

# NEWSLETTER

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## WOODCHURCH AREA - KEY EVENTS IN SEPTEMBER

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

**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)

### Woodchurch House Residential Home -

**Memory Corner Cafe** is held on the first Wednesday of each month between 10 -11.30am

**Parent and Toddler Play Group** - also between 10-11.30am on the second Wednesday of each month.

**The Pop-In Centre, Lower Road** - A warm welcome to all over 60's every Wednesday at 2pm.

**The Bonny Cravat, Bethersden Road** - Beer Festival from 31st August to 2nd September. Contact the pub direct for more information.

### Woodchurch Gardening Society - (3 events in September)

- 1st September - Annual Show in the Memorial Hall
- 4th September - Annual Show Prize Giving at the Bonny Cravat 7.30 pm
- 25th September - A talk by Jo Arnell - *Plants for late season interest* Memorial Hall 7.30pm

**St Mary's Church High Halden** - Farewell to Rev. Chris Denyer - 2nd September 11am

**Woodchurch Herb Group** 4th September - learn about the wonders of herbs - ring 01233 860633 for more information

**Six Bells Quiz Night** - monthly quiz on 11th September. Contact the pub direct for more information

**Woodchurch Film Society** presents the Committee choice (film to be confirmed) on 7th September 7 for 7.30 pm at the Memorial Hall

**CARM Meeting Point** - 17th September at the Bonny Cravat 10am to Noon. See item on Page 2

**Ashford Astronomical Society** Meeting on Friday 28 September - "Radio Astronomy Updated" by Steve Jackson, Memorial Hall 7.30pm

**South of England Rare Breeds Centre** - has lots of regular family events and specialist activities throughout the year. For more information go to [www.rarebreeds.org.uk](http://www.rarebreeds.org.uk) or call 01233 861493

**Advance Notice - Woodchurch Players - Old Time Music Hall** (see panel opposite)

WE'RE BACK UP AND RUNNING !

The Information Centre re-opened on Friday 3rd August.

It actually doesn't look any different apart from the fact that we are now short of up to date member business cards and leaflets. Sadly, most were destroyed in the flood and our racks are looking a tad sparse. We'd like to receive any updated business or club information. We're in most days so it can be dropped off or put in the letter box. Since we re-opened 5 new members have joined with several others making enquiries. Simple Kent Funerals was the first of the five (see Snippets)

Woodchurch Players Presents

# OLD TIME MUSIC HALL

Created by Tiplady, Andrews and Smith

2nd - 3rd November 2018

7.30pm

£15 including Ploughman's supper

Woodchurch Memorial Hall  
Front Road, Woodchurch, Ashford, TN26 3PA

Book online at:  
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## SNIPPETS

### PCSO TO TALK AT CARM MEETING

Woodchurch Meeting Point will be held on 17th September where along with the usual chat, raffle, and refreshments, PCSO Kate Richards will be giving a walkabout her work and is available to answer any questions.

Contact Holly Lewis, Meeting Points  
Co-ordinator

Caring All together on Romney Marsh  
Appledore Christian Centre, The Street  
Appledore TN26 2AE 01233 758122  
Tuesdays, Thursdays and Fridays

### POST OFFICE UPDATE

Congratulations to Townland Stores who are making good progress with their bid to run the local Post Office. Their initial plans have been accepted and are progressing. This is a purely commercial proposition between the Post Office and Townland Stores, if it comes to fruition the services provided and the opening hours will be similar to the Post Offices in Stubbs Cross and Appledore and there will be no need to increase local taxes to sustain a Post Office within the Information Centre.

### MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE - CHANGES

The Information Centre congratulates Les Fenton (Chairman of Woodchurch Players and co-owner of Delamere Plumbing) on his election as Chairman of the Memorial Hall Committee of Trustees. We would also like to formally recognise Tony Saunders, the outgoing Chairman, for his contribution to the Hall's development over many years. Christine Saunders, who with Tony, spearheaded the funding campaign for the new annexe building, remains the Committee's Treasurer. Nicola Davy has been selected as Secretary to the Trustees.

### NEW MEMBERS

Business has been brisk since we re-opened with 5 new members joining in the last 2 weeks

First to join was **Simple Kent Funerals** which is based in Woodchurch. Their details were in the last newsletter and, like all other members, you can find out more about them on our website.

Woodchurch born, Emma Bramley, manages events at **Bedgebury Pinetum** and we are now holding hard-copy tourist information about that venue.

**Slimming World** was the 3rd new member. Their details are also on our website and we have hard copy information in the Centre, including their opening offers.

Building contractors, **CMBS**, joined in August along with their sister company, **Moore Crafts**, who specialise in hedge laying, wood turning, sign carving, brickwork and stonework. They also offer tuition and demonstrations in each craft, either on an individual or group basis.

### PHOTOCOPYING

Just a reminder that photocopying is a service provided by the Information Centre. Up to A4 only.  
Ask or ring for prices

## SPOTLIGHT ON JASMINE TRAVEL CLUB

Jasmine Travel Club is not only a long-standing member of the Information Centre but also a member of the Association of Group Travel Organisers (Membership number 1728) It takes its name from local lady, Jasmine Cook, who established it several years ago.

Jasmine is a classic "one woman band". She manages every aspect of the club's itineraries - which include holidays by coach, short breaks and day trips.

In this article we are looking ahead to Christmas (sorry!) and a couple of day trips that have proved successful in the past that readers may be interested in.

### The first of these is a trip to the Ely Cathedral Christmas Gift and Food Fair on Saturday November 17th 2018

Now in its seventh year, this popular event is widely acknowledged as one of East Anglia's exceptional Christmas shopping experiences.

Over 120 bespoke trade stalls are located in the Cathedral's magnificent nave, its famous Lady Chapel and a heated marquee in the beautiful Cathedral grounds.

At 161metres long and with a total floorspace of 46000 square feet, Ely cathedral is an impressive site in its own right. It attracts a quarter of a million visitors year.

Jasmine's tour, is reasonably priced at £33 per person. This includes travel and admission to the event

### Let's Have a Party!

### The second trip to feature is the ever-popular Santa Special Christmas Lunch Cruise on the Thames. This takes place on Saturday 15th December.

Enjoy a traditional Christmas lunch whilst seasonal music is played throughout the journey. Father Christmas will board the vessel and present each passenger with a small gift. It's a really fun cruise guaranteed to fill everyone with festive cheer.



The cost is £63 per person. This includes travel, a 3-hour cruise and Christmas lunch

**For further details and bookings please call Jasmine on 01233 624241**

### It's your community information centre!

A Community interest 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.



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## Woodchurch Tennis Club

- A very sociable club
- Fun and competitive tennis
- 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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