

News, events and stories

# In & around

Ninfield & Hooe

June 2024 50p

# St MARY's & St OSWALD's NOTICE BOARD CHURCH SERVICE TIMES

	St Mary's	St Oswald's
2 <sup>nd</sup> June	9.30 Parish Eucharist	11.00 Family Service
9 <sup>th</sup> June	No Service	10.30 Joint Parish Eucharist
16 <sup>th</sup> June	9.30 Family Eucharist	11.00 Parish Eucharist
23 <sup>rd</sup> June	NO SERVICE	11.00 Parish Eucharist
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#### **Opening times for Private Prayer**

St. Mary's -Tuesday and Friday 9.00am to 3.00pm Where Possible

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#### PARISH NEWS

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#### Dear Friends,

There is a popular proverb which states that fish don't know they're wet. I'm not sure how true that is; they certainly know when they're not in water. But whether fish can identity water as "wet" is unclear. For them, it simply is. This is the beginning of a book "Beyond the Children's Corner" by Margaret Pritchard Houston. It seeks to draw out the way every church has its own history, customs and ideas, and to help the reader start to think about whether these create a place where children and their carers might feel safe and welcome. Occasionally a church will have the perfect setup for welcoming younger visitors, but there are usually changes every church will need to make to adapt to the needs of newcomers. Fish don't know water is wet: our own culture is also likely to be invisible to us.

One of the ways in which church life has changed, which many Christians have been slow to register concerns the drop-off in church attendance, particularly among children and young people, which began in earnest from the 1960s. Most churches can tell the story of a golden age when church was full of children, the Sunday school was busy, and the confirmations were numerous. It's unclear now whether the past produced Christians or simply people who attended church due to cultural expectations, but far fewer people today (especially young people) are in church to hear the message of the gospel. 50% of Church of England churches have three or fewer children in a church service every week; that includes Ninfield and Hooe. Stating this fact so boldly might cause us anxiety about the future or we might accept the absence of children as an opportunity to investigate whether barriers to participation exist, and what these could be. We will likely need to balance the demands of tradition and change so that the best of both instincts are honoured.

One consideration is that the Sunday morning Eucharist can be alien to largely unchurched children and families, and that it might be more productive for us to focus on setting up alternative children's services at different times. It is with this in mind that we have started a termly Family Service in St Mary's for a class each term from Ninfield School. The parents are also invited to this. It is a way of hopefully introducing people to the 'church'. We're asked to observe the Sabbath and keep it holy, but that does not necessarily mean everybody is served by a single 9.30 or 11am service. On the other hand, some experience of intergenerational Sunday worship seems vital to enable young people to see the church as something they are part of. We would love to see more people in

church, especially young families so that they gain the language and skills necessary to grow spiritually into the fullness of mature faith. The fact is, at present, we simply don't know what changes we might need to adopt to become a community which not only tolerates, but actively seeks out and welcomes younger (and young at heart) disciples. It is likely that we will need to experiment and explore, testing out some possibilities, not all of which will be comfortable. We are hopefully making a start and we would welcome new members especially young families. If children make a noise I can just talk louder!!

Paul

Dear Lord,

Here we are in June. Halfway through this year already! How the years fly by and often we are so busy, so taken up with everyday concerns that we forget to take time to be still; to consciously be in your presence; to be aware of the wonders of your world.

June is such a beautiful month, so we take this moment, Lord – and we thank you for your goodness to us and your provision for us. Especially we thank you for the gift of Jesus who is the only way to you, who is your truth and who offers us eternal life, if we will turn away from our self-centredness and put our trust in Him.

For June and for Jesus, Lord, we praise you and we glorify you. And we move into the rest of the year in hope and trust.

In Jesus name, Amen.

#### Ron Kemp

Ron's family would like to say thank you to everyone who attended his funeral at St Oswald's on Friday 19 th April. It was a great comfort to see how many people came to show their respects to him.

His family would especially like to thank, Paul Frostick, Janet Pattison, Margaret Rist, Janet and Peter Ballard for supporting us at a difficult time by organising and making the funeral run smoothly.

Ron's Family

### News from St. Oswald's Church

#### Annual Parochial Church Meeting

This took place after the Sunday Service on 28th April and was chaired by Mr. Jack Rist, deputy Chairman in the absence of Rev. Paul Frostick, Chairman of the Trustees of St. Oswald's Church. The meeting was well attended. First the Vestry Meeting appointed the two churchwardens followed immediately by the Annual Parochial Church Meeting when one vacancy on the PCC and this was filled Mr. Nick Crawshaw. The audited Accounts were adopted as was the Annual Report with full copies of the Annual Report and Accounts available on request to the Secretary, Mr John Fairclough or to either of the two churchwardens, Mr. Jack Rist and Mrs. Janet Pattisson.

After the meeting a different menu from the usual cold offering was served to all who had attended the meeting being hot baked potatoes with various toppings followed by a selection of fruit pies and flans. All made, or provided, by those who regularly attend worship on Sundays for which we are truly thankful.

#### Garden Party - Planning Meeting

This took place on Saturday May 4th and was attended by more than 20 people with many others sending apologies.

It was agreed by everyone that the BBQ was very successful so the day on SATURDAY 13th JULY will run again from 12noon - 4.30pm. The stalls will include as well as the BBQ, Bric a Brac (no jumble), Tombola, Cakes, Raffle, Second Hand Books + New books, Lottery, Plants and Teas . Sideshows to include a Children's Activity area including Facepainting, China smashing in car park (NEW), Guess the weight of the cake, Bottle of wine lottery (NEW). There will also be tours up the Bell Tower, A Quiz and much more. Entry is free to all. The setting up will be on Friday evening from 5 pm and all help will be welcome together with help after the event with taking down etc. N.B. there is a big rigid plastic box at back of church for contributions to Bric a Brac, (no jumble please), books, tombola, wine, raffle prizes and chipped or broken china. Items can also be left outside the following houses in the village: Gary and Sally Durman or Jack and Margaret Rist.

#### Churchwardens' letter

Many thanks to everyone who replied to the Churchwardens' letter- there is still time as we won't be publishing results until the Autumn

No address

#### From the Visitors Book

4.24

Lizzy

" Here we are again"

" Thank you"

10.05.24 MH Steyning

St Oswald's

Funeral and Burial of Ron Kemp April 19th

# NINFIELD SURGERY

# Foodbank

Thank you for your continued support with the donations to the Foodbank basket.

### Dr I Mangiri

Dr Iche Mangiri has now left the practice to sort out her affairs ahead of joining her husband Dr Preye Mangiri in Canada. But she may be about on occasional Fridays until she leaves for Canada at the end of July.

**Editor's Comment** .... Well owing to the amount of articles this month this space gets smaller and smaller, which is great, so we'll just say, Thank you all for your continued support and enjoy the better weather, now go and make a cuppa, find a nice spot in the garden and read on ... *Nicki & Carol* 



Closing date for items for the JULY issue of the Parish News Is THURSDAY 13<sup>th</sup> June please send to ninfieldhooenews@gmail.com

from the Parish Records

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#### **REGULAR WEEKLY EVENTS in Ninfield include**

 Memorial Hall Movement2Music Dancersize Ballroom Burlesque Beavers Cubs Scouts Explorers Pilates Yoga Cardiac Exercise Ladies Badminton Art Group Crafting & Knitting Junior & Teen Kickboxing Pickleball (coming soon)
The Methodist Hall Art Group Little Stars Dance Mark Time (for Brass instrument players) Yoga Pilates Friendly voices Silver Swans
Sparke Pavilion A gentle exercise walk around Ninfield Information throughout the magazine and on contacts page 39 Country Life

Well it has been a while since I last wrote anything so we will find out if the fingers still remember how to use this contraption. The image I have of writing is still a pen and paper even though my writing was always hard to read and without a spell check, pointless even trying.

read and without a spell check, pointless even trying. There has been quite a lot happening in my life whilst I've been trying to feel a bit better. Firstly my Mother passed on, not a complete surprise because of her age and the illness she had to live with. I remember, what must be half a century ago, pulling into a pub after a long ride on the motor bike. There was a sign hanging over the bar. 'Credit given to any pensioner accompanied by at least one parent'. I doubt the pub is still there, we have lost so many over the years. I could have taken my Mother, though letting her loose in a pub would be very expensive, bless her. My little old car has also gone. My dog is now doing her best to make

My little old car has also gone. My dog is now doing her best to make the replacement as tatty as a farm truck! And I've had my hair and beard cut short, summer trim. So it's my fault if the weather turns colder again. Its nice to be out again and looking at all the changes happening around the church. My old dogs walks, for a few weeks, have been little more than

out the back door, stop off on the little lawn and in the front door.

Everywhere is now so green, even the very large Ash tree is starting to come into leaf. Ash trees are always one of the last to show their new leaves. Also the lone Red Kite has returned, be it for a short while. It would be nice to think he has a mate somewhere sitting on eggs and is scouring the countryside trying to find some food to take to her. Sadly though I fear he is the only one because I have never seen two of them together. The amount of bird song has also lessoned. The male birds that sat on the top branches singing out, I'm here fit and able, are keeping quiet. They have their mate and the last thing they want is to be noticed and given a job. Dan, the man in the van, found out for me why there are no Sky Larks

in the fields that surround the Church. It is the usual reason, massive decline in population and the areas that still have Sky Larks are not able to reproduce enough to repopulate other areas. The sad thing is no one really knows why this is happening so a plan cannot be put into operation.

this is happening so a plan cannot be put into operation. Some good news, maybe, is I think I have seen a pair of Linnets. With out Dan's super dooper bird watching binoculars they were little more than brown also rans. The way the flew and the chirping I seem to remember, so there is a good chance they were Linnets. I once knew a chap who could identify bird life by their song, that seemed a good skill to have. I purchased a L.P. , for the younger readers that is a long playing record. Next to useless because you had to play it all through, by which time the first ones were well forgotten. Unless you knew where to

drop the needle it was hard to check on one bird. Cassette tapes were just as bad. Now days you can name a bird on Google and it will play its song, Linnets for example. The skill is remembering that sound and then being able to identify a bird from it. Well I have one of those skills!

Well I have to move on now as my knuckles are getting sore. There is a Wood Pigeon's nest in a large hedge and the magpies are waiting in my apple tree for the adult to leave the eggs alone. Sitting here I can see all this happening and can only intervene by knocking on the window. The magpies know it is there and will manage to take the eggs, they will work it out. The old game keeper in me could also work it out but those days have passed.

The next bit is a tad official but has to be said. Sorry if it comes across a bit abrupt.

N.B The church has a policy to make sure the Church grounds are safe and clean! Please will all dog walkers clean up after your dog and any dog who is not safe with other dogs should not be on Church property. A small dog was badly bitten a couple of weeks ago.

# HOOE PARISH COUNCIL

### Clerk / RFO: Jane Warrener 07548 528754

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The result of the Village Hall Consultation was disclosed on Wednesday 8th May at the Village Hall Project Committee meeting, when the envelopes from the excellent 72% return of voting papers were opened. The result was very clear with 77% in favour of keeping the hall open compared to 23% in favour of closing and selling it.

Residents will be able to have a further say at the Annual Parish Meeting on the 29<sup>th</sup> May at 7.15pm in the village hall before the final decision is taken at the Village Hall Project Committee meeting on the 19<sup>th</sup> June at 7pm.

To commemorate D-Day on Thursday 6th June, the Red Lion will be hosting a Pie and Mash evening with war time music and decorations. The Battle Ukulele Band will be playing two sessions followed by the beacon being lit at the allocated time of 9.15pm on the Village Green when the Reverend Paul Frostick will say prayers for those who took part and especially those who lost their lives.

The Annual General Meeting will be held on Wednesday 29th May at 6pm in the village hall. Councillor Gayle Kirk

# CWF

At our regular second Wednesday afternoon meeting at the Methodist Hall, we were told about the commitment of the Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance. How fortunate we are to have this service covering our counties, it is not NHS and is not nationwide! It is a charity, voluntarily funded and supported by the likes of you and me, and of our speaker Colin Kelvey. The service started 30 years ago, and now has two bases, at Redhill and Marden, and are manned 24 hrs a day by their only paid operatives of a Doctor, a critical care Paramedic, a first officer and the pilot. Colin is non medical and non mechanical but a dedicated fund raiser, happy to give talks or man a tent at air shows to promote the need for the Air Ambulance. The fleet consists of 3 helicopters and four Rapid Response Volvo cars. All of these carry the contents of an emergency room. Able to give blood transfusion, even open heart surgery, and a way to get a patient to a trauma centre in minutes, even at night. Giving patients life support during that 'Golden Hour' (the 60 minutes after the trauma) increases the chance of recovery of the patient many fold.

The Air Ambulance is called on response from the 999 call centre where location is difficult or speed is of the essence. Using the 'What Three Words' app on a mobile phone can save vital minutes finding the exact location of a patient. In 2023 KSS responded to 3328 emergency incidents, 1912 patients (667 at night). Road Traffic accidents counted for 28% of shouts, 28% medical, 8% self-hammers and then also assault. The week ending 6th May they had 67 missions! Colin mentioned that two leisure activities were high on the list ....horse riding and heart attacks on the golf course! More statistics !? .....88% of their funding is through public donations, 10% from the NHS and 2% from other but it costs £51,000 per day to run the operation each year. Sophisticated mechanical equipment is always needed. A scanner that looks like a crash helmet! And they would like a portable scanner to go in all aircraft's. Drones are now able to deliver defibrillators. Every minute without treatment survival decreases by 10%.

The most urgent of the KSS appeals at this moment is for them to buy the helicopter they lease. The leasing company went into liquidation and the new company massively increased their charges. KSS has 78% of the  $\pounds$ 1 million they need but it will save them .  $\pounds$ 88,000 per month ! Wow!!

Their recent mail drop says ... 'A donation of £100 or more online today

to help buy, can get your name on this powerful protector soaring the Kent, Surrey and Sussex skies. There are 1,460 spaces left! Thank you Colin for a mind blowing afternoon. (Non medical term of course !)

# Ninfield Flower Group

In 772 King Offa of Mercia drew up a charter granting land at Bixlea for the foundation of a church. This church would be the foundation of the parish of St Peter's, Bexhill. Through the centuries it has, of course, been extensively remodelled and enlarged and in 2022 celebrated the 1250th anniversary of its foundation.

As a Flower Group we are, therefore, delighted to be taking part in a flower festival in this glorious church with its beautiful murals and stained glass.

So all is full steam ahead for our Flower Festival, "Jubilate - Blooming Joy" which takes place at the end of June. Open days are Friday 28th and Saturday 29th 10am until 4pm and Sunday 12 noon until 5pm. As well as floral displays there will be "Songs of Praise" on Sunday evening which will include some of the hymns portrayed in flowers and also music from the superb choir of St Peter's. There are also concerts, an exhibition of cross-stitch, various stalls, refreshments and a raffle over the three days. We look forward to welcoming you.

We have a change of demonstrator at our June 3rd meeting owing to illness, so we are very pleased to welcome, from Hailsham, Chris Campbell-Dykes to whom we are very grateful for stepping into the breach.

Following close on our flower festival on July 1st Barbara Caldecourt brings us her "Calendar Moments". Barbara was for many years a lecturer in floristry at Merrist Wood College so brings a wealth of knowledge and experience in flower arranging.

As always our meetings in the Memorial Hall start with refreshments at 6.30pm with the demonstration following at 7pm. Visitors welcome, £5 entrance.

# Hooe & Ninfield Open Group

We met on Friday 10<sup>th</sup> May 2024 at the Methodist Hall in Ninfield. Our speaker this month was Mr Ken Brooks. Ken is a well respected local historian who spends much time at Bexhill Museum. His talk entitled "Rock-an-Nore" gave insight into the area of Hastings, from Old Town area along Rock-an-Nore Road to the beach called The Stade. The name Rock-an-Nore was officially adopted in1859 and derives from a former building "lyinge to the Mayne Rock against the north". The Fishermen's tall black wooden "net shops" and the East Hill Cliff Railway are two of the main features of the area. The railway was open in the early 1900's and is a must if you are a visitor to Hastings. The wooden 'net shops' are where the fishermen store their nets and equipment also sold the catch from them, hence the name 'net shops'. The height came about as space was expensive, building up saved money. Ken's photo archive is extensive, we were shown photos taken in the late 1800 and the same view taken recently, it is hard to recognize the area. A good afternoon was enjoyed by all who attended. We look forward to hearing more from Ken in the near future.

Our next meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> June when our speaker will be Trish Jones and the title of her talk is 'Sunbeam' Interesting! – see you there. Heather & Nicki

### Worms Eye View

It is the 1<sup>st</sup> of May and a lovely morning. I have dragged myself away from the window where I have been watching all the movements of the animals as they enjoy themselves being outside at last, what a wet spring we have had.

Now I have pulled out one of my old diaries and here is what I wrote for 1951.

Early in 1951 Miss Davis, our Head Mistress summoned me to her office and stated quite kindly really that as I was not wanting to become a teacher she had arranged an interview for me at Eastbourne Public Libraries, It had come to her notice that a junior assistant was required and as my exam results would stand me in good stead plus the fact that I talked a lot (me?!), I should get on well with the public. I duly attended the interview, dressed primly in plain clothes, plus a hat, a pink beret actually. This was for my one and only every interview, along with several other hopefuls. Happily a few days later, a welcome letter of acceptance arrived with instructions to start at 8.45am promptly in April

1<sup>st</sup> 1951, and no, it wasn't an April Fools trick.

It was a really nervous Anne who reported for duty that first Monday morning. We had been given a brief tour of the library at the interview but not much had sunk in. I should explain that besides the Central Library, there were also three branches, Seaside, Old Town and Hampden Park. The Central was still housed in a temporary building. The original building having been badly bombed during the war. The new replacement library did not materialise until I had left the library service five years later.

This temporary building was situated on the seafront, between the Bandstand and the Pier. A lovely position with the staff room, and its balcony, facing the sea. I thoroughly enjoyed my time working there, but was also happy to leave exactly five years later to become a farmer's wife. I still love books and reading and am pleased that we have our books at the monthly coffee mornings which are held in the church,

for all to come and borrow. (Plus Jigsaw puzzles, which I also enjoy doing).

Anne

See you, there if you can spare an hour.

# THE NINFIELD LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The Ninfield Local History Group are meeting on Thursday 13th June to hear a talk by Helen Davis on the history of Scotney Castle. Helen is a guide at the castle so it promises to be an informative and enjoyable evening. The meeting starts at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Hall, Church Lane, Ninfield. Refreshments provided.

It is now membership renewal time so if you have not already done so you can pay your subscription on line via our website ninfieldlocalhistorygroup.org.uk (or contact our Membership Secretary, Corinne Gibbons, her details are in the directory page of this magazine). The £10 subscription gives you discounted entry to all our meetings and there is also a bi-monthly newsletter included.

Our archives are open on the last Monday of every month from 10am to 12 noon in the Pavilion on the Rec. Come along to see our collection of photos, maps and documents.



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# NINFIELD HEALTH AND WELLBEING GROUP

Ninfield Health and Wellbeing Group aims to promote the health and wellbeing of people in the local community. Established in 2018, the NHWG is an umbrella organisation supporting a range of activities.

#### Ninfield Lunch Club

The first lunch club for Ninfield and Hooe residents run by Maggie (Evans) was very successful and the second one is booked up. If you would like to book for June (27th), you will need to book early. To enquire about places/or book, please contact Maggie on: 07985588524 or email: maggiethecook@gmail.com

### Book Exchange and Community Café

Methodist Hall 10 – 11.30 weekly on Friday.

First Friday monthly: Book Exchange and chat over tea/coffee and biscuits. Donations asked for books and refreshments. A good range of books and good company.

Community Café open on all other Friday mornings – you will be made very welcome.

For further details contact David on 07989729123 or email dj\_swales@hotmail.com

#### Women's Crafting and Knitting Circle

Memorial Hall. Weekly 10.30 am - 12.30 pm. £5 per session. A well established friendly group.

For more information contact Jane on 01424 892428.

#### **Health Walks**

Every Thursday. Trained local volunteers lead a gentle walk of about an hour. Meet 11am at Sparke Pavilion at Ninfield Recreation ground near the main entrance off Church Lane. A few more walkers welcome. Part of the East Sussex Health Walks scheme. Please wear suitable footwear. Contact Robin for more details: 01424 892778 or robin@plowmate.plus.com

#### Men's Shed

Sparke Pavilion. 10 am last Friday of the month. Men putting the world to rights over free coffee.

For more information contact Dave: 01424 892883.

### **Film Matinees**

Memorial Hall Tuesday afternoons. Doors open at 1.30. Films start at 2 pm. FREE entry and refreshments. Dementia friendly and subtitles. We look forward to welcoming you to 'Mamma Mia – Here we go again', on Tuesday 25 June. We then have a summer break until September. See below for films for the rest of the year.

3 September: Blazing Saddles

1 October: Funny Face

5 November: The African Queen

10 December: The Greatest Showman

For more information or to book a place (to ensure enough cake!) contact Jackie or Rose: 01424892422 or email: jackie.langley1@ btinternet.com

### Dark Skies -

thank you to everyone that has already contacted me with their bat sightings - please keep them coming as this will help both with planning the Bat Walk on 26th September and starting a survey of bat sites in the village which we can monitor regularly going forward. Details of the Bat Walk to follow. Our annual Summer Solstice meet up will take place on 20th June. Nothing too scary, we just meet up at the Church to watch the sun go down. Sunset will be at 9.22, and we usually gather between 8.45 and 9 to settle down with our chairs and a glass (or cup) of something warming. Anyone is welcome to join us and enjoy the end of the longest day.

Please let me know if you are interested in coming along (k.crittell@btinternet.com or 07707683187)

**Friendly Voices** - not a choir but a group of people that come together just for the fun of singing. We meet on a Tuesday evening in the Methodist Hall, 7.30-8.30pm and Thursday afternoon at Sparke Pavilion, 2-3pm. Anyone and everyone is welcome to come along and join us - you don't

need to be able to read music and you don't need to be a good singer, just enjoy a good sing. At only £1 a session, it's good value for money and you get a chance to exercise your vocal chords and chuckle muscles. You can contact me on k.crittell@btinternet.com or 07708683187.

#### Hooe History Society

This month we welcome a new speaker, Keith Leech, MBE and his talk entitled "Jack in the Green". Keith is an internationally known folklorist. He has published extensively on May Day customs and is the founder and original researcher of the Hastings Jack in the green. This talk will plot the history of the custom, where it is going and we'll also look to the

future. We meet at 7.30 p.m. in St. Oswald's Church on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> June.

DID YOU KNOW... I have found a few snippets from the local papers during the war years. Although reporting of events was closely controlled there were a few ways in which villagers were able to help in the war effort. If these were repeated in towns and villages across the country as I suspect was the case, the organisation must have been exceptional. In June 1940 - TIN HATS WANTED! Parishioners are being invited to contribute towards the equipment of Hooe A.R.P. First Aid Party. Donations should be sent to Mr. Lely, Hooe Lodge.

In July 1940 with an eye on recycling - HOOE FOR WAR - The Inhabitants are making a splendid contribution of waste materials for war purposes.

The latest collection up to July 4<sup>th</sup> included 150 lbs. newspapers, 111 lbs. magazines, 425 lbs. mixed paper, 142 lbs. books, 182 lbs cardboard, 156 lbs. old clothes, 95 lbs. bones, 54 lbs metal, 7 lbs. aluminium. There were also three packages of newspapers, three packages of magazines, 22 bags of mixed paper, four cardboard boxes of mixed paper, two boxes of books, two boxes aluminium caps and tinfoil, one bundle cardboard, three bags of old clothes, two bags of scrap metal (brass, aluminium, lead, pewter, bronze) two bags of bones, 13 bags of bottles, collected by Hailsham Rural District Council. From dumps of scrap iron and tins at Hooe Common, Broad Street Green, Halls Cross, Castlehurst and the Mount, three lorry loads were removed to Sidley Station by Harris Bros., Boreham Street.

In November 1940 - WVS SPITFIRE FUND - The whist drive recently held in the Village Hall on behalf of the Women's Voluntary Services Spitfire Fund, realised £2 14s. 2d. The total collected and remitted to

Hailsham is £10 1s. 6d. It is expected there will be another opportunity for parishioners to subscribe towards purchasing a Spitfire.

And in March 1942 – WARSHIP WEEK - The villages of Hooe and Ninfield contributed £2,540 towards Warship Week. The hon. secretaries in both villages worked hard to make the week a success, and the chairman

thanks all who helped in this national effort. The sum was made up as follows:- Combined bank returns, £1,050; combined Post Office returns, £1,490.

Peter Hayward

# Horti Society -

Back by popular demand! We have added a Summer Coffee morning to our schedule of events. Please join us on Monday 15th July at the Memorial Hall. 11.30 to 1pm where you can talk all things horticultural or just have a chat. As we are building to the Summer Show, there will also be an opportunity to speak with committee members and experienced exhibitors about your potential entries - I wonder what the weather will throw at us this year! Everyone is welcome - you do not need to be a member.

The Horticultural Society will also have a Plant Stand at the Carnival on 22nd June - please come along and say hello



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# **Ninfield Bonfire Society – Latest News**

Ninfield Bonfire Society has been igniting the spirit of the Sussex bonfire tradition, since 2009, standing proudly alongside towns and villages in Sussex as members of Sussex Bonco. Our mission is to honour and promote this historic tradition, dating back to 1605, and to keep the flames of community spirit burning bright. Driven by a passionate team of volunteers, we are a not-for-profit organisation dedicated to fundraising and organising our annual Fireworks display. This spectacular event is our gift to the families and residents of our village and the surrounding areas, free for all to enjoy.

As we approach the **80<sup>th</sup> anniversary of D-Day**, NBS and Ninfield Carnival are joining together to organise a special event to honour the memory of those who bravely embarked on that historic journey. On the evening of **Thursday June 6<sup>th</sup>**, we invite you to join us 9.15pm on the Recreation ground to pay homage to their memory. As the sun sets we will unite in lighting a Beacon, joining countless Cities, Towns and Villages across the nation in a symbolic act of remembrance. In addition to the symbolic Beacon lighting, the evening will feature a special meal of Fish and Chips, which you can buy at the Blacksmiths Inn from 7pm. We look forward to you joining us on this memorable evening.

**Ninfield Village Market** will be held on **Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> June** and we will be having a stall. Come and see us, have a cuppa, bacon sandwich and a chat about what we do and if you like, join as a member! Try your luck on our tombola or if you need any NBS clothing, then we sell a range of merchandise at the market.

Join us at our **monthly meeting** on **Wednesday**, **19**<sup>th</sup> **June**, 7.30pm at the Ninfield Working Men's Club. Whether you're a seasoned member or a curious newcomer, your ideas and enthusiasm are always welcome. If you have some time to spare and you would like to help us out then please come along.

Get ready for the highlight of our fundraising calendar! Join us at our 'Live and Local' band night on Friday 21<sup>th</sup> June. We're kicking off the Carnival weekend with a fantastic line-up of Acoustic artists and Live Bands. 'Whiskey Business' will be headlining and entertaining everyone until 11pm. Gates open at 6pm, and with a nominal entry fee of £5. It's a perfect opportunity to gather your friends and family for an evening of fun and entertainment. There will be a BAR and Food available and a chance to win a 'Bucket of Booze'! We value your attendance at this event

as it will help raise vital funds for our upcoming Bonfire event on the 19<sup>th</sup> October! So mark your calendar, spread the word, and lets come together to make a difference while enjoying fantastic live music in a lively atmosphere.

After an evening of fantastic entertainment on Friday night, we're gearing up for a different day of entertainment on the Saturday for **Ninfield** 

**Carnival day, 22<sup>nd</sup> June**. Join us at our stall, where we'll have fun activities for the kids, including a thrilling Nerf gun game, testing your luck with Mr Snot, and a classic Hook a Duck! But that's not all – our dedicated Bonfire members will be lending a hand at the Carnival, on the BBQ and assisting with various stalls throughout the day. If you have some time to spare, we would be incredibly grateful for your help! Even just an hour of your time on either of these events can make a world of difference.

Exciting update: the Pram race is back on! Mark your calendars for the

August Bank holiday – **Monday 26<sup>th</sup> August** at the Blacksmiths Inn. Stay tuned for more updates!

If you've felt the warmth of bonfire night, then why not become a member of Ninfield Bonfire Society? From fundraising to torch-making there's a role for everyone. As a member, you'll also join us for our torch-lit processions and celebrations across Sussex.

**Calling all local businesses**! Interested in becoming a sponsor? Let's kindle a partnership! Contact us at ninfieldbonfire@gmail.com or Sarah on 07809684488.

**Save the date** – Don't forget to mark your calendars for our NBS Torch-lit Procession, Bonfire, Effigy and Fireworks Display will be held on Saturday, 19<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

**Stay connected** - Follow us on Facebook – Instagram, or visit <u>www.ninfieldbonfire.co.uk</u> for all the latest updates and news.

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# Hooe Village Community Group

#### Contact us:

#### Website:

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> Chairman: Gary Durman Treasurer: Peter Cosham Secretary: Sally Durman

If you would like to receive news and regular updates about our forthcoming events please email us your contact details

HVCG exists to Encourage, Promote and Support Village activities and charitable works



# Hooe Village Community Group

#### Coffee Morning on Saturday 8th June

This will be the last of our coffee mornings for a while as there are so many other things taking place in Hooe. HVCG will be turning our focus and energies to helping St Oswald's Church with their Annual Garden Party on July13th. So, it is all hands-on deck to help make sure that the great event we have all come to expect and enjoy lives up to its well-earned reputation.

If the weather is as kind for our **June Coffee Morning** as it was for the one in May, in addition to the seating available inside the church, we will again be able to place some tables and chairs outside so we can enjoy the fresh

Sussex air and sunshine. We will all be spoilt for choice!! In May over 60 people came, travelling in 23 cars and many Walking. The atmosphere was Amazing! The church was packed! Meeting up with friends new and old, chatter and gossip, Home-made cakes Raffle, free to use Library and



In the corner of a country churchyard enjoying the Spring sunshine

Jigsaw exchange as usual – what's not to enjoy!! One couple commented on their enjoyment of the morning but 'Why does the time pass so quickly?' Hope to see you there!!

#### Village Film Shows

HVCG had plans to introduce regular Film Shows in the village. Sadly, this was not to be at the present time. So, it was decided we would **donate** our large screen to St Michael's Hospice who were very grateful to receive it. All is not lost; we are sure the screen will be put to good use.

#### Hooe Open Gardens - June 15th/June 16th

Preparation is in full swing for our Open Garden weekend, not long to go now! We hope the date is set firmly in your diary!

**Gardens** As I write this, we have 12 confirmed gardens which will be open. Some of the favourites will be opening again by popular request, some gardens repeated but by the new residents of the property and some newbies. There is something for everyone. Judging by the energy and enthusiasm of the gardeners we are all in for a treat.

**More than gardens** As if wandering around beautiful gardens soaking up their beauty was not enough, we have other attractions on offer. Plant sales, Made in Hooe stalls, Hooe History Exhibition to name but a few. One wonders if 2 days will be enough time to take it all in.

**Refreshments** The Open gardens weekend would not be complete without enjoying a relaxing afternoon tea with friends in a beautiful garden setting. Homemade cakes and scones, (Including meringues by special command) sausage rolls and more. Refreshments will be served all day.

**Car Parking** Our car parks will be well sign posted and situated conveniently to access the gardens.

**Information** I am sure you will have seen our advertising posters, leaflets, and maps. Please visit the website at <u>www.hooe-open-gardens.com</u> for more details and descriptions of the gardens. We can also be found on <u>www.opengardens.co.uk</u> Gary Durman will always be willing to answer any questions you may have – 01424 893007.

Entry fee and tickets We charge just £5.00 day! Tickets will be available before the event at I Elizabethan Cottages, the home of Gary and Sally, and on the days at the car parks, the Hooe marquee on the Flag Green and also at some gardens. Well behaved dogs, always on leads, will be welcomed in most gardens. Be aware that many of our gardeners also own dogs who might be territorial! (or friendly!!)

**First Aid: If required available** at I Elizabethan Cottages. It is always worth remembering there is a defibrillator attached to the front wall of The Red Lion PH.

Thanks are due: This event, *from which every penny raised is donated to charity*, would not be possible without all those kind folk who give freely of their time and energy. The gardeners who beaver away for months to bring their gardens to perfection in June, the bakers who supply, mostly at their own expense, delicious cakes, quiches and scones, those who help serve and wash up, the people who allow us to use their fields for car parks, the risk assessors to ensure safety comes first, those who man the car parks. Everyone and every contribution is hugely appreciated.

We also thank our sponsor: **Athelas Plants.** Who are so supportive of HVCG and the Community of Hooe as a whole. Please visit their website <u>www.athelasplants.co.uk</u> – or even better their site in Straight Lane Hooe.

Hooe Village Community Group, enjoying working together for the good of everyone.

# NINFIELD MEMORIAL HALL

# SATURDAY 15<sup>th</sup> JUNE 9.30 - 12.00

# VILLAGE MARKET!

This will be our regular market, but without Full English Breakfast at 8.30 We plan a few changes and it will be back from September!

# SATURDAY 20TH JULY 6.00pm - 9.00pm NIGHT MARKET

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### NEWS, REVIEWS AND UPCOMING EVENTS

Gutted!!! A Rained off disaster!! May 6th Bank Holiday Monday, the Pram Race event just couldn't go ahead...we had every weather app. available and, on Saturday night we started trying to work out contingencies should the forecasts be accurate. By Sunday afternoon it was clear that the rain was winning: we were supposed to get all the paraphernalia needed out of the sheds at 4.30- instead we decided to Postpone the event and started working on how/when to rerun it.

It was heartbreaking to announce the postponement, but when everyone woke up to driving, steady rain on Monday morning, we knew it was the right decision. See below for details of the RE-RUN of the Pram Race!

**Heart of Ninfield Success!!** : The event at the Memorial Hall on the 11th May was well attended and well received, all groups clubs and societies were kept busy, and the lovely hubbub , the increasing volume of nattering, made for a great atmosphere. The Café was open and very busy throughout the day with FREE food, lunches and refreshments; the Entertainment from Friendly Voices was much appreciated!. There'll be some discussion as to whether it was as successful as last year's event, when it was held in March and seemed a bit more lively; but all in all it was much enjoyed by those who popped in before going off to Beach!!!!

It's amazing that two events in one week, both suffered from having the wrong, mismatched weather!!! Pram Race day, outside and postponed, as it poured with rain, after two previous days, and one following, of lovely sunshine...! Then the Heart Event, indoors at the Hall, had to compete with it being the hottest, sunniest day of the year, being sandwiched between two cloudy days...

Please , please, pretty please...can the weather please 'Match' the Summer Solstice Village Fête, and be blazing and flaming on 21st & 22nd June!!!

### HEADS UP!!

Thursday June 6th - The 80th Anniversary of the D-Day Landings - The Bonfire & Carnival Societies are organising a small marking of the occasion in line with the National Events. The Ninfield Beacon will be lit at 9.15pm, and everyone will be invited to come up to the Rec. It is hoped that, throughout the country, 150,000 portions of Fish, Chips and Mushy peas will be eaten at this time, and we have sourced a way of supplying food for our participants, and, possibly a drink! HUGE thanks to Jon at the Blacksmith's Inn for agreeing to serve Cones of Cod- bites and Chips between 7-9pm,

only £8 per cone. People can then wander down to the Rec and join together to mark the event. There will be some 40's. Music, a chance to swing/sing along, and at 9.15pm the Bonfire Society will light our Beacon.

We're so lucky in this Village to have these opportunities, Please keep an eye on the FB pages, and notice boards for posters with all the latest information.!

#### Ninfield Carnival Association:

LOTS OF UPDATES!

The Village Carnival Fete is on Solstice Saturday 22nd June -

It's only a few weeks away! And we're praying for Sunshine! Firstly...

A PLEA for Bottles for the Tombola, Cakes, sausage rolls for the Tea Tent, and Manpower generally!- what a selection!- anything and everything donated is SO much appreciated, and will help raise money for local causes and projects.

DROP OFF donations of Bottles etc to Sparke Pavilion any Monday at Midday. Or,

Curlews, High Street - Sami, Steppingstone Cottage, Lower Street - Kaye,

THE BAKE-OFF competition - please call Veronica Sargent on 07714337117 for details of entry. And for Cake donations, which can also be brought straight to the Tea Tent on the day at 11.30am.

CALLING ALL KIDS! There will be a competition to create an Olympic Torch, any medium, any size...!.. and all entries will be displayed on Fête day in the Craft marquee. Children can get making now... there's a great prize for the winner of the best Torch, to be judged on the day.

CONFIRMATION, the Charity, Canine Partners, who have been with us before, will have a stand through the day. The lovely dogs and their handlers will demonstrate all their fantastic skills in the Arena at 2pm. There will be music during the day with our entertaining local Band Ricochet.

The Fun Dog- show returns at 3pm in the arena, and the Rock Choir is also appearing. The BBQ running throughout, plus the Ninfield Bake Off, Bottle Tombola, Raffle, Pimms Tent, Crafts Stalls, Games, Coconut Shy, China Smash, Welly Wanging, Children's Activities, Face Painting, Jane Walsh's Clay/Pottery creations, Horti, The Art Group and Village Societies stands, and... CONFIRMED! The Queens Archery and Axe throwers will be on site, plus The Falconry.

In the evening the Parisian theme will continue, Café style, with live music from Brahma Sistaz - Yay!!! And there will the BBQ, Bar, cheese platters, Boules matches, Chess, and small sports/ games. When the sun starts to set, there will be Solstice stargazing to end the event

BREAKFAST - the traditional Carnival Full English Breakfast will be for ALL helpers over the weekend, and takes place at 11.30, on the Rec, mid clear down. .. it's a fantastic reward for all that good work!!

On the Friday evening beforehand, 21st June, there will be a Live Music event, on the Rec, run by the Bonfire society. Look out for all their updates elsewhere in the Magazine!

Now - Listen very carefully, I shall say this only once...!..

The Theme is Paris...As an extra 'Gallic' nod, with a bit of Comedy attached, we'd like to you to come and say 'Allo' in the 'Café René Tea Tent' which will be decorated, with fancy dress, music, maybe some 'singing'... definitely there'll be lots of lovely food and a lot of fun!

The Carnival committee will be raising money for local causes and projects, and the RAFFLE will have some fabulous prizes, including  $\pounds$ 50 cash prizes, Hampers, Meal Vouchers and so much more! So please get your tickets, On Sale Now at  $\pounds$ 2.50 for a book of 5. Call or email me for tickets and further info. Also we would be SO grateful for any Local Sponsorship - to help support costs of the event.

Michaelmas Fayre - again- a long way off yet, but confirmed to be Saturday 28th September (due to Market clashes) at St Mary's Church, and in Church Lane- in the same sort of format as last year!

So there's a lot already to get going, and organise, and we would WELCOME any NEW members - even if you don't want to come to meetings, please let us know if you can help at the events i.e Marshalling, making cakes, helping at the Tea Tent, setting up Gazebos, collecting Bottles for the Tombola - all bits of help are so much appreciated!

NEXT CARNIVAL MEETINGS - MONDAY 3rd June 7.30pm at the Working Men's Club, then Wednesday 12th at Sparke, Monday 17th at the Working Men's. So please come and join us for  $\frac{2}{28}$  drink and have fun creating the events for the year!

#### PRAM RACE UPDATE!

Ninfield Carnival & Bonfire Societies are joining forces again to present the AUGUST Bank Holiday Pram, Cart and Hobby Horse races! Thankfully, we have permission to use the Blacksmiths Inn car park again!! Many thanks to Jon- who has agreed to open the Pub for drinks. We will have the same format for races, with even more entries hopefully, as there's a nice long Summer Holiday to get creative! So please get your unique , home made, 4 wheeled, no engine, iconic Karts and Prams ready, and gee up those Hobby Horses! There will be a Carnival/Bonfire BBQ, The Tote!, a Raffle, Lucky Dip, Cash prizes and Trophies. It's a fun event for all the family, so look forward to seeing you there!

PS - If anyone would like to give an hour of their time to help with the Marshalling during the Races, we would be so grateful! Hi Viz supplied, full instructions given...and a birds eye view of all the fun and chaos of the racing!

**The Memorial Hall :** The committee are inviting residents to attend their meetings to hear the latest news and updates, and ask any questions. The first 15 minutes will be set aside purely for this purpose. This addition to Memorial Hall meetings will happen quarterly, to include the AGM in October. Please do come and get involved with the workings of the Hall, have your say, and present your ideas. Next open meeting for residents will be in August.

Hall bookings are already up on last year at this time, so any event ideas, or meetings that you want to do, please go to ninfieldmemorialhallbooking@gmail.com and get them in the diary!

There is a lot going on in the Ninfield Village Memorial Hall - it's the Hall for all residents to use, and everyone is welcome to come and join meetings, and get involved in events. Please call me on 07970650321 or email ninfieldmemorialhall@gmail.com for any further information.

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Understandably the next project is being held up due to bad weather conditions, and will now hopefully be done by the end of May. Yes....drum roll...the moving of the Red Telephone Box up to it's place on the Recreation Ground!! This will need a few volunteers to help cut back the undergrowth round in Potmans Lane, and then to clear, clean and paint it, bringing it back to it's original condition! Please ..??!!!

Then...what shall we put in it?!

I'm putting a mirror ball up in it, a couple of solar lights, silent solo disco.....?!

Other Answers by email please! samanthaguard@btinternet.com

Thanks so much to everyone for their interest and support for local events, dance classes and entertainment - please contact me 07970650321, samanthaguard@btinternet.com

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FB Ninfield Carnival Events.

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News from St Oswald's Church

# St Oswald's Church Garden Party Saturday July 13

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# Hooe Village Band

Teas, Cakes, Plants, Raffle, BBQ, Tombola, Bric-a-brac, Face-painting, Lucky Dip. Sideshows including a China Smash! Traffic control on the lane.

# Wanted/Needed

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#### NINFIELD METHODIST CHURCH Minister: Reverend Crawford J. Logan 18 Woodlands, Bexhill TN39 4RJ. Tel: 01424 845109 email: revcjlogan@hotmail.co.uk website:hbrmethodists.org.uk

#### Sunday Services for June 2024:

2 <sup>nd</sup>	10.30 am	Café Worship & Breakfast with Revd. Crawford Logan
9 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Worship, Praise & Communion with Revd. Cynthia Park
16 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Worship & Praise Service with Revd. Philip Wagstaff
23 <sup>rd</sup>	10.30 am	Service of Reflection with Deacon Jean
30 <sup>th</sup>	10.30 am	Worship & Praise Service with Drina Hampson

#### Events for June 2024:

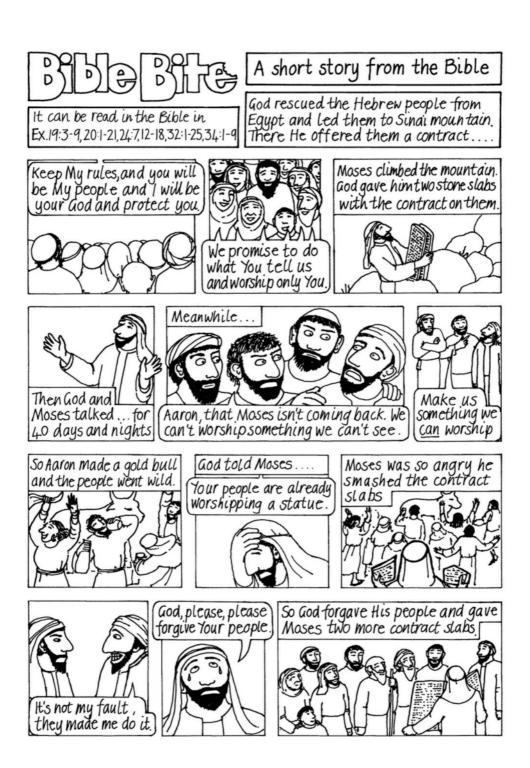
Fridays	10.00-11.30am	Community Café including
7 <sup>th</sup>	10.00-11.30am	Book exchange in Hall
12 <sup>th</sup>	2.30 – 4.00pm	Christian Womens Fellowship
25 <sup>th</sup>	2.15 – 4.30pm	Time Together Tuesday

We invite you to any of our services or events in June. Every week our worship is suitable for all ages & family orientated; we feel sure you will find a very warm welcome.

Many thanks to our village for organising the *Heart of Ninfield*' Community event in May. The Ninfield churches set-up a Church News table with childrens' activities. Free food & refreshments were available throughout the day & this gave all the village clubs & societies an opportunity to promote their groups & mix with each other. Good news!!

Our next 'Time-together-Tuesdays' group will meet on June 25<sup>th</sup>. It is designed as a time for Mums to chat, relax, share & support each other before school pick-up. Children can then play together & have a snack when they are collected from school. All welcome.

So we have so much to say 'thanks' to God; but we also remember anyone who maybe sad or unwell. We know that God is with us all.



# **Directory of Groups & Clubs**

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