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Hello all

Good fun was had at our Halloween Party, with about 40 people joining in, many of them in costume. It would have been nice to have a few more there as we just broke even on the costs, didn't manage to raise any funds for the Newsletter!

We will have to think carefully about what we do next as a fund raiser - any suggestions welcome.

As I'm writing this in mid November, Christmas still seems fairly distant, but I shall have to start buckling down soon to get some shopping done and cards written out.

Wishing all our Readers and their families a Very Happy Christmas and Peaceful New year from all the Newsletter committee members.



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

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Village Diary

December 2017

Sun 3 Christmas Lights switch on at Players Corner 5.30 - 6.30pm
Thurs 7 Coffee Morning in the Village Hall
Thurs 14 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Thurs 21 Coffee Morning in the Village Hall

2018

January

Thurs 11 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
21-28 Players' Panto - Dick Whittington - see poster page 23

February

Thurs 8 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Sat 10 Produce Association Coffee Morning

March

Thurs 8 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Sat 31 Produce Association Spring Show

April

Thurs 12 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Tues 24 Annual Parish Meeting

May

Thurs 10 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
13-20 Players' Spring Show
Tues 29 Parish Council AGM

June

Thurs 14 W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall

July

Thurs 12
Sat 14

W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Produce Association Summer Show

August

Tba

W.I. Outing

September

Thurs 13
Sat 15

W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall
Produce Association Autumn Show

October

Thurs 11

W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall

November

Thurs 8

W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall

December

Thurs 13

W.I. Meeting 7pm in the Village Hall

Don't forget to give us
your diary dates for
2018
as soon as possible





Sunday 3rd December

Come along and see the



CHRISTMAS LIGHTS

Switch on

5.30-6.30pm Players Corner

Christmas sing along, Father Christmas

Free Refreshments



Temple Ewell W.I.



Our November meeting was our Annual one when we elected our committee and officers. We are very happy that Jan has been re-elected as our President for the coming year. After refreshments we enjoyed a game of Dingbats, some of which really taxed our brains.

At our December meeting, on the 14th, we will be entertained by Peter and George, whose musical subject is 'The meaning of Christmas'. We will also enjoy a buffet provided by the committee and some Secret Santa presents.

We start the New Year on January 11th when our speaker's talk is entitled 'The swinging 60's'; make of that as you will. We meet at 7pm in the Village Hall and any visitors will be very welcome.

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If a child lives with ridicule, he learns to be shy.
If a child lives with shame, he learns to feel guilty.
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If a child lives with encouragement, he learns confidence.
If a child lives with praise, he learns to appreciate.
If a child lives with fairness, he learns justice.
If a child lives with security, he learns to have faith.
If a child lives with approval, he learns to like himself.
If a child lives with acceptance and friendship,
He learns to find love in the World.....



ON CHILDREN

And a woman who held a babe against her
Bosom said, Speak to us of Children.

And he said:

Your children are not your children.

They are the sons and daughters of Life's longing for itself.

They come through you but not from you.

And though they are with you yet they belong not to you.

You may give them your love but not your thoughts,

For they have their own thoughts.

You may house their bodies but not their souls,

For their souls dwell in the house of to-morrow,

which you cannot visit, not even in your dreams.

You may strive to be like them, but seek not to make them like you.

For life goes not backward nor tarries with yesterday.

You are the bows from which your children as living arrows are sent forth

(Excerpt from 'The Prophet' by Kahlil Gibran)



Brownies

In October/November we made a poster/collage for St Andrew, Patron Saint of October, had a games evening and covered three shoe boxes and put in hats, gloves, pencils, toys etc.

We had a great time ice skating down at the docks with other Brownies. There were Rainbows and Guides also there and we all went on the ice at different times.

We are now doing our entry for the Church Christmas Tree Exhibition, which will have old and new badges from A to W. Two new girls are being enrolled as Brownies. We will also be going tobogganing and having our party in December.

We re-start for the new term on Friday 5th January 2018 at 6pm at the Baptist Church. Enquiries please to the Guiding website or phone the Brownie number at the front of this Newsletter.



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Parish Church of St Peter & St Paul

December services, to which we warmly welcome you.

At Temple Ewell our Sunday Club meets at 10.30am during term time as advised.

Priests for December:

3rd Joint Temple Ewell Father Michael Morris
10th Father Richard Woods 10.30
10th Nine Lessons and Carols Lydden 6.30
17th Father Robert Farrell
24th Joint Lydden Father Michael Morris
24th Midnight Father Peter Sherred
25th Father Antony Fletcher
31st Joint Lydden

As December draws ever nearer our thoughts are prompted by most of the shops to think about what we may need in order to be ready in time. We are offered food, ideas for presents and, of course, decorations to brighten our homes.

At our Church we too have been looking at what we need to do so that the usual Christmas time services can happen, including a visit from our puppet friend Pippa at our Toy Service on the 3rd December. We seem fairly well organised, although in some ways it can be inconvenient for Christmas Eve to be on a Sunday. This will mean that there will be three services on that day. Our morning is joint with St. Mary's at Lydden. The wonderful Christingle Service is in the afternoon and, of course, our usual midnight mass when we are happy to welcome visiting friends and relatives. There will also be a traditional service on Christmas Day to celebrate the birth of Jesus even though we may be weary with all the excitement.

We do hope that we may see you in our lovely Parish Church at some time over the Christmas period. In the meantime a Blessed Christmas from everyone at St. Peter & St. Paul, and a very Healthy and Peaceful New Year.

Peter Austen

<https://www.facebook.com/templewellpepaul>



St Peter & St Paul Temple Ewell
Christmas Tree Festival

December 15th, 16th & 17th

Friday 10am – 3.30pm

Saturday 10am – 3.30pm

Sunday 12 – 3.30pm

Refreshments available

There will also be a display of nativities



All very welcome and if you would like to display a tree then please contact
Jenny Miles on 824280

Displays to be in Church Thursday 14th December



Christingle & Blessing of the Crib

Sunday 24th December

2pm in the Millennium Hall

for making christingles and games

4pm Service in Church



How refreshing to read a young person's observation on Remembrance Day.....

November 11th

November the 11th is a day we remember, for poppies and men lost.

Now they are in God's care, free from uniform wear.

No more blood shall be lost, for your men are safe, looking down.

They are no longer lain in mud or a watery grave.

So next Remembrance Sunday, spare a thought for the brave men who fought
for us, won't you?

For without them we wouldn't be free!

They may no longer be with us, but their memory and what they fought for (our
freedom) is.

Now it is time to remember the 11th of November for the brave men lost on land,
at sea and in the air, so we can be free!

For all the casualties of wars past and present.

Grace Austen November 11th 2017

Age 13.



Update on works

We'll be starting clearance work in Kearsney Abbey and Russell Gardens in early November. This will include removing shoot growth around the base of the lime trees forming the avenues in Kearsney Abbey and removing ivy growing on historic structures in the parks.

At the moment we're doing further bat activity and hibernation surveys on site. Once we know the results of these surveys, we'll have a further update on the progress of the rest of the works.

Russell Gardens ornamental pond

The base of the ornamental pond will be cleared of debris and then geo-technical surveys will be carried out. This will enable us to establish what repair work is needed.

Next photography workshop

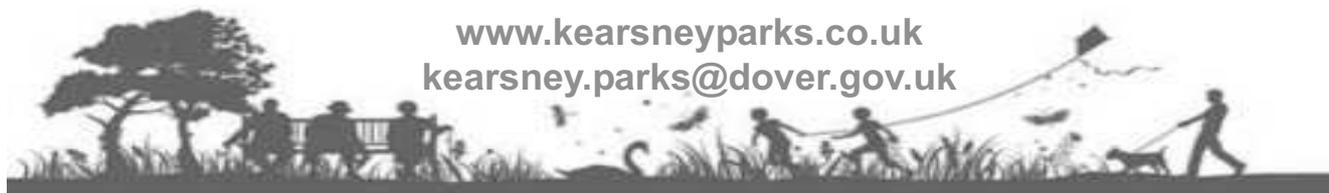
The last photography workshop of 2017 will take place on Sunday 3rd December, from 12.30pm – 3pm. The theme is 'Winter in the gardens - seasonal silhouettes and textures in the park'. There will be a chance to capture low level lighting towards dusk. The workshop is free to attend but places are limited. If you'd like to come along, please email kearsney.parks@dover.gov.uk

Keep in touch

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County Councillor

Testing the temperature for pharmacy needs in Kent

How often do you use your local pharmacy? Does your town need more? These are some of the questions being put to Kent residents in a new consultation.

Pharmaceutical Needs Assessments (PNAs) are used by commissioners such as Kent County Council and local NHS Clinical Commissioning Groups to identify local health needs that could be addressed by these services, and by NHS England to decide whether to approve applications for new pharmacies in an area.

Residents and health professionals are being asked for their views in a brief questionnaire. KCC Deputy Director of Public Health, Allison Duggal said: “We have a statutory responsibility to look at the need for pharmaceutical services in Kent and the essential services they currently provide, including dispensing, providing support and advice on health and medicines, collection of medicine waste and supporting public health campaigns. We’d like to encourage as many people as possible to take part in this consultation so we can shape the future of pharmaceutical services in the county.”

The important role that pharmacists can play is highlighted in the NHS England ‘Stay Well This Winter’ campaign which KCC supports, urging people feeling under the weather this winter to avoid A&E, and to instead consider visiting their local pharmacy for quick, early advice. This is especially important over the winter months – when people are more likely to become ill or feel poorly.

Going to the pharmacy early will give you access to medication and advice on common ailments, but they can also:

- provide expert advice to manage long term conditions and let you know if you need to see your GP or make a hospital appointment;

- Give you advice on how to care for an elderly relative or friend who has a bad cough, trouble breathing, cold or sore throat.

The consultation runs from 15 November until 22 January 2018 and is available at www.kent.gov.uk/pharmaceuticalneeds

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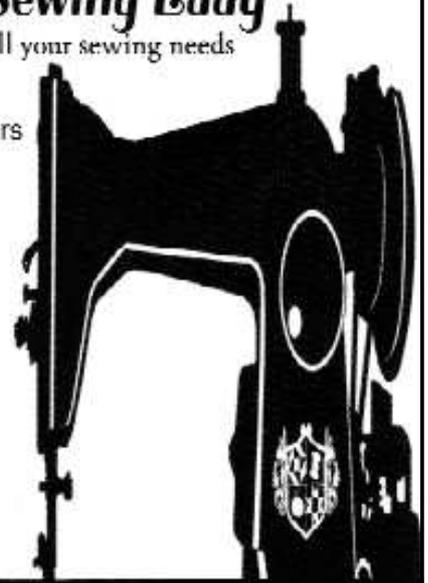
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SCREWTAPE LETTERS

My dear Wormwood,

Be sure that the patient remains completely fixated on politics. Arguments, political gossip, and obsessing on the faults of people they have never met serves as an excellent distraction from advancing in personal virtue, character, and the things the patient can control. Make sure to keep the patient in a constant state of angst, frustration, and general distain towards the rest of the human race in order to avoid any kind of charity or inner peace from further developing. Ensure the patient continues to believe that the problem is "out there" in the "broken system" rather than recognising there is a problem with himself. Keep up the good work, Uncle Screwtape.

This is an extract from "The Screwtape Letters" written by C.S.Lewis in 1942 and reading it now seems so up-to-date. Screwtape is, of course, a malign influence, and Wormwood reminds us of many people and even ourselves. If we believe the problem is "out there" then it is impersonal and nothing to do with me. The gospel of John is very specific that each one of us is "a broken system" with an inner problem, and the good news of Christmas is that Jesus came to address this problem in us. What a great message and potential for the New Year.

WITH ALL GOOD WISHES FOR A VERY HAPPY NEW YEAR

Our activities continue as usual:

Sunday Family Service: 10.30am

Monday Keep Fit: 7.30pm

Wednesday Bible Study and Prayer: 7pm

Future Events



Sunday 10th December 4-6pm. This is for children and adults and comprises about 1 hour of craft activities, 10 minute Bible based talk, a full cooked meal. We will have a 'Christmas theme'. All are welcome.

CHRISTMAS CAROLS by CANDLELIGHT on Sunday 17th December at 6.00pm
CHRISTMAS DAY CELEBRATION at 9.30am.

***If we can help in any way please do not hesitate to contact June on 822982
Jack on 825150 or our minister Ewart Graham on 375823.***

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Friday Club



A busy time with us collecting and filling up shoe boxes for Operation Christmas Child. Thank you for those who supported us and for giving us cash to go towards the postage; a very worthy cause with hard work by Jenny, Amanda and co.

We are now looking forward to our Christmas festivities and concluding 2017 with a lunch at The Fox on 15th December.

On behalf of the Friday Club we wish everyone a very safe and Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year. See you all again in 2018.

Until next time

Bye for now Yvonne



Temple Ewell Players



Rehearsals are going very well for our forthcoming pantomime Dick Whittington - oh yes they are! The characters are getting to grips with their lines whilst the chorus are enjoying some classic songs from the past few decades as well as more recent hits!

Tickets will go on sale in the village hall at 6pm on Tuesday 5th December after which they will be available in the Fox pub during opening hours. Our thanks to Alyson, Steve and staff for hosting the box office again. Children's tickets are £3 all week (what a bargain!), adults £6:50 for Wed and Thu performances, £7:50 for Fri and both Saturday performances.

The pantomime runs from Wednesday 24th to Saturday 27th January in the village hall starting at 7:30pm, Saturday matinee at 2:30pm. Two 'celebrities' from the cast will be at the village Christmas lights event on the 3rd December to lead the countdown to the switch on, so come along and meet them.

Many of us are looking forward to our Christmas dinner and disco in the village hall on 16th December, we hope you all enjoy your own festive celebrations and look forward to seeing you in the New Year.

GUESS THE SHOW!

These three pictures are from one of our old shows - did you see it? Do you remember when and what it was? The answers are on page 33.



Temple Ewell Players present

Dick Whittington

Directed by Mike Brodie.

In Temple Ewell Village Hall
January 24th - 27th, 2018 at 7.30pm
and Sat matinee at 2.30pm.

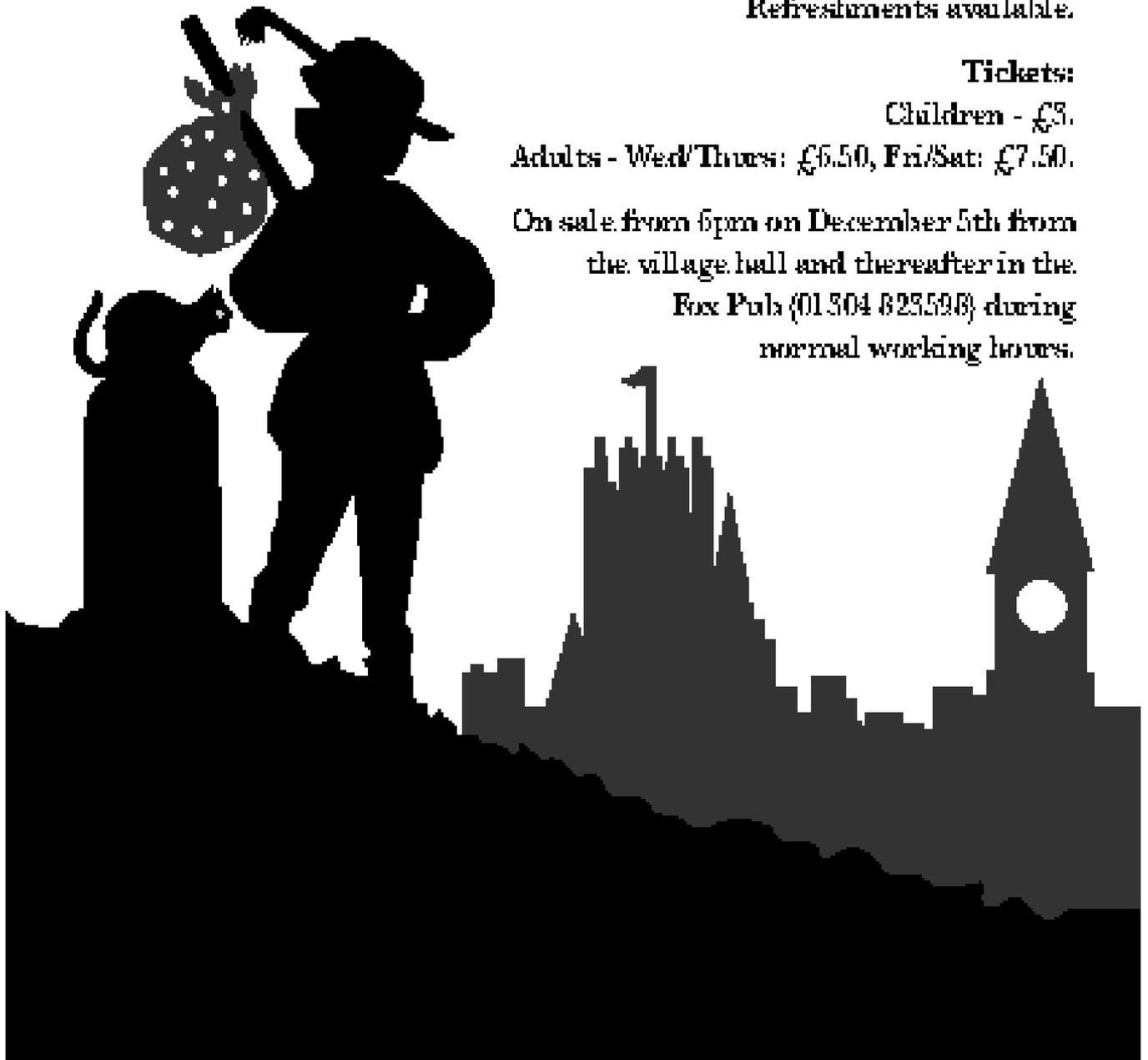
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Produce Association

As all our shows and meetings have finished for this year, it only leaves us to wish all our members and friends a very Happy Christmas and Prosperous New Year.

We look forward to seeing you all at our Coffee Morning on the 10th February at 10am-12 noon, where you can join the club and pick up your new schedule.

Carol and Daphne will have information regarding the coach trip then. There will be a £5 deposit when you book your seat, all cheque's to be made out to Temple Ewell and District Produce Association.

The subjects for the photography are as follows

1. Any Dover Scape fit for a post card.
2. A Woodland scene.
3. Reflections.
4. A close up of a Bug/Insect.

Children's:

A photo of Spring

Regards, Trevor

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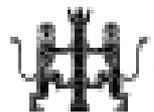
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Temple Ewell Parish Council

TEMPLE EWELL ALLOTMENT COMPETITION 2017 WINNERS

The Parish Council and Allotment Committee continue to work together to promote the benefits of allotment gardening and healthy lifestyles. Both parties recognise the amount of hard work and dedication that is required to maintain a plot. As a result the allotment committee chose to judge the 'Best Allotment' this year and provided the Parish Council with a short list of nominations.

Judging took place at the beginning of August by the Chairman and Cllr Mrs L End. Two wonderful full and half allotments were chosen. The Chairman welcomed Mr Castle, Mr Wyborne, Mr Painter and Mrs Halfpenny to the October Parish Council meeting and congratulated them all on their dedication, hard work and enthusiasm, and presented each with a twenty-pound gift voucher for Folkestone Garden Centre.

Have you always wanted to grow your own fruit and vegetables? Make compost, get digging, plant flowers, and harvest your own herbs? Would you like to create a garden where you can relax and enjoy the health benefits of working outside in a great community of fellow growers? For more information please contact our Allotment Manager Peter Upton 01304 823540.



The full Parish Council meets on the last Tuesday of the month (excluding August and December) at 7.15pm at the Temple Ewell Baptist Church Hall on the corner of the High Street and London Road. Parishioners are most welcome to attend and contribute to meetings.

The agenda and minutes are displayed on the Parish Council notice board by Southdown Stores and on the Council website. Should you wish to put anything on the notice board please contact either the Clerk or the Chairman.

Contact details for councillors are on the website:

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Christmas Food

Christmas puddings (small) Mince pies, Christmas sweets
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General Food

Milk – Powder and UHT, Tinned cold meat- e.g. Ham,
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Instant Mash, Fruit Squash, Rice Pudding, Tinned Fish (esp. tuna), Noodles,
Biscuits, Custard, Jars of Pasta Sauce, Sponge Puddings, Drinking Chocolate,
Tinned Fruit, Tinned Vegetables, Cereals,
Bars of Chocolate & Cuppa Soup.

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What is a Reverse Advent Calendar?

Like an ordinary advent calendar it runs for the 25 days of December up to Christmas Day, but instead of opening a panel on a calendar and getting a treat the idea is that you put into a box or bag one item of food each day so that on Christmas Day there are 25 items in there – and that goes to the foodbank to help support local people who are struggling to put food on the table. Items should, please, have a "best before" date at least into January

Reverse advent calendars including specifically Christmas items should be received by Dover Foodbank by December 11th if at all possible. Do please contact the foodbank if you want further information.

A Morning Chat with Ron Potts.....

I had a lovely opportunity to spend an hour in the company of Mr Ron Potts of Target Firs who was born in Nonnington and whose father had served, and was a prisoner, in the Great War.

Now aged 90 Mr Potts has lived in Temple Ewell since 1952 when, newly married, he moved into one of the new bungalows that were built at the beginning of the estate. There were no houses beyond the road up to the vicarage and in those early years the only visible vehicles were Mr Potts' motorcycle, and home made side car, and an Austin 7 up the road. Access to these properties was via Green Lane and not Wellington Road. The furniture van struggled up the narrow lane past Milestone and up past a little cottage on the right, which is where the Nursing Home car park is now sited.

Ron spoke of going to one of the three village pubs at that time, The Donkey, and winning the Christmas Draw. He was presented with a Goose that had not been plucked or prepared, a bit of shock for Mrs Potts but tasted lovely! Working in the coal mine at Tilmanstone he spoke fondly of travelling down to the coal face, which was 3000 feet down, carrying his Davy lamp, 'snap' tin, (in which you can get 8 sandwiches) and a Dudley (water bottle). However, the Miners Strike of 1984 meant that Ron needed to be inventive and industrious turning his hand to ground works and tree planting. However, it also gave Ron the opportunity to demonstrate his musical skills playing his precious piano/accordion in the local pubs. In the Golden Lion, in Dover, he was given transport to and fro and free drinks as an extra perk. During this difficult period Ron was doing some garden work in the Village when he found a Roman coin. He took it to Dover Museum who validated the coin with the following transcript –

'Coin of Carausius (286 – 293 AD) prob minted at Colchester. Minted late in Carausius's reign because the reverse has the words 'Pax Auggg', the triple 'g' signifying the three rulers Carausius, Diocletian and Maximian.

Ob: IMP C CARAUSIUS P AUG

Rev: Pax Stg with branch and hausta. Pax Auggg. SP and C.'



Editors note – Marcus Aurelius Valerie’s Carausius (died 293) was a military commander of the Roman Empire. Usurped power in 286 declaring himself emperor of Britain and Northern Gaul. Held power for 7 years fashioning the name ‘Emperor of the North’

Meeting Ron was indeed a pleasure and illuminating... and there was more..... His dear wife, who had sadly passed away 9 years ago, was an amazing artist, talented but shy, never wanting her art to be publicly displayed. Thank you Ron for giving me a private viewing of these lovely pictures and hopefully one day they may be shown for others to appreciate her talent.

Many thanks Mr Potts for allowing us to share these poignant moments in your life in Temple Ewell.

Jenny Olpin

I Wish It Hadn’t Happened

What makes a Resolution? New Year’s or otherwise.
Is it to reflect and learn from one’s mistakes of the previous year?
Were you impatient? Did you shout about?
Did you lose your temper? Or make someone shed a tear?

So for 2018, nearly there,
patience and calmness are the order of the day.
Wait just a moment though –
Were you, in 2017, bombastic, brash, tactless or curt?
Bragging, boastful, your weight to throw?

Maybe you could eat humble pie,
apologise to those you’ve hurt.
maybe think before you speak?
Hold back for a few minutes before you act
very calmly, humble, meek.

These are just suggestions, thoughts to reflect upon
to help the start of 2018 to be just right.
To go out to face, and maybe do your bit to change, the world.
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Anne Cox

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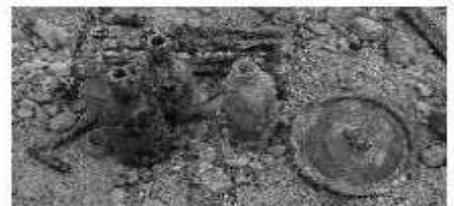
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Archeology at the Docks

The main excavation on site is the Wellington Dock Navigational Channel, which is being conducted in three phases started in March this year. The first finds were the old basements of the Victorian houses that once occupied the promenade. These were built c.1830 and demolished c.1945 following WWII, during which they suffered severe shelling rendering them beyond a state of economic repair. Once the basements had been removed the area was sheet piled and a propping system installed to provide extra stability to the piles during excavation.



The images identify the layout of the basement, with a fireplace remaining from a front room and an external staircase that would have led to a shed.

Further discoveries included the remains of the foundations of 'The Pent'- proposed and overseen by Thomas Digges c.1570, under the approval of Elizabeth I. This was the first successful endeavour, following many previous failed attempts, at managing a natural shingle bar that often blocked the entrance of ships into Dover. At the time the installation of works would have been a scheme of national scale, and actually increased the price of tax on beer and grain at the time, in order to cover costs. Not only did it vastly improve the Port but it also enhanced the defences of the South East; and with the possibility of a war with Spain, it was money well spent to improve the country's asset.

At a lower level below the shingle, a small wooden 'fence' was uncovered. This consisted of very delicate timbers, weaved in a wattle and daub design. The

purpose of the structure is not clear. However it could have been a fishing weir, or an early attempt at a sea defence, or a mechanism to control the shingle bar. The archaeologists on site surmised the only reason the timbers survived was due to their position below the water table. The original size of this structure has been very difficult to determine as it has deteriorated significantly.

The larger image show the possible weir (of wattle and daub structure) to the left and timbers removed from 'The Pent' foundation on the right. The smaller image shows the timbers removed from the beach to make way for piling.



Archaeologists also oversaw the removal of the earth abutting the dock wall backing onto the Wellington Dock. This Victorian structure proved to be in a solid condition, with mismatched brickwork overhanging the different construction layers. The overhang would have been caused as result of the wall slowly shifting over the years. The wall, along with the sediment layers surrounding it, were fully recorded by the archaeologists on site. Construction is estimated to be c.1840, previously known as 'The Pent', before becoming the Wellington Dock in c.1845.

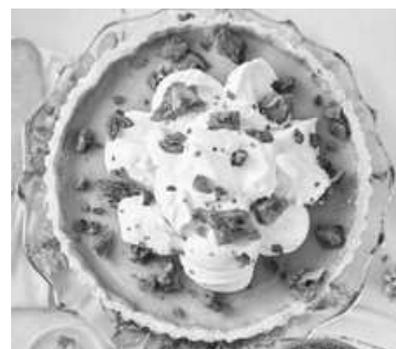
Excavation of the timbers that were previously uncovered on the beach side of the navigation cut (Phase 2), will be carried out under archaeological supervision, with the expected number of timbers to be around 350- 400. These will be recorded in situ by laser scanner, and then removed for further analysis by a timber expert here on site. The timbers need to be stored in a very wet environment so that their condition does not degrade. Temporary storage will be provided by skips filled with water, whilst they are under inspection.

Baileys Custard Tart

Prep: 20 mins

Cook: 50 mins plus 2 1/2 hrs cooling

Serves 12 470 Cals per serving



Ingredients

- 320g sweet shortcrust pastry sheet
- plain flour, for dusting
- 350ml double cream, plus 200ml for topping
- 1 vanilla pod, split lengthways
- 2 whole eggs, plus 4 egg yolks
- 125g caster sugar, plus 1 ½ tbsp for topping
- 200ml Baileys, plus 1 tbsp for topping
- honeycomb, crumbled (optional)

Method

1. Heat oven to 180C/160C fan/gas 4 and put a baking sheet on the middle shelf to heat up. Unroll the pastry, then use to line a 22cm fluted tart tin. Leave about 1cm of pastry overhanging and trim the rest. Line the case with baking parchment (scrunch it up first to make it more pliable) and baking beans. Place on the hot baking sheet and bake for 15 mins, then remove the beans and parchment and return to the oven for another 5 mins or until biscuity brown. Trim the sides of the pastry case with a serrated knife and discard the trimmings.
2. Pour the cream into a saucepan, scrape out the seeds from the vanilla, add these along with the pod and heat until steaming. Meanwhile, whisk the whole eggs, yolks and sugar in a large bowl until smooth. Pour the Baileys into the cream, then the cream mixture onto the eggs and mix well. Strain the mixture through a sieve and into a jug.
3. With the tart case still on the baking sheet, carefully pour the custard into the tart. Reduce the temperature to 150C/130C fan/ gas 2 and bake for 30 mins until the filling has just set but still has a slight wobble in the middle (the tart will continue to set a little once out of the oven). Cool to room temperature, then chill in the fridge for at least 2 hrs.
4. Whip the remaining cream, sugar and Baileys until it just holds its shape. Pile into the centre of the tart, leaving a border of custard exposed around the edges. Scatter with crumbled honeycomb, if you like, and serve immediately.

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