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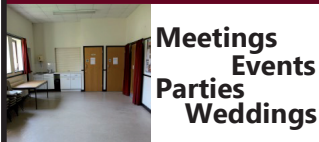
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From the Editorial Team

Hi everyone,

Unfortunately, there was some sad news over Christmas as Brown Owl died unexpectedly. We are so sorry to hear of this and offer our condolences to her family and friends. New contact details for Brownies are in the local directory on page 22.

We are off to a slow start this year after a quiet January, but February is looking interesting with the HAMS Panto (page 32-33) and the Barn Dance (page 29) this month, and there is advance news of the Friends of St John's Concert (page 9) in March.

Network has very little copy this month as you will see from a couple of articles we have included this month. We hope you will all support us and send some in!

We are also desperately in need of a volunteer to take on the role of advertising manager. Please see page 8 for details.

Have a great February.

The Editorial Team

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The winners of the December Whist Drive were Janet Humphrey and a newcomer, Martin from Paddock Wood.

Michael Gear

Harrietsham in Bloom Volunteers

The two new planters are now in position at the Bellway housing development and we are very grateful to Tony Bell for providing the new planters and putting them in position and filling with soil. If the mild winter conditions continue we may well have an early display of tulips later this month or early March.

At the time of writing we are eagerly awaiting our annual meal which was scheduled for the end of January for supporters and sponsors at the Taste of Bengal Indian Restaurant - our thanks to Ash and his team.

We very gratefully acknowledge two generous donations of £10 & £25 received in December 2019.

Thank you for your continued support - any enquiries please contact the Chairman on 859352.

Andrew Rogers

Harrietsham History Society

This is my first opportunity to say how enjoyable our Christmas meal was at the Dog & Bear on Monday 2 December as this was after the deadline for the January Network. The food and service were excellent and very good value for the price charged for the evening.

Our meeting on 17 February at 7.30pm has a talk entitled 'High Kicks and Frilly Knickers' when our speaker will be Martin Heard. Why not come along to find out more about our Society and the History of the 'Can Can'. Non-members are always welcome for a small charge of £3.00 which includes a cup of tea or coffee. More information regarding our society and details of our programme for the rest of this year can be found on our website harrietshamhistorysociety.org

Peter Brown

Harrietsham Gardening Society

Most of our members attended a very enjoyable Christmas Social event in early December. This time we tried a change from the normal format and had a speaker, Jacqueline Aviolet, to talk on Christmas vegetables. Jacqueline was deliberately chosen for her reputation as a lively, entertaining and humorous speaker. I think everyone will agree she lived up to that. Shirl Wood rounded off the evening with a competition to create a Christmas card. This was deservedly won by Christine Bone with an outstanding design.

At our February meeting on Tuesday 18 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall there will be a talk by Jim Buttress entitled 'Britain in Bloom – A tour with a National Judge', so we hope to see you there. Full details of our 2020 Programme can be found on our website – www.harrietshamgardeningociety.org.

Kevin Harlock

Craft & Chat and Crafternoon

In December we worked on Christmas projects including vintage style ornaments and bottle cap Christmas trees. We also had our Christmas Get Together on 17 December and there are so many of us now that the venue needed to be changed to the Ambrose Hall. Everyone brought something to eat or drink to share and we ended up with a veritable feast! We also had seasonal music, an arts and crafts quiz and the snowball game which was a LOT of fun and there were plenty of prizes to be won.

At the time of writing, we are looking forward to continuing with our crazy quilted pin cushions at January's Craft and Chat meeting. We have already pieced them so we will be ready to do surface embroidery and beaded embroidery on the seams and silk ribbon embroidery at the centre. Everyone has chosen their colours of silk ribbon and it has been delivered so we are all ready to go. The project for January's Crafternoon is zipper brooches which are exactly as described – brooches made with zips - with a bit of felt and embroidery added.

At February's meeting of Craft and Chat on 1 February between 1-4pm at the Village Hall, we will be making "box of treats cards". These are cards that double up as a card and a gift box as they are basically cards with a gift box attached to one side. The gift box can be filled with chocolates or anything that will fit in. These can be made with a Valentine's theme or for any other occasion. We will also be making boxes to present them in. Then, at February's Crafternoon meeting on 20 February between 2-4pm at Harrietsham Village Hall we will be anticipating the arrival of spring with some fabric tulip making!

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Hazel Roots

Knit, Crochet and Natter

We had no meeting of Knit, Crochet and Natter in December as it was too near Christmas, but at the time of writing we are looking forward to our second meeting in January. The first meeting in November went extremely well. Some people brought along their own projects to work on and some took part in the charity projects. One lady who had never crocheted before was taught the basics by another and went home with a new skill. The charity projects we are working on at the moment are twiddlemuffs and crocheted giraffes. We are making the twiddlemuffs for anyone with dementia who might like one or for children with attention deficit disorder who might benefit from them. They are muffs with colour and texture that can be knitted, crocheted, or indeed, sewn. From what I've read, they work where there are restless hands due to anxiety, by calming the user, who feels the different textures both inside and outside of the muff. They can be knitted or crocheted in simple stitches with beads, buttons, ribbons, etc, added for texture or they can be purposely composed of different heavily textured knitting patterns and bits and bobs added for extra texture. We have plenty of yarn that was donated for charity knitting to make these with. We also have kits that were donated by Julie for the crocheted giraffes and the finished giraffes will be added to our charity sales table when we have enough handcrafted items for sale.

Our next meeting will be held on 27 February between 2-4pm at Harrietsham Village Hall. If you would like to join us, please feel very welcome to come along. Maybe you would like to join in with one of our charity projects or perhaps you would prefer to work on your own project. Some of you might not have knitted or crocheted before and would like to learn or to improve the skills you already have or perhaps you need help with a project that you have got stuck on. Maybe you just want to come along to relax and socialise and that's okay, too. Fees are £3-£4 per person (depending on numbers) and this fee covers the cost of the hire of the hall, tea, coffee and cake which are always served. Any questions, please contact me on 01622 851885.

Hazel Roots

Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls Club

The club has played several friendly games with local bowls clubs recently and is due to play some more matches with relatively new clubs in the next few weeks. A number of prospective clubs have expressed an interest in afternoons and the club captain, David, is contacting different clubs in the area who only play at this time and hopefully this may attract new members to our club.

The club is still looking for new members and the committee is currently developing a promotional flyer to be distributed around the village. Hopefully this will attract new players to join our club where they will be made most welcome as we are a friendly bunch. Short Mat Bowls do not require a great deal of physical exertion and is a great leveller as ladies can play as well as, and even better than, the men. So if your social life is a little dull and boring come and join us and see how good you can get.

Phil Gooda (Chairman/Secretary)

Harrietsham Wives Group

Our next meeting is on on Wednesday 5 February at 8.00pm in Harrietsham Village Hall.

We look forward to seeing you there. New members are always welcome.

Katherin Daking

WI

Our February meeting will be held on Thursday 13 at 2.00pm in the Booth Hall.

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Chris Bone



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Wednesday 5th February

- 9.30 am Lenham: Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)

Sunday 9th February

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- 9.30 am Lenham: Breakfast Service
- 9.30 am Harrietsham: Holy Communion
- 11.00 am Ulcombe: Holy Communion
- 11.00 am Lenham: Morning Worship
- 3.30 pm Boughton Malherbe: Evensong

Sunday 16th February

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- 9.30 am Harrietsham: Morning Worship
- 9.30 am Boughton Malherbe: Holy Communion
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- 11.00 am Lenham: Holy Communion

Wednesday 19th February

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 Brownie Guides 5.45pm - 7.15pm Booth Hall T
 Youth Hub 6.30pm - 8.00pm Village Hall
 History Society (3rd Mon) 7.30pm Village Hall

TUESDAY

Pre School Group 8.30am - 3.30pm Primary School T
 Art Classes (Improvers) 2.00pm - 4.30pm Booth Hall T
 Beavers (age 6-8) 5.45pm - 7.15pm Scout HQ Station Road
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 Gardening Society (3rd Tues) 7.30pm Ambrose Hall
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 Parish Council (last Wed) 7.30pm Booth Hall

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 Crafternoon (3rd Thurs) 2.00pm - 4.00pm Village Hall
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 Short Mat Bowls 6.30pm - 10pm Ambrose Hall
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FRIDAY

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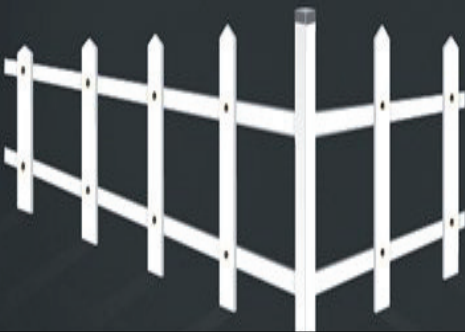
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Sat 1 Feb 12 noon Advertising deadline for March Network

Fri 7 Feb 12 noon Copy deadline for March Network

Sat 1	1.00pm - 4.00pm	Craft and Chat, Harrietsham Village Hall
Wed 5	8.00pm	Harrietsham Wives, Harrietsham Village Hall
Fri 7	7.30pm	Whist Club, Harrietsham Village Hall
Sat 8	12noon -2.00pm	Soup Saturday, Harrietsham Village Hall/Church
Thu 13	2.00pm	WI, Harrietsham Village Hal
Mon 17	7.30pm	Harrietsham History Society, Harrietsham Village Hall
Tue 18	7.30pm	Harrietsham Gardening Society, Harrietsham Village Hall
Thu 20	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Crafternoon, Harrietsham Village Hall
Sat 22	7.30pm	Barn Dance, Harrietsham Village Hall
Thu 27	2.00pm - 4.00pm	Knit, Crochet & Natter, Harrietsham Village Hall

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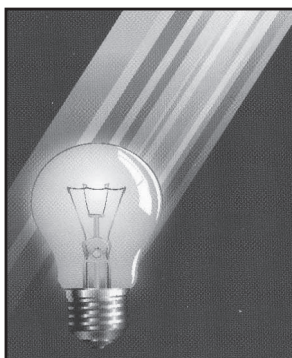
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Wonderful as the holiday season was it is nice to get back into our routines again. January was the month for most people to get back into the gym after the indulgences of December. For us girls too, we had to exercise our fingers to get back in shape to tackle the hand sewing. They do ache if all we have been doing is tying bows on presents. January was fun though as our hosted meetings are more like social events.

In February we meet on Tuesday 4th at Gail's studio where we will be working on our French hoods. I will send out the address. Then on Wednesday 19th we will be in the Osbourne room at the Lenham Community Centre where we will be starting work on Gladys' patchwork bag. This will be under the watchful eye of Gladys so bring your fabric choices in to the Tuesday meeting if you want her guidance on colour choices. We hope to get everyone's fabric cut out and under way on Wednesday as we are back in Gail's Studio in March to finish off. This is not a complicated make so if you are thinking of joining our group this would be a good project to start with. Meetings are from 1:30 to 4:30. If you would like to join us for these meetings then please call me for details.

If you would like more information on our group or would like a copy of our 2020 Program please contact me at 01233-877453 or e-mail moonbeamspinner@gmail.com

Pamela Gillard

Charing Farmers Market

The Market meets every Thursday 9:00 to 11:30, with our usual stalls of plants, produce and preserves (the three p's), and baked goods stall for your weekly staples. To keep it interesting we have an alternating assortment of craft stalls filled with knitted things, textile crafts, paper crafts and hand spun yarn for your own knitting needs, with patterns and needles included.

I will be there on February 6th and 20th with my handspun yarn, so hope to see you there.

Support your local traders and buy local!

Come check us out. There are always refreshments available.

We are all in the Church Barn. To find us come park by the church in Market Square then take the footpath along the left to the barn.

Pamela Gillard

Heart of Kent Hospice Maidstone Road Run 2020

*Sunday 8 March
Cornwallis Academy, Maidstone ME17 4HX
From 08.00*

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To take advantage of our early bird prices please book by 8 February.

Heart of Kent Hospice Aylesford ME20 7PU Volunteer Open Morning

*Saturday 8 February
10.00 – 12.00*

You are invited to come along and find out about the amazing contribution our volunteers make by giving the gift of time regularly and on an ad hoc basis. We know from speaking to our existing volunteers that doing good does you good and we are keen to meet everyone who would like to work with us.

We have a variety of roles in our shops, with patients in the community or on our Inpatient Unit and at our events or our Living Well sessions. We are particularly interested in volunteers with training in the arts, music, storytelling, exercise techniques and complementary therapies.

To find out more please call Volunteer Services on 01622 792200 ext 225 or email volunteers@hokh.co.uk



Barn Dance

At Harrietsham Village Hall, Church Road
Saturday 22nd February 2020
From 7:30pm 'til 11pm

Licensed cash bar

Family tickets (2 adults+2 children) £20
Adults £8 Children and under 16s £5
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There are a limited number of tickets so book early to avoid disappointment



Harrietsham Fish Scheme - Helping Hands Lift Scheme Volunteer Drivers - Annual Update

During 2019 we were able to provide 97 lifts for Harrietsham residents to the local Doctors' surgeries & hospitals. We are extremely grateful to our Volunteer Drivers who made this possible – without them there would be no such scheme.

There were just a few occasions during the year when we “ran out of drivers” and were not able to help – hence we would be very grateful for anyone who would like to join the Volunteer Team. Typically Volunteers may be asked to help once every 2-3 months depending on the number of requests received. Petrol costs are covered by a mileage scheme and parking permits are provided for the hospital car parks.

If you think you might like to help in this way – please give us a call to discuss.

Many thanks,

Andrew & Felicity Rogers (859352) Lift Co-ordinators

Harrietsham Village Hall Trust

HVHT free film show was shown in December. 6 adults and 3 children turned up to watch ELF and only 5 adults turned up to watch Miracle on 34th Street. Due to the poor response there will not be any more free film shows. However, the committee is looking into buying a license to show films but a charge of about £5 will have to be made. We will be able to advertise so keep looking at our Facebook page for more details.

There have been a lot of problems with the heating in the Ambrose hall. The committee is looking at alternative ways of heating the hall.

Hope you've got your tickets for the Barn Dance on 22nd February, we're looking forward to a fun evening! If not, there are still some available. Details are on page 29.

Steve Brown

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Carol Singing with the Salvation Army

We would like to thank everyone who came along to support us at the Carol Singing on the 13 December. A good evening was had by all. Donations received will be divided between the Salvation Army and Friends of St. John's.

Soup Saturday

The next Soup Saturday should be held in the Church (check in Harrietshamites on Facebook before you come) so please come and join us on Saturday, 8 February 2020, 12 noon to 2pm, for a bowl of Helen's hearty homemade soup with crusty bread. Tea, coffee and biscuits also available.

100 Club Lottery Draw

Result of the Thirty-seventh draw of the Friends of St John 100 Club drawn on 14 December 2019 by Chris Roots at the Soup Saturday lunch event under the supervision of Michael Gear (Independent Adjudicator)

112 numbers were included in the draw giving a prize fund of £112

First prize £56.00 – number 89 – Duncan Shaw

Second prize £33.60 – number 111- Kevin Harlock

Third prize £22.40 – number 7 – Helen Hubble

For further information and details of how to become a member of the 100 Club and raise money for the upkeep of our own church - contact the Administrator, Chris Roots on 01622 851885

Invicta Concert Band

On Saturday, 21 March, 2020, 7.30pm – 9.30pm, the Invicta Concert Band will once again be playing for us in Harrietsham Church. Don't miss out on this wonderful concert – £10 per person including cheese and wine. A selection of works will be played from musical shows and popular classics. Get your tickets early from any committee member, watch out for posters around the village or see page 9.

HAMS PRODUCTIONS PRESENTS

Sleeping Beauty

Friday 7th February 2020 2019, 7.30pm

Saturday 8th February 2020, 2.00pm & 7.30pm

Lenham Community Centre, Groom Way, Lenham, Maidstone, ME17 2QT



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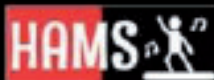
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Tickets for Sleeping Beauty are available to buy from Sunday 24th November at the HAMS stall at Lenham Christmas Lights Switch On. Thereafter, tickets can be bought by contacting tickets@HAMSproductions.org / 09731 455 677 or in person from Lenham Community Centre on Wednesday and Sunday evenings, 7.30 - 9pm (excluding Christmas Holidays).

Hello from HAMS Productions

As you are reading this, we will be in the last stages of rehearsals and preparations for the performances of “The Sleeping Beauty” on the 7th at 7.30 pm and 8th of February 2020 at 2pm and 7.30pm. We have a fantastic cast with some old and some new faces and we are having a great time rehearsing. The show is coming together really well. It is the traditional tale of Sleeping Beauty with a few modern twists. The pantomime includes all the normal antics with plenty of audience shouting.

We still have tickets available, so please support your local pantomime with pricing at £6 for adults and £4 for children. You can contact us by emailing tickets@hamsproductions.org or by phoning or texting the ticket line on 07731 455 677.

We have been approached by the Lenham Family Festival Committee to do something for the VE celebrations in May 2020, which we are going to work on following the pantomime.

If you wish to get involved with HAMS Productions either front or back stage, please contact me at chair@hamsproductions.org.

We hope to see you at our productions.

David Penny – Chair

Maidstone Borough Council

At the full council meeting on December 18, Janetta and Cllr Eddie Powell submitted a motion concerning MBC’s apparent acceptance of potentially 10,000 additional homes as part of the local Plan review. In short, the Borough Council has accepted a position of nearly 30,000 homes up to the year 2037. We called for a temporary suspension of the review to properly analyse the housing yet to be built in the Borough. The stance taken was to push the council to realise it must do something to challenge the numbers being placed by central government. The council leader Cllr Cox had promised previously to write in conjunction with leader of opposition Cllr Perry to challenge these numbers but nothing had been penned. So the motion was submitted and supported by the majority of Councillors. Time will tell if anything is obtained by this position.

Following the meeting we withdrew our support from the administration led by Cllr Cox.

Janetta and Tom Sams Borough Councillors



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For more information please check out our website www.lenhamfilmclub.org or if you'd like to be added to our mailing list, then please contact us at lenhamfilmclub@gmail.com.

Keep an eye open for our posters (it's possible we might slip in an extra performance during the month), follow us on Facebook [@LenhamFilmClub](https://www.facebook.com/LenhamFilmClub), perhaps consider becoming a member or just come along on the night!

Entrance fee (cash at the door) £5 for non-members, members £4. Refreshments available at reasonable cost. Annual membership £6 (over 16's only); pick up a form at our ticket desk.

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Press mixture into the tin and mark slices.

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Christian Message

The following is an extract from our new Bishop's address at her installation in Canterbury Cathedral on November 30th.

'Let us think what it might look like for us in Kent if the name of Jesus enabled us to be a unifying body. That instead of focussing on the things that separate us, we focussed on the things we share in common. What if we were to recognise his presence as we seek to ensure that the resources we have been blessed with are not for amassing personal wealth but to be shared in such a way that our brothers and sisters in poverty are no longer in need'.

Bishop Rose continued, "God's presence in our midst changes the kind of relationship we have with Him and with each other. This is at the heart of the 'Good News' message we are called to share. We are deeply mistaken if the kind of relationship we seek with God is so personal and private that we exclude our brothers and sisters around us or, indeed, as we are in Kent on the frontier, if we exclude our brothers and sisters from one another.

If we are going to experience the oneness of purpose that Jesus prayed for then we will need to be identified more with the name of Jesus. For too long we have been embarrassed to be associated with him. We have kept him hidden in our beautiful churches and cathedrals that we visit on our terms, for weddings, baptisms, funerals or other such special occasions like Christmas or the mandatory school service. If we are going to ignite the communities from which we come, indeed the county of Kent, then everyone of us will need to reassess our relationship with the name Jesus.'

The Bishop challenged those in the cathedral to think about how they might share the Gospel in a natural way on social media; challenge policy makers and make decisions that will help their community.

There will be an opportunity to meet Bishop Rose in St Mary's Church, Lenham, on Sunday June 28. Do come!



Top Tips by Harrietsham Gardening Society

February is the month for really getting things going in the garden or greenhouse to ensure all the benefits of a lovely Spring/Summer garden which is the envy of the neighbours. I'm sure they'll be really disappointed when they see your parsnips and a few early potatoes are already in!! Parsnips take at least 6 weeks to germinate so don't be despondent if they take some time to appear. They are one of the few vegetables where you must sow fresh seed every year; the seed loses its viability very quickly so throw any left over from last year away. What's better too than a few new potatoes from the garden? Plant a few the last week of this month outside and you're almost guaranteed to be able to lift a few the second week in June; certainly you will if you've put two or three singly in large pots in the greenhouse. Waiting until they've flowered etc. before lifting is a load of old baloney, keep having a look in early June and they're ready as soon as they're big enough. Don't forget the butter and fresh mint....

Late this month too is time to get a few tomatoes going. Do buy proprietary seed compost though, so much ubiquitous compost is sold these days which is said to be 'suitable for cuttings, potting or seeds' What a load of rubbish as some of it can genuinely be rubbish. Whilst we all support recycling etc. trying to grow very fine seeds in compost which is lumpy with bits of twig and bark, for example, is a recipe for disaster. Seed compost, which even then should be sieved is the order of the day for fine seeds.

Snowdrops, snowdrops and more snowdrops. Aren't we lucky that the first signs are appearing that winter is on its way out as these little jewels arrive, however hard the weather. Don't forget, if you want to increase their numbers elsewhere in the garden to lift with a fork and divide them as soon as flowering has finished and they are still as they say 'in the green'. You will have so much more success than planting frizzled up bulbs next autumn.

Candlemas day, 2nd February, will be upon us as you read this. I wonder if the following old rhyme will hold this year?

"If Candlemas day be fair and bright
Winter will have another flight
But if it be dark with clouds and rain
Winter is gone and will not come again"

Having got the 2nd out of the way, the 3rd is the day of the Feast of St Blaise, the patron saint of people afflicted by throat complaints. Probably a good time to hold it being still the cold and 'flu season. Apparently there is an annual ceremony at St Ethelred's church in London where sufferers' throats are touched by two candles (not four/fork handles – thanks to Ronnie Barker even if this is the gardening bit) which cures them. It probably does if they're lit and held too close!! Perhaps we

should stick to the proven benefits of raw onions which contain sulphur and allegedly help break up mucus, also they allegedly have antibacterial and antiviral properties. Now, that means do what they do commercially and if you're not planting onion sets sow onions to be grown from seed outdoors the last week or so in February, on Shrove Tuesday, 25 February.

On 14 February we have Valentines day so let's hope there are plenty of narcissi and daffodils around which if not of the quality or exotic appeal expected might mean on Shrove Tuesday, 25 February no pancakes (or perhaps the batter rather than the finished article). Don't forget to include the old folk lore poem with your bunch of crocuses or whatever else is to hand:

If apples were pears
And peaches were plums
And the rose had a different name
If tigers were bears
And fingers were thumbs
I'd love you just the same

We hope to see you at our February 18 meeting, 7.30 pm at the Village Hall when we have Jim Buttress to talk on 'Britain in Bloom – a tour with a National judge'

Some things don't change

This is an article published in August 1999 when copy was thin on the ground. It applies just as well to February 2020!

A PLEA FROM THE EDITORS

You will probably have noticed that the magazine is somewhat slim this month. Whilst appreciating that in journalism August is usually short of news, this is not so of Network, since quite a lot is happening in the village in the summer.

We like to think we are an informative magazine but unless we are provided with the information to print, we are left with no news. We had hoped to bring you a report on the Church Fête, news regarding the postponement of the licensing of the Rev. Don Irvine and possibly some advance information about the Flower Show but since no-one has let us have any of this information we are left with no choice but to reduce the size of the magazine.

PLEASE – we appeal to those of you who have this – and any other information of interest to the village – let us have it. If you haven't time to write an article, just let us have the facts and we'll write the article – but please give us something to work with - we cannot make it up!

We are very lucky to have a magazine such as Network which is free and goes to every household in the village and it seems to us a terrible waste not to make the most of it by using it to impart information of interest to all.

Eds.

This winter, we are pulling our fingers out again...

Just for you!



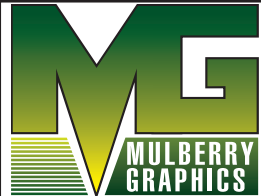
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