



July 2022

Network

*Harrietsham's Village
Magazine*



Network News

It is great to have some good news regarding our village magazine, thanks to our new editor Nicola we will be publishing and delivering the August edition.

However, unfortunately, our advertising manager Kath has been forced to give up due to a shoulder problem. There isn't too much involved dealing with advertiser's enquiries, so if you could spare a few hours a month to help we would love to hear from you.

We supply a laptop and Kath will be happy to run through things with anyone interested in helping us to keep the magazine going.

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Peter Brown Chairman



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Message From the Editor

After a short hiatus I am delighted to start as the Editor of the Harrietsham Network Magazine and bring you the July 2022 edition of the magazine online. We will be back to print and online for August 2022.

Thank you to Jan for doing such an incredible job as editor for the last 3 years and for such a detailed handover process to help me get off to the best start possible in this new role.

As I grew up in the village I am very excited to have recently moved back and to get to know more people in the community again.

I hope everyone had a wonderful Platinum Jubilee weekend and it was brilliant to see so many people in the village enjoying the celebrations. If you keep reading there is an article on page 20 and 21 about the celebratory events in the village.

Please remember to email any photographs, articles of interest about Harrietsham, or anything else that could be considered for inclusion to:

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you!

Harrietsham Network

Harrietsham Gardening Society



Our last meeting on 17 May was very successful and was attended by 23 members. Our speaker for the evening was Christine Bartlett who presented a talk entitled 'Beginners Orchids, care and cultivation'.

Orchids, apart from the field ones we have in the countryside, are plants originating in the more exotic climates of the world so when introduced into this country they were a very expensive plant and needed some very warm conditions. Therefore only the rich could afford to buy and keep them. With the advent of central heating and improvements in propagation they are now available to most at a very reasonable cost. However the care can be somewhat of a problem. She explained how to water them and to prune after flowering, also how to look after the foliage and the inspection of the plants for pests such as mealy bugs etc.

We were shown how to repot and what compost to use. Orchids are parasitic plants which live on trees in the wild and therefore require little compost, the preferred medium is shredded bark. A clear plastic pot is also required. The main attraction for most is that no garden is required as they are an indoor plant and can be grown by everyone.

We had a very successful plant sale and coffee morning of 21 May raising funds for the Society and would like to thank Michael Gear and Denise Williams for hosting this.

Our next meeting is Tuesday 19 July.

David Oversby

Harrietsham in Bloom

Having had a stunning winter/spring display throughout the village, the volunteers have been very busy clearing and re-planting the displays for summer and having the Platinum Jubilee in mind, Barbara and Barry Inceden designed and planted the Union Jack beds on the village green – well done both and thank you very much.



Our thanks go to our few volunteers who have spent much time planting and caring for the planter displays.

We are grateful to all our sponsors that have continued to support the group for the next year and to those villagers who donate via the collection boxes.

We are desperate for volunteers to help with tasks, so please consider joining us. Details from Andrew Rogers, our Chairman 859352.

Audrey Joy

Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls



After this short break we welcome back into production Harrietsham's own informative magazine.

Our club has been active during this period in which we have not been able to report our progress. Slowly club members are returning to play and it is good to see numbers increasing at each roll-up session.

Each year our club is invited to compete in a New Year Annual Bowls Competition organized by Boughton-under-Blean Bowls Club. This is a tournament that Harrietsham SMBC has taken part in for a number of years but this year due to Covid Restrictions it was not held until March 2022. David and Barbara French, Ron Smith and Lesley Dack entered the doubles competition for Harrietsham. Ron and Lesley did very well and made it to the finals where they, unfortunately, lost to a team from Whitstable. Phil Gooda, De Beresford, and Brian Hall entered the triples competition but were unsuccessful, narrowly losing by one shot in the semi-final.

In April a triples competition was organized by Kent Invicta Bowls Club which was held at Snodland. Harrietsham SMBC entered several teams and the team of Ron Smith, Lesley Dack, and Ken Leach did remarkably well to reach the final only to lose to Tunbury.

The club has resumed friendly matches against local clubs recently and our first match brought us success against Boughton Monchelsea who will be looking out for revenge when we hold our return game in June. We are looking forward to more matches in the future.

Congratulations are due to Bev Dillon who has been awarded her "County Badge" qualifying her to play for Kent against other Counties. It should also be mentioned that members from Harrietsham SMBC have played with Kent Invicta BC and were successful against Norwich.

Happy Bowling to you all.

Phil Gooda Chairman/Secretary

Harrietsham Network

Harrietsham Craft Groups

Craft and Chat



Craft and Chat meetings are held on the second Wednesday of the month and the last Saturday between 1.30-5pm at Lenham Community Centre. During May at Craft and Chat we made fabric paper books and Spring Flower brooches. At the time of writing, the June project will be beadables using peyote stitch to stitch beads onto a beadable pen or scissors keeper.



If you haven't done peyote stitch before, the most difficult thing about it is the first two rows as you haven't got much to hold on to so it has a tendency to keep twisting. However, there are little gizmos that make these first two rows easy peasy and these will be available for people to borrow during the meeting to get over those first few rows.

The July project hasn't been decided on at the time of writing but you can always ask to be added to our emailing list or check out our Facebook page at <https://www.facebook.com/harrietshamcraftandchat>. If you haven't been before but would like to come along, please contact me. You would be most welcome. We have been going for seven years and during that time we have explored many and various different arts and crafts. Anyone who doesn't wish to take part in the group project is welcome to work on their own project/s. Tea, coffee and cake are always served

Knit, Crochet and Natter

Meetings of Knit, Crochet and Natter are held on the first Monday of the month between 7-9pm and the third Monday of the month between 2-4pm at Harrietsham Village Hall. Everyone is welcome to bring along their own projects, get help if they're stuck with something and/or learn how to knit or crochet or teach someone. You may also wish to take part in our trauma teddy making. The trauma teddies are being knitted or crocheted in the colours of the Ukrainian flag and will be given to Ukrainian children.



If you wish to join us at any of the craft groups or have any questions, please contact me on 01622 851885

Hazel Roots

Harrietsham CofE Primary School



It's been a little while since we gave an update on what's been happening with the school. Well, as usual, it's been pretty busy.

In May, the school hosted a Celebration Afternoon to welcome members of the community to tour our new extended building and enjoy a tea and slice of cake with neighbours, friends and other villagers.



It was a wonderful occasion with two guests of honour – The Rt Rev'd Rose Wilkins-Hudson, Bishop of Dover, and our local MP, Helen Whately. The Shining Lights Worship Team made up of children across the school led the worship fantastically with their drama of the school's biblical parable of the Lost Son.

Music and drama continued into the afternoon, supported ably by parents and guests. We were blessed with a beautifully sunny day and it was great to see so many people popping into

classrooms to see our children hard at work!

The May Fair was another triumph for the PTFA. Thankfully, the weather remained good and enabled all the stalls, fun activities and Maypole dancing to take place on the playground. This is the first fair the PTFA have been able to hold since lockdown and an ideal opportunity to bring the wider community together. It was also brilliant for the younger children to experience. It was a very busy afternoon raising £3,895.11 for the school with all proceeds going towards equipment and learning activities, a massive thank you to everyone who helped, donated and visited the fair.

At the start of June, the governors, supported by the PTFA, held a Platinum Jubilee Tea for the staff and children of the school held in the school hall due to the inclement weather, however this was supported by a cut-out of the Queen and a beautiful balloon arch kindly donated by Glitter Pixies. A few surprises turned up causing much excitement for the children including a decorated Tractor serving cakes off the flatbed at the back and a Jubilee branded bus parked on the playground. The children decorated a crown to wear, flags to wave whilst enjoying their afternoon tea.



We're moving quickly towards the last few weeks of the school year. I'd like to wish all our wonderful Year 6 pupils best wishes and good luck for their move to secondary school. We'll miss you!

Jo Greasley Vice-Chair of Governors

Harrietsham History Society



We held our 2nd meeting of the year in the Scout Hut on Monday 16 May when our speaker, Stuart Bligh, gave a talk on the Clipper Ship Captain, William Harrison. He was born in Harrietsham on the 11 June 1833, part of a large family with 7 brothers and 5 sisters.

In 1850 at the age of 17 William entered the service of Messrs. R, Green & Co., of Blackwall as a mid-shipman and sailed from the East India dock on his first ship '**Investigator**' on 14 July bound for Hong Kong arriving there 5 months later on 14 December. After discharging cargo and collecting stores and water the ship sailed to Singapore before proceeding to Burma where it collected rice for transporting to England arriving in October 1851.

After two voyages William was promoted to Fourth Mate and stayed on the '**Investigator**' for the next 4 years until being promoted to Second Mate on the ship '**Barham**' on his fifth voyage in June 1856. In 1863 he married a Miss Williams of Sydney N.S.W. whose father was the proprietor of the Commercial Hotel in Sydney. They had five children all boys, William John, born in Barnsbury, London in 1864, Edmund born at sea on board ship '**Blackwall**' in 1866, James, born in Harrietsham in 1867, Leslie born at Parramatta N. S. W. in 1868 and Robert Lennox born in Harrietsham in 1870.

William was Chief Mate on the ship '**Anglesey**' on his eighth and ninth voyages before taking command of the ship '**Blackwall**', on its journey to Adelaide in July 1861, which he captained for the next 5 years. In 1867 he captained the ship '**Highflyer**' on which his son Edmund was born.

William's final voyage at sea was still as Captain of the '**Highflyer**' which left London on the 7th January 1871 bound for Melbourne arriving there on the 9 April. The ship then made voyages with cargo to Madras and Calcutta before travelling to Mauritius on its way back to Australia. On the 12 March 1872 the '**Highflyer**' left Sydney bound for London.

The last entry in William's Captains log was made by himself on 24 April 1872, giving the ship's position as Lat. 44.25S and Long. 52.14W. That evening he was taken very ill with great pains in his chest passing away in the next morning on the 25 April at the age of 39yrs. William was buried at sea but there is a stone memorial in his memory in the Churchyard to the rear of the St. John the Baptist Church.

Our next meeting is on Monday 18 July at 7.30pm in the Scout Hut when our speaker Melanie Gibson Barton who will be giving a talk on Eva Braun the woman who devoted her life to Adolf Hitler. Melanie is an excellent speaker and has given several of her other talks at local meetings in the past. Further details of our society can be found on our website www.harrietshamhistorysociety.org

Peter Brown



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9.30am Lenham: Breakfast Church

9.30am Ulcombe: Café Church

11.00am Harrietsham: Morning Worship

11.00am Lenham: Holy Communion

Wednesday 6 July

9.30am Lenham: Holy Communion Service

Sunday 10 July

9.30am Harrietsham: Holy Communion

9.30am Lenham: Breakfast Church followed by joining the market.

11.00am Lenham: Holy Communion

11.00am Ulcombe: Holy Communion

3.30pm Boughton Malherbe: Choral Evensong

Sunday 17 July

8.00am Lenham: Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

9.30am Boughton Malherbe: Holy Communion

9.30am Harrietsham: Holy Communion

9.30am Lenham: Breakfast Church

11.00am Lenham: Morning Worship with baptism

11.00am Ulcombe: Holy Communion

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Borough Council Corner

We would like to thank everyone for their support during the election. It was lovely to meet many new residents. It was a truly humbling experience and we both appreciate the responsibility you have entrusted on us.

We are thankful for the efforts of so many, alongside the Parish Council and KCC, to establish the 20mph speed limit for parts of the village. It is something we have been very keen to achieve for many years.

We were delighted that the newly elected green councillor, Stuart Jeffery, at his first council meeting correctly and courageously made a stand to oppose the 8% rise in councillor's allowances, additionally highlighting the larger increases to those councillors with special responsibilities. We, along with others, supported Stuart's move however the pay rise was voted through. We will be donating our additional allowance this month to Maidstone Homeless Care who run the vital food bank.

Finally we were very pleased to see so many residents at the Parish Council Platinum Jubilee Big Lunch event on 5 June. It was a wonderful day and lovely to see the wonderful community spirit that exists in Harrietsham.

Janetta & Tom Sams

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Harrietsham Celebrates the Platinum Jubilee



The celebrations kicked off on Thursday 2 June with the first ever concert on the Glebe Field with the Invicta Jazz band playing before a Piper and Bugler heralded the Lighting of the Beacon. Over 200 people gathered on the field to watch and cheer. The more hardy amongst us had a picnic on what was an abnormally cold weekend.



After some sleepless nights around whether the Big Lunch on Sunday would be rained off, thankfully the rain stayed away and the village came together for an afternoon of fun.

There was music, cakes were donated for sale with many baked by Harrietsham residents, and the very popular raffle stall manned by Harrietsham Parish Council Chairman, Eddie Powell. Well done Eddie – brilliant job.

Regular attendees to our previous Big Lunch event will know that proceeds from the raffle and cake stall normally go to The Dogs Trust, but as 2022 is a special year, The Big Lunch Committee felt it more appropriate to donate to the Duke of Edinburgh Award. We raised an amazing £383.20 – so well done Harrietsham for your support.

There was face painting, Marvellous Mutts Fun Competition, ably judged by Karen Bates of Tails of Success, egg and spoon races, rounders, tug of war which was finally won by the men, in spite of the heroic attempt by the ladies, aided and abetted by local MP Helen Whately (who only stopped by to help draw the raffle prizes) and found herself roped in (excuse the pun).

But the biggest thanks of all must go to Tim Griffiths for his brilliant commentary on the tug of war races, egg and spoon and sack races. Better than any commentary on Channel 4 Racing – a missed vocation Tim??

Finally the Big Lunch Committee would like to thank:

Harrietsham Primary School for the use of tables and chairs
Freedom Dancers
Dogs Trust for Winners Rosettes
The Co-op
Percival's Rest
Parkwood Trout Farm
Go Ape
Stable Oaks
Karen - First Aid – thankfully a quiet afternoon.
Tails of Success
Harrietsham in Bloom
Music by Sixpenny Piece and Tim Griffiths
Residents of Harrison Drive for the use of their electricity on Thursday evening and Sunday 5th June.
Harrietsham Parish Council
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Glenda Dean



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100 Club Lottery Draw

The results of the 67th Draw of the Friends of St. John 100 Club, drawn on 11 June 2022 by various diners at the Ploughman's Platter Saturday in the presence of Chris Roots and under the supervision of Michael Gear (Independent Adjudicator) are as follows:-

First Prize £78.00p – number 134 – Rita Manser
Second Prize £46.80p – number 101 – Susan Hemsted
Third Prize £31.20p – number 92 – Kevin Harlock

There were 156 numbers included in the draw giving a prize fund of £156.

For further information and details of how to become a member of the 100 Club to help with the upkeep of our church please contact the Administrator, Chris Roots at 100Club@FriendsofStJohn.org

Denise Williams — Secretary

Christian Message

What is He like?

"Aslan is a lion - the Lion, the great Lion."

"Ooh" said Susan. "I'd thought he was a man. Is he quite safe? I shall feel rather nervous about meeting a lion".

"Safe?" said Mr Beaver ... "Who said anything about safe? 'Course he isn't safe. But he's good. He's the King, I tell you."

These famous words are from the C.S. Lewis classic 'The Lion, The Witch and the Wardrobe'. Like so many others, it was one of my favourite stories growing up. At this point in the story, Susan is trying to get her head around what this Lion is like and how she should approach him. As a Christian, C.S. Lewis was very deliberately drawing a comparison with another King who, like Aslan, also gave His life for the sake of those He loved.

I often find myself in Susan's shoes as I seek to discover more about what my King is like. In Susan's case, Mr Beaver assured her that Aslan was good and that gave her a starting point to begin to understand him more. Knowing that he was good gave her a vital piece of information which she could build from. Over time I've realised that our picture of God has a significant impact on how we view the world and our lives within it. What we believe about God makes a massive difference. So, like Susan, it's certainly worth our while considering what He is like. Is He good?

One way to discover what God is like is through the Bible as it is full of insights as to what our King is like. In the book of Exodus, we read one the numerous passages that show us what God is like:

"Yahweh! The Lord! The God of compassion and mercy! I am slow to anger and filled with unfailing love and faithfulness. I lavish unfailing love to a thousand generations. I forgive iniquity, rebellion, and sin."

I want to know my King more. I want to understand my compassionate, merciful and slow to anger God. Wherever you're at in life, why don't you determine in your heart to find out more about the King who gave everything that we may live in freedom? Let's discover His unending goodness, enjoy boldly approaching Him and finding compassion and mercy.

Ben Doggett

Lenham Library

Lenham Library is open every day except Sunday in the village square and wants to welcome you all for book browsing, PC and WiFi use and regular activities.

Monday	1pm - 6pm	Tuesday	9am - 2pm
Wednesday	2pm - 6pm	Thursday	1pm - 6pm
Friday	9am - 2pm	Saturday	9am - 1pm

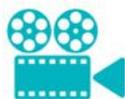
Our book group meets on the first Thursday monthly 3:45pm - 4:45pm and we are also in the process of recruiting a volunteer so we can start a new Storytime. Our community warden is in the library to speak to every Tuesday 10 -11am. Everyone is welcome to our activities, and you can find out more by popping into the library and speaking to our brilliant staff. If you want to start up your own book group, come and see us so we can tell you all about the benefits of using your library for this great free offer.

July Diary

Abbreviations:

HVH = Harrietsham Village Hall
LCC = Lenham Community Centre

Mon	4	9.45am	Purple Yoga	HVH
Mon	4	2pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Mon	4	7pm	Knit, Crochet and Natter	HVH
Wed	6	7.30pm	Harrietsham Ladies Group	Scout Hut
Thurs	7	7.30pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Fri	8	7pm	Lenham Film Club	LCC
Sat	9	12-2pm	Ploughman's Platterday	St John's Church
Mon	11	9.45am	Purple Yoga	HVH
Mon	11	2pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Wed	13	1.30pm	Craft and Chat	LCC
Thurs	14	7.30pm	Lenham WI	LCC
Thurs	14	7.30pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Mon	18	9.45am	Purple Yoga	HVH
Mon	18	2pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Mon	18	2pm	Knit, Crochet and Natter	HVH
Mon	18	7.30pm	History Society Meeting	Scout Hut
Tues	19	7.30pm	Harrietsham Gardening Society	HVH
Thurs	21	7.30pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Mon	25	9.45am	Purple Yoga	HVH
Mon	25	2pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Thurs	28	7.30pm	Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls	HVH
Sat	30	1.30pm	Craft and Chat	LCC



The Duke

Friday 8 July

Performance Begins 19.30, doors open 19.00

Runing time 1hr 36mins

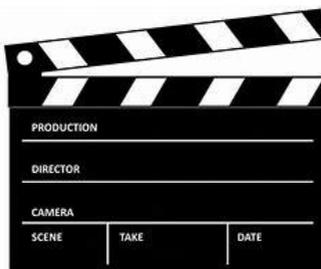
July heralds holidays and fun and so we're delighted to be presenting **The Duke** (12A 2020) – a fabulous feelgood British comedy, perfect for a summer evening. The wonderful Jim Broadbent plays 60-year-old taxi driver Kempton Bunton from Newcastle, determined to act both for the rights of the working man and for the elderly. Based on a true story, his method of doing so is a trifle unusual. He steals Goya's painting of the Duke of Wellington from the National Gallery in London – the only successful theft the gallery has ever suffered. Fame at last! Kempton's mission is complete when he is put on trial for theft. The National Gallery's loss was certainly cinema's gain. Starring Jim Broadbent and Helen Mirren, **The Duke** is one of those unmissable comedy-dramas that provides a truly enjoyable evening. Come along and have fun.

August brings another 'must see' – the new **West Side Story** in Steven Spielberg's unforgettable new production, which won seven Oscars. So, on Friday 12th August we hope to see you all dancing your way to the Community Centre for a splendid evening.

For more information please check out our website (www.lenhamfilmclub.org), follow us on Facebook (@LenhamFilmClub) or if you'd like to be added to our mailing list or become a member, please contact us at lenhamfilmclub@gmail.com

Admission: members £4, non-members £5

Annual membership £6 (over 16's only)



Lenham W I

In May we held our first Annual General Meeting since 2019. After some very interesting reports on what we have been doing over the past year and surprisingly that is quite a lot, we voted for a new President. The WI President takes the position for three years and our Presidents have all been very committed to the WI and are a fount of knowledge about policies and procedures. We have been fortunate in gaining some new members for the Committee and now have a full complement. That means new ideas for what we can do in the future. Watch this space!!



We had a competition in May – A Spring Flower Arrangement in a Teacup. Once again our ladies surpassed themselves and we had a lovely lot of entries.

Some of our members took part in a Water Sports event at Mote Park in June. They had a go at paddle boarding and canoeing and a great time was had by all.

This month we have an opportunity to listen to Tracey Crouch MP who is giving a talk about 'Women in Politics' at Ryarsh Village Hall. The WI is not a political organisation so we will be finding out what it means to be a woman in politics and how women can make a difference to discussions and

decision making.

At our meeting on 14 July we will be welcoming back Martha King who will be talking to us about 'Body Movement'. Should be interesting!

If you would like to find out more about the WI please come along to a meeting. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at Lenham Community Centre at 7.30pm. You will be made very welcome. For further information please get in touch:

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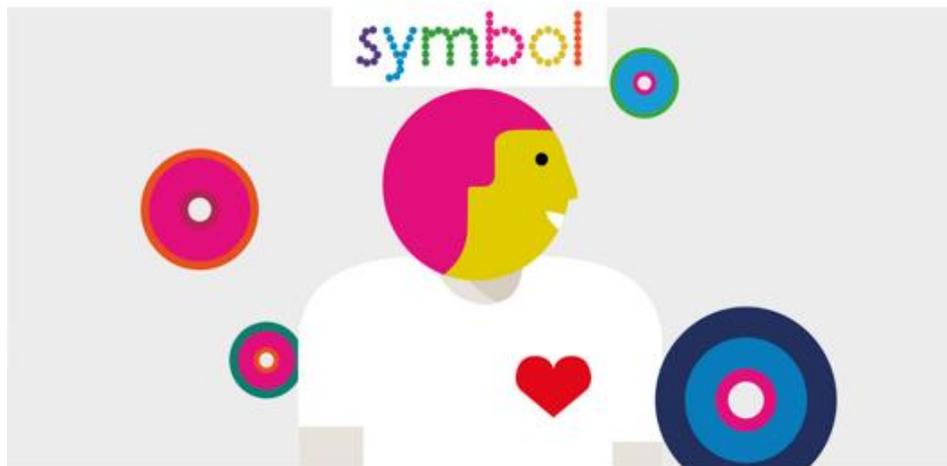
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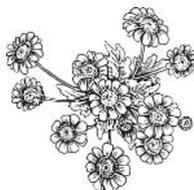
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