

# GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

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## **RECYCLE DAYS**

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full details of recycling  
days.*

Telephone numbers:  
**Kent Police** for non-  
emergencies is **101**.  
**Health** non-  
emergencies **111**.

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We would be grateful to receive any items for the next edition by e-mail to [greatmongehamnews@gmail.com](mailto:greatmongehamnews@gmail.com) by the 20th of the month. 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 360654.

## **DATES FOR YOUR DIARY**

### **Great Mongeham Society**

No meeting in September

### **Great Mongeham Horticultural Society**

2nd October Autumn Show

### **Saint Martin's WI**

September 12th - Mr Stitchbury will talk on 'Hearing Dogs'.

September 19th - A 'Graveyard Walk' at Ringwold church with a ploughman's supper afterwards

### **Bingo**

### **Harvest Festival**

Service at 10am followed by lunch at the Parish Hall –see flyer.

**Apologies to all concerned, we had so much material for the August newsletter that I had to hold over this report on the Village Fete (PB)**

## **THE VILLAGE FETE**

A good day was had by all who attended the Great Mongeham Fete - both punters and those who ran the variety of sideshows. The weather was just perfect; the flower show side of things was remarkable. Tracy's organisation and get-up-and go with the field events is to be commended, she brings new life into the organisation of such events that are all part of village life. Well done Tracy, and all who helped in any way. It's good to be able to turn up and help and leave the stress of sorting it all out to someone younger. Oh, I nearly forgot, we had a beer tent there as well, put on by the new landlord of the Three Horse Shoes. They are doing their best to pick up what has become a run down business, so if you feel like a quick half and a chat, call in there for a swift one! I enjoyed the day. Perhaps it was the large glass of cider I had to start me off at the beginning! Long may such events go on, in what, I consider a very nice place to live. Peter Hambrook.



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

Benefice Priest in Charge: Rev. David Flewker Tel. 360654  
Ordained Local Minister: Rev. Peter Hambrook, 1 Church Hill Cottages, Northbourne  
Road, Great Mongeham. Contact for Weddings and Baptisms Tel 07900141334  
Church Wardens: William Bush,  
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**

1st Sept 10 am Morning praise  
8th Sept 10 am Holy communion  
15th Sept 10 am Family service  
22nd Sept 10 am Holy communion  
29th 10 am Harvest festival. All none perishable goods donated at this service will be sent to the local food bank.

**A HARVEST LUNCH** will be provided in the Parish hall after the service for all who would like to come, no matter if you have come to the harvest service or not. A nominal donation of £5-00 will be appreciated and all profits will go to our link in Madagascar. Please telephone to reserve a place on 07900141334. See flyer for details.

## **Church Register**

Max Thomas Traynor was Baptized at St Martins Church on Sunday 18 August.

## **Flower Rota**

15th Sept Wendy and Cynthia  
22nd Sept Mary and Elizabeth  
29th Sept Harvest festival, all arrangers on Friday 27th please. Could you please let me know your availability, thank you. From 10 am.  
6th October Lesley and Kathie  
13th October June and Queenie

## **BINGO**

Bingo on Thursday 26th 7-30 Sharp

**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 14<sup>th</sup> August members of the Great Mongeham society and guests were conducted around a network of tunnels the history of which may extend back to Neolithic times. However most were excavated in the nineteenth century to extract chalk for making lime. An attempt was made in the mid twentieth century to make them a tourist attraction. Some walls are decorated with murals. Most of the assembled group were unaware of the existence of the Eastry Caves, and were amazed at their extent. There is no meeting in September.

### **GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

The Society had been saddened by the recent loss of Barbara O'Dell, a long-standing and greatly valued member. A brilliant flower arranger who was always willing to share her expertise with others: blessed with a happy friendly personality she will be sadly missed and our deepest sympathy goes to Ray.

Speaker for the August meeting was Mr. Don Wilkes whose talk on 'Fungi and Dragonflies' was both interesting and informative and I think we all learned a lot. Keith our Chairman reminded everyone about the forthcoming Summer Show on Bank Holiday Monday. He also announced our successes at the Kent County Show. As is customary there is no meeting in September - but don't stop gardening, we return on October 2nd for the Autumn Show!! (JB)

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

At the last meeting we enjoyed strawberries, scones and chocolate cake, a very good evening. Hand made cards and jewellery were on sale for members and visitors to enjoy. September 12th Mr Stitchbury will talk on 'Hearing Dogs'. Visitors welcome 7.30pm in the hall. September 19th will be a 'Graveyard Walk' at Ringwould church with a ploughman's supper afterwards, meet at the church at 6 pm.

### **RING AND SING AT ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH**

Mongeham Singers will meet after the summer break on Wednesday 11th and 25th September 7.30 in the church.

St. Martin's Bell Ringers will meet on Wednesday 4th and 18th September also in the upper room.

### **DROP IN**

A country market is being launched in the Parish Hall on Thursday 5th September from 10 to 11.45am. Stallholders are welcome to trade whatever they have to sell from garden produce, domestic items, art and crafts to bric-a-brac and second hand clothing. Stalls will cost £2. The market will be held on the first Thursday of the month at the usual "drop in" which is held on Thursday mornings at 10am. There is no need to book a stall just come along and start trading. (DK)

<b>ORGANISATIONS AND CLUBS IN THE PARISH</b>			
<b>Organisation or Club</b>	<b>Meeting times &amp; Location (Parish Hall unless states otherwise)</b>	<b>Contact Number</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
Gt. Mongeham Parish Council	1st Thurs 7.15 pm, not Aug/Jan	Terry Madgwick	239143
	<a href="http://www.greatmongehampc.kentparishes.gov.uk/">http://www.greatmongehampc.kentparishes.gov.uk/</a>	Sarah Wells	614320
1st Gt. Mongeham Brownies	Weds 5.30-7pm term-time <b>Baptist Hall</b>	Julie Caldwell	372493
Bell Ringers	Tuesday 7.30 pm. <b>St Martin's Church</b>	Peter Deverson	365460
Bernice Dance Group	Friday 1.30-3.30 pm (not 4th in month)	Bernice	368920
Children's Singing	Saturday 10.30 am	Jess Morris	07791552814
Drop In	Thursday 10.00 am	Barbara Spence	375786
Friends of St. Martin's		Nigel Pitchford	362202
Fitness Mix	Weds 9.30 am	A Reynaert-Hicks	
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
Karate	Mon and Wed 6.30pm	Jan Easton	367001
Line Dancing	Monday 8.30pm	Janet Dean	613927
Mongeham-Ripple W.I.	3rd Weds.2.30pm (Dec.2nd Wed)	Sue Case	374025
Mongeham Singers	Alternate Wed, <b>St Martin's Church</b>	Val Rees	373307
Parish Hall Bookings	Tracey Ridyard		07966149590
Pilates	Thursday 5.45 –6.45pm	L Pullen	07734473784
Scottish Country Dancing	Tuesday 8 pm	Mary Quinton	375836
St. Martin's Handbell Ringers	Alternate Wed, <b>St Martin's Church</b>	Audrey Pitchford,	362202
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
Weightwatchers	Friday 10 am	Tracey Tonks	
Yoga	Tuesday 10.30 am	Audrey Clarke	368521

## **GREAT MONGEHAM 22<sup>ND</sup> ART EXHIBITION AND SALE**

The Friends of St Martin's are holding the Annual Art Show in St Martin's Church from Friday 13<sup>th</sup> September to Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> September from 11.00am to 4 p.m. daily. Please come along and support us. There is artwork and crafts for all tastes and 'pockets'. You could even do some early Christmas Shopping! Anyone interested in exhibiting artwork or craft, please contact Wendy on 01304 239143 for an application form. (WM)

## **TODDLERS AND FAMILIES PLAYGROUP**

Summer term ended with an outdoor party enjoyed by all; the playgroup will restart on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> September in the Village Hall from 1.00 – 3.00 pm. 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. (WM)

## **FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

13 September 2013 – last day to apply for DDC/KCC grant  
20<sup>th</sup> Sept 2013 – last day to apply for GMPC grant.