated with colour photos of houses, footpaths and leisure areas of the village and give an overview of Great Mongeham as well as essential information for those intending to apply for planning permission. To obtain a copy, please phone Bob Kersey on 373299, or Sylvia Bowsher on 369405. (RK)

### **TODDLERS AND FAMILIES PLAYGROUP**

The playgroup is on half-term holiday for two weeks on 29th October and 5th November. The group offers a fun afternoon for children from 0 to 5 years old with craft activities, large and small play equipment, books, songs and refreshments. Cost per family/ carer group is £1.50. For more details telephone Wendy on 01304 239143 or just pop in to the Village Hall on Monday afternoons at 1.00 pm. (WM)