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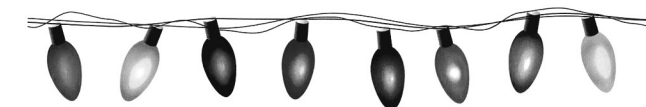
*Happy Christmas from
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Christmas at the Herne Centre

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Christmas Fun Day

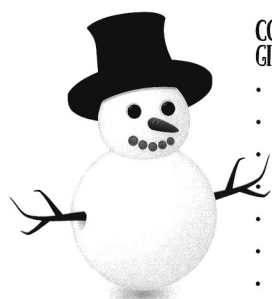


Saturday 7th December

11am—2pm

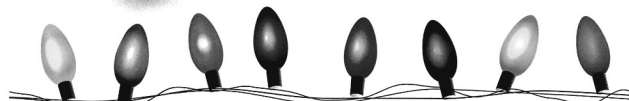
at the Herne Centre

(behind School Lane car park)



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- GAMES—FOR CHILDREN & ADULTS,
- CRAFTS FOR CHILDREN,
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- MEET SANTA
- & LOTS MORE



21st December — Herne Bay's first Model Railway Exhibition

adults £5, accompanied under 16's free - 10am-4pm



See page 15 for details of the Christmas float!



Children's Christmas Party

For ages 4-8 years old
FREE and open only to
children living in Herne &
Broomfield Parish or
attending Herne Schools.

Saturday 14th December
3pm-5.15pm (approx.)
At the Herne Centre

Numbers are limited to 60 children with one accompanying
adult per family, so book early to avoid disappointment.
Please email admin@hbparishcouncil.co.uk with your child's
name, age, address, contact number and any dietary
requirements/ allergies.

Please also let us know if you do not want your child to be in
any photographs that we may use in our newsletters or social
media.

**Entertainment will be
provided
by Top Hat Kids**



If there is a problem in your area then talk to us and we will try to help.

All Parish Council meetings are open to the public

You do not need to wait for a meeting to raise matters of concern, contact any councillor
or ☎ our Parish Council office 01227 742700 or email: clerk@hbparishcouncil.co.uk



Parish Council website - www.herneandbroomfield-pc.gov.uk

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with Eva

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GENTLE YOGA
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Christmas Craft Stalls

We have a few spaces for Craft stalls available at our Christmas Fun Day on Saturday 7th December at the Herne Centre, £10 a table.



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Feeling Chilly?

Pop in and have a warm up
in the Herne Centre
(rear of School Lane Car Park in Herne)

Open every morning - Monday to Friday

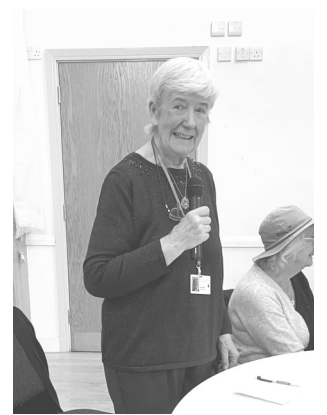
Hot drinks available
A warm welcome to you all



Volunteer Tea

On 6th October we welcomed volunteers and friends of the parish council to the Herne Centre for a buffet tea as a thank you for all their hard work over the past year. Council Chairman Carol Davis gave a speech mentioning the number of different ways volunteers help out, through delivering newsletters, litter picking, caring for the garden at the Herne Centre and the flower beds, fun days, community days, Christmas events, helping the staff with the running of the community café, and many other ways that residents can get involved and help the work of the Parish Council. Carol also mentioned the D-Day commemoration, the Eco Fair, and the Christmas Fun Day and Party, not to

mention helping Santa with his float!
It's been a busy year for the parish council, having taken on the management of the Herne Centre, and that's well on its way to becoming a successful community venue. Thanks again to volunteers supporting the regular staff and the casual staff. And of course Parish Councillors themselves are volunteers!



Correction

Thank you to local resident, Mr Hewett, for pointing out my mistake in the autumn Parish Newsletter, in my article on page 8 about 'Saving the Oak Tree' at Broomfield Lodge. I stated that Broomfield Road was later realigned, isolating Broomfield Hall's gate pillars on the opposite side of the road. This is incorrect. The pillars were on the other side of the road, at least as far back as 1940s, as can be seen in the aerial photograph. This shows that there were two sets of gate pillars on the other side of the road. These two gateways were opposite the dual driveways to Broomfield Hall.



Carol Davis

Our Parish Councillors

Our Parish Council Office is located at the Herne Centre
☎ 01227 742700, access via School Lane Car Park.



Victoria Binstead



Ann Blatherwick



Debbie Checksfield



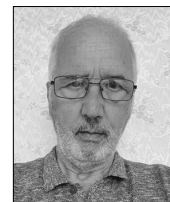
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Carol Davis



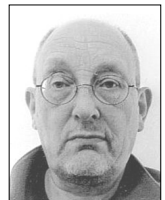
Julia Davison



Malcolm Harlin



Linda Hill



Derek Maslin



Kevin Saunders



Tony Strong



Linda White



Jeremy Wilson

Questions or Concerns about our Parish?

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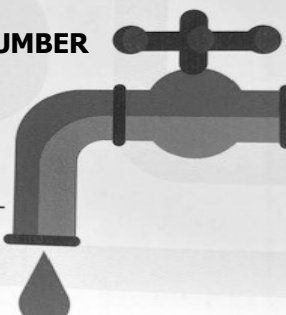
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News from our warden



Hello Residents,

It has been another busy year, and I have been busy supporting residents with wellbeing visits, that are requested by various agencies including social services, GP's, Hub, residents and family members. I have also been busy reporting a variety of issues within the village, including scams and rogue traders. Also, when time permits, I have been supporting both old and new groups in the community. Some of the events I have supported over the year are Teddy Bear Zip Wire at the Mill, D-Day Celebrations at the Herne Centre, Treasure Hunt.

Delivered several scam talks, one of which was a joint scam talk with Trading Standards to residents attending the Windmill over 50's group at St Martins Hall.



A few reminders...

Rogue Traders - Do not agree for anyone to carry out work on your property that calls at your home unannounced. Always ask for detailed invoice of work prior to work being carried out and get other quotes. Just say no and if you are worried and they do not leave call the Police on 999 or if non-urgent call 101.

For reputable trades persons please check Trading Standards checked professional trades webpage on: <https://tschecked.kent.gov.uk> I recently used them to check a suspicious quote a resident had received for £20,000, and the TS checked tradesman quoted £500.

Scams - Take a breath and hang up or do not answer text, this gives you breathing space to check their credentials. Any reputable company will not mind you doing this. Do not give your details to strangers either by phone or text, whoever they claim to be. If you do find yourself a victim, please call your bank immediately to report this, then please report fraud and cyber-crime to Action Fraud on **0300 123 2040**. Also please do not hesitate to call me for advice on **07969584180**.



Quick update on the changes in the Community Warden Service

Due to the size of the savings from the Community Warden Service, management are having to look very carefully at which communities the wardens support in the future. For this reason, the Geographical Allocation Policy (GAP) has been developed to identify where to place wardens for the most impact and to support fair decision making.

Where a warden can no longer continue supporting an existing community / existing service user, strategies will be developed with local partners (parish and district councils, community services) providing a handover and contact details of remaining local services for the resident. Unfortunately, Herne and Broomfield did not secure a KCC Community Warden and as from January 2025 there will no longer be a warden covering the area.

Just wanted to say it is a real pleasure to work with and support this community and I have come to think of it as my second home. Thanks to everyone who has supported me to carry out my job, especially those of you who have helped me keep people safe in the community and made me feel so welcome.



Lisa Harrison – Community Warden Herne and Broomfield

Note from the Parish Council:

It's with sadness that we report that our KCC Community Warden, Lisa Harrison, will be leaving us at the end of December. KCC have carried out a review of the Wardens service due to budget cuts, this has meant they have had to allocate the wardens to areas of most need. To identify these areas they have used Geographical Allocation Policy (GAP) looking at community safety, supporting elderly and vulnerable, community cohesion and public services. Unfortunately our area was deemed to be not in need and she has been allocated to West Bay in Herne Bay. I think we can all say Lisa has made a huge difference to Herne & Broomfield Parish and we will miss her. She may be in our area occasionally for referrals but she will no longer be based at the Herne Centre. We wish her luck for the future.



Friends of Herne Mill

Martin Ingham (Conservation Officer), who has taken over from Luke Bonwick who previously oversaw the work on Kent windmills, visited the mill mid-September. His primary task was to understand the location and access for the delivery of our replacement stocks and sweeps. They have been ready for return for some considerable time during which Kent County Council has been paying for storage?

Although KCC are keen to get them to site, they have no immediate plans to refit them to the mill so they will remain in storage outside in the Mill grounds.

The visit wasn't very informative. He stayed about an hour, looked in the cap and at the fan staging, and when asked about outstanding repairs the answer was, no money! There has been no further news on how KCC are going to take things forward from here, with regards to disposing of their ownership of the mills. It appears that there wasn't a plan A, let alone a plan B!

However, the Friends committee remain hopeful and it has been business as usual, with visitors welcomed up until the end of September.

The last event of the year will be our Halloween one on 31st October from 5-30 to 7-30pm, which will be free to enter but donations will be well received.

We were lucky enough to secure a KCC member's grant through County Cllr Alan Marsh of £1,000. This was spent on replacing the water heaters in the toilets and kitchen in the Wootton Room, the purchase of a tower scaffold to enable the volunteer workforce to carry out external repairs on the mill, a new gazebo for events and 2 display cabinets, one for inside the mill and one for the Wootton Room. The Friends matched funded with money raised through events and the hiring of the Wootton Room, especially money raised by the Monday coffee mornings.

Many thanks to County Cllr Marsh for his support.

The Friends of Herne Mill AGM will be held on 2nd December at 7.30pm, all members are welcome.

A social evening is to be arranged for the volunteers in January.

The committee would like to say a big thank you to local residents who have supported them throughout this year, and an even bigger thank you to our dedicated volunteers for all their hard work this year, despite all the uncertainty they have worked hard all year.

We take this opportunity to wish all residents A Happy Christmas and a Safe and Prosperous New Year.

Monica Blyth



Herne & Broomfield Local History Group

Founded 2003 – Member of Kent History Federation and Kent Archaeological Society

On 1st October we held our monthly meeting at The Herne Centre where our archives are housed. We displayed a wide selection of photographs, papers, maps and ledgers; of particular interest were the newly acquired admission registers of Herne Junior School dating from the early 1900's – many members and visitors found family members listed.

We also now have the original large coloured map of the auction plots of the sale of Strode Park Estate, complete with the auction catalogue.

We showed a film of Herne village, we think from the early 1980's, featuring the late Harold Gough and although the sound quality was poor it was an interesting look back to forty years ago, and the traffic (HGVs) seemed to be just as bad as today !

The film on an old VHS video was found in a box of odds & ends at the back of a cupboard, along with another of Herne Bay from the 1930's to the 1980's which will we show at our December meeting.

If you have anything you think would be of interest to the group, or would like to donate to the archives please let us know.

The archives have now been sorted and listed so if you are researching family or property history perhaps we have something that will help you. Contact us on our website (Herne & Broomfield Local History) or on Facebook.

Our meetings are held on the first Tuesday of the month at 7.00pm at St Martins Church Hall, Canterbury Road, CT6 7HE.

New members and visitors are most welcome.

Single membership £10.00 per year, family membership £15.00, visitors £3.00.

We always have interesting speakers on a variety of historical subjects.

Gillian Skinner



Streetfield Closure

The road will be closed for 2 weeks from 25th November due to Nexfibre.

Streetfield will be closed in its entirety, to the extent indicated by signs and barriers on site. The closure is required for the safety of the public and workforce while trenching works are undertaken by Nexfibre.



There is no alternative route for this closure, however, residential and emergency access will be maintained at all times when it is safe to do so. Pedestrian access will be maintained during the works.

For information regarding this closure please contact Nexfibre, who will be able to assist with the scope of these works.

Strode Farm Development

16th Oct - 8th Nov

Works taking place are to upgrade surface water pipe diameter as per construction drawings. Works will be completed in phases with single lane closures around roundabout. A299 On Slip will be permanently closed during these works and road users will use the newly constructed A299 West On Slip. Issues with construction vehicles not using designated routes continue to be reported.

Following planning applications under consideration by Canterbury City Council Planning:

Phase A: 24/01571

Phase B: 24/01336

Phases C & D: 24/01686 and 24/01689

Whole Site: 24/01384 and 24/01164

From the planning applications submitted, there will not be a gas supply, and the site will include a wastewater pumping station and electricity substation. The properties being constructed will be installed with solar panels and air source heat pumps.

Highways Improvement Plan (HIP)

The parish council regularly receives complaints regarding various highways issues, including speeding, inconsiderate parking, and heavy vehicles using incorrect routes. These complaints do get reported to the relevant authorities, but finding solutions to these issues is not always easy.

To assist with identifying and implementing possible solutions, the parish council needs to have a new HIP. A HIP covers schemes such as Lorry Watch, School Streets, 20's Plenty, and Quiet Streets. It also covers items such as traffic calming, bollards, speed warning signs and waiting restrictions.

The parish council will soon start to consider putting together a new HIP. As part of the process the parish council will consult with residents on identifying any potential solutions, gauging whether residents support the proposals, and what the costs are likely to be to implement, prior to a final draft being submitted to Kent County Council Highways.

It is highly likely that the costs to implement the proposals will become the responsibility of the parish council to fund.

Lorry Watch Scheme -

The parish council are looking into the possibility of running a Lorry Watch Scheme - in partnership with KCC. Lorries are continuing to use Lower Herne Road even though there is a weight restriction. We have had a few volunteers come forward but if there are any more people that would like to take part, please let us know. We will be holding a meeting at the Herne centre for volunteers to explain what they need to do and how to keep safe.

Speed Watch -

Would any residents like to set up a speed watch scheme? Please contact the Parish Council.





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Since the start of this academic year, Little Acorns have been very busy with not only seeing existing children return but also welcoming many new children to the Nursery. The children have settled well and are exploring all areas of the setting, learning new rules and boundaries and also making lots of new friends!

As part of our celebrations, the children learnt the history behind 'Harvest Festival'. Parents were asked for food and toiletry donations and, taking a small group of children to Herne Church, we gifted our collection to the charity "Catching Lives" who warmly welcomed us.

Term 2 will be equally busy for us with the preparation of Christmas... including a lunch for the children, a concert for parents and a surprise visit from Santa!

We are currently full for this academic term and have a waiting list in operation for September 2025. Please contact us if you wish to add your child to our list - we will be holding an Open Morning during May 2025.

Maintenance at Broomfield Community Park

We hope people are noticing the improvement to the maintenance of the park now we have a new contractor that is regularly cutting the grass and clearing the hemlock.

Also the gates are still being blocked by cars at the weekend, please park more considerately.

Can you help?

We would love to receive your new or nearly new unwanted gifts, soft toys, etc for prizes for our events.



Or maybe you can help set up or run a stall/game?

Please drop into parish office or phone 01227 372519.

Upcoming events

Saturday 7th December
Christmas Fun Day

Saturday 14th December
Children's Christmas party

Saturday 21st December
Herne Bay's first Model Railway Exhibition adults £5, accompanied under 16's free 10am-4pm

Saturday 8th Feb 2025
An afternoon with Martin Farbrother tickets £15pp, to include Afternoon Tea.

Friday 28th March
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STOP PRESS! School Lane Car Park Petition

The petition against the increase in charges was presented to Canterbury City Council (CCC) at their meeting on 24th October 2024.

The Parish Council has written to all the City Councillors on this matter.

We have just heard that a consultation will be published including a proposal to move School Lane car park from Band 3 (£1.90 an hour) to Band 5 (£1.60 a day). However, it is essential that people respond to the consultation to support this proposal.

Details will be publicised as soon as they are available.



Herne and Broomfield Knit and Natter Group

All welcome to join our friendly and well attended group, beginners and experienced knitters and crocheters alike. There is a wealth of experience to draw upon if you need advice.

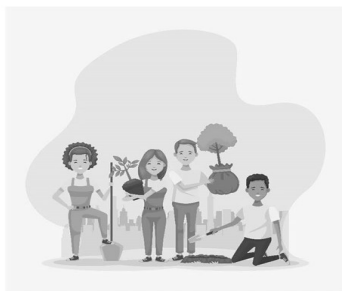
We have a Facebook group called 'Herne and Broomfield Knit and Natter' and those who are tech savvy post photos of their finished items, I just have to actually finish something!

Bring your project or start something new. Out of ideas? There are lots of Christmas patterns for small seasonal gifts and decorations that people bring and share.

We have a Christmas lunch planned, so you can sign up for that and have a lovely meal while making new friends.

Every Monday 2pm until 4pm at the Herne Centre - £2 a session, includes tea or coffee
Contact : Carol 07866 264093

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The Herne Centre Activities Timetable (October 2024)

	Morning	Morning	Afternoon	Evening	Evening
Mon	Sing & Sign Various times by age	Gentle Pilates 10.45-11.45am	Knit & Natter 2-4pm	Pilates 6-7pm Salsa Class 7.30-9.30	Sewing Club 6.15-9.15pm 3rd Monday in month
Tues	Café 9.30-2pm Mixed Ability Pilates 9.30-10.30am	Café 9.30-2pm Gentle Pilates 10.45-11.45am	Kid's Street Dance 3.30pm-4.30pm		
Weds	Little Music Stars Various times by age		Gentle Yoga 5.30-6.30pm	Teenage Girl's Monthly Support Group 6-8pm Last Wednesday of the month	Bounce 7-8pm
Thurs	Art Group 10-12pm		Gentle Workout 12.30pm	Karate 5-6pm	Spiritual Development Circle 7-8.30pm
Fri	Café 9.30-2pm Hartbeeps Various times by age	Café 9.30-2pm Community Coffee Morning 9.30-11.30am	Tea Dance 1.30-4pm 3rd Friday of the month		
Sun	Bounce 9.30-10.30am				

At weekends and around the above times we have
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*Liz Sinacola
Amenities Manager.*



Hello again. I'm here, in this "season of mists and mellow fruitfulness", with the latest news from Herne W.I. We moved to different premises in April, trying to encourage new members, and it has proved to be somewhat successful. We started with an Open Meeting in April and several people joined us for the afternoon, enjoying cake, cuppa and chat. In May, John Bennett gave a talk about the origins of the W.I., giving the new ladies an idea of what we are all about. Then in May, the ukulele group Up the Creek, paid us another visit, giving us plenty of laughs and exercising out vocal chords. In July we held a Macmillan Tea Party, open to all, and raised over £300 for the worthy cause. We had a break in August, but some members enjoyed lunch, followed by a game of Crazy Golf, at Quex Park. It was great fun and I can highly recommend it.

Last month, September, we had a visit by Steve and Jonathan from 96.4 Cabin FM, who did a "workshop" with us, explaining how they run the local radio station, and recorded some of us advertising the radio station. They very kindly allowed us to record an advert for our W.I., enabling us to give details of our location and contact address. It was a really interesting and fun session.

I am really looking forward to our speaker this month (October) when Darren Bovis will be telling us about his "Road to Hope" in his recovery from spinal injury. We have had several recommendations for this talk, so it should be really interesting (a bit emotional too, I imagine).

In November we will hold our "corners" meeting, when members are invited to have a try at a few simple crafts. Participation is optional, but it's a really good opportunity to "have a go". Then in December we will enjoy Christmas festivities, with sketches and games, along with the usual Christmas goodies. We now meet in St. Peter's Hall, Herne Drive, Greenhill on the 3rd Wednesday each month, from 1 to 2 p.m.

Please feel free to join us. It costs nothing for the first 3 months, so you have ample opportunity to get to know us and discover the friendships and interests that can be explored. We would love to see you. Please contact me, Brenda Hackett, on 01227 367471. Sorry it's early, but we would like to wish you all a very Happy Christmas and a healthy New Year!

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Eco Show

I want to start by saying a huge thank you to all that came and supported our event. This was the first time we have held an Eco Show, and it was deemed a success. It was all born out of an idea from Anne Lehane, who runs Broomfield Art Group.



We had a wonderful theatre company who came and performed *Stories in the Dust*, which was a fantastic children's production with puppets and all about the environment.

They also went on to run a small junk modelling workshop, where the children made different creatures out of rubbish.

We were pleased to have the Wildwood Trust who came to do some activities with the children and brought exhibits for them to get hands on with. Wildwood Trust, who are local to us, opened in 1999 as a centre of excellence for the conservation of British wildlife, and was established as a registered charity in 2002.

We also had the Bumblebee Conservation Trust and Faversham Repair Café showcasing what they do.



Broomfield art group produced some wonderful art pieces that were on display.

We also held a Trash to Treasure Competition where children made some wonderful sea creatures out of rubbish. We had three winners who won a basket of goodies each. Thank you to all those that took part, we had a wonderful response.



The 1st Broomfield Guides helped children make autumn wands. We also had other free activities including make a bug hotel, recycling sort or plant a bulb. Children were able to plant their own bulb in a pot to take home.



We want to say a huge thank you to Vincents Nursery who donated bulbs, compost and pots, as well as Canterbury Garden Centre who also donated bulbs. We would love to see some photographs of your bulbs as they grow in the spring. Please email them to

admin@hbparishcouncil.co.uk

We also want to thank Canterbury City Council who donated books, pens, stickers and pencil cases we could all give out for free to those who came.

Our HuB café was very busy too offering cakes, snacks and drinks. The HuB is open every Tuesday and Friday 8.30am – 2pm.

All in all, it was a very successful day, and we have had very positive feedback. Thank you so much to all those who helped out and to those who came. We hope to hold a similar event next year. What would you like to be included at this event? Please let us know email: admin@hbparishcouncil.co.uk or phone 01227 742700.



Monday Coffee at the Mill



On the last Monday of September, we celebrated in style the second anniversary of the opening of our lovely Windmill Monday Coffee shop back in 2022. There were balloons, bubbles, Quality Street (yes, everyone grabbed the purple one of course!) cheese straws, Eileen's award-winning cheese scones and her amazing chocolate cake decorated for the occasion with gold leaf. We had a full house and were delighted that Chris, our lovely new vicar, spent the morning with us again and gave thanks and a blessing for the project and for everyone there. There followed a loud and vaguely tuneful rendition of 'Happy Birthday'. Despite holidays, sundry visits to doctors, hospitals and vets – yes, we do welcome smallish, well-behaved dogs – with the help of a great support team, we have managed to open every Monday throughout the 2 years, apart from bank holidays, and have contributed hundreds of pounds to the Friends of the Mill. We have no real idea what the future of the mill will be but we hope and pray for another two years at least.



Thank you to all our wonderful customers who come every week, to those who support us serving and washing up and to our amazing cake bakers.

Anne and Sue

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Santa's Tour around Herne & Broomfield

Please wrap up warmly as times are approximate, depending on traffic delays and number of children at each stop.

Herne – Saturday 21st December

Start: 4.30pm - Strode Park Foundation
 4.45pm - Wentworth Park, Redrow Estate,
 Parkland Road (main road in from Thanet Way)
 5.05pm – **Stop 1** - Cooper Drive / Reynolds Drive
 5.15pm - Herne Place, Parkland Road
 5.30pm – **Stop 2** - Canterbury Fields
 5.50pm – **Stop 3** –Junction of Shepherdsgate
 Drive
 6.10pm – Albion Lane
 6.35pm – **Stop 4** - Junction of Forgefields /
 Ridgeway Road
 7.00pm – **Stop 5** –School Lane service road
 7.20pm – **Stop 6** –Mount View Road
 7.35pm – Pigeon Lane
 7.50pm – **Stop 7** - Junction of Hillcroft Road /
 Ravensbourne Avenue
 8.00pm – Mill Lane to Mill View Road
End



Broomfield – Sunday 22nd December

Start: - 5.00pm - **Stop 1** - Broomfield Lodge,
 Hunters Forstal Road
 5.25pm – **Stop 2** –Willow Farm Way
 5.40pm – Margate Road to Huntsman & Horn
 5.50pm – **Stop 3** - Huntsman & Horn
 6.10pm – Broomfield Road to The Meadows.
 6.25pm – **Stop 4** – Outside 38 The Meadows
 6.45pm – **Stop 5** – The Meadows to Harvest Court
 7.00pm – into Margate Road
 7.10pm – **Stop 6** – Arden Road
 7.20pm – **Stop 7** – Junction of Arden Road /
 Halford Close
 7.35pm – into Hawe Farm Way and Savernake
 Drive
 7.40pm – **Stop 8** – Junction of Hawe Farm Way /
 Bramblefields Close
 7.55pm – Hawe Farm Way to Hunters Forstal Road
 8.00pm Kingsfield Road
 8.10pm – **Stop 9** – Junction of Peartree Road /
 Kingsfield Road
 8.20pm – **Stop 10** – Junction of Peartree Road /
 Holding Close
 8.35pm – Mill Lane & Mill View Road
End



Try to gather at one of the official Santa Stops, as its often difficult to stop at other places. We will try to keep you up to date on the night on our Parish Facebook page, if we are running late or are ahead of schedule.

<http://www.facebook.com/groups/herneandbroomfieldparish/>

A very special thank you to all our volunteers who walk in all weathers for several hours to accompany Santa's float. Without them we would not be able to do this. A very special thank you to Santa also.



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Broomfield Art Group



The group has continued to expand and we have been very happy to welcome 4 new members during the past few weeks. Our most recent challenge was to produce artwork for the recent Eco Day at the Herne Centre. Artistic contributions varied from depictions of rats and rubbish dumps, under sea heaps of plastic, endangered animals, bees made out of pistachio nut shells and several powerful, colourful warnings of what will happen if we don't start caring for our precious planet. The day was well planned, hugely successful and was attended by a record number of children and families, many of whom enjoyed spending time with us discussing our artworks.

Sharing several joint projects this year has been both a challenge and an inspiration and we are currently discussing ideas for works with an unusual Christmas theme to coincide with the Fun Day in December – so watch out for a wild array of turkeys, snowmen, angels, pantomimes and baby Jesus pictures with a few surreal contributions thrown in for good measure.

Meanwhile a very Happy Christmas to all artists and art lovers in the village and everywhere. Pop in and see us any Thursday morning for a coffee between 10am and 12noon or contact Anne on anne@awaylaughing.uk.

HERNE ROSE AND GARDENING CLUB



Do you have an interest in all things garden related? Would you like to learn more about how to look after your garden? Do you have a balcony? Are you keen on growing indoor plants? Would you like to meet up with like-minded people? Then why not give our friendly Club a go? We are always keen to attract new members, you can even come to a couple of sessions as a guest for a small fee, to give it a try.

Our meetings are held on the 3rd Tuesday of each month (excluding August) at St Martin's Church Hall, Canterbury Road CT6 7EH at 7.30pm.

We host a variety of enthusiastic speakers from all walks of horticultural life, followed by a cuppa, homemade cake, a raffle and a plant stall.

We arrange trips to local gardens and some further afield and host social and fundraising events.

Following our August break we recommenced our club evenings in September.

It was a lively evening, as we combined a Mini Autumn Show of fruit and veg produce which made a great display, and a splendid talk from Dr John Hughes entitled Behind the Scenes at Kew. We were given an in depth insight into the recent refurbishment of one of the large glasshouses and fascinating information regarding succulents, cacti and alpine plants.

We were also delighted to meet 3 new members to our club.



At our October meeting we had a talk by Katherine Hook about her cottage industry Sloe Seduction. We were given in-depth insight into the history of the *Prunus spinosa* and all things related to sloes. Katherine hand-makes sloe gin and the most delicious chocolates which we were treated to a sample of.

Our November meeting is on Tuesday the 19th, we will have our AGM and after business we have a talk by an old friend of the club Kevin Tooher, Winter Interest in the Garden.

Elaine Maslin. Publicity Officer.



Over to you!

The purpose of this newsletter is to keep you informed of events and news in and around the parish of Herne and Broomfield, and about the activities of the Parish Council.

So what do you most want to hear about? What would you like to see in your newsletter?

For every edition, we ask local groups and organisations if they would like to submit a report. Have we missed your group?

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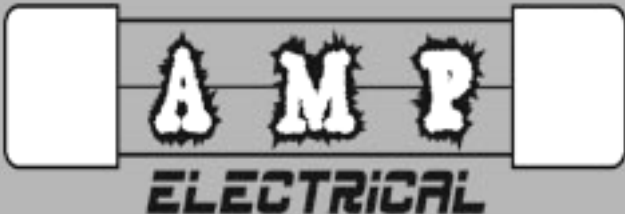
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St. Martin's Matters

As we head towards the winter months, the days become shorter and we long to be tucked up in the warmth indoors. It can be tough when perhaps being out and about a bit less means seeing fewer people and keeping warm is a costly effort. There are some sombre occasions marked at this time of year, with Remembrance and our own parish tradition of Memorial Carols, as well as All Souls in the church calendar. These are important times to remember and look back, and hopefully to find a glimpse of light in the shadows. What is really a quite macabre event – the gruesome punishment and attempted assassination plot – behind the tradition of Bonfire/Fireworks Night, is perhaps a moment when we literally like to light up the darkness and gather to bring a bit of sparkle and joy on a dark November night. This is a time of year when we can find it quite gloomy but look to the glimpses of light and hope.

December seems to bring the commercial pressure to buy lots for Christmas, and our time is preoccupied with many seasonal events and celebrations. Yet at the heart of it all should be a message of peace and hope. The Church of England Christmas campaign this year that we will be engaging with at St Martin's is called "Follow the Star: *Calm and Bright*". In the often-chaotic time of Christmas, we are reminded to find the peace and hope of the Christmas story and message, to find calm, and to celebrate all that is bright.

I realise that there are some who will struggle to find Christmas a time that is bright. Your local church, and other community groups, offer a space to find friendly neighbours to listen and give time to share burdens. As mentioned, we have the Memorial Carols on *1st December at 3pm* as a special gathering to remember as we head into the festive period those who we miss being with us at the Christmas table this year.

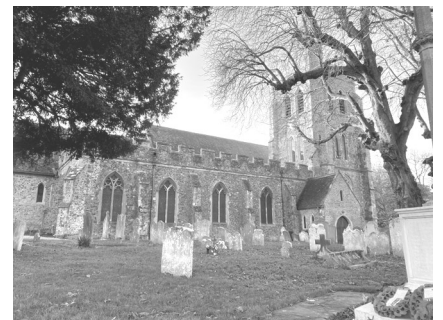
Whatever lies ahead on your journey through the winter months to come, may you be able to find what is calm and bright – to discover some light, hope and peace in the shadows and storms of life.

"Come to me, all you who are weary and burdened, and I will give you rest." (Matthew 11:28-30)

*Blessings
Rev Chris*



The Rev'd Chris Denyer.



Special Services for the Winter Months!

Remembrance Sunday: 10th November - 10am in church, followed by gathering at the War Memorial ready for 11am as usual.

"Sausage Sarnie Sunday" launches at our sister church in St Peter's Greenhill on 17th November at 10am.

Memorial Carols at 3pm on 1st December

Christingle at 10am on 1st December

Yew Tree Carols at 7pm on Friday 8th December

We now have a weekly 8am Holy Communion service (replacing alternate Morning Prayer).

From 4th September, there will be a midweek Communion service at 10am each Wednesday.

Sunday services are 8am and 10am each Sunday, with the third Sunday of the month being at St Peter's Greenhill.

Broomfield Church services Margate Road

3rd November Sunday 3pm Café church with Rev Bernard Fidler.

1st December Nativity church service with Rainbows, Brownies and Guides.

8th December Sunday 4.30pm Café church with Rev Bernard Fidler. Christmas carols.

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