

GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

December 2012

RECYCLE DAYS

Please check Dover District Council Website www.dover.gov.uk for full details of recycling days.

WEBSITE

www.mongeham.co.uk

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

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There will be no newsletter in January.

*Peter and I wish you a Happy Christmas and New Year.
Penny*

We would be grateful to receive any items for the February 2013 edition before the 20th of January by e-mail to 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.

CHRISTMAS EVENTS in the village

Open Church and Coffee Morning

Coffee Morning and open Church will be on Sunday 16th December from 11am until 3pm, not on Saturday the 8th.

Great Mongeham Horticultural Society

Christmas Party on December the 5th

Great Mongeham Singers

December 12th at Abbeyfield, Walmer

Saint Martin's WI

Christmas meeting Thursday December 13th

Bingo

Christmas bingo 20th December at 7.30 in parish hall

Christmas Carols

There will be carols around the Christmas tree on the village green, on Friday 21st at 6.30pm. Mince pies and hot drinks to follow in the Parish Hall. The tree and carols are sponsored by the Parish Council. The Parish Council wishes to thank David Solley for his help in putting up the tree. (BK &TM)

Children's Christmas Party

Great Mongeham Parish Council has organised a Christmas party for children of primary school age (5 - 11) in the Parish. It is on Sunday December 23rd at the Village Hall from 1.30 pm until 3.00 pm. Admission is free but the children must be residents of Great Mongeham and parents MUST stay. If you need any further information contact Cllr Christian Burwash 07949870517 or email chrisburwash@hotmail.co.uk

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

Services for December

Sunday 2nd Morning praise 10.00 am
Sunday 9th Holy Communion 10.00 am
Sunday 16th Crib service 10.00 am
Carol service 4.00 pm
Sunday 23rd Holy communion 10.00 am
Christmas Eve Christingle service 5.00 pm
Midnight Mass 11.15 pm
Christmas Day Holy Communion 10.00 am
Sunday 30th United service at St Richard's Mill Hill

Services for January

Sunday 6th Morning Praise 10.00 am
Sunday 13th Holy Communion 10.00 am
Sunday 20th Family Service 10.00 am
Sunday 27th Holy Communion 10.00 am

Bingo

Christmas bingo 20th December at 7.30pm in parish hall
And in January on Thursday 24th at 7.30pm in the parish hall. (PH)

Flower Rota for December

16th December - decorating for Christmas will be at the church on the 15th from 10am - many hands make light work.

23rd December - Lesley and Kathie

30th December - Jean and Audrey.

May I take this opportunity to thank all of "the flower ladies" for their support and wonderful displays over 2012. Wishing you a very merry Christmas and healthy New Year, Lesley.

Flower rota for January 2013

6th January - Lesley and Kathie

13th January - Wendy and Cynthia

20th January - June and Queenie

27th January - Mary and Elizabeth

CAROLS

Friday 21st December 6.30pm Carols on the Village Green, with traditional refreshments

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

The Deal Hoodeners will entertain the Society at their first meeting of the New Year on Thursday 17th January. Competitions, games and a 'bring and share' supper will add to the festive evening. Meetings are held on the third Thursday of the month at the Parish Hall at 7.30pm.except in December and September. Visitors, £2, are always welcome. The Society is affiliated to the Kent History Federation. For details contact the secretary Sajjad Afzal-Woodward, tel. 372792 or www.greatmongehamsociety.co.uk. (DK)

GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The Societies AGM took place on November 7th. Chairman Keith reported on a very successful year - speaker meetings had been enjoyed, our own shows had been successful and well supported, as had the Kent County Show. He congratulated members on their achievements and thanked the committee. Alan Ford produced the accounts which were adopted. The committee were all willing to continue in office so were re-elected en-bloc. Our next meeting will be the Christmas Party on December 5th, when a 'bring and share' buffet will be served. The competition for the heaviest pumpkin was won by Brian Knight, second was Steve Pitcher Jnr and in equal third place were Keith Atkinson and Ann John. There will be no meeting in January. The February meeting on the 6th will be with a speaker Heather Willis whose talk is titled 'Spotlight on Kent' (JEB)

SAINT MARTIN'S WI

Saint Martin's WI will hold a Christmas meeting Thursday December 13th. Members to bring and share a buffet item and a wrapped gift of approximate value £1.50, and a greetings card. The evening competition is 'A seasonal table decoration'. At the NFWI AGM in the Albert Hall in June, the Guinness World Record was claimed by the WI for the largest number of people simultaneously knitting for 15 minutes, 3,083 in number. January 10th 2013 will be the start of Saint Martin's WI programme of speakers, demonstrations and events. At present the programme is not available. New members and visitors always welcome at meetings on the second Thursday in the month in the parish hall at 7.30pm. 01304- 373604 (P S-B)

GREAT MONGEHAM SINGERS

Great Mongeham Singers will meet for the last time this year on December 12th. We will be carol singing with the residents of Abbeyfield, Walmer. We then have a winter break and resume activities in early February. (VR)

THE LYCHGATE

As those of you will see if you use the foot path through the church yard, The Lychgate is well on the way to full restoration. It is being done as the builder can fit it in between other jobs and weather permits. Also as machinery is available to lift it into place, which is kindly loaned to him by Solley's farms. At the time of writing the old footings have been removed and new deeper, stronger ones set into place. It is hoped to stand the structure into place in a day or two's time when all the original timbers have been treated for worm and rot. We are thankful for donations that we have received towards this project but are still well short of the figure required to pay for the job. Any donations can be sent or given to any member of St Martin's PCC. (PH)

Village Fete

£250 surplus from the village fete has been donated to the Hornbeam School. They plan to use it to fund a performance by the Historic Theatre Company. (BK)

GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council have promised a grant of £400 towards the repair of the lychgate.
(TM) Council minutes can be read at <http://www.greatmongehampc.kentparishes.gov.uk/>

DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

At the end of last year we indicated the challenges ahead, the continuing work on the Local Development Framework and the joined up work on the new waste contract. This year we have seen the waste contract being implemented and the results have been fantastic with recycling rates going past 50% - the best in Kent! With this in mind we also ask residents to consider the opportunities for recycling cards and wrapping paper over the holiday period. There are still challenges facing the council and finance looms over our every move. The provision of youth services looks set to be an important field of endeavour. Again joint working with Kent County Council and other partners looks to be the way forward to deliver even better services while still achieving financial efficiencies. Useful date - Planning committee - 17th January 6pm at the council offices at Whitfield We would like to take this opportunity to wish all our residents a safe Christmas and a prosperous New Year. Yours sincerely, Nick Kenton & Steve Manion

Dover District Council - Recycling and Waste Collections

Week commencing 24th December:

Normal collection day	Revised collection day
Monday 24 th December	Monday 24 th December
Tuesday 25 th December	Saturday 22nd December
Wednesday 26 th December	Thursday 27 th December
Thursday 27 th December	Friday 28 th December
Friday 28 th December	Saturday 29 th December

Week commencing Monday 31st December: Collection days will remain unchanged.

Dover District Council - Garden Waste Collections:

Week commencing 24th December:

Normal collection day	Revised collection day
Monday 24 th December	Monday 24 th December
Tuesday 25 th December	Saturday 22nd December
Wednesday 26 th December	Thursday 27 th December
Thursday 27 th December	Friday 28 th December
Friday 28 th December	Saturday 29 th December

Garden waste collections stop for two weeks from Monday 31st December to Friday 11th January 2013 inclusive.

Here are some common questions and answers about the recycling service

What can I put in my recycling bin? - All plastic pots, tubs and trays, plastic bottles, glass bottles and jars, drink and food cans and tins, empty aerosols and Tetra packs (cartons). We cannot take plastic bags, plastic film or expanded (foam) polystyrene. Please put these in your residual (non-recyclable) waste bin.

Where is everything going to be recycled? - All the collected dry recyclables are being taken to a Material Recycling Facility and sorted and sent for re-use.

How much did the new bins cost the council? - The new bins were paid for by the County Council and the savings are much more than the cost of the new bins. The savings are shared by both Dover District as the waste collection authority and Kent County Council as the waste disposal authority.

Why do I have to have a bin? - The scheme is designed to use wheeled bins to maximise the efficiencies and keep the cost of the service as low as possible.