

Elmsted with Hastingleigh **Community News**

*St James the Great
Elmsted*



*St Mary the Virgin
Hastingleigh*

September 2017

40p

September

in Elmsted with Hastingleigh

SEPTEMBER is upon us and the Downs have the feel of late summer with the weather providing some bumper fruit crops.

There is a dish on **page 5** that should use up some of your pears. Sadly, the writer is from outside our patch—isn't there someone closer to home who can provide our recipes?

The call for submissions has been heard by two gentlemen of our community who have penned articles to do with both of our churches, **page 12**. I've been promised more to come.

Sadly, our lovely priest, the Reverend Lorraine Lawrence, is quite ill. She and Drew are in our thoughts and prayers and we wish her a speedy recovery—in time to celebrate her 40th wedding anniversary with Drew at Wye Church on Sept 24 at 3pm.

The Editor

- The sum of £214 was raised for St Mary's Church from the garden open day courtesy of Sir Charles at South Hill. Your Editor won a bottle of fine whisky in the raffle. Cheers!

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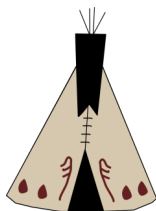
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Ramblings from the village walkers

A look ahead to the coming months

WELL that was certainly a pretty good summer, so it's now time to look forward to the monthly walks.

They all take place on the **second Sunday in the month**, beginning at **2pm** - usually starting from **Evington Hall**.

Details will be posted each month in the Community News including any change in the start point. The following people have kindly agreed to lead the walks

2017

8 th October	Jean Bowes
12 th Nov	Derek & Janet Harris
10 th Dec	Robin & Yvonne Helmer

2018

1 st January	Mince Pie Walk
11 th February	Hilary Pittock
11 th Mar	Stan & Sheila Burrage

8th April
13th May

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Seasonal delight: pears

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Kate's Puddings – What's cooking?

This month I bring you a fabulous recipe from Lorraine Pascale. It's simple, easy and delicious. What more can I say?

Pear, Almond and Amaretto Tart

Enriched Pastry:

4oz/100g butter
8oz/225g plain flour
pinch salt
1 egg, beaten

Tart

4oz/100g softened butter
4oz/100g caster sugar
4oz/100g ground almonds
3tbsp plain flour
1 egg
1tbsp amaretto liqueur (or 2tsp almond essence and 1dsp milk)
4 ripe pears

Mascarpone and ginger cream

1 tub (8oz/250g) mascarpone cheese
1 ball stem ginger (comes in syrup), chopped finely
½ vanilla pod or few drops extract
2oz/50g icing sugar
Handful of fresh mint, chopped finely

- Preheat the oven to 180deg C. Make the pastry (in a food processor, add the butter to the flour and salt, process until it looks like crumbs, add the egg and cold water as needed for smooth dough).
- For best results, put the pastry in a ball into the fridge for 20 minutes, then roll out into a 9" loose bottomed flan tin (or oblong tin) and prick the base lightly. You can refrigerate it again for another 20 minutes.
- Whisk the butter and sugar together until it is well creamed, then beat in the almonds and flour before adding the egg and essence. Continue to whisk together until it is well combined. Now spread the filling evenly in the tart case. Peel the pears and take out the core. Arrange them nose to tail, or in a circle, on the filling.
- Bake for 35 minutes or so until the filling has all puffed up – watch carefully! Mix the ingredients for the mascarpone cream. Dust the tart with icing sugar and serve with a few chopped mint leaves and the Mascarpone cream.



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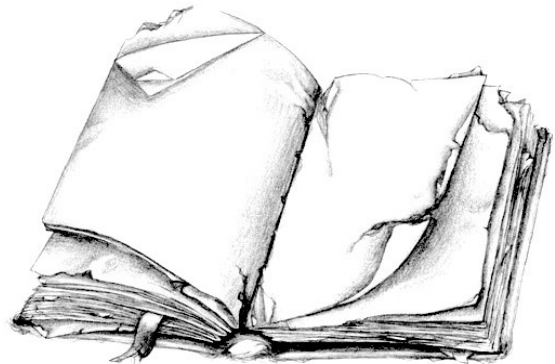
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Occasional memories from our past

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A good deal of annoyance was manifested by some of the parties, and it appeared that in many cases considerable pains had been taken to ensure correctness with their weights and balances.

There was no imputation of fraud upon any of the parties summoned.

The bench inflicted fines of 10 shillings each and 11 shillings 6d costs upon the following persons: Stoddard Fagg, publican of The Bowl Inn at Hastingleigh for having in his possession six earthenware measures slightly deficient. Also of

Hastingleigh, George Tappenden, grocer, for having a scale which was six drams against the purchaser and a 4lb weight three drams against the purchaser.

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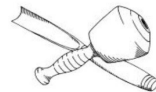
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The Parish upon the Hills

St James the Great

AN item by the Reverend Paul Cox in the August edition raised the possibility of church pews being removed to make our churches more flexible and welcoming.

This is not the first time that pews have been removed. It happened last c.1874 when the box pews at St James' church Elmsted were replaced with the pews we see today.

The old box pews helped date a photograph in which they can be seen. Another photograph in the set is an exterior shot which shows a rainwater guttering system which is different than that today stamped 1877.

There is also evidence from the dates on a headstone in the exterior picture which still exists today. The interior photograph also shows a reredos (a religious decoration screen) behind the altar and on the walls three square-shaped hatchments (coats of arms, presumably for the Honeywood family) none of which exist.

It has been said that the old box pews went into storage locally.

History Enthusiast



St Mary the Virgin

THE Revd Gostwick Prideaux was the longest-serving vicar of Hastingleigh, being in office for 47 years. He retired in 1878.

In 1872, six years before his retirement, he performed a rather sad duty.

The twins, Harriet and Ellen Brice both died three days after their birth. Nothing is known of their mother but the burial service was held on January 29th in St Mary's Church.

The internet has suggested that there was a snow storm a few days previously and so the burial service in the freezing church in deep snow must have been a heart-rending event.

Two tiny boxes brought into the church, and after a short service, placing them in such a small grave must have been one of his saddest duties.

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Church services in the Parish Upon The Hills		
3 Sept	First Sunday	9:30am at Petham – all four Churches (Elmsted, Hastingleigh, Petham & Waltham)
10 Sept	Second Sunday	8am BCP Communion at Waltham. Messy church Bodsham CP School; 11am Petham communion
17 Sept	Third Sunday	9:30am Waltham Communion; 11am Hastingleigh Communion; 11am Petham Family Service (No Communion); 6pm Elmsted Choral Evensong
24 Sept	Fourth Sunday	11am Hastingleigh Communion; 3pm Wye Lorraine and Drew's 40 th Anniversary Service
1 Oct	First Sunday	9:30am at Waltham – all four Churches (Elmsted, Hastingleigh, Petham & Waltham)

This month's church flowers and cleaning volunteers:		
Sept 2 Sept 9	Dr & Mrs Lawson Mrs Day	Mrs Green Mrs Calcutt
Sept 16 Sept 23	Mrs Morris Mrs Waters	Mrs London Ms Flitney Mrs Francesconi
Sept 30 Oct 7	Mrs Hewes, Mrs Healey Mrs Perez, Mrs French	Mrs McFarlane Mrs Hewson

<p>Priest-in-charge: The Rev Ravi Holy: The Vicarage, Wye 01233 812450 ravi.holy@wyebenefice.org.uk Associate priest: The Rev Lorraine Lawrence (with special responsibility for Hastingleigh, Elmsted, Petham, Waltham): The Vicarage, Hastingleigh, 01233 750987 or 07894 4034409 lorraine_lawrence@btinternet.com. Churchwardens: Mrs Bacon 01233 750327, Mrs Ten Hove 01227 700460. United Wye Benefice 01233 813793 www.wyebenefice.org.uk</p>		
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Diary dates

From the Evington Hall website:
www.evingtonhall.org.uk

Sept

5	Tue	Library van	09.45
6	Wed	Coffee Morning	10.30
7	Thurs	W.I.	19.30
10	Sun	Water stop	All day
11	Mon	ECP	19.30
12	Tue	Hastingleigh PC	19.45
12	Tue	Toddler Group	09.30
13	Wed	Community Choir	19.00
19	Tue	Library Van	09.45
19	Tue	Toddler Group	09.30
20	Wed	Community Choir	19.00
26	Tue	Hall Committee	19.30
26	Tue	Toddler Group	09.30
27	Wed	Community Choir	19.00
28	Thurs	Elmsted PC	19.30

Oct

3	Tue	Library van	09.45
4	Wed	Coffee Morning	10.30
4	Wed	Community Choir	19.00
5	Thur	WI	19.30

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We need a group of people willing to help at the water-stop at Evington Hall in Hastingleigh.

If you know of anyone who would be able to help out or even could promote the need for volunteers then that would be a great help!

To sign up for this event go to bit.ly/EHride and fill in an application form (this is just a few questions so that any willing volunteers can go into the system after signing up).

For more information on the event or to ask any question you can email:

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WI ladies at lunch

THIS is a short report this month because our August meeting took the form of a meal out.

Twelve members enjoyed a lovely lunch, with lots of chat at Wye Coffee and Kitchen.

We will be back in the Hall on Thursday the 7th of September at 7.30pm when Mrs Heather Woodward will be talking to us about Ightham Mote and the National Trust.

Any new members would be made most welcome.

Fiona Steward

Hurricane memories

UPPER Hardres Church will be holding a Harvest Flower Festival to remember the 1987 hurricane on Saturday 30 September, 11am to 5pm.

On Sunday 1 October there will be a 11am Harvest Thanksgiving Service.

All proceeds will go to the church improvement fund.

Godinton

WE look forward to the return of our garden workshops this month with Viv Hunt, Head Gardener at Godinton House, and Fiona Abrahams, lecturer at Hadlow College.

The ever-popular Autumn Propagation on 9th September will start the programme and we end with Plant Health, a new workshop requested by many of our visitors.

This short workshop will look at compost, fertilisers, pests and diseases to enable you to get the best from your plants.

As I write this all of the remaining workshops including Christmas are taking bookings with limited places available. Hurry if you want a place: 01233 643854, info@godintonhouse.co.uk

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“Sign up to GP online services and you'll be able to use a website or app to:

- book or cancel appointments online with a GP (nurse appointments coming soon)
- order repeat prescriptions online (*this is different from the current system using the surgery website*)
- view parts of your GP records, including information about medication, allergies, vaccinations, previous illnesses and test results
- view clinical correspondence such as hospital discharge summaries, outpatient appointment letters and referral letters

The service is free and available to everyone who is registered with a GP.

How can I start using GP online services?

Follow these steps to access GP online services:

1. Take photo ID (passport or driving licence) and proof of address (such as a utility bill) to your GP practice and tell them you want to start using their online services. If you do not have any ID then either a member of staff will have to confirm your identity or you may have to answer questions about personal information in your GP record.

2. Fill in the short registration form that you are given by your practice.

3. Once you have signed up, you will receive a letter with your unique username, password and instructions on how to log in.

Your practice may offer you a choice of websites and apps you can use to access online services, including:

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gramme of training in digital skills and access to technology, aimed at people who might otherwise not be able to use services online.

Phone 0800 771234 or www.ukonlinecentres.com to find out more.

There are also a number of different services for people who would like internet training such as the local authority, colleges and charities. The best place to start would be the local library.

The target for Wye surgery is to have 20% of patients registered by the end of March 2018, at present only 307 people are registered for online use.

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Penny Haynes Wye PPG Chair

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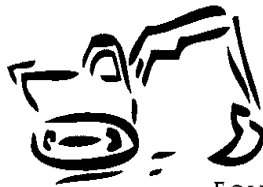
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