

Bulletin

October 2019

The Parish Newsletter for everyone in Ash, Hodsoll St, New Ash Green and Ridley.

SEASON OF REMEMBRANCE

SUNDAY 3 NOVEMBER AT 3PM

Annual All Souls' service to remember family and friends who have died, whether recently or long ago. As their name are read aloud, you will be able to light small candles in their memory. Anyone living in the parish is welcome to attend this service. It would be very helpful, though not essential, if you could provide details of any names in advance. (contact details below)



SUNDAY 10 NOVEMBER



Join members of the church congregation and the Ash Green Scot Troop for a Remembrance Sunday service, starting at 10am in church and ending at the war memorial of the Act of Remembrance at 11am. Alternatively, you can remain in church for a short communion service followed by the Act of Remembrance at 11am. In the evening, the Friends of Ash Church will be hosting their annual "Reflections on Remembrance" evening of works and music read, sung and played by local people, beginning at 7pm.

MONDAY 11 NOVEMBER AT 10.45AM

A traditional Armistice Day service will be held at Ash War Memorial, organised by Ash-cum-Ridley Parish Council. The two minutes silence will be observed at 11am. Followed by tea, coffee and cake in Ash Village Hall.

For more information about the church service, please contact Rev Helen Reeves on 01474 872209, ashandridleylrector@gmail.com. For information about the FoAC evening or to offer contributions, please contact the Chairman, Joe Whittaker, 01474 874045, joe2you2joe@hotmail.com.



ASH GREEN SPORTS CENTRE AND GYM



FREE INDUCTION AND PERSONALISED **PROGRAMME**

INDUCTION DONE! - THINKING OF MEMBERSHIP THE CHOICES

Adult Anytime Gym—£29.50 paid monthly Concessions Anytime Gym—£22.00 paid monthly Includes all circuit training/gentle exercise classes Adult Quiet Time Gym—£20 paid monthly Concessions Quiet Time Gym—£15 paid monthly Monday—Friday 12pm—4pm and all weekend

PROMOTION—NEW MEMBER OFFER!

3 MONTH GYM MEMBERSHIP INCLUDING ALL CIRCUIT TRAINING CLASSES £80.00. CONCESSIONS £60 Concessions: Over 60's, Students, unemployed.

Casual Gym £6 per session

RACKET SPORTS

Our Squash Court will be closed for refurbishment, re-opening 4 November.

Badminton, Racket Ball, Tennis and Table Tennis also available.

Free hire of rackets, shuttlecocks and balls.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW INSTRUCTOR STACEY!

Supervised sessions for 14/15 year olds

Supervised by Paul and Stacey 18:15—19:15 Monday to Thursday. £3.70 per session or £17 monthly membership

MONDAY 11:30 Gentle Exercise 19:30 Circuit Training 20:00 Yoga	TUESDAY 11:30 Gentle Exercise	WEDNESDAY 11:30 Gentle Exercise 19:30 Yoga
THURSDAY 11:30 Gentle Exercise 19:30 Circuit Training	FRIDAY 09:30 Gentle Exercise	<u>Call 01474 707164 to</u> <u>book your place</u> !

Conveniently located on the Milestone Academy site. Call our friendly receptionists on 01474 707164 for more information

Gentle Exercise £3 per class Circuit Training £6 per class or £30 for 6 classes Yoga £7.50 per class or £37.50 for 6 classes

More than just a gym—we have been helping keep the community fit for over 30 years

CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Clerk: 01474 702760 Email: info@acrpc.org.uk Website: www.hugofox.com/community/ash-cum-ridley-parish-council-12628

LISTED BUILDINGS IN THE PARISH—OLIVER'S FARMHOUSE

Oliver's Farmhouse is a 17th century or earlier timber-framed building. It is two storeys high, timber-framed and now plastered. It has a half hipped, tiled roof and four casement windows. There are modern bays and a porch on the ground floor. It was listed Grade II in 1982.

Oliver's Farm is the site of "the dump" in the famous children's book "Stig of the Dump" by Clive King, whose parents, Lord and Lady King, owned Oliver's Farm in the middle of the 20th century.

The first Oliver in the Parish Burial Register was George, who died in 1639. In the Hearth Tax of 1664 an Abraham Oliver

appears, rated for four hearths and so a sizeable house. There is

no definite link with Oliver's Farm.

In the 1792 Fulljames Survey of Ash however, Oliver's Farm was owned by Messrs Elgar & Co and farmed by Joseph Oliver. Members of the Oliver family were in residence for a further 80 years. It is therefore no surprise where the name came from!

By the time of the Tithe Survey in 1839, a George Oliver was in occupation and the house and 11 acres of land were owned by Harriot Cuff. In the following census returns it is possible to trace the Oliver family. (Note the early spelling of Yoak).

1841 Census West Yoak

Frederick Olive	30	butcher
John Oliver	25	ag lab
Edward Oliver	24	ag lab

1851 Census West Yoak

Frederick Oliver	head	mar	44	master butcher employing one man and one boy	b Ash
Eliza Oliver	wife	mar	46		b Hartley
Edward Oliver	brother	Un	34	journeyman butcher	b Ash
John Oliver	nephew	Un	14	errand bov	b Ash

1861 Census West Yoke

ı	Frederick Oliver	head	widr	53	ag lab	b Ash
I	Edward Oliver	brother	Un	40	ag lab	b Ash

1871 Census West Yoak

Frederick Oliver head widr 64 butcher b Ash

1881, 1891, 1901 Censuses

It has not been possible to identify who was living at Oliver's Farm at these times as the censuses only record a long list of nameless properties in West Yoke. However, in 1891 Edward Oliver (the brother shown in 1851) is shown living with his nephew, another branch of the Oliver family probably from Corner Farm, and "supported by Charity" as he is blind.

Oliver's Farm appears again in the census of 1911 where William Hunter a stockbroker from Sydenham aged 44 is shown living with his wife, Maggie Ann Hunter, aged 41 from Hackney and their son William Jordan Hunter, aged 7 born at Stone Street near Sevenoaks.

SEVENOAKS LOCAL PLAN UPDATE

In a major setback for Sevenoaks District Council's Local Plan the Government Inspector who is conducting the Public Examination has advised the Council to withdraw the Plan and reconsider some aspects. At the very least, this will introduce a long delay in its adoption and potentially re-open the debate about protecting the Green Belt against development.

The Inspector appears to have been persuaded that the submitted Plan is unsound because of an inadequate assessment of the Green Belt and housing supply and distribution. It seems that her principal concern relates to the lack of constructive engagement with neighbouring authorities to resolve the issue of unmet housing need which they have a duty to do. The response of the Council, if they are not able to argue successfully against this suggestion by the Inspector, will probably have to be a further round of

consultation over possible development sites which will open the door for developers to resubmit their favoured sites

We must wait to see how SDC responds and watch the eventual outcome carefully, whilst preparing to respond robustly to defend our local Green Belt land if there is another round of consultation.

SDC strongly defends its position on its website where the letter from the Inspector and press release can be found.





PARISH COUNCIL NEWS



PARISH COUNCILLORS

NEW ASH GREEN SOUTH EAST WARD

Councillors: Mike Brown, Roxana Brammer, Jill Clucas, Pam Connell, John Kelly and Mark Manley

NEW ASH GREEN NORTH WEST WARD

Councillors: Carol Clark, Sarah Hobbs, Steven Glover, Ian Mann, Vusi Ngwenya and Paul Nightingale

ASH WARD

Councillors: Jeremy Scott and Neil Lejot **HODSOLL STREET & RIDLEY WARD**

Councillors: Frank Cottee and Margaret Howie

You can contact your Councillors through the Clerk, Parish Office, Ash Green Sports Centre, Ash Road, New Ash Green, DA3 8JZ, telephone 01474 702760 or

email: info@acrpc.org.uk.

FAMILY FUN DAYS

Another successful year for our Free Family Fun Days! Funded by the Parish Council, New Ash Green Village Association on 6th and 20th August. IMAGO joined the fun on 20th August, funded by Sevenoaks District Council. We



were fortunate with the weather and good support from the local community with approximately 350 children attending the first day and 510 on the 20th. There were a wide variety of crafts, with tie-dye T-shirts proving very popular. Inflatables and other activities were well supported by staff. One parent, commented that "everything was free and well thought out with plenty of different things to do."





BUSES

It is a bit early yet to think of bad weather affecting the bus services to New Ash Green. However, in the event of heavy snow during the coming winter, particularly overnight, the buses may have to terminate at North Square if they can get through at all. Check with Arriva for the latest information during bad weather



REFUSE SACKS

Should you require additional sacks, these can be purchased from Ash Green Sports Centre on the Milestone School site. Garden Waste Sacks £15.00 for 25 Recycle Sacks £0.50 per roll Open Monday to Friday 9am—9pm, Saturdays 9.30am—5pm and Sundays 9.30am—2pm Call 01474 707164

FLY TIPPING

Fly-tipping on highways, footpaths and public land should be reported promptly (at any time) to Sevenoaks District Council on 01732 227000. It is for the landowner to clear any fly tipping on private land. Please supply a description of the waste and approximate bulk (so that SDC know what size of lorry to send and if there might be hazardous waste) and its exact location. Just naming a road may not be enough information, especially if there is a second heap of fly-tipping on the same road. If safe to do so, taking photographs can assist. Do not move the waste (unless it is blocking your way) nor open sacks. If the rubbish is tampered with, it invalidates any evidence gathering.

SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE

Total number of vehicles passing the speed indicator device: July 2019 (NAG) 62,919, August 2019 (Hartley) 120,125 September 2019 (NAG) 82,072

> with an average speed of 34.9mph in NAG, and 35.2mph in Hartley

The Cottage Community

Do you live in Swanley, DA3, DA4 or West Kingsdown? Are you over 55? Do you live in a rural community? The Cottage Community is a new independent charity (formerly known as Rural Age Concern, Darent Valley) Charity Number: 1180662. They arrange trips out and

regular shopping trips to ASDA and Sainsbury's. There is also a day centre so clients can have a 2 course hot lunch. If you are interested or want more details please call 01474 879473



USEFUL NUMBERS

Kent Count Council Sevenoaks District Council	03000 418181 01732 227000
Kent Police - emergency calls	999
Kent Police—non emergency calls	101
Anti Social Behaviour Officer	01732 227000
Community Warden	07811 271259
Doctors Surgery	01474 873828
Village Pharmacy	01474 873811
Citizens Advice	03003 309001
Arriva Northfleet	01474 535138
West Kent Mediation	01732 469696

THURSDAY LUNCH CLUB

OVER 60?

Come and dine with us. At 12 noon

Every Thursday at the Youth & Community Centre Our diners enjoy a freshly cooked quality two course meal prepared by our professional cook. The £5.50 charge includes tea or coffee.

For more information please contact the Parish Clerk on 01474 702760

COMMUNITY

KENT COMMUNITY WARDEN

Congratulations to Community Warden Jackie West who was the winner of the Emma Kent Award for Outstanding Contribution at the Kent Dementia Awards in Maidstone.

Social isolation and loneliness are a major part of her work and supporting those living with dementia is an area close to her heart, her own family being affected by the condition.



NEW ASH GREEN YOUTH & COMMUNITY CENTRE

run by New Ash Green Village Trust Registered Charity No: 266424 Youth Centre, Ash Road, New Ash Green, Longfield, Kent, DA3 8JY The office is open on Thursday mornings between 9am and 12noon telephone No 01474 872441 e-mail info@nagvc.co.uk

If this is not convenient phone Danni 07833 943512 or Terry 07710 214 966

Present User's:

Little Leaves Pre-School—Monday to Thursday 8.30am—3.00pm Telephone: 01474 872441 email

littleleaves@outlook.com

Hartbeeps— baby, toddler interactive fun. Mondays (happy house 10am, baby beeps 11am, baby bells 12.45pm) Telephone Sarah 07380 188 057

New Ash Green Scouts- Monday, Tuesday and Friday evenings Telephone Mike 07798 147 473 Musical Bumps—0-4years Tuesday

1.30pm & 2.30pm Telephone Helen 07927 554 819.

One YOU Kent—Problems. Health & Welfare. Wednesday 10am-12 noon for appointments telephone

0300 123 1220

Hero Advice Service-Sevenoaks advice. Debts, benefits, housing, back to work etc Wednesday 10am-3pm appointments telephone 01732 227000 Senior Youth Club—Wednesday 6.30pm—8.30pm contact the Parish Clerk 01474 702760

Lunch Club-Thursday 12noon, for the over 60's contact the Parish Clerk 01474 702760

8-12's Club - Thursday 6.30pm-8.30pm contact the Parish Clerk 01474

Citizens Advice Burea— alternate Thursday 9.30am-12noon. Telephone 01732 454 443

Seniors Coffee Morning & Lunch— Friday 9.30am telephone John 07879 607 130

Pilates—Friday 9.30am-10.30am. Telephone 07855 170 182

Sylvera Dance School—Saturday 9.30am-3.30pm 3years upwards. Telephone Danni 07833 943 512

NAG Arts Community Talks—First Sunday of the month 2pm-4.30pm

THE SEVENOAKS TAXI BUS

The Taxi Bus is a new Kent County Council Rural Transport Initiative. The Sevenoaks Taxi Bus operates in Fairseat, Stansted, West Kingsdown and East Hill providing these rural communities with a link to Otford and Sevenoaks. The Taxi Bus operates Monday— Friday leaving Fairseat at 0930, 1100 and 1315 and returning from Sevenoaks Bus Station, Stop C at 1015, 1230 and 1400. The route is Fairseat, outside the Church/Stansted, opposite the war memorial/Wrotham, Thriftwood Holiday Park/Wrotham, adjacent Hilltop Hotel/Wrotham, Four seasons Park Homes/West Kingsdown, opposite Portobello Inn/West Kingsdown, Hever Avenue/East Hill, Farm Park/Otford, Rail Station Stop A/Sevenoaks, adjacent Sainsburys/ Sevenoaks, Bus Station, Stop C. Bus passes are accepted.

The Taxi Bus is provided in partnership by KCC and Express Cabs & Couriers. For more information contact the operator direct on 01622 222 222.

HODSOLL STREET & RIDLEY VILLAGE HALL

DATE FOR YOUR DIARY

Carols on the Green

Friday 20 December at 7.15pm On the Village Green outside

The Green Man, brass band, mince pies and mulled wine.

All welcome!

ASH VILLAGE HALL

ASH ~ **VILLAGE HALL WEDNESDAY NOVEMBER 27th**

DOORS OPEN 7.15 ~ STARTS 7.35 ENDS 9.45



£6.00 ~ ALL SEATS ~ £6.00~ PAY AT THE DOOR or RESERVE & PAY ON LINE www.curzoncountrycinema.co.uk

ADVICE AND MEDIATION



Neighbours, community Parent/ Teenager Mediation Work place & Homeless

Mediation Tel: 01732 469696 Email: theoffice@wkm.org.uk



Outreach at New Thursday morning at

The Youth & Community Centre North Square, DA3 8JY Advice line 03003 309001

COMMUNITY EVENTS AT NEW ASH GREEN VILLAGE HALL

COMMUNITY HUB 1st TUESDAY OF THE MONTH **10AM TO 12 NOON**

Community 'Pop in' A chance to meet up over a cup of tea and a piece of cake.

CHAIR BASED EXERCISE 2nd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH **10AM TO 12 NOON**

Chair based exercise and postural stability class FREE to all. Refreshments, information & support

LITTLE LEGS COMMUNITY HUB 3rd TUESDAY OF THE MONTH **10AM TO 12 NOON**

Free meeting place for those caring for children who may feel isolated or just want to meet other Parents/ Grandparents/Carers for a chat over a cup of tea.

SIMPLY SINGING 4th TUESDAY OF THE MONTH **10AM TO 12 NOON**

For those who enjoy singing for pleasure

