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PARISH



NEWS

News from
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of Ninfield & Hooe

November 2018

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St MARY's & St OSWALD's



NOTICE BOARD

CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

Date	St. Mary's	St. Oswald's
4 th Nov	9.30 Parish Eucharist	11.00 Family Service
11 th Nov	10.30 Parish Eucharist - Remembrance Day	10.30 Parish Eucharist - Remembrance Day
18 th Nov	9.30 Family Eucharist	11.00 Parish Eucharist
25 th Nov	9.30 Parish Eucharist	11.00 Parish Eucharist

CHURCH OPENING TIMES

For St. Mary's

Monday - Thursday open at 9 am and locked 3 pm

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After the service on Sundays closed

For St. Oswald's

9.00 - 5.00 Daily

Any alterations or additions to these service times will be displayed on the church notice boards, the weekly sheet and can be found on the church website along with other church details ~ www.ninfield.org.uk

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Dear Friends,

The month of November is always a time for remembering, 'Remember, remember the 5th of November', then of course Remembrance Day and Remembrance Sunday. Indeed this year is particularly poignant being 100 years since the end of World War 1. Of course it is a time to look back and to give thanks to all those who lost their lives that we might have freedom, but this year across the country, there is a unique tribute to the millions of people who lost their lives or returned home dreadfully wounded from the Great War called Battle's Over. Of course it is a focus upon remembering but it is also a renewed desire for peace. In Ninfield and Hooe we are proud to be playing a part in this historic international event to commemorate the centenary of the end of the Great War, and to recognise the contribution and sacrifice made by the men and women from our own community. On Sunday 11th November at 6.55pm in both villages the Last Post will be played and this is followed at 7pm by the lighting of a beacon symbolising the end to the darkness of war and a return to the light of peace. At 7.05pm church bells across the country will ring in celebration of peace. In addition to this there will be our usual Service of Remembrance in both churches starting at 10.30am so that we will have the Act of Remembrance at 11am. Then there will be a special event in the Memorial Hall in Ninfield preceded by a prayer at the War Grave in Ninfield Churchyard at 1.50 after which we process to the Memorial Hall.

It is sometimes difficult to focus our attention on these occasions as there are so many things distracting us at home, in the community and at work. The poem on the next page has been doing the rounds on social media and it certainly helped me to focus my attention on the importance of Remembrance, I therefore include it so that it may help you to focus in the same way. It is a focus upon the Poppy, a simple yet powerful symbol that sometimes we take for granted. Perhaps this year the simple poppy will be even more powerful in that it reminds us of so much that we need to be thankful for.

Paul Frostick

I am not a badge of honour, I am not a racist smear,
I am not a fashion statement, To be worn but once a year,
I am not glorification of conflict or of war.
I am not a paper ornament a token, I am more.
I am a loving memory, of a father or a son,
A permanent reminder of each and every one.
I'm paper or enamel I'm old or shining new,
I'm a way of saying thank you, to every one of you.
I am a simple poppy , a Reminder to you all,
That courage faith and honour, Will stand where heroes fall.

Paul Hunter

Prayer for Remembrance Sunday

Television relays the programme
As thousands attend the Albert Hall,
Music plays and prayers are uttered,
Waiting for the poppy fall.
Young men and boys of tender age,
We must remember what it cost
As they fought to save our country,
Some came home and some were lost.
Wars will always be amongst us.
Death and darkness, dread and fear,
But one day this all will vanish
When the Prince of Peace is here. *Megan Carter*

BATTLE'S OVER

A NATION'S TRIBUTE

11th NOVEMBER 2018

100 YEARS OF REMEMBRANCE

A CELEBRATION IN HOOE ON THE VILLAGE GREEN

*** 18.45 : Assemble on the Village Green**

*** 18.55 : The Last Post On the Green**

*** 18.58 : Brief Prayers Rev Paul Frostick On the Green**

*** 19.00 : Lighting of the Beacon On the Green**

Organised by Hooe Parish Council and St. Oswald's Church

THE PARISH NEWS Wow, talk about support for the News and events in the Villages, we have received so much for this month we have had to select what goes in carefully. Articles regarding Remembrance and other events taking place during November, along with articles from earlier events take precedents, so those December events are, for this month just listed in Coming Up. We still have two other articles for the next edition which will cover December and January, so make sure you get the information to us as soon as possible - or risk being left out. But please keep it all coming, we love the challenge, especially as we keep getting requests to deliver to more people!

Nicki and Carol



**St Mary's Christmas Fayre
Saturday 17th November
10.00am - 12.00noon.
To be held in the church.**

At St Mary's Church

Interment of Ashes

13th October Terry Cowling

*from the
Parish Records*

Closing date for items for the combined December & January issue of the Parish News **Tuesday 13th November,**
send to ninfieldnews@btconnect.com

ON BEHALF OF MYSELF AND MY DAUGHTERS, Alison and Melanie, I would like to say a big "thankyou" to everyone who came along to our Macmillan coffee morning last month, held in the Hooe Village Hall. I would just like to let people know that £232.60 was raised on the day and with generous donations from Leigh at the Red Lion and a magnificent £80 raised by his daughter Olivia, who did a sponsored walk, we raised a grand total of £424.6. Thank you so much from us all for your support.

O UR SCHOOL

The new school year has started with lots of fresh little faces in the corridor and of course lots of missing faces where the elder children have moved on to pastures new. The building works are well underway and everyone is working hard to make the best of the temporary layout. Parents are being very understanding and the children are adapting well to the limited playground space. So well done to everyone.

The highlight of the new build so far has been the visit of Cranky the Crane driver (his real name has been changed to protect his identity as per the new General Data Protection Regulations). He very carefully lifted some heavy steel girders into position, to form the backbone of the new classroom structures, under the watchful eyes of lots of excited children. He even came down to talk to the children about his job as a crane driver, so that they knew exactly what he was doing.

The interaction between the builders and the children has been really good to see, they have gone out of their way to talk to them and tell them what is going on. The site manager for Sunninghill, Neil (that IS his real name as he has signed twenty different forms to tell us we can use it publicly) is always willing to chat about what is going on and he has also been doing a great job keeping local residents up to date as well. Running a building site in the middle of an operational school is never going to be easy but so far, so good.

At our Governor's meeting last week, our four science ambassadors came along and put on a demonstration of one of their experiments. It was good to see four confident young children standing in front of a group of adults explaining about the effects of air pressure. Even when things didn't go quite to plan they carried on, taking it in their stride. They will now go on and promote science to the rest of the school through a number of these simple, but very effective, experiments.

On Monday we had a number of children competing in the Battle area cross country tournament and we came away with a 2nd (Y5/6 Girls), a 3rd (Y3/4 Girls) and a 4th (Y3/4 boys) in the races. Well done to them and all the others who took part and represented Ninfield so well. The three have now qualified to run in the Hastings and Rother area finals.

It's Harvest festival time again this month and this year we are collecting produce for the Bexhill Food Bank. This is always a very popular service, so I'm looking forward to the combined singing voices of children and parents lifting the roof off the church.

And then it will be Christmas.....

Ian Moffat

CARNIVAL! What an emotive word, signifying a happy carefree, joyful atmosphere, with laughter, fun, good spirits (in both senses) and sun.

But what does it really mean? It is closely connected to Lent, which in the Christian tradition, is a period of about six weeks before Easter. It is a time in which Christians are supposed to be quiet and thoughtful, preparing themselves for Easter. As well as pray a lot, give money to charities and give up things they might otherwise do for pleasure. The period of Lent ends at Easter, a time of great celebration as the Christians think of how Jesus died on the Cross, then rose again.

Lent is traditionally forty days long, because the Bible says Jesus spent forty days in the wilderness, preparing for his death and resurrection. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday. In the Roman Catholic Church, it ends at the Ninth Hour of Maundy Thursday (44 days). In the Anglican Catholic Church, it ends on Holy Saturday (46 days). If the two great Christian beliefs can't agree, then what else can be questioned? Churches in the Byzantine tradition (for example, Eastern Orthodox and Eastern Catholic) count the days of Lent differently. There are also different local traditions in the Oriental Orthodox church.

Lent is traditionally a time for fasting (not eating much). And that's also the link to Carneval. The true origin of the word is uncertain, but it probably comes from Latin carne levare ("away with meat"). This useful tradition used up food which had been kept over winter before it went bad. Many Roman Catholics only eat fish on Fridays during Lent. The word "lent" comes from the Old English lencten meaning "Spring" (the season). But it also has another, spiritual meaning, of putting aside the flesh (in other words fleshy delights or abstinence) and cleansing the soul (hence the Shrove, when people confessed their sins, did penance and received absolution. The implication that has now been lost is that this occurred around the 22nd of March, which until the Gregorian calendar revision in 1753, was regarded as the beginning of the New Year, thus you started the New Year cleansed of sin.

Carnevale in medieval Venice is one of the earliest documented carnival celebrations. It featured still-popular traditions, parades, masks and masquerade balls. Gradually the Italian Carnevale customs spread north to other Catholic European countries, including France and the German Rhineland then, through colonization, to North America. That's how Mardi Gras (Fat Tuesday) originated, the eating (often to excess) of food that had been stored to last through winter and would be spoiled in the rising temperatures of spring.

That's also our Shrove Tuesday (to be shriven of your sins) better known now as Pancake Day, frying pancakes to use up all the fat. Followed by Ash Wednesday, when traditionally the burnt embers of the feasts were thrown over clothes and hair as a symbol of mourning and loss. Ash Wednesday is the start of Lent.

Then Easter begins. The word "Easter" is derived from Eastr, the name of the ancient German Goddess of Spring. Her festival occurred at the vernal equinox. (about 21 March). The French word for Easter, Pâques, comes from the Greek word for Passover, which is the Jewish holiday celebrated at about the same time of the year. Pascal has the same root. Carnival developed from a mainly Germanic origin. Karneval the word used for the version of carnival in northwest Germany, while Fasching refers to similar celebrations in southern Germany and Austria. The big day for Karneval is the Rose Monday parade, whereas the big Fasching parades are usually the day before, on Carnival Sunday. The big final parade for Mardi Gras in New Orleans, for example, is on Shrove Tuesday. One of Germany's biggest carnival parades, called "Schoduvel" ("scaring away the devil"), the Braunschweig carnival dates back to 1293. But why mention Carnival in November? There is good reason as on the Continent, planning for Carnival is always begun at 11:11 on 11th November. In the UK and Commonwealth that time has a totally different significance, but not so in Europe.

The 11th November is not only the date of the Armistice which marked the end of the fighting in the First World War (but NOT the END of WW1 which technically ended when Germany signed the Treaty of Versailles on 28th June 1919. That's why some First World War monuments and War Memorials show the dates as 1914 – 1919. If the Germans had refused to sign, then in effect we would have had to continue the War. The 28th June 1914 was the date when Archduke Franz Ferdinand (not the band) was assassinated in Sarajevo which started the chain of events that led to the First World War.

11th November is also the Feast Day of St Martin, the patron saint of soldiers. (Battle Abbey was dedicated to him). So whilst this article is mainly about carnival it has links with the greatest events of the 20th Century, our Remembrance Day.

We Will Remember Them.

Kevin Regan

NINFIELD FLOWER GROUP

MONDAY 5th NOVEMBER – Workshop. By Lynn Carte commencing 7.30 in the Memorial Hall

FRIDAY 7th DECEMBER, in the Memorial Hall commencing at 7.30, we shall be holding our seasonal demonstration. This year we welcome the very talented David Thomson with his demonstration entitled “My Kind of Christmas”, a few tickets still remain at £10.00 each to include refreshments, and are on sale now. This is a very popular evening, please contact Pat on 01424 218627 or Helen on 07966659552, to purchase. All flowers demonstrated are raffled at the end of the evening, together with the Flower Groups raffle. Please book early to avoid disappointment.

For information regarding any of our events, please telephone Jennifer on 01424 892878 or email us on ninfieldflowers@gmail.com

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Hooe Harvest Supper took place on Saturday 13th October, the evening before the Harvest Festival was held in our two churches. (both of which were beautifully decorated with flowers and harvest goods). The Supper was organised by St. Oswald's but the 60 people who enjoyed the memorable evening were a mixture of church members and friends from the two villages. The food was superb all sourced locally and following the first course of salad with ham, tongue, quiche, salmon, homemade bread, potatoes and all the trimmings, there was a delightful sweet of meringue, cream and fruits of the forest. A veritable feast! After coffee was served we were amused and entertained by Katie on her guitar, singing songs that everyone knew and joined in (especially the children with their whistles and pretend bagpipes). A thoroughly enjoyable evening and our thanks must go to Janet, Margaret and the rest of their team of helpers who made the whole thing possible.

Nicki Murphy

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REMEMBRANCE DAY 11TH NOVEMBER
VILLAGE EVENT TO COMMEMORATE THE END OF WW1

Morning Service at St Mary's Church – led by Rev. Paul Frostick – combined
with the Methodist Church

11.00 am – silence

1.50 pm St Mary's – all processing parties gather at the WW1 War Grave

2.00 pm – Process from St Mary's Church to the Memorial Hall – Led by Paul,
with representatives from Scouts, bearing Colours and Union Flag;
Everyone in the village is invited to join in

2.30 pm – Colours and Union Flag taken through the audience up to the
Drum on stage in the Hall and received by Paul.

Wreaths brought in by representatives of Village groups who wish to join in
including Parish Council and The Messy Church, to be laid at the WW Honour
boards in the Hall, Service lead by Rev. Paul Frostick

3.00 pm- Performances from

Father Michael and guest– WW1 Priest / 'Ypres Times'

Scouts representatives – presentation from their trip to Flanders

Rev Tricia Williams – Poem – 'Say No to Peace' – Brian Wren

Jo's Jammass – songs from the era....'Keep the Home Fire Burning'

Sami & David - "Letters between WW1 Soldier, Sussex Regiment, and his
Wife"

Jo's Jammass – 'I Vow to thee My Country' .

The National Anthem.

3.45pm – Afternoon Tea to be served.

4.45pm – Close the Afternoon and Clear Hall

6.30pm – Gather at the Beacon for 'The Battle's Over'

Representative from The Scouts will play Bugle, the Last Post,

7.00 pm Lighting the Beacon – scheduled as part of the National Event-

This Sunday of Commemoration, and Celebration of the end of WW1, has a lot of elements within it, and obviously not everyone will be able to or want to do all of it but it is hoped you will all be able to attend part or even be part of it.

If you are a member of a group or society that is getting involved please let them know if you are attending the tea as we need to sort catering, and if you could make a cake or some sandwiches that would be lovely. Would the various groups and societies please let Sami know how many might be attending.

The entrance hall at the Memorial Hall will be beautifully decorated with poppies, courtesy of Jennifer Collett and the Flower Group, as will parts of the stage.

The 1st Ninfield Scouts are hoping to set up a WW1 Bunker in the Hall.

N.L.H.G are presenting a display of the Roll of Honour names pertaining to Ninfield's fallen, and other items.

Various groups and societies in the village have made donations towards the purchase of a 'Tommys' statue from 'There, but not There' which will be placed alongside the beacon, if anyone else would like to make a contribution, please contact the Parish Council. You may have seen the silhouettes already installed in other villages.

If you can help or would like information contact Sami Guard 893699

Four years ago, at the event commemorating the start of WW1 Sami promised a similar event for now and she has worked hard to organise this, and we thank her for it, it's a credit to her for the hard work she puts in along with the help and support of the various groups that will make this event worthy of the such a commemoration. Hopefully many of you will be able to attend at least part of this special day of remembrance.

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I'VE BEEN THINKING AGAIN – BY MM

I think I am being followed! When I moved home I hoped to outwit Lily Beetles, but it seems they are more common than I realised, so perhaps they would have found me anyway. They are the only garden pests that I murder! Being scarlet, at least they are easy to spot in the afternoons when they crawl up the lilies to bite holes in them.

Whilst talking of pests, if you find a huge white grub just under the soil near some rotten wood, please leave it – it could be the larva of the rare Stag Beetle. I found two in my garden and I think they are from the little log piles I have placed for wild life. I brush off logs before bringing them indoors and if they are very craggy I add them to the log piles. Even newts will hide in log crevices and I don't want to burn them alive!

Strimmers can horribly mutilate hiding hedgehogs and toads. I have a look amongst the grass before I strim. Don't we give the wild life a hard time? If the strimmer doesn't get them and we don't poison them with slug pellets, we will probably run them over with our cars!

Hedgehogs should never be given milk to drink as it is dangerous to them. They love tinned dog meat if you are feeling generous! Also, before lighting your bonfire, check that there are no hedgehogs hiding within.

We can really help creatures by providing cover with shrubs in our garden, especially evergreens. Cotoneasters are a very useful shrub, there are so many varieties and many are evergreen. Watch the height they can reach when you buy them, as some can be huge. I especially like Cotoneaster Cornubia which has very large, shiny, scarlet berries – however it grows to 16 feet if you let it!

It is good to tolerate ivy as it is evergreen and provides shelter, birds eat the berries and it is the food plant for the caterpillar of the Brimstone Butterfly, that yellow beauty that is first to appear in spring. Do find room for a variety of autumn and winter blooming heathers, they provide much needed nectar for brave bees and they will love you for it.

**Hooe Village Hall
Fundraising Coffee
Morning**

**The Village Hall, 10.30am
Coffee & conversation**

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Saturday 10th November

This was copied from an article in the Michelham Priory quarterly magazine. Author unknown.

EATING IN THE FIFTIES and SIXTIES

Pasta was not eaten in Australia.

Curry was a surname.

A takeaway was a mathematical problem.

A pizza was something to do with a leaning tower.

All potato crisps were plain; the only choice we had was whether to put the salt on or not.

Rice was only eaten as a milk pudding.

Calamari was called squid and we used it as fish bait.

A Big Mac was what we wore when it was raining.

Brown bread was something only poor people ate.

Oil was for lubricating, fat was for cooking.

Tea was made in a teapot using tea leaves and never green.

Sugar enjoyed a good press in those days, and was regarded as being white gold. Cubed sugar was regarded as posh.

Fish didn't have fingers in those days.

Eating raw fish was called poverty, not sushi.

None of us had ever heard of yoghurt.

Healthy food consisted of anything edible.

People who didn't peel potatoes were regarded as lazy.

Indian restaurants were only found in India.

Cooking outside was called camping.

Seaweed was not a recognised food.

"Kebab" was not even a word, never mind a food.

Prunes were medicinal.

Surprisingly, muesli was readily available, it was called cattle feed.

Water came out of the tap. If someone had suggested bottling it and charging more than petrol for it, they would have become a laughing stock (as indeed they should!)

But the one thing that we never ever had on our table in the sixties - "Elbows or Phones".

FAMILY BIBLE FOUND

Whilst cleaning St Mary's Church recently we came across a large family bible. It records the name of Daniel Winch born in 1836 and ends with the name Agnes Cox. If there are members of the family still in the local area who would like it back, please contact Jan Wood on 892895.

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With two major planning applications requiring comment from the Parish Council as well as the proposed submission of the Wealden Local Plan the councillors have had lots of bedtime reading and evenings writing presentations for Planning Committee meetings in Hailsham. There have been volunteers working away behind the scenes researching, reading and writing and the councillors are grateful to each and every one for their help and input.

Neighbourhood Watch reported an increase in ‘distraction burglaries’ this is where the burglar will try and trick or con their way into homes - they will try to mislead you or distract your attention to get into your home and steal your money or valuables. The police are urging people to be careful about who they let into their homes, especially when its an unexpected caller.

The next full council meeting is Thursday 1st November, 7:15pm at Ninfield Methodist Hall, please do come along and find out what is happening in the village.

In case any of you missed the news, the site on Manchester Road was granted outline planning permission for up to 80 houses. There were a lot of conditions put down and we have to wait now to see what the final plan will look like.

NINFIELD LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

November’s meeting of the History Group will be a talk entitled ‘Transport for the Masses’ by Ian Gledhill on Thursday 15th, 7.30pm, at the Methodist Hall, Church Lane.

On the 11th Nov the History Group is participating in the village remembrance event, showing some photos of people with local connections who fought in WW1.

Copies of our new book ‘Ninfield in the Nineties’ and our 2019 calendars will be on sale at the Handmade Fayre.

Don’t forget the Archive Centre at the Sparke Pavilion is open Monday mornings 10-12am.

HOOE PARISH COUNCIL

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The Hooe Parish Council is pleased to announce that it now has its full quota of Parish Councillors. Mrs Jo Dix and Mr Ross Clifton have joined the team and, no doubt, will have many new skills and ideas to contribute.

The next full council meeting will be held on Monday 19th November at the Village Hall, starting at 7.30pm. All residents are warmly invited to attend.

MUSICAL MATINEE IN NINFIELD. 30th November

About 40 people attended the September screening of 'Singing in the Rain' and enjoyed a very pleasant afternoon with friends, watching film with a cup of tea and cake.

The next film on 30th November is 'White Christmas'. Doors open at 1.30pm and the film starts at 2pm. The afternoon is free, with refreshments and a raffle.

The film is hearing loss and dementia friendly, it is an afternoon to be enjoyed by anyone who enjoys watching a musical classic.

We need to know numbers for seating and catering so please book your place either email jackie.langley1@btinternet.com or 892422.

Grace Constable, Emily Steventon, Garry Marriott, Michael White and The Occasional Consort directed by Anne Whiteman accompanied on the organ by Nigel Howard present:

HANDEL'S THE MESSIAH

Saturday 24th November 2018

St. Oswald's Church Hooe

6.30 pm

Tickets £15.00 (to include interval refreshments) available from Janet Patisson jandspatisson@btinternet.com 01424845087; or Grace Constable grace90gcx@gmail.com payment in advance by Cash or Cheques made payable to Parochial Church Council Hooe

HOOE HISTORY SOCIETY

Hooe History Society - 15th November. Hooe Village Hall. "Sussex Headstones" a talk by Kevin Gordon. Doors open 7pm. Refreshments available. All welcome.

Sam Langley gave us a nostalgic look back at the local landscape in September, with accompanying photographs and film clips of many buildings and structures that no longer exist but those of us of a certain generation can still remember. Sam spoke with great knowledge on these subjects as did many of his audience!

Norman Franks visited us in October with a talk entitled World War 1 – The Air War. At the time of writing, we anticipate an interesting insight into the beginnings of the RAF in this, its centenary year.

Kevin Gordon will talk to us on Thursday 15th November about Sussex gravestones and memorials. People have been buried in Sussex for thousands of years. Kevin has scoured Sussex looking for examples of odd and interesting gravestones and graveyards from simple wooden crosses to huge pyramids. A different subject for a talk but one that people will find interesting!

Our calendar for 2019 with pictures on the theme "Hooe at its best during the changing seasons" has now been printed and will be available at our November meeting. We are really pleased with this year's calendar, which we think showcases our village beautifully. It is also available to purchase at Ninfield Lower Street Store and Hope Cottage Farm shop in Hooe.

DID YOU KNOW... that the game of cricket appears to have been played in both Hooe and Ninfield during the 1700's, when large crowds turned out and the game was played for money. The Sussex Weekly Advertiser dated 26th June, 1775 stated that "On Thursday and Friday last a great cricket match was played at Horsebridge in this County, between the Gentlemen of the Club there, and those of Ninfield and Hooe Club, which was won by the latter, who had eight spare wickets".

The S. W. A. also reported on 27th June 1791 that a cricket match "for a hundred guineas, was played in Hurstmonceux Park between John Bean Esq.'s Club, and Mr Henry Porter's of Hooe. For some reasons of the gentlemen, the game was not played out; to the great disappointment of, at least, three thousand people".

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2018 Annual General Meeting
Friday 16th November 2018**

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NINFIELD AND DISTRICT ART SOCIETY

On a bright September weekend The Ninfield And District Art Society held its annual exhibition in the Memorial Hall recently and were rewarded and pleased to see so many visitors. Thanks go to local fine artist, Andy Hamblin, for honouring us in opening our event and showing his amazing work. Such intricate detail is truly amazing and his website is well worth a visit. Thanks also to Trevor Spinks, who again kept visitors entertained, by demonstrating his incredible talent, over the weekend.

The group has only been in existence for twenty one months and although some members are experienced artists others are relatively new to this pastime.

Curating an exhibition is challenging but nonetheless exciting; who knows what we may demonstrate next year! The skilled design and craftsmanship of Jeff Lister is evident in the display stands that he built and overcame some of the obstacles to the display of our varied work. Whatever our art background, we gain experience every time we exhibit so that we can develop each year. The very positive comments that were received in the visitor's book supported those made to our artists. Several artists sold their work and some took commissions.

A sum of £403 pounds was raised for The Memorial Hall Refurbishment, through the sale of cakes and drinks and the raffle! Thanks again to Elaine, Sue, Anne and our wonderful members, their families and friends, for running this element of the event. The visitors were pleased to have this opportunity to relax, chat and consider their purchases.

Five new members are joining us, bringing more talent and ideas to the group! We now have a waiting list for potential members, again!

Next year the date moves to October so please note it in your new calendar...Saturday and Sunday 26th and 27th of October, times to be confirmed. Come along and see what we have created over the year!

For further information please contact

Jennie Harmer by email jennieharmer@aol.co.uk

or message to 07590271745 and I will contact you!

A HUGE THANK YOU to all that attended the Macmillan coffee morning that I arranged in the Methodist Hall on 28th September. We raised £835.06 which is incredible and a huge thank you to all that baked, bought, ate, made things and helped. Look out for next years one in late September.



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On Monday 19th, November we welcome John Dowling as our evening speaker. He will be talking about 'Badgers and Bodgers' – the history of Bexhill Highwoods. This is very local so we hope for a good audience when we start at 7.30 pm in the Memorial Hall. As usual we will have refreshments and a raffle. Also it is not too late to pay your annual membership fee of £4. Do come along for an enjoyable evening.

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| 2 large carrots, diced | |
| 1 small red pepper, deseeded and diced | |
| 1 oz butter | 8 oz bulgar wheat |
| ½ pint boiling water | 2 tomatoes, skinned and chopped |
| 2 oz seedless raisins | 4 oz cheddar cheese, diced |
| Salt and freshly ground pepper | |

Melt 1 oz butter with the oil in a large saucepan. Add onion, leeks, carrots and red pepper, cover and cook gently for about 20 minutes.

Meanwhile melt 1 oz of butter in large saucepan, add the bulgar wheat until the grains are thoroughly coated with the butter, stir in the boiling water, cover and place over gentle heat for 10 minutes or until the water has been absorbed.

Using a fork gently mix the cooked vegetables into the bulgar wheat. Lightly stir in the tomatoes, raisins and cheese and mix gently until the cheese is melted. Season to taste. Serve at once. Enjoy!

Worms Eye View

It is always lovely to hear the Church bells ringing in Hooe. There are lots of tales and beliefs about the church bells though. They have always been linked with deaths & funerals and our superstitious ancestors thought that their noise chased off evil spirits. When a person died in pagan times, lots of noise was always made to frighten off those evil spirits & gave the dead person a safe passage to the afterlife.

Similarly early Christians felt that the sound of bells protected them on this earth & accompanied them to heaven. They also worried that the Devil might destroy the Church with lightening & so felt it made sense for them to ring the bells during a thunderstorm. This practice gave rise to the old saying "The sound of Church bells will frighten away thunder & lightening".

For me to hear the bells welcomes me to church services and special occasions.

And now "Remember, remember the 5th of November, Gunpowder, treason & plot.

I see no reason why gunpowder treason should ever be forgot" Certainly we cannot forget the Gunpowder Plot of 1605, with plenty of organised bonfires & firework displays taking place quite locally around the 5th November. Plus we still have some children making model guys which are then displayed on street corners, with a plea for 'a penny for the guy'. Actually I'm told that the price has gone up!

The 25th of November is or rather was known as St Catherine's Day. Actually the feast was suppressed by the Holy See in 1969.

The story of St. Catherine began in the 9th Century & it was said that she lived an angelic life. In fact she was persecuted for her Christianity & suffered many tortures, the last being broken on a wheel, but in fact the machine broke down and so Catherine was beheaded. The wheel was later called a Catherine wheel and is included in displays of fireworks.

It is said "A cold November, a warm Christmas" another saying "Flowers in bloom in late autumn indicate a bad winter"

On a more cheerful note, I can hear the Church bells ringing; it is a Saturday morning practice for the bell ringers. Obviously the wind is in the right direction for me to hear them, sitting here writing these notes.

They, the bells, are lovely.

Anne

HOOE OPEN GROUP

held their monthly meeting last Friday afternoon at Hooe Village Hall, with a good attendance, to hear the presentation by Colin Kevey on the development of The Air Ambulance Service. The presentation covered the history, as well as the development of the, now Country Wide Service.

The Kent, Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance Service Trust was founded in 1989, under the auspices of Kate Chivers, who founded the charitable organisation, which it is today based at Rochester City Airport, having moved there from Marden. From Rochester any part of the three Counties can be reached within 20 minutes, flying at 150 mph.

The Trust operates with two helicopters, one MD902 Explorer which can be used for night flying and one Leonardo AW169, which has a larger cabin giving more room for the doctor and paramedics to work on the patient in flight. The Trust does not own the helicopters, but has a favourable leasing arrangement with a provider, who guarantees to have a replacement ready to fly, if required, in case of mechanical failure.

The Club thanked the speaker. Presenting him with a sizeable contribution, as well as individual members making personal donations.

The very successful meeting was topped off as usual Tea & Biscuits and a Raffle. Our next meeting is on the 9th November at 2.30pm. Why not come along and join in with the Happy Ladies of Hooe. For further information contact Edna Wallis on 01424 842591

COMING UP OVER THE NEXT FEW MONTHS,

so make notes in your diary, full details of all of these events will be advertised later.

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|-------------------------------|------------------------|
| 2 Dec Lights of Love | 7 Dec Book Exchange |
| 7 Dec Flower Grp Xmas | 8 Dec Hooe Xmas Market |
| 11 Dec Carol Concert | 12 Dec Evening Market |
| 20 Dec Hooe History Xmas meal | |

don't forget to send your information in early to get advertising. Ninfieldnews@btconnect.com

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Wednesdays

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CARNIVAL REPORT -

The Ninfield Carnival Association held their AGM in October and were really hoping for new people to come on board and help re-create the event for 2019. Unfortunately, it was just the same stalwarts who attended! The Treasurer, Tracey Dixon has now stood down, as has Secretary Helen Rawlinson- both were given huge thanks for their work and commitment over the last couple of years. Robin Fookes remains as Vice-Chairman, really the Carnival cannot run without him!, And, there are 7 members of the Committee still in situ, plus several members who want to remain 'Friends of the Carnival' and help where and when they are available. I (Sami) have been nominated to remain as Chairman for the next year; but at the moment I have said that unless more people come on board, it will again be a very difficult year, with a massive workload for too few volunteers. There is an event in Bexhill proposed for the same weekend that sees the Ninfield Carnival, and much thought and discussion is needed before decisions are made as to how the Village Event proceeds.... And, everyone needs a little time to recharge and revitalise the enthusiasm! So, The next meeting will therefore be in February 2019, on the first Wednesday, 6th, at 8.30pm in the Working Men's Club- and there will be a lot of posters, flyers and publicity beforehand- in the hope that volunteers will come forward!

It cannot be stressed enough that more/new people are desperately wanted! We need a Treasurer, Secretary, Raffle Organiser...and **WE WANT TO CARRY ON!!** The question now is...**DO YOU WANT A CARNIVAL EVENT IN 2019??!** Please call me, Sami on 893699, 07970650321 email samanthaguard@btinternet.com for a chat, and more information. Thank you!

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Sunday Services for November 2018:

- 4th 10.30 am Family Café Worship, with breakfast.
- 11th 10.30 am Remembrance Sunday United Service at St. Mary's
- 18th 10.30 am Service of Worship & Praise with Dawn Novis
- 25th 10.30am Service of Worship & Communion with Revd. John Hope
- 2nd Dec 10.30 am Advent Sunday Family Worship
3.00 pm 'Lights of love' service with
St. Michaels Hospice at St. Mary's

Events for November 2018:

- 2nd 10.00-12noon Book Exchange Cafe
- 14th 2.30pm Christian Women's Fellowship – 'Kipling...'
- 28th 3.30-5.30pm Messy Church – 'Listening & Learning...'

The Book Exchange Café continues in November after two very successful mornings in September & October. Come along & enjoy refreshments, browse, & exchange books.

Our Messy Church young people & families will discover lots about Listening & Learning in November. This is always very popular so all ages can join us for a fun & relaxed time together.

Lights of Love 2018 takes place at St. Mary's on 2nd December followed by the lighting of the tree, & refreshments, at Ninfield Methodist Church. Each year Lights of Love offers the opportunity to make an act of remembrance for loved ones no longer with us by dedicating a star or heart, on our Lights of Love tree, & attending the remembrance service. Whether your loved one received the care of the Hospice or not, young or old, local or further afield, all can be remembered. Every year hundreds of people join together in writing a personal message on a star. Please ask at our churches for a remembrance star or contact St. Michael's Hospice.

We look forward to seeing you.

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Bible Bite

A short story from the Bible

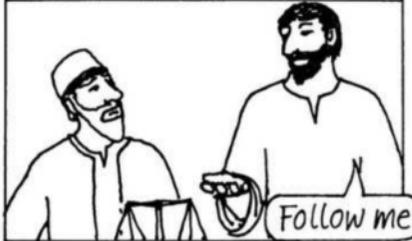
It can be read in the Bible in
Mt 9:9-13, Mk 2:13-15, Lk 5:27-32

The Roman invaders had given the job of collecting their taxes to local Jews who also overcharged, so they were doubly hated.



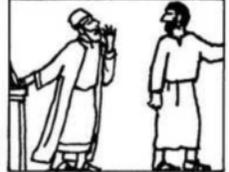
Matthew had his tax office by Lake Galilee.

Jesus walked past, and said



Follow me

Matthew left everything and went with Jesus.

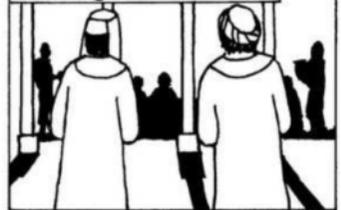


Matthew held a big feast and invited his friends so they could meet Jesus.

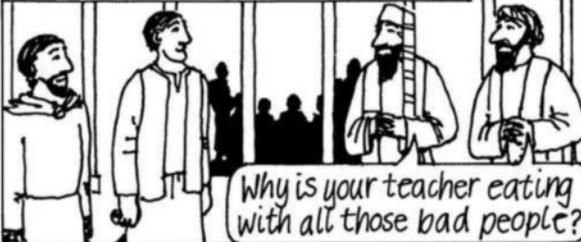


They were other tax collectors and bad people

The Pharisees saw Jesus eating with them.



They grumbled to Jesus' disciples.



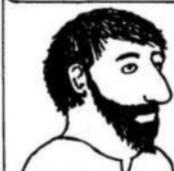
Why is your teacher eating with all those bad people?

Jesus heard them and said



Who needs a doctor, healthy people or the sick?

Try reading 'keeping rules doesn't make up for not having kindness.' *



*Hosea 6:6

Hosea was talking about people who looked like they were following God's rules but were bad inside.



I have come for the people who need my help.



DIARY DATES FOR OUR TWO VILLAGES

Thu	1st	Pilates, Toddlers, Beavers, Scouts, N.Parish Cncl
Fri	2nd	Crafting, Burlesque, Book Exchange
Sat	3rd	Halloween Parade
Sun	4th	
Mon	5th	Pilates, Badminton, Flower Group, Senlac Bells, Archive Cntr
Tue	6th	Cubs, Dancercise, Hooe Band
Wed	7th	Village Soc, Art Grp, Line Dancing, Adult Tap,
Thu	8th	Pilates, Toddlers, Beavers, Scouts,
Fri	9th	Crafting, Jo's Jammass, HOGS P26
Sat	10th	Hooe Coffee Morning,
Sun	11th	Remembrance Day Events
Mon	12th	Pilates, Badminton, Senlac Bells, Archive Cntr,
Tue	13th	Cubs, Dancercise, Hooe Band
Wed	14th	Village Soc, Art Grp, CWF; Line Dancing, Adult Tap,
Thu	15th	Pilates, Toddlers, Beavers, Scouts, H.History Soc. N.History Grp
Fri	16th	Crafting, Scouts AGM & Race Night; Burlesque
Sat	17th	St.Mary's Xmas Fayre
Sun	18th	
Mon	19th	Pilates, Badminton, Senlac Bells, Archive Cntr , Horti H.Parish Cncl.
Tue	20th	Cubs, Dancercise, Hooe Band,
Wed	21st	Village Society, Art Grp, Line Dancing, Adult Tap
Thu	22nd	Pilates, Toddlers, Beavers, Scouts,
Fri	23rd	Crafting, Jo's Jammass
Sat	24th	Home Made Fayre; Handel's Messiah
Sun	25th	
Mon	26th	Pilates, Badminton, Senlac Bells, Archive Centre
Tue	27th	Cubs, Dancercise, Hooe Band
Wed	28th	Village Society, Art Group, Messy Church; Line Dancing Adult Tap
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