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Thank you to Wendy Thomas for her donation towards the cost of the Parish Magazine and for all those who donated at the Parish Meeting.

CANCER RESEARCH UK COLLECTION TIN

This tin is in the Post Office and is organised by Judith Clifton. She has just emptied it and sent £19.82 to Cancer Research UK.

Thanks to all those who contributed.

Appledore Local History Society

Save the Date ... Our popular guest speaker, Author and Historian, **Andy Saunders**, will be back on **Saturday 3rd June** to present his latest talk. Full details in next month's Parish Magazine.

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Editorial

Welcome to the April 2023 issue of the Parish Magazine.

As I write this there is a wave of illness throughout the village. Several people have confirmed Covid and others have bad colds, which might be Covid, but few people are bothering to test at present.

Covid is still around. It is estimated that there were over 1,000,000 cases of Covid in England last week. It is also known that there were over 10,000 deaths from Covid in England last week. Locally, the statistics are 56 deaths last month, 58 hospital admissions, 49 patients in hospital and 1 patient on a ventilator last week.

Viral infections are usually caught in a crowded place. I have Covid myself which I believe I caught at the Parish Meeting which was held in the small hall which made it crowded and several people were there with blatant viral infections (Covid status unknown). I am reasonably healthy but there were older and frailer people than me in that room, who, if infected, could die from complications.

SO PLEASE, IF YOU HAVE A VIRAL INFECTION, STAY AT HOME.

On a different note, this is a time of thank yous and goodbyes.

First we have to say thank you and goodbye to Mick Burgess who has served as our Borough Councillor for many years. I found him easy to work with when I was on the Parish Council. I also owe him immense gratitude for when he helped to ensure that my daughter got her council house in Heathside, when it looked like it was destined for a homeless family from Ashford. He will be a hard act to follow. I am hoping next month to have some information from the election candidates, which will help us to elect another good councillor.

We have to say thank you but not goodbye to Maureen, who has run Pilates classes since 2017. She came to Appledore to retire, but ended up running regular Pilates classes and editing the magazine! Many of us have benefitted physically from these classes. She even kept both of these activities going through the pandemic! Now, at last, she can properly retire and we hope she will have time to enjoy some of her bucket list activities.

And finally, we have this week, been saying goodbye to Heather Parker. Heather was Chairperson of the Garden Society. She has had terminal cancer for sometime and finally it became really terminal. We pay tribute for her work with the Garden Society, and give our love and understanding to her family and close friends who supported her in her final days.

Ruth

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Appledore Village Hall Diary – April 2023

Monday	Parent & Toddler Group	10am - 1pm
Monday	Aerobics	6.15pm - 7pm
Tuesday	Hamstreet Surgery Prescription Collection	10.15am - 10.45am
Tuesday	Art Class	1pm - 4pm
Tuesday	Yoga	7pm - 8pm
Wednesday	Aerobics	6.15pm - 7pm
Wednesday	Lindy Fit	7.30pm – 9pm
Friday	Tai Chi	10.15am - 11am No class 7th and 14th
Saturday 1 April	Church Cake Bake	9.30am onwards
Monday 3rd April	Parish Council Meeting	7.30pm
Tuesday 4th April	Pilates	9.30 - 10.30am
Wednesday 5th April	Breakfast Get Together	9.30 - 10.30am
Thursday 6th April	Pilates	7 - 8pm
Tuesday 11 April	CARM Meeting Point	10.00 –11.30am
Saturday 15th April	Church Cake Bake	9.30am onwards
	Multi Stall Market	9.30am - 3pm
Sunday 16th April	Antique Fair	9am - 3pm
Tuesday 18th April	NEW Pilates	5.45 - 6.45pm
Wednesday 19th April	Breakfast Get Together	9.30 -11.30am
Thursday 20th April	NEW Pilates	9.45 -10.45am
Friday 21st April	Ramble	1pm Recreation Ground
	Curry Night	6.30pm
<u>Sunday 23rd April</u>	<u>Alert Siren test run—early evening</u>	
Tuesday 25th April	CARM Meeting Point	10 -11.30am
Tuesday 25th April	Annual Church Meetings	6pm Church
	Pilates	5.45 - 6.45pm
Thursday 27th April	Pilates	9.45 - 10.45am
Friday 28th April	Garden Society—Brogdale at Blossom Time	2pm
	Black Lion reopens	Live music from 7pm
Saturday 29th April	Church Cake Bake	9.39am onwards

HE CHURCH OF ENGLAND IN TENTERDEN, ROTHER AND OXNEY

We are a group of churches covering Appledore, Ebony, Newenden, Rolvenden, Smallhythe, St Michael's, Stone, Tenterden and Wittersham.

SERVICES IN CHURCH AND ONLINE DURING APRIL

Morning Prayer will be said Monday to Friday at 9am in Tenterden Church. This service will not appear online.

Beginning the Day with God, a ten-minute reflective service, will be **online only** from Monday to Saturday.

Ending the Day with God, a ten-minute reflective service, will be **online only** from Monday to Saturday.

Holy Communion will be celebrated at St Michael's every Wednesday, and at Tenterden every Thursday. Both celebrations will begin at 10am, and last about twenty-five minutes. These services won't appear online.

To access our daily online worship, visit:

YouTube

St Mildred's, Tenterden

Online services can also be accessed through the daily bulletin, **Connect Up!**

To receive **Connect Up!** please visit our website:
www.tentroxchurches.co.uk

Saturday 1st April

9am The Object of Lent: Coats 1 (*Appledore*)
A thirty-minute service followed by optional breakfast

Sunday 2nd April: Palm Sunday

11am A Palm Sunday Celebration (*Appledore*)
6pm Choral Evensong (*Stone*)

Monday 3rd April: Monday in Holy Week

7pm The Object of Lent: Coats 2 (*Tenterden*)

Tuesday 4th April: Tuesday in Holy Week

7pm The Object of Lent: Oil (*Tenterden*)

Wednesday 5th April: Wednesday in Holy Week7pm The Object of Lent: Towels (*Tenterden*)**Thursday 6th April: Maundy Thursday**7pm The Liturgy of the Last Supper and Vigil (*Tenterden*)**Friday 7th April: Good Friday**10am Walk of Witness and Prayer (*Appledore*)*Beginning at the Village Hall Car Park*2pm The Last Hour of the Cross (*Newenden*)2pm Good Friday Service (*Tenterden*)*Live streamed and online thereafter*7pm The Object of Lent: Thorns 1 (*Tenterden*)**Saturday 8th April: Holy Saturday**9am The Object of Lent: Thorns 2 (*Tenterden*)7pm A Service of Waiting and Expectation (*Tenterden*)**Sunday 9th April: Easter Day**6am Dawn Service (*Smallhythe*)11am The Eucharist (*Appledore*)6pm Choral Evensong (*Stone*)**Sunday 16th April: The Second Sunday of Easter**11am Celtic Morning Prayer (*Appledore*)6pm Choral Evensong (*Tenterden*): *Live streamed and online thereafter***Sunday 23rd April: The Third Sunday of Easter**11am The Eucharist (*Appledore*)6pm Said Evensong with Hymns (*Tenterden*):*Live streamed and online thereafter***Sunday 30th April: The Fourth Sunday of Easter or Good Shepherd Sunday**11am Celtic Morning Prayer (*Appledore*)6pm Said Evensong (*Tenterden*): *Live streamed and online thereafter*



Holy Week begins on Palm Sunday and ends on Easter Day and tells the story of the last week of Jesus' life on earth.

Holy Week is crucially important. So important, that about one-third of the gospel story focuses on this week.

We often think of Holy Week as the commemoration, one at a time, of a series of events in the life of Jesus. But Holy Week is really a single observance with an integral unity of purpose and proclamation. Holy Week is like a procession, which begins with palms and branches on Palm Sunday, and continues throughout the week as we follow Jesus to the cross and to the glory and wonder of his resurrection.

Will you follow Jesus faithfully in the whole procession of Holy Week? If you do, it will be your privilege to share in some of the richest rites and ceremonies of the Christian Church, and so be fed and nourished spiritually by drawing closer to Jesus, our Messiah and Lord. Elsewhere in this issue of the magazine, you will find the services for Holy Week.



Coronation Songs of Praise

On Sunday 7th May, we will be holding a Coronation Songs of Praise in Tenterden Church at 6pm which we hope will bring together people from across our nine churches and communities. We are forming a 'scratch choir' for the occasion, consisting of church choir members, those who sing in our community choirs, and those who don't sing in a choir but who would like to swell the choral ranks! Get in touch with Lindsay or Jeanette if you'd like to be part of the Coronation Choir.

Letter from the Church

Sitting at my desk, I hear the chime of the church bell tolling the 'noon-tide' hour: the hour of crucifixion; the hour the reality of the death of Christ on Good Friday becomes apparent; the hour of 'darkness over the whole earth.' (Luke 23:44)

April is a month when each of our nine churches prepares to mark the death and resurrection of Jesus. Our beautiful buildings will physically reflect everything from the mournful moments of Maundy Thursday to the desperate despondency of Good Friday before we reach the tearful triumph of Easter Day. And, hopefully, many from our local communities will come and join us for this journey from darkness to light.

Our church buildings provide a focal point for the retelling and reliving of the Christian story, but some believe that these ancient edifices stifle the mission and growth of the church and drain financial resources. Are they just functional - a location for obscure rites or do they have a broader purpose?

For the most part the churches in our group are open during the day. Many volunteers faithfully go in morning and evening to open up and prepare the building for the day ahead and we thank them for that.

These buildings have a timeless beauty which celebrates the history of our culture and our faith as well as the skills and talents of builders, architects, painters, sculptors, electricians, artists and many others who have over the centuries created and reimagined a hallowed space. When we see such skill and beauty we can be touched by something timeless and transcendent.

Churches are also places of stillness, tranquillity and calm. These spaces have a vastness about them that seems to somehow draw us beyond ourselves and expose us to a sense of a world beyond, the power of God, the movement of the Spirit. Many people come in to pray – or simply to *be* in the silence. Candles are lit too – and perhaps for those times when we do not know what to say or how to pray, that is a perfect expression of our feelings, thoughts and emotions. Sacred space, it seems, gives people permission to be reflective, quiet, and prayerful in the general sense of offering their thanks or fears or hopes into the silence.

Our churches are also places rich in history. The memorials both inside and outside tell of faithful lives lived in those spaces. We sense the cycle of life being played out through the walls which resonate with the faithful prayers of those who have come in joy and in sorrow, in anticipation and hope and made their voices heard before God. They have sung and danced, wailed and lamented before the Almighty.

The worn away stone floors where our predecessors have stepped are reminders of the timeless journey we all make towards God as we join with them in coming before God with a longing for healing, forgiveness, acceptance, and love.

This Holy Week and Easter why not be a part of the story and history of your local church and the resurrection faith we share today with those of the past – and of course – those yet to come.

Rerd Jeanette Kennett

Team Vicar, Tenterden, Rother and Oxney Benefice.

The Annual Church Meetings

The Annual Church Meetings are in fact two separate meetings: the Annual Parish Meeting and the Annual Parochial Church Meeting. The purpose of the Annual Parish Meeting is to elect two churchwardens.

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting follows the Annual Church Meeting (APCM). The main purpose of the APCM is to receive the Annual Report, thank God for all that we have been enabled to do during the past year, catch a vision of our future with God, and elect church members to the Parochial Church Council (PCC).

The key to participation in the APCM, and to stand for election to the post of churchwarden or to the PCC, is inclusion on the church electoral roll. We have displayed copies of the church electoral rolls in our churches so that you can check if your name is already included. If it isn't, please complete an electoral roll form, which you will find in church.

If you would like to stand for election to the post of churchwarden or to election to the PCC, please complete the relevant nomination form, which you will find in church. And, of course, we are always ready and willing to chat with you about any of this stuff!

The date of Appledore's Annual Church Meetings will be Tuesday 25 April at 6pm in the Church.

The Third Hour

a recital of sacred music and readings for

Good Friday

sung by the

Bourne Consort

directed by

Matthew Raisbeck

at

St Mary the Virgin, Ebony

Friday 7th April, 2-3pm

**No tickets, but a retiring collection in aid of
the Church (cash only please)**

April	2023	Church	Rota
	<u>Sidesperson</u>	<u>Reader/Intercessor</u>	<u>Refreshments</u>
2nd April	Denise	Roger Parrott/ Brenda	Eileen/Brenda
9th April	Donna	Frances/Chris	Jane
Easter			
16th April	Jo	Thelma/Tony	Donna
23rd April	Judith	Jane/Donna	Denise/Jo
30th April	Philippa	Michael/Frances	Fay

April	2023	Flower	Rota
	Altar	West End	Porch
9th April	Fay Stead	Wendy Selmes	Wendy Thomas
16th April	Linda Hiskey	Julie Wooding	Sally Linington
23rd April	Denise Stephens	Helen Downing-Waite	Judy Hurran
30th April	Paddy Moseley	Julie Flawn	Lynn Marston
7th May	Judith Clifton	Donna Clifton	Frances Smith
Coronation Hornes	Chapel	Judith	Clifton

If you are unable to take your turn, please telephone Judith Clifton on 758285 or text 07840 356681-and the same numbers if you are unable to crack the code for the kitchen / Glory Hole for oasis etc.

With lots of newcomers to the village I am hoping that some might like to join the flower rota? It involves committing to maybe around 5 times a year and no skills required – just enthusiasm and a wish to be involved. Full support and training given! Why not give it a go? J.C.

PRODUCE IN THE PORCH

Thanks to everyone who leaves used jam jars, flower pots, plastic trays, books and knitting wool in the church porch. We gratefully use them all and hope you will please continue in this way. Our well established cake-bake days will continue on alternative Saturdays, the next ones being on April 1st, April 15th and April 29th. If you feel like making a cake / cookies / savouries please contact either Judith (758285) or Donna (758256) who would be delighted to hear from you! As always every item (and ingredient) for sale is donated and all proceeds go directly towards the upkeep of our beautiful church. The porch is open every day from 9.00 a.m. until late afternoon where you will find our usual range of preserves, books and other desirables. Thank you for your support. J.C.



Gardening with Disabilities Trust

Adapting Gardens, Changing Lives, Defying Disability.

The Gardening with Disabilities Trust (formerly Gardening for Disabled Trust) exists to help people continue to enjoy the therapeutic benefits of gardening, despite disability.

For more information about how we support disabled people with grants, please look at our website www.gardeningwithdisabilitiestrust.org.uk

WEDNESDAY 26th APRIL

You are warmly invited to our Spring Plant Fair & Open Garden

at

Ramsden Farm
Stone-cum-Ebony
Tenterden, Kent TN30 7JB

**on Wednesday 26th April
10am - 3pm**

We welcome a range of Specialist Plant Nurseries

Light Lunch, Coffee, Cakes

Entrance £10 on the gate.

Advance Booking Bundle – Entrance & Lunch - available

if purchased via the website www.gardeningwithdisabilitiestrust.org.uk

Appledore Open Gardens

Sunday 11th June 2023

10am – 4pm (last entry at 3.30pm)

Tickets: £6.00 adults, Family/ group of 4 - £20 (accompanied under 12's free) available on the day from the church porch or any participating garden.

At least 12 gardens will be open. They are scattered around the village and located from close to the bridge on Station Road to the Heath on the Woodchurch Road. For exact locations, please refer to the map on the visitor leaflet and look out for the bright yellow signs with balloons outside each participating property.

Refreshments:

Lunches will be available in the parish church from 12 noon–2pm, Afternoon teas will be available at Bridge House & Nonsuch from 2-4pm and Pimms will be on offer at Heathland House from 2-4pm.

Plant sale at Bridge House: 10am – 4pm

Garden ornaments/ accessories on sale at Box Cottage:

10am –4pm

For the gardens in the centre of the village, free parking in Old Way & Court Lodge car park. For gardens on The Heath, limited parking at Beech Tree Farm.

***Some gardens have disabled access and are dog-friendly. Please refer to the yellow sign at the entrance of each property for the wheelchair/ pet symbol.**

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Parish Council Update April 2023

(<https://www.appledorekent.org>)

May Local Elections – District and Parish Council Elections

Parish Council Elections

Depending on when you receive your copy of the magazine, there may still be time to stand for election as a parish councillor. The deadline to get your forms into Ashford Borough Council is 4pm on the 4th April. These must be checked by council officers.

Should it be the 5th April then the list of those standing for the parish council will be posted on the noticeboard and on the website.

If there are exactly 7 or less than 7 people standing then the candidates will be automatically elected and there will be no requirement to physically vote for them. If that is the case, congratulations are in order.

If there are more than 7 people standing then we must wait for the results of the vote on the 4th May. The Parish Council vote results may not be available till the Friday 5th May. Good luck to all standing.

Ashford District Council Elections

District Councillor Mick Burgess gave his last report at the annual parish meeting as he will not be standing for re-election as district councillor on the 4th May. He attended almost all the parish council meetings and assisted local groups with funds. Good Luck to those standing for Isle of Oxney Borough Councillor.

Annual Parish Meeting

It was a very interesting evening hearing from Jon Pollard of Gusbourne and the numerous village groups. During the interval everyone enjoyed a convivial glass of wine and snacks. Linda Hiskey must be thanked for looking after us all. Costs were covered by the parish council.

Court Lodge Car Park

Freehold ownership of the car park transferred to the Parish Council on the 17th February. The facility is in good condition. A few safety issues were dealt with in early March along with the erection of the tourist sign. Councillor Wilkinson continues to push for faster progress on the implementation of yellow lines outside the entrance and road signs directing visitors to the car park. The developer now has quotes for these works and hopefully, these will be completed within a couple of months. The parish council will be able to take over the electricity supply once the recent meter reading has been processed.

Next Council Meeting – Monday 3 April 7.30pm Village Hall



VILLAGE HALL NEWS

FRIDAY NIGHT is CURRY NIGHT on

APRIL 21st 6.30 for 7pm at APPLEDORE VILLAGE HALL

priced at £12.50 per person for a three-course meal with licenced bar.

BOOKING ESSENTIAL by Saturday 14th April

CALL. 01233 758097

01233 758618

Linda and Jenny



VILLAGE SHOW

Plans are moving forward for the Village Show. We have had to change the date due to a prior booking on our favoured day. So it is now on

SATURDAY 9 SEPTEMBER

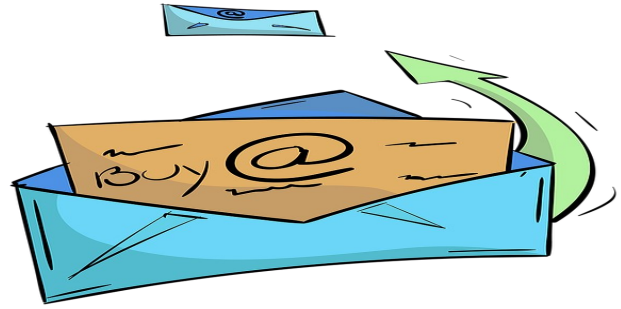
Everything has started growing and now is the time to plan your vegetables and flowers. My winter onions and garlic are thriving despite the strong winds we have been having. I think the Christmas tinsel I used to frighten the pests away may have something to do with that!!

Next month, we'll be letting you know about the classes, so keep your eyes peeled.

Ruth Smith and Jo Weeks

Dear

Editor



It seems such a long time since we were fortunate enough to enjoy the Christmas Lunch at the new Village Hall. A big thumbs up to Jenny and Linda for their cooking, organisational skills and the seamless service we enjoyed from the lovely volunteers, some of whom are new to the Village but all readily gave up their time for our benefit. Well done everyone involved.

Wendy Thomas

Pilates in Appledore – goodbye and hello!

On 6th December 2016, with the removal van parked outside, I was addressed by a couple who very kindly welcomed me into the village with the words, “Are you coming or are you going?”. I confessed to that couple (and you know who you are!) that I was a qualified Pilates teacher. Within days I was signed up to do a Taster session in the village hall in February 2017 (thanks to another very welcoming member of the Appledore community – you know who you are too!).

The rest is history. 26 plus people came to that first class and many have been coming to the classes ever since.

As an introduction to village life the classes helped so much. I have made many friends along the way. I have felt part of a family and have so many memories. Some of those who began still come, some are no longer with us and some cannot come anymore for various reasons. I remember all of you, all the laughter along the way and want to thank every one of you for supporting me through the years.

Lockdown and hall refurbishments didn’t even deter us! We held two Pilates classes per week via Zoom and our intrepid group worked hard to keep up our fitness and morale during those difficult times.

Now it is time for me to retire and hang up my Pilates mat as a teacher. I will NEVER not do Pilates. It is so, so good for all-round flexibility and mobility and teaches us the power of deep breathing – sadly lacking in the stress-filled lives we lead today.

The good news is that we have a new Pilates teacher for Appledore. Her name is Keighley Hawkins, and she is a very experienced Pilates teacher and I look forward to joining her classes as a student instead of a teacher!

Keighley is going to teach TWO classes in the village hall on a Tuesday evening and Thursday morning. Check out the diary for more details on times.

Finally, thank you all...and keep breathing!

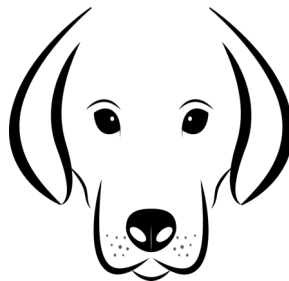
Maureen Catt

BRODIE

Well here we are in mid-March and no snow this year, at least not yet. We've had visitors to the house. She (who must be obeyed) was busy working in the garden and didn't hear a thing. But I did. So, as usual I was charging up and down and round and round waiting for them to come indoors, tail wagging like crazy and trying to keep calm. And of course they made a huge fuss of me saying how good I was, admiring my nice shiny coat and giving me lots of cuddles. Then its "Brodie, where's your mum?" and she suddenly appears with the usual "Brodie calm down, in your basket, at once". I don't mind this at all as I know we will soon be off for a long walk.

Coats and boots and my harness all ready. Where's your lead, I'm sure its here somewhere. Soon we are out of the house and down the road, me attached to my harness and lead, champing at the bit waiting for my ball to be thrown. Then it's "Oh my goodness, Brodie, I'm so sorry, I've forgotten the ball." Really, its too bad I think to myself she knows I like to chase my ball. "Well, never mind you'll just have to enjoy the countryside." I end up running back and forth and round in circles. If we meet another dog its a good chance to say hello and exchange sniffs. On and on we go, plenty of puddles for good drink and I can roll around in the long muddy grass. When we get to a lane its back on the lead and then very best behaviour in the churchyard where I am definitely not allowed to roam around. Just have to sit and wait whilst they all have a rest and admire the view. Its the same view as last time we were here so I don't know why they want to look at it again. There's no accounting for the peculiarity of those who must be obeyed. I don't get worn out at all, so I don't need a rest, at least not until we get home. Then as soon as we arrive back I hear her say its time for tea. Good I think to myself. I'm quite hungry after all that running around, but of course what she means is tea and cakes for them. A good nudge in the direction of my food bowl is all it takes to remind her who's important around here.

Brodie



CQ.14 - MARCH - answers

GUARANA	SOFTEST	POWWOWS
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ROADSHOW	WILLFULLY	MACADAMIA
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G BERNARD SHAW - PYGMALION

I shall always be a flower girl to professor Higgins because he always treats me as a flower girl and always will. But I know I can be a lady to you because you always treat me as a lady and always will.

The Ramblers Walk – 17th March 2023

Today is the March Ramble, it has been steadily raining most of the morning and as I stand in the Recreation field getting wet, I wonder if anyone else will come! Sure enough people start to arrive and our numbers reach 8. There are 3 new ladies and it is lovely to have them join us. With great positivity that the rain will soon stop we turn right out of the rec. and walk towards Appledore Heath. We cut down past Mill Farm which brings us to School Road which we cross and then join the footpath AT115 at Park Farm. We walk diagonally across the field to the next kissing gate and then walk along the side of a huge arable field. The views from here looking towards Tenterden are normally stunning but today it is rather grey and cloudy. We carry on across a couple more fields and can see Appledore allotments to our right. We follow the path to a very high stile in the corner of the field which is badly waterlogged, we help each other over and are now in Moor Lane.

We cross the road and go over a stile into Hole Farm. We pass a yard of nice looking cattle who view us inquisitively. Then it's through another gate where we stop to admire a kestrel that is perching on overhead cables and quietly surveying the landscape. We head up a long steep hill where I am a little envious of the professional looking hiking poles that two of our group have! We reach the top of the hill and stop to take in the incredible views overlooking Shirley Moor. The sky looks rather wild and the cloud formation is a real picture. We carry on but stop to investigate an area of the field that looks as if it has been rooted up perhaps by a badger or maybe even a wild boar foraging for food. We bear right and join the footpath AT116, then it's through another kissing gate and across a sheep field. We reach another stile which we admire as it has a special 'dog latch' which you can slide up to allow your dog through. We cross another field and then a stile brings us out on to the Woodchurch Road by Munks Farm.

We turn left and walk along the road towards Woodchurch and after a little way are able to cut through into Park Wood. We walk through the woods where the bluebells are now all up and past an area that has been newly planted with saplings. We point out the 'shoe tree' to our new ramblers and wonder how people have got the shoes so high up the tree! We find footpath AT117 tucked away in the corner of the woods which we follow. A blackthorn tree on our left stands out with its clouds of snow-white flowers which will later develop into sloes. We continue on past Oak House Farm, down their drive until we reach the Woodchurch Road. We make it back to my house where we enjoy a well-deserved cup of tea and slice of cake.



Cross-Quote 15 ©

The aim of Cross-Quote is to discover the text of the quotation in the grid below where the words are separated only by black squares and punctuation is ignored. To do this, solve the clues on the left and enter the answers in that grid. The letters should also be entered in the correspondingly numbered squares in the grid below. The more the quotation is revealed, the more help you will get in solving the clues ...

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aka MARLON BRANDO?	V	13	135	82	120	32	26	88	2	105

The first solution column above gives the initial and surname of the author and the title of the work from which this extract was taken.

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Appledore Local History Society

Memories of a Land Army Girl

“ I was born in Hackney London in 1923 but moved to Dartford when I was about eleven years old. School days were very mundane although the schools I attended were very good, very large and uniform a must. My first job was in a Scotch Wool & Hosiery shop as a window dresser. I was proud of my wages, nine shillings and eight pence per week, which I handed to my parents and received nine pence per week pocket money which I thought was great, as nothing in Woolworths was over sixpence and the nicest of dresses in Marks & Spencer was only four shillings eleven pence.

I remember Neville Chamberlain on the radio saying we were at War and the sirens going a short while after. The sirens being used as Air Raid Notice, lucky a false alarm that time, but not so for long, the blackouts and sleeping in Anderson Shelters night after night when German Bombers came over. One night my family decided to sleep in our proper beds, but wished we hadn't. A landmine (?) dropped in our street killing 21 people and injuring 48. We were lucky, the house was badly damaged but we survived. I can still see that street now all cordoned off, we had to ask permission to rescue any of our possessions.

I joined the Land Army a few months later and after passing my medical was posted to a hostel on the Romney Marsh and arrived at a Railway Station called Appledore, which I had never heard of before in my life. I was picked up by car and taken to Brenzett where I met about forty other girls green as grass just like me, nearly all Londoners.

It was tough going at first, up at 5.30am each morning, cycling miles each morning following a threshing machine driven by a steam roller (? traction engine). We did all kinds of land work, - bean cutting, digging up spuds, sheep dipping, hay making, stooking, bale carting then back to threshing.

Hostel life was great fun, Rules were strict, in by ten o'clock at night, we used to let the odd one in via the window.

I remember the first Doodle Bug coming over, my friend and I biked to Appledore to have a drink and landed up in a pub The Victoria, The Landlady was Hannah Green. If you were a local you served yourself so we found out.

It was in that pub that I met my husband and when we biked back to Brenzett that first Doodle Bug was flashing its way above Appledore Station. I'll never forget that one, the first of many that crossed Romney Marsh, many to be shot down before reaching London. They caused havoc.

Happy memories of four years in the Land Army, I made a lot of friends and found a Husband. I've never wanted, ever to go back to town, or leave the Marsh. “

(This person lived in Appledore for the rest of their life.)



GRAPEVINE : APRIL 2023

Items for insertion should be sent by the 17th of each month to: applegrapevine@aol.com

The end of last month residents were invited to attend the Appledore Annual Parish Meeting. Grapevine would like to express thanks to the Chairman (Roger Hiskey) for overseeing the event which was supported by a good number. We had the chance to say farewell to Mick Burgess (Borough Councillor), and enjoyed a total of sixteen presentations ! We were given an informative, and often light hearted account of the year's activities of each organisation, all of which followed an opening address by Jon Pollard of Gusbourne whereby we learnt many interesting facts of both the Appledore and their East Sussex vineyards. An intermission at half time allowed for an informal chat and get together over a glass of wine and excellent savouries.

Within this edition of the magazine you will have come across an extract of 'Beanstalk' which was an early beginning of News and Views, and finally to the present day Grapevine.

The next item would never have been conceived, nor comprehended back then !!

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No doubt you will have been made aware of the Government's plan to bombard our mobile 'phones with a test run of the Alert Siren. This is aimed to take place early evening on Sunday 23rd April 2023. Appledore is highly unlikely to ever receive a future alert when it covers such dramatic events as 'Coastal Erosion', 'Flooding', and Wild Fires but nevertheless when you are hit with this trial you will need to acknowledge receipt in order to reinstate use of your 'phone.

Grapevine has included this article because, as happens so many times, the most vulnerable of our residents, i.e. elderly, disabled, deaf, blind etc., possibly don't even possess a mobile 'phone. So please – if (and it's a big if) we should ever be in a position to receive one of these alerts for real – check on anyone you know nearby who would not be aware of an imminent danger to life.

Elections are due to take place in the fairly near future – just a reminder that you need to take photographic ID with you when you go to the Polling Station.

Having re-read the last two items prior to publication, Grapevine wishes to assure you that these are NOT an April 1st hoax, although one would be forgiven in thinking so !



By the time you are reading this the clocks will have gone forward – Daylight hours will be noticeably longer and Spring is just around the corner. The Garden Society is looking forward to the many events planned for the year. We would like to share these with you, and if you think you would like to join us then please contact the Secretary (Tessa Knight : 01233 758319 e-mail thrknng@aol.com) for more details on membership.

Friday 28 th April	2.00 p.m. - Brogdale at Blossom Time – (Option of lunch) and/or Afternoon Refreshments at Brogdale
Sunday 21 st May	2.00 p.m. Westwell House – Northiam – (Private Viewing) – (Option of Sunday Lunch at nearby Hostelry). Afternoon Tea at nearby Tea Room
Friday 26 th May	Setting up for Plant Sale – 5.00 p.m. – 9.00 p.m. Village Hall
Saturday 27 th May	Plant Sale – 10.00 a.m. – 3.00 p.m.
Saturday 17 th June	Winchelsea's Secret Gardens – 11.00 a.m. – 5.00 p.m. (Option of lunch in Winchelsea) Refreshments available at some gardens
Friday 28 th July	2.00 p.m. Great Comp Gardens and Tea Room – (Option of lunch at Blue Anchor - Platt). Afternoon Refreshments at Great Comp.
Friday 18 th August	2.00 p.m. NGS (Private Viewing) Cliff Barn – Stone-In-Oxney – (Option of lunch at Ferry Inn). Afternoon Refreshments at Cliff Barn.
Friday 15 th September	1.30 p.m. Chilstone/Makers of Fine Cast Stone – Steve Clarke's invitation of a private tour including workshops. 35 Acres of garden and sculpture walks. (Option of lunch at nearby Hostelry). Take your own Picnic by the lake within the grounds of Chilstone.
Tues. 26 th /Wed. 27 th Sept.	Proposed Away Trip to Arundel Castle and gardens, Denmans and West Dean Gardens. Details to be confirmed
Friday 27 th October	Speaker : Guy Deakins – How to commit the perfect murder and put the body to good use in the garden !.
Friday 24 th November	Speaker : Kevin Tooher – Interest in the Winter Garden
Friday 15 th December	Christmas Lunch – Venue to be confirmed

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Blast from the Past

Articles from the Appledore Parish Magazine over 50 years ago.

The following was published in the July 1962 edition.-----

We publish the following letter from the Organising Secretary of the British Empire Cancer Campaign as we feel it should be brought to the notice of our readers.

The Local Honorary Organiser B.E.C.C..

The Quillet

Appledore

Kent

22nd June 1962

Dear Mrs. Terrell Shapland

I hasten to acknowledge your magnificent cheque for £203.14.0 being yet another record result of your annual Market Stall held on Whit Saturday.

I find it very difficult to adequately express to you my heartfelt thanks and congratulations because, quite truthfully, bearing in mind the smallness of your village and other matters, your ever-increasing results are unique. Perhaps I can best convey my sense of congratulations by saying that you raise more than the Annual Collection in the Borough of Maidstone – the County town.

I can well imagine the intense amount of effort, time and money you must put in to obtain such a wonderful response, and the generosity with which your personal friends must rally round to encourage you. Thank you very much indeed.

I have passed your cheque to Headquarters and you will receive the Campaign's official receipt sometime next week.

Will you also please thank Major Terrell Shapland for his encouragement and especially for opening your beautiful gardens to raise funds.

With renewed thanks and kindest regards.

Yours very sincerely

(Signed) P.L. Gordon Cooper

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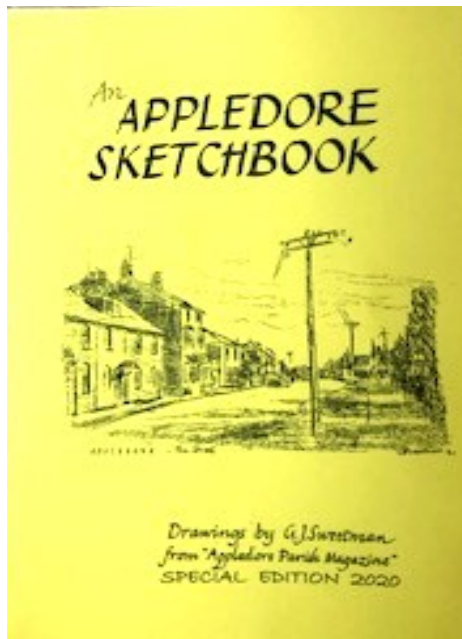
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As part of our 60th birthday celebrations we have put together a sketchbook of Appledore. These are drawings done in the 1960s by the first Editor of the Parish Magazine, Mr Sweetman. It is a fascinating glimpse into the history of Appledore and what the village looked like then. Mr Sweetman travelled all around the village sketching what he saw. Many of you will recognise your homes as they looked then. You might also see what the land looked like before your house was built!

Some of the individual buildings named include: the Methodist Chapel; the Forstal; Horne's Place Chapel; Oxney House; Swan House; the cottages on Court Lodge Road; the primary school; Victoria Terrace and Griffin Cottages; Hawthorn Cottages; many views of the Church - inside and out - as well as country views along the Military Canal and Gusbourne.

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