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THE END

Open Public Meeting to discuss the future of the Appledore Parish Magazine will take place in the Village Hall on Thursday 10th October at 7.30 pm.

All editorial matter for publication in the **NOVEMBER** magazine should be sent to: appledoremagazine@hotmail.com, **NOT LATER THAN THE TWENTIETH OF OCTOBER** Please provide copy to our email address, as above, preferably as a Word file attachment.

The Appledore Parish Magazine is produced, printed, collated and delivered by a number of villagers who kindly volunteer to take on these tasks. It is delivered free to every household in the village. This is unusual; the majority of village magazines carry a cover price of 50p or so. It is supported financially by advertisers and by one or two organisations, such as the Parish Council and the Parochial Church Council, which contribute towards the space that they regularly occupy. But it could not continue to exist without donations from private householders who, over the years and on a regular basis, have given us money to keep going.

Donations – Cash or Cheques (made payable to Appledore Parish Magazine) should be sent to: - Parish Magazine Accounts, c/o Brian Knight, Heathland House, Woodchurch Road, Appledore. TN26 2BB or by Bank Transfer to – Business Account Number 03213421 Sort Code 30-90-28.

We acknowledge donations in the magazine by name or anonymous, but not the amount. If you would like your name mentioned please tell us this when making a donation or inform the editor by email. Thank You.

Donations received from Wendy Hart

Mr and Mrs D Paine

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Thank you very much for your support.



Advertising: Brian Knight 01233 758319

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A year's advertising (11 magazines) is £35 per 1/6th page. The magazine is delivered to 400 houses and is available to visitors via the Village Shop and church.

Welcome to October.

The weather has dramatically changed into autumn, with rain and wind. The fields are now ploughed and the blackberries are dying.

I always find this time of the year depressing as I love the heat and the sun. And I am also depressed by the state of the Parish Magazine.

Not again I hear you say.

For three months we have advertised Brian and Tessa's job. We have had volunteers for printing. We have had volunteers for delivering. We need an accounts person, We need an advertising position. We need some collators. We need a Team Leader.

Each of these jobs would probably take a few hours, one day a month, yet no-one has come forward.

There have been many new retirees moved into the

the village over the last few years and I cannot believe that at least some must have worked in accounts or finance or managerial or advertising. My predecessor Maureen had some experience in English when she took on the job as Editor. My knowledge of English is GCSE English and my computer training was zero! And don't think you are too old, to start this venture. I was over 70 when I took on the editorship! I do know though, that using your brain and expanding your brain skills, helps to ward off dementia, and who doesn't need that?

Last month I invited thoughts by post or Facebook or email. I had one comment!! I've had several individual conversations about the situation, mainly with people older than me, who are concerned about the future of the magazine and offering their tuppence worth of help.

So please come to the open meeting and tell us your views on the magazine. We want to hear ALL views—do you want the magazine to close down completely? Do you want it to go on line which will exclude the older people who don't know about/use the internet? Do you want it to continue in another format on paper? What do YOU, who is reading this now, want?

Whatever, else, we need to know YOUR views, so PLEASE come.

Ruth

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Appledore Village Diary – October 2024

Monday	Baby Class - Yoga & Sensory 1pm – 2pm Aerobics 6.15pm - 7pm Pregnancy Yoga 7.30pm – 8.30pm
Tuesday	Hamstreet Surgery Prescription Collection 10.15 - 10.45am
Tuesday	Art Class 1pm - 4pm
Tuesday	Pilates 6pm – 7pm
Wednesday	Baby Massage Class 1pm - 2pm Aerobics 6.15pm - 7pm Lindy Fit 7.30pm - 8.30pm
Thursday	Pilates 9.45am – 10.45am Swing Dance Class 6.30pm - 7.15pm—None until the autumn Citizen Advice—By Appointment—see p24
Friday	Tai Chi 10.15am - 11am

Monday 7 th October	APC Meeting – 7.30pm Main Hall
Tuesday 8 th October	CARM Meeting Point 10am – 11.30am Cupcake demonstrating workshop
Thursday 10 th October	Village Magazine Meeting 7.30pm
Friday 11 th October	History Society - Talk 7.30pm “The Story of Mr Pitt’s Ditch”
Friday 18 th October	Ramble 1pm Recreation Ground
Saturday 19 th October	Auto-jumble 10am – 4pm
Sunday 20 th October	Antique Fair 10am – 4pm
Tuesday 22 nd October	CARM Meeting Point 10am – 11.30am
Saturday 26 th October	Harvest Supper 6.30pm
Tuesday 29 th October	Gardening Club— Chris Stewart on ‘The Earthworm’ 7.30pm

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 AUGUST

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

<https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCBAbfTcsSiiq4HALM0GRdWg>

* LS below denotes a service which will be live streamed and then available on the St Mildred's YouTube channel.

Online services, can also be accessed through the daily bulletin, **Connect Up!**
Connect Up | The Church of England in Tenterden, Rother & Oxney
(tentroxchurches.co.uk)

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

Sunday 6th October: Harvest Thanksgiving
11am A Harvest Morning Praise (*Appledore*)
6pm Harvest Evensong (*Stone*)

Sunday 13th October: The Twentieth Sunday after Trinity
11am The Eucharist (*Appledore*)
6pm Evensong (*Tenterden*): **LS**

Sunday 20th October: The Twenty First Sunday after Trinity
11am Celtic Morning Prayer (*Appledore*)
2pm Forest Church (*Rolvenden Churchyard*)
6pm Evensong with Tongswood Choir (*Tenterden*): **LS**
6pm Evensong (*Wittersham*)

Sunday 27th October: Bible Sunday
11am The Eucharist (*Appledore*)
6pm Churches Together Evening Service (*Zion Baptist Church*)
6pm Service of Light (*Wittersham*)
No Evensong at Tenterden

'FROM THE MINISTER'S DESK

What a summer it has been, eventually! Hot and dry for longer than we could have dreamed of.

But it seems that there have been fewer butterflies, bees, and even pests like aphids and wasps flitting about. Although we'd regard some insects as pests (who likes wasps?) they are very important in the food chain, and other insects, birds and small mammals suffer when there are shortages of them.

These shortages can also affect us. Albert Einstein once said "if the bee disappeared off the face of the earth, humanity would only have four years left to live". His words are a powerful reminder that our lives are vitally connected to God's creation and to each other. We must work to ensure those often fragile connections are guarded and strengthened.

Recent media reports suggest a great decline in the bee population in this country: the prolonged wet weather, farming methods (please don't think I'm blaming our farmers!) and mites have decimated a third of the bee population. In addition to gathering nectar to produce honey, honeybees perform a vital second function - pollination. About one third of the human diet is derived from insect-pollinated plants, and honeybees are responsible for 80% of this pollination. Honeybees are responsible for pollinating a variety of fruits, vegetables and nuts.

So without bees there would be no harvest and we wouldn't be holding our Harvest Festivals.

You may have heard from media sources that the use of food banks has escalated. More and more people are finding themselves unable to afford food once they've paid their bills. It is not just those already on benefits who are suffering; people who have been made redundant and are struggling to find employment are joining the queues for food parcels.

Food donated to some of our harvest festival celebrations will be distributed to the local food bank. But all year round non-perishable food can be dropped off in our churches to be taken to a food bank and distributed to those in need.

Harvest is a celebration, one of the songs we sing declares 'all good gifts around us are sent from heaven above, so thank the Lord, O thank the Lord for all his love. 'And one way we thank God for creation and for the wonderful variety of food we enjoy, is to be generous in our giving, even as God has been generous to us.

Our Harvest Festival service food gifts are ways of making connections just like bees make connections, which are fundamental to the life of our planet as they fly from flower to flower.

God calls us to make connections: The heart of the Good News is the breaking down of barriers between people (Ephesians 2.11 - end). The heart of love is to reach out to neighbours in need wherever we find them (Luke 10.25-37). The heart of harvest is to share the celebration with all around us, whoever they are (Deuteronomy 26.1- 11).

So let's be busy bees helping to pollinate the community and world we live in with kindness and generous giving.

God Bless Tricia ><>



The Church of England in Tenterden, Rother and Oxney

Appledore - Ebony - Newenden - Rolvenden - St Michael's
Smallhythe - Stone - Tenterden - Wittersham

One Parish, Nine Churches

Over the last year or so, the Parochial Church Councils (PCC) of the nine churches in our Benefice, have been taking an honest and serious look at how we could worship and minister together in more fruitful and efficient ways in the future. This has come under the remit of a group we formed, with representation from each of the churches, called 'Grasping the Nettle.'

One of the most significant developments to come from this group is to consider reducing the number of PCCs we have from nine, to one. This move is purely about the governance of the nine churches. It will have no impact whatsoever on services, nor will it lead to church closures. It will, however, provide greater stability and security in these challenging times. And, because it will release parish clergy from a large number of meetings a year, they will be able to give more time to work with local church leadership to grow the church in the community. Local groups, formed from both the congregation and the wider community will be established to undertake the care of their church.

We are keen to ensure that any process towards a single parish is open and transparent from the outset and that all of those who live and worship in the parishes and churches, have the opportunity to be fully informed of what this involves and to ask any questions they may have.

To this end, the next round of PCC meetings will be open to anyone and everyone. During these meetings a presentation will be made which explains clearly what a single PCC is and what it is not. We will look at issues to do with finance, governance, church buildings and worship.

Below are the dates, times and locations of all nine meetings. All the presentations will be the same at each location. To this end, **PLEASE ATTEND WHICHEVER MEETING IS MOST CONVENIENT TO YOU.** It may not be the one in your local church – but you can go to any of them.

Tuesday 5 th November	7pm	Ebony Church
Wednesday 6 th November	7.30pm	Tenterden Church
Thursday 6 th November	7pm	Wittersham Church
Monday 11 th November	6pm	Rolvenden Church
Tuesday 12 th November	7.30pm	Stone-in-Oxney Church
Wednesday 13 th November	2.30pm	Smallhythe Church
Wednesday 13 th November	7.30pm	Appledore Church
Monday 18 th November	7pm	St. Michael's Church
Monday 25 th November	7pm	Newenden Church

In the weeks after these meetings, please reflect on what you have seen and heard at the presentation and give your feedback to any member of the PCC at your local church. This will then be used to inform future conversations the PCC will have, prior to making decisions about a single PCC on behalf of the parish.

It is really important that anyone who wishes to have a say is in receipt of the full range of information. These meetings will provide an opportunity to ask questions so that opinions can be formed based on facts, not hearsay. Therefore, if you think you want to have a say in this, please do go along to any of the meetings above.

Whilst we do not wish to rush this process, each PCC will probably be seeking to make a decision by the end of 2025 at the latest.

Lindsay and Jeanette October 2024



Ride + Stride for Kent Churches

Saturday 14 September

A near perfect day for this event this year; sunny and low wind; ideal conditions for enjoying a lovely day's cycling on the Marsh.

We would like to say a big thank-you to all our generous sponsors, everyone that manned our church on the day, both on the desk and serving refreshments. Thanks also go to those that made lovely cakes and other goodies.

It was a very successful and enjoyable day and we have raised just about £1,000 between us. Our church receives half of this and the Friends of Kent Churches retain the other half enabling any Kent church, including ours, to apply for a grant for a specific project or repair.

Please consider cycling this next year. It will be on the second Saturday in September.

Donna and Fay x

For information re Baptisms, Banns and Weddings, Funerals
and other pastoral concerns, please contact

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For practical matters, please contact Church Warden

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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 to donate in this way.

Our next Cake Bake day in the porch will be on Saturday 5th October at 9.30 am followed by Saturday 2nd November and the first Saturdays of subsequent months. Come any earlier you may not always find that the sausage rolls have arrived as they are too hot to package!

If you feel the urge to make 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 so all proceeds go directly towards the upkeep of our beautiful church.

The porch is open every day from 9.00 am until late afternoon where you will find our usual range of preserves, books, plants, flowers and other desirables.

Thank you for your support. J.C.

The Parish Magazine desperately needs some help to run it's finances, organise the advertising and lead the general system of the magazine.

Did you work in finance before you retired?

Were you in the field of advertising and production of adverts?

Were you a Team Leader in your firm?

YOU are the just the person we need to keep the magazine going.

PLEASE come and help.

October 2024

Church

Rota

	<u>Sidesperson</u>	<u>Reader/Intercessor</u>	<u>Refreshments</u>
6th October Harvest	Denise	Jane/Brenda	Brenda/Eileen
13th October	Clive	Roger P/Donna	Donna
20th October	Donna	Michael/Chris	Fay
27th October	Judith	Roger H/Tony	Donna
3rd November	Jo	Vicki/Brenda	Brenda/Eileen

October 2024

Flower

Rota

	ALTAR	WEST END	PORCH
6th October (Harvest)	Fay Steed	Wendy Selmes	Lynn Marston
13th October	Carly Amey	Donna Clifton	Judith Clifton
20th October	Linda Hiskey	Dawn Prance	Denise Stephens
27th October	Julie Flawn	Sally Linington	Helen Downing Waite
3rd November	Paddy Moseley Horne	Julie Wooding Chapel	Helen Hennig Judith Clifton

If you are unable to take your turn, please telephone Judith Clifton on 758285 or 07840 356681 – and the same numbers if you are unable to crack the code for the kitchen / Glory Hole for oasis etc. Please take the old flowers home with you or place in the black bin at church (not the green one as that is for recycle only). Would you like to join us on the flower rota? If so please contact me on the above number. J.C.



History of Appledore Flower Festival

Referring to the letter from my late mother-in-law Lorna in the September edition (Blast from the Past) I am delighted that this has thrown light on the question so often asked ... "when did the Appledore Flower Festival begin?" Now we can say for certainty that it started in 1962!

The idea for a Festival of Flowers came from Spalding in Lincolnshire where Dennis and Lorna Clifton were there attending the bulb auctions. Looking for a break in the proceedings she searched for a diversion in the town and came across a festival in the local church and brought the idea back to Appledore.

In the early days she was ably assisted by her friend Janet Shapland from the Quillet, opposite the Clifton family home at Court Lodge. Over the years many others have taken on the responsibility of organising what has become a huge village event now led by Donna Clifton and raising thousands of pounds for the upkeep of our Parish Church.

In the past many others have taken on this task including Iris Bourne, Eileen Oven, Dora Kelly, Poppet Codrington, George Cranham, myself and no doubt some whose names have escaped me. As far as I can remember there have only been 2 or 3 years since 1962 when the Flower Festival has not happened, one of those being in 2020 due to Covid restrictions.

As a final thought, Paddy Moseley and Iris Bourne were involved in creating flower arrangements at the very first one! Long may it continue to bring joy to all our visitors.

Judith Clifton

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Parish Council Update October 2024

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



The new Parish House is nearing completion. Parish Council representatives have commenced discussions with Ashford Borough Council to set the criteria for renting the house. This is likely to be a staged priority approach e.g. stage 1; searching the social housing register for those seeking an affordable rental house in Appledore and who can evidence local links such as family members living in the village. The exact requirements will be announced in due course. In the meantime, if you know anyone who would likely benefit from renting this house and are not currently on the social housing register then please direct them to this link for more information: <https://www.kenthomechoice.org.uk/>. Watch this space for further updates.

Update on improving our foot path and cycle links: Sharon Marsh and Jane Garner are leading a project to upgrade the public right of way between Appledore and Appledore Station. The long-term plan is to apply a hard surface to the existing foot path to enable all-year walking and cycling. Since the last update Sharon and Jane have spoken with most of the land owner stakeholders, all whom are supportive of this initiative. The biggest challenge is the requirement to reposition and extend the right of way to avoid having to walk/ cycle along the section of the B2080 near to the Station approach. We wish all those involved the very best in developing this marvellous environmentally friendly project.

Building community resilience: one of our “community resilience leads” Paula Thornton presented a useful document in the last magazine edition on preparing for the worst scenarios. This included her reflection on the how we as a community handled the recent water shortage, the importance of good communication, building our knowledge of those in the community who are most in need and have a plan to support them. Ashford Borough Council has produced a 5-step approach to building resilience in response to an emergency. Select this link <https://www.kentprepared.org.uk/5-steps> for further information. Also, you can refer to the A5 version of this plan on the next page.

5 steps to become better prepared

STEP

1

Make an emergency grab bag – consider:

- Torch
- Keys
- Medication
- First aid kit
- Toiletries
- Important documents
- Radio and batteries
- Money and credit cards
- Clothing and blankets
- Mobile phone and charger
- Pet food
- Food and water
- Emergency contacts



STEP

2

Make a 'Household Emergency Plan'

Make an emergency plan for your home and practice it with your household. Your plan should include: contact numbers, how to turn off your gas, electricity and water, and sources of information and advice.



STEP

3

Sign up for weather and flood alerts

- Sign up for Met Office weather alerts: www.metoffice.gov.uk



- Get Environment Agency Flood Warnings: www.gov.uk/sign-up-for-flood-warnings



STEP

4

Check your flood risk

Check your home's flood risk by visiting the Environment Agency website at www.gov.uk/check-long-term-flood-risk



STEP

5

Join the Priority Services Register

The Priority Services Register is for customers who may need additional support in a utility outage. Find out if you or a relative is eligible to sign up for this free service by visiting www.thepsr.co.uk



Volunteers Required

To help with the production of the Parish Magazine.

Tessa and I have been involved in the production of the Parish Magazine for many years and as other helpers have left the Village we have (voluntarily) taken on their duties.

We now feel it is too much for us to manage and are therefore stepping down from the Magazine Team.

Volunteers are therefore required for the following duties:-

Accounts – Sending out invoices, paying bills, dealing with finances.

Advertising – Deal with advert enquires, arrange or create adverts, print the advert section, maintain a record of when advert payment is due for renewal & inform Accounts for invoicing.

The above two duties could be carried out by one person or two separate people.

Printing – Organise the printing with the volunteer printers, carry out printing & copying for customers as required. Monitor and order paper and ink as required, liaise with the Printer Manufacturer regarding Maintenance & Repairs.

Collating – A Team of 4 people are required to collate/put the magazine together, after it has been printed then bundle for distribution to Deliverers.

One member to be Team Leader to organise collating day and arrange distribution to Deliverers and the Church (Car required). Order Staples as required.

Deliverers – One Deliverer urgently required and others would be appreciated to lessen the burden on others and to cover sickness and holidays.

Printing, Collating and Delivery normally takes place in the last week of the month.

Training for volunteers will be provided if required.

If you would like to volunteer or require more information please contact Brian Knight:-

Tel: 01233 758319 email: thrkng@aol.com

HELP

PLEASE

URGENT

The Story of Mr Pitt's Ditch

**Local Resident Michael Steed MA (Cantab)
Accepted an invitation to talk to us about
The Royal Military Canal – Why & How it was built**



**Friday, 11th October 2024
19:30Hrs to 21:00Hrs
Appledore Village Hall
(Doors Open 19:00Hrs)**

**Tickets @ £6.00 Each
Only Obtainable in Advance from
Brian Knight
Telephone: 01233 758319
Email: ThrKng@aol.com**

**Selection of Refreshments
Available for Sale on the Night**

**Definitely Not to be Missed if you
have an Interest in Local History**

**This is a Fundraising Event for
Appledore Local History Society**

**An Opportunity Open to Appledore
Residents and Anyone Else Who
Wishes to Attend**



Appledore Local History Society



Get ready for a

AUTUMN HARVEST

CELEBRATION

October 26 th at Appledore Village
Hall, 6.30 for 7, priced £16 per head

A heartwarming Harvest Supper:

Ham-rock Terrine, Beef pie in red
wine with vegetables, followed by
roasted Autumn Fruits With Vanilla
custard. Veg options available.

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BRODIE

Some of you may have seen me in church. I try to be well behaved, not make too much fuss or noise, usually just settle down for a quiet snooze.

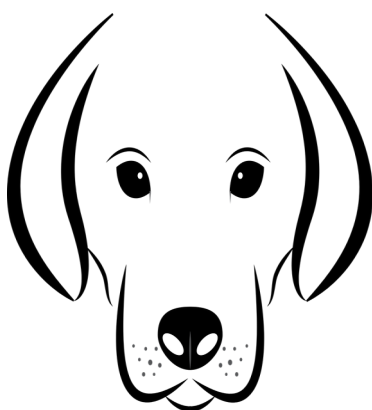
On a recent visit I was sitting waiting to walk home when I spotted a tasty morsel on a plate. Had someone put it there for me? It was at my level so it must be for me I thought. I polished it off in one mouthful. She was busy talking and hadn't noticed. Then a shout from someone nearby. "She's eaten my cake" and then a lot of laughter. Quickly I polished off the crumbs on the floor and made a hasty retreat. On the way home nothing was said and it was soon forgotten.

On my next visit to the church there were lots of dogs and we all got a special treat for being so good. It was a doggy day and everyone was pleased to see us. I can get used to this sort of treatment I thought. Sunday mornings aren't so dull after all.

I've been to the allotment again and made some new friends, human variety and dogs. I've got a special place just for me to sit and snooze in the sunshine, watching all the activity.

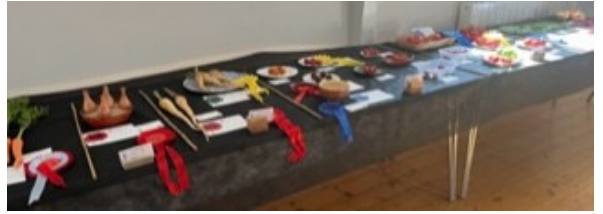
An early morning romp across the fields recently turned into an almighty chase after a rabbit, or was it a hare. No sheep around so off the lead I just ran and ran, over the bumps, up and down desperately trying to catch this elusive creature. Then far off I heard the voice shouting Brodie, Brodie, then louder and louder, Brodie come back. I turned round to see where she was, almost out of sight. Then by the time I turned back my quarry had disappeared. Better luck next time perhaps.

So that's all my news for now, goodbye summer and hello autumn, love from Brodie



FROM THE SHOW

COMMITTEE



Once again the village show has come and gone. And what a show it was this year. We had a lot more exhibitors - AND exhibits as well.

The grand winners were:-

Cornelius Plate for best runner beans—Graham Selmes

Trevor Gough Cup for best dahlias—Graham Selmes

Owen Cup for best miniature flower exhibit—Donna Clifton

Hammond Cup for best first time exhibitor—Fay Steed

Society Cup for the most points in vegetable classes—Graham Selmes

Fruit Cup for most points in fruit classes—Ruth Smith and Martin Weeks

S.P. Cup for most points in flower classes—Graham Selmes

Appledore Cup for best flower exhibit—Jo Perkins

Cookery Spoon for most cookery points—Jo Weeks

Best Boy Trophy for boy with most points—Eliot Weeks

Best Girl Trophy for girl with most points—Skye Boorman and Darcy Norris

Barcol Trophy for best handicraft—Heidi Simkin

Smith Award for best photograph—Jo Weeks

Calladine Cup for best child exhibit—Darcy Norris

Patricia Roe Cup for best exhibit in whole show—Philippa Perkins

This year we also gave out certificates to everyone, announcing all their rosettes and cups.

Exhibitors with no rosette/cup—5

Exhibitors with 1 3rd class rosette/no cup—6

Exhibitors with 1 2nd class rosette +/- some third rosettes/no cup—10

Exhibitors with 1 1st class rosette and some second + third rosettes/no cup—5

Exhibitors with 2 1st class rosettes and some second + third rosettes/no cup—4

Exhibitors with several first, second and third class rosettes and one cup—9

Exhibitors with several first, second and third rosettes and 2 cups—2—Darcy Norris and Jo Weeks

Exhibitor with several first, second and third rosettes and 4 cups—1—Graham Selmes.

As you can see there were 41 exhibitors, with 174 exhibits.

And of course there was an amazing raffle with a whole collection of Gusbourne wines and tasting sessions. Throughout the afternoon, there were delicious cakes, scones and drinks from the kitchen.

Quite a day!!

The committee would like to thank Councillor Johnny Shilton and partner, Tina and Phil O'Reilly, Linda Hiskey, Sarah Heritage-Smith, Martin Weeks and of course for all those who helped clear up at the end, return various exhibits which owners left behind(!) and took home leftover cake which needed to be eaten up!

And I'd like to tell you all about my amazing parsnip and how I took it with me on my trip to Lincolnshire!!!

Ruth Smith and Jo Weeks



Appledore Meeting Point

For those of you with a sweet tooth, Annabel will be coming to CARM Appledore Meeting Point on Tuesday 8th October 10am – 11.30am, Village Hall to give a Halloween-themed cupcake decorating workshop. Do come along and give it a try! If you want to join us, please contact Jo Killick on 07813 981899 before Sunday 6th.

Citizen's Advice - Change of Attendance Methods in Appledore

As from this month Citizen Advice will no longer hold a scheduled weekly consultation in the Village Hall due to a lack of attendance. They obviously still wish to assist residents however they can but would now ask you that if you need to consult with them please call them on the number below and they will meet you in the Hall at a mutually convenient time for you both.



GRAPEVINE : October 2024

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Sadly, there have been two recent deaths come to our notice.

First we have heard that Hazel Fazzani of Oakhouse Farm, Woodchurch Road has passed away at considerable age. We offer our condolences to Keith, Brenda, Douglas and Alison. I remember her winning the Tombola biggest prize—a bottle of champagne - within the first few moments of the Tombola being opened at the Village Show.

We have also heard that Carol Munday of Tudor Rose Cottage, The Street has also passed away We offer our condolences to John and their family.

CANCER RESEARCH U.K.

Thank you to everyone who contributed their loose change to the collection tin on our shop counter. The contents this time (3rd May to 2nd September) amounted to an amazing £26.48. Your support is much appreciated and we are very grateful to the shop owners for continuing to allow us to collect funds in this way.

Judith Clifton

*Appledore Over 65s Christmas Lunch
Saturday 14th December*



SAVE THE DATE

More Details to Follow

The Ramblers Walk 20th September 2024

So today we are back to the village ramble after having a break in August. I am looking forward to meeting up with my walking buddies again but as I look out the window in the morning, the heavens open and thunder rolls around the sky. However, I'm not worried as on ramble day we have so far had a 100% success rate of good weather!

Today we are walking to St. Thomas Becket Church at Fairfield. Thirteen of us leave the village, walking through the narrows and across the bridge and take the small road off to the right, which according to the map is called Beckett Road. We are walking to the church along the road and then going to come back across the fields. The weather is now hot and sunny and we stride along admiring the views either side of the road. We pass Priory Farm where all the turkeys are out in the field and carry on until we reach Becket House. For years the key to the church used to hang to the right of the door of Becket House but now it has been moved to the right hand gatepost on the driveway. We collect the key and carry on a bit further along the road and then go through a gate into the field surrounding the church. Normally sheep graze all around the church but today the field is empty. The church dates back to the 12th century and was then restored in the 18th century, it stands completely isolated in the middle of a field. We go inside which is like stepping back in time. The interior is filled with rows of box pews where different families would have sat depending on their social standing. These have quite recently been restored and are painted bright white. The church has a very special triple decker pulpit and has featured in several films such as Great Expectations.

We decide it is time to move on and lock up and head back to the road. We return the huge key to it's gatepost and retrace our steps back as far as the railway line. Here there is a finger post on the right over a stile, showing footpath HM43. We follow the hedge line through a field of sheep and then the path crosses a dry ditch into a potato field. The potatoes are currently being picked up and we have passed several tractors along the road with trailers full of potatoes. We walk round the edge of the potato field and past some modern agricultural barns and along to an old pumping station. This whole area is covered with many ditches or sewers and the pumping station would have been used to move the water around the different sewers. We carry on through different fields of newly planted peas and other crops and stop to admire a beautiful swan who is anxiously watching her four grey cygnets. The footpath bends round to the left and is now the HM44. We now have to navigate 2 stiles to cross us over the railway line. Typically of course, at this particular time a train has to come along and we hold fast by our stile as it whizzes past. We have to manhandle dearest Brodie over the stiles, as they are not dog friendly, but as always she is beautifully behaved and takes it all in her stride! We cross a couple more fields and bridges and then footpath AT126B brings us back out on Beckett Road. We walk round the bend and then cross another bridge on footpath AT126A which goes across the back of Bridge House Farm and pops us out in a half open gate opposite the Military Canal and the bridge at the bottom of the village. We make our way along to the pub where some of us enjoy a well deserved drink and others have to rush off to the next commitment!

Jo Weeks

