

GRAPEVINE

Capel-le-Ferne Village Newsletter

OCTOBER 2023 - ISSUE NO: 330

IT IS EDITOR'S DECISION ON FINAL CONTENT.

"WHAT'S ON" IN CAPEL-LE-FERNE

Please check with organisation direct to clarify events and meetings.

If you know details of your event, please let Editor know so organisations avoid booking same date

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22 nd -28 th Oct	Scarecrow Festival - October Half Term
11 th November	Youth Club Quiz Night, 6.30pm for 7pm Adults £4. Child £2. Teams up to 6
14 th November	WI Meeting - Brugge-More than Chocolate – page 5
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21 st November	Gardeners' Annual General Meeting
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12 th December	WI - Christmas Meeting
19 th December	Gardeners' Christmas Party

CAPEL RESIDENTS FREE COFFEE MORNING

sponsored by
CAPEL CARES GOOD NEIGHBOURS
Don't miss out, come and join us on the
6th and 20th October – 10am to 12noon

**JUMBLE
SALE!**



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Royal Marsden Hospital Charity Jumble Sale Time for our Autumn jumble sale (Saturday, 7th October)

I'd like to remind you that we are always grateful for any donations you might have, things laying around collecting dust that might be just the items another person is looking for.

Just bring anything you think might sell to the Village Hall on the day, there will be someone there to see you...

And why not come along yourselves at 2pm when the doors open...you might bag a bargain!

Thank you

FORTHCOMING ... WHAT'S ON VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

Community Lunch, Saturday, 21 October, 12-2pm.

Provided free of charge by the Village Hall Committee although numbers are limited. Book a place, contact Sally Cook on 07730 475838 or, at the Farmers Market, Tuesdays. More info - Page 2.

Voluntary Foodbank, Sunday, 22 October, 9.30-12.30pm

Residents are invited to donate items which can be shared with those in need. Donations will be given to local charities; the Beacon or Rainbow, for distribution. Items required. More info - Page 2.

Boot Fair, Sunday, 19 November, 9am-1pm.

To book a table, email Sally Cook on eures1994@yahoo.com or Sue Leaning on sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com or see Sally at the Farmers' Market. More info - Page 2.

Snap Auction, Saturday, 2 December, 6.30-9.30pm.

Good quality items auctioned off – each piece gets 2 minutes to be sold. Successful buyer is whoever makes the last bid at 2-minute stage. Cash only please. Looking for donations. More info - Page 2.

CAPEL SCARECROW FESTIVAL 2023

OCTOBER HALF TERM
SUNDAY 22ND – SATURDAY 28TH OCTOBER



Capel Scarecrow Festival

Register your scarecrow for free by
Sunday 8th October.



<https://forms.gle/tZaNUbZviV6iag986>

SCAN ME



COMPETITION

1. Funniest scarecrow
2. Scariest scarecrow
3. Favourite scarecrow
4. Most creative scarecrow
5. Anagram



All proceeds to support
Great Ormond Street Hospital.

Trail maps will be available for £3 to buy online.

(Please contact the Facebook page if unable to donate online)

1. Donate at www.justgiving.com/page/capel-le-ferne-scarecrow-trail
2. Email capelscarecrowfestival@yahoo.com and the map will be emailed to you.



CAPEL-LE-FERNE VILLAGE HALL providing services to the local community

<http://www.capelvillagehall.com>

REGISTERED CHARITY No.281786

Something to celebrate? Want to hold a party?

Need to organise a meeting or training session?

Want to start a teatime chat group or a new sports club?

Licensed for most things (except hypnosis and boxing)

including sale of alcohol, PRS, raffles.

**To view the hall, or make a booking contact
the letting secretary Sue Leaning on 07939 095880**

Email preferred: sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com

We generally look on the Garage Safari as marking the end of the summer and start planning our winter, (and indoor) events calendar accordingly. However, as you may have noticed the weather has changed that all around and we have all been experiencing a very late summer, which followed what can only be described as a very indifferent June, July and August. Nevertheless, the Hall Committee are busy working on our winter agenda for the next few months.

There will be a Voluntary Foodbank on Sunday, 22nd October between 09:30am and 12:30pm at the Hall. Capel residents are invited to donate items which can then be shared with those in need. All donations will be given to local charities the Beacon or Rainbow for distribution. The following items would be much appreciated.

- Tins of fruit, custard, vegetables, soups, meat, fish, spaghetti and baked beans.
- Tea, coffee, flour, sugar, pasta, rice, breakfast cereal and packet soups.
- Shampoo, deodorant, toilet rolls and shower gel.

There will be a community lunch on Saturday, 21st October from 12noon until 2pm. This will be provided free of charge by the Village Hall Committee, although numbers are limited. To book a place, please contact Sally Cook on 077304 75838 or speak to her at the Farmers' Market on a Tuesday. Menu has yet to be decided and we're open to suggestions!

This takes the place of the snap auction which will now be held on Saturday, 2nd December between 6.30pm and 9.30 pm. Good quality items will be auctioned off – each piece gets 2 minutes to be sold and the successful buyer is whoever makes the last bid at the 2-minute stage. Cash only please. We are also looking for donations for the event - items donated already include a child's bike and a child's car seat. We would ask no clothing please. The event will be run on the lines of an American supper, so feel free to bring food and drink with you. Teas and coffees will be provided.

There will be a boot fair on Sunday, 19th November between 9am and 1pm. To book a table please email Sally Cook on eures1994@yahoo.com or Sue Leaning on sue.lettingscvh@gmail.com or see Sally at the Farmers' Market. Tables are £8 each with £2 charged for a clothes rail space. There will be tea and coffee and bacon rolls provided.

The hall has been prepared for the winter too, with guttering cleared and cleaned and the gas boiler and radiators, have all been serviced. We hope to have had the foyer painted by the time you read this. We think we have overcome the gremlins in the kitchen, which recently caused our water boiler (the one that provides hot water for teas and coffee), to seize up just in time for the start of the Garage Safari and the Farmers' Market and tripped all the electrics, as we were busy serving customers. Which brings us neatly back to the Safari. We were blessed with the weather and even got a mention on local radio. Lots of people turned up due in no small part to Maureen, who advertised on 35 different sites. We had over 100 houses taking part and we were run off our feet in the Village Hall kitchen, but in a good way. The traffic marshals did a sterling job – thank you Jeremy and Gabriel – and altogether, we raised over £1400. This exceeds previous years, so thank you all very much, everyone who took part. The money is equivalent to one month's running costs for the hall, including cleaning, insurance and utilities and so is very important to us, but what was better was seeing some of the Facebook comments about neighbours chatting to neighbours and the enjoyment, that a lot of people got from the event. That in itself makes all the organisation and hard work worthwhile.

RECYCLING - INSIDE THE HALL

Boxes are provided for: Used Stamps for Donkey Sanctuary and McMillan Cancer. Bottle Tops are also being collected again. Please place the above in the relevant boxes. A big thank you to everyone who puts their used stamps in the box in the Village Hall. Please carry on for these good causes.

100+ Club Winners for September

1st Thelma Woodhams

2nd Graham Ardley

3rd Jill Lake

**It is never too late to join
Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall 100+ Club.
Renewal form for 100+ Club available
to download on website**

<https://www.cappellefernepc.org.uk>



Community event run by and for the community.

Come to the Farmers' Market, check out the stalls and stay for a cup of tea or coffee.



- > Our bakery, supplied by Vanes of Dover. Selling different breads, rolls, Danish pastries, various cakes, sausage rolls, pasties and home-made quiche. Plus, place orders.
- > Rotherwood Butchers.
- > Julie selling her much-praised cakes.
- > Eco friendling cleaning products.
- > Cheese stall on 1st Tuesday of month.
- > Eggs and Jam are available and our craft stalls.
- > Collection of cash donations for the Ukraine Refugees.
- > Parish Council surgery, 1st Tuesday of month.
- > Community computer access point available, free of charge, if need help with on-line activities.
- > Also available, library/jigsaw loans.
- > Postal advice/service.





CHURCH SERVICES, OCTOBER 2023

The times of our services have changed: Please check before you leave for church!

Date		Alkham	Capel	Hougham
Sunday 1 st 17th Sunday after Trinity		Evening Prayer 5.00 pm	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am	Eucharist (said) 11.00 am
Saturday 7 th <i>Activities and stories at Messy Church, followed by tea.</i>			 3.00 – 5.00 pm	
Sunday 8 th HARVEST		Sung Eucharist for Harvest 9.30 am	Harvest Festival 11.00 am	Harvest Festival at West Hougham Village Hall @ 11.00 am <i>Followed by lunch</i>
Sunday 15 th 19 th Sunday after Trinity		Worshipping Together 9.30 am	Eucharist (said) 9.30 am	Sung Eucharist 11.00 am
Sunday 22 nd 20 th Sunday after Trinity		Eucharist (said) 9.30 am	Evensong 6.00 pm	Sung Eucharist 11.00 am
Sunday 29 th Last Sunday after Trinity		St Mary's (Capel Old Church) United Parish Eucharist @ 10.00 am		
There is usually a Eucharist at St Radigund's, Capel at 11.00 on Thursday mornings.				
Visit us online at: www.church-alkham-capel-hougham.org.uk and on Facebook: https://www.facebook.com/BeneficeofACH				

From the vicarage

I had thought that for me, job interviews were a thing of the past. But then I spotted an appeal from Canterbury Cathedral for local clergy to volunteer to assist at the service of Choral Evensong that takes place there each evening.

After an informal chat came a voice test - I was given a sheet of music and a note on a piano, and off I went, hoping that what I was singing matched what was on the sheet. Then, a few evenings later came the test: the Cathedral fell silent, I held a tuning fork to my ear, and sang: *O Lord, open thou our lips...* The choir sang the response: *And our mouth shall show forth thy praise...*

Over the next forty-five minutes or so, I sang a bit more, led the prayers and introduced the final hymn. I'd made the grade, and was subsequently installed as an Honorary Minor Canon – which sounds grand, but I'm still just a volunteer really.

Cathedrals need several priests, or Canons, to run everything. The one who organises services is called the Precentor - Canterbury hasn't had one for a while, but that changes in November when Revd Wendy Dalrymple arrives.

The photo that accompanied the announcement showed her standing in front of a stained-glass window wearing a short-sleeved blouse and clerical collar with a splendid array of tattoos on her arms. I won't dignify the bile that this photo prompted by repeating it here. But evidently, someone who is heavily tattooed themselves saw the story and remarked, that they didn't know that people like them were welcome in church – but now they do.

I look forward to meeting Canon Wendy and being on her team. And in case you're wondering, I don't have any tattoos – honest! ... **Brian**

PLEASE NOTE ... ST RADIGUND'S CHURCH IS AVAILABLE FOR LETTING PURPOSES

• Rates £10 per hour (Negotiable for block bookings, local residents).

• PA/Sound system available • WiFi available. Booking Policy available from Audrey Goaten, 32 Albany Road, Capel-le-Ferne. CT18 7LA. Tel: 01303 244735. Email: tryke@audrey47.plus.com

September is a very important month, as it is Capel le Ferne's W I Birthday meeting, so 2023 was the 64th birthday. President, Jan, briefly welcomed everyone, and pointed out the Fire Exits, just in case. 24 members and 11 guests stood to sing Jerusalem, accompanied by the Ukulele Band "Up the Creek", as Jan said, a very different sound to our usual un-accompanied singing.

The President then formally welcomed ladies from other WIs in the Temple Ewell Group, ladies from Capel Farmer's Market and all members of Capel WI especially Caroline who was out for the first time since her accident. We were all pleased to see her.

Other WIs were thanked for their birthday cards and Alison and Jan were presented with their own birthday cards (neither were 64!).

Members were reminded of several upcoming events:

Friday 15th September, Lunch and Skittles at the Fox

Thursday 28th September, Top Team Quiz

Friday 29th September, Gillian is holding a MacMillan coffee morning at her house.

Friday 6th October, Have a Go Day

Saturday 7th October, Jean is holding a Jumble Sale in the Village Hall, for Royal Marsden hospital.

Tuesday 10th October, Evening Meeting, back in Village Hall, 50 Ways to Tie a Scarf, favourite scarf will be the competition.

Tuesday 24th October, video presentation for older drivers organised by KCC Safer Road Users team.

Friday 10th November BINGO Evening at St Radigunds' Church.

Friday 24th November Whitfield WI are holding a "60's Night".

It was then time for the entertainment, a musical presentation by "Up the Creek". They were brilliant, very lively and entertaining with wigs, hats and chicken head-dresses (!) to accompany the music. Everyone obviously knew the songs, mostly from the 60s and were able to sing along as we were given song sheets. Lots of "I remember" "I used to ..." and when "Hi Ho Silver Lining" was played we were able to participate with singing AND synchronised arm waving!! Coletta gave the vote of thanks, stressing how much we had enjoyed it.

Jan reminded everyone about the raffle and the competition. We then enjoyed a varied selection of sandwiches and savoury biscuits. Former President Coletta then cut the fabulous birthday cake, baked by star baker Alison and decorated by skilful Pat, delicious.

Jan then introduced the idea of Bingo, not the ordinary kind, not even Handbag Bingo, but TEAPOT PARTY Bingo. Everyone was given a Bingo card of 24 squares and selection of counters. Different cards were called, such as "sandwich", "cup of tea", "slice of cake" all of which we had enjoyed. Other cards, such as "ice cream", "lemonade" and "ice tea", may have been more appropriate on such a hot evening. 2 people won a line of 5 and then 4 ladies won the whole board. Each were given a tremendous prize.... A chocolate bar.

The competition of a musical instrument was won by Eve, who declined demonstrating how to play a harmonica, with Jenny's panpipes second and Sheila and Karen joint third. After the raffle, ladies were thanked for attending and wished a safe journey home. It had been a very enjoyable evening. Next month the meeting will be back at the Village Hall, on Tuesday 10th October at 7pm. The speaker will be explaining "50 Ways to Tie a Scarf". The competition will be a favourite scarf, which sounds easy, but is already causing me problems.

We would love some new members to join, we have sub-groups, interesting speakers, friendships and fun, so do please get in touch with Caroline 07885 406433 or Jan 07521317343, we look forward to meeting you.

October	Tuesday 10 th , Village Hall, 7pm	50 Ways to Tie Scarf
November	Friday 10 th , St Radigunds, 7pm	BINGO
November	Tuesday 14 th , Village Hall, 7 pm	Brugge More than Chocolate
December	Wednesday 6 th , Bowls Club	Christmas Lunch
December	Tuesday 12 th St Radigunds, 7pm	Christmas Meeting

CAPEL-LE-FERNE EVENING WI




EVENING

including Fun Game of Scattergories

FRIDAY 10th November 2023

Doors Open 6:45pm

Eyes Down 7:00pm

St. Radigund's Church (Albany Road)

ALL WELCOME

Bring your own refreshments

£2.00 entrance

£3.00 for 3 games

£6.00 for 6 games

All proceeds to Capel-le-Ferne Evening WI Charity No:282597

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Reasonable Prices

CALL 01303 250655 or 07968 967057

For an appointment

PERMS AND SETS AVAILABLE

IF REQUIRED

Jan Milliken from Capel Cares would like to apologise to Wendy, who left a message on the answer phone requesting loan of the wheelchair. I did try to phone but obviously noted the phone number down wrongly. I would have had to disappoint you anyway, as it is on loan to someone else. Apologies once again.

COMMUNITY SUPPORT



NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

A local organisation that aims to support people living in Capel

Staying independent and being part of the community is important to everyone but there are times during our lives when we could benefit from a little help from our neighbours. **CAPELCARES** is a local volunteer organisation run by residents of Capel to support those living in Capel. We can arrange to meet you in your own home to discuss any issues or challenges that you may have. Our volunteers are all local residents who have been DBS checked and have been trained in Safeguarding.

Our volunteers can help you with a variety of issues, including:

- Social visits for those living on their own.
- Home visits to support family carers.
- Assistance with shopping.
- Transport support, i.e. to & from medical appointments etc.
- Small house maintenance/gardening jobs.
- Regular phone contact.
- Helping you make contact with other services.



Referrals can be made by anyone for anyone. Our aim is to help residents in Capel remain safe, secure and independent in their own homes, as well as providing support to residents with unexpected, short term challenges that disrupt routine family life.

NEIGHBOURS HELPING NEIGHBOURS

To find out more or to arrange a visit please contact Jan on 01303 257003

Capel Cares GOOD NEIGHBOUR coffee mornings are now held every first and third Friday of the month.

To include free tea, coffee or hot chocolate with assorted biscuits.


A regular raffle is held and drawn on the day, with a range of amazing prizes to win.

EVERYONE WELCOME

Do you have short term or temporary mobility challenges?
Maybe from an accident, recent surgery,
or just aches and pains?

CC GOOD NEIGHBOURS
has a range of mobility aids
that could assist you.

To include:

- A light weight wheel chair 
- A banana board to assist getting from wheelchair to car seat.
- Mobility walker with an integral seat.
- Light weight, 3 wheels, walking frame.
- Aluminium walking sticks with adjustable height.
- Swivel seat pad for use in a car.

These are all available for use, free of charge, on a temporary loan basis.

If any of these aids would be a benefit for you or someone in your family, please contact

Jan Milliken on 257003, or Neil Perrin on 243645.

Volunteer with us

and make a difference to
someone's life



Could you spare a few hours a month to help your neighbour? We are looking for community minded people to join CAPELCARES as we seek to assist those in Capel le Ferne who just need a little help to lead independent lives in their own homes.

Call Jan on **01303 257003** for more details

CAPELCARES "from small acorns, mighty oaks will grow"



"CAPEL RESIDENTS' FREE COFFEE MORNINGS"

sponsored by
CAPEL CARES

GOOD NEIGHBOURS SCHEME



What a glorious month September was!!
With two fantastic coffee mornings,
made extra special by celebrating the birthdays of:
Sylvia, Adrian, Josie and Allen
And with great pleasure,
we also welcomed new guests.
Mary, Shirley, Terry and Barrie
And welcome to David, our latest volunteer.

Don't miss out, come and join us on the
6th and 20th of October
Free coffee morning, every month, twice a month?

The next 4 **GOOD NEIGHBOURS
FREE COFFEE MORNINGS**
will be held on the 6th and 20th October
and the 3rd and 17th November
Usual time of 10.00am.

All are welcome, you don't have to live in the
village to enjoy good neighbours,
so please bring friends, visitors welcome.

Need transport? Contact Jan on 257003.
**LOOKING FORWARD TO SEEING YOU
ON THE**

6th and 20th October
We'll be there, will you?



EXTRA DATES FOR YOUR 2023 DIARY
3rd and 17th November
and the 1st and 15th December



CAPEL CARES WHAT DOES IT MEAN TO ME?

More than 40 people enjoyed a great coffee morning.
Everyone celebrated Sylvia's birthday.





The Riverside Centre, Dover
An independent local charity

We offer social opportunities, activities, lunches and food & drinks Monday to Friday, as well as other essential services for the whole community

Our Services

- 2 course lunch ONLY £6.50
- Snack bar with cakes and light snacks
- Hot meal delivery serve £7.50 for 2 courses delivered to your door
- Foot clinic and hairdresser
- Shopping service
- Daily activities such as Bingo and seated exercise classes
- Volunteering opportunities

Find us @    

The Riverside Centre, Maison Dieu Gardens, Dover, Kent, CT16 1RL.
Tel: 01304 207268 riversidedover.org.uk



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CHARITY CHRISTMAS FAYRE
SUNDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2023
CAPEL VILLAGE HALL
10:00—14:00



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Dave Parker Services
Capel-le-Ferne

CAPEL BAPTIST CHURCH

Preachers for October

1st Pam Barr

8th Mung

15th David Hudson

22nd TBC

29th Jim Taylor

Messy Vintage Thursdays, 5th and 19th
at 2.30pm - all welcome, worship, craft
and tea. All Welcome

For details of Preachers or if there are queries regarding
these details, please call 01303 489006 - Pam Barr
Please! A reminder that the public are requested not to
park in front of the gates on Sunday mornings as this
is a disabled access.



HAVE YOUR SAY!

PLEASE RESPOND TO THIS CONSULTATION
TO HELP SECURE OUR COMMUNITY WARDEN, JAN HENRY,
FOR CAPEL-LE-FERNE.

THANK YOU. LINK TO COMPLETE QUESTIONNAIRE:

<https://letstalk.kent.gov.uk/community-warden-service>



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Community Warden Service Review Public Consultation

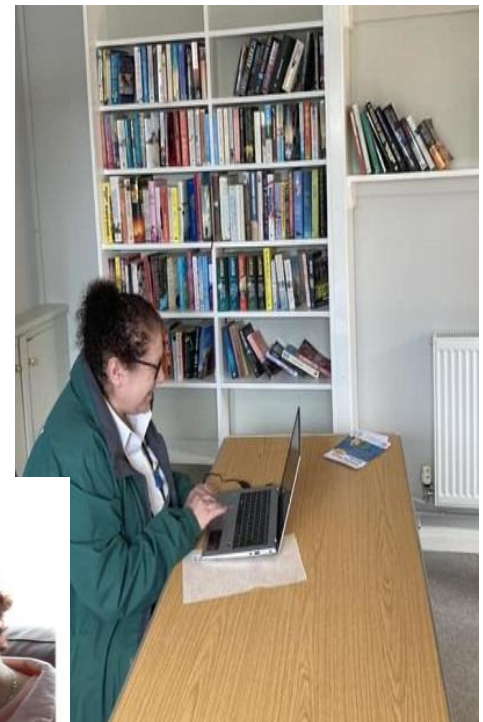
Complete the online
questionnaire to tell
us your views.

Have your say!

Visit www.kent.gov.uk/communitywardenreview
Consultation closes 3 October 2023



COMMUNITY
WARDENS



LETSTALK.KENT.GOV.UK
Have your say!



Remembering the Few - at the National Memorial to the Few

The support that we have received from you all is something that we will always be so grateful for. It is your support and donations that help us continue our work to remember 'the Few' in these difficult times.

If you wish to make a donation to the Memorial Trust, please click here for more details: <http://ow.ly/EkKh50DboEb>

We understand that not everyone is financially able to donate, but there are plenty of other ways that you can help. Following us on social media and leaving us a lovely Facebook, Google or TripAdvisor review will help the Memorial Trust no end!

Leave a TripAdvisor review here: <http://ow.ly/qXU850DboEd>

Leave a Google review here: <http://ow.ly/Czku50DboEc>

Leave a Facebook review here: <http://ow.ly/o4tO50DboEa>



The balcony at The Wing has been out of action for a few weeks, but it is now open for business.

We've put a story on the website at

<https://www.battleofbritainmemorial.org/post/the-best-view-in-kent>



Home to the National Memorial to the Few and The Scramble
New Dover Road (B2011), Capel-le-Ferne,
CT18 7JJ. Tel: No: 01303 249292

<https://www.battleofbritainmemorial.org/>

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/rememberthefew>



A classic cream tea, what more could you want? The Cockpit Café is the perfect place to stop for an afternoon snack or lunch. We have a great selection of hot and cold drinks, cream teas, sandwiches and hot snacks. Why not pop in?

We'd love to see you. Open every day between 10am and 5pm

✓ It's free entry to the Memorial and The Wing.

The Scramble Experience inside is our only paid-for attraction, and there is a nominal parking charge. We always welcome donations to keep this wonderful place running, though.

If you're looking for somewhere different to hold your next meeting, then we could have the place for you.

The clifftop location and stunning surroundings of the Battle of Britain Memorial, make it an ideal venue for an away-from-it-all business meeting, sales event, product launch or small-scale conference.



There are two dedicated meeting rooms and three spaces in total. Find out more here: <http://ow.ly/hMNI50M4iww>

Update on 30th anniversary fundraising campaign

To bring the battle to life across generations, the Trust needs help with a £1m appeal to extend Hunting Lodge and install two high-tech simulators, allowing visitors to experience the thrill – and fear – of an aerial duel against a determined enemy. The simulators we hope to purchase will create an experience, replicating the experiences of a Battle of Britain fighter pilot. We're hoping to purchase two simulators, so that they can be connected, creating a multiplayer scenario. One simulator will be a Spitfire, and the adversary will be a BF109. If we hit our fundraising target, the simulators will also include complete replica aircraft cockpits.

Donate to the campaign and help us keep the memory of the Few alive in an unforgettable way ➡

: <https://ow.ly/YJIE50PjBWQ>

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH

CLASSIC CAR MEETINGS

Come and join in and look at cars

Location - Left hand Side of Car Park

NEXT MEETING SUNDAY, 1ST OCTOBER





CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL

Summary of some items discussed at meeting Tuesday, 19th September 2023



Requests from public and Other Feedback:

- Overgrown vegetation opposite Village Hall entrance, reported to Kent Highways for cut back.
- Coffee Mornings at Reece Adams – Agreed not to fund, but offer other events held as alternative.
- Change of waste bin Albany Road, deferred to monitor, due to cost implication.
- Outstanding concerns of properties in Capel Street under investigation by Dover District Council.

Planning:

Hearing with Inspectorate on DDC Land Allocation Plan Examination (Capel), being held on 5th December at Council Offices. Councillors plan to attend, following the seeking and obtaining of expert advice and guidance.

- All planning applications and comments available to view on Dover District Council website:
<https://www.dover.gov.uk/Home.aspx>
Planning>Applications>View-Applications>Planning>Simple Search>Decisions

Neighbourhood Watch:

- Issue of dogs in Pétanque Court has been resolved - DDC Environment Officer and Police have taken appropriate action. Future sightings, to please be reported. (Date/time)

Playing Field and Equipment:

- Goal posts, repositioned. Hedgerow and grass surface waiting attention.
- Cleaning of junior play soft play surfaces programmed.
- CCTV change of coverage agreed and programmed.
- New bench to replace badly corroded/damaged one, ordered for installation.
- Defibrillator Pads replaced on unit at shop following their use.

Traffic Management and Highways:

- Minor Highway faults reported to Kent Highways, including; Hedges obstructing roads and footpaths.
- Installation of drop kerbs on various junctions, following requests from parishioners with wheelchairs, mobility scooters and pushchairs. In these locations, travelling on the road was necessary to get to corresponding drop kerb or avoid parked vehicles, to cross road. It will now enable users, safer ease of access to amenities, i.e., Village Hall, Playing Field and School. Waiting response from Kent Highways to query on lack of tactile surface.
- Waiting design plan from Kent Highways for double yellow lines at junctions with New Dover Road.

Public Rights of Way: Enquires on access issues ongoing.

Speed Watch: Sessions taken place in various locations in Capel Street, New Dover Road and Old Dover Road. All results of sessions are available on Parish Council Website. If you could spare 1-2 hours a week to help educate drivers, join the Capel-le-Ferne Team. More details on page 17.

Capel Cares: 40 members attended recent Coffee Morning meeting, including new members. Details on page 6 and 7.

Ukraine: Very generous donations and sponsorship received by various businesses etc., for fund-raising event. More details on the event, will be in next issue.

Grapevine Newsletter/social media: Thanks to volunteer Chris acting as temporary deliverer of Newsletter.

Village Hall: See full report on other items on page 2. Reimbursement of KCC Grant funding to be made relating to expenses for Community Lunches.

Training/workshops/seminars:

Members circulated with available courses. Enquiries to be made for Cllr. Harris to attend training on monitoring play equipment.

Matters Concerning the Parish:

- **80th Anniversary of D-Day in 2024** – Event to commemorate being organised by working party. Fish and Chip mobile booked for Thursday, 6th June, at Village Hall, then a walk to Battle of Britain Memorial Site for Beacon lighting. More details to follow when known.
- **Overgrown Hedges** in Capel Street and New Dover Road.
- **Parish Councillor Co-opted Vacancy** – continue to advertise for a suitable candidate.
- **Reminder closing date of Community Warden survey** is 3rd October – details on page 8.

PARISH COUNCIL SURGERY

Is there an issue you wish to discuss with your Parish Council?

A Councillor and Parish Clerk will be available on 1st Tuesday, of each month, 10am to 12:00noon at Farmers' Market, Village Hall, in Room adjacent to Entrance.
NEXT SESSION TUESDAY, 3rd OCTOBER

NEXT MEETING WILL BE ON

TUESDAY, 17th OCTOBER 2023, 7.30PM.

MINUTES/DECISIONS/AGENDAS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE: <https://www.capellefernepc.org.uk/>
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Further information on any of the above or to contact Parish Council, please write to Parish Clerk, 39 Victoria Road, Capel-le-Ferne or Tel: 01303 259564.

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Open letter to the The Village Community from Si (the Postie)

Sadly, by the time you read this, I will have left my position (after 13 years) as a Postal worker at Royal Mail

I offer my utmost apologies to you all for not being able to tell you my decision individually, but hope you understand that this would not have been possible, not only from a time point of view, but more importantly a personal note. I hate goodbyes.

I have taken this incredibly hard decision due to recent and future changes that you may be all aware of. I have decided I no longer want to be part of a changing company that takes away the spirit of being part of the community, (like Posties, Milkmen etc have always been), and so to protect my physical and mental well-being, I resigned.

I hope that following my departure, Sharon is entrusted with looking after you all and if that is the case, I know that you are indeed in great hands. I also hope that with any future changes, Sharon has enough seniority to be able to pick the Capel delivery (if she so wishes). I wish her the very best of luck in the future. Her arrival in the village has been met with nothing but a fantastic reception. I can't talk for Sharon, (she does enough of that herself), but I do know she has thoroughly enjoyed her time in the village.

When I took over permanently from Jay R.I.P. (A great friend and colleague), along with his/my partner, Tim, I knew full well I was stepping into a massive pair of shoes to fill and very quickly realised how much he meant, not only to us at Royal Mail, but to you all in the village. I took on this round with one simple mantra "Don't let him down". Something I have lived by since day one and still do, to this day. Many times, on delivery, when I have been unsure, I have looked to the skies and asked "what would you do mate" and his advice has never let me down.

During my tenure we have been through some incredibly difficult times, least of all a Global Pandemic and I genuinely cannot thank you all enough, for your kindness patience and understanding during this absolutely unprecedented time when we were all genuinely scared, certainly during the initial lockdown. My work would have been impossible without you.

I have met so many wonderful people, many of whom will become lifelong friends. I will still visit when time allows or, if Sharon is not keeping me properly up to date with local gossip.

The community spirit within the village in the clouds remains and I hope that any future Postie fully embraces that.

This has honestly been one of the hardest decisions of my 40-year working life, often being very emotional, even putting pen to paper has been extremely difficult, but I feel now is the right time to regrettably, let go.

I want to thank you all for everything you have done for me, including welcoming me into your community as a family member/neighbour, I will never forget the warmth and compassion shown to me. Your offers of cold drinks when it's been hot or hot drinks when it's been cold, your offers of shelter when weather has been less than perfect, I've enjoyed every single minute, no matter what. It's been trying at times, but ultimately one of the best experiences of my life.

And all that really remains for me to say is a massive THANK YOU ALL.

I love you all Stay safe and look after each other. Bye for now

Si

Capel Short Mat Bowls News (CSMBC)

Contacts

Wendy (Chairperson)259120

Ros.....255862

Rachel..... 07853 193935



**anyone in the village wishing to try the sport of short mat bow
please contact above members.**





Capel-le-Ferne

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Consumer Advice scams action line on 0808 250 5050

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A Kent resident has reported a TV License scam. They received a message saying their direct debit had been cancelled and they needed to set up a new one by clicking on a link.

This is a scam. TV Licensing guidance says:

- ✓ We include the name and/or part of your postcode in our emails. Many scams simply use your email address or say 'Dear Customer'.
- ✓ We send our emails from donotreply@tvlicensing.co.uk (or donotreply@spp.tvlicensing.co.uk).
- ✓ If you are a TV Licensing payment card customer and you make mobile payments via the TVL Pay app, you may receive emails from noreply@paypoint.com. The sender's name will show as 'TVL Pay'.
- ✗ Scammers often hide the true email address they're using, check the email address. On your device, select the sender's name (or email address) to show the actual email address.

[Read more here](#)

Report and get advice from Citizens Advice consumer helpline 0808 223 1133.

CHRISTMAS STALL SOCIAL MEDIA SCAM

Scam Christmas Fair targeting Kent Residents

⚠ Often posted on Facebook, it is an invitation to stallholders to book a place. Once the money is taken they post disappears leaving the stallholder out of pocket.

⚠ This is a scam.

The Cost of Living means many want to make a little more money by selling homemade crafts, but before paying money ensure they are genuine, check with the venue

For advice and to report contact Citizens Advice on consumer helpline 0808 223 1133 or report to Action Fraud on 0300 123 2040.

Scam: Air fryer scam emails

Action Fraud has received 468 reports in two weeks relating to fake emails purporting to be from ASDA. The emails claim that the recipient has won a free air fryer and provide links the recipient should follow to claim their prize. The links in the emails lead to malicious websites designed to steal personal and financial information.

- If you have doubts about a message, contact the organisation directly. **Don't** use the numbers or address in the message - use the details from their official website. Your bank (or any other official source) will never ask you to supply personal information via email.
- Spotted a suspicious email? Forward it to the Suspicious Email Reporting Service (SERS) - report@phishing.gov.uk



Action Fraud has received 468 reports in two weeks relating to fake emails claiming to be from Asda.

Watch out for these SCAM emails claiming you've won a free air fryer. The websites the emails link to are designed to steal your contact info and payment details.

✓ Report suspicious emails by forwarding them to: report@phishing.gov.uk

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HL R-Team E-Bike Batteries and Chargers presenting a serious risk of electric shock, fire and explosion.

Product information

Type: Electrical appliances and equipment - E-Bike Battery

Affected models: 36V175AH, 36V15AH, 48V20AH, 48V13AH, 48V15AH, 36V15AH, 36V22AH, 48V19AH, 36V10AH

Product Description: Products are supplied individually in cardboard boxes with polystyrene inner. Boxes are marked with a sticky label that has the model number on them and a battery warning label.

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Of which there were many thousands.

She was also a fantastic wife, mother and
grandmother. She will be missed by all.

Rest in peace my love. xx



**Asian Hornet - If you need any more information
here is the link**

[Asian Hornet » APHA - National Bee Unit - BeeBase](#)

The link gives details on:

- ... Appearance and biology of the Asian hornet**
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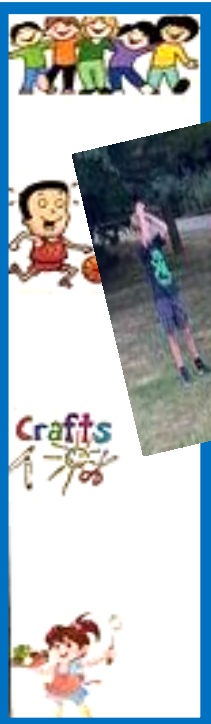
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Solar Together Kent

Are you thinking about getting solar panels but not sure where to start?
Dover District Council is working in partnership with Kent County Council
on the current round of Solar Together Kent, as part of Dover District Council's
commitment to tackling the climate emergency.



Solar Together Kent is a group-buying scheme, which brings Kent households and small businesses together to get high-quality solar panels at a competitive price. Having your own solar panels means you can save on your energy bill as well as reduce your carbon emissions. The scheme helps you through the whole process, keeping you informed at every stage.

Installations will generally not need planning permission. However, in some cases, such as in Conservation Areas and on Listed Buildings, planning permission may be required. For more information, please visit <https://www.dover.gov.uk/Planning/Planning-Applications/Making-Applications/Do-I-need-Permission.aspx>

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- **Installation** - If you accept, the winning installer will contact you to survey your roof and set an installation date. All installations are planned to be completed six months after accepting.

To register or for more information Visit www.solartogether.co.uk/dover
or alternatively call Solar Together on 0800 014 8721 (Mon-Fri, 8am-5.30pm).

Collective Energy Switching- Big Community Switch

Is your fixed energy tariff coming to an end? If so, make sure you're getting a good deal on your energy prices.

Dover District Council has worked in partnership with iChoosr since 2013 helping residents in our district save money on their energy bills by using combined buying power to access highly competitive tariffs.

The latest round of the scheme has now launched, so why not register today and join the hundreds of other residents that have cut their energy bills through this scheme. Registration is free and you are under no obligation to switch.

- 1. Registration:** you can register for free and without obligation at www.bigcommunityswitch.co.uk/dover
- 2. Auction:** an 'auction' will be held on 03 October 2023 when iChoosr's pre-vetted energy suppliers will submit bids. The supplier who offered the cheapest tariff will get to offer you a new contract.
- 3. Personal offer:** from 16 October 2023 you will receive a personal offer, based on your registration details, and you can see how much money you can save.
- 4. You decide:** the decision is then yours as to whether you want to accept your offer. There is no obligation to switch, and you will have until 27 November 2023 to decide.
- 5. Take control:** if you accept, you will be one of the hundreds who have taken control of their energy costs through the collective energy switching scheme.

If you live within the Dover district and do not have internet access, then please leave your name and contact number Tel: 01304 872332 to receive a call back to help with the registration process. Registration requires details of energy consumption (this can be found on your energy bill/annual energy statement - in kWhs), name of current supplier and current tariff.

For more information about the scheme please visit

dover.gov.uk **Energy Deal - Collective Energy Switching Scheme**

CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Maureen Leppard



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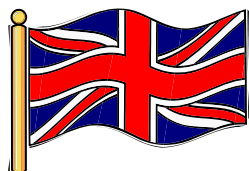
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If so, we would love you to join our enthusiastic Speed Watch Team.

Community Speed Watch is an educational scheme to help reduce speeding traffic through our village.

The scheme enables volunteers to work within our village to raise awareness of the dangers of speeding and to help control the problem locally.

If you are interested and would like to talk to someone about becoming a team member, contact the Parish Clerk on 01303 259564, Email: clerkcapellefernepc@btinternet.com



CAPEL-LE-FERNE TWINNING ASSOCIATION



The Capel Twinning Association welcomed a party from our twinned village Vieille Eglise "old church", which is around 10 miles north of Calais on Saturday 9th September.

Arriving at the Village Hall just after 11:00, and after a refreshing drink we started the day with a friendly Boules Match on the village Pétanque court. Our guests just beat the Capel team by a narrow 2 games to nil!

The group then all returned inside, out of the scorching sun to sit down for a three-course meal prepared and served by members of the Association. Needless to say, there was plenty of wine and beer to keep us all cool, and we were all able to catch up with old friends, and to make new ones. Due to Covid it is four years since Vieille Eglise members had been able to visit us, and lots of changes have occurred in the meantime.

Capel members were guests in their village in the summer of 2022.



Following the very pleasant and convivial lunch the group were taken to the Battle of Britain memorial, once again in scorching sunshine, where our guests could look around the site. Unfortunately, due to a very thick sea fog, we could barely see Folkestone Harbour, let alone the clock tower in Calais, and our guests departed back to Dover for their trip home.

The association has a regular programme of events, and occasional trips to France, and we welcome new members with an international outlook.

CAPEL-LE-FERNE GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION

Capel Gardeners Autumn Show was a great show
with 285 entries, and many visitors.



Interesting speakers, a friendly quiz, and occasional visits to stately homes and their gardens.

Visitors and new members are always welcome.

If you are not yet a member and would like to be, membership is just a low £8.00 per year.

We have interesting speakers, quiz evenings, a Rose show in June, and three open shows, and our enthusiastic members are always happy to share the benefit of their knowledge and experience.

The society holds Spring, Summer and Autumn Shows at the Village Hall, see What's On front page for dates. The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:00pm in St Radigund's Church, Albany

Road for informative presentations, social events and quiz evenings.

We look forward to seeing you at the show, or any of our events.

Brian Castle - 01303 259105 or 07598371984.

Jean Tanton - 01303 255982. Bob Parsons on 07484 275551.

Facebook Page: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/1104487473444755>



Harvest Supper

St Radigund's Church, Albany Road, Capel le-Ferne.

We shall be holding our Annual Harvest Supper
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To commemorate the school's evacuation to Wales, during the WW2 conflict.

On Saturday 21st of October,
I am putting on a concert for The Old Harveians Association at Harvey Grammar School by The Snowdown Colliery Welfare Male Voice Choir to commemorate the 80th Anniversary of the evacuation of 352 boys and 12 staff to Merthyr Tydfil in Wales during WW2.

Tickets are £10. The OHA have launched an appeal to raise funds to buy The School another minibus, having bought the last one for them a few years ago, and profit from this concert will go towards that appeal.

Jerry Spillett on 01303 242146.

Email: [johnne.oliver22@gmail.com](mailto:johne.oliver22@gmail.com)

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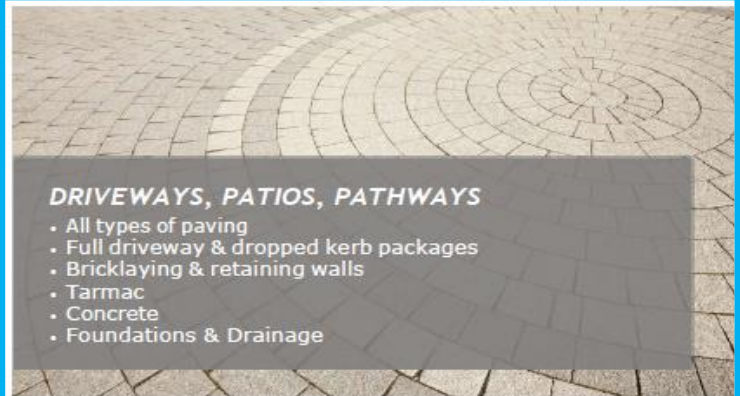
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by 6pm, Sunday, 15th October 2023.

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