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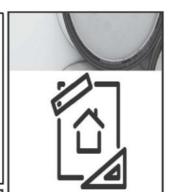
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After a short hiatus I am delighted to start as the Editor of the Harrietsham Network Magazine and bring you the August 2022 edition of the magazine online.

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

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

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

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Harrietsham Gardening Society

The past few months have been quite busy and eventful for the Society.

We had our Spring Show in March which was followed by a Coffee Morning and Plant Sale at Little Hatch. This was hosted by Michael Gear and Denise Williams and proved to be a great success as usual. This event was open to all local residents and it was encouraging to see a number of newcomers to the area looking for inspiration for their new gardens.

On Tuesday 21 June the Society held its Summer Show. This was attended by 22 members and there were over 40 exhibits. Congratulations to the following:

Ken Leach - Most points in show Christine Bone - Best specimen rose Ken Leach - Best Exhibit - Sweet Peas Barbara Incledon - Most entries. Attached are pictures of the exhibits.

The society meets every third Tuesday in the month but the July meeting is going to be an afternoon trip to Dobbie's Ashford for afternoon tea and there is no meeting in August.



Our Annual Show will be held on Saturday September which is open to all. There will be entry forms placed at various locations in the village or get in touch with the secretary on 01622431863. Reminders will be published regularly on the local Facebook sites.

Michael Flawn



Harrietsham Short Mat Bowls

Welcome to the new production of Harrietsham's informative magazine that helps to keep the village and clubs up to date. As far as our club is concerned our membership attendance for roll-ups is doing well although the numbers could improve for our Thursday evening sessions.



Over the last few weeks, friendly games against Boughton Monchelsea and Burham have been cancelled due to the closure of the A20 for road works. As we recover from Covid restrictions and are returning to normality, this has been a blow. These games enable club members to broaden their bowling ability through competitive matches and along with the added social and sporting atmosphere generate extra income for the club.

The following members have represented Harrietsham SMBC in being selected to play for Kent Invicta BC, Ron Smith, De Berisford, and Lesley Dack, who did well to win their match against Norfolk. Happy Bowling

Phil Gooda Chairman/Secretary HSMBC

Parish Council News

Platinum Jubilee Mugs

Hopefully most of the children in the village (under secondary school age) have now been given a mug to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee. If your child does not attend either of the Early Years settings (Harrietsham Pre School or Sunrise Day Nursery) in Harrietsham or Harrietsham Primary School, please email the Parish Clerk, using the subject heading "Jubilee Mug" to reserve one. Please include your address and child's name and age in your email.

If anyone else would like to purchase one, they are £4 each - contact the Clerk for further details.

Please note that there are limited mugs left, so they will be given out on a 'first come first serve' basis.

Rural Hedge Cutting

The Parish Council will be arranging the hedge cutting service again this year in November. If you wish to have your name added to the list, please contact the Clerk. There is a charge for this service and, if you are new to the scheme, the contractor will be able to give an idea of the cost before work commences.

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Harrietsham Craft Groups

Knit, Crochet and Natter





August meetings of Knit, Crochet and Natter will be held on Monday 1 August between 7 - 9pm and Monday 15 August between 2 - 4pm at Harrietsham Village Hall. Bring along your projects to work on. Get help with something you're stuck on. Learn how to knit or crochet or teach someone or take part in our trauma teddy making for Ukrainian refugee children. We have a selection of knitting and crochet patterns for the bears to suit all abilities and we have plenty of yarn, too, some of which has been kindly donated.

Craft and Chat

August meetings of Craft and Chat will be held on Wednesday 10 August and Saturday 27 August at Lenham Community Centre in the afternoon starting at 1.30pm. Projects will be decided upon nearer the time.

At the time of writing we plan in July to continue with our beading. Having mastered peyote stitch in June to make our beaded pens and scissors keepers, we will go on to do brick stitch and the theme will be the owl and the pussycat (in brick stitch!) There will also be the choice to do a couple of little Scottie dogs for ear rings or to add to zippers or a unicorn. No beautiful pea green boat though!



New members are always welcome and everyone can decide whether to take part in the monthly projects or bring their own projects to work on. Tea, coffee and cake are always served at both our Craft and Chat and Knitting and Crochet meetings. If you wish to join us at either of the above groups or have any queries/would like more information, please contact me on 01622 851885.

Hazel Roots

Harrietsham History Society

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



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

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

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

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

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

Our next meeting is not until the 19 September when our speaker will be telling the story of the SS Montgomery, information on this and details of our society can be found on our website www.harrietshamhistorysociety.org

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9.30am Lenham: Breakfast Church **9.30am** Ulcombe: Café Church

11.00am Harrietsham: Morning Worship with baptism

11.00am Lenham: Holy Communion

Please note there will be no mid-week communion service at Lenham in August

Sunday 14 August

9.30am Harrietsham: Holy Communion

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

11.00am Lenham: Holy Communion **11.00am** Ulcombe: Holy Communion

3.30pm Boughton Malherbe: Choral Evensong

Sunday 21 August

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

9.30am Boughton Malherbe: Holy Communion

9.30am Harrietsham: Holy Communion **9.30am** Lepham: Breakfast Church

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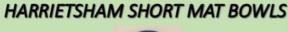
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100 Club Draw Results

The results of the sixty-eighth draw of the Friends of St John 100 Club, drawn on 9 July 2022 by various diners at the Ploughman's Platter Saturday under the supervision of Michael Gear (Independent Adjudicator) are as follows:-

First prize £78.50 - number 29 – Hazel Roots

Second prize £47.10 – number 3 – Jackie & Roger Bevan

Third prize £31.40 – number 38 – Hazel Roots

There were 157 numbers included in the draw giving a prize fund of £157

Denise Williams Secretary

Borough Council Corner

Borough matters have been busy as usual with many planning issues. After much opposition from Harrietsham residents the 109 houses along the A20 have been refused permission. Many were concerned that this proposal would join Harrietsham to Lenham.

We have continued to report highways issues through the KCC website and these are sent to the Parish Clerk Amanda to avoid duplication.

Hopefully we are visible and available to residents in Harrietsham, and we were very pleased to see so many from the community at the Big Lunch and it was lovely to meet new residents who have moved into the community. After so long without this event it was extra special to see them having a great time and sharing food and fun.

Finally, the Boundary Commission draft proposals have just been published. The Commission were persuaded by this local evidence not to split Lenham Parish between two wards as they did not consider such a split would reflect local communities. Thank you to all residents that made their views known.

Following careful consideration of all submissions, they have proposed a three councillor Harrietsham, Lenham & North Downs ward, combining Harrietsham, Lenham, Hollingbourne, Hucking, Bicknor, Stockbury, Wormshill, Frinsted, Wichling and Otterden parishes This would result in the Council being represented by 49 councillors rather than 48 that MBC suggested.

There will now be a further consultation on their draft proposal which is now open and runs until 28 September, please have your say on these.

All information and maps can be found on the Boundary Commission website https://consultation.lgbce.org.uk/have-your-say/32722

The draft recommendation and summary is on the right hand side under related links. Or visit the local website www.enoughsenoughmbc.co.uk where the information is laid out in an easy format

Please contact us for more information or other Borough matters.

Janetta & Tom Sams

Independent Borough Councillors for Harrietsham & Lenham Ward 01622 859412 07891901831 tomsamscllr7@gmail.com



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Friday 9am - 2pm	Saturday	9am - 1pm

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

If you are interested in starting up a new group, volunteering for the library, or have any other ideas for us, do not hesitate to contact us – lenhamlibrary@kent.gov.uk and we will see what we can do

We also welcome group visits, including schools, pre-schools, nursery, or community groups. These can be staff led with an introduction to the library, with prior agreement. Alternatively, please contact the library to organise a good time for these visits.

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August Diary

Abbreviations:

HVH = Harrietsham Village Hall LCC = Lenham Community Centre

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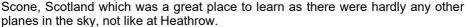
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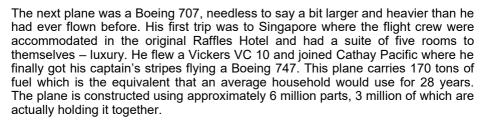
We are well into summer now, the trees are green, the blackberry blossom is out and the grass needs cutting again!

Our speaker in June was Peter Griffiths who gave an interesting and amusing talk about his career as a pilot and navigator entitled "From Sextant to Satnav".

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He closed his talk by saying if you are experiencing delays on your holiday flight just remember – "it is better to be down here wishing you were up there than be up there wishing you were down here!"

In July we had another visit from Martha King who talked to us about Body Movement and we all need a bit of that!

We don't have a meeting in August so I will be back next month with more. If you would like to find out more about the WI please come along to a meeting. We meet on the second Thursday of each month at Lenham Community Centre at 7.30pm. You will be made very welcome. For further information please get in touch:

Chris Godden Tel: 01622 858658 Email: rrgodden@btinternet.com

Christian Message

Double rest

There's a passage of scripture in the Old Testament (it's in 1 Kings 19) that tells the story of the great prophet Elijah after he has had it out with the opposing prophets of Baal. The queen at the time is furious and threatens to kill him and he flees. He flees his companions, his enemies and perhaps also himself. He arrives in the mountains exhausted, physically and emotionally, and falls asleep. When he wakes, we are told that he is fed by birds, and he sleeps again. When he wakes the second time, he is able to pray and hear God in the situation. He goes on his way and all ends up an awful lot better than he had feared.

It seems to me that this little-read passage has much to say to us in our current times about what a friend of mine calls "double rest". In case you have been living in an extraordinary bubble, we have been facing opposition- everywhere it seems: in viruses, in war in Ukraine, in climate crises, in energy hikes, in spiralling costs of living, in strikes everywhere, and so on. Many of us feel as though we have been tackling many problems on our own territory too.

Many people feel tired. We need rest; we need **double-rest**. Well, we are in holiday season, but you may not be able to afford to go away twice (or even once). But we can still take time to rest deeply and doubly.

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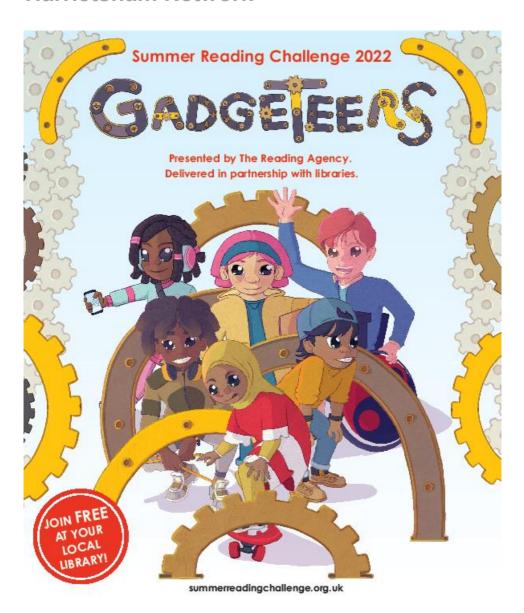
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