



GRAPEVINE

Capel-le-Ferne Village Newsletter

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NO JANUARY ISSUE.

IT IS EDITOR'S DECISION ON FINAL CONTENT



WHAT'S ON" IN CAPEL-LE-FERNE

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

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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, 3rd and 17th OCTOBER

Free coffee morning, every month, twice a month!
Usual time of 10.00am.

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

COMMUNITY LUNCH

AT CAPEL
VILLAGE
HALL

Lancaster Avenue
Capel-le-Ferne

To book your free place at the table
Contact Sally
at Farmers Market
or call on 07730 475838

**SATURDAY
4TH OCT
2025
12 NOON –
2PM**



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

B.Y.O Drinks & Snacks, Community Event, Children welcome

Raffle & Bonus Ball

Any queries call Simon 07860 803767



**ROYAL MARSDEN CANCER
RESEARCH HOSPITAL
CHARITY JUMBLE SALE
SATURDAY, 11th OCTOBER AT 2PM**

I would 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 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



**THE FOLLOWING DONATIONS WOULD BE
GREATLY APPRECIATED**

- Tins of fruit, custard, vegetables, soups, meat, fish
- Tea, coffee, pasta, rice, breakfast cereal, flour, packet soups
- Shampoo, deodorant, toothpaste, toilet rolls, shower gel, cleaning products



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 committee are currently recovering from the Garage Safari whereby in the hall kitchen, we sold over 350 rolls, nearly a hundred slices of cake, and I don't know how many cups of tea/coffee and soft drinks. We sold out by 12.30pm. In all we took nearly £1,500 on the day through the kitchen, stalls etc all of which goes to the running to the hall. If I tell you it takes £1,400 a month just to keep the hall running, you will understand how important the Safari is to the hall and by extension, the Village.

Another important aspect of Hall life is the Annual General Meeting (AGM), this year being held before our Committee Meeting on Tuesday, 2nd December. It starts at 7pm and all residents of the village are welcome to attend. Among other things at the AGM, we also vote in new committee members or trustees. The trustees work on behalf of the Village to maintain the Hall and to run activities aimed at fostering community life. Anybody interested in contributing to the committee please contact us on 07376 614014 (Kath) or Sally on 07730475838.

Our Community Lunch takes place on 4th October, and you will have just have enough time to make your booking by the time you are reading this. We are having a slow roast of pork with accompanying vegetables followed by apple crumble, all provided free of charge. We would be delighted to see you there. Our next Boot Fair is on November 16th from 9am and stalls cost £8 each. We are taking stall bookings for this and for the Christmas Craft Fair on December 6th. Starting at 10am and costing £10 per stall, there will be a Santas Grotto, at the Christmas craft fair, which will be followed by lighting of the tree with carols round it, weather permitting. Please contact Sally for further details on 077304 75838.

A new offering is a Cyber Safety Presentation provided by Kent Police on 28th October at 10am – 10.45am. Trustees are aware that cyber security is a concern for many residents so booked this, feeling it would be of interest to locals. Held at the Village Hall during the Farmers Market, it provides information and advice on passwords, types of scams, AI, 2FA and tips and tricks to help. For further information or to book, please contact Kath on 07376 614014. Please be aware that space is limited. There is no charge. If this proves successful, then we will look at booking more.

Cyber Safety Presentation

Provided by Kent Police



**Tuesday 28th October 10.00-10.45am
Small Hall, Village Hall, Lancaster Avenue**

**Passwords
Types of scams**

**AI
2FA**

Tips and tricks to help

**To register your interest put your name on the
list in the Village Hall or
call Kath on 07376 614014.**

CAPEL VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

**Capel Village Hall Trustees wish to ask,
For your help with an important task.**

**To keep this wonderful Village Hall
Ready for use by one and all.**

**To support and be ready for
Boot fairs, Pilates and so much more.
Without this great asset we could not do
The Farmer's Market, Safari and parties too.**

**To get this done, it's people we need
A few more Trustees, to follow our lead.**

**A few hours a month would be great
To help keep it running straight.**

**Community has been built, and is doing well
What more we can achieve, we cannot tell.**

**Can you be part of our way forward now?
It would be great, let me tell you how..**

**Pop to the Farmers Market, it's on every week
It's Sally, Roy or Barry to whom you should speak.**

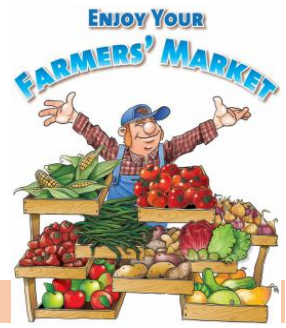
**Or call Kath on 07376 614014, to say hello
We'd be glad for you to join us...**

.....please give it a go.

100+ CLUB

**Don't forget to get your £12/year entry in for
this monthly draw, prizes £25, £15 & £5.**

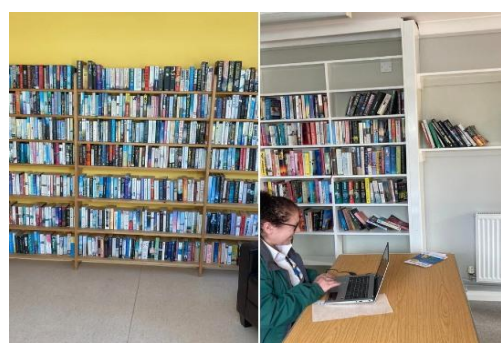
**Pick up a form at the Farmers' Market
or email secretary.cvhmc@gmail.com
to support your Village Hall.**



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, OCTOBER 2025

Following Rev. Brian Williams retirement, the Benefice are having to try and get mainly retired clergy to take services.

The services for the Parish in October are as follows:

Date	Alkham	Capel	Hougham
October 5th.		10.00am - Eucharist Rev'd Canon Bob Cole's	
October 12th.	9.30am - Eucharist Harvest Rev'd Kevin Jacobs		
October 19th.			11.00am - Eucharist Rev'd Seb Lindberg
October 26th.		10.00am - Eucharist Priest to be confirmed	

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>

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.

Starts at 5pm
2.5 or 5 mile routes available

Ready, set, glow!
Be a Heli Hike hero!
Grab your glow sticks, fancy dress, and get ready to shine.
It's time for Heli Hike at Night!

When?
25 OCT Saturday 25 October

Where?
Mote Park, Maidstone

Join us for a fun, feel-good walk under the stars in support of your local air ambulance charity.
Step up, shine bright, save lives.

Sign up today!
aakss.org.uk/night-hike

Registered Charity No. 1021367

Sponsored by **CSIS**
The Kent Surrey Sussex Air Ambulance Charity

Scan me

We are your local air ambulance charity, life-threatening emergencies can happen to anyone, anywhere. Thanks to the amazing support of our community, we can bring specialised doctors, paramedics, and treatment to the scene fast. And we do not stop 24/7, 365 days a year. Last year we were called out to just over 3,300 incidents, our busiest year to date.

We love to get out and welcome our community to attend our upcoming events, allowing us to meet those that are supporting us daily. We are delighted to be bringing back Heli Hike at Night at Mote Park, Maidstone on Saturday 25 October. We would be so grateful if you could help us spread the word in your community magazine. Last year we had over 150 walkers supporting our life-saving work and we hope to welcome more this year!

I do hope that you feel able to help us in this way. Thank you so much for your support.

Kind regards, Katie Rose, Events Assistant
Office Line – 01634 471900. Direct Line- 01634 471992
*Please note my working hours are
Monday to Wednesday. 8:30am - 17:30pm

CAPEL-LE-FERNE GARDENERS' ASSOCIATION

Date for your diary

21st October "All About Hops"

with Steve Wakeford

Monthly competition: pot-plant succulent

18th November AGM and Presentation, Awards

preceded at 6pm by a Fish & Chip Supper

16th December Christmas Social, 7pm

BYO crockery, cutlery and glass



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>



VALIANT SAILOR

Come and join the friendly team at the Valiant Sailor!

Being one of the villages only pubs we pride ourselves on our service, our high quality home cooked food and our seasonal drinks offerings.

With a warm fire, this is the perfect place to reconnect with friends and family, to meet new people or simply enjoy a quiet pint!

- 7 days a week food service
- OAP Discounts Monday - Friday
- Daily Chef Specials
- Pie Night Mondays
- Fish Fridays
- Steak Night Saturdays
- Sunday Roasts
- Craft Ales
- Seasonal Drink Offerings
- Event Space Available
- Bingo Mad every Thursday
- Open Pool Table every Tuesday
- Live Music Nights
- Quiz Nights

Now accepting Christmas day reservations,
call 01303 765202 or visit www.valiantsailor.co.uk



RE-OPENED IN APRIL UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT



Kent Downs National Landscape is working in conjunction with Asian Hornet Alert, to help distribute monitoring traps for this invasive non-native species across Kent. This pilot project called Making Trapping Happen, is aimed at helping farmers, landowners and smallholders monitor the threat of Asian Hornets, which prey on honeybees, bumblebees, hoverflies, and butterflies - all vital for pollination and healthy crops.

We are helping to distribute Asian Hornet Alert selective traps which are designed for monitoring only and are not kill traps. The lid holes allow insects to investigate the sugary bait inside and fly out, but keep hold of Asian Hornets. If one is caught and it is verified through the Asian Hornet Watch app, Asian Hornet Alert volunteers set up an open bait station nearby to work out where the nest is.

Early detection is key, which is why we'd love your help in recording any sightings through the Asian Hornet Watch app or get involved by applying for a free trap, dedicated webpage

www.kentdowns.org.uk/making-trapping-happen
it will provide you with more information, including -
how you can apply for a free trap and where you can collect these from across the Kent Downs.

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 proving 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



September saw us back to our usual coffee mornings, birthday celebrations, quiz and raffle.

We celebrated BIRTHDAYS at the start of September with Sue, Marion and Wendy

Many happy returns to one and all.



More birthday wishes for the second half of September and early October will be in the next Grapevine issue.

👉👉 With nearly 60 guests on the 30th September for our enjoyable fish 'n' chip lunch, we shall have plenty of pictures to share next time 🐟👉👉

SPECIAL ANNOUNCEMENT

Capel Cares good neighbours have been granted the privilege of laying a wreath, on behalf of all our guests, at the village memorial on Tuesday the 11th November, in memory of those who have served and sacrificed.

DON'T SIT AT HOME, COME AND JOIN US!

New to the village?

Looking for company and conversation?
Come and join us on our next coffee mornings,
on the 3rd & 17th October

🕒 FREE COFFEE MORNINGS! 🕒
every month, twice a month!

The next 4 GOOD NEIGHBOURS FREE COFFEE MORNINGS will be held on the 3rd & 17th October and 7th & 21st November
Usual time of 10.00 -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 3rd & 17th October**

We will be there, will you 🙌?





BIRTHDAYS

At the start of September with Sue, Marion and Wendy
Many happy returns to one and all.



Capel Crafty Covers

The next project.

Do you crochet, knit or sew?

Would you be prepared to help towards creating the following to display around the Christmas Tree at the Village Hall?

- Christmas stars
- Snowflakes
- Christmas stockings
- Holly
- Mistletoe
- Bells



All contributions gratefully received.



Once we have some items to attach to the netting, we will need help to do this.

A complete change from poppies!
Dates and times will follow shortly.



Ideas, queries, offers of help—contact Philippa.
philippa.seager@foredia.com

Capel Crafty Covers



Can you help us?

Do you crochet, knit or sew?

We urgently need the following made for a Christmas Tableau at the Village Hall.

- Christmas stars
- Snowflakes
- Christmas stockings
- Holly
- Mistletoe
- Bells
- Other Christmas designs



Our first meeting will be **Friday 3 October 10-12**, in the Village Hall as Capel Cares have kindly offered us space at their Coffee Morning.

It is not far away and we do not have anything towards making this tableau yet. Wool, if knitting or crocheting, can be provided. Be lovely to see some sewn items this time.

More meeting times will be added as soon as I have sorted out times and a venue.

Contact Philippa, philippa.seager@foredia.com

SATURDAY
11th
OCTOBER
2PM

Jumble
Sale



ROYAL MARSDEN CANCER RESEARCH HOSPITAL CHARITY JUMBLE SALE

SATURDAY, 11th OCTOBER AT 2PM

I would 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 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.

Hello everyone. Our September Meeting is always our Birthday Meeting. 66 years we have been going. It was well attended and chaired by Caroline our Vice-President, as our President Pam was unable to be there and sent her regards to everybody.

Caroline welcomed our members, and members from other WIs in our Group. Duncan Morris was our entertainment for the evening and he gave us a wonderful evening of music. In two half hour sessions. During the interval we enjoyed platters of cheese, crackers, French bread and Pate, along with some refreshments.

Next month's meeting 14th October 2025 and the Speaker will be Barry Duffield, who will give a talk on 'The Battle of Britain Memorial'. Our competition is a 'Swiss Roll' (taste is important not just decoration). October is the Month in which we remember our dear friend Pat Stoker who passed away and was famous for her beautiful cupcakes. So, the winner of October competition is presented with a Trophy in her Memory.

If you would like to give us a try, you will be sure of a warm welcome, interesting talks, lots of fun and a chance to meet old and new friends. We are not just about 'Jam and Jerusalem'. So come and meet us at Capel Village Hall. Look forward to seeing you.

November 11th: Betty Black. Talk on Skyways Airport Management

December 9th: Melinie Gibson-Barton. Talk on 'And so to Ted' - History of Teddies

And then to Christmas. Another year gone. Take care everyone.



INSPIRING WOMEN

CAPEL-LE-FERNE EVENING WI

Our next meeting will be at 6.45pm for 7pm
at Capel-le-Ferne Village Hall

Tuesday 14th October 2025

Speaker: Barry Duffield

Subject:

Talk on Battle of Britain Memorial

Our Activities include:

Monthly speakers
Outings to places of interest
Home Economics
Darts Book Club
Competition and Quizzes
Annual Garden party Craft Club
Lunch Club

Please feel free to come and join us
For more information, please contact
Caroline on 07885 406433

We look forward to welcoming you

CAPEL-LE-FERNE EVENING WI



EVENING

including Fun Game of Scattergories

FRIDAY 14th NOVEMBER 2025

Doors Open 6:45pm

Eyes Down 7:00pm

St. Radigund's Church (Albany Road)

ALL WELCOME (You don't have to belong to WI to come)

Bring your own refreshments

£5.00 for 3 books 6 Games

£8.00 for 6 books 6 Games

All proceeds to Capel-le-Ferne Evening WI

Charity No:282597



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.lv/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://tinurl.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.

A KIWI DROPS IN

SUNDAY TALKS

WING COMMANDER
(RAFVRT) GEOFF PIPER



2PM | SUNDAY 5 OCTOBER 2025

Sunday 5th October

At 2pm

Sunday talk with Geoff Piper, 33 years in the RAF Volunteer Reserve and retired as a Wing Commander. A remarkable story of World War two pilot Jim Hayter DFC, how he was shot down and parachuted into Cranbrook and an incredible escape from an encounter with the German army.

WINSTON'S BANDITS: CHURCHILL'S MAVERICK FRIENDS

SUNDAY TALKS

ADRIAN PHILLIPS



2PM | SUNDAY 19 OCTOBER 2025

Sunday 19th October

At 2pm

for our Sunday talk with Adrian Phillips on 'Winston's Bandits: Churchill's maverick friends, shaping the RAF in history and legend'

These free events are open to all, but your support truly helps us preserve the legacy of 'the Few,' and every purchase in our shop or café also contributes to our vital work.

Location: Battle of Britain Memorial. Tickets: Free (donation £5 suggested). To book your place, call 01303 249292 or email enquiries@battleofbritainmemorial.org. Please note: We have seen an increase in no-shows for our free talks. If your plans change, letting us know ensures our volunteers' efforts are not wasted and allows us to offer the space to someone else.



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/>

WING COMMANDER BOB DOE DSO DFC*

SUNDAY TALKS

DR HELEN DOE



2PM | SUNDAY 12 OCTOBER 2025

Sunday 12th October

At 2pm

for a special Sunday talk with Dr Helen Doe. Hear the incredible story of her father, Wing Commander Bob Doe DSO DFC*, celebrated as one of the highest scoring aces in the Battle of Britain.

EVERY 1ST SUNDAY OF EACH MONTH CLASSIC CAR MEETINGS - NEXT MEETING 5th OCTOBER



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, 16th September 2025****Requests from public and Other Feedback:**

- Concerns on various street lighting still not working.

Matters Concerning the Parish:**Flooding - Capel Street/Lancaster Avenue:**

Councillors and the Flood Forum have been working with the previous flooded residences to build a case and a document produced, containing videos, photos and information, is a follow up and a different approach for discussion with KCC next week, at a multi-agency meeting.

- Land Gifted to Parish Council: Waiting purchase and installation of 2 new benches, as agreed.

- Bus Shelters: 2 new shelters at Alexandra Road stops to be installed October/November.

Planning:

- Recent applications received; Capel Court Park and Old Dover Road were discussed. Resolutions agreed.

- Councillors to meet Senior Planning Officer at Dover District Council, to discuss all outstanding applications relating to the village.

- All planning application documents and comments

Available to view on Dover District Council website:

Neighbourhood Watch (NHW):

Community Warden report: Nothing reported.

- Concerns on damage to London House, Old Dover Road noted and will be reported to Police.

CCTV/ICT:

- Cameras and lenses undergone annual maintenance, together with an upgrade of software.

Playing Field and Equipment:

- Quote received to refurbish paintwork on MUGA (multi-use goal area) received and agreed. Timescale will be 2 days, Public to be notified when date known.
- Hedge to be cut back and BMX trail-bars removed.

Traffic Management and Highways:

- Vehicle activated signs (VAS), on New Dover Road (B2011): Waiting fixed quoted for one VAS (Dover bound), from Kent Highways.

- Drop kerbs, Beatrice Road: Retrospective tactile paving and further installation of additional drop kerbs to be carried out by Kent Highways.

- Hurst Lane: Summary of issues on road surface repairs, sent to KCC Ward Councillors for support.

- Diversion signs on M20/A20: When Roundhill Tunnels closed, still no response on this issue of providing additional signage.

- Street Lighting (New Dover Road – refuge islands): The issue of non-repairs and the possible Kent Highways removal of posts (lighting), Councillors noted the likelihood and agreed with Highways, "the road is already well lit with systems of streetlighting on both sides."

- Street Lighting (Other): Still waiting repairs. To be chased

Public Rights of Way (PROW): No report.**Speed Watch:**

- Report submitted by Cllr. S Pilcher. (See Page 13), with recruitment details and chart leader details.

- Session results available on Parish Council Website. <https://capellefernepc.org.uk>

Events:

- Remembrance Day 11.11.2025. Invitations and wreaths to be organised.

- Poppy Tableau – on final countdown, Meeting to be arranged to organise installation at Memorial in Lancaster Avenue. Crafty Covers group keen to continue.

- Afternoon Tea – Options to be listed and presented at next meeting.

Capel Cares: (Pages 6 and 7). No report.**Grapevine Newsletter/social media:**

- Valiant Sailor new advertiser and request for more copies of newsletter to be delivered.

Village Hall (VHMC):

- Christmas Tree - Councillor to visit farm and choose a suitable one for needs.

Training/workshops/seminars: Councillor interested in attending Kent Highways and Transportation face to face meeting, when dates known.

District and County Councillor reports:

District Cllr. Martin Hibbert: No report

County Cllr. Paul King:

- Local Government Reorganisation (LGR) – Kent and Medway Councils to identify and assess several models as part of the LGR process. Unitary options to be considered and developed into business cases, assessment, sharing data and costs for government. Concerns that the cost will ultimately be borne by the Kent taxpayer. Decision early next year.

- Net Zero Policy – Changes and processes to go through on environment is being addressed.

- Surgery at Village Hall - Due to another commitment, Cllr. Paul King will be unable to hold surgery on Tuesday 7th October.

NEXT COUNCIL MEETING WILL BE
TUESDAY, 21st OCTOBER 2025, 7.30PM.


MINUTES/AGENDAS AVAILABLE ON THE COUNCIL
WEBSITE: <https://www.capellefernepc.org.uk/>

MEETINGS OPEN TO PUBLIC.

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Capel-le-Ferne

Is there an issue you wish to discuss with your Parish Council?
Councillor and Clerk
will be available
on Tuesday, 7th October 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




Your County Councillor for Dover West Ward (Capel), Paul King, will **NOT** be holding a surgery in **OCTOBER** at the Farmers' Market, due to other commitments.
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**Christmas
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Saturday 6th December 2025
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12-4pm



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Pension fraud warning

According to reports to Action Fraud, criminals targeted people's pension pots through fraudulent investment schemes and account takeovers. Always be suspicious of tempting investment offers and make sure you research the opportunity before you part with any money. Seek independent financial advice if you are unsure.

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For advice and to report issues to KCC Trading Standards contact:

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[Consumer Advice scams action line](#) on 0808 250 5050

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REPORT TO CITIZEN'S ADVICE HELPLINE 0808 223 1133

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We have received reports of suspicious activity involving individuals wearing high-vis vests. These individuals claimed they were monitoring noise pollution, but Council has confirmed they did not send anyone out for this purpose. Never engage with cold callers or individuals claiming to represent local authorities without proper identification. Learn how to protect yourself from doorstep scams Always verify credentials and contact the relevant council directly if you are unsure.

How to get advice and report

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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](https://www.kent.gov.uk/tschecked)



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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

B.Y.O Drinks & Snacks, Community Event, Children welcome

Raffle & Bonus Ball

Any queries call Simon 07860 803767



2/10

"James Activ" – Fitness Fun, Fruit Kebabs

16/10

Table Games, Shrinky's, Consoles, Cakes

30/10

Laser Wars, Drinks & Chips – (Kidz Planet)

6/11

Basketball, Halloween Fun, Chocolate Apples & S'mores

20/11

Nerf Wars, Hot Dogs, Consoles

4/12

Footy, Consoles, Xmas Food

11/12

Kidz Planet – Chips, drinks, & Santa gift included (If you been good!)

COVID – Please ensure your children only attend Youth Club if they are free from covid contact within the last 10 days & showing no symptoms of their own.

Membership – Entrance fee on the night of £5 per child, no membership fee

Gaming Consoles – PS3, Wii, Xbox 1, & Switch – All games are under 16's, no internet access (**Do Not bring own games**)

Park activities – Bikes/ Scooters brought at own risk for use on ramps, helmets recommended to be worn – Own Risk, we only use park when organised activity.

Mobile Phones – Please leave at home unless really necessary, or hand in on arrival

Safeguarding Compliance – All children must be collected from within the hall

Dates for your dairies, please support our fund raisers:

20/9

Sponsored Walk – To raise funds for Youth Club, Village Hall to Mermaid Café Folkestone Beach, bring Packed Lunch (See Handout & Sponsor form)

4/10

Quiz Night Fundraiser – See handout, Teams up to 6, Children welcome – family event.

4/12

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Volunteers wanted



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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 SPEEDWATCH GROUP RESULTS & RECRUITMENT INSTRUCTIONS ON PARISH COUNCIL WEBSITE

[Capel-le-Ferne Parish Council \(capellefernepc.org.uk\)](http://Capel-le-Ferne Parish Council (capellefernepc.org.uk))

Since last publication:

DAILY ACTIVITY



Can you help your community and spare a few hours to reduce speeding vehicles in your area?



Session for 15 August had not been uploaded at the time of the last report and is now noted.

Session for 19 August was performed by the police and few details are recorded.

Session for 12 Sept has yet to be uploaded.

Multiple offender remains the silver BMW - recorded speeding on Capel Street (20mph) three times 30 July (29mph), 8 May (29mph), and 18 Aug 2024 (30mph) .

Date	Time	Location	Vehicles	Offenders	%	Notes
15 Aug	7.00 to 9.00	NDR	420	3	0%	46-60mph
19 Aug	13.00 to 14.00	Capel Street	11	0	0%	25 to 32 mph
22 Aug	7.00 to 8.00	NDR	269	13	5%	46 to 50 mph
22 Aug	8.00 to 9.00	NDR	213	4	2%	46 to 48 mph

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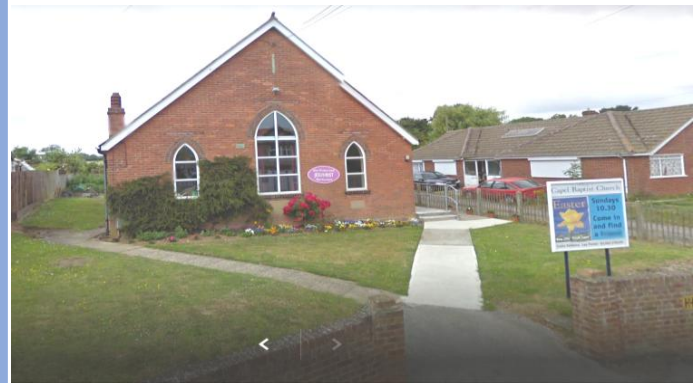
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12 th	Rev Katy Ruddle
19 th	Richard Blackwell
26 th	Greg Marlam

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SHEPWAY SUMMER LEAGUE

The club played one league match in early September and came away with a solid home win against Lyminge, 27 - 6. 🙌🙌 Well done to **Wendy, Rachel & Brian**.

With only 2 matches remaining to complete the league, Capel Kiwis are still the team to catch.

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

EAST KENT and SHEPWAY WINTER LEAGUES

We are now signed up to these two winter leagues and all matches have been booked.

Both leagues start in October. Please look at the information board for dates and latest updates.

CSMB CLUB COMPETITIONS

The drawers for the in-house club competitions have now been made, with all the details on the notice board.

Please check what matches you are drawn to play and agree a timely match date with your opponents.



WE ARE MORE THAN A BOWLS CLUB

The summer BBQ on the **31st AUGUST** was well attended with over 20 members and guest enjoying the usual chicken, burgers, and bangers along with various salads, and delicious desserts.

The PIMMS, 🍷🍺,

with some home brew sloe gin, went down a storm.

The weather challenged us right up to the last minute,

but behaved when it mattered.

Many thanks go to Jenny for hosting the event, with a round of applause for Neil & Paul for their cheffing prowess.



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, may have to be delayed until next season, however, the invite for them to join us at Capel has been extended.

EQUIPMENT UPDATE

The order for the club jackets has now been placed.

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

SOCIAL MEMBERSHIP OPTION

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Capel Scarecrow Festival

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4. Most creative scarecrow
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Remote Control Car Club	To be advised	To be advised
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by 6pm, Sunday, 19th October 2025

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