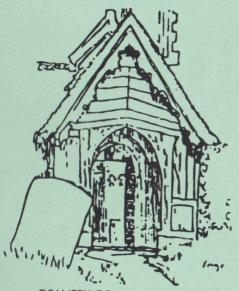
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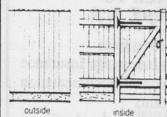
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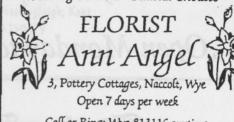
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#### Lambeth Conference 1998

So many people from the Stone Street Group of parishes were involved in one way or another in the Lambeth Conference and have such happy memories, that I have invited Bobby Jenkinson, who manned the information desk, to share her impressions:

"Now that the participants, the organisers and the volunteers have dispersed what remains? - a vast medley of impressions and emotions.

Firstly a feeling of sadness for the separation of friends old and new, but with promises, which I am sure will be honoured, of enduring friendships.

Secondly a sense of loss because the great family is no longer gathered on the campus. For it was like a family who had gathered to discuss problems, make plans, share experiences and get to know one another. As in any family, there were differences of opinion and these too were aired and a way forward was found. In the major issues unity was achieved, despite what the media would have us believe.

Thirdly there was a feeling of optimism and purpose and a willingness to continue to work together and seek resolution to those areas where it had been difficult.

Personally, there is a feeling of gratitude for having been able to help in a very small way in this unique event, the memories of which will always be with me.

Finally if I had to use one word to sum up the overall ambience it would be hope or in its other form love."

It was indeed a unique event.

In His Service,

Richard Bateman.

#### Elmsted 2000 Garden Party and Fun Day

There was great relief to many when Saturday, 25<sup>th</sup> July dawned sunny and settled and the forecast promised a perfect summer's day - what had we done to deserve it after such an "unsummery summer"!!

We raised over £1,150 to launch our Millennium Fund for St James and our thanks to all who helped to make the day such a success, not least the committee who had been planning the event since the beginning of the year - our thanks also to the many who came to enjoy the afternoon which was made perfect by the location and our sincere thanks to Liz and Wyndham Fletcher for offering us their beautiful garden.

Pauline Round, the Deanery Lay Chairman, officially opened the afternoon and apart from stalls, sideshows, games and delicious refreshments there was a display by the Jan Beer School of Dancing, pony rides and live owls and the City of Canterbury Brass Band lifted the whole occasion to something special.

The winners of the Children's Art Exhibition were:

8's and under	with the	1 <sup>st</sup>	Sasha Allen	(Stelling School)
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jack Massie	(Bodsham School)
Over 8's		1 <sup>st</sup>	Tom Colyer	(Bodsham School)
		2 <sup>nd</sup>	Jack Blood	(Bodsham School)

A truly happy occasion and as several people commented "A good old-fashioned Garden Party".

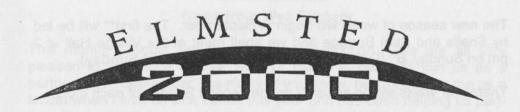
See you all at the next Elmsted 2000 Event.

**JDB** 

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At the Family Service at St James on the 2<sup>nd</sup> August, we had two African Bishops in our congregation - Bishop Stephen Kavasis from Kenya and Bishop Wilson Turumanyu from Uganda. They both spoke to us about life in central Africa - so different from our society. Not only the hardships and the poverty but also the simplicity and happiness that comes from having so little.

We sang a native Gospel song in dialect and soon picked up the enchanting rhythm. In spite of it being just a few miles north of the equator on the map, it brought the children's "adopted" orphanage at Eldoret in Kenya much nearer to Elmsted.



The organisers of the above event very much appreciate the immense amount of help and support received from within the community and they would like to say 'thank you' to those local businesses, listed below, that gave so generously to support the tombola or general fund.

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#### Footpath Walks

The new season of walks will begin in September. The first\*\* will be led by Sheila and Stan Burrage and we shall meet at the Village Hall at 2 pm on Sunday, 6th September. (\*\* NOTE - it is the first Sunday)

Thereafter walks will be as usual on the second Sunday of each month.

Further walks have been planned as follows:-

Sunday, October 11 To be arranged Avis and Eric Ball November 8 December 13 Tim Bowes January 1 Mike Bowes (Mince Pie Walk) February 14 John Argar

Sarah and Chris Pell March 14 Barbara George April 11

May 9 Janet and Derek Harris

Make a note of the dates and do come along if you can.

While we are on the subject of footpaths, you may like to know that there has been a reorganisation of the local authority footpaths department. The new person responsible for both Elmsted and Hastingleigh is Dan Tuson on 850629. If you have a complaint, request or a query about the footpaths in the area, do give him a ring. He has promised to be as helpful as he can.

#### **Evington Cricket Club - September Matches**

September 6 <sup>th</sup>	Southfleet	Away	1.30 pm
13 <sup>th</sup>	Bethersden		1.30 pm
20 <sup>th</sup>	Dymchurch		1.30 pm
27 <sup>th</sup>	Bilsington		1.00 pm

#### **News from Wye Surgery**

This month, I would like to make an introduction. We are all very pleased to announce that Dr Nick Di Biasio is going to join us as a partner on 1st September. As many of you know, he stood in for me as a locum when I was off sick earlier this year and has been helping us parttime since my return to work.

He did his GP training in Ashford; working for two years in various departments of the William Harvey Hospital and one year as a GP registrar at the Willesborough Surgery. Since completing his training, he has worked as a GP locum in East Kent for a further two years, which means that he has a wide experience of general practice.

He did not go directly into medicine, instead, he studied French and Italian literature and language, gaining a degree from University College, London. He then worked for an independent film company, producing commercials, videos and films. However, after a few years, he decided that he must realise a life-long ambition and so he went to Manchester to study medicine.

In the next year or so, he is planning to move into our area from near Canterbury, when his three young sons will be at a stage when they can change school easily.

All members of staff are delighted with this appointment and we are all looking forward to Nick joining the team. We are excited about the contribution and expertise which he will undoubtedly bring to health care in Wye.

Roz Waller.

#### Marion Coverdale 3 July 1916 - 2 July 1998

Daughter of the Rev Reuben Coverdale Vicar of Elmsted with Hastingleigh 1932 - 1943

Marion Coverdale had a small 'Dame' school at the Vicarage, Bodsham, during the 1930s until the beginning of the Second World War. I attended the school with my younger brother Richard and sister Frances. I left in the spring of 1939 when I was nine years old, to go to he Folkestone County School. Our parents, Geoffrey and Rose Youard, were farming at Elmsted Court at this time.

can remember walking to school and my brother can remember eating sloes and "bread and butter" leaves (Hawthorn) from the hedgerows on the way back. I can also remember riding my pony, Sooty, to school—the was tethered somewhere in the Vicarage garden until I was ready to to home. But there were some days when Sooty decided to go home before we got to Bodsham and as she was a very stubborn pony with a very hard mouth, there was nothing I could do but sit on her back until we returned to the farm. I must have been made to go straight back to chool. I do not think there were more than a dozen children at the chool, and although I cannot remember anything about the lessons, I to remember physical jerks on the lawn and \* exercising with Indian Clubs (very fashionable in those days). We must have had a Sports Day is I still have a little silver cup I won for some event.

Marion was born in Australia where her father had been a "Bush brother" since 1908 (The Brotherhood of the Good Shepherd) ninistering to people in the outback. In 1925 he was working in asmania and return to England in 1927 to be Vicar of Reculver before noving to Elmsted in 1932.

Marion joined the ATS (now WRAC) soon after the war began, at the ame time as Peggy Mackay from Petham - a friend of my parents and he previous owner of the pony Sooty. They were both stationed at Lydd and Peggy tells me that Marion was renowned for being a beautiful ancer - especially sword dances and reels. It was through Peggy, who had been approached by Marion via an ATS Magazine, that I made contact with Marion earlier this year. Sadly she died before I was able to sit her.

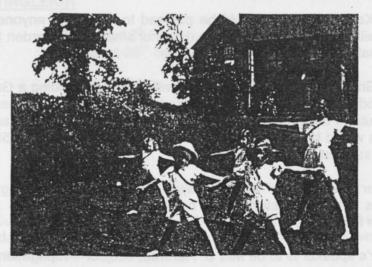
She remained in the WRAC, retiring as a Major in the early sixties, but continued to give devoted service via its Benevolent Association.

Marion died suddenly at her home in Farnham at the beginning of July, which had also been her parents home. In a moving address at her funeral her vicar, the Rev H. Southern, said that she was renowned for being the fount of wisdom, reliable, approachable, dependable and loyal to friendship, service and her faith. Only a fortnight before her death she hosted a gathering of the remaining Bush Brothers and their wives and friends.

\* (see the photograph)

Rachel Gibbs

[The writer of the above article, Rachel Gibbs (nee Youard) moved to Beech Tree Farm from Elmsted Court with her parents early in World War II. She tells of a German pilot who had bailed out during the Battle of Britain being entertained by the locals in the Bowl Inn, whilst awaiting transfer to more appropriate quarters for POW's. Mrs Gibbs also mentions that five V1 'Doodlebugs' fell on Beech Tree Farm land in the 1944/45 attacks.]



The photograph of Bodsham Vicarage (circa 1938-39) shows Rachel at the back (with piglets) and her brother Richard at the front.

#### HASTINGLEIGH WITH ELMSTED WI

The Institute was off on its travels again in August, visiting the Cook Islands and the North Island of New Zealand courtesy of Mr K. Gatland, accompanied by his wife, who showed slides and spoke informatively of the many interesting sights and scenes in those locations. The views were really beautiful and everywhere so peaceful and uncrowded, it was a little oasis in our busy lives. Betty Pearson expressed our thanks to Mr and Mrs Gatland.

Further to her talk in July, Roz Bacon will lead a walk round Canterbury on the evening of 9th September. Meet at the Evington Hall at 6.00 pm or Watling Street Car Park at 6.20 pm.

Preliminary arrangements were made for Line Dancing at the Evington Hall on 16th October. Watch press and posters for further details.

Names were taken of those wishing to attend the Group Meeting at Challock Lees on 29th September.

The President drew members' attention to the many activities planned for the autumn, mentioned in the East Kent News.

The East Kent Federation would be pleased to hear from anyone who would be willing to open their garden (large or small) for a Garden Safari in 1999. Dates: 4th-5th and 18th-19th July.

The Wye Group is planning to mark the millennium by holding a Garden Party in Godinton Park, probably in July of that year. It is proposed that each Institute in the group should supply some refreshments. Families and friends would be welcome and a charge of £1 for adults and 50p for children is suggested.

The "Flower of the Month" was won by Eileen Parrett, who also gained most points in the competition for "Three Pieces of Shortbread". Edna Young won the raffle.

September's speaker is to be Mrs S. Hartfree, subject "Propagation on a Shoestring".

#### FLOWER AND CLEANING ROTA

September 5 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Nicholson Mrs Hulme	Mrs Bacon Mrs Gorell-Barnes
Sept 12 <sup>th</sup> - 19 <sup>th</sup>	Mrs Argar Mrs Francesconi	Mrs Ball Mrs Barkaway
Sept 26 <sup>th</sup> - Oct 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Mrs Griffiths Mrs Wiseman	Mrs Helmer Mrs Chapman

#### CHURCHYARD MOWING ROTA

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21st September	The Wright Team
28 <sup>th</sup> September	The Nichols Team

#### **HASTINGLEIGH**

30 <sup>th</sup> Aug-12 <sup>th</sup> Sept	R. & N. Young
13th Sept-26th Sept	The Youngs



#### Supper Talks

The Supper Talks resume in the autumn and the first one will be on Tuesday, 29<sup>th</sup> September. Further details re topic, time and venue from me on 750238.

June Browning

#### Services for September

St James the Great,	Elmsted			
Sun. 6 <sup>th</sup> Sept 14 <sup>th</sup> after Pentecost	9.30 am	Family Service	Rev P. Filmer	
Sun. 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept 15 <sup>th</sup> after Pentecost	9.30 am	Holy Communion (ASB)	Rev J. Hewes	
Sun. 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept 16 <sup>th</sup> after Pentecost	9.30 am	Holy Communion (ASB)	Rev R. Bateman	
Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	No Evensong	(Harvest Evensong a	it Upper Hardres)	
Mid-week Communion	n - Wednesday	s 2 <sup>nd</sup> and 16 <sup>th</sup> Septem	iber at 8.15 am	
Prayer Group -	<ul> <li>Wednesdays 9<sup>th</sup> and 23<sup>rd</sup> September at 4.30 pm followed by Evensong at 5.00 pm</li> </ul>			
Sun. 4 <sup>th</sup> Oct	Family Harves	t Service 9.30 a	m	

#### St Mary the Virgin, Hastingleigh

Sun. 13 <sup>th</sup> Sept 15 <sup>th</sup> after Pentecost	11.00 am	Holy Communion (ASB)	Rev R. Bateman
Sun. 20 <sup>th</sup> Sept 16 <sup>th</sup> after Pentecost	6.00 pm	Harvest Service	Rev A. Soar
Sun. 27 <sup>th</sup> Sept	9.30 am	Holy Communion (BCP)	Rev P. Filmer

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#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY - SEPTEMBER

Thurs, 3 <sup>rd</sup>	WI Meeting	Evington Hall	7.30pm
Sat, 5 <sup>th</sup>	Clothes Sale	Evington Hall 1	0.00 am-4.00 pm
Sun, 6 <sup>th</sup>	Footpath Walk	Evington Hall	2.00 pm
Tues, 8 <sup>th</sup>	Elmsted Parish Cou	ncil Meeting Evington Hall	7.00 pm
Wed, 9 <sup>th</sup>	Walk Round Canter Meet <i>or</i> Watling St	Evington Hall	6.00 pm 6.20 pm
Thurs, 10 <sup>th</sup>	Art Group	Evington Hall	9.30 am
Sat, 12 <sup>th</sup>	FKC Sponsored Bik	e Ride (J. Bracher - 750	328 for details)
Thurs, 17 <sup>th</sup>	Art Group	Evington Hall	9.30 am
Sat, 19 <sup>th</sup>	Coffee & Crafts Mor	ning Evington Hall	10.30 am
Sun, 20 <sup>th</sup>	Sunday Seekers	Evington Hall	9.30 am
Thurs, 24 <sup>th</sup>	Art Group	Evington Hall	9.30 am
Tues, 29 <sup>th</sup>	Supper Talk	(details 750328)	7.30 pm
Wed, 30 <sup>th</sup>	Chiropody Clinic	Evington Hall	

9.30 am

17th August 1998

I was on my way to the Shop, when a car stopped at the crossroads. The man said, "We aren't lost. We are remembering old times. My mother and I used to live in Rose Cottage in Tamley Lane. I remember your garden because down the end of the field part, towards Sycamore Cottage, there were a whole lot of incendiary bombs dropped there in 1943. Like mushrooms, they were. We knew Phyllis and Mary Graham too, and the two chaps who lived in your house before them. I remember Molly and Will Langford, and Connie Cooper.....

You know that oak tree down in Fortress Field?...you don't know Fortress Field? Its down near the church. A Flying Fortress crashed there towards the end of the war and the wing hit that tree and spun around it. You can still see the marks. ...someone in the village -he was only a lad - went into the plane to see if anyone was still alive...bullets flying everywhere there was! .....by the way, this is my mother, Mrs Gower. Its her 99th birthday today"

T.W.

# **C380**



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5/1/99 Start of spring term in Bossingham

CYSS-FM Age 14 (school yr 10) and above

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19/12/98 End of term/Chr stmas special

10/1/99 Start of spring term

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Road checks will continue in September. Drivers without documents and those driving defective vehicles will be targeted.

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From the Chairmans Office

Dear Friends,

July, 1998

This time of the year is always a problem for me, because some Magazines continue to be published monthly, whilst others, due, I believe, to holidays, combine July/ August, or August/ September, anyway, I shall leave it to the Editors, as to which report, or what content they publish

July has seen an increase in our Membership, to 36, of which 23 are disabled persons, and we now have two Member Organisations. The Wheelchair Users Group, South East, and Ashford Public Library. I have a very good working relationship with Allen Jones, the Secretary of the Users Group and we are currently discussing an Access Group "Audit" of the Library, to work in conjunction with their own audit, which we were asked to comment on. This is a good example of how other organisations, whether statutory or voluntary, can work together with us for the eventual benefit of our Borough community. Incidentally, we have recently received two - separate - applications for membership from wheelchair users who picked up our Information Leaflet from the Library Reception area.

Our aim, is to represent as wide a spectrum of our Borough as possible, so if any of your local Groups/ Clubs wish to consider joining us and so help to promote disability awareness, please contact me for full information as to our activities

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#### Hymn Writer of the Month

This month's writer represents contemporary hymnody. He is:

Albert Frederick Bayly. b Bexhill, 6 September 1901, d 1984.

Hymn: 493. Lord of the boundless curves of space and time's deep mystery, to your creative might we trace all nature's energy.

Seven of Albert Bayly's hymns are represented in Hymns A & M New Standard, two of which (the hymn quoted and the following opening verse of the second) are based on the wonders of space and science:

O Lord of every shining constellation that wheels in splendour through the midnight sky, grant us your Spirit's true illumination to read the secrets of your work on high. (411)

As well as his interest in astronomy and science, Bayly also had a deep concern for the oppressed and under-privileged. He devoted a great deal of his time to supporting charities of which Amnesty International was one. Some of his hymns reflect this social conscience.

When Albert Bayly left Hastings Grammar School he began training as a shipwright in Portsmouth dockyard. He left this employment principally through his call to the Christian ministry, but also because of his involvement with warships which ran counter to his growing pacifist leanings. He entered Mansfield College Oxford in preparation for the Congregational Denomination, and spent most of his ministry in the North of England, returning southwards to Thaxted for the remaining ten years.

Throughout his life, including his retirement years, he wrote poetry and hymns. The latter were often for special occasions. His first hymn to appear in public, the BBC Hymn Book (1951), was 'Rejoice, O people in the mounting years' - a hymn appropriate for the millennium celebrations. It was specially composed for the Triple Jubilee of the London Missionary Society in 1945. Its inclusion in the BBC Hymn Book was through one of its co-editors, Canon Cyril Taylor, who had been Assistant to the Head of Religious Broadcasting, and who became one

of this country's outstanding contributors to hymnody. Bayly's collections of verses are 'Rejoice, O People' (1950); 'Again I say Rejoice' (1967); 'Rejoice Always' (1971); 'Rejoice in God' (1977), and his last offering in 1982 'Rejoice Together'.

Cyril Taylor remarked that Bayly represented the last of the older hymn writers and the first of the 'new'. These new writers are not to be confused with the songs and choruses often associated with the neopentecostal or charismatic movement. Rather, the dawning of the former writers has been aptly described as the English 'hymn explosion' which resounded from around the 1960s onwards. Represented in this circle are Fred Kaan, (who unbeknown to himself was responsible for the initial bang!). Patrick Appleford, Brian Wren, Timothy Dudley-Smith, Fred Pratt Green and of course Albert Bayly - all of whom are represented with others of this group in A & M New Standard. These writers have an assured place within the English hymnody.

RP

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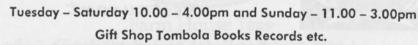
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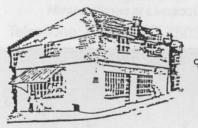
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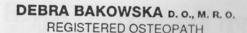


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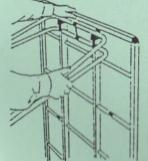
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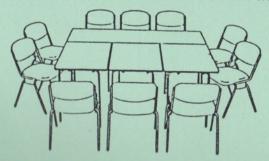
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