

WINCHELSEA PARISH MAGAZINE

1st May 2021



Reflections from the Rectory

It is hard to take in that it is now more than a year since our routines have been disrupted by the pandemic. Like every aspect of our lives, church life has changed enormously.

When we began to adapt to the situation in the early part of the year, it was difficult to establish a safe way of gathering, how to receive communion and share the chalice, whether we should shake hands or wear masks: these were questions which people found it difficult to agree on and many were resistant to making changes. When the lockdown came there was no choice and we were unable to gather to worship at all.

Since last July however it has been possible to gather for public worship and we are grateful for that in our beautiful church in Winchelsea. By the time we resumed the seriousness of the pandemic made it easier to devise a protocol for church, which followed the rules, regulations and advice.

Since last summer it has been possible for churches to be open for worship, although we opted to close for a short period at the beginning of this year when the second wave was at its height. It is now accepted that masks should be worn, that we should remain socially distant, that we should not share the peace by shaking hands or receive communion from the chalice.

We share the body of Christ by sharing the bread or individual wafers. I am required to sanitise my hands and when I say the prayer of consecration, the ciborium (the silver receptacle for the wafers) remains covered and I distribute communion with the mask. In a strange way I find the ordered procession of distanced worshippers coming to the altar rather moving.

We do not know how soon we will be able to worship without protective masks or social distancing but I suspect it will be some time. It is strange how quickly we can adapt and I'm sure some leaving these restrictions behind will seem difficult and strange.



It is said that it only needs five or six weeks of doing something continuously to establish a habit. No doubt some of the ways in which we do things because of the pandemic will endure.

In those early days there were people who felt the church had let them down and I can quite understand those feelings. It is my view however that the bishops in consultation with the government felt that they needed to set some kind of example. At that time there was considerable uncertainty as to the seriousness of the pandemic and how it might develop.

We all long for the end of these restrictions but I think there is a realisation that this disease may continue to influence the way we live our lives for some time.

Over this last year the church may have made some mistakes but it is certainly trying to adapt but we still gather to share the body of Christ and pray for our town and benefice and the wider world.

Now that we are in the season of Eastertide we sense renewal in the risen Christ. Services are now well attended and are almost back to pre-Covid levels. In some ways services have become more reflective as

we haven't been able to join in congregational singing and this had added a dimension to Sunday worship.

It has become clear that here in this corner of East Sussex we have been particularly privileged in lockdown; able to enjoy the countryside and fresh air.

This has not been the case in many cities and the pandemic has highlighted inequality in society and that those with the greatest need have tended to suffer more. We pray that we continue to learn lessons and that what we have learnt during the past year will enrich us, and especially that those in need may not be forgotten as we move forward in the fervent hope of renewal.

Jonathan

winchelsea-ickleham-churches.org.uk



**Whit Sunday
23rd May**



Church Market August 2020

Resuming Church Markets

We hope to hold an outdoor Church Market, after a long absence, on Saturday 5th June at 10.30.

This, of course, will be dependent on what will be allowed after the next stage of easing lockdown on 17th May.

For instance, we are not certain if we can have home baking. However, we would hope to have a plant and book stall with the usual coffee on tap.

We are anxious to return to some social events but social distancing will probably still be in place. Let's hope for a nice day!

Charlotte Beecroft



Wi-Fi in Church

We have now obtained permission for a line to be installed in church for a Wi-Fi connection. It may seem something of an anomaly in a medieval building but it is essential to move with the times.

Although there is an intermittent mobile signal it cannot be relied on. Wi-Fi will enable us to receive contactless donations, to control heating and lighting remotely, and to stream services - there is now a demand for streaming of weddings and funerals which can be viewed live anywhere in the world.

Payments at Church Markets will be possible by card and Winchelsea Arts and other visiting artistes will be able to access their online ticketing facilities easily. We also hope to organise downloads of guided audio tours and reflections from our website.

We are grateful to Phil Mack for his support and on-going advice. As the costs incurred to Openreach have been in order of £2,500 plus VAT any support would be gratefully received.



Church Annual Meeting

10.30am Saturday 8th May

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will take place this month. With the encouragement and permission of our bishop it will take place on Zoom.

If you would like to attend please contact the Rector, revdjonathan@btinternet.com 01797 226254, so that you can receive a link and the papers.

It is an opportunity for parishioners to elect churchwardens and for those on the Church Electoral Roll to hear a report on the finances and activities for the PCC over 2020. It is a chance to ask questions and make suggestions for the future.



Seeing Red

You will have read quite a lot about the reuse of the UK's iconic phone boxes as libraries, coffee shops and defibrillator bases. Well, our phone box in the High Street is much photographed by visitors and loved by the owners of the adjacent Winchelsea Cottage.

This gave me the confidence to explore whether the community might be interested to maintain the telephone and its iconic box.

A little while ago I had consulted the Conservation Society committee who were very interested in keeping the phone and its much-admired box! So we are attempting to get as many people as possible in the Town to occasionally remember to use the phone box which still works at 60p a call. Numerically all calls are recorded. Decisions are then made by BT about whether to discontinue the phone or sell the box to the community, etc.

Peter Hatch, of Winchelsea Cottage, has single-handedly brow beaten BT into agreeing to repaint and repair the signage of the box, which is wonderful. I have attempted to clear out masses of cobwebs and dirt and will continue to do so.

Almost all unused phone boxes are either being removed or used for other purposes. Our hope would be that Winchelsea might retain a 'working phone box' rather than a skeletal remnant of one of these lovely pieces of street furniture.

In the foreseeable future few places will have intact telephone kiosks. Who knows however when these telephones may be needed?

I do hope that residents might support this small project. In a way this is like appealing for support when restrictions end, to keep Winchelsea station open by using it. It is all part and parcel in a broader sense of Conservation.

And, by the way, the Conservation Society is very much alive and with residents' support continues to help wherever possible, with maintaining the beauty of the buildings and spaces of this Historic Town.

John Spencer
Winchelsea Conservation Society



Town Well

If you've walked past the Town Well lately you'll have noticed that the railings and winding mechanism have a sparkling new coat of paint. This, and some remedial work to the arrowheads that top the railings, was put in hand by the Corporation.

It was paid for from the remainder of the money left with the Corporation by Winchelsea Residents Association when it wound up its affairs.

The Association was originally formed to push back against plans, long since abandoned, to send a major new trunk road round or even under Winchelsea extending the A27 to the Channel ports.



Second Wednesday Society

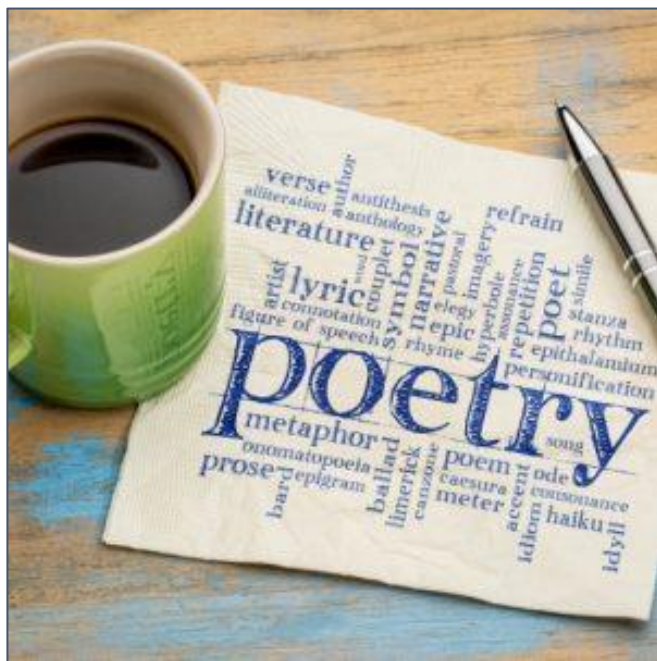
12th May

The Seas of Sinbad

Hugh Willing returns to Winchelsea to give another engaging talk. This time Hugh will shed light on the ancient history of seafaring and Dhow trade by the Arabs to the Far East and China.

If you aren't already on the circulation list to receive the Zoom link, please send an email to

2ndWeds@gmail.com



Literary Society

Friday 21st May at 7pm for 7.30

Living with Poems

Jon Cook, UEA professor and researcher, has visited Lit Soc before: he spoke about William Hazlitt. This time his talk is about 'poetry (as distinct from poetry readings)'. It will be about the poems that have stayed with him during his life and why he thinks they have.

If you aren't already on the circulation list to receive the Zoom link, please send an email to

WinLitSoc@gmail.com

<http://winlitsoc.blogspot.com/>



Winchelsea Anniversaries

In 1947 there occurred the death at the age of 62 of Major John Addison Burke of Firebrand, High Street. He was five times Mayor, a leading resident for more than a quarter of a century and Winchelsea's Baron of the Cinque Ports at the coronation of King George VI.

The Sussex Express obituary reports that the Major was born at Northiam, educated at Bradfield College and, at the age of 17, 'became an officer in the Sussex Garrison Artillery and used to love to tell tales of those strenuous days'. Later he was commissioned into the 1st Battalion The Royal Scots with whom he saw service for seven years in India 'returning to this country in 1914 with his battalion to serve throughout the First Great War at Ypres, the Somme and then in Macedonia'.

He retired from the army at the end of the war and moved to live in Winchelsea where he was soon invited to join the Corporation of which he became a leading member. He was leader of the Winchelsea Scout Troop for many years and was prominent in numerous other Winchelsea organisations and committees.

In 1939 he joined the Royal Observer Corps in which he served throughout the Battle of Britain and beyond,

earning, his obituary says, 'the respect and affection of the many posts under his charge'.

Unfortunately Major Burke has since been remembered in the town principally for the impact his love of badminton had on the structure of the New Hall.

He managed to persuade a surveyor friend to agree that two of the cross-beams which impeded the flight of the shuttlecock played no important part in the stability of the building and, it would seem entirely off his own bat, had them removed.

The New Hall Committee later noted, somewhat plaintively, that no record could be found of this decision coming before the committee.

Remarkably it was many years before the result of the Major's action became apparent. When it did the result was much heartache, the closure of the building, and the need for considerable initiative and fundraising.

The eventual solution, the major structure which now supports the roof, is immediately apparent when you enter the building today.

Malcolm Pratt



NGS Open Gardens on June 19th

Plans are going ahead for the National Garden Scheme summer opening in Winchelsea. Forced to cancel last year and in April, it is good to be able to go ahead on Saturday 19th June. Tickets will be available online from the NGS as well as at the garden gate.

The catering team is making preparations, though inevitably there will be restrictions on how the New Hall can be used for serving teas.

These are the gardens that will be opening:

The Armoury *Tony Jasper*

Backfields End *Sandra Mackenzie Smith*

Cleveland House *Sarah and Jonathan Jempson*

Cleveland Place *Sally and Graham Rhodda*

Evans *Judith and James Payne*

Giles Point *Ant Parker and Tom Ashmore*

King's Leap *Philip Kent and Findlay Wilson*

Lookout Cottage *Mary and Roger Tidyman*

Magazine House *Sue Stradling*

The Orchards *Brenda and Ralph Courtenay*

Periteau House *Felicity and Lawrence Youlden*

Rye View *Howard Norton and David Page*

South Mariteau *Robert Holland*

The Well House *Alice Kenyon*

www.ngs.org.uk



Gardens Open for St Michael's Hospice in June and July

The Hospice hopes to open seven gardens in Winchelsea Beach on Saturday 5th June and six gardens in Winchelsea on Saturday 3rd July - both openings 10.30 till 4.

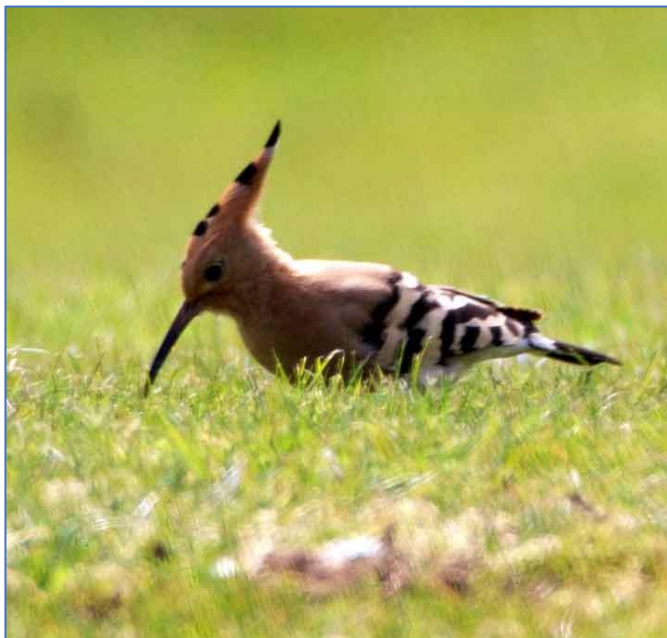
Full details here:

<http://stmichaelshospice.com/events/open-gardens-winchelsea-beach-3>

<http://stmichaelshospice.com/events/open-gardens-winchelsea-2>

Autumn Show

Garden Society very much hopes to hold the Autumn Show. John Dunk is raring to go and the New Hall is booked for Saturday 11th September. A date for your diary!



Exotic Arrival

Winchelsea was briefly host to an unusual spring visitor. Graham Rhodda writes:

Hoopoes are medium-sized but very striking birds. They have a curved bill, a crest and a warm-pink coloured body with broad black and white wings that make them look like a giant butterfly in flight.

Eurasian hoopoes winter in the tropics but are present in mainland Europe during the breeding season. However, very few cross the English Channel and news of one in Sussex is a welcome surprise for local birders. On average only about half a dozen of these birds are found each year in the county, mostly in spring.

On Saturday 17th April, I was tipped off by Cliff Dean that a hoopoe had been found on the extensive lawn of *Ferry House* in Station Road, Winchelsea.

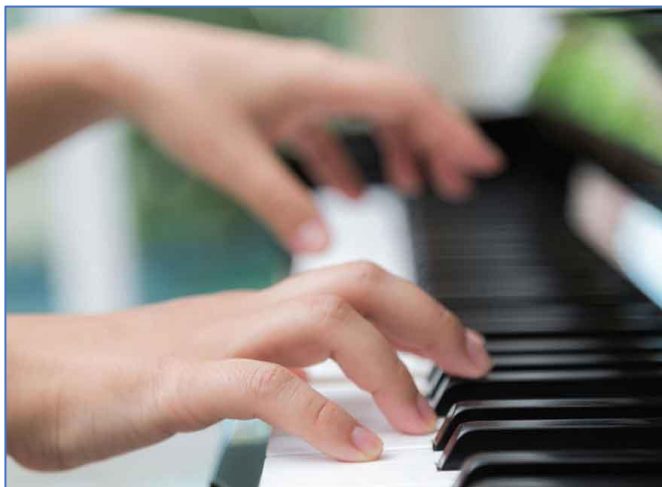
I picked up the phone message too late in the day to search for it, but Cliff kindly phoned again early the next day to tell me that it was still there. Sally and I

jumped into the car and drove down to Station Road, where we joined three birders already there admiring the hoopoe on the lawn across the road.

Having seen the bird, we returned home, and tried to contact people we knew to be interested in birds so that they also could see this rarity. Several did go to see it and Ian Rowlands took the photographs shown here.

Rare birds have a habit of flying off just before you arrive at a site to find them. All you actually see is group of satisfied birders saying 'You should have been there ten minutes ago when it was giving cracking views'. This time, however, we were all in luck!





Elgar, Britten and Mendelssohn

At long last, Winchelsea Arts concerts can resume. On Sunday 27th June at 4pm, three talented young students from the Royal College of Music Junior Department will play for us at St Thomas'.

Natalie Bhak (violin) and Calvin Leung (piano) will perform Elgar's Violin Sonata Op.82. Riya Hamie will join them in Mendelssohn's Piano Trio No.2 Op.66, and she will also play movements from Britten's Suite No.1 for Cello Op.72.

Everyone on our mailing list will be sent full details of how to get tickets. Information will also be posted on the Arts website. If you aren't yet on the email list, you can [click here](#) to join.

The concert was originally scheduled for May. Four of the concerts booked for the 2020-21 season were inevitably cancelled. We very much hope to include them in a new season, launching in the autumn.

winchelsea-arts.org.uk



Icklesham Parish Council

Annual Meeting of the Council

on Tuesday 4th May. This meeting has been rearranged from Monday 10th May to ensure we can hold the meeting. We are legally obliged to hold the Annual Meeting of the Council in the month of May.

This is a statutory meeting that must by law be held during May. It will be dominated by routine business such as appointment of Chairman and Vice-chairman and the membership of committees for the coming year.

Friday 7th May is the last day upon which the Council can lawfully meet online. We are currently awaiting guidance on how we proceed with meetings after that date. The provisional Court ruling is that we are no longer permitted to meet solely by remote means, unless the Government introduce primary legislation to allow us to do so.

The Court still has to rule on the legality of the Councillors meeting physically and the public joining online. Whilst the Council will endeavour to stick to its published meeting dates, it may not be legally possible to do so for some time.

There is no guarantee that we will be able to hold any meetings in May after the 7th. The current social distancing regulations make it difficult to hold normal meetings because of the space required. Whilst, we can socially distance the Councillors, the public have a right of access to meetings and the venues available to us would make it impossible to satisfy the social distance regulations if the public are in attendance in any numbers. The March 1st meeting had at least 64 attendees online.

I understand the Principal Councils are concerned about the same issues and they have larger councillor and officer numbers than we do. ESCC has about 49 Councillors and a number of officers at its meetings.

News from Rother District Council

Public Conveniences. The facilities at Winchelsea Beach and Winchelsea are currently closed as they both have serious structural defects, which require long-term solutions. At Winchelsea Beach, temporary toilets have been provided for the summer season. In Winchelsea, no temporary arrangements have been made but the District Council is actively exploring the options that may be available.

Local re-cycling centres. Now that enhanced kerbside collections are operative across the district, the local re-cycling centres are being withdrawn. Those in Winchelsea, Winchelsea Beach and Rye Harbour will soon be removed if they have not already been removed.

One of the reasons for their removal is that members of the public abuse the system by putting rubbish both in and around the bins. When bins are contaminated by rubbish the entire contents have to go to landfill, thereby negating the efforts of the residents who conscientiously re-cycled their waste properly.

The Parish Council has noticed an increase in rubbish in and around the litter bins it provides, much of which appears to be domestic rubbish that should be put out for the District Council to collect.



Parish Council Issues

Clerk and Deputy Clerk

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer, Claire Dyer has now left the Council. She carried out her duties under difficult circumstances and our good wishes go with her wherever her career takes her. The Council have set up a working group to review our entire administration before Council sets about advertising the post.

The Deputy Clerk Jocelyn Cannings has also tendered her resignation. She is currently on sick leave from which she may not return before she is due to leave.

Council

The Council currently has three vacant seats. One should be filled by co-option at the May meeting. A second, following the disqualification of a councillor for non-attendance at meetings cannot be filled until the next meeting of Council as due process is not complete. Mrs Bradley has recently resigned her seat for the Icklesham Ward and hopefully we can complete due process in time to ensure that the seat is filled at the

same time as the other vacant Icklesham seat. A lot depends on the outcome of the Court deliberations on meetings.

Traffic calming in Winchelsea

This was one of the topics at the first extra meeting in March. I should like to take this opportunity to correct some of the information published by the Winchelsea Traffic Calming Group. Firstly, on finance, £1.60 on the precept provides precisely £1.60 for the Council to spend. The precept is the total money that the Parish Council asks the District Council to bill the council taxpayers for.

Council tax is the translation of the precept into the tax based on the number of properties in the tax base and the level of tax to be paid by each property. Single person households pay a reduced level of council tax and regrettably the number of such households appears to have increased over the past year.

A rough guide is that for a band E property £1 in Council Tax amounts to about £1000 from all properties towards the parish precept. In these terms, if the Parish Council were to fund the estimated cost of the design work of £36,000 from the precept it would add around £36 to the council tax on a Band E property paying the full tax. By taking out a loan, it reduces the impact on the precept but in the end, it costs more because of the interest charges.

The other point I wish to clarify is that contrary to the report, the Parish Council has not brought forward the project, so that attendance of Winchelsea residents made no difference to the programme.

This misunderstanding arises from the fact that local authorities do not operate to a calendar year, we use the municipal year that starts on 1st April. When we fixed our budget in January and we referred to delaying the project to next year, we were referring to the next financial year, not 2022.

The original plan was to draw down the loan and spend it by 31st March 2021. The meeting on 1st. March was related to our request to extend the period to 31st

March 2022, which would be the new deadline for spending the money, not starting the project.

As things stand, the PWLB have not yet responded to our request and the deadline for the loan has passed without the extension being agreed. If we have to make a new application for a loan, then I understand there are long delays in processing new applications, and this might delay the project. These delays might also account for the fact that we have not had any response to our request to extend the time for drawing down the approved loan.

Winchelsea Beach sewerage problems

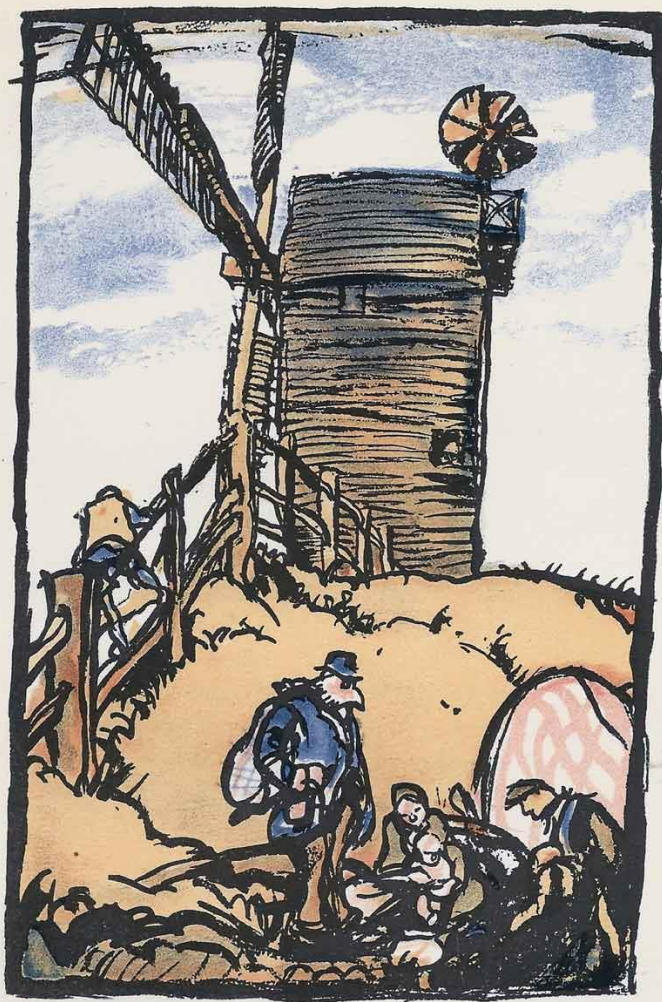
We have heard from OFWAT in response to our letter. It was not as positive as we had hoped. What we have learnt is that contrary to what Southern Water suggested, OFWAT are not preventing them from making the necessary improvements to the works inlet that is needed to make the network operate efficiently.

The other unwanted news comes from the office of Sally-Ann Hart, our MP. I understand that when she became our MP, she did not receive any files from Amber Rudd's office regarding the many meetings that she chaired on this topic as our MP. All that information is apparently lost. I think the lesson here for us is that in future the Parish Council should run the meetings as our records are retained for as long as they are needed.

On a more positive note, I know there have been a number of personnel changes at Southern Water so we can only hope things move forward more positively without the baggage of the misinformation we have been given in the past.

Finally, for the third time in recent years we have had unwanted visitors to Icklesham Recreation Ground. This time they parked their caravans on the newly renovated football pitch that has been closed for repairs. Thankfully, their stay was short lived.

Cllr Peter Turner



WINCHELSEA MILL

from 'Windmills' by Sir Frank Brangwyn (1923)

Rotary Club Charity Walk

Rye & Winchelsea Rotary Club announce their next charity walk on Sunday 16th May to raise awareness and wellbeing. As usual there is a £10 entry (£5 for under 16) with any monies raised going to local charities including Rye Community Transport and the Food Bank in Rye. This is intended as a community event to see suitably distanced old friends and make some new ones and mainly raising the spirits after lockdown and providing a little community exercise.

If you are able to arrange anyone to sponsor you then these additional funds can, if you wish, be directed to a charity of your own choice via Rotary. If you feel it is too soon after our September walk to press possible donors or are shy of asking then no problem we would love to see you anyway just pay the entry fee and enjoy the day out.

The route is as previous, but in reverse, with groups starting both from Rye and Winchelsea. In the case of Winchelsea meeting at 9am at the Beacon - the old Windmill - at the end of Mill Lane (we will be there providing directions etc.) moving across the fields to Float Farm via the odd little railway crossing, then down Float Lane to Dumb Woman's Lane and down under the cliffs to Rye and Rye Market, returning to Winchelsea on the route parallel to the A259.

Markers and marshals will be around the course to ensure there is no confusion. I must Stress COVID restrictions will apply, groups of up to 6 are allowed, but must themselves be suitably distanced from both each other and other groups and will set off by stages to ensure this.

For further information please contact Stuart Raine stuartraine@btinternet.com or 01797 222772. Any sponsorship forms can be obtained from Martin Owen mnowen@hotmail.co.uk 01797 226968.

Look forward to seeing you on the day.

*Stuart Raine
Rotary Member and Chairman of FOAM*



Caring and Sharing East Sussex

The Caring and Sharing scheme invites people to 'live more simply than others may simply live'. Supporters agree to give up some modest item of personal expenditure on a regular basis and send the savings from this sacrifice to projects in poorer countries to provide the basic needs of life.

Caring and Sharing supporters are generally members of a group linked to an Anglican church in East Sussex but there are also small groups in other parts of the UK. The groups choose which project they would like to support. The group at Winchelsea supports Amara House in Romania.

This project was founded by a charity called Fundatia New Life. It is a wonderful home for seven young men with physical and learning disabilities who were all rejected by their families and spent the first part of their lives in one of the terrible institutions that existed under the Ceausescu regime.

The institutions were eventually closed and it was expected that the residents would go back to their families. In many cases this was not possible and they ended up living on the streets. The young men at Amara House live like a family and are cared for by dedicated Romanian staff. They have flourished in this loving environment.

As the boys have grown older, their medical conditions have worsened and the home has to spend increasing amounts on medical expenses. The project depends on regular sacrifices made by faithful Caring and Sharing supporters.

If you are interested in finding out more, please contact Tessa Potts, Caring and Sharing rep for the Winchelsea group: 01797 223050 tessapotts67@gmail.com

fundatianewlife.com



Rye Food Bank - Food Donations

Cam will be collecting in Winchelsea on Tuesday 18th May. If you would like to donate food items the Rye Foodbank, please give him a ring, so he can co-ordinate a socially distanced pick-up, from your front door. Thank you! *Donald Cameron-Clarke 01797 226414*

Financial Donations

The easiest way to donate online is through the Jempson Foundation and gift aid can be applied if you are a taxpayer which increases the value of your donation by 25% at no cost to you. jempson-foundation.org/rye-food-bank/

Alternatively, you can donate by bank transfer to the *Bexhill Food Bank Rye Branch* at Barclays Bank, sort code 20-54-25, account number 83501116. If you make a bank transfer please do send a message to ryefoodbank@gmail.com so we know who it is from and can send a receipt, if required.

You can also donate by cheque to 'Bexhill Food Bank (Rye Branch)' posted to 24 North Salts, Rye, TN31 7NU.

www.trusselltrust.org



Rescue Boat

May already and, thank goodness, the sun's come out! Here at Pett Level Independent Rescue Boat our volunteers are glad to be back to more of a community presence now that restrictions continue to lift.

Although we're a bit sad that (for the second year running) May won't see our Open Day, we remain hopeful it will take place on its rescheduled date of Sunday 29th August 2021.

Please do save this potential date, which will be subject to any restrictions at that time. Please be mindful that this change of date also means the draw for the *Homewood Leisure Hot Tub Grand Draw* fundraiser will now take place on Sunday 29th August also.

So, what have we been up to? Like everyone else, we have our eye on the scheduled loosening of restrictions later in the month. As such, we're able to step up our Sunday training sessions and increase the numbers involved in our boathouse presence, very timely as the season warms up and the beaches become busier!

We've been rescue-ready throughout the pandemic but at last for this year we're able to proactively prepare to keep everyone as safe as possible along the local coastline. Our plans include a safety and First Aid

presence over the bank holidays in May and a rota presence so we can open the boathouse on Saturdays too.

Barbara's Charity Shed is now open again and, from the 17th May, we're also looking forward to being able to welcome visitors to the boathouse once more. So, if you're passing then and would like to browse the wonderful bric-a-brac at the Charity Shed, buy Hot Tub raffle tickets or greetings cards, we'd love to see you.

And whilst everyone is out and about more, please remember our Calendar Photo Competition is now open if you have your camera out lately. We know there are stunning views of the coast from wonderful Winchelsea, so if you have a photo you'd like to contribute, you'll find [full details here](#) and on our website.

Finally, but importantly, a little word about safety. With the mixed weather throughout the spring and the changing shape of the coastline, there's still a high risk of rockfalls in the Pett Level area. Please be aware of this and don't venture (or allow dogs and children to adventure) below the cliff line. Please also pass this warning on to any visitors, now that family and friends can thankfully come to stay again.

Until next time, stay safe, take care and be beach aware. If you'd like to keep in touch, please check out our website <https://plirb.com> or our social media: Twitter @PLIRBRescue; Facebook @PettLevelRescueBoat and Instagram @pettlevelindyrescueboat.



Winchelsea New Hall New Classes

As the New Hall re-opens from 17th May we are delighted to announce two brand new classes!

On Tuesdays we welcome Daisy from Daisy Chain Fitness who is starting a Zumba Gold class at 1.15pm - the first class is 18th May and costs just £5. Phone or text 07718 660124 to book a place.

On Fridays we welcome Hannah who will be teaching Pilates starting on 21st May from 9.30am to 10.30am. This is a mixed ability class suitable for beginners. Classes will be booked monthly in advance and will be £7 a class. Just bring a mat, a bottle of water and your enthusiasm! To book, contact [*hannahpilateshastings@gmail.com*](mailto:hannahpilateshastings@gmail.com)



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Please send copy for the June Magazine to
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on or before Monday 31st May

For Winchelsea Beach information go to
winchelseabeachcommunityassociation.co.uk

For Winchelsea information go to
winchelsea.com

For more information about the Church go to
winchelsea-icklesham-churches.org.uk

For weekly news from the local area go to
ryenews.org.uk

Winchelsea Church and Town Diary

May 2021

Sunday 2nd **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Easter 5 **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**

Thursday 6th Local Government elections
 Saturday 8th Annual Parochial Church Meeting

Sunday 9th **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Easter 6 **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**

Wednesday 12th Second Wednesday Zoom Meeting
 Thursday 13th Ascension Day

Sunday 16th **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Easter 7 **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**
 Rotary Charity Walk

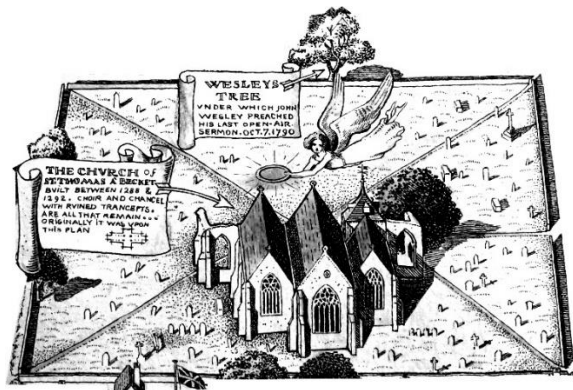
Friday 21st Literary Society Zoom meeting

Sunday 23rd **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Pentecost **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**

Sunday 30th **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Trinity Sunday **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**

Sat 5th June Church Market
 Hospice Open Gardens - Winchelsea Beach

Sun 6th June **9.30am: Parish Eucharist at Icklesham**
Trinity 1 **11am: Parish Eucharist at St Thomas'**



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