

GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

February 2013

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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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

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.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Great Mongeham Society

February 21st at 7.30– The Lady and The Mountain

Great Mongeham Horticultural Society

February 6th at 7.30pm, meeting and potato competition

Saint Martin's WI

February 14 Trisha Mattfield - an evening of craft, 7.30pm

Great Mongeham Parish Council

Next Meeting Thursday 31 January and 7th March

Bingo

February 28th at 7.00 for 7.30

Free Course for Anyone Thinking About Volunteering

Are you interested in volunteering but for one reason or another aren't quite ready to take the plunge? You may lack confidence or need encouragement, you may worry about your childcare options or travel costs, you may be struggling to decide what sort of volunteer work you would like to do. If this sounds familiar to you, then our free course could greatly benefit you. The course takes place in Dover on Tues 22nd and Weds 23rd January 2013. Lunch and refreshments are included free of charge, and travel expenses can be reimbursed.

Courses are funded by NLDC Response. If you would like to book a place, please contact Karen at the Volunteer Centre on 01304 367898 (26 Victoria Road, Deal) or email

office@doverdistrictvolunteering.org.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

Sun 3rd February Morning praise (all at 10am)
Sun 10th Holy Communion
Sun 17th Family service
Sun 24th Holy Communion
Sun 3rd March Holy Baptism

Flower Rota

3rd Feb..... Lesley and Kathie
10th Feb..... Jean and Audrey
17th Feb..... Wendy and Cynthia
24th Feb..... June and Queenie

Bingo

February 28th at 7.00 for 7.30

THE LYCH GATE

As you will have noticed if you have been through the church yard of St Martin's over the last few weeks, work on the Lych gate has progressed in spite of the bad weather and is indeed now finished and it looks great. We would like to thank those who donated monies towards the cost, the bill has now been paid using money from various sources which has to be paid back. We would also like to thank Solley's farms for the use of heavy lifting equipment to lift the whole structure into place without which we would have to hire a large crane and double the cost of the job. The builder apologizes for any inconvenience during the time of reconstruction and the unavoidable mud, now with better weather all can dry up and the grass can be restored back to normal.

Thank You

Peter and Barbara would like to thank everyone who sent cards of congratulations on the occasion of their betrothal at Northbourne Church on the 12th of January. It was truly a joyful occasion for us both. We shall treasure the day for a long time. We also thank the Wardens and congregation of Northbourne Church for making us welcome. Last but not least to all those who organised the little reception afterwards in Northbourne hall. I use the word little in a light hearted way, we were astounded at the number of cakes and other goodies that appeared and were consumed on the day. Oh, and one big last thank you to the three ladies who poured numerous cups of tea and coffee. Thank you every one Peter Hambrook and Barbara Jasper.

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 Great Mongeham Society started the New Year in festive style. A jolly performance from the Deal Hoodeners set feet tapping. The music was interspersed with snippets of information on the history of Hoodening in East Kent, and the performance was rounded off with us all joining in the chorus of the last song. Members and Hoodeners then enjoyed snacks from the buffet and a glass of wine or two before heading off (with spirits lifted) into the January snow.

February Meeting - Few of us knew that Brian Laverick-Smith's hobby was climbing mountains. He will enlighten us more when he gives his talk "The Lady and the Mountain". This is the story of the Matterhorn and the Brian's four attempts to climb it, the young lady he met in the process and the tragedy at the end of it all. Those of us who were entertained by his talk in 2011 about the cross Channel Hovercraft know that he will do a good job with this one too. February 21st at 7.30 in the Village Hall. (JR)

GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The first meeting of 2013 will be at the Parish Hall on February 6th at 7.30pm. All members will be able to pick up their seed potato and 10 litre pot so they can begin preparations for the 2013 Potato Competition with the weighing to take place in June. The committee have organised a speaker for this meeting. JEB

SAINT MARTIN'S WI

Saint Martins WI enjoyed Sarah Grazebrook talk on her yet to be published book 'The Shadow of the Lamp' telling of the nurses and Florence Nightingale's fight to help soldiers in the Crimea. February 14 Trisha Mattfield holds an evening of craft, 7.30pm in the hall. Visitors welcome. (PS-B)

GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Next meeting Thursday January 31st and Thursday 7th March 2013.

JAN ANTON'S DANCERS

The Jan Anton Dancers have enjoyed a wonderful but busy Christmas. Jan was the Choreographer for the Royal Marines Pantomime at the Astor Theatre in Deal which made £20,000 for local and national charities. The young Dancers from the Ballet School in Great Mongeham Village Hall performed for the third year running at Ash in Mother Goose - once again a very successful season playing to packed audiences every night. For 2013 we are introducing a Saturday morning class (10.30 to 11.30) in MUSICAL THEATRE. The class will consist of learning and performing songs from the popular shows such as Annie, The Lion King and Les Miserable. The class will be conducted by Jessica Morris from the Canterbury Performing Arts College. The cost will be £3 and will be open to children between 6 and 11 years, initially on a first come first served basis. Contact Jan to book your place 813749 or antondance66@gmail.com. (JA)

Tai Chi

The 2013 dates of Wednesday 2.30pm meetings are displayed in the hall notice boards Master-Chris Thomas will welcome you along for this gentle form of exercise. (PS-B)

London Marathon

Barney Harrison of Dairy Mews is pounding the roads preparing for the London Marathon on April 21st, raising money for Martha Trust. If you want more details or to sponsor Barney : virginmoneygiving.com BarneyHarrison Good Luck (PS-B)

ORGANISATIONS AND CLUBS IN THE PARISH			
Organisation or Club	Meeting times /Location (Parish Hall unless states otherwise)	Contact Number	Telephone
Gt. Mongeham Parish Council	1st Thurs 7.15 pm, not Aug/Jan	Terry Madgwick	239143
	http://www.greatmongehampc.kentparishes.gov.uk/	Sarah Wells	614320
1st Gt. Mongeham Brownies	Weds 5.30-7pm Term-time. Baptist Hall	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. St Martin's	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	P Scott-Bradford	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

New Arrival!

Helen (nee Morgan) and Ian Norsworthy, married at St. Martin's Church in July 2011, are delighted to announce the news of the birth of their precious daughter, Grace Megan on Decemebr 18th att QEQM Hospital, weighing in at a healthy 7lbs. Both are doing very well. A most wonderful and blessed gift for their families. Special prayers of thanks for her safe arrival and for the new life ahead for Helen, Ian and beautiful Grace. Sue Morgan - proud Granny!

District Councillors Report

DDC has seen cuts in government funding of approximately 29% over the last two years, and further cuts are anticipated. DDC has reduced its budget by £2.5m by a review of staffing, efficiencies, and sharing services with other local authorities. We will take advice in order to achieve the best outcome for our rate payers. On a local level Nick and Steve are keen to help residents with queries relating to the council's services.

Useful dates: Planning committee 21st February. (SM)