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#### Hello Everyone

I always research to find something topical for my editorial and, along with Mothers' Day falling on 15th March, I discovered that we will experience a total eclipse of the Sun on Friday March 20th.



Wikipedia tells us that an eclipse occurs when the Moon passes between the Earth and the Sun, thereby obscuring the image of the Sun for a viewer on Earth, and a total solar eclipse occurs when the Moon's apparent diameter is larger than the Sun, blocking all direct sunlight, turning day into darkness. Totality occurs in a narrow path across the surface of the Earth, while a partial solar eclipse will be visible over a region thousands of kilometres wide. The last time a total eclipse was seen in the Uk was on 21st June 2001, so it may be a first for some of our readers.

Since the last issue we've had a Committee meeting and have decided to arrange another Murder Mystery evening later in the year - on Saturday 31st October - Halloween. Our last Murder Mystery was a fantastic evening with everyone getting into the spirit by dressing up themselves and their tables and we hope this year's will be as successful.

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We welcome all contributions to the content of the Newsletter, but please remember that the deadline date is 8pm on the 15th of the month.

*NOTE:* You should be aware that <u>articles are also published on the website www. tenews.co.uk</u> - please inform us if you want any part of your article withheld from that particular medium.

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### **PCSO GRETEL MAY**

I can be contacted on **07772 226209** for any issues that you'd like to discuss with me. My next surgery at the Coffee Morning is on Thursday 5th March. *Gretel.* 





# Village Diary 2015

#### March

Thurs 5 Sun 15	Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hal MOTHERS' DAY
Thurs 19	Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
Fri 20	W.I. Quiz 7 for 7.30pm in the Village Hall see ad page 11
Sat 28	Produce Association 50th Spring Show 2pm in the Village Hall
Tues 31	Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm

#### April

Thurs 2	Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
Fri 3	GOOD FRIDAY
Mon 6	EASTER MONDAY
Sat 11	Spring Fayre in aid of Church Funds see ad page 28
Thurs 16	Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
Tues 28	Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm
Thurs 30	Coffee Morning at the Village Hall

#### May

Mon 4	BANK HOLIDAY
Thurs 14	Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
Mon 25	BANK HOLIDAY
Tues 26	Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm
Thurs 28	Coffee Morning at the Village Hall

#### June

Sat 6	Newsletter Barn Dance in the Village Hall 7.30pm
Thurs 11	Coffee Merning at the Village Hell

- Thurs 11Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Thurs 25Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
- Tues 30Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm

#### July

- Thurs 9Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Sat 18Produce Association Summer Show2pm in the Village Hall
- Thurs 23 Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
- Tues 28Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm

#### August

- Thurs 6Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Thurs 20Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Mon 31 BANK HOLIDAY

#### September

- Thurs 3Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Thurs 17 Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Sat 19 Produce Association AutumnShow 2pm in the Village Hall

### October

- Thurs 1 Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
- Thurs 15Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Mon 26 Produce Association AGM 7.30pm in the Village Hall
- Tues 27Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm
- Thurs 29Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village Hall
- Sat 31Murder Mystery Newsletter event in the Village Hall

#### November

- Thurs 12 Coffee Morning at the Village Hall
- Tues 24Parish Council Meeting in the Baptist Chapel Hall 7.15pm
- Thurs 26 Coffee Morning at the Village Hall

### December

- Thurs 10Coffee Morning and PCSO Surgery at the Village HallFri 25CHRISTMAS DAYSat 26BOXING DAY
- Mon 27 BANK HOLIDAY

#### Boxes for Church Coins

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#### **KEARSNEY PARKS NEWSLETTER**

**WELCOME** to our first Kearsney Parks newsletter keeping you up-to-date with the latest news and information on our £3.3 million Heritage Lottery Fund (HLF) 'Parks for People' project at Kearsney Abbey and Russell Gardens.

Following our successful first round application to the Heritage Lottery Fund we're now in the process of developing the detailed plans that we need to prepare for our round two application. We're aiming to submit our round two bid in 2016.

As part of the development phase we'll be appointing a number of specialists to help guide and inform our plans. The majority of this work is being funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund who awarded us development funding of £264,100.

We will not be doing anything that would undermine the rich heritage of the parks, so please don't be alarmed if you see lots of people in Russell Gardens and Kearsney Abbey with clipboards and surveying equipment! We'll be consulting fully on our plans as they emerge as well as keeping you informed through our website (www.kearsneyparks.co.uk), Twitter (@Kearsneyparks), regular e-mail updates and posters in the parks.

#### Meet Jon – our project manager



Co-ordinating all this work is Jon Winder our new project manager for the development phase. Jon brings a wealth of experience to the Kearsney Parks and has been involved in the development of similar projects at parks and open spaces across the country.

#### Kearsney Parks need you!



To make sure the project is a success we will need to call on the skills, experience and knowledge of a wide range of park users and local residents.

- Are you interested in helping make decisions about the project?
- Would you like to get involved in practical tasks to improve the park?
- Are you a keen gardener or interested in local history?
- Could you help other people use the parks and understand their fascinating history and ecology?

### If you are interested in getting involved, please email community@dover.gov.uk or call 01304 872115.

#### **Topographical Survey**



Regular visitors to the parks may well have already seen some of our initial preparatory works. A topographical survey is underway to give us a detailed understanding of the terrain and features of the parkland and to help inform our plans for the site.

#### Events - coming soon



A key part of our project is to make the parks more accessible and to attract new audiences.

By restoring the Festival of Britain open air theatre in Kearsney Abbey we will be able to host a wider range of events. As the project develops we'll be hosting a series of events throughout the year where you can

come along to see, and comment on, our plans. It will soon be time to get out the picnic blanket for a day in the park!

We'll also be promoting events where you can get involved in the project practically, perhaps helping us to restore the landscape, or sharing your memories of the parks' history.

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### Village News



Sadly the old bench on London Road, remembering Mr Percy Parks, had seen better days, so his son Roy decided to commission local artisan, Martin Tourett, to manufacture a replacement.

The sturdy and beautifully constructed new bench is now in situ for all to enjoy.

#### A New Era for the Village Shop and Post Office

I was delighted to make the acquaintence of the new owners of the village shop, husband and wife Neal and Bena Petal.

The couple have come to the village from Tower Hamlets and have already or will be introducing many new services, including a free ATM (cash machine), Lottery terminal, electric key top-ups and a coffee machine.



Neal is currently busy learning the Post Office side of things while Bena concentrates on getting the shop up to the required standard. She told me that she has been busy cleaning and organising things ready for the Post Office section to be moved to the back of the main shop area.

The shop already has more of a buzz about it and both Neal and Bena are extremely friendly and welcoming. They tell me that more stock is arriving daily and they will soon have a full shop.

Opening hours are increasing dramatically too - Monday to Saturdays they will be open from 8am till 7.30pm and on Sundays from 8am to 1.30pm. They also offer a delivery service on request.

I came away with a very good feeling about the future of the shop and Post Office.

Welcome to Temple Ewell Neal and Bena, we wish you every success for the future.

### Temple Ewell W.I.



We enjoyed games of short mat bowls at our February meeting and some members played table games and puzzles.

Our next meeting will be on 12th March, when we will be celebrating our 97th birthday with guests from other W.I.s within our group.





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### Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul

March services – to which we warmly welcome you. Our Sunday Club meets at 10.30am during term time as advised.

Sunday 1st	The Second Sunday of Lent Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 8th	The Third Sunday of Lent Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
Sunday 15th	Mothering Sunday Family Eucharist with Blessing of Flowers 10.30 a.m
Weds. 18th	Meditation on the Way of the Cross 6.00 p.m. (Lady Chapel)
Sunday 22nd	Passion Sunday
	Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.
Weds. 25th	Meditation on the Way of the Cross 6.00 p.m. (Lady Chapel)
Sunday 29th	Palm Sunday (Holy Week begins)
	See posters and April Newsletter
	Procession from the George and Dragon (with pony and palms)
	10.15 a.m. Parish Eucharist 10.30 a.m.

### For times of the Daily Offices and midweek services, please refer to the Church Notice Board.

In the Daily Office book I use for Morning and Evening Prayer, if time permits there is also a daily meditation to ponder, and sometimes I find there is something that speaks to a situation which is in my mind and heavy on the heart. So sadly, very much at the moment in mind and heart it is the number of people experiencing the dreadful pain of bereavement, and the meditation concerned was by the eminent German Catholic philosopher Josef Pieper who died in 1997.

In the meditation, Piper is considering the notion of hell, but instead of quoting the Church Fathers, he chooses this quote from Dostoyevsky's novel 'The Brothers of Karamazov'....."You fathers and teachers, what is hell? I think it is pain of no longer being able to love."

A simple thought came to me. Bereavement is something we experience because we love and continue to love as we also cherish the memories of love shared. So if the inability to love is hell, maybe the love we continue to feel, though painful, nevertheless is a treasured glimpse of heaven?

During the remainder of the penitential season of Lent and through Holy Week we are asked to ponder the love of the Cross of Jesus and it's power over death on Easter Day. This is where hope and such thoughts of heaven were born and may that Divine Love uphold us all. *Fr. Paul* 

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**Temple Ewell Players** 

#### Hello Everyone!

I start with an apology this month to our audience members who came to watch our pantomime 'The Little Mermaid' on the Friday night. Midway through the last song of the 1st act, in circumstances beyond our control, the hall suffered a power outage. Despite efforts to restore power we could not continue the performance and the entire cast and crew were very upset that they could not show all the hard work that had been on-going for three months. Luckily power was restored for the matinee and evening performances on the Saturday and the Village Hall committee is investigating the power problems.

On another note, we have a drum kit for sale. Please contact our Chairman Mike Brodie on 01304 824400 for more details.

Finally, we always welcome new members whether it be on stage or behind the scenes. We are currently looking for anyone with lighting skills or who would like to learn. For more details about us or to get it touch visit our website www.templeewellplayers.co.uk or call our chairman Mike Brodie on 01304 824400.

#### Rachel





Stars of The Little Mermaid Tracy Booth as Octavia and Mike Brodie as Queen Hypoocondria - both gave outstanding performances.

All photos courtesy of Weng Lim



Every Panto needs a couple of baddies - John Regan and Louise Ellis here as the splendidly bad Archduke Boris and his 'lovely' daughter Lady Ingrid.

Rob Philpot, hardly recognisable here as King Neptune, with Jemma Groombridge as Oceana and chorus members Jenny Olpin, Ewan Dickson and Ruby Hamilton. The costumes and Scenery were stunning.





Steve Smith played a jovial King Marmaduke while Andy Fellows and Clare Senior were the gormless eventual sweethearts, Baldrick and Heidi with Rachel White playing the titular Mermaid, Marina, in this delightful romp, which ranks up there with the best of all the Players' productions.

Well done to all! (Jeanette - Barmaid for the panto)





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It seems that you either love it or loathe it. The beauty overwhelms or the inconvenience appalls. What looks so innocuous can also be so dangerous. Slipping and breaking a bone is bad enough but snow can kill. About 80 people have been killed in avalanches in the alps this year.

The sight of the white stuff does remind me of some years ago when I hurtled down the prepared hard snow track on skis, lost control and ended up in very deep snow minus the skis, which had disappeared from view. I tried to get up but, although the legs moved down, the body stayed where it was. No solid point of contact could be made. I tried to roll over and then to swim but although the arms and legs moved fine, the body remained where it was. The ridiculous situation made me laugh. There I was, a reasonably fit person, having a good time and yet now unable to move. I shouted for help, but there was nobody there as it was late afternoon. The laughter soon disappeared as the seriousness of my situation became apparent. After some time two pretty girls came by, I called for help and they came over and pulled me out. (They would have to be pretty wouldn't they?)

What a parable for life. Having a good time, everything in our favour when wham! We lose control. The unexpected happens! We need help. It is so good to know that Jesus Christ comes along. (See Luke's gospel chapter 10).



Messy Church is held on the second Sunday of each month from 4.00 - 6-00 pm.

Our activities continue as usual: Sunday Family Service: 10.30am Monday Keep Fit: 7.30pm Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer: 7.30pm

#### **Future Events**

**MESSY CHURCH** on Sunday 8th March 4.00 - 6.00pm. This is for children and adults and comprises about 1 hour of craft activities, 10 minute Bible based talk, a full cooked meal. Please come.

#### LENT LUNCHES start on 25th February 12-00 - 1-30pm

We are here to serve you and if there is anything you wish to ask do not hesitate to contact Pat on 827341, Jack on 825150 or our minister Ewart Graham on 375823. www.temple-ewell-baptist.co.uk

### Brownies



We are once again collecting Sainsbury's tokens, to purchase items for the Pack. If you would like to donate some, please take them into Lorna's Barber Shop, as Lorna is helping us by taking in the

tokens. Thank you. Anne - Brown Owl

Brownies meet on Fridays 6-7.30pm at Temple Ewell Baptist Church. If anyone would like to help, and is over 18, please phone Anne on 01304 827138 and she will be pleased to hear from you.



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### KCC and DDC Councillor

Preparing for the Eleven Plus

In my current role, I deal often with justified complaints or general moans by members of the local community. I find on balance, the community is brilliant in feeding local knowledge or informa-

tion back to assist me make a case, where there are grey areas of responsibility with either the law or regulations that Local Authorities, Parish Councils or their partners have to abide by, that could otherwise tie my hands in attempting to resolve a complaint. Effectively we, the community officers and councillors, work as a team to overcome hurdles and achieve outcomes.

Very rarely however one comes across a character who will moan or complain, but when advice is given they fail to act upon that advice and 'lo and behold' they will repeat their complaint fairly regularly, still steadfastly ignoring further repeat advice. Invariably they will react to advice given with sarcasm and or exaggerated statements. I feel very sad for these people, for I suspect they may have gone through life creating more problems for themselves, simply because they can not, or will not, pay attention, or they are only prepared to listen to what they want to hear. I am sure we have all come across these characters in our various walks of life.

How many of these issues could have been attributable to how they studied as a child, if they had weak core skills in literacy and numeracy, this could have manifested into problems of analytical skills and comprehension as they developed into adults. There is a very interesting thesis written by Professor Chris Bentley of the Wolfson Research Institute identifying these very personality traits.

In schools now, one of the first academic and analytical measures a child may face on their educational pathway is the Kent Test and the Eleven Plus. Primary children, eligible for application to grammar schools in Kent, must undertake and pass the Kent Test.

Testing takes places in September, the year before entry, being year 6. Kent Test registration takes place prior to year 6, so as parents you need to be prepared for this Children will sit two papers, comprising, Reasoning, Maths and English with a maximum score of 420. To pass, a child must achieve a minimum of 320.

How far should you go to support your child's success? It is important to support children as they prepare for any test or scholarship in such a way that the emphasis is on strengthening the child's core skills in numeracy and literacy, being meaningful and effective.

Results have shown that targeting academic skills, rather than basically coaching for the test, tremendously improves the child's confidence and ability. Skills focus makes a child a better learner. To coach a child just to pass a test may not be the best methodology. Building on essential grammar, writing and structuring skills can develop a child's written process, plus to be numerically confident requires a good basic knowledge of Maths in order to access the top grades at school.

Whilst many primary schools dismiss the Eleven Plus coaching, the tests can be tough, if a child is presented with the papers without any prior coaching, understanding exam technique and time management will encourage confidence rather than apprehension of failure and poor performance.

So preparation, comprehension, technique and time management developed into a child at this stage of their education will set them on a structured pathway to studying and a greater chance of enhancing their future academic potential and prospects.

#### Cllr Geoffrey Lymer Dover District & Kent County Councillor



### Youth Club

At the time of writing, we are hoping our Quiz Night on 20th February will raise enough to pay for our mini-bus trip to Camber. Everyone is really looking forward to our weekend away. Thanks in advance if you supported us! **Sophie** 



### Willows

The Willows all enjoyed the Pantomime. Everyone sang to Cynthia who was celebrating her 70th birthday.

We are off to a Spring Ball at the Chapel Tearooms on February 26th,

and Bowling in Margate on March 14th.

More news next month. Sophie



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#### Sunday Club and Bubbles Mothering Sunday March 15th

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and all ladies will be presented with flowers. Once again we are grateful to Nicola from the Co-op Community group for arranging and constructing our posies.

Refreshments will be served after the service.

Children are invited to join us on Sunday mornings for a variety of activities. Easter crafts are always exciting. Phone Margaret or Jenny on 820615 or 824280.





Mother's Day, or Mothering Sunday as it is more traditionally known, is an annual celebration where families up and down the UK pay tribute to the role mums play in their lives, giving thanks for everything they do. Similar celebrations also take place around the world but not necessarily on the same day.

In Britain the date of Mother's Day itself is not fixed but it always falls on the fourth Sunday of Lent, which this year is on March 15. The date varies as it depends on when Easter is, but if you're keen to plan ahead then get March 6 next year in your diary as that is when Mother's Day 2016 takes place.

Mothering Sunday is firmly rooted in Christianity and began life as a largely religious celebration before merging into the commercialised celebration we know today during the 20th century, taking inspiration from many of the traditions used to mark Mother's Day in the USA. Its religious origins are believed to date back to Roman times when a festival was held in mid-March to honour Cybele, the mother goddess. After Europe and Britain adopted Christianity, Laetare Sunday – the traditional name for the fourth Sunday of Lent – became the focus to continue mother-themed celebrations in honour of the Virgin Mary and the 'mother church'.

As the centuries rolled on celebrations continued to be upheld and as far back as the 16th century it is believed that workers were given time off and families joined together and returned to their own 'mother church' – often where they were baptised or simply a large local church – to mark the fourth Sunday of Lent together.

Children picked flowers to decorate their church or give to their own mothers, a tradition which is still present these days, with mums everywhere looking forward to being given flowers on Mother's Day.

These traditional celebrations had become less significant by the early part of the 20th century but, inspired by a burgeoning Mother's Day movement in the USA and later influenced by visiting soldiers from north America during the Second World War, a festival feel returned to Mothering Sunday which began to blend into the modern day Mother's Day and with savvy businessmen embracing the commercial possibilities it had become a flourishing celebration once again by the middle of the 20th century and today continues to be a big day in the calendar for families around the country.



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### **Produce Association**

The Coffee Morning held on Saturday the 7th of February was well attended. Thank you all for coming. A lot of members rejoined the Club that morning.

The Spring Show in March is our 50th, our Golden Anniversary, and it will be held on the 28th at 2 pm in the Village Hall. We hope you like the new look show schedules that were designed by our Show Secretary and her son Reece.

The coach trip on the 12th of April will be visiting two gardens. The first one is Great Comp Gardens, which is having a Spring plant fair on the day we are there, then on to Broadview Gardens in Hadlow, which has beautiful grounds and also a garden centre. We'll be spending a few hours at each place. If you fancy a nice day out please book early as we are nearly full. To book your seat ring John on 822954 or Edie 824787.

#### Trevor Barlow and the Committee



### Friday Club

On behalf of the Friday Club I would like to extend a warm welcome to the new owners of the Post Office and shop. The change over has been long awaited and we wish you every success in the Village.

Due to illness and expected bad weather we closed for two weeks in January, but we are now up and running again and looking forward to the spring.

We had some birthdays in January and February and would like to take this opportunity of hoping the following enjoyed their special day: Janet, Jean, John, Mary, Pat and Mike (who had a very special '0' birthday) and for March - Audrey, Margaret Bushell and Joan Watts.

I would like to extend get well wishes to Joan Watts who had a bad fall and broke a bone in her elbow. Get well soon Joan.

As we are all young at heart we had a Valentine's Tea on 13th and this was enjoyed by us all, but sadly no romances so far have been reported! On 27th March we shall be going down to The Fox for our Annual Dinner, so there's plenty to look forward to.

If you are interested in coming along to the Club, please pop in and have a cup of tea or coffee with us. We are here every Friday from 1.30pm till 4.15pm. There is no age barrier and we are a friendly bunch. We have various activities during the year and weekly bingo sessions, so come and give us a try you will be most welcomed.

Get well wishes to all those who have been poorly and hoping you have a speedy recovery. Take Care **Yvonne** 

#### Where do you hurt the most?

I rubbed, I pummelled, I massaged the ache out. I got to grips with it. You groaned, you moaned, then you slept throughout and got to grips with it. Relax .....



I'm glad you came, it's nice to meet you. I'm sure we can iron the problem out. It's what I do, my hands are ready You need calmness, quiet, and your life steady. Relax .....

> Does your neck ache, or is it your shoulders? Can you not sleep, or is it your head? Or is it life just getting you down? Can I help you here, or there, instead? Just sleep or talk, or just Relax .....

> > There, doesn't that feel better? Hasn't that just sorted it out? I'm glad you've been, it's nice to have met you, now home, feet up, relax .....

> > > Anne Cox





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#### 10th Anniversay of the Parish Plan

Anyone who's been resident in Temple Ewell for more than ten years may remember the Parish Plan of 2005.

The plan was drawn up by the Parish Council of the time in response to a Government White Paper which stated that rural communities should have a greater say in decisions that might affect them.

Data was gathered from residents via questionnaires that were sent out to every household. An amazingly high number responded - 74% in fact.

It was intended that the data would enable the Parish Council to implement some changes and lobby for others where the opportunites arose.

Quite how successful this proved to be could be debatable but should you wish to judge for yourself, a copy of the complete document is now available to download from the TENews website at www.tenews.co.uk/?page\_id=3107

It would be interesting to hear your thoughts on this. Do you think the Parish Plan made a difference? Would you like to see something similar done again? Or maybe you think it was a waste of time and money? Let us know.



#### **Temple Ewell Parish Boundary**

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### Letters to the Editor

We would like to hear from you. What do you want information on? Need help with something? Want to comment on a local issue? This is the place to do it! Send to the Editor - details on page 3

**Dear Newsletter** 

I'm writing to congratulate The Temple Ewell Players, whose spirit is as strong as ever.

The Little Mermaid panto was so colourful and the Sherbert Moon dancers truly endearing.

Even the most hardened critic would have to say there is something special about a village pantomime. Produced by Tonia Watts, it showed much imagination.

The underwater scene was especially lovely and without exception the casting was ideal. This was Panto at it's best.

Well done to all who took part, either on stage or behind the scenes.

(You might say I am biased).

#### R.A.J. Hogben

#### Dear Readers

After a successful few months, the Shop in the Church was put to bed during the winter bad weather but will be reinstated after Easter time.

Many thanks for all contributions and purchases.

#### Pat Castleton



### Enjoy your Retirement .....

You are not past your sell-by date. Think about it ... you can now fill your life with the things you want to do rather than those you used to have to do.

Today I close the door to the past... open the door to the future, take a deep breath and step on through to start the next chapter in my life...



Is there an unfinished novel lurking in your bottom drawer? Get it out, finish it and send it to publishers and agents. Remember that Mary Wesley had her first novel, *Jumping the Queue*, published shortly after her 70th birthday.

Feeling sluggish? Close your eyes and take five deep breaths wherever you are. It will get more oxygen to the brain and fill you with energy.

> Live for today. No one knows if there'll be a tomorrow, so make the most of every day and enjoy every minute.

Retirement requires the invention of a new hedonism, not a return to the hedonism of youth.



And remember .....

age is a state of mind, not a number.



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