

# NEWSLETTER

July 2018



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COMMUNITY  
INFORMATION  
CENTRE

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## WOODCHURCH KEY EVENTS IN July

**All Saints Church**, Woodchurch - Coffee Call every Friday at 9.00 to 11am [term time] 10.00 to 12 noon [other times]. Refreshments available. All welcome.

**All Saints Church**, Woodchurch - Cream Teas will be served in the church grounds from 2.30 to 4.30pm on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of the month from 13 May. No charge but donations are welcome. Meet old friends and make new ones.

**Woodchurch Art Society** - Meets every Thursday morning from the first Thursday in September until the 2nd week in July from 10 - 12 am in the Memorial Hall. Anyone who is interested should contact [underhill4@sky.com](mailto:underhill4@sky.com) in the first instance.

**Woodchurch Herb Group 3rd July** - learn about the wonders of herbs - ring 01233 860633 to book.

**Woodchurch WI** on 10<sup>th</sup> July Woodchurch Memorial Hall 7.15pm.

**Charity Quiz Night** - monthly quiz on 10<sup>th</sup> July 8.00pm to 10.00pm at the Six Bells. A different local charity will be supported each month. Teams of up to six people. £1 per head. Free sandwiches to nibble during half time!

**Woodchurch Film Society** presents 'Goodbye Christopher Robin' (2017 - 107 mins - PG) 13<sup>th</sup> July in Woodchurch Memorial Hall. Doors open 7pm.

**Coffee Morning** at Woodchurch Memorial Hall 14<sup>th</sup> July 10am-12pm.

**Active Church** at High Halden School on 14<sup>th</sup> July 3 to 5pm.

**Cafe Style Church** on 22<sup>nd</sup> July at All Saints Church at 5pm.

**Woodchurch Scouts Quiz** on 15<sup>th</sup> July Bonny Cravat at 7.30pm.

**CARM's Meeting Point** will be on 16<sup>th</sup> July at the Bonny Cravat Pub at 10am to 12pm. Raffle, refreshments and good chat.

**Woodchurch Gardening Society** - Tuesday, 24<sup>th</sup> July - strawberry tea.

**Ashford Astronomical Society** Meeting at Woodchurch Memorial Hall on 27<sup>th</sup> July at 7.30pm.

## The Spectacular Weald of Kent Steam Rally on 4th & 5th August 2018

LARGEST LINE UP OF STEAM IN KENT - Weald of Kent Steam Rally, Little Engeham Farm, Woodchurch, Kent. TN26 3QY

NEW FOR 2018 - LIVE STEAM PLOUGHING FIELD

With over 40 full size steam engines taking part in arena events, steam 'working area' with threshing machines and saw benches, a Victorian Fair complete with Carousel and traditional side shows, scale steam engines and ride on railways, classic cars, stationary engines, commercial, farming, military vehicles and stalls, there really is something for everyone.

## Information Centre Update

Work will start soon on reinstating the Information Centre following the water damage there. True to our beliefs, and with Insurance Company agreement, we have appointed a local builder, plumber and electrician from our own business membership to undertake the work

Any Items for the newsletter- please contact the Woodchurch Community Information Centre

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## Woodchurch In Bloom 2018 Judges visit 6th of July

A group of volunteers have entered Woodchurch into the Royal Horticultural Society competition South & South East in Bloom as shown on the BBC.

The Woodchurch in Bloom team has been working hard behind the scenes.

The children from Woodchurch Primary school have done an amazing job setting up a new vegetable garden and there is a renewed beautiful rose path leading up to the church.

We hope you enjoy the newly acquired planters for the Village Green planted with the help of 1st Woodchurch Cubs group.

The Morris Men have agreed to help us with litter picking on the weekend before the judges visit.

Please bring out all your most beautiful hanging baskets and planters to make Woodchurch really stand out in Bloom!

Get involved! Follow us @WinBloom1 - For more information please contact: Becky Oliver, [vibeke@sleeker.net](mailto:vibeke@sleeker.net) or Chris Stafford 01233 861193

**THANK YOU to all our sponsors and volunteer helpers!**  
**Woodchurch Parish Council, Tenterden Garden Centre, Woodchurch Gardening Society, Kent, Surrey & Sussex Community Rehabilitation Company, RJB Steel Ltd, Ashford Borough Council, Jilly's Gardens, 1<sup>st</sup> Woodchurch Cubs Group, Woodchurch Morris Men and Woodchurch Primary School**

**Working in partnership with The Big Thin Red Line (Woodchurch British Legion)**



My husband, Rob, and I would like to say a warm hello. We took over the Bonny Cravat back in February with our 3 children and are loving the village and the people. We have been made so welcome

by everyone. Also you can see we are having a refurbishment.

The outside is being painted and we will also be having new seating areas at the front and on both sides of the pub. Inside the pub we are having new toilets, so it will be lovely when everything is finished

Sharon Mayatt

### Summer Fun at Rare Breeds Centre

There's a lot to do here at The Rare Breeds Centre this summer where the whole family can enjoy a perfect day out on our 100 acre farm.

Daily activities include Meet the Animals, Falconry Displays and our famous Pig Racing. There are also many outdoor activities including zip wires, a hill fort, tube maze and a playground for the tots. Kids and "big kids" will love The Mysterious Marsh, our woodland assault course.

Visit our colourful and exotic butterfly tunnel and its glorious tropical plants right next to the peaceful Discovery Garden, where you can take a moment to relax and then enjoy our walk-through aviary.

For the contemplative, there are woodland walks where you can spot the many species of wildlife, build a den and venture to the edge of the Secret Lake for a picnic. You may also like to follow the footprints to the giant's chairs. You can also have indoor fun in our soft play area, whilst you take a break and relax in the Play Barn.

Picnics are welcome but we have a large restaurant serving delicious hot and cold meals at very reasonable prices or relax on our patio while your kids play in our sand pit.

We also have a fully stocked gift shop and a Plants and Produce garden centre that you can visit any time!

The Rare Breeds Centre is situated on the B2067 between Hamstreet and Woodchurch close to Ashford.

For more information visit [www.rarebreeds.org.uk](http://www.rarebreeds.org.uk)  
01233 861493

### CARM

CARM Meeting Point will be on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> July at the Bonny Cravat. The Kent Messenger are setting up a book group using specially developed short stories written by well known authors. If you would like to join in this session, you are very welcome. Otherwise, the usual chat and raffle will be held in the main room.

### LOVING THE WILD EDGES

We are delighted that Pauline Rose has written another article on this subject which can be found on the opening page of the church website.

This month it's on what can be found in Woodchurch Churchyard.

Do take a look ... it is a beautiful read at <http://www.bhhw.org.uk/982372462749.htm>

### Jasmine Travel Club 01233 624241

Visit to Royal Horticultural Society Garden Hyde Hall Flower Show and Floral Fantasia in partnership with Thompson & Morgan Sunday, 5<sup>th</sup> August 2018

Enjoy the flower show with it's magnificent displays and wander around the stunning gardens of Hyde Hall  
Price: £30 includes coach travel and admission to Hyde Hall

Start your Christmas off with a visit to to the wonderful THURSFORD CHRISTMAS SPECTACULAR 3 day break Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday, 12<sup>th</sup> December 2018. Your holiday hotel is the Dunstan Hall Hotel, Norwich.

The trip includes a visit to Norwich and entrance to the Thursford Christmas Spectacular Show on the Tuesday and a lunch stop at Bury St Edmunds on Wednesday.

Price: £243.50 each sharing or £283.50 for single occupancy.



### POP-IN CENTRE

Come and receive a warm welcome at the Pop-In Centre for the over 60s every Wednesday at 2pm and at the Table Top Sale held on the first Sunday in the month at 9am.

The Pop-In Centre is on Lower Road, Woodchurch.

### Sephora Spirit Baton Twirling team

Four girls from the Baton Twirling team 'Sephora Spirit' have just competed in the British Baton Twirling Federation national championships.

The four girls achieved 10 individual national championship titles and were awarded the first national championship title in the 8-11 year Pom team category.

This was the first time the team has ever competed in the national championships and they worked really hard to do this.

The girls achieved 17 first, second and third places and 11 national titles between them.

Sephora Spirit train in Woodchurch Memorial Hall and Amy Brockman started the competition team one year ago so children can develop the diverse skills of baton twirling.

### It's your community information centre!

A Community interest company (a not for profit company) has been formed to run the centre. The Directors are voluntary and any surpluses are invested in Woodchurch parish. Not for profit companies offer a wider section of the local community the chance to oversee the future direction of the centre. Members (individual, group or business) will receive an annual report and can elect directors and hold them to account for the way they run the company.

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- Mens, ladies & mixed teams
- All ages welcome
- Coaching available

We would love to find some new members to play in our teams in the Ashford and District Tennis Leagues

**Want to find out more?**  
Call Roger Lightfoot 01233 860522 or Philippa Jones 01233 861486  
Or visit [www.woodchurchtennisclub.co.uk](http://www.woodchurchtennisclub.co.uk)  
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