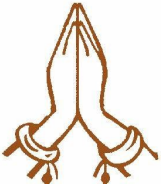


WOODNESBOROUGH VILLAGE NEWS



FEBRUARY -
MARCH 2023





Welcome

A very warm welcome and a Happy New Year to everyone! In this February-March edition of Village News, we have information about lots of local activities taking place. The Ceilidh evening is happening at the Village Hall on 18th March to celebrate St Patrick's Day (well, it's actually being held the day after) organized by St Mary's Church (see poster on back cover for more details). The Irish music, with a caller for the dancing, will be provided by Abbey Capers again and there will be food and drink, as well as lots of fun and entertainment! The Village Hall Quiz nights have started up again too - the first being on the Friday 17th February. (Please see page 5 for details).

As we all know, Valentine's Day, Shrove Tuesday and Ash Wednesday all occur in February, but did you know these fascinating February facts?

1. The name of February comes from the ancient Roman purification festival of Februarius which took place on February 15.
2. The Anglo-Saxons called it "solmonath" (the month of mud or wet sand).
3. February is the only month that can pass without a full moon. This last happened in 2018.
4. The birthstone of February is the amethyst; the birth flower is the violet or common primrose.
5. February frequently occurs in lists of the most commonly misspelt words in the English language.

And now, apart from celebrating St David's Day, St Patrick's Day and Mother's Day, what else is March known for? Here we present... some intriguing facts about March.

1. March is named after Mars, the Roman god of war as it was the month in which the military campaigning season got under way after winter.
2. In Old English one name for the month of March was "Hlyda" meaning "loud" possibly because of the roaring March winds.
3. An old proverb says that "March comes in a like a lion and goes out like a lamb", which means that winter is ending and spring is beginning.
4. More 20th century UK Prime Ministers had birthdays in March than any other month.
5. The expression "mad as a March hare" dates back to 1529. It refers to the wild behaviour of male hares during the mating season in March.

We hope you enjoy reading the magazine and find it useful.

Please send in any contributions to the magazine - articles, poems, shared memories, recipes, photos, upcoming events etc - by the 15th of each month to

woodnesboroughnotesandnews@gmail.com





Woodnesborough Village Hall

Monday

09:00 - 12:00 am Little Kickers Group
2:00 - 4:00 pm Worth Art Class
3:30 - 7:00 pm KAT Study Club



Tuesday

08.30 - 09:30 am Tai Chi (Adults only)
10:00 - 11:30 am Coffee Pot
10:30 - 12:00 am The Phoenix Singers
3:45 - 6:00 pm Heather's Dance Club - Atrium
4:15 - 6:30 pm Heather's Dance Club - Main Hall
7:00 - 8:30 pm Yoga
7:30 - 9:00 pm Parish Council (4th Tuesday of the month)



Wednesday

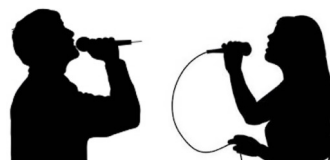
09:30 - 12:30 am Sandwich Art Group
09:30 - 10:15 am Toddler Dance Group
6:30 - 7:30 pm Tai Chi (Adults only)
7.30 - 8.30 pm Friday Fit Club (online 2nd week of the month)
7:15 - 9:15 pm Women's Institute (2nd Wednesday of the month)

Thursday

09:30 - 11:30 am St Mary's Woodnesborough Baby & Toddler Group
7:00 - 8:30 pm Yoga Class
7:15 - 9:15 pm Gardeners' Club (3rd Thursday of the month)

Friday

09:30 - 11:00 am Yoga
3:45 - 5:45 pm KAT Club
6:30 - 7:30 pm Karate Class (Adults)





Notes from St Mary's



A New Year, a New Beginning!

As we enter the second month of the year many of us will have come to the realisation that our New Year's resolution is more difficult than we originally believed and may have already decided to give up. A new year comes with many opportunities and fresh beginnings, but they are not always the easiest times in our lives. Many people will be facing 2023 in a completely different light, having changes within their circumstances, or recently losing a loved one over the past year. Now more than ever we need our community and places where we can gather and be with people that have experienced something similar at some point in their lives. If the pandemic has taught us anything it is that we need community and cannot survive in isolation. We thrive on the opportunity to share our story with others and in turn, listen to those around us tell their own story.

Since arriving in Eastry, I have been very lucky to have met and been able to hear the stories of some of our oldest and "original" villagers, one of whom will be celebrating their 100th Birthday later this year. Hearing how the village has grown and developed over the years has been a great privilege and has highlighted how we need to try to keep all our villages mentality alive. Doing what we can to break down the little silos that we have created and engage in how we both support and encourage each other and the activities that are planned for the year ahead.

In our villages, we have an amazing amount of both social and community events, and earlier this month at Eastry, we were able to gather representatives from many different organisations to discuss how we can support each other. Working together to not only run events but to build up what it truly means to be a community. From a simple meeting we have been able to see various charitable organisations really gain much-needed support and hope to see this cooperation continue to flourish. All I can say is that all of our villages in the Benefice (Eastry, Tilmanstone, Woodnesborough, Northbourne and Staple) are the places to be this year as we start a new chapter filled with hope and a desire to serve our community in whatever way we can.

Now in the final section of this article, I would like to include a short plea for our local churches. Many of our readers will have heard me mention that our local churches are, like many places, struggling financially and are running at a major loss. Our churches have been there for weddings, funerals and

christenings throughout the years, and we hope with the support of our community, we will be able to turn this around, leaving the church in a stronger financial position for future generations. Whether you are religious or simply see the church as a historical building, we want to encourage you to consider helping us to preserve what has historically been the heart of our villages. In the coming months, we will be launching a “Help Your Church Campaign” which will have options for people to donate as much or as little as they are able, every little helps to ensure that our wonderful buildings can continue to be part of village life.

Rev Andrew Brown



What's On? Upcoming Community Events in the Village Hall

Friday, 17th February - Quiz night

Friday 17th March - Quiz night

Friday 21st April - Quiz night

Doors open at 7.15pm and quiz will start 7.30pm -

**Come along and join a team - Please bring your own drinks and snacks -
£3.00 per person.**



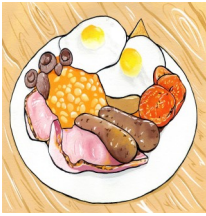
Thank you to everyone for coming to our events and supporting us.



Notice of Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals at Woodnesborough Church

December - January - None were registered





Parish Breakfast in Village Hall

So far this season we have had three Church breakfasts to support our charities and been able to donate £430.

In December, our rector, Andrew spoke about his journey and we were able to support the Queen's Green Canopy which will, in the fullness of time, see trees planted in our benefice churchyards.

On the same theme our Bishop Rose spoke movingly at our January breakfast and we donated to her chosen refugee charity.



Rev Andrew Brown receiving a cheque from Alison Hilton at the December breakfast



Bishop Rose receiving a cheque from Roger Bailey at the January breakfast.



All of our breakfasts have been full and so, if you would like to join us, please book your place by email at flowerken1@hotmail.com or by text to 07763936828.

Our final breakfasts for this season are on **Saturday 4th February and Saturday 4th March at 9am** in the Village Hall.





Woodnesborough Parish Council

The Parish Council last met on 6th December. One member of the public was present.

Discussions took pace on 2 planning applications, 4 planning decisions were noted and correspondence relating to 4 more planning matters was noted. Reports were received from County and District Councillors. Various matters relating to the Village Hall and Green and forthcoming events were discussed.

Actions relating to Highways were agreed. Work on the Highways Improvement Plan (HIP) will take place to extend the 30mph limit on Beacon Lane. Matters relating to Finance were discussed and payments approved.

The full minutes for this meeting and all the Parish Council meetings can be found on the Woodnesborough Parish Council website:

<https://woodnesborough-pc.org.uk/documents/january-2022-minutes/>



Becoming a Local Councillor

It's Election Year! This is your opportunity to run as a Local Councillor! KALC is running three identical online events that last one hour and will give potential candidates an idea as to the rewarding role they can have as a councillor in a Parish or Town Council.

21 February 2023

21 March 2023

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More contact info: Kent Association of Local Councils. Dover District Council Offices, White Cliffs Business Park, Whitfield, Dover CT16 3PJ -

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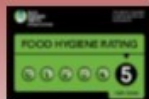


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Fri 17th March

Mothers Day. Sun 19th March
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Andy's Quiz Night 7pm start, Sat 25th Feb, Sat 25th March

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Coffee, Cake and Chat



**Every Saturday - 10am - 12 midday
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a chance to meet new friends and have a friendly chat
in a relaxed community environment**

'Coffee, Cake and Chat' takes place from 10am to 12 midday every Saturday morning in the lovely new social area in our village church.

Everyone is welcome to come and relax, chat, meet new people over a mug of coffee or tea; an informal time for all. Coffee and cake is free. (though there is a tin for donations if you think the cake deserves it!)

You will also find a book in church where you may write a prayer request for yourself, a family member or friend, or a situation.

All our helpers are DBS checked and have Safeguarding training to level 2. I have safeguarding to level 3.



Coffee Pot - Woodnesborough Village Hall

'Coffee Pot' takes place between 10am and 11.30am on Tuesday mornings in the Village Hall. We provide the coffee and biscuits and company - **a warm space and a friendly face**. We ask for £1.50 towards the cost of hiring the hall. The men often enjoy Dominoes, whilst some ladies bring their sewing/tapestry work to occupy their hands as they talk. We are building up a collection of 2nd hand books and jigsaw puzzles for people to use.

Further information for Coffee, Cake and Chat and Coffee Pot is available from **Hilary Baldwin on 01304 - 613346**.



Woodnesborough Football Club

Welcomes supporters from the local community and beyond to come to our games and offer encouragement from the side-lines - we look forward to welcoming you soon.





Nature Friendly Farming

Anthony Curwen, Estate Manager at Quex Park will talk about farming methods that are based on farming with nature. As the England Chair of the Nature Friendly Farming Network, Anthony will explain how farming can be profitable and sustainable, demonstrating what farmers can do for wildlife, the environment and climate whilst still producing plentiful produce. The NFFN is committed to securing farming policies that not only support biodiversity and improved soil husbandry but are also fair to farmers.



Staple Wildlife Friendly Village presents:

Quex Conservation and Farming

A talk given by Anthony Curwen, The England Chair of
Nature Friendly Farming Network



Where?

Staple Village Hall

When?

Thursday, 9th February at 7:30pm

Entrance £5, including refreshments

Further enquiries: wildlife-friendlyvillage@outlook.com



Woodnesborough winter walk – 2 miles approx.



We have included this walk before and I'm sure it will be familiar to many people but it may be new to others.

From car park at Woodnesborough Village Hall on Elmwood Park take the FP to the left side of the Village Hall and turn right on lane. Just after playing field take FP on right to meet Church Street. Turn right and follow Church Street straight ahead past the cottages and past Woodnesborough Church on left.

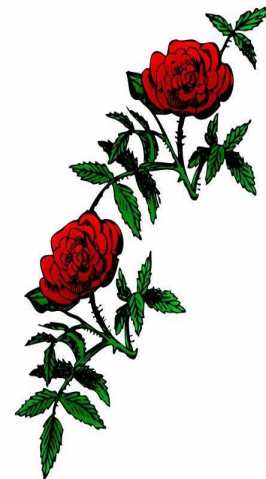
Turn right, crossing Fir Tree Hill with care and continue on Foxborough Hill to crossroads. Cross road and turn left on Beacon Lane. After the last of the new houses on right take FP that goes between gardens. Go through iron gate, cross lane and continue on FP passing Woodnesborough Beacon on left.

Continue ahead on FP passing Southern Water buildings and telecom mast on left. Follow FP with lovely views either side to junction with bridleway.

Turn right on bridleway and follow it to Green Lane Farm, then go through gate onto Marshborough Road. Turn right on road and cross with care, then just after thatched Honey-pot Cottage, where road bends right, between the 2 bend signs, take lane that goes straight ahead (NOT Farm Lane to the left). Follow lane passing Vine Farm on left. Continue on lane and pass Parsonage Farm on left. Continue to follow FP that goes straight ahead through orchard and through a gap in the hedge into a small alleyway to reach The Street. Stop and cross the road with care then take the lane almost opposite next to Stoneleigh.



Take FP on right back to the Village Hall car park.



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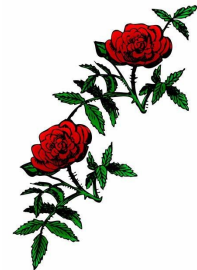
Poem of the Month

Stopping by Woods on a Snowy Evening

Whose woods these are I think I know.
His house is in the village though;
He will not see me stopping here
To watch his woods fill up with snow.

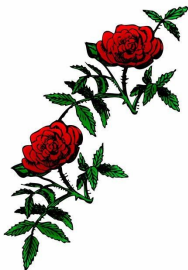


My little horse must think it queer
To stop without a farmhouse near
Between the woods and frozen lake
The darkest evening of the year.



He gives his harness bells a shake
To ask if there is some mistake.
The only other sound's the sweep
Of easy wind and downy flake.

The woods are lovely, dark and deep,
But I have promises to keep,
And miles to go before I sleep,
And miles to go before I sleep.



Robert Frost (1874-1963)



Karate Success

Richard Phillips achieved his 1st Dan black belt in Shotokan karate on 2 January. A great start to his new year and three weeks before his 70th birthday!!

Richard only started his training 5 years ago. Thanks to his passion and enjoyment of learning karate, he has improved his health, flexibility, balance and strength.

Weekly classes are held at The Crow Karate Club in Woodnesborough Village Hall on Fridays at 6.30pm and in Worth village hall on Mondays at 7pm. Classes are for adults only.

For more information on classes please contact 7th Dan instructor Dominic by email :- crowkarate@live.co.uk





Birding With Big Nick



For various reasons I haven't managed to get out much with my camera over the last month or so, but I did make a brief visit to Restharrow Scrape at Sandwich Bay the other day, which gave me the inspiration for this column.

At this time of year the Scrape is home to many birds that move south for winter, species such as Lapwing, Greylag Geese, Curlew and several species of duck – Shoveler, Tufted Duck, Gadwall, Mallard and lots of Teal (often numbering several hundreds).

Every now and then something spooks the birds and they rapidly take to the air in a great flurry of splashing and wing beats; circling overhead until they perceive the danger has passed, they will then return to the Scrape. Sometimes it's difficult to know what has disturbed them, but it is always worth looking out for a bird of prey in the area, commonly the cause for their panic.



Mainly Teal



Teal in flight



Lapwings in flight

Common Snipe are also regularly found on the Scrape during winter, best seen when they are out in the open feeding, by probing the wet ground with their long bills for worms and grubs. If they are resting up in the clumps of grass and reeds you might easily miss them, their stripy brown and yellowish plumage is very effective camouflage. However, spend a few minutes searching the vegetation on the little islands and you may suddenly see



Common Snipe - note long bill

one – and then another, and another. Once

you've 'got your eye in' you realise there are quite a few. On one occasion, having spent some time searching through binoculars, I established there were probably 25 Common Snipe in the undergrowth. Suddenly a military jet fighter screamed overhead and put all the birds into the air. As birds tend to flock together roughly by species this gave me an opportunity to count them – there were 75 Snipe. That's 3 times the number I'd managed to find on the ground!



Jack Snipe - shorter bill and golden stripe anywhere from the UK, across Europe and into tropical Africa. One or two turn up at the Scrape most years, you just have to be there at the right time.

If you are very lucky you may see a Jack Snipe, a little smaller than the Common Snipe with a shorter bill and quite noticeable golden stripes down its back. They have a very peculiar habit of constantly bobbing up and down as if on a spring – the reason for which is unknown, but the movement can often be the first thing that gives them away to an observer. They breed in the far north of Europe and Russia, spending their winters

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Sandwich Honfleur Twinning Association



Members of Sandwich Honfleur Twinning Association rounded off their activities for 2022 with two events at the start of December: firstly, their traditional Christmas Dinner & Party for 53 members at Tan Bueno Restaurant on Thursday 1st December; secondly, two days later, holding a stall to sell



hundreds of cups of their warming 'Vin Chaud' in the Guildhall Forecourt at the Christmas Lights Switch-On. Customers were also attracted by SHTA flyers announcing:

If you join SHTA these events await you:

“Monthly French films with English sub-titles at the Empire Cinema - Biennial 4-day group visit staying with hosts in Honfleur - Biennial 4-day hosting of Honfleur group in

Sandwich - Wine tasting and Quiz evenings - 'Chez nous' get-togethers for food, drink and socialising - Social get-togethers in and around Sandwich during the year - 'Bangers & Boules' at The Anchor pub in Wingham - SHTA stall at 'Le Week-end' in Sandwich - French conversation group at Sandwich Library”.

Membership costs just £12.50 per annum. To find an application form and much more, go to our website at: sandwichhonfleurtwinning.org.uk

Alternatively, send an email to: stuartpjoness100@yahoo.co.uk or phone: **07989695129**.

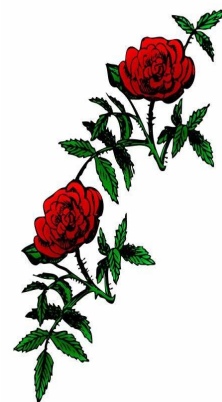
Dates to look forward to in the New Year are:

Film Nights at The Empire Cinema Sandwich:

- February 15th “Les Lyonnais”
- March 15th “Le Château de ma Mère”
- April 19th “Des Vents Contraires”
- May 17th “Les Femmes du 6ème Étage”
- June 14th “L'École Buissonnière”

Other activities:

- April 15th Cheese & Wine Quiz
- May 22nd - 'Pique-Nique' on Sandwich Quay
- June 23rd - 26th Group Visit to Honfleur
- July 27th Bangers & Boules, The Anchor Pub Wingham





Age Concern Sandwich is committed to providing social support to the over 50's and vulnerable people in Sandwich town and surrounding areas.

Due to growing concerns of how people are funding the heating of their homes and getting a hot meal, following skyrocketing energy prices and the rising cost of living, Age Concern Sandwich launched two new initiatives designed to help those who may have to choose between heating their home and putting food on their table.

Age Concern Sandwich launched the MEET, EAT and HEAT in September 2022 - providing a warm place for the local community over the age of 50 to spend the day, and to enjoy a hot meal socialising in the company of others. Therefore, helping the local community save on their home energy, save money and staying warm by using our facilities.

Thanks to funding from Dover District Council, it means that Age Concern Sandwich can run this new venture subsidising the cost of meals, making it possible to offer a healthy main meal and dessert for just £4!

The 2nd initiative of **A Warm Welcome Awaits You**, is offering free top-ups of tea or coffee throughout the day in our warm friendly environment. Customers are entitled to free top ups of non-speciality tea/coffee after an initial purchase of a hot beverage. Again, with thanks to funding from the DDC.

Speaking about the MEET, EAT and HEAT campaign, Age Concern Sandwich's Chief Officer, Janet Baker said: The winter months are often difficult for many people. With the increased fuel and food costs over recent months, and now increased energy costs, we are very concerned that many elderly people will struggle to make ends meet. We do not want to see any of our local residents feel lonely and having to choose between heating their home or eating a meal. By offering a healthy meal in a warm environment in the company of others, we want to let our local community know that Age Concern Sandwich can help them."

Age Concern Sandwich is based in the heart of the local community with the Centre providing a caring and friendly environment where people can meet up and join in with the many services and activities offered. The charity also has two shops which are regularly stocked with a variety of bargains.

We provide help, advice and information on issues affecting older people, and offer support to those who may require assistance with forms.

No membership needed - everyone over 50 is welcome. Simply drop in and have a chat over a cup of coffee. The Centre is open weekdays from 9am-4pm (closed Bank Holidays/Christmas).

Volunteers are always needed and welcome to join our friendly team. If you would like to help with any of our services, we would love to hear from you.

Services:

Meals on Wheels - Sunflower Dementia Centre - Information & Advice - Form Filling - Curative Therapy - Befriending Service - Talking Therapy & Hypnotherapy - Foot Care - Personal Bathing - Dover District Council Help Desk - Hearing Aid Clinic - Two charity shops - NHS Social Prescribers visits - Hair Salon

Activities:

Pet Therapy - Chess - Regular entertainment by local singers - Fun Bingo - Music and Movement - Regular visits from local school children - Arts and Craft - Chair Yoga

From Monday to Friday, we serve delicious two-course lunches in the Centre and deliver with our Meals and Wheels service to those unable to leave their home. Available to book.

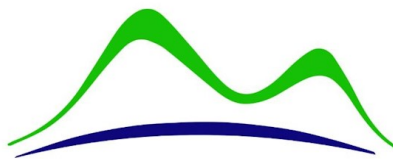
Sunflower Dementia Centre is a day centre for people over 50 who are living with dementia. We promote person-centred care in a safe and stimulating environment with fully trained staff who understand that finding the right support for memory loss and dementia can be difficult. We partake in various activities that help maintain skills and memories such as quizzes, arts and crafts, music, games and reminiscence. This gives carers a little respite, knowing the people they care for are receiving a high standard of support. COGS club is every Friday for people with mild dementia or memory loss. Our outreach services include a monthly 'Drop In' clinic supported by Gregory House and Memory Café offering advice from a range of services.

Become a Befriender - If you have some spare time, enjoy chatting to others, are empathetic and a good listener, then why not become a Befriender. As people get older, some find they spend more time on their own. This can sometimes feel lonely and boring, or make people miss friends or family. We offer a telephone befriending service for older people so they can enjoy chatting with someone over the phone. As a volunteer, you would befriend someone who is 50 or over. From the comfort of your home, it's a fun, safe, and easy way to get to know someone new. Befriending can mean the world to people who feel lonely and isolated, so if you'd like to make a difference to an older person's life please do get in touch.

For more information about Age Concern Sandwich services and activities please call the Centre on 01304 614237 or visit our website - www.ageconcernsandwich.com

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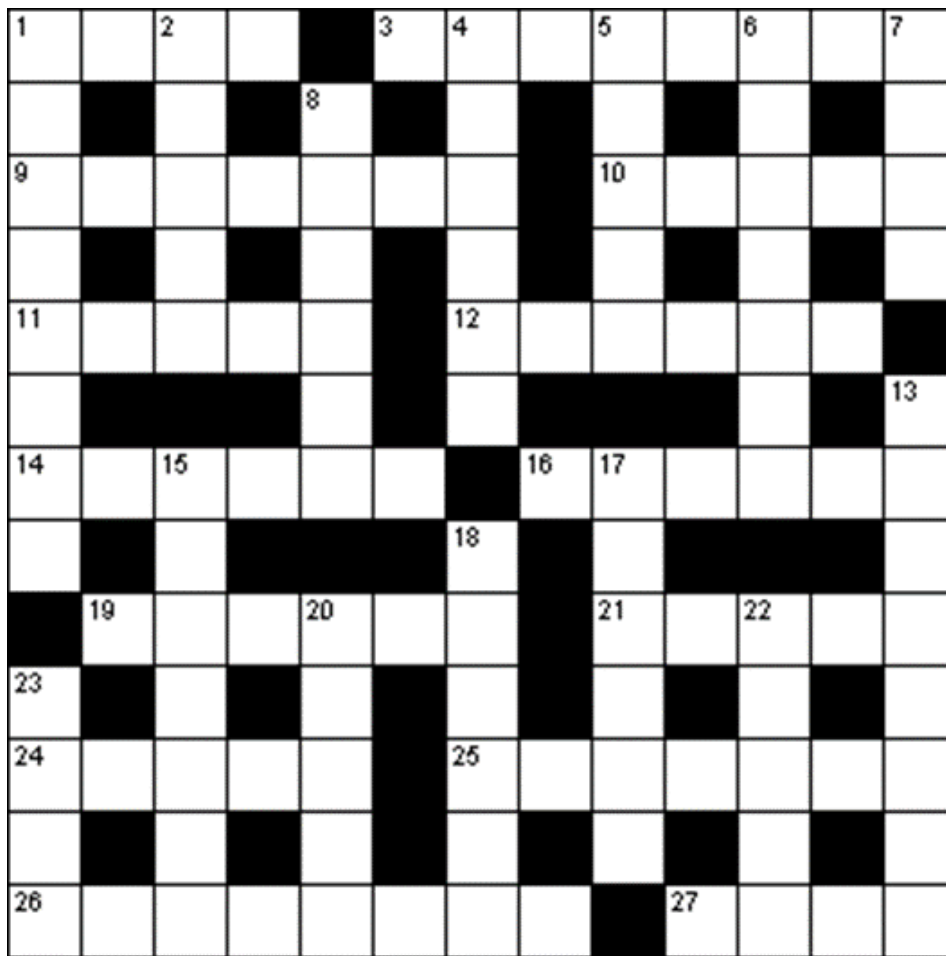
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Crossword



Across

1. Greet enthusiastically (4)
3. Sheath for a sword (8)
9. Willingly (7)
10. Inflexible (5)
11. Story or scene of happy innocence (5)
12. Gas essential for life (6)
14. Upper part of the windpipe (6)
16. Polar region (6)
19. Onto dry land (6)
21. Sleeper's vision (5)
24. Souvenir (5)
25. Guilty party (7)
26. NCO (8)
27. Be afraid (4)

Down

1. Awful (8)
2. European country (5)
4. Former name of Sri Lanka (6)
5. Crazy (5)
6. Increase (7)
7. Extinct bird (4)
8. Stringed instrument (6)
13. Curved sword (8)
15. Cattle thief (7)
17. Puzzling question (6)
18. Warning light (6)
20. When expected (2,3)
22. Spooky (5)
23. Part of the eye (4)

Solution on page 35



Woodnesborough Police News Update

I'd like to start by wishing you all a happy new year and I hope you have had a lovely break over the festive period, after such a busy period we're now all settling down and starting a new year and making sense of the struggles we all face.

We are or most of us know somebody that is in need of support whether that's mental health related or help with groceries and or help in general with household bills.

In Sandwich on a MONDAY afternoon from 1pm in St Peter's Church you can access the Pantry, this is open to anybody who needs help with food, please pop along and get the information. You can pay a small amount for a large bag of food both fridge and packet groceries, once you have added your name to the list you can come along every week and choose the item which they have on offer. Everyone is catered for and all are welcome.

Age Concern is open from Monday – Friday 9am – 3pm for the over 50s and will provide a warm space, a cup of tea and a friendly smile and chat for those in need of some company, meals at the centre are £7.50 for two courses and are served daily from 12.15 and 1.15pm. Please contact on 01304 614237, alternatively you can go to the website and look at the events page that tells you the week's programme.

Also on a Thursday morning from 10-12 in the Guildhall area myself and the KCC Warden Peter Gill are still holding our weekly surgeries for anyone who may need some help or advice, we would love to see you so please pop along if you can, if not there will be a Police Surgery in Eastry Village Hall on every other Friday.

The main issue that's seems to be occurred in the local areas again has been vehicle crime. Please be aware this can happen anywhere, drives car parks, open spaces, when shopping or parked up at home, but a few simple preventative measures can help and deter the thieves from targeting your property.

1. Always lock it
2. Close windows and the sunroof to prevent 'fishing'
3. Secure your number plates with tamper-resistant screws
4. Fit locking, anti-tamper wheel nuts to secure alloy wheels
5. Secure anything that's on the outside of your vehicle

Anything left on roof-racks, tailgate racks, holiday top boxes or in tool chests

are easily stolen when the vehicle is parked. The use of cable locks, padlocks and self-locking tools chests, which are secured to the vehicle, makes them more secure, but still, don't leave things in them if you can avoid it.

7. Hide electrical items and leave no clues

8. Tool theft from vans

Vans are often targeted by thieves for the tools stored inside. If you have to leave tools in a van overnight, it's a good idea to mark them clearly with your name / company name and address using paint pens and seal with a clear lacquer spray. Alternatively, you can use a variety of other property marking systems. Items that are clearly marked are less desirable and more difficult to sell on.

Consider using a lockable cabinet within your van to store tools – a number of security rated products are available. Small cameras are also designed to record inside vehicles.

You can also take photographs of items of value, make a note of the serial numbers and consider registering them online at a property register site. I hope that these few updates will help someone and if you need help then please attend the surgeries and ask us to signpost you in a direction for help , stay safe and be alert.

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PCSO Debbie Bishop



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Woodnesborough W I

Our December meeting found most of the Woodnesborough WI back at Sianie's Kitchen for our annual Christmas lunch. We were, once again, treated to an amazing meal of soup,

Christmas dinner and all the trimmings and a choice of either mince pie or chocolate Yule log. Although it is a small gathering there was a lot of talking and laughter heard throughout the meal and the overall consensus was once again that it had been a wonderful end to our WI year.

Our January meeting started with the usual business, including notice of future events, current funds and a quick look at the programme for the coming year. We then settled into our normal Beetle Drive which was great fun, or very frustrating, depending on our luck and success at throwing a 6 to begin the game! After four games, with a break for a cup of tea and chocolate cake, the evening was won by Caroline Pearce who pipped another member by just one point! The competition letter 'N' was won by Lucy Hawkes with a photograph of her nieces and nephew and the drawing of the raffle brought a most enjoyable evening to a close.

The next meeting will be on Wednesday 8th February which will be our AGM and a demonstration of Thai Chi with Dominic.

Fly Tipping in Church Graveyard



This photo highlights the fly tipping which is still going on in the graveyard opposite Woodnesborough Church. Some people who live in the local area seem to think it is fine to dump their garden waste - grass and hedge cuttings etc - in the corner of the churchyard. We have even had to remove several bags of cat litter that some selfish individual had put in the bin which was meant for non-recyclable graveyard waste. There were also numerous dog poo bags that some lazy dog walkers had just dumped.

Due to the continual abuse of this area all bins have been taken away, so ALL waste including artificial

flowers, cellophane flower wrappers, plastic plant pots etc must be taken away and disposed of at home.

The graveyard waste is not collected by Dover District Council, so the Church had relied on a very small team of volunteers who removed the rubbish in the past. However this has now ceased. Anyone caught fly tipping will be reported to the Council. Please be considerate!



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Looking ahead to March, our meeting will be on Thursday 16th at 7.30pm when local florist and Club member Trudie Easton will be telling us about her Chelsea gold medal experience.

On Monday 27th March we will be having our annual visit to Cropwatch at Poison Cross between 6pm and 8pm when you can purchase compost, fertiliser and garden sundries at discounted prices. The company will be relocating to new premises at sometime in the near future, but if there is any change to the above arrangements, we will notify members.

Finally new programme cards are now available for this year. To make arrangements to join the club or renew your subscription, either come along to a meeting or email woodnesboroughgardeners@gmail.com or phone our Treasurer Peter Giles on **01304 812802**.

Ken and Linda Butcher



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	10.00am	Come & Praise Family Service
2nd Sunday of the month	10.00am	Communion Service
3rd Sunday of the month	No service at Woodnesborough	
4th Sunday of the month	10.00am	Communion Service
5th Sunday of the Month	10.00am	Benefice Service - see website for venue www.ewbchurches.org.uk

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