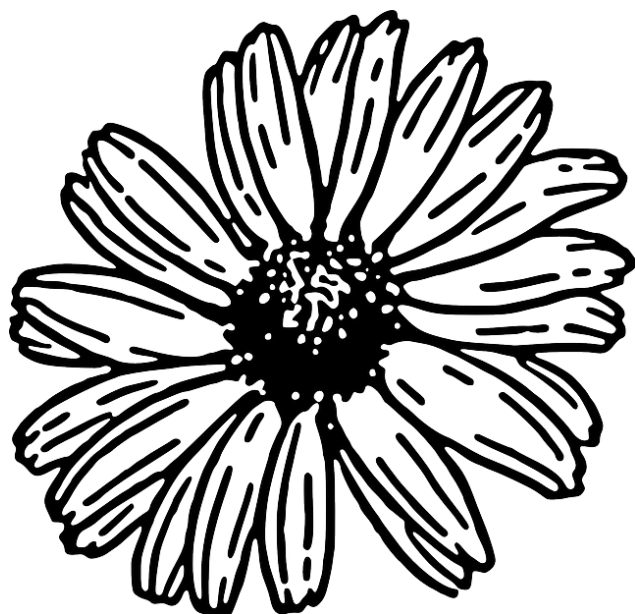


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***JULY 2021***

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***July!***



**VILLAGE DIARY****July 2021**

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Dear Appledore,

Looking through the articles submitted this month for publication in the Parish magazine, it struck me that our little village is a microcosm of what is probably happening in the UK as a whole. There is good news, sad news and a resilience in humanity that is both comforting and inspiring.

Even though we are still limited in where we can go further afield, so many people in Appledore are showing great initiative. We have a scarecrow competition coming up in September to celebrate frontline workers (see page 15 with more details to follow in next month's magazine); charity events; the Flower Festival; pop-up café and lunch in the pavilion (see page 19;) family bonds (see Meg King's Mr Blobby on page 15) and sadly deaths of loved ones announced this month.

We are also soon going to say goodbye to our Vicar, Tricia Fogden, after 10 years of service in Appledore. Her last service will be at the end of September. I am sure we will hear more about this nearer the time!

The Village has been buzzing this month too with the election campaigns of two of our villagers for the Parish Council seat vacated by Lyndsey Jenkins. I have delayed writing the editorial to include the result. After a hard-fought campaign and a good turnout, congratulations are due to Gary Kinsley who is our new Parish Councillor. His contact details can be found along with those of the other Parish Councillors on page 22. We wish him the best of luck in his new role. Commiserations to Andrea Honnor for her efforts and thanks to both candidates for the care and thought they have shown for our village.

Have a wonderful July – I'm off to start making my scarecrow!

**Maureen**

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# St Peter & St Paul, Appledore

## Appledore Methodist Chapel

### July Services

#### Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am, Anglican/Methodist All-Age Worship  
Parish Church

#### Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am, Holy Communion, Parish Church  
10.30am, Methodist Worship, Appledore Chapel

#### Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am, Joint All-Age Service, Stone  
10.30am, Methodist Worship, Appledore Chapel

#### Sunday 25<sup>th</sup> July

10.30am, Holy Communion, Parish Church  
10.30am, Methodist Worship, Appledore Chapel

#### Wednesday 28<sup>th</sup> July

12md, Methodist Holy Communion  
Appledore Chapel

#### Midweek Services

Holy Communion every Wed. at 9.30am  
At St Peter & St Paul, Appledore

For further details and for Baptisms, Weddings and Banns or for any  
pastoral concerns which you would like to discuss,

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<https://www.facebook.com/pages/St-Peter-St-Paul-Appledore/166730610146481>

## From The Vicarage

As I write this letter the Prime Minister has just announced that the next stage in the roadmap has been put back by another four weeks. Easing of restrictions, when it happens, means that we can begin to look forward to events which we hope will take place over the coming summer months. It is heartening to know that the restrictions we have endured have made such a difference along with the vaccination programme rollout.

St Peter and St Paul, Appledore, and St Mary the Virgin at Stone have both been open for Sunday services since Easter. That will continue with worship as per the services page. In addition, midweek services of Holy Communion in St Peter and St Paul have started again on Wednesdays at 9am. Everyone is welcome at all our services.

It's back! Now's the time to sign up for this year's Kent Ride & Stride! It's going to be held on Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> September and all the details and sponsorship forms are available from Fay Steed or can be picked up from the back of the church. Further details can be found elsewhere in the magazine.

I reached my 70<sup>th</sup> birthday at the end of May this year and I have been invited by the Bishop to retire from my post as Team Vicar of Appledore and Stone. I have been allowed to extend my leaving date for a further few months so that I can celebrate ten years in post. I really don't know where the time has gone!

My last service will be at the end of September. At least it will make my booking of further cruises easier. I shall say more in the September magazine.

The generosity of God amongst the pain and struggles during this Covid pandemic in our community, and beyond the giving and sharing, is summed up by these lovely words of Erich Fromm: "Who will tell whether one happy moment of love, or the joy of breathing or walking on a bright morning and smelling the fresh air, is not worth all the suffering and effort which life implies?"

I hope that by the time I sit down to write my next and last letter we will be fully open again across the country. In the meantime, let's all be generous to each other. A smile goes a long way with or without giving. Let's all be joyful and thankful as we experience the wonders of the beautiful countryside. Let's be joyful that we have turned the corner of the pandemic with the expected full relaxation of government restrictions later this month. Let's be thankful for the gift of a new day.

God Bless.

Tricia

## **Kent Ride & Stride, St Peter and St Paul, Appledore**

The Friends of Kent Churches Sponsored Ride & Stride takes place on the second Saturday in September each year.

This year it will take place on **Saturday 11th September.**

To register as a participant, for further information, or to request a sponsorship form, please contact Fay Steed, pick up a form from the back of the church, or send an email to [www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk](http://www.friendsofkentchurches.co.uk).

Participants plan their own routes with the assistance of a printed list of churches and chapels open. There are usually some 700 of these places of worship open, scattered right across this big county, and wherever you go you'll be assured of a warm welcome. Go individually, as a couple, with friends and family, with a cycling club, with your work colleagues, with school friends, with choirs, with a sports team – whoever you wish.

You need a special sponsor form. Please ask sponsors to tick for Gift Aid if they are taxpayers; this increases their donations by 25% with no cost to them. Ask your relations, friends and colleagues to sponsor you – so much per church or chapel visited between 10.00 am and 6.00 pm on the day.

50% of all sponsorship money raised can go to the church or chapel of your choice, with the other 50% going to the Friends of Kent Churches, who distribute it by grant aid to help the most needy churches in the county. Last year's Ride & Stride raised £140,602, including gift aid. There were over 850 riders and walkers, who visited an average of 12 churches each. In addition, over a hundred of those who welcomed visitors to our churches were themselves sponsored. Since it started, Ride & Stride has raised over £3 million in Kent and we hope to add to this total in 2021.

T-shirts and polo shirts are available to purchase. Cyclists can purchase bicycle flags with pole and bracket for the ride as a fun way to show their support and raise awareness.



## July 2021 Church Rota

	<u>Service</u>	<u>Sides person</u>	<u>Reader/ Prayers</u>	<u>Cleaning Church</u>
4 <sup>th</sup> July	Family Service	Tom	Jane/Donna	Donna
11 <sup>th</sup> July	Holy Communion	Clive	Roger/Chris	Judith
18 July	All-age worship Stone	NA	NA/Frances	NA
25 <sup>th</sup> July	Holy Communion	Judith	Tony/Alison	NA
1 <sup>st</sup> August	Family Service	Donna	Michael/Brenda	NA

### CHURCH FLOWER ROTA

	ALTAR	WEST END
July 4 <sup>th</sup>	Judith Clifton	Wendy Selmes
July 11 <sup>th</sup>	Fay Steed	Paddy Moseley
July 18 <sup>th</sup>	Catherine Walker	Vicki Sargent
July 25 <sup>th</sup>	Wendy Thomas	Denise Stephens
August 1 <sup>st</sup>	Judy Hurrant	Donna Clifton

HORNE CHAPEL: Judith Clifton

If you are unable to take your turn, please telephone me on 758285 or text 07840 356681 – and the same numbers if you are unable to break into the kitchen / “Glory Hole” for oasis etc.

Judith Clifton



## **Parish Council Update, July 2021**

### **Parish Council By-Election**

Unfortunately, we will only know after the print deadline for the magazine who will be joining the parish council at the next meeting on the 5<sup>th</sup> July. Many thanks to both Andrea Honnor and Gary Kinsley for standing. **(Editor: we held off the deadline to include the result elsewhere in the magazine.)**

### **Pop-Up Café and Information Hub, 5<sup>th</sup> July, 10.30 – 12.30, Recreation Ground**

Everyone is welcome for a 'cuppa'. Tables will be outside next to the play area. The Community Warden will be there too. It was good to see villagers at the last one.

### **Possible New Play Area for Heathside**

A letter was hand-delivered to all the households on Heathside asking for residents' thoughts and comments about installing a small play area on the grass area which includes the shelter. Most households responded. The overwhelming comment was that it was not a suitable location and that increasing the current provision on the recreation ground was preferable. As a result, the parish council has contacted Ashford Borough Council to see whether this would be allowed. We await their advice.

### **Archaeological Report on the Court Lodge Development**

Border Archaeology Limited has advised that they are making good progress with the archaeology from Appledore and the specialist analysis is ongoing so they expect that it will be another couple of months before they receive all those specialist reports.

### **Planning Application 21/00385/AS - Bungalow (Land between Old Watch House and Chi An Geltyon, 2A The Street, Appledore, Kent)**

The parish council have asked the planning officer to advise when a decision will be made and await a reply.

### **Hall Refurbishment and Appledore Litter Pick**

Updates on these are provided separately in the magazine.

### **Next Council Meeting - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> July, 7.30pm, in person at St Peter and St Paul**

### **Remember – Hands Face Space**

**Wash your Hands, Cover your Face and Make Space**



# *GRAPVINE*

## *JULY 2021*

It is with sadness that we record the passing of Jeanne Condon. Jeanne lived at The Old Sweet Shop, The Heath, and will be fondly remembered, especially for the bravery she showed throughout many illnesses over the past years. We send George our condolences and deepest sympathies.

We were also sorry to learn that Ann Massingham had died and send her husband Adam our sincere commiserations (see Adam's article elsewhere in this magazine).

We are delighted to learn that Marion Gulliver, who used to live in the village, has recently returned to the area and is now residing in Tenterden. Marion has always been a supporter of the magazine and has remained on the mailing list. We wish her all the best in her new home, and look forward to once again seeing her around the village.

A chance conversation has brought about the following interesting account of one resident's experiences of fascinating employment throughout both the Brexit transition and the pandemic. Thank you David. Maybe someone else out there would like to share their encounters within the workplace over the past difficult months. We look forward to hearing from you:

"Hello Appledore, and Greetings from Mallorca. My name is David and I am Graham and Wendy Selmes' eldest son and for those of you unlucky enough to know me you may know that I work in live events, TV and theatre, thankfully I'm currently on the sunny then rainy Islas Baleares working on ITV's Love Island.

I thought I would take the time to let people know how COVID and Brexit have affected those of us working in Entertainment.

In March last year I had just returned from Russia having been working as Assistant Production Manager and Video Operator for Jean Paul Gaultier's Fashion Freakshow; which I can only describe as one of the most bizarre shows that I have ever worked, and trust me when I say, I have seen a lot! The stage was set (yes, the pun is intended.) to have a complete overhaul of the show and embark on a two year European and Australian tour with a stop in Japan to boot! Then the terrible news of "lockdown" came and almost immediately we were told to stop all work and go home.

That was the news across the board, overnight the industry that I know and love, the industry that I have spent twelve years labouring over STOPPED, gone was my booking to tour with a band across Europe, gone was Nickelodeon Slimefest, gone was MTV realitycon, there was nothing.

“Well, we hope this will all blow over by October and then we can still do (insert job name).” said the Company that I had been booked by, but as we all know it never came. Luckily, I managed to find employment running a drive-in cinema in Stafford ‘The Great British Drive In’, closely followed by a booking for ITV’s “I’m A Celebrity Get Me Out of Here”.

I often made the joke, “well I usually work in Tesco!” when working which never fails to get a laugh or a sigh! I have however stopped for the time being, with many of my friends having not been so lucky finding work, they have had to take jobs with Amazon or Tesco as delivery drivers to make ends meet.

While I know my industry is not the only one hit hard by the pandemic, we do seem to time and time again be pushed to the side as an afterthought, yet everyone still wants to watch the latest episode of Coronation Street or the next Netflix series and so filming has been allowed to carry on. Theatre on the other hand has had the doors barred shut, and the key tossed down the drain. As some of you may have recently read, Andrew Lloyd Webber is ready to go to prison so people can tread the boards.

I can waffle on for hours about it and the experiences I have had so far, but in the midst of it all, silently and without much dedication the 31<sup>st</sup> of December approached and we finally exited the European Union. Now I’m not here to start a debate, everyone was and is entitled to their opinion and this is just a reflection of my experience so far.

Some readers may be aware of the things I will outline here, some will not, and to many they will be of no consequence, they are however very real and very tiresome. For anyone having travelled for a job out of the Country, that requires things to be taken they will know of the Carnet. A document of temporary import. This (without boring everyone with intricate details.) is effectively a big list of everything you are taking into the Country. This list has to contain Item description, Item weight, item value, serial numbers and Item country of origin. This list is per lorry, when traveling with four, eight, fifteen lorries... each one containing thousands of lengths of cable.... You can see the sudden problem. “But you have to do that for any Country not in Europe anyway” I hear people say. While very true, a lot of the companies in the UK have never had a need to create such a thing. This also applies to personal tools, having to complete a personal Carnet for all of the tools that I need to bring to do my job (which is a lot.) One of the Chippys (carpenters) decided not to bother completing one and upon landing at customs got escorted to a different room and given an invoice for €867 import tax.

So, the trucks are finally packed the Carnets are complete, it’s just time to get the crew out there to do the job, just not without a work visa, which apart from the cost also requires, a form from the police, an A1 form and three separate trips to the embassy.

This time last year (COVID excluding.) you bought your plane ticket, got on a plane and did the job, but it’s not all doom and gloom, the news is good, we can now tour to Liechtenstein, Iceland and Norway visa free and to be honest I have always wanted to go to Iceland!

At 857 words I feel like I probably have bored everyone enough and as such leave you all with this thought.

You will struggle to find anyone who works in this industry who regards it as just a job. It is a way of life, when you are at the top of a stage fifteen hours into a day, you cannot just 'pick it up tomorrow ' there is a show that evening, with an audience of 50 to 50,000 and in the words of that much used cliché I hate the most. "THE SHOW MUST GO ON."

So please, next time you get to see your favourite show, or band, and think this looks amazing! spare a moment for the Dimmer Tech, or the Sparks, the RF Engineer and the many other unsung professionals who have spent hours getting things just right so you can have the best experience possible. If not "I usually work in Tesco's mate I'm just here on work experience!"

David Selmes

We close this month with:

### **Childhood Memories of A Life in Appledore**

If you were to take a walk in the 1950s from the Recreation Ground along the footpath to the Canal, you would pass what was then called the Rush Field. As the footpath goes up on a bank next to a dyke on the left, the field on the right was completely full of rushes 4' to 6' tall.

As youngsters we would create passages, tunnels and igloo type camps amongst the rushes. To make an igloo we would flatten an area 3 to 4 feet across then bend over the rushes around the edge to meet in the middle and tie them together forming a dome type roof. Similarly tunnels would be created by bending over and tying together the rushes each side of a passage.

A few years later the rushes were removed and the field ploughed, the resulting soil was very fine and became a haven for nesting Lapwing (Plovers). When walking across the field you had to watch every step you took as the Lapwings nests were just scooped out dips in the ground, and the eggs being brown & black, were well camouflaged.



**Appledore Flower Festival  
28<sup>th</sup>, 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> August**

**CAKE / PRODUCE / PLANT STALL**

**Please support our successful stall, all welcome.**

**Kind donations of all required.**

**Cakes: all types welcome from lemon drizzle, Victoria sponge, coffee cake to carrot cake.**

**Summer harvest: apples, pears, plums, beans, tomatoes etc., produce can be given loose and we will weigh and bag.**

**Plants: all varieties welcome from vegetables, flowering plants to herbs and shrubs.**

**Empty cake tins and or sweet boxes all shapes and sizes needed. Please leave in the Church porch or give me a call.**

**Support needed to help run our busy lively stall, short shifts with lots of laughter!**

**Saturday and Monday, 10am to 5.30pm.**

**Sunday, from 12 noon to 5.30pm.**

**Please contact Philippa on:**

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**E-mail: [philippaperkins@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:philippaperkins@yahoo.co.uk)**

## What are we planning for September?

The entertainment committee of Appledore Village Hall is planning for a Scarecrow Festival which will take place mid-September. The theme will be Key Workers in recognition of all they have done during the pandemic. A couple of examples below to get you thinking! Further information, including how to make the initial structure, will follow in the August edition of the Parish Magazine. Please support this venture  
With thanks,  
Linda Hiskey



### Appledore - a creative village!!!

I heard recently from one of our former residents, Meg - or Margaret - King, who still receives the Parish Magazine by post. She told us of her latest endeavour for her grown-up granddaughter Sarah who requested a replacement Mr Blobby! Apparently Mr Blobby was flung across the room on occasion during his making as he was hard to do! An excellent result though I'm sure you will agree!



## Village Hall Extension and Refurbishment

Work on the project is progressing well and is on schedule.

### Drains

A video survey revealed that the roots of the oak tree at the front of the hall had penetrated the drains. The roots have been cleared and the drains re-lined, the work has been approved by Ashford Building Control.

### Structural work

The new flat roof above the toilets and kitchen is under construction. Due to the general delays to building products currently being experienced, there has been a slight delay in the supply of building materials which has held back the construction of the new 'small hall'. However, this has not affected the overall programme, elements of which have progressed better than planned. Martello are expecting to make up for lost time in the coming weeks.

### Exterior

The pebble dash is being removed and any repairs required to the brickwork will be completed before a new render is applied to the surface.

### Next steps

The final kitchen and toilet layouts have been given to the Hall Trustees for approval. Once approved, orders will be placed for the units and fittings.





## KENT RECYCLES – DO YOU?

Are you confused about what plastics you can recycle?

Kent Councils have teamed up with national recycling charity Pledge2Recycle Plastics (Part of RECOUP) to help reduce that confusion. The charity, which works to educate and advise citizens about plastics recycling, has created a dedicated website for Kent to provide information about plastics recycling and help answer your recycling related questions.

[www.pledge2recycle.co.uk/kent](http://www.pledge2recycle.co.uk/kent)

As part of this collaboration, look out this year for competitions for local schools, community, sports and litter-picking groups! Pledge2Recycle Plastics are hosting several competitions to help win recycled products, sports kit and litter-picking kits.

Find out more details by following the Pledge2WIN links on the website.

### YES PLEASE

Remember, you can recycle ALL bottles whether from the bathroom and kitchen as well as plastic packaging in the form of a pot, tub or tray.

**All bottles should be empty when placed for recycling with the tops back on.**

**Pots, tubs and trays should have the absorbent layer and film lid removed as these need to go into general waste.**

It is important that ALL PLASTIC PLACED FOR RECYCLING is CLEAN, DRY AND LOOSE and NOT in any carrier or black bags.

### NO THANKS

Please DO NOT put toothpaste tubes, pill packs, nappies, textiles, batteries or food into recycling.

Textiles should go to specific banks either at community/retail/or Household Waste Centres.

Carrier bags, bread bags and empty frozen veg packets can go to your local supermarket front-of-store collection. Please check at [www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling](http://www.recyclenow.com/local-recycling).

### Did you know

Sainsbury's superstores now take ALL flexible packaging in front of store collections including items such as crisp packets, biscuit wrappers and salad bags. Find out more at [www.about.sainsburys.co.uk/sustainability/plan-for-better/our-stories/2021/flexible-plastics](http://www.about.sainsburys.co.uk/sustainability/plan-for-better/our-stories/2021/flexible-plastics).

### Find out more

The team at Pledge2Recycle Plastics is happy to take your queries. You will find them @pledge2recycle on social media or get in touch via the contact form on the website.



# KEEP BRITAIN TIDY

## **Appledore Litter-Pick Week**

As part of the annual nationwide Keep Britain Tidy 'Spring Clean' initiative, we are pleased to say that 20 people went out litter-picking over the week starting 28<sup>th</sup> May. The target of 1 million miles of litter-picking was exceeded with over 1.16 million miles being covered.

In and around Appledore over 40 hours of litter-picking time was donated! Litter-picking sticks, high-vis vests and collection bags were on offer to volunteers who did not have their own kit.

The hope is that litter-picking will start to be an activity that more Appledore residents will join in with on a more regular basis. Perhaps you might 'adopt' an area, perhaps near your home or a place you often spot litter, for more regular litter-picking. The message of this initiative is 'Love Where You Live' and more regular litter-picking will help the environment, leaving a cleaner space for us and all wildlife to enjoy.

At this point we would like to hail our own local litter heroes battling against the effects of 'lazy chuckers' – Tom does a marvellous job regularly on behalf of Appledore Parish Council, and we also know of Terry, Alan and Paula who regularly cover certain areas collecting litter in their own time. We would love for them to be joined by more volunteers.

It is hoped that another litter-picking week should take place this Autumn when some of the vegetation will have reduced. Then, fingers crossed, next Spring 2022 we plan to be able to hold a one-day event with refreshments, a central collection point and perhaps the odd competition, such as who collected the most litter by weight!

As with all activities that take place on public land and highways, there are health and safety issues, among others, to consider.

There is a list of dos and don'ts for this activity. Please visit the Appledore Parish Council website for the list and more information, <https://www.appledorekent.org/litter>.

For more information about what you can do to help improve our local environment, visit [www.keepbritaintidy.org](http://www.keepbritaintidy.org).

***Tracy Morgan, one of the team who organised this particular initiative  
(aka Wombles of Appledore)***

## **Hannah Murphy Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award Volunteer, Litter-Picking in Appledore**

As part of my Duke of Edinburgh Bronze Award, I have to do some volunteering. My plan had been to help the coaches with the younger squads at my swimming club where I regularly train. The COVID pandemic meant that I was unable to do this. After receiving an email in January about changing activities due to lockdown restrictions, I decided to change my volunteering to litter-picking. I made the decision that I wanted to help improve the look of the environment for those in my local community and my parents approached the parish council to see if they would be happy for me to do this.

After collecting with our litter-pickers in early February, I have been walking around the footpaths, streets and surrounding roads of our village at the weekends or through half-term holidays with either my Mum or Dad.

We tried to recycle as much of the rubbish as we could.

I've enjoyed being out in the fresh air and it's also a great way of doing some exercise too. I can't understand why anyone would not take their rubbish home with them. Looking at the rubbish I collected, it's clear that it is not just young people doing this. I don't like seeing litter in our village and on the footpaths in our surrounding countryside. It spoils the look of where we live. I have hoped that by being seen out there picking up other people's rubbish that it gets the message across that we shouldn't litter and that we should all take pride in the area where we live. It's a good thing to keep your environment clean, and we should also respect it. I've been very happy to help with keeping our local community litter-free.

Hannah Murphy

## **LUNCH CLUB IS BACK!**

The famous Appledore Lunch Club is back! Held at the Pavilion the last Wednesday of every month.

Two-course meal and everybody is welcome.

12-2pm

Cost £6

You might see this before 30th June so come along!

Linda and Jenny

***Let's do Lunch!***

## LIFE WITH BRODIE - AN EVENTFUL TIME

When I said, “Mayday, Mayday!” last month I didn’t mean it, but I guess someone was listening in.

In the middle of the night recently there was a funny beeping noise, beep, beep.....beep, beep..... on and on it went. I went upstairs and jumped on the bed and barked for her to wake up. “Goodness me, it’s an alarm”. She opened all the windows and doors and we stood in the back garden in the middle of the night. Now I don’t mind unusual behaviour but this was very strange indeed. Then when the house was freezing cold and draughty, she went back to bed. Next day someone I had met before appeared at the front door with a big black bag. He came in and started poking about with the stove and looked up the chimney. After a while he said it was all OK, “Good job you’ve got that alarm” and I barked to remind him that it was me that saved the day.

Well, that should have been quite enough excitement for a while but no. I was playing in the garden and found a plastic lid. Good for a nice chew I thought, and nothing was said so I carried on chewing and licking. I think I swallowed a bit because the next day I was sick. That meant a visit to the vet. I kept wagging my tail to let her know I was feeling ok but soon we were in the car on the way. When we arrived, we got out of the car and there was a huge monster in the car park with giant flapping wings. Terrified, I thought, “I’m not going anywhere near him.” “Come on Brodie, we’ll wait in the marquee out of the wind.” But I absolutely refused to go anywhere near that flapping monster so in the end we waited by the door until George appeared. I really like George. He kept tickling my tummy and saying there was nothing wrong, so I licked his hand and then he said, “Good dog Brodie but no more chewing lids”. Then he gave me a biscuit. On the way out I heard her grumbling about a pot of yoghurt with a very expensive lid. I had no idea what she meant.

Till the next time then.

Love Brodie



## A bit of local history!

I came across a touching snippet of local family history the other day. In the box that Suzanne Elphick passed on to Maureen when she handed over the role of editor of the parish magazine was an old notebook. The front page was signed 'A. M. M. Gurr, Barton Farm, Bethersden, Kent'. Most of the book consists of recipes for such delights as Effervescing Lemonade, Belgian War Cake and Invalid Beef Pudding, but there are also handy household tips on such matters as filling old nail holes in wood, making cough mixtures and even cleaning black suits or dresses ('Procure some ivy leaves and put them into a saucepan.....'). I understand some of the recipes have already been reproduced by Suzanne in earlier editions of the magazine. All the entries appear to have been copied as each one begins and ends with quotation marks. There is no date in this part of the notebook but there is a loose cutting from a newspaper stuck between the pages, though it is not possible to say for sure whether the cutting dates from the same time as the notebook. On one side the cutting contains recipes for Parsnip Wine and Dandelion Beer, while on the other side you can read parts of a speech under the heading 'Special to "The People", by Sir PH....', which I have managed to trace. The speech was given by Sir Philip Pilditch, MP for Spelthorne in Middlesex, and was published in 1922.

Thanks to family history websites, I have been able to trace the background of the copier of the recipes. Her full name was Alice Maud Mary Gurr, born in Snargate in 1871. Her mother, Harriet Howland, died in 1875 and in 1880 her father, William Gurr, a farm labourer, remarried with a woman from Stone, Fanny Louisa Baker. Alice is registered in the 1881 and 1891 censuses as living with an uncle and aunt, Richard and Ellen Stone, at Westwell near Ashford, while her elder siblings and younger half-siblings stayed with her father and his new wife at their home, Willow Cottage, in Snargate. In 1901 Alice worked as a domestic servant to Robert and Florence Cheeseman at their house in Folkestone, at 10 East Cliff Gardens. By 1911 Alice had moved to Bethersden where she was employed as a housekeeper to 82-year-old George Steel Brown, described as a 'grazier' and resident at Great Barton Farm, the address given by Alice on the front page of the notebook. Mr Brown died in 1920 and there is no further trace of Alice until the 1939 England and Wales pre-war register in which she is listed as housekeeper and companion to a Mrs Susan Goldsmith at 51 Golden Square in Tenterden.

Alice had 4 brother and sisters from her father's first marriage and a further 9 half-siblings through his second. Alice's half-sister, Louise Neve Gurr, married Alfred James Jemison, the landlord of the Red Lion in Snargate. Louise and Alfred's son, Alfred William Jemison, and his wife Doris went on to run the pub for many years, Doris right up until her death in 2016.

Alice died in early 1945 in Ashford. The notebook of recipes appears to have ended up in the possession of her youngest half-sister Annie and then, through her, came into the hands of close family friends, the Knights. The book will now be returned to Brian Knight, the Chair of Appledore's Local History Society. Brian too has a place in the book. As a boy he used the blank pages at the end to record the number of cars passing by Hawthorn on Sunday nights in the spring and summer of 1959, counting up to 1,000 in the space of 2 hours, 44 minutes and 30 seconds on the evening of 31<sup>st</sup> May 1959. And we complain about traffic through Appledore today!

Nick Catt

## Appledore Parish Councillors' Contact Details

Councillors' phone numbers are usually available on the noticeboard. However, from time to time the boards are very full. For full contact details, go to <http://www.appledorepc.kentparishes.gov.uk/our-team/>. Please make use of any answer machine services available.

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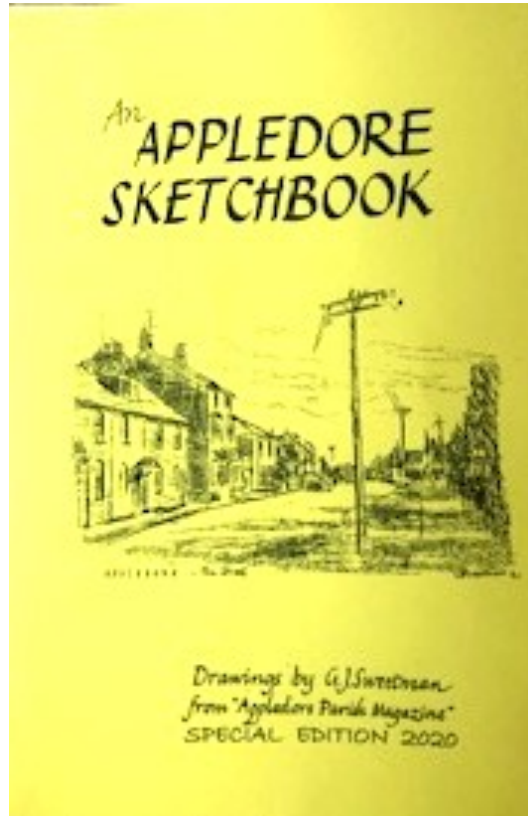
**Please note:**

**The Appledore Website is:**

**<https://www.appledorekent.org/>**

**You will find a copy of the Parish Magazine on this site.**

# FOR SALE!



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.

If you would like to purchase a copy - the cost is £5 - please contact either the Editor on 01233 758249 or Brian Knight on 01233 758319.

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For further information or to place an order please contact Brian Knight. Tel: 01233 758319 or email [thrknng@aol.com](mailto:thrknng@aol.com).

## Interesting new Initiative in Appledore

### The 100 Club

Promoter- Local resident 30 years - Jim Kelly  
Committee of 5 nominated people inc. 1 treasurer

Aim: To financially assist leisure activities & other good causes within the village of Appledore.

Estimated breakdown of the 100/ £3 per week members

10% Local Business

30% Football x3 (juniors/parents) Men's Sunday & Seniors team

30% Local Clubs & organisations

30% Appledore residents.

Weekly prize of £100/£50/£25, leaving £125 per week in kitty

In theory approx. £6,000 per year available for local funding.

Draw to be made in advance every month covering 4 weekly draws

Results announced/made public weekly from Black Lion or Village Hall monthly draws. Participants will pay £12 per month by standing order.

A projected start date would be around Christmas this year 2021.

To succeed each club/organisation leader would be expected to recruit some portion of 100 club members in advance, realistically within the scope & size of their own club activity.

New members not only have a reasonable chance of winning a prize, their club or cause also has an opportunity of benefitting financially from this very simple, yet exciting local lottery.

A booking form will be provided for club leaders and promoters to register in advance new 100 club members.

The Appledore100 Club will be registered with the Gaming & Charitable Lottery section of Ashford Borough Council.

There are some rules drawn up by the Promoter on how the scheme will operate.

Thanking you all in anticipation

Jim Kelly



## In Memoriam

It is with great sadness that I must announce the death, on May 20<sup>th</sup>, of Ann Massingham.

Ann was born in Worthing, daughter of Ken Morley, Editor of the Worthing Gazette, and his wife Ena. She had an elder brother, Christopher, an elder sister, Jane, and, some time after, a younger brother, Robert.

On holiday in Ireland as a teenager, Ann did get to kiss the Blarney Stone, which might explain a few things.

Ann worked in London as a receptionist for a security firm, also for the Havana Cigar promotion company and then took classified ads for the London Evening News.

In 1979, she met Adam Massingham at the last night party of "Joseph and his Amazing Technicolour Dreamcoat" at the Connaught Theatre, Worthing, where he had played 7th brother and bass guitar. We have been together ever since.

We lived in Wood Green, north London, until 1984, when we got married and moved to Fordcombe near Tunbridge Wells. There Ann started to keep a few geese, ducks, and chickens. We also had half a dozen sheep and a family of goats. In 1995 Ann adopted a tiny new-born lamb which was 1 pound 4 ounces at birth.

In the summer of 1995 we moved to Mill Farm, Appledore Heath. There Ann built up a flock of 200 plus geese, with assorted ducks, chickens, turkeys, guinea fowl and quail, from which she would sell the eggs.

Ann joined the grape-picking team at Gusborne at the start of their production, and also started as an online shopper for Sainsbury's at Bybrook, Ashford.

In 2018 Ann was successfully treated for the first of a series of cancers. At the end of April 2021, cancer treatment was changed to palliative care when she was told that she had, at best, 6 months, but should have at least a month. We had just over a week at home together, then a week in Kent and Canterbury Hospital, after which Ann was moved to the Pilgrim's Hospice in Ashford where she died six days later.

Greatly loved and missed.

Adam Massingham

## ***Thoughts from Dippy Dora***

### **Old Walls**

Let us grow old together, dear,  
Let's share those moments gold.  
We can sit side by side in the gloaming  
And contemplate all of that mould.

For so many years it has spread  
But these walls have stories to tell,  
Though I fear that soon they will crumble  
Along with the memories they held.

But we did it, we went there, we lived,  
Mistakes we made, some of 'em bad,  
But we pressed on and made a few more,  
So really, we shouldn't be sad.

Those walls have witnessed so much  
And stood firm, though now soft to the touch.  
Let's celebrate grey hair, stiff joints, old walls –  
It's been a very good life overall!







***If you had to ask the players what their favourite goal of the season was – what do you think they would say?***

Ooooooh! (pause) that's a real good one. I actually don't know because they have scored so many good ones...it's going to be probably ... I would say... Oliver Goddard. At the time, they were playing a team second in the league and it was a really tough match and Oliver went through about 7 players and then rounded the keeper – it was just the most amazing individual goal and then the team relaxed. It was early in the season, they had been winning really well, and they suddenly came up against a team who were hard to play – they were tough – a stopping team. We beat them 5-0 in the end, but that goal made the difference. Until then they had never gone through a half without scoring – and this was right on half time. He just kept going! I was saying, "Pass, pass....no - go on your own!!!" Magic!

***What were your celebrations like at the weekend when you won the cup?***

I was so nervous until the third goal went in and then I went a bit crazy! I probably celebrated too much! Roar! But they deserved to win because they are the best team. Sometimes the best team won't always win the cup final though!

***Did the parents invade the pitch at the end?***

No – because of Covid they were very good! But it was lovely because they had a presentation, and it crowned all their hard work . We turn up and do the coaching – they turn up every week and work so hard. It was just when Jake Ramsden lifted that trophy and it was magic – because he is an Appledore boy – Captain Marvel!



















































































