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Capel-le-Ferne Village Newsletter

SEPTEMBER 2025 - ISSUE NO: 351

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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

Sept 5 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Sept 6 th	Capel Gardeners Autumn Show
Sept 7 th	GARAGE SAFARI
Sept 7 th	Bonnets & Wings Show at Battle of Britain Memorial Site
Sept 13 th	Last Night of the Proms (Page 8)
Sept 19 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Sept 26 th	Church Quiz Night
Oct 3 rd	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Oct 4 th	COMMUNITY LUNCH
Oct 4 th	Youth Club Quiz (page 13)
Oct 11 th	Cancer Research Autumn Jumble Sale
Oct 17 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Oct 18 th to 31 st	Scarecrow Festival - 3rd year Start planning soon! (Page 18)
Nov 7 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Nov 18 th	Capel Gardeners AGM
Nov 21 st	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Dec 5 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning
Dec 6 th	CHRISTMAS FESTIVITIES AT VILLAGE HALL
Dec 16 th	Capel Gardeners Christmas Party
Dec 19 th	Capel's Good Neighbours FREE Coffee Morning



CAPEL'S GOOD NEIGHBOURS
FREE COFFEE MORNING
sponsored by Capel Cares



CAPEL'S GOOD NEIGHBOURS
FREE COFFEE MORNING
DON'T MISS OUT



Come and join us on our next coffee mornings,
FRIDAY, 5th and 19th SEPTEMBER
Free coffee morning, every month, twice a month!
Usual time of 10.00am.

Village Hall, Lancaster Avenue, Capel-le-Ferne, CT18 7LX

Capel-Le-Ferne Gardeners Association Autumn Show Capel-Le-Ferne Village Hall

Open to the Public
At

2.30pm

On 6th September 2025

Presentation of Prizes at 4 pm
Refreshments
Available.



RAMSGATE OLD MOTOR
AND MOTOR CYCLE CLUB
Sunday, 7th September 2025
from 10AM to 4PM



Bonnets & Wings Show 2025

The Show will be held on the grounds of the
Battle of Britain Memorial Site,
Capel-le-Ferne, Folkstone, CT18 7JJ
Link for entry form

[Bonnets & Wings Show | ROMMCC](#)

There will be limited space so book your entry early.
Gates will be open at 9AM, toilet facilities will be open at 10AM
Refreshments will be available on site.

To enter a car is: £5 for Ramsgate Old Motor and Motorcycle Club
members, £8 for non members. Cheques made payable to
ROMMCC, or £10 on the day.

Profit goes to The Battle of Britain museum,
there are two prizes for best in show with a runner up.
For more information contact 07956 2923 76



GARAGE SALE

SAFARI

CAPEL LE FERNE

Car parking whilst on Safari at Playing Field.
Maps available, on the day, at Village Hall,
Lancaster Avenue, Capel-le-Ferne, CT18 7LX

Sunday, 7th September
09:00 am – 2:00 pm

To book a table please put an envelope with £5
inside and your name and address on the
outside and drop it off at 29 Albany Road.
This will reserve you a place on the map issued
to village visitors on the day.



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?

Licenced 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

The Farmer's Market is soldiering on. We have been trying to encourage community activities so this has been reflected in the various people who hold surgeries and visit us. The Parish Council has held a surgery on the first Tuesday of the month for a while now and we have recently had Paul King our KCC councillor in attendance. The Gardeners Association comes monthly and those working on the poppy tableau also pop in. Jan Henry, our Community Warden, is around from 11am most Tuesdays. Our stalls vary from week to week. Our meat, bread, cakes, honey, jam, eggs, jewellery, Cornish pasties, sausage rolls and meat pies are there every week. Our home-made cakes, cards and craft tables are there every other week while the French cheese stall (and pates, garlic, and other things francais) is there on the first Tuesday on the month. We have a candlemaker who comes monthly and we are awaiting a new dog stall (that's food and accessories not the animal itself). If you want to sell anything, contact Sally as below. Over the last month we have been either giving away or selling gluts of fruit and vegetables grown by Capel residents. If you are interested in us doing this on your behalf, then either pop in and see us on a Tuesday morning at the hall, or give Sally a call on 077304 75838.

As you are reading this, the annual Garage Safari is just around the corner on Sunday, 7th September. Official start time is 9am but buyers have been known to turn up earlier. You have a few days to book a table by putting £5 in an envelope with your name and address on and dropping into Cherry Leppard at 29 Albany Road – or the Farmers' Market on a Tuesday. This is always a well-supported event by both residents and others from the local area. Parking is on the Parish Council land alongside the Hall and will be signed post and marshalled. The Village Hall kitchen will be open for bacon butties and cheese or ham rolls, with cakes and chocolate for those with a sweet tooth and plenty of tea, coffee and canned drinks.

Hot on the back of the Safari is the Community lunch on Saturday, 4th October, booking will be taken shortly. We are currently arranging a couple of sessions, provided by Kent Police, to heighten awareness of cyber security. These are about 40 minutes long and are free to attend. We are hoping for one morning and one evening slot so that all ages have the opportunity to attend... watch the

Parish Council newsletter and our notice boards for further information.

During September we are preparing for the new year for our 100+ Club. Current members will be contacted by email with the new details, but there is always room for more!!! £12 a year puts you in the draw, with prizes of £25/£15/£5 to be won each time!! Full details are on the notice board in the Hall and forms available/applications accepted at the Farmers Market or contact Kath at Secretary.cvhmc@gmail.com.

Our Christmas preparations are going well so ensure you have Saturday, 6th December 2025 in your diary. Along with the Parish Council and Folkestone, Hythe and District Lions, we are offering a wonderful Christmas Craft Fayre, Santa's Grotto, Christmas Tree lighting with Carols, mulled wine, and mince pies... and the opportunity to set Father Christmas off on his travels – **an event not to be missed!!!**



Saturday 6th December 2025

CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAYRE

Capel Village Hall

Lancaster Avenue, Capel-le-Ferne, CT18 7LX

12-4pm



**Now is the time to book your table for
this Christmas event. Tables £10**

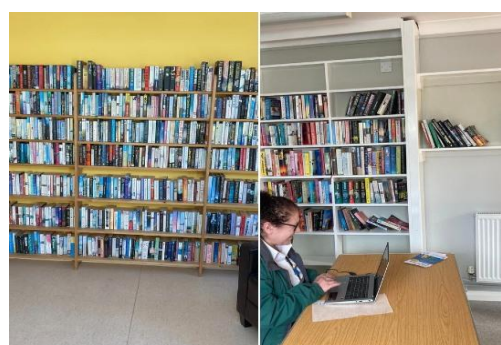
Contact Sally on 07730 475838



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 - place orders.
- > Rotherwood Butchers.
- > Delicatessen stall on 1st Tuesday of month.
- > Dave Lewis with his wooden planters, bird tables etc.
- > Julie selling her much-praised cakes.
- > Cheese, Chutneys Jams/Honey
- > Wooden plaques / signs. - fortnightly
- > Zena's Glow (Candles)
- > Various Craft stalls available (cards, jewellery, knitted goods etc).
- > 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, SEPTEMBER 2025

Date	Alkham	Capel	Hougham
Sunday 7th September Trinity 12			Eucharist 11.00 am
Saturday 13th <i>Fun, fellowship and food – contact Pam (01303 489006) or Brian (01303 243784) if you plan to come.</i>		 3.00 – 5.00 pm	
Sunday 14th Trinity 13	Sung Eucharist 9.30 am		Worshipping Together 11.00 am
Sunday 21st St Matthew Apostle		Sung Eucharist 10.00 am	
Sunday 28th Trinity 15		Sung 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

The Book of Genesis makes it all sound so simple; when Abraham left home, he took his wife, his brother's son, their possessions, and their dependants, set off for Canaan, and that was it. But looking around my office and thinking of all that I have got to do before I take my wife, our son, our possessions and our dependants (cats, cockatiels, and tropical fish) and set off for retirement, it doesn't look as simple as all that - there's still so much to do.

It still feels early to be saying our goodbyes, but our time here – nearly thirteen years - is nevertheless drawing to a close, with my final service in the Parish at the end of September.

Many years ago, long before I was ordained, I was a server at the church that I used to attend. When the vicar left, he gave a long farewell speech, thanking everyone who had supported him in his ministry by name – except me! Someone noticed, and asked me how I felt about being left out. I answered – truthfully – that I hadn't needed him to say anything. He had never failed to show his appreciation for anything I had done.

I have been privileged to be the Parish Priest here. Our years here have been happy years, and I'm grateful for the love, prayers, and support that I have enjoyed from so many, both within our church families and also among the wider community. Whatever help anyone has given, I have appreciated it all - and I hope that I've shown it.

Last word to St Paul:

Finally, brothers and sisters, farewell... The grace of the Lord Jesus Christ, the love of God, and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with all of you. Brian

2 Corinthians 13: 11,14

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.

Email: tryke@audrey47.plus.com

Several people who live in the Village are involved with the Dover Foodbank, and St Radigund's Church has been one of their donation points for many years now - which, it seems, is not as widely known as it ought to be! The Dover Foodbank is associated with the Trussell Trust, and information about how it functions and how people can give and get help can be found on their website: <https://dover.foodbank.org.uk/> At church we collect items in our Green Box. When ready, we contact Moira who lives in Old Dover Road, who then arranges for them to be taken to the warehouse.

CAPEL-LE-FERNE GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION



The society is always pleased to welcome new members, we are a friendly group and if you join now, you will be a member of the group right through to the AGM in November 2025.

Membership is only £12 and our events include monthly presentations, 3 open shows at the Village Hall, and an outing to an impressive garden and perhaps stately home, plus, a quarterly newsletter.

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

Our enthusiastic members are always happy to share the benefit of their knowledge and experience with aspiring new growers.

If you are not yet a member and would like to be, membership is just a low £12.00 per year.

The society holds a Rose show in June, Spring, Summer and Autumn Shows, at the Village Hall. See "What's On" front page for dates.

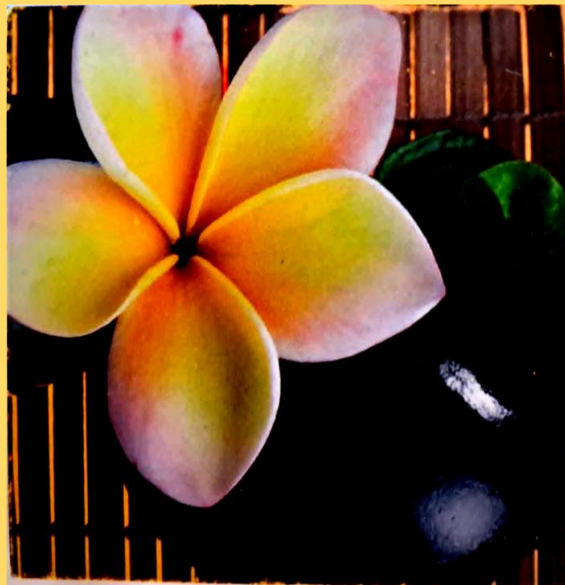
The group meets on the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30pm in St Radigund's Church, Albany Road, for informative presentations, social events and quiz evenings.



Look forward to seeing you at the shows, or any of our events. Please contact the following for further details.
Brian Castle - 01303 259105 or 07598371984. Jean Tanton - 01303 255982. Bob Parsons on 07484 275551.

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

Date for your diary 6 September – Autumn Show



Cohen & Stamp

Philip Jones

07853983154

pjones369@hotmail.co.uk

*Artwork restoration:
Paintings, Pottery etc...*

*Care taken to preserve
sentimental possessions
wherever possible*

*Quotes available after
visual inspection*



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



'Warmer homes this winter and lower bills' – Free insulation, Solar PV and Air Source Heat Pumps

Dover District and Dartford Borough Councils working together have been awarded funding to support residents improve the energy efficiency of their homes.

The money will be invested in homes across the district as part of the Warm Homes Local Grant (WHLG), funding the likes of loft insulation, cavity wall insulation, internal wall insulation for solid wall homes, air source heat pumps (ASHP) and Solar PV.

10 quality for funding the property and the occupants need to meet the criteria below: -

- The property has an EPC rating below a C. You can find out more about energy ratings <https://www.gov.uk/find-energy-certificate> (if you do not have an energy rating for your property you may still be eligible)
- The total annual household income (gross) is £36,000 or lower, or the occupants are in receipt of a means tested benefit.

The initiative is aimed at privately owned and privately rented properties in the district that meet the criteria (eligible private rented properties will require landlord agreement and a signed declaration form).

Residents are encouraged to express their interest in this WHLG initiative now as the funding is time limited, with only 14 grants available! Call 01304 872414 or email energy@dover.gov.uk. Further details and links to a self-referral form can be found at: [Apply for the Warm Homes: Local Grant to improve a home - GOV.UK](#)



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'S GOOD NEIGHBOURS FREE COFFEE MORNING



sponsored by Capel Cares



There were no BIRTHDAY CELEBRATIONS

on August 1st 🙄🙄🙄

But we are Capel Cares and are not easily beaten,
so we celebrated a

GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY

Very many congratulations to Shirley and Eddie
who celebrated 50 years of marriage.

However, on the 15th August birthdays were back
in fashion with 5 to celebrate, congratulations go to
Eddie, Vi & Joyce with special congratulations to
Colin who celebrated his 75th, and extra special
congratulations to Sylvia who shared her 90th
birthday with us.

Many happy returns to one and all.



DON'T MISS OUT

We have now planned our fish 'n' chip lunch event
for Tuesday 30th September.

Make sure your name is down to enjoy the menu.

New to the village? Looking for company and
conversation?

Come and join us on our next coffee mornings, on
the 5th & 19th September

🎉 FREE COFFEE MORNINGS! 🎉

every month, twice a month!

The next 4 GOOD NEIGHBOURS FREE COFFEE
MORNINGS will be held on the 5th & 19th

September and the 3rd & 17th October

Usual time of 10.00am -12.00noon

All are welcome, you do not 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 5th & 19th September**

We will be there, will you 🙋?



In August we celebrated a **GOLDEN WEDDING ANNIVERSARY**.
 Very many congratulations to Shirley and Eddie who celebrated 50 years of marriage.
 With 5 Birthdays to celebrate, congratulations go to Eddie, Vi & Joyce with special
 congratulations to Colin who celebrated his 75th,
 and extra special congratulations to Sylvia who shared her 90th birthday with us.



August saw us enjoy only one of our usual coffee mornings, but it also saw us enjoy an extra special coffee morning where over 70 guests joined us to share in the **VJ COMMEMORATION DAY on 15th AUGUST**.

CAPEL CARES good neighbours hosted a very special coffee morning on the 15th August. Supported by the Parish Council and the WI we held a commemoration event in memory of **VJ DAY**, the end of the 2nd world war, and those who served. Capel Crafty Toppers kindly allowed us to have the first public showing of the **POPPY TABLEAU**.

This will be officially aired on the 11th of the 11th at 11am. Be there!

We held a raffle and collected table donations on behalf of the **ROYAL BRITISH LEGION**.
 A total of £277.62 was raised, this was increased to **£300** with a donation from **CAPEL CARES**.



👏👏👏 Thank you to everyone who contributed. 👏👏👏



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THANK YOU to EVERYONE

who attended the 80th Anniversary commemorations of VJ Day.

Everyone enjoyed a morning with a raffle, a military quiz, and sing along sessions of the era lead by Marilyn and Pat. A 2 minutes silence and Last Post, was followed by cutting of a ceremony cake by Council Chairperson Philippa, and cake-maker, WI Member Alison, then distributed to all. The event closed with the National Anthem. Thanks, extended to all volunteers and helpers, from Capel Cares, WI and Parish Council, in arranging the event.

In August our speaker was Jacqueline Aviolet, who gave us a very entertaining talk on the History of the Victoria Sponge, including a fascinating history of plain and self-raising flour. Jacqueline also brought along plants for sale, as she is also a plants-woman. Unsurprisingly, when we had our refreshment time, we each had a slice of Victoria sponge! The evening ended with a couple of games of Tea Time Bingo, with chocolate bars for the winners.

This year we are holding a fund-raising event, namely the **LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS**, on Saturday, 13th September, doors open at 6.15pm for 7.00pm start. Tickets are £5 per person, available from Caroline Bunting 07885 406433. Part of the proceeds will be donated to Kent and Sussex Air Ambulance.

Our September meeting is our Birthday Meeting, when we will be joined by other local WIs to celebrate. Duncan Morris will be providing the musical entertainment for us.

Ladies you are very welcome to join us and can attend three meetings for free, before deciding if you want to join the WI. Our next October meeting is open to new members, when Barry Duffield will be speaking about the Battle of Britain Memorial

LAST NIGHT OF THE PROMS

LIVE SHOWING FROM THE ALBERT HALL

SATURDAY 13TH SEPTEMBER

HOSTED BY CAPEL-LE-FERNE EVENING WI

CAPEL-LE-FERNE VILLAGE HALL

DOORS OPEN 6.15PM FOR 7PM START

BOOK A TABLE WITH FRIENDS AND FAMILY

BRING YOUR OWN FOOD AND DRINK

DRESS YOURSELVES AND YOUR TABLE UP FOR THE OCCASION. PRIZE FOR THE BEST DRESSED TABLE

RAFFLE

TICKETS £5 PER PERSON - FIRST COME FIRST SERVED

YOU CAN BOOK A TABLE FOR UP TO 8 PEOPLE

A DONATION WILL GO TO THE

KENT AND SUSSEX AIR AMBULANCE

To Book tickets and tables contact Caroline Bunting

07885 406433 / caroline.bunting49@gmail.com

Quiz Night

At St Radigunds Church, Capel
Friday 26th September 2025
at 7pm

Tables of up to 6, £5 per head

All welcome, bring your own food and drink.
There will be prizes for the winning team
and the last team on the score board, plus
a raffle.

Proceeds to Church Funds

Please contact Audrey Goaten

on 07869574577 to book.

We look forward to seeing you there.

Capel-le-Ferne Parish Council are considering installation of new bus shelters at the Alexandra Road stops, on the New Dover Road (B2011) – Folkestone and Dover bound. This is subject to a “consultation process” and we would welcome your views and comments, together with any objections you have on this project.

Please write to the Parish Clerk at 39 Victoria Road,
or by email clerk@capellefernepc.org.uk
by the 30th September 2025.

We are interested to hear from you.





Battle of Britain Memorial - Remembering 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>

It is 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.



Grab a bite to eat at the Cockpit Café while visiting the Battle of Britain Memorial, from cream teas to paninis and toasties, we have got everything you need for a perfect pit stop. You will also enjoy breathtaking views across the Channel to France.

See menus here: <https://tinyurl.com/34vnhc3k>

The Wing, car park, and Cockpit Café will be open now 7 days, from 10am to 4pm. But, do not worry! If you want to visit the Memorial outside these opening hours, you can still access the outside grounds on foot via the pedestrian gate.

Missing in Action: Resting in Peace? Stories of the Battle of Britain's Lost Airmen
Join us on Sunday 14 September from 11am for a poignant and fascinating event exploring the emotive story of the Battle of Britain's 'Missing Few' - the brave airmen shot down and listed as 'missing' during the summer and autumn of 1940, leaving families without closure for decades. Here's what's happening: 11am - Screening of 'Forgotten', an award-winning short film by Philip Harvey. After the film - A talk on the missing airmen by historian & author Dilip Sarkar MBE. Followed by - Panel Q&A with Philip and Dilip. 1pm - Dilip signs copies of his official history written for the Trust. This special event is free to attend, but we kindly suggest a £5 donation to help us keep preserving the memory of the Few. Every visit to our shop or café also supports our vital work.

Spaces are limited - booking is essential.

Call 01303 249292 or email enquiries@battleofbritainmemorial.org

THE BATTLE OF BRITAIN DOG FIGHT OVER DOVER



Into the wide blue yonder,
Glimmering sunlight breaks.

Over the wings of silver,
In the throes of a storm that waits.



Into a towering crescendo.
Looping the billowing whites.
Sharp for the eye to follow,
Into the gunner's sights,



Flashes of fire with a splutter,
Ratta tat, tat, breaks the air.

Over the cliffs of Dover,
Out of the arms of care.



Then with a deep, deep, furrow,
Cleaving its desperate way.
Down where there's no tomorrow,
And out of the light of day.



By Maxwell Dunlop



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>

Join us as we honour the courageous Few who defended our skies during the Battle of Britain. Our major appeal is dedicated to enhancing our clifftop site for the next generation. But we cannot achieve this without YOUR invaluable support



Our goal is to raise £1m to extend Hunting Lodge and create an extraordinary, state-of-the-art aerial dog fight simulator experience. Imagine yourself in the cockpit of a Supermarine Spitfire or a Messerschmitt Bf109, engaging in thrilling battles that replicate the challenges our courageous aircrew faced in 1940.

This extension will not only provide exhilarating simulators but also additional space to display more Battle of Britain artefacts.

As a charity that relies on the generosity of our supporters, with no government support, we can only achieve this dream with you by our side.

Every donation, no matter the size, gets us closer to our ambitious £1m goal. With your contribution, the Memorial will continue to inspire and educate future generations.

Don't miss the opportunity to be a part of history. Donate here : <https://battle-of-britain-memorial-trust.raisely.com/>



EVERY 1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH CLASSIC CAR MEETINGS - NEXT MEETING 7TH SEPTEMBER



Home to the Battle of Britain Memorial -
Remembering the Few and The Scramble,
New Dover Road (B2011), Capel-le-Ferne, CT18 7JJ.
Tel: No: 07956 292376.



**CAPEL-LE-FERNE PARISH COUNCIL****Summary of some items discussed at meeting held****Tuesday, 19th August 2025****Requests from public and Other Feedback:**

- Various overgrown hedges/trees on footpaths/roads.
- Street lights not working.
- Faded white markings at Courtwood Roundabout.
- Garden help required.

Matters Concerning the Parish:

- Flooding - Capel Street/Lancaster Avenue: Multi-agency meetings taking place.
- Land Gifted to Parish Council: Transfer now completed. Removal of broken bench and 2 new benches agreed.
- Bus Shelters: 2 new shelters at Alexandra Road stops agreed. (See page 8).
- July Minutes: Speedwatch status approved/amended.

Planning:

- Capel Court Park and Lighthouse Inn waiting Appeal Application responses from Government Inspectorate.
- Cauldham Lane footpath work commencing status to be discussed with DDC Planning Officer.
- All planning application documents and comments Available to view on Dover District Council website:

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW):**Community Warden report:**

- Dangerous driving of motor-bike on Playing Field reported to Police.
- Joint authority assistance given to resident on a scam.
- Advertising board contractor checked with Trading Standards. Board to be removed.

CCTV/ICT:

- Update/renewal of cameras - quote received for upgrading. This to be held on file for more considerations to be sought, before decision taken.

Playing Field and Equipment:

- Annual Royal Society for the Prevention of Accidents (RoSPA) inspection report received and noted.
- Corrosion to Basketball surrounds to be refurbished.
- Self-closure of gate to be checked at Skatepark.
- Overgrown hedge to be cut back in BMX location.

Traffic Management and Highways:

- Vehicle activated signs on New Dover Road (B2011): Location and approximate costs received from Kent Highways. Councillors agreed to commit to installation of one (1) sign at present, Folkestone end (Dover bound traffic).
- Drop kerbs, Beatrice Road: Design and costs received from Kent Highways. Councillors agreed to commit to installation, both sides of road, at Alexandra Road end.
- Hurst Lane: Surface still being addressed with Kent Highways. Waiting to meet with engineer.
- Diversion signs on M20/A20: When Roundhill Tunnels closed, no response since December. County Councillor King to make further enquiries.

Public Rights of Way (PROW):

- No reply received yet from KCC PROW, on cycling on clifftop path and request for no cycling signage.
- Overgrown path, side of Reece Adams House to be checked.

Speed Watch:

- Report submitted by Cllr. S Pilcher. (See Page 14), with recruitment details and chart leader details.
- Session results available on Parish Council Website. <https://capellefernepc.org.uk>

Events:

- Afternoon Tea – Deferred to new year.
- Poppy Tableau – Plans on how to display at Memorial in Lancaster Avenue for Remembrance Day, to be discussed further.

Capel Cares: (Pages 6 and 7).

- All present agreed, the extra special coffee morning for commemorating VJ Day, was enjoyed by all, with over 70 guests attending.

Grapevine Newsletter/social media:

- New renovation advert, company checks carried out for eligibility.
- Changes in deliverers taken place on some rounds

Village Hall (VHMC):

- Fire assembly point on MUGA location agreed, and to erect signs accordingly.

Training/workshops/seminars: No reports.**District and County Councillor reports:****District Cllr. Martin Hibbert:**

- Report attached to Minutes on various aspects and their status.

County Cllr. Paul King:

- Confirmation to holding surgery at Farmers' Market on 2nd September was noted.
- Funding deficit reported in KCC, indicating there will be a need for cuts in the next budget. A lot of discussions, decisions, and options to be considered.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE
TUESDAY, 16th SEPTEMBER 2025, 7.30PM.
MINUTES/AGENDAS ARE AVAILABLE ON THE
COUNCIL WEBSITE:

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

MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC.
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Further information on any of the above
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Email: clerk@capeleferneoc.org.uk
or Tel: 01303 259564.



Capel-le-Ferne

Is there an issue you wish to discuss with your Parish Council?
Councillor and Clerk
will be available
on Tuesday, 2nd September 2025
10am to 12:00noon
at The Farmers' Market
in Room adjacent to Entrance,
Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall,
Lancaster Avenue,
Capel-le-Ferne, CT18 7LX



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Is there an issue you wish to discuss with your County Councillor for Dover West Ward (Capel)?
Paul King, will be available
on Tuesday, 2nd September 2025
10am to 12:00noon
at The Farmers' Market, in Small Room,
Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall,
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Waitrose recalls Waitrose & Partners Creamy Pesto Chicken Pasta because of undeclared mustard. This means the product is a possible health risk for anyone with an allergy to mustard. Product Details Pack size: 375g Use by: 27 August 2025 Advice for consumers If you have bought the product and have an allergy to mustard, do not eat it. Instead return it to your local Waitrose & Partners branch for a refund.

Tesco Kind & Pure Facial Cleansing Wipes presenting a serious microbiological risk. Product Details Brand: Tesco Product names: Kind & Pure 25 Facial Cleansing Wipes 163g, Kind & Pure Radiant Facial Cleansing Wipes Vitamin C 25 Pack 159g Affected batch codes: 5128723, 5129723, 5130723, 5123723, 5144723, 5145723, 5146723, 5163723, 5164723, 5168723, 5169723, 5188723, 5176715, 5177715, 5187723, 5186723, 5188723, 5154715, 5155715, 5156715 Advice for consumers The products have been recalled from end users by Tesco. If you have purchased an affected product, please do not use it. Return your product to any Tesco store for a full refund. No receipt is required.

Suspicious 'Closing Down Sale' Ads on social media. We have had reports from Kent residents of adverts claiming to be from UK shops "closing down" to lure buyers with big discounts. These ads often look convincing, but the products can be poor quality, not as described, and refunds are hard to get. Stay alert when shopping online!

Be cautious of "closing down" claims.

Check seller details and reviews before buying.

Report any potential scam ads to Citizens Advice on 0808 223 1133.

Kent resident targeted by a car import scam. The resident purchased a car online for a set price including shipping and clearance. The seller claimed the car was in a UK port, but it was not, and proceeded to ask for more money. This is a scam. Be very careful when buying online. Always do your research on a company and make sure they are who they say they are. For advice contact the Citizens Advice consumer helpline: 0808 223 1133.

How to get advice and report

To report scams and get advice on consumer issues call Citizen's Advice consumer helpline on 0808 223 1133

If you have information on doorstep criminals, counterfeit, fake or illegal goods, illicit tobacco, loan sharks or those selling restricted items to underage kids, call the charity Crimestoppers 100% anonymously on 0800 555 111

To find a safe, local trader use Kent County Council's safe trader scheme: Trading Standards Checked.

 To find a member call 03000 416438 or visit kent.gov.uk/tschecked

Erborian Centella Cream 50ml and 20ml presenting a microbiological risk.

Product Details Brand: Erborian Batch numbers: KM06343 and KM07343 (20ml), KM05363 and KM06363 (50ml) SKUs: 6AA20068 (20ml), 6AA20067 (50ml) Advice for consumers

The product has been recalled from end users and withdrawn from the market.

Consumers are advised to cease use of the product immediately and contact

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CAPEL-LE-FERNE YOUTH CLUB

We meet every 1st and 3rd Thursday,
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Capel Village Hall, during term time,
Village Hall, Lancaster Avenue

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Email: capelyouthclub@outlook.com

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/capelyouthclub>



Youth Club – Fund Raiser Fun Quiz Night

Saturday 4th October – Village Hall

Arrive 1830hrs – Start 1900hrs, Finish 2200hrs

Team of 6, A-£5, C-£2 - Pay on arrival, Pre-Book or Turn Up

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Volunteers wanted



Would you like to help protect our residents from speeding vehicles?
Could you spare 1 – 2 hours a week?

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: clerk@capellefernepc.org.uk

Capel-le-Ferne Speed-watch Group

RECRUITMENT INSTRUCTIONS

CAN BE FOUND ON PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

Capel-le-Ferne Parish Council (capellefernepc.org.uk)

Since last publication – 4 sessions taken place

2 in Capel Street and 2 in New Dover Road (B2011)

62 vehicles counted at Capel Street, with 15 offenders (24.2%), reported to Kent Police

459 vehicles counted at New Dover Road, with 9 offenders (1.9%), reported to Kent Police

A Ford Transit driver received a “hand delivered letter” from a Police Officer

A Silver BMW is a new multiple offender, with recorded speeding on Capel Street (20mph)

Three (3) times within a year.

VIEW ALL RESULTS LINK ... <https://www.capellefernepc.org.uk/speed-watch/>

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Harvey Grammar School to give a concert entitled
'Ready, Steady, Go!', which will be a celebration of the
Fabulous 50s and The Swinging 60's featuring the music of
Louis Prima, Bobby Darin, The Platters, Nat King Cole,
Chubby Checker; The Four Seasons, Dusty Springfield,
The Beatles, The Chordettes, Matt Munro, and many more
with Special Guest Singer Rachel Sutton.

Tickets are £18 and available from me John Oliver on 01303
251403 or 07787 977235, or by email
to johne.oliver22@gmail.com

All profit on the concert will go towards
The Old Harveians Association Appeal
to buy The School another new minibus.

If you love the music of that period or have ever had any
connection with Harvey Grammar School as a pupil, parent,
or grand-parent etc please support the concert if you can
Last year's concert was a spectacular success and this year
should be another great evening of top-class music
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Please see the attached poster for full details.

I look forward to hearing from you

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7 th Sept	No service, but the chapel will be open for refreshments for Village Safari
14 th Sept	Pam Barr
21 st Sept	Richard Blackwell Harvest Festival all welcome to join us
28 th Sept	No service, we will be joining St Radigunds for Brian's farewell

*Messy Vintage runs
alternate Thursday afternoons
at 2.30pm. Everyone is welcome.*

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Wendy (Chair-person) Tel: 259120 - Ros Tel: 255862 - Rachel 07853193935

Anyone in the Village wishing to try the sport of short mat bowls,
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SHEPWAY SUMMER LEAGUE

The club has played two league matches through July and August and they were both tough games. The opposition on the 21st July opened with an early 9-point lead, with Rachel, Wendy & George recovering, but finally losing by 6 points. The home match on the 5th August was finely balanced throughout, with Wendy, Elaine & Brian losing by 1 point on the final end.

The match planned for the 14th August was postponed at the last minute, to be played later in the season.

With only 3 matches remaining to complete the league, Capel Kiwis are the team to catch.

Look out for more results. Good luck to all players.

CSMB CLUB COMPETITIONS

All club members have been invited to sign up for the 25/26 season in house competitions in the following categories:

- mixed singles, ladies singles, men's singles, nominated pairs and drawn pairs.

The closing date for entry was the 30th August.

The draw for the matches to be played in the competitions were done and announced at the BBQ on the 31st August.

Details are on the notice board. Please look to see who you have been drawn to play.



WE ARE MORE THAN A BOWLS CLUB

Thanks to JENNY for arranging the skittles evening at the The Fox, Temple Ewell.

As always, harder than you think

and very competitive between the two teams.

A perfect combination of games and food with ale!!

The summer BBQ on the 31st AUGUST was well attended with members and guest enjoying the usual chicken, burgers, and bangers along with various salads, and delicious desserts.

Did we run out of PIMMS 🍷🍹, and did the weather behave?

Check for photos and updates in the next Grapevine!

FUTURE EVENTS

Other dates for your diaries: -

Christmas lunch, provisionally booked for the 12th December.

Exchange events to be arranged in conjunction with Kearsney Bowls club.

The plan is to play at Kearsney before the end of September.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

The two new mats have been named and tagged as the 'MARK TURNER (red & green) MATS', in memory of our late friend, member, and benefactor. The order and delivery for the club jackets will be complete, ready for the autumn and winter seasons.

We all look forward to the final bit of personal 'kit.'

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP OPTION

Alongside our playing member status, we have a social member status.

Each playing or honorary member can sponsor one other person as a social member, for an annual membership fee of £20. This will allow a family member or friend, to enjoy the extra-curricular fun events, held throughout the year at no additional cost.

NEW MEMBERS ALWAYS WELCOME

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There will be voting categories, a scarecrow trail, and of course, the ever-popular anagram challenge. 🍂



Get involved, get building, and let us fill the Village with fantastic scarecrows once again!



More details on how to take part will be shared soon.

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Remote Control Car Club	To be advised	To be advised
Short Mat Bowls	Ros Chandler	01303 255862
St Radigunds Church	Rev Brian Williams	01303 243784
St Radigunds Church Events	John Oliver	01303 251403
St Radigunds Church Bookings	Audrey Goaten	tryke@audrey47.plus.com
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Youth Club	Simon Withey	07860803767

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SIGHTLOSS GROUP:

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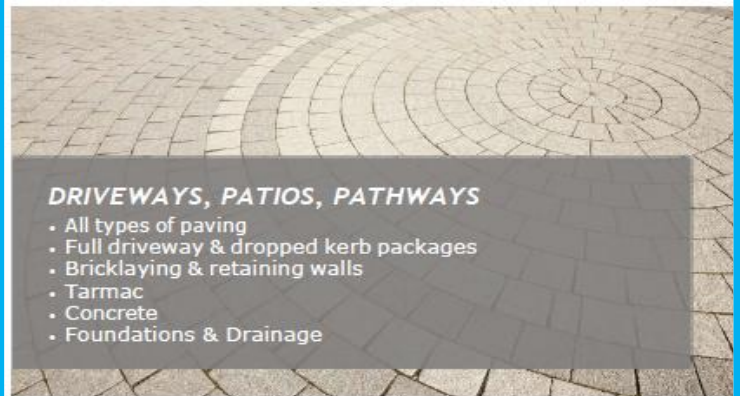
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Items for October 2025 issue to be with
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by 6pm, Sunday, 14th September 2025

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