

GREAT MONGEHAM NEWSLETTER

April 2017.

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RECYCLE DAYS

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*District Council Website
www.dover.gov.uk for
full details of recycling
days.*

Telephone numbers:

Kent Police for non-emergencies is **101**.

Health non-emergencies **111**.

Local electricity network operator 105

GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Council minutes can be read at

www.greatmongehampc.kentparishes.gov.uk

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 Parish Council

April 6th at 7:30pm - Annual General Meeting

Great Mongeham Society

Thursday, 20th April at 7.30pm - Hugh Norton on Canterbury Cathedral.

Great Mongeham Horticultural Society

5th April Spring Show

Saint Martin's WI

13th April - Doreen Clarke about 'Soup and Scones'

Mongeham & Ripple WI

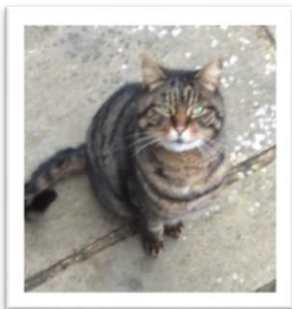
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Bingo

Thursday 20th April in the parish hall at 7.15pm

Caesar Court

Saturday 8th April - pre-Easter celebrations at 6pm. Handbells and singing



A STRAY CAT

A stray cat in the last week has turned up in Ashton Close. He/she is very friendly but also hungry and has not left the Close. I am concerned for the cat and also that there might be a worried owner out there. If anyone claims the cat, I can be contacted at 01304 373740. Eve Morris.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH

Benefice Priest in Charge: Rev. David Flewker
374076

Tel.

Ordained Local Minister: Rev. Peter Hambrook, 58 Mongeham Road. Tel
07900141334

Weddings and Baptisms – contact Rev Flewker or the office 369919

Church Wardens: Sandy Sullivan 01304 379106 and John Fletcher 01304 362109

Secretary: Wendy Madgwick, Glendower, Mongeham Church Close
239143

Tel.

Treasurer: Nigel Pitchford, 141 Mongeham Road, Great Mongeham.
362202

Tel.

ST. MARTIN'S CHURCH SERVICES for April

Sunday 2nd which is the 5th Sunday of Lent. Family service.

9th Palm Sunday Holy communion

16th Easter Day. Holy Communion

23rd Holy Communion

All services are from 10am with Sunday school at the same time.

Flower Rota

16th April All arrangers please on 15th for Easter.

23rd April Wendy and Cynthia

30th April Lesley

7th May June and Queenie

Anybody wishing to donate monies for Easter flowers in memory of loved ones
please call 01304 360654 Thank you. (LL)

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THANK YOU

I would like to thank everyone who helped organise the celebration and thank you party for me in the village hall on the 18th March, as I stand back from being the lead person at St Martin's Church. I have held this position for several years and have enjoyed it but I could not have done so without the help of the congregation and other enablers around the village. Also my thanks to Reverend David Flewker, the Rector of our group of churches, for allowing me to continue in this position. I will continue to be involved with village life, hopefully for some time yet. I will keep my licence to officiate at services. Once again many thanks to all my friends both in St Martin's and the many village organisations with which I am fortunate to have been involved .

(PH)

At the brunch service on Sunday 19th March I was presented with a truly wonderful garden seat by members of all four of our churches with which I work in as a token of their appreciation. I was very surprised and overwhelmed by the whole thing. It fits into our garden wonderfully. The garden will be open for our Garden party on 15th July so do come along and perhaps have a sit on it. (PH)

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, 10 to 12am contact Margaret on 01304 239566. The Meeting Place every Friday in the Church Hall (behind the Church) for tea/ coffee companionship, all welcome 10 to 12am.

CLUB, SOCIETY AND VILLAGE REPORTS

GREAT MONGEHAM SOCIETY

Five years ago Vince Burrows gave us a fascinating insight into the use of geophysics in archaeology, so we were looking forward to his return visit to tell us about the excavations of a Bronze Age barrow and Saxon cemetery above Wolverton in the Alkham Valley. We were not disappointed. His descriptions of the excavations and of the discoveries made were most interesting. Vince also showed us photos of the display he put together for the Dover Museum. Having seen the display, I can thoroughly recommend a visit. Next month Hugh Norton, who is a guide at Canterbury Cathedral, will be using his expertise to tell us about the Cathedral. We meet at the village hall at 7.30pm on Thursday, 20th April. (JR)

Thank-you to Peter Hambrook - On Saturday 18th March we attended a party organised by Diana Knight on behalf of the Great Mongeham Society to celebrate all that Peter has done over the years for the village community. It is hard to think of a village activity where Peter has not played a significant part at some time over the years. Now entering his ninth decade he feels it is time for him to take more of a back seat, although there is no doubt he will continue to be involved for many years to come. (JR)

GREAT MONGEHAM HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

On March 1st we welcomed Mr. and Mrs. Wagner with their 'Magic Lantern' show. They entertained us with delightful photographs of gardens, birds and butterflies accompanied by humorous anecdotes. At the business meeting which followed arrangements were made for the 'Spring Show' on April 5th and for visits to Wisley and Kew Gardens. (JEB)

SAINT MARTIN'S WI

At our March meeting our speaker was Len Howell on the subject of Dover Castle. It was a very interesting and informative talk, much appreciated by members, who discovered facts they'd never known about our local icon. During the business meeting it was reported that the 'knitting' evenings are going well and will hopefully take place every month. At our next meeting on 13th April we will welcome Doreen Clarke to talk about 'Soup and Scones'. (JEB)

MONGEHAM & RIPPLE WI

Members helped Monica Beale to celebrate her 90th birthday with tea and a decorated cake. The Kent Air Ambulance was the subject of the meeting, we were told about the huge costs that have to be raised by donation and sponsorship. There will be a new larger helicopter in service soon, and now they are able to fly at night. April 19th meeting at 2.30 pm will have Don Wilks speaking on Kent Wildlife. The competition is 'China'. In September there will be a members Craft and Horticultural show. Patterns were given out to make 'Twiddlemuffs'. These are given (free) to people with dementia, fun to make and good to own. Visitors and new members are always welcome to meetings. (PS-B)

GREAT MONGEHAM PARISH COUNCIL

The 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, ask questions and make suggestions. 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. (TM)

ORGANISATIONS AND CLUBS IN THE PARISH		
Organisation or Club	Meeting times & Location (Parish Hall unless stated otherwise)	Contact Telephone Number
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
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
Gt. 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
Junior Drama Group	Saturday 10 to 12 am	Cecilia 01303 311524.
Keep fit for life	Mon 10.15 am Baptist Hall	J Anton 07484877574
Love My Fitness, Pilates	Monday 10 am & 11.30am	Lisa 07835615457
Modern Tech–Jazz/Acrobatcs	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
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)		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