

GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

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GREAT
MONGEHAM
PARISH COUNCIL
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*Are you new to the
village and have you
got your Welcome
Leaflet?
If not please phone
Diana 375420*

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 please produce 420 copies on an A5 flyer. These will be delivered for £10 - telephone Peter Hambrook on 07900141334.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Great Mongeham Society - Thursday 16th March, 7.30pm - Vince Burrows - the Bronze Age Barrow and Anglo-Saxon cemetery in Alkham Valley

Great Mongeham Horticultural Society - 1st March - Mr. and Mrs. Wagner - 'Magic Lantern'

Saint Martin's WI - 9th March - Len Howell - Dover Castle
Mongeham & Ripple WI - Wednesday 15th March 2.30pm - Air Ambulance talk

Bingo - Thursday 23rd March in the parish hall at 7.15pm, eyes down at 7.30pm.

Party - Saturday 18th March in the Parish Hall at 7pm.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

Swell Singers, Shepherdswell

Good Friday, 14th April – sing Stainer's Crucifixion'

Great Mongeham Parish Council - Annual Parish Meeting will be held in the Parish Hall on April 6th at 7:30pm.

Everyone is very welcome to attend this event and hear what your Parish Council has been doing over the last year. There will also be presentations on the work and plans of Dover District Council and Kent County Council. Refreshments will be available at the end of the meeting. A full invitation will be enclosed with the April newsletter. (TNM)

PARTY

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| Benefice Priest in Charge: Rev. David Flewker | 374076 |
| Ordained Local Minister: Rev. Peter Hambrook, 58 Mongeham Road. 07900141334 | |
| Weddings and Baptisms – contact Rev Flewker or the office | 369919 |
| Wardens: Sandy Sullivan 01304 379106 and John Fletcher | 362109 |
| Secretary: Wendy Madgwick, Glendower, Mongeham Church Close | 239143 |
| Treasurer: Nigel Pitchford, 141 Mongeham Road, Great Mongeham. | 362202 |

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH SERVICES

Wednesday 1st March - Joint service for Parish Churches at St Leonard's at **7.30 PM**

Sunday 5th March. First Sunday of Lent. Family service.

12th Lent 2 Holy Communion

19th Lent 3 Brunch Service at St Leonard's. No service at St Martin's

26th Lent 4. Mothering Sunday. Holy communion

All Sunday services are from 10.00am with Sunday School at the same time.

LENT COURSE

There is a Lent course for all four of our Churches on Thursday evening in St Nicholas, Sholden beginning on the 2nd March at 7.30pm, and running for 5 weeks

Flower Rota

No Church flowers during Lent

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MONGEHAM CHRISTIAN CENTRE

Service at 10.30am every Sunday. For Church matters contact Church Secretary Chris Godden on 01304 367940 or email: chrisie22@googlemail.com. For hire of Church hall contact Angie Jeffery on 01304 366783. Local contact Marian Hall 81 Mongeham Road 01304 361724 email minska42@hotmail.com.

The Tuesday Friendship Group meet weekly for tea/coffee, chat and craft work, 10am to 12noon. Contact Margaret on 01304 239566. The Meeting Place every Friday in the Church Hall (behind the Church) for tea/ coffee companionship, all welcome 10am to 12noon.

CLUB, SOCIETY AND VILLAGE REPORTS

GREAT MONGEHAM SOCIETY

Billed to give a talk on the families who lived in the Timeball Tower, Jim Rees did much more than that, taking in the development of Deal as a port, from its origins as a tiny village to the final demise of the port in the late 19th century. Along the way he described the telegraph signalling station outside the gates of the Naval Victualling yard which later became the Semaphore tower which morphed into the Timeball Tower. He managed to include the landing of Anne of Cleves and the campaign against smuggling in the early 19th century. At the next meeting on Thursday, 16th March Vince Burrows will tell us about the Bronze Age Barrow and Anglo-Saxon cemetery in Alkham Valley. We meet at the Village Hall at 7.30 pm.(JR)

GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

The first meeting of this year could have been a difficult start as our speaker was forced to cancel at the last minute due to illness. However local friend Brian Laverick Smith saved the day by turning up at very short notice to deliver his talk 'The Lady and the Mountain'. This recorded his several attempts to climb 'The Matterhorn' combined with his efforts to raise funds for Cancer Research, in particular for a young Dover girl. It was both entertaining and very moving and greatly appreciated by all members. Thank you Brian. Proposed Club outings this year are to Wisley on the 7th September and Kew Gardens in June. There will be a chance to sign up for these next month. Potatoes for the June competition were distributed. The new schedule is available to all paid up members. We now have our own Facebook page thanks to Eileen Pitcher. The next meeting is on 1st March with Mr. and Mrs. Wagner 'Magic Lantern' The competition is a 'Decorated Egg' (JEB)

SAINT MARTIN'S WI

At our February meeting Janet Dean told us the story of her grandmother who, when a young girl, became a spy and Resistance worker at her home in Belgium. The account of the deeds she and her colleagues carried out throughout the war and the grim price they paid for their patriotism had us all spellbound. Afterwards she answered questions and let us examine photos and artefacts from her grandmother's past. It was reported that the 'green hearts' craft evening was well attended. The queen hearts brooches were made and worn to show our determination to tackle climate change. The next meeting is on 9th March with speaker Len Howell talking about Dover Castle. (JEB)

MONGEHAM & RIPPLE WI

Tony Harris film star was the talk title. Tony got his few minutes of stardom when a TV film was made in Whitstable using the Chapel where he was Secretary and he was dressed up as a vicar. He amused members with some of the happenings on the day of filming. He also showed newsreel footage of the Dunkirk rescue by small ships. The March meeting will be Wed 15th with an Air Ambulance talk and the competition is WOOD. Visitors and new members welcome for a 2.30pm start. Plans are being prepared for an outing and a craft show later in the year. The A C meeting in Margate in March will have Terry Waite as the main speaker (PS-B)

JUNIOR DRAMA GROUP

Are you between the ages of four and early teens? If so come along to the Parish Hall on a Saturday between 10am and 12 noon. Your help is needed in a production of the Lion, the Witch and the Wardrobe to be staged in the Parish Hall after Easter. (Cecilia - Drama teacher)

THE SWELL SINGERS OF SHEPHERDSWELL

Calling all singers - Come and sing John Stainer's 'Crucifixion' at St Andrew's Church, Shepherdswell on Good Friday, 14th April. The Swell Singers of Shepherdswell invite anyone who would like to join them to sing this well-loved Oratorio about the Passion of Jesus Christ. There will be an ad hoc rehearsal and run through in the Church from 3.00 to 5.00pm and then a full performance as an act of worship. Copies of the music score will be available on the day, but please have a rummage at home in case you've a copy hidden away! Bring your own sandwiches; tea will be available. We want to get as many people as possible to come and sing with us on this special day in the Church's year. If you prefer to just listen, please come and join us at 6.30pm.

| Organisation or Club | Meeting times & Location (Parish Hall unless stated otherwise) | Contact Telephone Number |
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| Gt. Mongeham Parish Council | 1st Thurs 7.30 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 Ballet, age 2-pre school | Mon 4.00 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Badminton | Wednesday (not 1st of month) 7.00 pm | Ian Johnson 366146 |
| Ballet & Tap – age 4-6 | Tues 4.00 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Ballet & Tap – primary age | Fri 4.30 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Ballet & Tap – senior | Fri 5.30 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Bell Ringers (Church Tower) | Tuesday 7.30 pm. St Martin's Church | Peter Deverson 365460 |
| Bernice Dance Group | Friday 1.30-3.30 pm (not 4th in month) | Bernice 368920 |
| Dance Dynamic Fitness | Wednesday 9.30am & Friday 9.30am | Sarah 07931515340 |
| Drop In | Thursday 10.00 am | Barbara Spence 375786 |
| Junior Drama Group | Saturday 10 to12 am | Cecilia 01303 311524. |
| Friends of St. Martin's | | Nigel Pitchford 362202 |
| Freshstart Wellness | Saturday 8am | Clinton 07825993689 |
| Great Mongeham Society | 3rd Thursday 7.30 pm | M Carey 379306 |
| Great Mongeham Art Group | Tuesday 1.30 Term-time only | P Summers07583187035 |
| Gt M Horticultural Society | 1st Weds. 7.30pm (not Jan & Sept) | Peter Aplin 372237 |
| Keep fit for life | Mon 10.15 am Baptist Hall | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Modern Tech–Jazz/Acrobatics | Age 7 up - Tues 5 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Mongeham-Ripple W.I. | 3rd Weds.2.30 pm (Dec.2nd Wed) | Sue Case 374025 |
| Mongeham Singers | Alternate Wed, St Martin's Church | Val Rees 373307 |
| Parish Hall Bookings | Tracey Ridyard | 07966149590 |
| Pilates | Thursday 5.45 pm | L Pullen 07734473784 |
| Love My Fitness, & Pilates | Monday 10 am & 11.30am | Lisa 07835615457 |
| Scottish Country Dancing | Tuesday 8 pm | Mary Quinton 375836 |
| St. Martin's Handbell Ringers | Alternate Wed, 141 Mongeham Road | A Pitchford 362202 |
| St. Martin's W.I. | 2nd Thursday 7.30 pm | Pam 373604 |
| Sunday School (3 yrs.& over) | With Sunday services at 10am | Sylvia Griffiths 367124 |
| Table Tennis | Friday 7.30 - 9.30 | Brian Jones 851914 |
| T.A.F. Playgroup | Mon 1.00 pm. Term-time | W Madgwick 239143 |
| Tap Dance | Mon 5 pm | J Anton 07484877574 |
| Yoga | Tuesday 10.30 am | Audrey Clarke 368521 |