

# Appledore Open Gardens

Sunday 11th June

10am - 4pm



10 + gardens open
Admission £6/children under 12 free
Tickets available in some gardens and the Church

Light lunches served in Church from 12 noon- 2.00pm
Afternoon teas served at Bridge House & Nonsuch Cottage
from 2.00 - 4.00pm
Pimms served at Heathland House from 12 noon - 4.00pm

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### APPLEDORE GOOD NEIGHBOURS

In the May issue of the Village Magazine there was a request for volunteers to participate in the above. Unfortunately and somewhat disappointingly this has not brought about the desired response. As a result, with so few individuals willing or able to give of their time it is not considered practicable to resume the service at present. However, the matter will be kept under review and it is hoped that Appledore Good Neighbours will function again in the not too distant future.

Alan Birch

A donation was received from the Appledore Local History Society.

Thank you.

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# Welcome to the June magazine.

I have to start with an apology! I had a real shock when I opened my emails to find a complaint about the Conservative candidate's leaflet being inserted in the magazine. I remember past village fliers—show schedule, village hall news, but not political ones. I have since learned that ANY organisation can put a flier in the magazine for £15. Not a bad rate to get your message into every house in the village! But I didn't know this until after this current incident. I had several written complaints and many verbal/Facebook complaints/comments.

I feel strongly that the magazine should be neutral on anything contentious or controversial. Also that any policy should be fair to everyone. At least one of the other candidates did not know they could send out a flier.

So I apologise again to those who felt it was inappropriate and this policy will be thoroughly reviewed before the general election next year.

With regard to the election, we offer our congratulations to Johnny Shilton on being elected,

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and commiserations to Simon who did achieve an 'honnorable' vote of over 300.

I was away this weekend at Baha'i Convention and was going to share some snippets from it, but that might be considered controversial, so I think I'll stick to a safer theme—SERVICE.

At the Coronation, King Charles' first words were 'I come not to be served, but to serve.' The Minister's letter this month is extolling the virtues of St Barnabas, generosity and encouragement. And I have to put in this magazine the information that good Neighbours cannot run for lack of volunteers and Grapevine might close due to lack of entries! And we all know we did not have any village Coronation events!

I know many people in the village work fulltime as well as looking after children and/or elderly relatives, and I appreciate they have little time to offer elsewhere. There are also a lot of really old people who are unfit to help out as well. But there are an awful lot of young retired people who probably have time to spare and might even suffer from boredom!

People who move into villages do so for the quiet, the scenery, the village life. But 'village life' is organised by the villagers pulling together in serving the community. The flowers in the Church, the cleared footpaths, the coffee mornings in the Village Hall—these are all done by ordinary people offering their services, not for glory or power, but often unthanked and unnoticed.

Do you have the time to offer a few hours/week?

Enjoy June.

Ruth

## WHO TO ASK

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# **Appledore Village Diary – May 2023**

Monday Parent & Toddler Group 10am - 1pm

Monday Aerobics 6.15 - 7pm

Tuesday Hamstreet Surgery Prescription Collection 10.15am - 10.45am

Tuesday Art Class 1pm - 4pm

Tuesday Pilates 5.45 - 6.45pm

Tuesday Yoga 7pm - 8pm

Wednesday Aerobics 6.15pm - 7pm

Wednesday Lindy Fit 7.30pm – 8.30pm

Thursday Pilates 9.45 - 10.45am

Friday Tai Chi 10.15am - 11am

Saturday 3rd June Local History Talk 'Missing—No Known Grave 7pm

Monday 5 June Recreation Ground Presentation 6.30pm

Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June APC Meeting 7.30pm

Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> June Breakfast Get Together 9.30am – 11.30.am

Saturday 10th June Cake Bake Day 9.30am Church Porch

Sunday 11th June Open Gardens - all over Appledore

Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June CARM Meeting Point 10.00 – 11.30am

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June Multi Stall Market 9.30am – 3pm

Saturday 17th June Garden Society Visit to Winchelsea Gardens

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June Antique Fair 9am – 3pm

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> June Breakfast Get Together 9.30am – 11.30am

Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> June Mulberry Zingers, Choir 11.30am – 1pm

Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> June Italian Evening 7pm

SUNDAY 25th June Cake Bake Day 9.30 Church Porch

Tuesday 27<sup>th</sup> June CARM Meeting Point 10.00 - 11.30am

Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> June Mulberry Zingers, Choir 11.30am – 1pm

### THE 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 MAY

**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.

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**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 <a href="https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBAbfTcsSiiq4HALM0GRdWg">https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBAbfTcsSiiq4HALM0GRdWg</a>

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

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(tentroxchurches.co.uk)

To receive Connect Up! please visit our website: wwwtentroxchurches.co.uk https://www.tentroxchurches.co.uk/

> Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> June: Trinity Sunday 11am Morning Praise (Appledore) 6pm Choral Evensong (Stone)

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> June: Corpus Christi 7pm The Eucharist for Corpus Christi (Newenden)

Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June: St Barnabas the Apostle
No service at Appledore today due to Open Gardens.

Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June: The Second Sunday after Trinity 11am Celtic Morning Prayer (Appledore) 3pm Forest Church (Wittersham Churchyard)

# Sunday 25th June: St John the Baptist

11am The Eucharist (Appledore)
6pm Choral Evensong (Appledore)
At this service we will pray for our new Parochial Church
Councils

# Minister's Letter

Dear Friends,

Later this month, on the 11<sup>th</sup> June to be precise, we will celebrate the Feast of St Barnabas.

So what do we know about Barnabas? Of all the New Testament saints, Barnabas was perhaps the most generous. A well-to-do-man, he was generous with material things and gave a lot to the Christian cause. It's very easy to spiritualise everything and talk about generosity in every way except the most obvious – hard cash. We rather fight shy of it.

Barnabas was also generous in his judgement. He befriended the newly converted Saul, when everyone else was deeply suspicious. Just think of the implications of Barnabas' generosity! What kind of Christianity would have emerged if Saul had been left out in the cold? Barnabas was generous in his judgement, trusting, forgiving, full of faith. He embraced Saul, and out of their friendship emerged Paul, who took the Christian faith to the wider world.

Barnabas showed a trust in people that believed them to be genuine. He showed a forgiveness that was able to let the past go. And he showed a faith that God knew what God was doing.

Barnabas demonstrated practical generosity and generosity of judgement. We must not fail to learn from that.

'Barnabas' means 'Son of Encouragement'. Barnabas made people feel valuable. He took them seriously, affirmed them, and asserted their value.

We underrate encouragement as a Christian virtue. What an enormous difference Barnabas made to the lives that he touched. And what an enormous difference we can make to the lives of the people with whom we have to do, if we go out of our way to encourage, to affirm, to give value. We spend so much of our lives putting people down. People need lifting, encouraging, consoling. So let's all try and be a Barnabas, sons and daughters of encouragement! Generosity and encouragement – two words to take to heart as we thank God for Barnabas.

With every good wish.

Lindsay

#### 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 Saturday June 10th and SUNDAY 25th June, due to a wedding on Saturday 24th. 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.

# Calling all crafters

Do you enjoy sewing, knitting, crocheting, crafting etc

Do you have any spare time??

If so, might you be interested in gifting us something to sell on the craft stall at the Flower Festival taking place during August Bank Holiday weekend???

Fabrics, trimmings, buttons, wool, stuffing etc. all freely available.

Please phone if you would like to be involved.

Judith Clifton 758285

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June	2023	Church	Rota				
	Sidesperson	Reader/Intercessor	Refreshments				
4th June	Denise	Vicki/Brenda	Eileen/Brenda				
11th June	No service	due to	Open Gardens				
18th June	Judith	Roger P/Tony	Jo/Jane				
25th June	Philippa	Michael/Chris	Fay				
2nd July	Donna	Thelma/Helen	Eileen/Brenda				
June	2023	Flower	Rota				
June	<b>2023</b> Altar	Flower West End	Rota Porch				
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	Altar	West End	Porch				
4th June	Altar Lynn Marston	West End Paddy Moseley	Porch Julie Flawn				
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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.

# **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 some of the participating gardens.

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.

For further information:

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All proceeds to 'Friends of Appledore Church', which pays for the fabric of the Church.

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# **Parish Council Update May 2023**

(https://www.appledorekent.org)

#### **New Parish Council Members**

We must welcome to the parish council: Kevin Nicol who stood for election and was elected uncontested Sharon Marsh who was co-opted at the meeting Roger Kimber who was also co-opted at the meeting.

Returning to the council, elected uncontested are: Roger Hiskey Gary Kinsley Chester Lusk Paula Thornton

Councillors in attendance of the May meeting which was the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council, had to deal with a lot of procedural work by reviewing their policies. Though long and very dry topics, these are essential for a council as they set the framework within which the council works and includes all the legal requirements and what is considered best practice for councils. Thankfully the National Association of Local Councils' lawyers model these for parish councils to use.

There was an exciting presentation on the planned improvements to the recreation ground. Funding for these will come from the parish council, from the infrastructure charges which will be paid by the developer Martello to Ashford Borough Council and lastly but not least, the Recreation Ground Committee. There will be a presentation to the village. Please look elsewhere in the magazine for information of time and date.

# Ashford District Council Elections Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> May Results

Conservative Candidate Jonny Shilton won and attended the Council's May meeting. Independent Candidate Simon Honour was a good second.

#### Yellow Lines Around Court Lodge Car Park

The yellow lines have now been painted and may we politely request that residents and visitors make use of the car park a few steps away, rather than park on the yellow lines on the junction opposite the Black Lion. The police will in due course be along to enforce the regulations. The car park is free whilst a parking ticket is not.

#### **Gateway Flowers**

Hanging baskets have been planted up on the gateways and look lovely. Roger and Linda Hiskey are looking for others to assist with watering them. So, if you live near the canal bridge, Gusbourne winery or on the Tenterden Road past the School Road Junction perhaps you might be able to assist. Please contact Roger.

Next Council Meeting - Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June 7.30pm Village Hall

# Farewell and thank you to Mary Philo

Mary Philo has served Appledore Parish Council and indeed the whole Appledore Community as the Parish Clerk for some 8 years.

Her wisdom, experience of local government and care for the citizens of Appledore, has made a lasting contribution to the Community.

Parish Councillors, past and present pay tribute to her. They thank her for her wise advice, guidance and service. She will be missed.

Roger Hiskey

Registered Charity: 296611

The Friends of St Margaret's Church Bethersden invite you to an evening of

# World Class Choral Music

with





Friday 21st July, 2023

Admission by ticket only - £20
Online: https://tinyurl.com/BethersdenConcert

or from Bethersden Post Office or email friendsbethersden@gmail.com or telephone Mark on 01233 822 325

7:30pm at St Margaret's Church, Bethersden Wine & champagne bar available from 7pm



# VILLAGE HALL NEWS

# Andiamo in Italiano

# Let's go Italian FRIDAY 23rd June from Toclock at Appledore Village Hall when the BAR WILL BE OPEN



Join us for a three course Italian meal with vegetarian option for £12.50

Booking is essential by Thursday 15th June

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# Village Presentation on Renovation and Evolution of Appledore Recreation Ground and Pavilion (including the Linear Park)

Dear Villagers, The Appledore Recreation Ground Management Committee would like to invite you to an open presentation on the current proposed plans for the Recreation Ground and Pavilion on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> June at 6:30pm – 7:30pm in the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground.





As many of you know, when the field was sold to developers for what is now the Magpie development, funds were made available for several initiatives which would benefit our village. This included a huge renovation of the Village Hall, now giving us one of the best village halls in the area. However,

the funds also included the opportunity to upgrade the Recreation Ground, Pavilion, Kids Playground, Tennis Courts, and Multi-Use Games Area (MUGA). Plus, the concept of 'connecting' the grass verges from the Village Hall to the Hawthorn junction with a "Linear Park" – essentially a





wildflower verged walkway blending this section of The Street with a colourful display of flowers.

Funding for these initiatives come from a number of sources including Appledore Parish Council, Martello Developments, and The Appledore Recreation Ground

Management Committee.

It's our goal for this presentation to share with you the ideas of how we want to renovate and improve the facilities of the Recreation Ground, share sporting updates from the football clubs, and encourage you and your family to participate in the new tennis coaching which



This Photo by Unknown

will be starting shortly. There will be an opportunity to ask questions. I should stress this is a presentation from Appledore Recreation Ground Management Committee and while Appledore Parish Council is deeply involved in the plans and innovation, we'll refer any council specific questions to the APC.



Cranbrook Choral Society
Summer Concert, 1 July 2023,
6.30pm
St Peter and St Paul's Church
Headcorn
with Headcorn Primary School
Choir.
Light summer songs and music.
Tickets £10 (U16s Free),
available on the door.



# **GRAPEVINE**

For many years, Tessa Knight has collected news from the village to put in Grapevine. Recently, no-one has been sending any so she feels it is time to end this Magazine Feature.

NO!! This is the place for all your births, baptisms, weddings, deaths, life achievements etc. Please continue to send them to appledoremagazine@hotmail.com.



# Appledore Local History Society

Saturday, 3rd June 2023
Appledore Village Hall
Doors Open 19:00Hrs
Talk Commences 19:15Hrs

Andy Saunders
Author, Researcher and
Military Aviation Historian Presents
'Missing, No Known Grave'
Back by Popular Demand,
Andy Saunders Returns to Appledore
with Another Fascinating Collection of
Military Aviation Stories from
Appledore and Beyond

Everyone is Welcome Tickets £5.00 Per Person (Refreshments Available to Purchase on the Night)

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# The Ramblers Walk – 21<sup>st</sup> April & 19<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Well today I have some catching up to do as because April's ramble fell late in the month, I missed the magazine deadline! So 10 of us met up and walked across the fields to the Ferry Pub. From the Ferry we followed the footpath along the sewer and then crossed to the concrete road for easier walking. Two buzzards circled way up high over our heads and because the ground had dried out a lot we walked straight up Chapel Bank only needing to stop to catch our breath as it is quite



steep. The views from the top of Chapel Bank are spectacular and you can certainly see for miles. We then walked through the graveyard at the top of the hill, which was left behind when the church was moved in 1858. The church at Chapel Bank had become too far from its local community and difficult to reach and it was decided to move it about a mile to its present location in Reading Street. It must have been quite an undertaking in the days before lorries and heavy machinery! We carried on down the hill through fields of sheep with their new frolicking lambs at foot and reached the garden centre. We enjoyed tea and cake in the café although 2 of our members were told off by café staff for leaving mud on the floor!! Sorry about that but it is an occupational hazard for a rambler! Refreshed, we retraced our steps and walked back to Appledore.

Now on to May – today we are walking to St. Thomas Becket Church at Fairfield. Seven of us leave the rec. and walk towards Bridge Farm. We have to stop on the bridge and admire a group of 8 swans who are all meandering along the canal. We go in on the footpath AT126A by Bridge Farm and after crossing an arable field the path pops out on the road, which we follow along until we reach a wooden bridge. We take this and walk through several more fields of corn and beans. Overhead a kestrel hovers, flapping its wings to hold position as it watches for insects or a small mammal. We cross the railway line but the path is not well

marked and is overgrown in places. We walk along many sewers and the very loud distinctive calls of the Marsh frogs, which are considered non-native, echo around us. At this point we somehow miss the footpath which would take us past a pumping station and then bring us out next to the railway line. We end up walking along Brack Lane which is past the church and not what I had walked on my recce!! I collect the church key from Becket Barn Farm and we walk across the field to the church which stands alone surrounded only by Romney sheep. The church dates back to the 13<sup>th</sup> century and has amazing box pews inside. The church has been used for several films including Dickens 'Great Expectations' and I have been lucky enough to attend the wedding of a local shepherd there, which was quite magical. We lock the church and thankfully Angela and I had delivered two cars to the lay-by opposite the church so we could drive everyone back to the village. We were all grateful for a ride back as we had already walked about 5 miles and were looking forward to a nice drink in the newly re-opened Black Lion Pub.

See you all on the 16<sup>th</sup> for the June ramble! Jo Weeks.



CQ16 - Answers

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**VENALLY** 

SHAKESPEARE: HENRY V

Now all the youth of England are on fire / And silken dalliance in the wardrobe lies. / Now thrive the armourers and honour's thought / Reigns solely in the breast of every man.

#### MULBERRY ZINGERS CHOIR COMING TO APPLEDORE!!

Heather Barnes has been a trained singer and singing teacher for some years, and started her first choir, the Mulberry Zingers, in Tenterden in September 2021.

A happy atmosphere, with a good singing warmup followed by learning a variety of songs (and lots of laughing) proved popular. A second choir followed in Headcorn, and the two choirs now get together for performances and social events. The most recent was at the Coronation Sunday event in Tenterden, where for the first time the two combined choirs sang in public on the main stage – quite an occasion!

Now Heather has two loyal, happy and friendly groups in Tenterden and Headcorn, and would like to bring the same to Appledore. If you would love to learn to sing and feel great while having fun and making friends, this might be for you! All are welcome - no audition or any singing experience necessary, just a desire to sing!

#### What you get;

A proper warmup, breathing and vocal exercises; a lot of laughing and friendship; always a warm and welcoming atmosphere.

The songs are widely varied, from older and more recent pop, show sings, big power ballads, gentle folk songs, jazzy numbers etc. Every song will have some harmony singing for those who want to, or you can sing the tune if you prefer, but each will be a lovely arrangement that you will enjoy singing.

#### Benefits;

Feel good – singing releases endorphins, so you leave each session feeling GREAT.

Enjoy being a part of something special – singing together creates a sense of togetherness.

Breathing, mental health, self-confidence, memory, all improve as well as singing technique as amazing tips are given!

Thursday mornings in Appledore Village Hall, 11.30 am – 1 pm.

Starting on 22<sup>nd</sup> June - Come for a fun trial session £8.

If you'd like to join after that, it is usually in 6-week blocks payable at the start, cost £48 (so 5 weeks left after the first one, £40 left to pay).

Alternatively, if you can't commit to the 6 weeks, there is an option of a 'Drop-in' rate of £10 a time.

#### Testimonials:

"What a success! Thank you so much for a lovely, joyful evening.

It was good to get to know our fellow songbirds and families. We got great feedback from the guests. And your quiz and the hall and table decorations were perfect. Thank you!"

"Just a brief message to say how much I enjoyed the workshops. Singing outdoors was joyous. As was meeting new, like-minded people. Thank you so much for this opportunity to be part of something so wonderful and uplifting."

We would like to add our sincere thanks for your dedication and hard work in preparing us for the performance. You really have nurtured our singing voices to a point where we can greatly enjoy some wonderful songs. As people who have never learnt to play an instrument, but love music, you have provided us with an opportunity to be involved with music making using our voices. For this we are truly grateful."

"Everyone's breath control and singing range has improved while having fun at the same time, which is wonderful."

"You do make this such fun, Heather!"

If you would like to come along and try singing with the Mulberry Zingers, contact Heather to register your place on heatherbarnessing@outlook.com

# MULBERRY ZINGERS! With Heather Barnes

Come and enjoy singing in an upbeat, encouraging and fun atmosphere.

Songs from the shows, jazzy, pop modern and occasionally traditional but always uplifting, to make you feel great!

Harmonies taught and singing tips given so you will improve your singing while having a great time.

No audition necessary, friendly, relaxed and inclusive.

Appledore Village Hall, Thurs at 11.30am - 1.00pm £8 per session

STARTING ON THURS 22ND JUNE, COME ALONG!

For more information or to register your place

Email: heatherbarnessing@outlook.com

# **Blast from the Past**

# Parish Magazine August 1961.

Herbie built for Florrie a splendid little house,

And happily they lived there, with only one small grouse:

"O Herbert dear, our house is built Except for one more task: Not sheep hurdles, but oaken gates, It's just for these I ask".

Now Herbie, with slow and patient care,
For craftsmen are not fast –
Has made and fixed those oaken gates,
A treat to see - at last!

Seriously, Mr and Mrs H.H., we think they are just the job!

# Parish Magazine September 1961.

In answer to "Beanstalk's" comic verse,
The hurdles, at the time, did suit my purse.
I'm sorry they did offend the eye, so long,
But I'm hoping now I have righted that wrong.

Now the hurdles are a thing of the past,

To please everyone was a difficult task.

Some said have iron gates and others said wood,

So, being a "chippy", I did what I could!

H.H.

But Florrie still has one small grouse,

She now wants the name put on the house!

F.H.

Herbert and Florrie Hickman built and lived at Little Greenfield.

# Cross-Quote © 17

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# APPLEDORE VILLAGE SHOW SEPTEMBER 9TH

When I come to put a bit about the Show into the magazine, I usually utilise a space at the bottom of a page, which restricts what I can write. But today, I find I have a WHOLE PAGE!!

The Committee met and sorted out this year's classes. As you would expect, the Coronation features heavily. There are cookery classes for Coronation Quiche and Coronation Cupcakes. There is a Coronation flower arrangement class. There is a Coronation painting class. The men have the challenge of inventing a Coronation Pie!!

Other cookery classes include a cake with a vegetable main ingredient and cheese straws. Other new flower arrangements are Eurovision, Harvest and Arrangement in a Cup and Saucer.

The photos this year are 'Canal View' and 'Fungi'. The children need to take a photo of a mini-beast, which I believe is an ant, or worm, or snail etc! The children also need to do a leaf print picture, a potato person and four fairy cakes.

The only other changes are two parsnips instead of three leeks, mincemeat instead of pickles and a new class—oddest vegetable!

We are looking for sponsors of the sponsored classes. To sponsor a class costs £10. If you would like to sponsor a class, just notify one of us.

All the usual favourite classes - vegetables, fruit, single flower stems, indoor plant, chutney, marmalade, jam, jelly, beverage, embroidery, knitting, other handicraft, colouring, longest runner bean, biggest onion, best potatoes and perfect rose are still in the show.

So everyone start making, growing, snapping, practising, crafting, etc.

Ruth and Jo.

# APPLEDORE GARDEN SOCIETY

On Saturday 17th June, we will be visiting Winchelsea Secret Gardens. They are open from 11am—5pm. Refreshments will be

available within various gardens. For more details contact
Tessa on 758319



