

PARISH & PARISHIONER



ST GILES
HORSTED KEYNES
JUNE 2025

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SUNDAY SERVICES AT ST GILES

8am Said Eucharist (Holy Communion) *Meeting with the Risen Lord Jesus in Word and Sacrament, in the Service he gave us. Traditional Language, Book of Common Prayer on the last Sunday in the month.*

10am Sung Parish Eucharist *Meeting with the Risen Lord Jesus in Word and Sacrament, in the Service he gave us. More contemporary language. Includes hymns, Bible readings and teaching, prayers, the blessing of bread and wine and receiving Christ's life in them. A warm welcome to everyone always. Especially suitable for children and young families on the 1st Sunday in the month. Coffee usually served after the Service.*

Church is open daily for private prayer. **Every Tuesday 4pm Evening Prayer; Wednesday 10.00am Eucharist; Fridays in Term Time 9am St Giles School Worship.** Details of weekday activities are in the news sheet reproduced with the Sunday sermon at www.stgileschurchhorstedkeynes.org.uk

ST STEPHEN'S CHURCH, HAMSLAND (ROMAN CATHOLIC)

All services are suspended at St Stephen's: for details of Sunday Masses and other services, please contact the RC parish church of St Paul, Haywards Heath, 01444 450139 stpaulshh@dabnet.org.

The next issue of P&P will be published in **July (the combined July/August edition)**. Please email items for inclusion **by 18th June**. Alternatively, copy can be left in the Martindale post box or sent to me there. Thank you.
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June 2025



Sun	1st	8am Eucharist; 10am All-Age Eucharist: Ascension/Pentecost
Wed	4th	10am Eucharist
Thurs	5th	Life & Faith 2.30pm, 20 Hamsland
Sat	7th	Horse Racing on The Green (Horsted Cahagnes) from 5.30pm
Sun	8th	8am & 10am Eucharist
Tues	10th	Parish Council Meeting 7.30pm, Village Hall
Wed	11th	10am Eucharist
Thurs	12th	Life & Faith 2.30pm, 20 Hamsland
Sun	15th	8am & 10am Eucharist
Mon	16th	Churchyard Working Party 10am-midday
Tues	17th	HK Tuesday Group: HK Wildlife Group 2.30pm, Horsted Club
		HK Post Office Shareholders AGM Village Hall, 8pm
Wed	18th	10am Eucharist
Thurs	19th	Life & Faith 2.30pm, 20 Hamsland
Fri	20th	Village Lunch Martindale, 12.30pm
Sat	21st	Open Gardens (FOHKC) (22nd if wet on the Saturday)
		Those Magnificent Men in Their Flying Machines
		Martindale, 6.30 for 7pm
		The Q100 Quiz, Horsted Club 7.30 for 8pm (new date)
Sun	22nd	8am & 10am Eucharist
Tues	24th	DPHS: Dog Fights Over Ashdown Forest and Danehill
		7 for 7.30pm, Danehill Memorial Hall
Wed	25th	10am Eucharist
Thurs	26th	Life & Faith 2.30pm, 20 Hamsland
Sat	28th	Brighton to HK Village Walk
Sun	29th	St Peter— Fr David's last Sunday: 8am & 10am Eucharists
		Farewell Party for Fr David and Christine 12.30pm, Martindale
Mon	30th	Fr David retires

The 10am Sunday services are streamed on **Zoom—please contact Marion Lott on lottmandb@gmail.com** if you would like an invitation to join.

Rest in Peace

Fr John Gayford, husband of Eileen, and a great friend of St Giles, died on 21st May. Funeral will be held on Saturday 21st June at 11am at St Mary's, East Grinstead. **John Weight** Funeral service at 2.15pm on 5th June at the Surrey & Sussex Crematorium

Interment of Ashes

Cremated remains interred 8th May of **Phyllis Helena Hadden (100)**, died in Hassocks on 11th March. Widow of, and interred with the remains of, Fr Geoffrey Hadden, a former Rector of Horsted Keynes.

Years' Mind

June	3rd	Margaret Joss	2024
	21st	David Lock	2022
	27th	Canon John Edwards	2021

DONATIONS TO ST GILES CHURCH

There is a supply of white envelopes for donations to St Giles in the Martindale porch; please complete the Gift Aid declaration and put the envelope in the Martindale post box. There is a machine for electronic donations at the back of the church. Our charitable collection for **May and June** is in support of the **Christian Aid**. Please use the little orange envelopes, Gift Aiding if appropriate. Thank you.

DONATIONS TO P&P

As always, we are grateful to everyone who contributes towards the printing costs of P&P. If you wish to make a donation by cheque, please make it payable to Horsted Keynes PCC, and send/deliver it to the Martindale Centre marked for my attention, or post to me at Oak Tree Cottage, Chilling Street, Sharpthorne, W Sussex RH19 4HZ. Alternatively, I can provide the account details for bank transfers if preferred. If you are able to Gift Aid your donation, please ask for a form, or use the little green envelope delivered with your July/Aug P&P. Thank you very much for your support.

Sally Lamb—Editor (HKPCC is a registered charity – No 1154482)
Mrs G Rolfe

Dear Parishioners

‘Parting is such sweet sorrow’ (*Romeo and Juliet*)

As you probably know, this is my last P & P letter to you all before I retire on 30th June. Leaving this wonderful place is indeed sorrowful for Christine and me. It is somewhere we have been especially happy. A beautiful, ancient church, supportive and friendly congregation and village with so much going on, a lovely Rectory with a view. What’s not to like? Then, the icing on the cake, my life-long love of railways, especially steam engines, being fulfilled by being Chaplain to the Bluebell Railway. The last three years have been unexpectedly enhanced by trying to help Fr Peter as he begins his ministry, even as I conclude mine: a sense of handing on the baton.

30th June is also the 40th anniversary of my Ordination as a Priest, and so this is a time of much reflection for me. I look back on different parishes, in Lancashire, Derbyshire, Suffolk and Sussex— mostly villages, but one suburb and one small town. I think of all the wonderful variety of people I have encountered in congregations and communities, especially through Baptisms, Marriages and Funerals. I think of the deepest sorrows and greatest joys of people’s lives which I have been so privileged to share. I think of the greatest privileges of a priest’s life: to pray with and for people, and to lead the Eucharist, the service Jesus gave his followers, the heart of Christian worship and life. I consider with sorrow the decline in organised religion in the West in recent decades, which challenges clergy and people of faith. I think with sorrow of my many failings and struggles, giving thanks for God’s unfailing forgiveness. I give thanks too for many blessings received; for people I have been able to help, whether knowingly or unknowingly. We have been lucky to live in beautiful places, in or near Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty and National Parks. There have been many laughs and amusing times. I sometimes wonder if I could be the James Herriot of the Church of England.

I am deeply touched by the many people who have said they are sorry we are going, but also wished us well. How then might parting be sweet? A colleague retired when the Gospel reading for the day contained the words ‘It is good for you that I go away’. *John 16.7* Only you can decide if you agree! Seriously, when to retire is not always an easy decision, but this seems the right time for me. And my sorrow is mixed with looking forward to a new chapter, a new adventure, a new stage on my journey.

Jesus spoke those words in the ‘Last Discourses’ he gave his disciples before his death and resurrection. *John 14-17* He knew they would be devastated by his cruel suffering and death. Yet he encouraged them to realise that through his resurrection and sending of the Holy Spirit, even greater possibilities and joys would come. He used the picture that ‘A woman in labour is in pain because her time has come; but when her baby is born she forgets the anguish in her joy that a child has been born into the world’. *John 16. 21* At the core of Christian faith is the possibility of goodness coming out of evil, forgiveness out of hurt, joy out of sorrow, life out of death.

Our divided world, our troubled society, seems to me to need this good news more than ever. Not because Christians have all the answers. Rather because to follow Christ is to re/discover beauty, truth and goodness, to grow in these things, to know in ourselves and live out in our lives that ‘The glory of God is a human being fully alive’. (*St Irenaeus c.130-c.202*)

With my warmest good wishes and continuing prayers, **Fr David**

From early August Fr David and Christine's address will be:
17 Brookholme Court, LANCASTER, LA1 5TP.
Telephone: tbc
We will retain emails: *revdave@timicomail.co.uk*
christine@timicomail.co.uk

We will always be glad to hear from you, and invite you to come
and visit and re/discover the delights of the Lake District and other
North West scenery.

With my prayers and best wishes, **Fr David**

The Vacancy

On Sunday 2nd February it was announced that Fr David is to retire on 30th June, the 40th anniversary of his ordination as a Priest. His last Sunday will be 29th June. Fr Peter will continue as Curate at least into 2026. He, Fr David and the PCC Standing Committee (Churchwardens, Secretary and Treasurer) are working on arrangements for the vacancy. There will be a process of discernment about both future ministry in the parish and Fr Peter's future ministry.

The Rural Dean, Revd Christopher Powell, shares oversight of the parish with the church wardens during the vacancy and can be contacted on 01444 471783 or vicar.wivelsfield@gmail.com

Come and join us for the next

Family Eucharist

at St Giles Church

Sunday 1st June at 10am

Ascension and Pentecost

Children especially welcome and refreshments afterwards!



SATURDAY 21 JUNE 2025 (SUNDAY IF WET)

10AM – 1PM & 2PM – 6PM

HORSTED KEYNES OPEN GARDENS DAY

VISIT VILLAGE GARDENS, TEA GARDEN AND PLANT STALL

PROGRAMMES £6 PER ADULT

ACCOMPANIED CHILDREN AND DOGS FREE!

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EMAIL: FRIENDSOFHKCHURCH@OUTLOOK.COM

ALSO FOR SALE AT THE VILLAGE STORES OR ON THE GREEN (ON THE DAY)

**WE'RE HAVING A
'BIT OF A DO'**

on **SUNDAY 29th JUNE**
to say farewell to
Fr DAVID and CHRISTINE
and to wish them well and many
blessings on their retirement

Where: The Martindale Cente
Time: 12.30pm
For a Buffet Lunch

If you would like to join us:
PLEASE ENTER YOUR NAME/S TO
THE LISTS THAT WILL BE IN THE
VILLAGE SHOP AND THE CHURCH

AND

You are all most welcome to join
us at the Church
at 10am for Fr David's last
service

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# HORSTED KEYNES POST OFFICE AND SHOP ASSOCIATION LIMITED

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

### FORMAL NOTICE TO MEMBERS

**Tuesday 17th June 2025 in the Small Village Hall, commencing at  
8.00pm**

#### AGENDA

1. Minutes of the last AGM on 18th June 2024
2. Chairman's report
3. Treasurer's report – approval of annual accounts
4. Vote on non-auditing of annual accounts
5. Election of management committee
6. Information and question session
7. Next meeting
8. Any other business

Kay Austin, Secretary. The Martlets, Bonfire Lane, Horsted Keynes, RH17 7AJ or email your proxy to: [HKPOSAL@gmail.com](mailto:HKPOSAL@gmail.com) with 'proxy' in the subject line.

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#### HKPOSAL - AGM –17th June 2025 – PROXY FORM

I cannot attend the above AGM and I authorise, to vote on my behalf:

The Chairman or \_\_\_\_\_  
(delete as appropriate)

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name in capitals: \_\_\_\_\_

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Name in capitals: \_\_\_\_\_

Dear Friends,

Chichester Cathedral

Each day at the 8am Eucharist and at Evensong in the Cathedral we pray for the parishes of our Diocese, as listed in the *Diocesan Intercessions Rota*. Parishes are warmly invited to join us when we pray for them, if they are able. If you are not able to join us in person, please know that you are in our prayers.

You are of course always welcome at the Cathedral; if you would like to visit as a parish on a different day please let us know, and we will happily ensure that your parish is also prayed for on the day of your visit.

We will be praying for your parish in the coming month on the date indicated below:

22nd June Trinity 1

**On behalf of The Dean, The Very Reverend Dr Edward Dowler**

## Churchyard Working Party

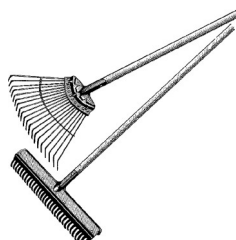


Our next Working Party will take place on  
**Monday 16th June, 10am - midday.**

We would welcome as many people as possible to help us keep the flower beds neat and tidy (ie weeding!). The following Saturday is the Open Gardens event which will have the churchyard included for visitors, so we would like it to look good.

Refreshments will be provided, but please bring your own tools.

**Hilary Nicholson**





**Saturday 12th of July**

**3-5pm - HK Cricket Pitch**

**In aid of Horsted Keynes Preschool**

Adult teams £10 a head - Includes free drink!

Youth teams £5 a head - Put the adults to shame!

Prize for the best dressed team!

Food & drinks available - Spectators encouraged!

Save the date and join the fun,  
in pursuit of the It's an H-Knockout Trophy!

To enter a team email:  
*[fundraising@horstedkeynespreschool.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@horstedkeynespreschool.org.uk)*

Just a quick note to say thank you to those of you that attended the VE Day candlelight procession and beacon lighting on The Green.



It was a very visually pleasant event and a pleasure to be a cog in the national wheel of celebrations.

The Monday event at the Martindale was very much a celebration, but we were minded that many families had suffered terrible losses and troops were still in conflict in the Far East 80 years ago. Therefore, we decided to have a low-key affair of quiet contemplation, finishing off with a few songs from the 40's, which was very well received.

We're looking into the possibility of a similar event for VJ Day, so hopefully see you all there if that goes ahead.

Thanks again; your support is so much appreciated.

**HKBC**

## **Horsted Keynes**



## **Tuesday Group**

As I write, we haven't had our meeting in May. It will be a tea party in Hal Clarke's wonderful garden on 13th May. I know it'll be a lovely afternoon, with delicious sandwiches and cakes; I'm just sorry I won't be there!

Our meeting **in June, on the 17th, is a talk from the Horsted Keynes Wildlife Group.** They have put together a power point presentation, with amazing photos of the wildlife from around the village and an outline of the work they have been doing plus current projects. Not to be missed!

As always, all welcome.

**Linda Allan**



**THE HORSTED CAHAGNES SOCIETY**

Horsted Cahagnes  
Stonemasonry

in conjunction with

**Horsted Keynes Pre-School**



invite you all to have some fun at the

# Horse Racing on the Green and Barbecue



**Horsted Keynes Village Green**

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> June 2025 from 5:30 p.m.**

**Play the Tote**

**Buy a Horse** (team up to form a Consortium?)

*Prizes for 1st and 2nd Places*

Enjoy our quality **Barbecue** from **5:15 p.m.**

*Support our local pubs and club for drinks*

Join us on Midsummer's Day  
**Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> June 2025**

# *Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines*

**Fast - Faster - Fastest**



Come and hear the challenges and thrills of what it is like to fly:-

**Fast** – The Vulcan B2 Bomber. **Faster** – The iconic Concorde.

**Fastest** – The Phantom fighter aircraft

A two course supper with **free** wine and soft drinks.

Tickets £20 per head. Online from <https://hkpsc.sumupstore.com>

Marion Lott 790537, Hilary Nicholson 790777, Alan Johnson 791040

Doors open at 6.30pm, Evening commences at 7.00pm

In aid of the Martindale Centre

## Three experienced pilots share the *challenges* and *thrills* of what it is like to fly:-

**Fast** – **Captain Mike Kirk** flew the Avro Vulcan B2, a British delta-wing subsonic bomber, a key part of the Royal Air Force's "V bombers" and which played a crucial role in Britain's nuclear deterrent during the Cold War, later transitioning to conventional bombing, notably during the Falklands conflict.

*The talk* will include the design, capabilities and uses of the Avro Vulcan B2 and discuss the 'British Stand Off Bomb' and what he learnt from the experience.

**Faster** – **Captain Brian Oliver** flew Concorde, the World's only successful supersonic aeroplane.

*The talk* will include life as an Airline Pilot focusing on Concorde, its design and development, technology, flight testing, introduction to service, scheduled routes, charters & events, sonic boom and noise challenges, the Paris tragedy, and retirement

**Fastest** – **Captain Hugh Sidgwick** flew the highly versatile Mach 2 Phantom fighter from aircraft carriers.

*The talk* will include what is it like to be catapulted into the air at high speed. To then carry out your mission - whether training or for real - and then return to a tiny, crowded deck in the middle of an empty ocean. The ship is miles away from where you started, and 'landing strip' is swaying and tilting. Never mind the weather, there's nowhere else to go. And now night has fallen. Impossible? No. Fun? Oh yes!

Each talk will be concluded with an opportunity for a Q&A session as well as a Q&A round-up at the end of the evening. Come ready with your questions.

## Take an Evening off from Cooking!!

Saturday 21st June is the day of the Open Gardens (FOHKC) – why not visit the gardens and then come along to the Martindale and let us cook for you?! -

PLUS **free** wine and soft drinks with your meal.



Rear of Village Hall  
The Green  
Horsted Keynes  
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Hello to everyone,

Such lovely events took place this month. A big thank you to Marion, the singers, bakers, tea makers and everyone at The Martindale Centre, Councillors Sarah, Kevin, Henry, Simon, Phil, and the Bonfire Society for organising fantastic VE Day 80 celebrations!

It was an honour to meet Mr Kenneth Wright, who is 93 and was evacuated to Horsted Keynes during the War and to hear his memories of attending the village school.

Thank you to the PTA and all who organised the May Fair, and those who visited our table. We were collecting people's views on ideas suggested at our Annual Parish Meeting. These are:

20 MPH SPEED LIMIT  
OUTSIDE GYM EQUIPMENT AT RECREATION GROUND  
FARMERS' MARKET  
ELECTRIC CAR CHARGING POINTS IN THE CAR PARK  
SECTION 106 WORKING PARTY (funds from developments)  
EQUIPMENT SHARING REGISTRY.

Once collated these will help formulate our one-year and five-year business plan. More consultation will follow with working groups to be organised to take these forward.

For those of you with green fingers we have one allotment available for let.

Please note, I shall be away on annual leave shortly so the office will be closed from Wednesday 21st May until Wednesday 11th June. Please still email; there will be an address to forward urgent emails, the rest I will respond to on my return.

Don't forget our next Parish Council meeting is on Tuesday 10th June. All are welcome.

With kind regards,

**Anita Maxwell, Clerk to Horsted Keynes Parish Council**

**HORSTED KEYNES PRODUCE  
and CRAFT SHOW  
Saturday 2nd August  
Village Hall**

**Open to all residents of Horsted Keynes  
and surrounding villages**

The Produce and Craft Show will be on  
Saturday 2nd August in the Village Hall.

It's the perfect time now to plant up the vegetable plot  
and the flower beds to produce a winner. There will be  
classes for vegetables, fruit, flowers, handicrafts, baking  
and preserves.

Please give it a go, especially if you have never entered  
before.

Sunflower seedlings can be planted out in the garden  
now and remember to give them a stake.  
There will be a cup for the tallest sunflower.

Programmes will be available from July.  
We do hope you will be able to support this colourful  
village event.

If you need any more  
[lorna.shimmen@me.com](mailto:lorna.shimmen@me.com)



details please contact  
or phone 790711

## BRIGHTON TO HORSTED KEYNES WALK

It's that time of year again when we wend our merry way to the sea for the annual HK Village Walk. It's in the diary for Saturday 28th June so let us know if you're interested in taking part this year.

We'll be starting from Marina Drive on the Brighton seafront at 8.30am. We'll then walk across the Downs towards HK via a couple of pubs. We'll stop for a picnic lunch in East Chiltington, near The Jolly Sportsman, around 12.30pm or so and walkers can choose to join there to complete the second half (or indeed give up after the first!). We'll then get to The Sloop around 5/5.30pm before the final push into the village for a 6.30pm arrival. There will be a BBQ at the Martindale where family and friends can gather to cheer us over the line – if anyone wants to take on organising the brass band, fireworks, bunting etc then let us know.

In terms of transport to Brighton, we're looking into the potential of booking taxis from The Green Man so if anyone is interested please let us know and/or if anyone has a kind partner/friend/offspring who would like to drive some people down, we can help coordinate lifts.

The total walk is around 22 miles and, whilst it's a fair distance, the pace isn't too punishing and the terrain is fairly easy (and very beautiful). Historically, we've always had great weather and we're hoping that the tradition continues for another year. In addition, please do use the walk for charity purposes – profits from the BBQ will go to a couple of local organisations but feel free to fundraise for your chosen charity.

There's a WhatsApp group for prospective walkers where we will be co-ordinating logistics – if you're potentially keen in joining then please use the link below to join the group. Otherwise message Jen directly on 07733267581.

JOIN THE WHATSAPP GROUP:

<https://chat.whatsapp.com/LZEVA78ux041kANhSISQY>

Any questions, thoughts, ideas... just let us know.

**Jen, Paddy & Geri**

### **Come and Sing**

Yes, it was our group who encouraged the sing-along at the Martindale for the VE Day celebrations, which we at least really enjoyed. We'll continue to meet Tuesday evenings at the Martindale 7.45-9pm. Informal time of singing, mostly in three-part harmony.



There's always room for more, and no audition is needed. It's a fun evening. Would you like to try us out? Come along on a Tuesday evening and see if we're the group for you. Further info from **Chris 01825 790467**.



THE HK BONFIRE CLUB PRESENTS

# THE Q100 QUIZ!

## New date!



Saturday  
21st June 2025



7.30pm for  
8pm start



The Horsted  
Club

ALL PROCEEDS WILL GO TO  
THE CHESTNUT TREE HOUSE  
CHILDREN'S HOSPICE



Chestnut  
Tree House

JUST £5 ENTRY (INCLUDES A LIGHT BUFFET)  
FOR TICKETS:

KEVIN: 07956 567709

KEITH: 07788 553563

OR: THE HORSTED CLUB

WITH THANKS TO THE HORSTED CLUB FOR HOSTING

# TOWN PLACE GARDEN

*Ketches Lane, Danehill, RH17 7NR*

Sunday 8th June

Wednesday 11th June

Wednesday 18th June

Sunday 22nd June

Sunday 29th June

Sunday 6th July

Open from 2 to 5pm

There will be a plant stall. We are not doing teas. However, visitors are welcome to bring their own tea/picnic and consume it in the garden. No dogs.

Entry is £8 for adults, children free. (Unchanged from last year.) Tickets either in advance from [ngs.org.uk](https://ngs.org.uk) or on the day at the gate, cash, card or contactless.

This will be our 29th year opening for the National Gardens Scheme. The NGS raises over £3m every year for charities such as Marie Curie, Macmillan Cancer Support and Hospice UK.





13<sup>th</sup> September 2025

Crown Inn Field

(The cricket pitch)

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**MUSIC / FOOD / PARTY / DANCING**



# St Giles CofE Primary School



Nurture - Inspire - Respect - Achieve

Bringing out the best in every child

This half term has flown by since returning to school after the Easter Bank Holiday. Even though this first part of the Summer Term has only been five weeks long, it has certainly been jam packed with lots of amazing things for our children, apart from their everyday learning.

One of the biggest things to happen this half term was that our Year 6 completed their SATs last week. We were all incredibly impressed with the calmness, confidence, and positive attitude that all of them brought to each of the four days, armed with their mascots and ready for their toast! Here at school, we were very proud of them all and their attitude towards the tests. They received their leavers' hoodies in church on Friday and will be wearing them for their PE lessons until the end of the Summer Term. The rest of the school also need a mention here, as during SATs week we were using four different rooms for the tests. This meant that they all had to be incredibly quiet during the morning sessions. They were amazing and worked so hard to support the Year 6s, so that they could have the best possible chances for the tests. We were so proud of them. We would also like to thank all of the governors and staff who helped out during SATs, either through invigilating or helping to make the toast in the morning; we couldn't have done it without you. A special mention should also go to Miss Murray, who has worked tirelessly to prepare and support both throughout their time in her class and this week especially – she is a star!

After SATS, Year 6 have also undertaken their cycling proficiency training and I am pleased to say all passed, so they are now trained to cycle on the roads. It is great to be able to offer this training, teaching such an important life skill. On top of this, Years 5 and 6 are about to start

preparing for their end-of-year show, which we believe has rocks in it this year! This is always a highly anticipated event in the school calendar, and we are all looking forward to watching the performances.

Just before the SATs, we had the May Fair on the rec, which was another huge success and such a fantastic community event. We were blessed with brilliant weather again and it seemed as if the whole village came out to support us. An extra special thank you needs to go to our wonderful PTA, who organised the fair and who work hard for the school to be able to fund a variety of enrichment activities for our children, as well as enabling us to purchase equipment to help enhance their learning experiences. We would also like to say a massive thank you to all concerned, from matched funding donations, sponsors, raffle prize donations, parent help and donations beforehand and on the day, and of course everyone who attended the fair.

This half term has also seen a KS1 trip to Wakehurst Place with St Peter's, a KS1 drama workshop, a cricket festival, a whole school archery session, Year 5 bikeability, first aid sessions for everyone and preschool visits from children starting in September. As a school we have certainly managed to cram a lot into five weeks, and we look forward to more amazing opportunities after the half term holiday!

With very best wishes,

*Mrs Coulson*

**Village Lunch—12.30pm—  
Friday 20th June**

The Village Lunch takes place on the third Friday in the month, which is the 20th in June. There is a team lined up ready to cook and serve it to us. The price for the lunch is £5.



The usual list will be in Horsted Keynes Stores. Please sign up before Monday 16th to help the cooks plan for the lunch. Don't forget to indicate if you have any special dietary requirements. We'll be very pleased to see you!

**James Nicholson (01825 790777)**

## HORSTED KEYNES PAROCHIAL CHURCH COUNCIL



**H ♦ K ♦ H E L P**



**If you need an errand running or urgent practical help, or  
otherwise to talk in confidence, please ask for  
H K HELP**

### **CONTACTS:**

(If you think someone needs help, with their permission  
please contact  
**H K HELP** on their behalf.)

- ♦ **Peter Heasman** telephone **01825 790459**, or email ***[peteliz.heasman1@gmail.com](mailto:peteliz.heasman1@gmail.com)***
- ♦ **David Lamb** telephone **01342 810814**, or email ***[davidlamb54@gmail.com](mailto:davidlamb54@gmail.com)***
- ♦ **Fr David** telephone **01825 790317**, or email ***[revdave@timicomail.co.uk](mailto:revdave@timicomail.co.uk)***

### **PRAYER**

**If you have a prayer request, contact HK Prayerline  
in confidence on 01825 791040 or  
email ***[hkprayerline@gmail.com](mailto:hkprayerline@gmail.com)*****





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| MON            | TUES  | WED                  | THU            | FRI   |
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Firstly we'd like to say a big thank you to Martin and Thelma who came and planted sunflowers with the children this week! Keep an eye on the tallest sunflower competition at this year's village Produce Show to see how they've grown!

We're gearing up for a busy summer with plenty of outdoor play, sports day and, inevitably, preparing to say goodbye to our biggest children as they make the big move to school in September.

With government-funded hours increasing from September, new children starting at Preschool, and some of our current children increasing their hours, we now have limited spaces available. If you have children age 2 and up and would like them to attend our friendly and welcoming village Preschool in the new school year, please get in touch ASAP! We have close links with St Giles Primary School, a small dedicated team, and are OFSTED rated Outstanding. We also strive to keep our fees as low as possible, and don't limit when you can use funded hours. Email [admin@horstedkeynespreschool.org.uk](mailto:admin@horstedkeynespreschool.org.uk) for more information.



## **Horsted Keynes Tennis Club**

We are a friendly and welcoming tennis club in the heart of Horsted Keynes; details of our facilities, activities and events for 2025 are listed below.

- \*Active Membership \* 3 NEW Tarmac Courts**
- \* 10-Week Junior/Adult Tennis Development Groups \* Cardio Tennis**
- \* Active Drills Hitting Sessions \* Adult/Youth Tennis Camps**
- \* Member Doubles, and Mini-league Competitions \* Club Social Events**
- \* Member Social Tennis Sessions \* Weald/Horam League Doubles Matches**

### **DATES FOR 2025**

*Sunday 25th May, 2pm* **French Open Doubles Competition**

Our first fun doubles day to kick off the Sociable doubles days.

*Sunday 31st May, 2pm* **Development Tournament**

A fun non-competitive doubles afternoon.

*Sunday 29th June, 3pm* **Wimbledon American Doubles Day**

A friendly enjoyable American Doubles day, usually with a lovely spread of food with a Wimbledon theme!

*Sunday 7th September, 12 noon* **US Open Doubles Competition**

A very successful format last year, again with mixed/men's/women's depending on numbers.

*Sunday 5th October* **Doubles Day**

A super fun mixed, men's and women's doubles day.

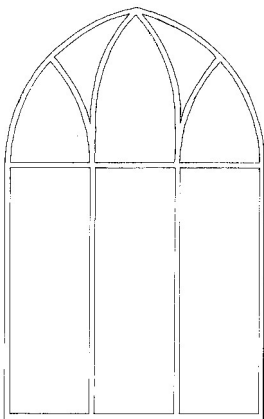
### **JOIN TODAY**

Email [membership@hktc.co.uk](mailto:membership@hktc.co.uk) for more information

Tennis Coaching associated with [egtenniscoaching.com](http://egtenniscoaching.com)

Group/Individual – Adult/Youth - Email: [Rob@egtenniscoaching.com](mailto:Rob@egtenniscoaching.com)

*Horsted Keynes Tennis Club Committee*



**Whether it's a party, a meeting,  
a celebration, a rehearsal  
or keeping fit,  
the Martindale Centre is the  
place for you**

The main unobstructed 11x7m main hall costs only £15/hour and the smaller 5x4.5m room is even less, both with reductions for block-booking, and there's a great all-day deal for the whole Centre.

Although there are already many bookings on weekdays, lots of vacancies exist both during mornings and afternoons, either for one-off events or for regular block-booking. Available weekdays and weekends, the centrally-heated Centre is wheelchair accessible, one of the toilets is equipped for the disabled, and there's ample free on-site parking. The high-ceilinged hall contains a piano and is attractively panelled in pale wood, the huge main window offering superb views across the Weald.

A well-appointed modern kitchen features a serving hatch to the main hall, and its facilities include a large double-hob double-oven cooker, microwave oven, fridge/freezer, industrial-type high-speed dishwasher, an urn, kettles and large plate-warmer plus a selection of cooking and serving utensils, a huge range of glasses of all types, jugs and enough crockery and cutlery for 100 places.

There's a new sound system and a 3m projection screen, and equipment is available to hire for use elsewhere but already included in the basic hire fee are an ample quantity of tablecloths, a large outdoor grass playing area and accommodation for bouncy castles inside and out, folding 6'x2' tables plus various others, and upholstered comfortable chairs for 100.

Details of the charges for all the options are available on the **St Giles Church website** ([www.stgileschurchhorstedkeynes.org.uk](http://www.stgileschurchhorstedkeynes.org.uk)) and for availability please contact **Booking Secretary Paul Fairweather** on **01825 790375** or email him on [martindalehk@gmail.com](mailto:martindalehk@gmail.com)



## HORSTED KEYNES CRICKET CLUB

The season is well underway at the cricket club, with some promising performances across the various teams.

Our first Saturday game in the new division saw a fantastic win at home against a very strong Cuckfield side. Batting first, the visitors managed a respectable 215 all out, restricted thanks to some tight Horsted bowling. Chris Rampling was the pick of the bowlers, taking five wickets for just 35 runs. The Horsted Keynes batsmen ensured a controlled and well-judged run chase to knock the runs off inside 35 overs. Contributions from Graham James (48), Cristian Crowson (55 not out) and a swashbuckling 36 from Peter Borsberry ensured it was a comfortable opening win in the league.

If the team thought that this division was all going to be plain sailing, they were to be brought back to earth with a bump at Bolney the following week. Despite having the opposition reduced to 122-6, some impressive hitting from the Bolney lower order saw them recover to a challenging 320-8 from their 40 overs. Huge credit must go to the whole team who didn't allow their heads to drop and set out after tea to tackle what would be the highest run chase in the club's history. A spirited 61 from Chris Rampling set the tone but, after a mix up with batting partner Jack Bacon, he was run out. Determined to make amends, Jack then set about smashing the Bolney bowlers to every part of their picturesque ground. He was supported at the other end by Alex Waters, as the two of them set about getting us as close as possible. At one stage it looked as though Horsted would do the impossible but Bolney seized the game in one over, first dismissing Jack for a wonderful 123 and then Alex for a superb 47, dashing any chance of a Horsted victory. We still managed to close on 303-7, our highest run chase in our history, albeit an unsuccessful one.

The Sunday team has also managed two games so far. Due to a drop out from the scheduled opposition for the first match, a replacement team was hastily arranged. A very strong Preston Park XI were the visitors and restricted Horsted Keynes to 192 all out, despite



a splendid 52 not out from George Holloway. Sadly, this was never going to be enough against a side stronger than most league teams we play, and they chased the runs down for the loss of just four wickets.

The following weekend saw the Sunday XI visit West Hoathly in what is the oldest known fixture in cricket. Horsted Keynes bowled first and the eleven contained four debutants, all of whom were in the wickets as the hosts were bowled out for 195. It was brilliant to see so many new players enjoying their cricket and we are delighted to welcome them to the club. After an excellent tea, Horsted Keynes set about their target with gusto, with Leigh Duly and Sam Hill effortlessly getting the score to 57 before Sam was then unfortunate to pick out a fielder with a lusty blow. The opposition at this stage unveiled their secret weapons, an even wicket and some interesting interpretation of the rules by the home umpire. Despite the best efforts of the Horsted batsmen, they were powerless to help against either, and even after a quickfire 40 from Joe Carey, the team fell 20 runs short at the end.

Finally, the junior section has been going from strength to strength, with nearly 40 youngsters out enjoying the sun and the coaching on Sunday mornings. A huge thank you to all who give up your time to make it happen.

I have really enjoyed seeing so many people, both long-term members and those playing for us for the first time, and the club is in a brilliant place at the start of this exciting season.

I look forward to seeing as many of you as possible up at the club over the course of the summer.

**Oli Wright—Chairman HKCC**

## **Life and Faith**

Thursdays 2.30pm at 20 Hamsland.

We are still in Eastertide and are using Iranian-born Guli Francis-Dehqani, Bishop of Chelmsford's reflections on Jesus' words from the cross as the basis of our discussions. These are to be found in her book ***Cries for a lost homeland***.



## GARDENER'S CALENDAR

Heading towards the end of May, here we have had less than an inch of rain throughout April and May. The grass has turned a shade of brown; only the daisies, clover, dandelions and buttercups are still green so it hardly needs mowing. Needless to say, anything newly planted requires watering. The May/Whitsun bank holiday is looking wet as the wind swings round to the SW so we may find “a dripping June brings all things in tune”! Farmers will welcome any rain.

June and July, like May, is full-on in the garden. Climbers, especially clematis and honeysuckles, will need tying in and unwanted growth trimmed off. Early-flowering clematis - montana, alpina, macropetala and cirrhosa types - can be pruned after flowering to keep growth under control if they are rampant. Later flowering ones should be kept watered in dry spells to minimise mildew; likewise, climbing roses do not like dry conditions so will benefit from a soak if they are against a house wall or in a sheltered place.

Spring-flowering shrubs may be pruned (eg, forsythia, spirea, deutzia, osmanthus, mahonia and camellias). Daffodils/narcissi foliage in grass has died off so it may all be strimmed and the vegetation raked off. Avoid cutting any hedges except small box (buxus) hedging and topiary whilst birds are still nesting. Box wood moth caterpillars are in evidence; they are the larvae of a **moth**, *cydalima perspectalis*, which lays its eggs on the undersides of box leaves. The resulting caterpillars create cobweb-like webbing over their feeding area, and devour the box leaves. After around a month, the caterpillar forms a chrysalis which emerges as a box tree moth, which then mates, perpetuating the cycle. Box tree caterpillars can be a problem from spring to autumn, producing multiple generations. You can try to remove the caterpillars by hand if the infestation is small or you only have a few plants – you will need to do this every day once signs of their presence have been spotted, and check deep within the plant. You can also prune out the stems covered in webbing, using secateurs. Dopple or other bio-pesticides help control the caterpillars (this is based on a bacterium toxic to caterpillars when they ingest it) but repeated treatments are necessary.

Gardening is often a battle with the unwelcome elements of nature including pigeons, grey squirrels, and badgers digging up lawns. Protect young brassica plants from pigeons if you are plagued by them as we are. Check fruit-cage netting for holes as the strawberry, currant and raspberry season starts; hungry birds are quick to share the harvest! Watch out for aphids of various kinds - green, grey and black - which proliferate in the warmth on young tender shoots, rose buds, lupin flowers,

Second sowings of carrots, beetroot and annual spinach may be made in June and late plantings of vegetables like leeks, courgettes, sweetcorn, kale and purple sprouting broccoli. Runner and french beans benefit from watering in dry spells but a good soak once a week rather than a small amount daily. Dead-head roses and early-flowering herbaceous plants such as aquilegia and campanula persicifolia, as well as bulbs like camassia leitchinii alba and alliums. Enjoy the strawberry season!

**Lindsay Shurvell—Courtlands Nurseries**



## ***First Steps***

Maybe it feels as though you're getting it right when the 2- or 3-year-olds assist by dragging the dolls' house towards the hall, when it was supposed to be going back in the cupboard, or by ensuring that their Mum requests that they borrow a favoured toy 'til next week'. Content and confident is how these children could be described—which isn't a bad place to be!

Life is not always a bed of roses for families with small children but, under the umbrella of St Giles Church we aim at First Steps to provide a place where everyone can relax, meet and make friends and learn what it means to live in a community.

Put simply, at the Martindale on Wednesday mornings (9.30-11.30) in term-time we offer a warm and safe place for anyone to bring the babies and young children for whom they care.

For more info call **Chris on 01825 790467.**

## **HKafe**

This month we will welcome the current year 6 pupils to HKafe for a taster session, and invite them to join the session for the rest of this term, so that they know where to find us when they transition to secondary school in September.

So our sessions will continue at the Martindale on Tuesday afternoons 3.30-4.45pm until the end of term, with a variety of games, table tennis, pool and a free waffle or pancake with other snacks to purchase.

Five Brownies from our unit joined 6,000 Rainbows, Brownies, Guides and Rangers from the London and South-east England Region for an exciting day out on 10th May. With lots of fun and adventures in four activity zones at Ardingly Showground, the **May-hem** event was an action-packed day! There were “dinosaurs”, giant inflatables, a silent disco, model making, story-telling, science & space activities, circus skills, bubbles, streamers, giant beach balls and even a fly past by the air ambulance! The Brownies had a fantastic time and went home with stories of an amazing day and a souvenir badge too.



All Brownies are hoping to gain the Brownie Eco Award this term and we started by planting sunflower seeds to grow the tallest sunflower for the Craft and Produce Show in August. Also, you'll see the Brownie flower bed has been planted up in a design created by Claudia. We'll be doing a Brownie litter pick and the Zero Waste badge too.

At the Open Gardens day on 21st June, do come along and have a look at the Brownie garden on The Green near the Village Hall. We'll be there and children can paint a pebble to place round the edge of the garden.

We have spaces in our unit for girls aged 7-10 who want to join us for all the fun! If your daughter's ready for some exciting adventures, please register on the Girlguiding website at [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

**Kay MacNaughton**

**Rhoda Miles**

**Emma Bell**

**Kitt Webster**

## Meet the Menders at Forest Row Repair Café

As part of an ongoing series, Fleur Britten introduces the brainy IT repair team.

Tucked away in our drawers, cupboards and got-to-sort-out piles is a nationwide hoard of broken devices – from phones that won't charge, to laptops with sticking keyboards and tablets with cracked screens. According to *businesswaste.co.uk*, around 20% of all electronic devices in UK homes are unused, slowly slipping into obsolescence because we just don't know what to do with them.

What's more, a new survey by Una Watch found that 47% of us would rather buy a new device than try to fix a broken one. This means that huge amounts are being discarded – UK households produce over 400,000 tonnes of e-waste each year (in fact, e-waste is the world's fastest-growing solid waste stream), with only 31.2% being recycled. As well as the loss of recyclable rare-earth materials, e-waste is also an eco hazard, with toxic elements (eg, lead, mercury and cadmium) potentially leaching into the soil and water.

Enter the Forest Row Repair Café, or more specifically, our wonderful IT volunteers! Keith Weir, a retired computer specialist, has worked on operating system and distributed systems development, network communications and standards; Nic Gibson is a technical account manager specialising in server and database technologies and other matters too complex for us to grasp. His very capable son, Peter, also often helps out. Together, they've saved countless devices from landfill.

Computers are their speciality, whether it's installing necessary software, fixing bugs, resolving password problems and printer jams, diagnosing why computers keep crashing or run so slowly, or advising on new parts needed, where to buy them, and even helping customers fit them too. They'll also help with tablets and phones, advising on software fixes or settings problems, though, Keith warns, "these repairs often require micro-soldering, which is best done by specialist repairers – but we may be able to point you in the right direction." (Printers, annoyingly, have a lower success rate, due to their "complexity", Keith explains.)

As with all our Repair Café volunteers, the IT team brings a can-do spirit: "It's worth trying us on anything," says Keith. "We can always say if it's beyond us."

**The next Café is Saturday 21st June at the Community Centre,  
Forest Row RH18 5DZ.  
10am-1.00pm with last orders at 12.30pm.**



The Sussex charity for children since 1890

Can you spare a few hours this summer? FSW is looking for volunteers to lend a hand with the Open Gardens season, whether just for a few hours or multiple events. If you'd like to help with setting up or clearing away, serving tea and cake or baking and donating cakes for the garden events, please contact Jane at [jane@familysupportwork.org.uk](mailto:jane@familysupportwork.org.uk)  
***Open Gardens (Children admitted free in all cases)***

7th June, 2-5pm: Kitchenham Farm Open Gardens, Kitchenham Road, Ashburnham, Battle TN33 9NP. Adult: £6.

9th & 10th June, 2-5pm: Butler's Farmhouse Open Garden, Butlers Lane, Herstmonceux, BN27 1QH. Adult: £6.

11th & 12th June, 11am-4pm: The Old Rectory, Kingsley Hill, Warbleton TN21 9PT. Adult: £9.

14th & 15th June, 11am-5pm: Alderbury Open Garden, Church Hill, Pulborough RH20 1AB. Adult: £7.50.

21st June, 11am-4pm: Bexhill Open Garden Trail, Westlands, 36 Collington Avenue, Bexhill TN39 3NE. Adult: £7.

22nd June, 11am-4.30pm: Seaford Open Garden Trail, 34 Chyngton Road, Seaford, BN25 4HP. Adult: £9.

26th June, 10.30am-4.30pm: Meadowside Open Garden, 7 Finches Lane, West Chiltington RH20 2PX. Adult: £6.

Thank you to all who contribute to the box in the church porch for the FSW food bank. Current special requests are for toiletries (shampoo, toothpaste and body wash), savoury snacks and squash for diluting. **SL**

## Danehill Parish Historical Society

We will be meeting again on  
June 24th

Venue: Danehill Memorial Hall

Members: Free. Visitors £4.00

Doors open: 7.00 for 7.30pm start.

Our speaker will be Andy Saunders who has been highly recommended as a specialist in air battles over Sussex. At this venue he will be concentrating on the **Dog Fights over Ashdown Forest and Danehill.**

Some of you may remember an earlier publication of DPHS that featured photographs by a local resident of Danehill of a dog fight and the vapour trails in the sky.

Another of our evenings commemorating the 80th anniversary of the end of WW2.

**Sue Ray**

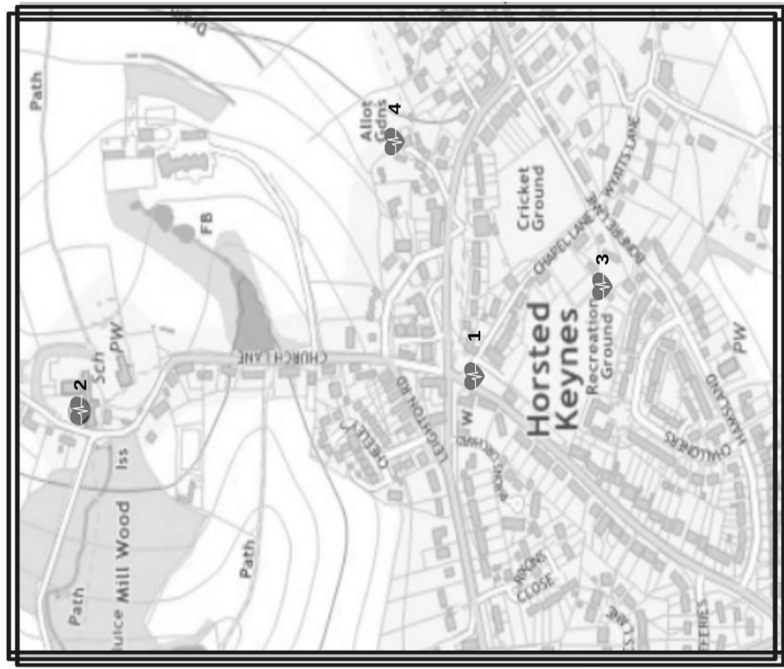


**HORSTED KEYNES DEFIBRILLATOR LOCATIONS**

| LOCATION                       | DESCRIPTION      | WHAT3WORDS                        |
|--------------------------------|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| 1. Horsted Club                | Locked Outside   | Duet.<br>Teaches.<br>Song.        |
| 2. St Giles School             | Unlocked Outside | Deluded.<br>Trades.<br>Irrigated. |
| 3. Memorial Pavillion          | Unlocked Outside | Rewrites.<br>Prosper.<br>Helpful. |
| 4. Village Hall                | Unlocked Inside  | Loads.<br>Afterglow.<br>Craters.  |
| Horsted Keynes Railway Station | Locked Outside   | Column.<br>Reach.<br>Forget       |



Use [www.defibfinder.uk](http://www.defibfinder.uk) to locate your nearest defibrillator.



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***Horsted Keynes - Helping to keep our village safe***

***Area Co-ordinator Mrs Tricia Raney - [hkeynesnw@aol.com](mailto:hkeynesnw@aol.com)***

***Mrs Tricia Raney (as above)*** - Station Road (including The Martindale, Rixons Close & Rixons Orchard) and The Green (including Allotments, Hillcrest, The Crown, The Green Man and The Village Hall),

***Mr Ian Johnston 01342 811298*** - Broadhurst Manor Road & Chilling Street.

***Mrs Mary Elston 07964 455547*** - Keysford Lane to the waterworks, with the addition of Waterbury Hill, up to and including Little Oddynes Farm.

***Mrs Philippa Gibbons 791208*** - Challoners & Home Farm Court

***Mrs Heidi Mowforth 790825*** - Railway Cottages and the Bluebell Railway (HK)

***Mrs Peggy Rothwell 790950*** - Hamsland (including St Stephen's Church).

***Mr Clive Illingworth 790890*** - Boxes Lane, Jefferies and Lewes Road.

***Mr Clive Collins 790609*** — Cheeleys, Church Lane (including St Giles) & Leighton Road.

***Lt. Col. (Retired) Geoffrey Vesey Holt MBE, BA (Hons Dunelm) 791187*** - Bonfire Lane, Birch Grove Road (including Lucas & Westall House) with the addition of Wyatts Lane.

***Mr Mike Palmer 790890*** - Chapel Lane (including the Recreational Ground, Cricket, Horsted and Tennis Clubs), Sugar Lane and Treemans Road.

***Police Contact Numbers:***

***Emergencies only - 999. Non urgent - 101.***

***Our PCSO for the Parish is PCSO Nicola Lowe and our Rural PCSO is RPCSO Steve Skerman.***

***Police online reporting please see [www.sussex.police.uk](http://www.sussex.police.uk) and via the new Police.UK app.***

***Crimestoppers - 0800 555111, [www.crimestoppers-uk.org](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org), where you can report all crimes, including Rural Crimes, anonymously if you wish.***

***To find out more about NHW and what we do please visit [www.ourwatch.org.uk](http://www.ourwatch.org.uk)***



Hello everyone,

### **Village Centre:**



Please remember that if you have witnessed any incidents, or suspicious behaviour, report them to Sussex Police or Crime Stoppers via the usual numbers or email addresses opposite.

Advice on how to protect yourselves from scams to safeguarding your property can be found on the Sussex Police website advice pages. Alternatively, we have numerous leaflets in the HK NHW leaflet stand in the Giles Moore Room at the Martindale Centre.

### **Rural Parts of the Parish:**

Ewes, their lambs and cattle have all made a welcome return to their fields. As always, please be respectful when out for a walk with your dog/s and please keep them on a lead. Please also ensure that you leave gates as you find them.

Again, if you witness any incidents or suspicious behaviour please remember to report them to Sussex Police; the information will then be transferred to the dedicated Rural Crime Team (RCT).

### **HK NHW Information:**

Hopefully, by the time you read this article, those of you who have kindly joined the **HK Community Resilience Programme** will have completed the first of the two 90-minute training sessions. More on that next month.

**Stay safe, keep vigilant and help our wonderful community by reporting all incidents to Sussex Police.**

**Tricia Raney (Mrs)**

**Area Co-ordinator Horsted Keynes Neighbourhood Watch & Country Watch**

**Member of Sussex Rural Crime Partnership & Sussex Community Resilience Partnership.**

# HORSTED KEYNES POST OFFICE

***Tuesdays & Fridays, 1-4pm  
in the SMALL Village Hall***

***OPEN for the following:***

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- ❖ Business Banking – deposits
- ❖ Car Tax
- ❖ BFPO mail
- ❖ Bill Payments
- ❖ Mobile Phone top ups
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Abusive behaviour towards PO staff will not be tolerated.

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First Tuesday of each month—

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7-45 set up - 8pm start

For more info please contact

Austin at The Green Man

Or Brian Reynolds: 01444 242233

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*<https://bit.ly/villagehallbookings>*

***Sonja - 791089***

***The next Lindfield Repair Café will be on  
Saturday 7th June  
United Reform Church***

***ALL REPAIRS MUST BE CHECKED IN BY 12.30PM FOR COMPLETION BY CLOSING AT  
1PM PLEASE***

**Computer advice at Lindfield Repair Café:** We don't carry spares, so physical repairs aren't usually practical, and the aim is not to compete with local professional services, but they can help with many technical issues that may be making you think about replacing your device prematurely. Don't forget the power supply!

**Recycling Collection Points at the Café:**

**Used Candle Wax** for recycling by the Candle Lady

**Used Batteries** to be recycled in exchange for books for a local primary school Recycle to Read ([www.jointhepod.org](http://www.jointhepod.org))

**Printer Cartridges**

**MEND** everyday items, **RESTORE** family treasures, **SAVE** money, **REDUCE** waste,  
**VISIT Lindfield Repair Café**

*Lindfield Repair Café is open on the first Saturday of the month at the United Reformed Church, 50 High Street, Lindfield, RH16 2HL from 10am to 1pm.*

**Please check our website/social media pages for the latest updates [https://  
www.lindfieldrepaircafe.org/](https://www.lindfieldrepaircafe.org/)**

*Note: Lindfield Repair Café cannot guarantee that they will be able to repair all items brought in, but they will always have a go if possible! Spare parts for repairs are not supplied so if you need a new zip or bulb fitted it may be worth purchasing one before you come along!*



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**email** [info@davidjenkinsdesign.co.uk](mailto:info@davidjenkinsdesign.co.uk) [www.davidjenkinsdesign.co.uk](http://www.davidjenkinsdesign.co.uk)

**Andrew Paine** - RIBA chartered architectural practice in Horsted Keynes with experience in historic, listed and modern buildings. Full design and management of residential, community and commercial projects. Recently shortlisted for AJ Retrofit design Award. [www.APArchitecture.co.uk](http://www.APArchitecture.co.uk) **01825 791089 or 020 7207 5898**

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[www.courtlandsnurseries.co.uk](http://www.courtlandsnurseries.co.uk) **01342 810780**

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## **ADVANCE DATES**

**To avoid any clashes, check the Village Diary (Sally Lamb 01342 810814)**

### **July**

- 6th 10am All-Age Eucharist: Peace to this house  
12th It's an H-Knockout! HK Preschool, Cricket pitch  
26th 12 noon Marriage of Thomas Lambert and Wanda Von Knobelsdorff

### **Aug**

- 2nd Horsted Keynes Produce and Craft Show, Village Hall  
3rd 10am All-Age Eucharist: Keeping it all to yourself  
9th 1pm Marriage of Jeremy Daubeney and Charlotte (Lottie) Hinton

### **Sept**

- 6th The Rove (Horsted Cahagnes)  
7th 10am All-Age Eucharist: St Giles  
13th HK Cricket Club Ball

### **Oct**

- 5th 10am All-Age Eucharist: Harvest

### **Nov**

- 2nd 10am All-Age Eucharist: All Saints

### **Dec**

- 7th 10am All-Age Eucharist: Advent/Toys

## **WEDNESDAY COFFEE MORNINGS**

**The Horsted Club between 10.30 and 11.45 am**



Every Wednesday the Club hosts a friendly coffee morning which is usually attended by 8 - 12 villagers. Tea/coffee and cakes are enjoyed as we chat and catch up on what's going on in our lives.

Newcomers are very welcome and made to feel at home. So why not come and join us!

## LOCAL CLUBS AND ORGANISATIONS

|                              |                                                |                                             |
|------------------------------|------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|
| 1st HK Beavers, Cubs, Scouts | Lynda Railton                                  | 01342 322205                                |
| 1st HK Brownies              | Kay MacNaughton                                | 790594                                      |
|                              | Rhoda Miles                                    | 790565                                      |
| Angling Club                 | Mr P Orsbourn, Chairman                        | 07766524694                                 |
| Art & Craft Group            | Sue Karle                                      | 791466                                      |
|                              | Carole MacNaughton                             | 790875                                      |
| Bluebell Railway Pre. Soc.   | Membership Sec.                                | 720800                                      |
| Bonfire Club                 | Kevin Coulson                                  | 791859                                      |
| Cahagnes Society             | Sarah Amos                                     | 01825 790490                                |
| County Councillor            | Garry Wall <i>garry.wall@westsussex.gov.uk</i> | 07946 549867                                |
| Cricket Club                 | Robert Watts                                   | 01825 791557                                |
| Danehill Parish Hist.Soc.    | Anne Drewery <i>dphs@outlook.com</i>           | 01825 740298                                |
| District Councillors         | Paul Brown                                     | 01342 811866                                |
|                              | Lorraine Carvalho                              |                                             |
|                              | <i>lorraine.carvalho@midsussex.gov.uk</i>      |                                             |
| First Steps                  | Chris Wheatley                                 | 790467                                      |
| Football Club                | Charlie Tyzack (Secretary)                     | 07990 952929                                |
|                              | <i>horstedkeynesfootballclub@gmail.com</i>     |                                             |
| Friends of Chernobyl's       | Sheila Nash (Co-ordinator)                     | 01825 790295                                |
| Children                     | Ruth Taylor (Secretary)                        | 01444 482156                                |
| Friends of HK Church         | Dawn Hitchen                                   | 07714 782749                                |
| Friends of St Giles School   | Becky Melvin (Chair)                           | <i>stgilespta3@gmail.com</i>                |
| Glebe Allotments             | Mr J Kench                                     | 790585                                      |
| HK Boules Group              |                                                | <i>horstedkeynesboules@yahoo.com</i>        |
| HK Hackers                   | Phil Miles                                     | 01825 790565                                |
| HK Post Office & Shop Assoc. | Nikki King (Chairman)                          | 790495                                      |
| HK Wildlife Group            |                                                | <i>horstedkeyneswildlifegroup@gmail.com</i> |
| Heating Oil, Bulk Ordering   | Chris Ollif <i>chrisollif@gmail.com</i>        | /07400 094549/790546                        |
| Horsted Club                 | Mrs Linda Jones                                | 790864                                      |
| Kung Fu/Kick Boxing          | Mark Stevenson                                 | 07834 375776                                |
| Martindale Centre            | Bookings: Paul Fairweather                     | 790375                                      |
| Neighbourhood Watch          | Please see our page for your village contact   |                                             |
| Parish Council               | Parish Office Mobile: 07939436228              | 01825 791919                                |
| Preschool                    | Becky Barnard                                  | 01444 371524                                |
|                              | <i>admin@horstedkeynespreschool.org.uk</i>     |                                             |
| Royal British Legion         | Chris Ollif                                    | 07400 094549/790546                         |
|                              | Alan Davies (Poppy Co-ordinator)               | 01825 790410                                |
| St Giles C of E School       | Mrs Alison Coulson                             | 790240                                      |
| Tennis Club                  | Mr John Hunt                                   | <i>membership@hktc.co.uk</i>                |
| Tuesday Group                | Mrs Linda Allan                                | 01825 791516                                |
| Village Hall Bookings        | Sonja Graham                                   | 791089                                      |
|                              | <i>https://bit.ly/villagehallbookings</i>      |                                             |
| Village Hall Committee       | Mr P Willis                                    | 790378                                      |
|                              | <i>horstedkeynesvillagehall@gmail.com</i>      |                                             |

*Summer is here.  
Once more the house has its  
Spray of martins, Proust's fountain  
Of small birds, whose light shadows  
Come and go in the sunshine  
Of the lawn as thoughts do  
In the mind....*

(From *The Place* by R S Thomas)

On an April trip to see friends in Winchester, we visited Edward Austen Knight's manor house at Chawton, close to the cottage he provided for his mother and sisters, Jane and Cassandra, to live in. It was an imposing 16th-century house, with lovely gardens and masses of snake's-head fritillaries growing in the grass down the avenue approaching the manor. Scattered around the garden were various plaques bearing quotes from Jane Austen's writing and letters, including this one, next to the mulberry tree in the walled garden: 'I will not say that your Mulberry trees are dead, but I am afraid they are not alive.' Such a tactful way of putting it, but I'm sure no such tact will be necessary for the Horsted Keynes Open Gardens on 21st June: the gardens here are always glorious and bursting with life!

Sadly for us all, this is the last P&P carrying a letter from Fr David, as he, Christine and Barney will soon be leaving Horsted Keynes to start a new episode of their lives up in Lancashire. This is exciting for them but, needless to say, they will be hugely missed by all of us here who have benefitted greatly from their wisdom, consolation, instruction, humour and warm friendship. (Please see p 8 to find out about the farewell lunch that is planned.)

Also, after around ten years of willing and exemplary service, Penny and Dick Carter have decided it is time to hand over to others their role as P&P distributors. Ideally, it is a job for two people: one to drive, one to drop off the sorted magazine bundles (collected earlier from Moira) to the various deliverers. It takes roughly an hour and a half, ten times a year. If you feel this is something you can undertake towards the end of each month (excluding July and December as they are joint issues), Penny would be happy to chat with you about it (01825 740177), and we would be extremely grateful for your help. Thank you.

**Sally Lamb**