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Hello All

A belated Healthy, Happy and Prosperous New Year to all our readers. And a Happy Valentine's Day!



What will 2022 bring us, I wonder? Hopefully a diminishing worry about Covid as we adapt and learn to live with the virus, but who really knows? I'm an optimistic and positive person and my thoughts are that we will get back to a more normal existence fairly soon.

I would like to mention a someone who has for many years played an active part in distribution of the Newsletters, Audrey West. This indomitable lady of, I'm sure she won't mind me saying, advanced years, was hospitalised with Covid some weeks before Christmas and subsequently had an accident in hospital suffering a head injury. Anyone else might have been defeated by all of that, but Audrey amazingly rallied and at the time of writing is hoping to return home soon. All of us at The Newsletter would like to wish Audrey the very best in her recovery and to thank her for all the years of service to our readers.

We are hosting a QUIZ to help raise funds for the Newsletter on 5th March in the Village Hall . You can book a table through any committee member, see below. Hope to see you there! Details on page 6.

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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 preceding month. However, please note, there is no August or January issue of the Newsletter.

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Village Diary

February

- Tues 8 W.I. 2.30pm in the VH
Tues 22 Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in Baptist Church Hall
Sat 26 Soup Lunch hosted by WI 12-1.30pm—see page 18

March

- Sat 5 Produce Association Coffee Morning
 7.30pm Newsletter Quiz at the Village Hall see page 6
Tues 8 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH
Sat 26 Produce Association Spring Show
Tues 29 Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in Baptist Church Hall

April

- Tues 12 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH
Tues 26 Annual Parish Meeting 7.15pm in Baptist Church Hall

May

- Tues 10 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH
Tues 31 Parish Council Meeting 7.15pm in Baptist Church Hall

June

- Tues 14 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH

July

- Tues 12 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH
Sat 16 Produce Association Summer Show

August

- TBA W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH

September

Sat 3 Produce Association Autumn Show
Tues 13 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH

October

Tues 11 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH

November

Tues 8 W.I. 2.30-4pm in the VH

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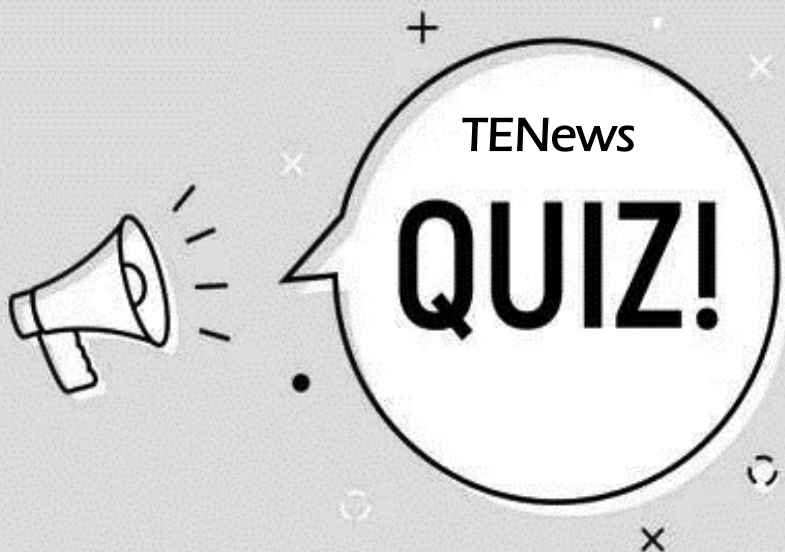
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in the Village Hall

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to book your table (numbers on page 3)

Tickets £5



Temple Ewell & District Produce Association

We hope to be able to have all our three shows this year providing the covid restrictions do not change.

The hall is booked and dates confirmed. To start the year off our usual Coffee Morning is 5th February 10am-12noon, when schedules will be available. We will be using the 2020 one so, if you still have yours, please use it but change the dates on the front sheet. Any new members will be very welcome and can join on the day.

The Spring Show 26th March Open 2pm -4pm.

The Summer Show 16th July Open 2pm-4pm.

The Autumn Show 3rd September 2pm-4pm.

Staging of exhibits will be from 9am-10.45am at all the shows.

Regards

Trevor and Edie

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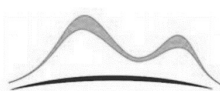
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Science provides truth about the material world. It addresses the question of HOW but does not provide an answer to the WHY question? Is there a greater truth than that which can be scientifically assessed? In The Bible Jesus made a great claim saying "I am THE TRUTH" What did he mean? He was claiming to be the answer to the Why? question: our origin, purpose and destiny. Jesus also made a promise that if "We seek with all our heart, then we shall find."

HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY!



We are pleased to say that services are now held each week but we maintain Covid restrictions. All are welcome with a service on Sunday at 10.30am. If you would like us to pray for a particular need or require assistance in the mean time, then please telephone one of the numbers below.

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. www.templeewellbaptistchurch.com



Temple Ewell Parish Council

I wish you all a Happy New Year, although the Christmas period seems long past ! As ever, it seems we talk about Covid rumbling on and certainly it has become more widespread in East Kent, although thankfully it seems those affected are generally less ill. Early in the New Year I managed to contract the virus but thankfully it emanated itself as a bad cold and mild chest infection. Other than having to self-isolate for a week, missing various parish meetings and not feeling like going on my regular walks, I was not too unwell. I was probably helped by having had 3 jabs. The government policy now seems to be moving away from any further lockdowns and that we should return to normal as much as possible, whilst taking common sense precautions when mixing with others.

The start of the Christmas festivities was marked by the annual village Christmas light turn on ceremony on the 5th December at Players Corner. Betteshanger Colliery Band were booked to play, unfortunately they could not make it because of an outbreak of Covid amongst their band members. However we had an admirable replacement at short notice in the form of Jannine Silver who entertained the large gathering by singing various Christmas favourites. There were plenty of mince pies and much mulled wine was consumed. A snow machine blew snow over the gathering, Santa Claus travelled all the way from Lapland arriving on his sleigh and distributed gifts to the children. The Parish Clerk had also been to Lapland to choose a special tree which was be decorated and festooned with lights before the event.

The Christmas story was told in many forms throughout December and I personally was able to enjoy the carol service at Canterbury Cathedral, the day before enjoying the traditional Christingle service in St Peter and St Paul church on the afternoon of Christmas Eve.

Into the New Year and the Parish Clerk and myself have an update meeting planned with Kent Highways to discuss our HIP (Highways Improvement Plan). A lot was achieved in 2021 but we still have further steps that we would like to take to improve the safety of pedestrians along London Road as it passes through the village.

Related to this and mentioned previously is the bringing back of a Lollipop person to make it safer for children crossing London Road from Templeside,

getting to and from school. The head teacher at the school has discussed with parents whether this is a service that would be used sufficiently to warrant employing someone for this task. A generally favourable response was received and the recruitment process will be soon undertaken. It is hoped this will reduce traffic around the school at arrival/departure time. It may also encourage greater use of Dragon Wood car park. Please contact the Parish Clerk if you would be interested in this post. It is a paid role and involves 45 minutes morning and afternoon during term time.

We ask parishioners to note that the footpath running from Lower Road at the back of the King George V playing field and behind the school will be closed between the 14th and 16th February for a series of tree works by Network Rail. We hope this will make the path safer and the works will not cause too much disruption.

A meeting was recently held regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee which will take place this year over the weekend of the 2nd to 5th of June. Plans were discussed and a programme of activities which will be underwritten mainly by Parish Council was put in place. Full details will be revealed in the near future but several village organisations will be involved and activities planned include :-

- A fancy dress parade for children followed by a family picnic and the village Beacon being lit.
- Songs of praise being sung in the village church followed by an afternoon tea in the Baptist Church.
- A party night in the Village Hall.
- A Street Party in Mill Street on the afternoon of the 5th June.

It has so far been a fairly mild winter although over Christmas and the New Year I wondered when we might get a dry day with persistent drizzle lasting for a good couple of weeks. Although cooler, since then we have had some bright days, but all village footpaths are very wet underfoot. I do urge you to be careful whilst traversing these paths, although it is a delight to access the various paths in the hills surrounding the village.

I look forward to updating you next month.

Glenn Mousley – Chairman of the Parish Council

Parish Clerk: Andy Howard-Grigg

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On 6th February this year Her Majesty The Queen will become the first British Monarch to celebrate a Platinum Jubilee, marking 70 years of service to the people of the United Kingdom, the Realms and the Commonwealth.

To celebrate this unprecedented anniversary, events and initiatives will take place throughout the year, culminating in a four day UK bank holiday weekend from Thursday 2nd to Sunday 5th June. The bank holiday will provide an opportunity for communities and people throughout the United Kingdom to come together to celebrate the historic milestone.

As a village community, Temple Ewell has always celebrated in style. This year we are hoping to do the same. The first meeting of the Platinum Jubilee committee met recently and has drawn up a proposed plan for the four day celebration.

Thursday 2nd June. The Queen will attend the Trooping the Colour and the Beacons will be lit at 9.15pm. We would like to have a children's parade on the field with fancy dress. We will of course meet to light the Village beacon at 9.15pm

Friday 3rd June. There will be a service of Thanksgiving for The Queen at St Pauls. We would like to organise 'Songs of Praise' at the church, followed by afternoon tea.

Saturday 4th June... The Queen will attend The Derby and then there is a concert at Buckingham Palace. We would like to organise an evening of entertainment with a race night or concert.

Sunday 5th June. This is the day for Street Parties and The Big Jubilee Lunch. We would like this to be the day we have a Street Party for everyone in Mill Street / Templar Road. We would like everyone to bring their own food and drinks and we will organise children's entertainment and face painting, bands and music.

We would like all corners of the village to be involved, so if you or your organisation have not yet been contacted, please contact Alyson at The Fox to express your interest. We will need volunteers for various days and will be delighted for you all to be included. All ideas will be gratefully received so please get involved and let's make this a celebration to remember!



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Temple Ewell Players

Hello everybody! We hope you had a lovely festive period! We finished our festivities with the pantomime! We really enjoyed being back on stage and doing the things we love, it may be over now but we have many things to look forward to in this coming year. We are most looking forward to our 50th anniversary! And we are excited to be able to share this with you in a few months time! So make sure you stay tuned for more updates!

Holly



Friday Club

We recommenced our meetings on 7th January and I'm very pleased to report that everyone returned fit and well.

It's been a very long Christmas and New Year period and we're all happy to return to our Club and seeing our friends. We're now looking forward to the coming months and hope to put in place some new ideas, so watch this space.

If anyone would like to join us, or just pop in for a cuppa, you will be made very welcome. We are here every Friday from 2pm until 4pm in the Baptist Church Hall. Come and enjoy a game of Bingo and take part in our raffle; we look forward to meeting some new friends.

In the meantime, take care and keep safe. **Yvonne**



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Her title is "New Beginnings"

These arrangements will be raffled off at the end of the evening.
Our sales table will be open for all those essential flower arranging
accessories. Refreshments will also be available.

Dover Flower Club members free, entry for guests £8.

Dragon Wood

Volunteers welcome to help manage the community wood in Temple Ewell.

Work parties on Saturday mornings between 10.30am and 12.30pm
throughout the winter.

For more info contact Bob Newington - 01304 827138



The Temple Ewell and Lydden Roadside Nature Reserves
Conservation Group have started back on Tuesdays 10am -3pm

To join us on our tasks of clearing grass, shrubs for butterflies,
flowers, bees etc call Bob Newington on 827138.

We also have Sunday tasks once a month from 10am—4pm
in the Dover area.

New volunteers are welcome to join us



Temple Ewell W.I.

Judith Shilling, a trustee of Dover Outreach Centre, was the speaker at our January meeting. She told us that their aim is to support people on their journey to a better life.

The organisation is involved in many projects to help the homeless and vulnerable people in Dover. They run a daily drop in centre where people have free access to phone and computer. Between December and February a night shelter is provided for homeless adults,

The Sunshine Cafe in Snargate Street is another of their enterprises, where if you are able you can make a donation for someone less fortunate than yourself to enjoy a meal. Above the cafe there is temporary accommodation, which hopefully will assist homeless and vulnerable people in our area to find permanent accommodation.

It was a very interesting and informative talk.

Our next meeting will be on 8th February at 2.30pm and our speaker will be talking about the regeneration of Dover Town Hall.

Margaret



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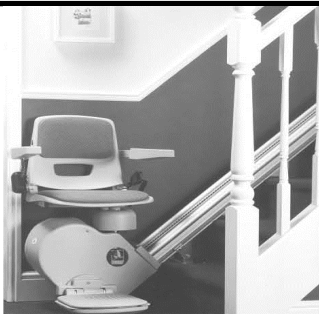
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6 th Candlemas	Lydden Temple Ewell	09.00 Parish Eucharist 11.00 Family Service
13 th	Temple Ewell St Peter & St Paul Millennium Hall	09.00 Said Holy Communion 10.30 Parish Eucharist
20 th	Lydden	09.00 Parish Eucharist
27 th	Temple Ewell St Peter & St Paul	10.30 Parish Eucharist

‘Please give generously’. As we plunge into the depths of a recession, I wonder how often we’ve heard that call, and how did we respond? True generosity is giving without expecting something in return and comes from the heart.

When Jesus fed the five thousand, he was showing us how God’s love can multiply the effects of our generosity (Matt 14.13-21). With just five loaves of bread and two fish Jesus reveals to us the abundance of God’s grace. God doesn’t give us just enough. He gives us more bread and fish than we can eat and more love than we could ever dream of.

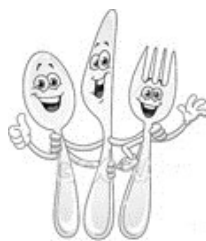
That’s where our Spiritual Journey starts, with an acceptance of God’s love. We begin this journey of gratitude by living generously, sharing generously, and giving generously. Without generous giving, of time, talents, and money, the church and our faith will die.

In Christina Rossetti's poem '*In the bleak mid-winter*' she ends by saying:

What can I give him
Poor as I am?
If I were a shepherd,
I would bring a lamb,
If I were a Wise Man,
I would do my part,
Yet what can I give Him,
Give my heart

Let us resolve to give our hearts generously and serve God through a hidden generosity.

Revd Ian Parrish



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Once you've got the hang of it, there are social dances to enjoy at the various Scottish Country Dancing Groups throughout Kent (and further afield).

Interested? Here is a link for a Youtube video (not us!) that gives you an idea of Scottish Country Dancing; you'll see a big range of ages and abilities enjoying a social dance: <https://youtu.be/cMfSDjMQ0k8>

We're keen to set up a Beginners' Class, which would be just as good for anyone who's done some country dancing in the past and fancies giving it another go. And if you're already a Scottish Country Dancing expert, we'd love you to join us!

Scottish Country Dancing is gender neutral - the moves are identical for all - and you absolutely don't need a partner - we all get together to make up a set. If you get a bit lost, there's always another dancer at hand to guide you through.

Come along for a free, no obligation taster - we feel sure you'll have fun.

Give us a ring/text for more info:

Phyllis: 07704 112953

Vanessa: 0776 9912832



Contact Details for the PCSO with responsibility for Temple Ewell are:-

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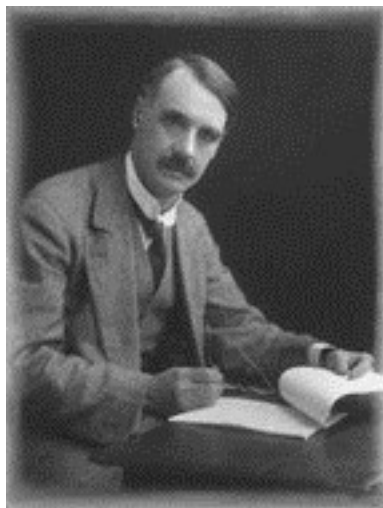
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RUSSELL GARDENS

— A BRIEF HISTORY

(Taken from Kearsney Parks website)

Thomas Hayton Mawson (1861-1933) was the most celebrated landscape architect of the Edwardian era and a leading exponent of the Arts and Crafts Movement. The bulk of his work dates from 1890-1920.

Mawson's early career included setting up the Lakeland Nursery in Windermere. Such was its success that Mawson turned his attention to landscape design. His first commission was Graythwaite Hall on the shores of Lake Windermere. Mawson went on to have a long association with Cumbria, including designing the gardens at Brockhole which is today the home to the Lake District Visitor Centre.

Mawson worked on many prestigious garden, park and civic space projects across the world, including America, Canada, and Europe. In 1908 he won a competition to design the Peace Palace Gardens at The Hague.

Russell Gardens (originally known as Kearsney Court Gardens) is a rare example of his work in south east England, and is believed to be one of his earliest independent commissions (circa 1901). Several set piece photographs of the gardens appear in Mawson's book, *The Art and Craft of Garden Making*.

Unlike his contemporary, Gertrude Jekyll (1843-1932), Mawson took a more structural/architectural approach to garden design in which the planting was subordinate to the structure. This approach can be clearly seen in Russell Gardens in which his signature features - terracing, canal pond, boathouse and pergola bridges - are the focal points of the park.

In 1923 Mawson became the President of the Town Planning Institute and in 1929 the first President of the Institute of Landscape Architects.

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Russell Gardens was originally designed as part of a private country estate known as Kearsney Court. The estate was planned in 1899 for Alfred Leney (1837-1900), owner of the Phoenix Brewery in Dover. The project was sold on to Edward P Barlow, Chairman of the Wiggins Teape paper making business. Wiggins Teape maintained a paper mill in the town up until 2000.

It was Edward Barlow who commissioned Thomas H Mawson (1861-1933), the renowned Edwardian landscape architect and exponent of the Arts and Crafts Movement, to design the gardens.

On Barlow's death in 1912, the property passed to Mr Johnstone, a London newspaper man, and was later used as a nursing home and as a military hospital during World War II. After the war, 10 hectares of the estate were acquired by Dover Rural Council and it was opened as a public park in 1951. It was named Russell Gardens after Alderman Hilton Russell. The building of Kearsney Court is still privately owned.



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What is the Council doing about climate change?

Dover District Council has acknowledged the serious impact of climate change globally and in our everyday lives. The Council declared a Climate Change Emergency recognising the need for urgent action.

Outlined below are some of the current/ most recent initiatives and actions it has taken to reduce emissions:-

The Council has Grants/Schemes available to help residents in receipt of certain benefits, or on a low income with a vulnerability to living in a cold home (age/ health conditions) to improve the energy efficiency and increase the heat retention of their homes which decreases the need for energy and as a consequence reducing carbon emissions. More information can be found on the Council's website (<https://www.dover.gov.uk/Environment/Energy-Advice/Grant-Schemes.aspx>), or by calling 01304 872414.

New council housing built in the district will include solar Photovoltaics (PV), electric heating and provide additional insulation. These measures will significantly reduce the environmental impact of the developments and help reduce the long-term heating costs for the tenants.

The Council's Green Energy Grant Scheme is available for local businesses to help small businesses save carbon, become more energy efficient and save money. Recently DDC has given a grant of almost £10,000 towards the cost of new solar panels at a local farm shop.

Following a successful funding bid to the Office for Zero Emission Vehicles (OZEV), 49 electric vehicle charging points have been installed across the district (in car parks and on-street).

A new fleet of electric buses will operate on Dover Fastrack when it's launched in 2023, which will become Fastrack Kent's first zero-emission bus service.

Key works have been given the go ahead at St Margaret's Bay to help boost sea defences and continue to protect the area for the future.

Kearsney Abbey and Russell Gardens owned and managed by DDC have been awarded The Green Flag Award, in recognition of the enhancement of wildlife habitats, re planting the orchard, and the provision of facilities for people to learn about parkland heritage and biodiversity.

The Council celebrated National Tree Week by planting native trees to create a woodland walk at North Deal recreation ground. The trees offset the manufacture of 25 eco dog waste bins installed across the district by DDC. A further 14 trees gifted to the district from the Royal & Ancient following the 149th Open at Royal St George's have also been planted in Sandwich, at a community garden in Aylesham and Kearsney Parks adding to the 63 new fruit trees planted recently.

DDC will continue to take action to reduce emissions over which it has control and influence to meet the ambition of becoming a net zero emitter by 2030 and to support the district to become carbon neutral by 2050.

IN TO MEET AND GREET

Discretion is a Receptionist's stock-in-trade,
you practice it all the while you can and decide,
what things you are told and what you may tell
to whom, to which, to what and how.

Listen carefully, get the facts and check
the day, the time, if the message was passed on.
What things you are told to do and when
for whom, for which, for what and how.

Speak clearly, emphasise and repeat the number
Ask to whom you are speaking, where they come from, who
they are.

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about whom, about which, about what and how.

Discretion should be a Company's stock-in-trade.

This is why they employ you.
Don't let them down by not thinking first
of whom, of which, of what and how.

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Lorna Bomford (1883-1962)

Alan Lee

The new, and largest local development in the town, is the £12.5m redevelopment of the former brownfield site at Harold Street. It provides sixty-five new homes with a mix of tenures, including social housing

for affordable rent, shared ownership, and private sale.

The Dover District Council's social housing element comprises eighteen two-bedroom apartments, and six one-bedroom apartments in a three-storey building on Harold Street. The properties will be occupied by local people on the Council's housing waiting list.

In honour of one of the now largely forgotten heroines of Dover's Woman's Suffrage, Lorna Bomford, this element of the development has been named Bomford Place.

Born on 29th December 1883 she was the daughter of Sir Gerald Bomford and Mary Florence Eteson. When in England they lived at Hillesdon, 14 Godwyne Road. Lorna was baptized in India on 23rd March 1884.

In later years Lorna lived at Milestone House, Temple Ewell, Dover, Kent, England.

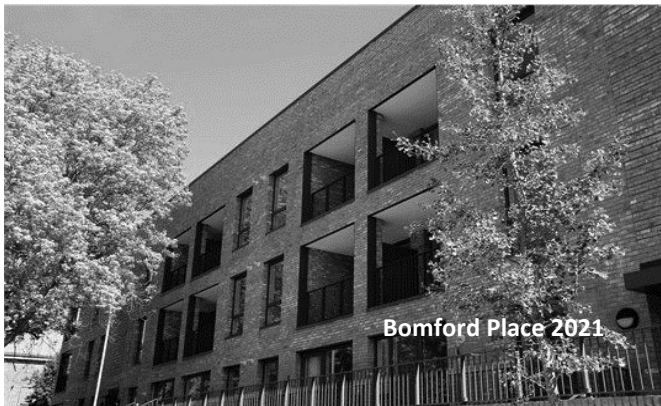
On Thursday 22nd April 1909 the National Union of Women's Suffrage Societies, Dover Branch (NUWSS), held a public meeting at Dover's Maison Dieu, Town Hall. Lorna was elected as Honorary Treasurer.

In 1909 Lorna was one of the signatories to a letter published in the Dover Express. This, along with other points, stated that women should not be disqualified from voting solely on the grounds of their sex and they would be present with their petitions at the general election in January 1910. George Wyndham won the seat for the Conservatives and pledged to support the women's movement. The Liberals still held power and formed the government.

After this election the Dover committee became more militant and by the middle of the year, they voted to join the much more radical Woman's Social and Political Union (WSPU). Thus, distancing themselves from the NUWSS.

However not everyone agreed with women's suffrage. A powerful lobby was arranged against them lead by the Anti-Suffrage League (ASL), founded by George Curzon, 1st Baron Curzon of Kedleston, Lord Warden of the Cinque Ports 1905-6. Supporters of the aims of the ASL included the Trade Unions, the Socialists, the then Prime Minister Herbert Asquith and much of the popular press of the time. During one demonstration, outside Parliament, on Friday 18th December, '*Black Friday*', over one hundred were arrested, many beaten, when the Home Secretary, Winston Churchill called out the police to disperse the demonstration.

Lorna was, by now, even more committed to the cause with much of the Dover women's activities planned from 14 Godwyne Road. Near to the new Bomford Place.



With the suspension of most of suffrage activity during WWI Lorna volunteered to work as one of the main organisers with the Food Rationing Office in Dover. After the war, a change in the law allowed women to stand for public office. In January 1919 Lorna, a survivor of the 1917 Crabble Hill tram disaster, won a by-election at River and became the first female town councillor on the Borough of Dover Corporation, holding that seat until 1921. She became actively concerned with early Council Estate buildings sitting on the Housing, and Higher Education Committees. She was the driving force in the naming of the new roads at the beginning of the Buckland Estate project.

In April 1927 Lorna became the first woman from Dover to become a County Magistrate, holding the office of Justice of the Peace (J.P.) for Kent until 1945.

During WWII she once again was a leading figure with the Food Rationing Office.

Much of her spare leisure time was devoted to painting in oils and pastels. She exhibited several her works in the Paris Salon "*Salon de Paris*" located on the Champs-Élysées. For many years this was the premier art exhibition in Europe.

Lorna had three siblings.

Sir Hugh Bomford KB, CIE, [12th August 1882 to 19th January 1939]. Indian Civil Service 1906. 1938 was acting Governor of the Central Provinces of India. He lived at Folkestone with his wife Margaret Evelyn Ord [born Dover 1886] Married on 6th September 1916.

Nora Bomford [24th March 1894 to 12th May 1968]. In WWI did social work among the poor in North London. Her WWI poetry collection "*Poems of a Pantheist*" was published in 1918. Married her cousin Major General Claude le bas Goldney CBE, CB, MC, on 8th June 1938. They lived at 38 Mount Hermon Road, Woking, Surrey.

Brigadier Guy Bamford OBE, MA, D.Sc., FRICS [29th June 1899 to 10th February 1996] Born River Road, Temple Ewell. Buried Sutton Courtenay, Oxfordshire. Married Audrey Edith Barclay, born at Kearsney, on 23rd May 1925 in India. Divorced 1934. Married his second wife Annette Isolde Brown on 7th November 1935. They lived at Hainton Lodge Sutton Courtenay, Oxfordshire.

Lorna Bomford never got married. She died, aged seventy-eight, on 25th February 1962 at her home Milestone House, Temple Ewell, Dover, Kent, England.



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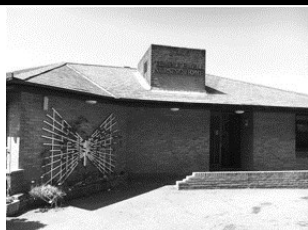
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