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JULY 2022



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THANKS FOR YOUR SUPPORT

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USEFUL NUMBERS AND CONTACTS

POLICE NON-EMERGENCY 101	MINSTER DOCTORS' SURGERY 821333. Out of hours call 111
CRIME STOPPERS 0800 555 111	SOCIAL SERVICES 860000
PCSO Debbie Forsyth 60457@Kent.pnn.police.uk or call 101	MINSTER LIBRARY 03000 413131 Open: Tues 09.30-13.30; Thurs 12-17.00; Fri 10.00-16.00 & Sat 09.30-13.30
DOMESTIC VIOLENCE HELP 07926 842 183 www.domesticabuseservices.org	SOUTHERN WATER to report a leak 0800820999 Supply or sewage problems 0330 303 0368 Billing 0333 200 3015
MONKTON C OF E PRIMARY SCHOOL 821394	RSPCA 0300 1234 999
THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL – for all department information www.thanet.gov.uk 577000	Parish clerk – Sara Archer 821989 clerk@monktonparish.co.uk www.monktonparish.co.uk
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THANET DISTRICT COUNCIL Recycling and fly tipping 577115	MONKTON VILLAGE HALL BOOKINGS 821439
QEQM HOSPITAL 225544 Outpatients appointments line 01227 868686	MINOR INJURY UNITS Kent and Canterbury Hospital 24 hrs 01227 864244 Estuary View, Whitstable CT5 3SE 8-8 daily 01227 284301
NEAREST POST OFFICE Minster 821291	Opening Times: Mon-Fri 08.00-17.30 (closed for lunch 14.00-15.00) Sat 09.00-13.00

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MONKTON VILLAGE HALL DIARY FOR JULY

DAY	TIME	EVENT	CONTACT
Sunday	11.00-13.00	Ballroom and Latin American Dance	Gordon and Pauline
Monday	09.00-10.00	Dance exercise	Maggie
	13.00-15.00 (2 nd Mon of each month)	Gardening Club	Sue Northrop 07759390223
	18.00	Dog agility and behaviour training	Chris Paris Brown 01227 365381
Tuesday	19.30	Adult table tennis	Gilly Brown
	19.00 (3 rd Tues of each month)	WI	Penny Coleman
Wednesday	10.00-12.00	Retired villagers' social morning	Sara Archer 821989
	19.00-21.00	Line Dancing	Theo Loyla 833643
Friday	14.00	Chairbased Exercise with Thanet Age UK	Rebecca Nicks 223881

For further information contact Pete Mitchell, 821439. If your club or activity is not in this month's diary, please contact your organiser.

Monkton Village Hall Hire Charges 2022

Children's Party

Any Four Hours before 18.00 £45

This allows for the preparation and time to clean.

Part Day Hire

A Minimum of Two Complete Hours £30

All Day Hire up to 18.00

Includes Ten Complete Hours £100

Extra will be £15 per hour

All Day and Evening Wedding etc.

From 08.00- 23.00 £160

Also allows for full kitchen use & two hours the following day before 10.00 hrs for a return to clean.

Evening Hire from 19.00h

Quiz, Craft, Dance, etc. £40

Party Night from 19.00 £70

One dance couple 2 HOURS £10

EDITORIAL

What a fabulous June we have had here in Monkton. The celebrations for the Queen's Jubilee were amazing – we only have a small Village but managed to celebrate in large style! It was great to see all the bunting and decorations - special mention must go to Brenda's eye-catching crown and Lyn's post-box knitted topper. And the events that were put on were great – thank you to all involved for their hard-work. One of our resident's Steve Kreeger, made a 2-minute video of Monkton capturing a few memories from the weekend. He shared it on the Monkton Chat Facebook page and has sent the link to us so if you have access to a computer, you can see it too:

www.youtube.com/watch?v=inWodssWuKg

And then, the following weekend it was magnificent to have Open Gardens back in the Village after it had to be cancelled in 2020. There was a festive atmosphere with many visitors admiring our lovely Village – the good weather helped too.

As always, if you have any contributions to the magazine that may be of interest to the Village, please send them to us at monktonnews@gmail.com by the 19th of each month.

Fiona Webb

Many of you may already know (or read about it in last month's article from the school), that Fiona Webb is leaving Monkton School. She is the School Business Manager and often the first face that you are greeted by in the school. She has been at the school for over 32 years and I know will be sorely missed. What she doesn't know about the goings on in the school isn't worth knowing! She has seen many of our children go through the school and is well-loved. Wishing her all the best in her retirement and move to be nearer her daughter in Oxford.

In Memory of Bob Hood

Del was telling me about some trees planted in memory of Bob Hood down in the Memorial Area at Monkton recreation ground. Bob was a resident in Monkton who was born & bred here and died at the age of 93, in October 2021. A cherry, crab-apple and rowan tree were planted after receiving permission from Monkton Parish Council. Bob loved nature, especially birds and these 3 trees were chosen aptly as they attract our feathered friends.

Sturry Park & Ride To Close

Recently I heard that Canterbury City Council want to close the Sturry Road Park & Ride for two years following a drastic fall in passenger numbers since the pandemic struck. Looking at Canterbury City Council website: 'we are proposing to suspend the Park and Ride service at Sturry Road for a minimum period of two years. This would mean no Park and Ride buses would run to or from the site and no parking would be allowed. After 18 months, this would be reviewed to see if conditions had changed to allow the service to restart. Based on an average of 100 vehicles a day, suspending the service at Sturry Road would save around £180,000 a year'.

The other 2 park & rides will remain open – but these are on the other side of the city for us! Sad news if this does go ahead!

Thanet Age UK

Thanet Age UK have been holding sessions in the Village Hall over the past few Fridays. Please see their poster on page 17. The organiser has written to us: 'The class is mixed ability and where possible and, however, members request, it can be progressed over the weeks. Likewise, it can remain as a chair-based activity should they wish it too.' If you are interested in going, please book your place as per the advert.

MONKTON OPEN GARDENS 2022

A massive THANK YOU to everyone involved in Open Gardens this year. We managed to raise a record amount - £3436 which has been shared equally between the Village Hall and St. Mary Magdalene Church.

The weekend was a great success – fabulous weather, over 400 visitors, tasty refreshments served at the Village Hall, Church and in Penny & Terry's garden, churchyard tours, Thanksgiving Service, a craft & flower display at the Church, Monkton School showcasing their new 'Tom's Garden' and a variety of stalls in the gardens.

So to all the gardeners (Shirley & Mick, Amanda & Keith, Nanette & Tony, Sue, Penny & Terry, Eileen & Ron, Kay & Harry, Karen & Graham, Cathy, Heather & Malcolm, Lesley & Terry, Vicky & Mark, Judy, and Sally & Ron), the friends at The Church and Village Hall, all those who baked, cooked, made & served lunches & teas, arranged flowers, sold raffle tickets, gave donations & prizes, helped with the advertising and printing, a huge THANK YOU for all your hard work.

See you in 2 years!!!!

Heather and Gilly

LETTER FROM KAY HORNE

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE WEEKEND

To all the organisers and helpers, I find myself once again thanking you for your hard work in making the Platinum Jubilee events such a great success. As always you went out of your way to ensure we enjoyed ourselves and we certainly did. I hope you have all had the opportunity to put your feet up and relax and reflect on a job well done and know how grateful we all are.

BELLS RING OUT FOR HER MAJESTY!

On Sunday 5th June we were honoured at St Mary Magdalene to welcome a visiting team of ringers who rang a full peal of bells in honour of HM Elizabeth II on the occasion of her Platinum Jubilee. Monkton was the last church in Kent never to have had a full peal rung.

A full peal involves 5040 changes in the order of the bells. This peal was completed using 9 different methods (a method is a set pattern where the order of the bells changes every round of the bells) and the feat took 2 hours and 38 minutes to complete. This is quite a feat of concentration as any mistake can cause a collapse in the pattern and invalidate the attempt even after 2 hours+ of ringing. Our ringers treated the team to a glass of bubbly and nibbles to celebrate.

The team came from as far apart as Hampshire, Maidstone and Bromley. Our ringers were further impressed to learn that 2 of the team had rung the full peal for the service of thanksgiving at St Pauls Cathedral on Friday 2nd ringing the number 1 bell (Treble) and the number 4 so their expertise was never in doubt.

Our own ringers rang a modest set of changes on Friday at 11.30 to coincide with the St Pauls service and to join with many towers across the UK and the Commonwealth. Later in the afternoon we also rang for our own service.

Tower Captain Rachel 822338

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Following the resignation of Claire Beavis at the last Parish Council meeting, we are now in a position to co-opt a person into the vacancy of Parish Councillor.

This is your opportunity to get involved and make a positive difference in your Community!

Feel free to contact the Clerk for an informal chat and find out more about what is involved with the position. Please see p9 for further information.

THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS

The Parish Council would like to express their sincere thanks to all those involved with organising the many Jubilee celebrations. Their hard work to make the Jubilee a memorable, entertaining and enjoyable occasion for the Village was much appreciated. We hope everybody had fun, and it was lovely to see the houses decorated, bunting and flags flying and of course, Brenda's magnificent crown, which attracted much interest and praise on social media across Thanet!

NO THROUGH SIGN, SEAMARK CLOSE

The Parish Council have asked KCC Highways to erect a sign due to cars mistakenly trying to access the Recreation Ground via Seamark Close. This has been approved and the work instructed to commence in due course.

The signs obstructing the directional finger post at the bottom of Willetts Hill/Monkton mini-roundabout, as you approach from the Minster direction, are also in hand. The top sign had slipped, obscuring the directional sign.

WILLETS HILL EROSION OF BANKS

The Parish Council have contacted KCC Highways to enquire about any potential solutions about the gullies that are getting wider and deeper on the edges of the road, thus channelling muddy rainwater down the hill and causing problems with the drains. KCC Highways are looking into the issue to explore options to assist with the problem.

BLOCKED DITCH – REAR OF ACCESS TRACK TO RECREATION GROUND

Progress is slow in resolving this issue which has been identified as contributing to the flooding problems that occur in heavy downpours at bottom of Seamark Close. Over time the storm water outlet pipes in the ditch have become buried. The ditch now needs to be cleared. KCC do not own the ditch, so a resolution is being sought with the landowner.

PARISH COUNCIL NEWS - continued

POTHOLES

A number of potholes along Seamark Road and Monkton Street have been repaired. Residents are reminded that potholes can be reported to the Parish Council, or direct to KCC using the online portal, search for KCC pothole reporting.

PARKING ISSUES CAUSED BY CONSTRUCTION WORKERS

TDC have been approached on several occasions about the inconsiderate parking at the Sunningdale Development. The Parish Council also coopted help from District Cllr Abi Smith and the PCSO to try and alleviate the problems this is causing villagers in the vicinity of the building site between 47-51 Monkton St. We are aware it is a serious issue for these households and we will continue to do all we can to help resolve it.

PLAY AREA REDEVELOPMENT

Thanks are extended to Harry Ling for his recent very kind offer to assist with the removal of the existing play equipment. We are hopeful this can be co-ordinated with the contractors, Playdale, and are pursuing the proposition further.

Residents are reminded that work on the new play area is scheduled for the beginning of August.

PLANNING

OL/TH/22/0713 - Land Rear Of 62, Monkton Street

Outline application with all matters reserved for the erection of 2No 3bed semi detached dwellings with associated access and parking

DECISION PENDING

NEXT MEETING

Monday 4th July, 7pm in Monkton Village Hall.

*Contact the Parish Council via Sara Archer –
clerk@monktonparish.co.uk 01843 821989*

www.monktonparish.co.uk

Monkton
Parish Council



COUNCILLOR VACANCY

NOTICE OF CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Following the resignation of Claire Beavis, Monkton Parish Council is in a position to co-opt a new Councillor and would therefore welcome expressions of interest.

Can you spare some time to make a positive contribution to your community?

Interested persons must be a qualifying Commonwealth or EU citizen, aged 18 years or over and meet at least one of the criteria below:

- Have lived in the Parish or within three miles of it for the preceding twelve months
- Be a registered elector in the Parish: or
- Have occupied as owner or tenant any land or premises in the Parish for the preceding twelve months: or
- Have their principal or only place of work in the Parish for the preceding twelve months
- Must not be disqualified from holding office as a Councillor

A person is disqualified if they:

- Hold any paid office or employment to which they have been appointed by the Council
- Are the subject of a bankruptcy restrictions order or interim order
- Have within five years of the day of co-option been convicted of any offence and has had passed on them a sentence of imprisonment for a period of not less than three months (whether suspended or not) without option of a fine
- Have been found guilty of corrupt or illegal practices or have been responsible for incurring unlawful expenditure and the court orders their disqualification

Applicants should note that Councillors are expected to attend Parish Council meetings usually held on the first Monday evening bi-monthly plus occasional additional meetings and represent the electors of Monkton village in raising and discussing issues of interest on which the Parish Council is empowered to act.

Any person wishing to serve as a Councillor should e-mail or write to the Clerk to the Council giving details of their experience, interests and reasons for wishing to join the Parish Council. **Applications should be submitted to the Clerk by e-mail or post by 22 July 2022.**

**Sara Archer
Clerk to the Council
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E-mail: clerk@monktonparish.co.uk**

CHURCH NEWS

The Parish Church of St. Mary Magdalene, Monkton

Part of the **Wantsum Benefice** with **Minster, St. Nicholas-at-Wade with Sarre, & Chislet**. (Together with All Saints, Birchington, Minnis Bay, Acol & St. Saviour's, Westgate we form the Seamarsh Group of Parishes).

Vicar of the Benefice	Vacant	
Benefice Administrator	Mrs Sheila Greenstreet	077887 91468 www.wantsumchurches.org
Licensed Lay Minister	Mrs Sally Willins	822428
Churchwarden (Monkton)	Mr David Mairs	07960417493
Retired Priest (assisting)	Canon Peter Gausden	825374
Lay Minister Emeritus	Mrs Diana Davies	823817
On Line Contact: info@wantsumchurches.org www.wantsumchurches.org		

To arrange a Baptism, Wedding or Funeral, please contact the Parish Administrator, Mrs Sheila Greenstreet (see above).

If you wish to talk to someone, need support or would welcome prayer please contact: Mrs Sally Willins Telephone: 822428

Wantsum Benefice Services – JULY 2022

	Monkton	Minster	St Nicholas	Chislet
Sun 3 July St Thomas the Apostle	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Village Worship	
Weds 6 July		10.30 Morning Prayer		
Sun 10 July Trinity 4		10.30 Morning Praise	10.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Holy Communion
Sun 17 July Trinity 5	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Morning Light	
Weds 20 July		10.30 Holy Communion		
Sun 24 July Trinity 6		10.30 Morning Praise	10.30 Holy Communion	9.30 Family Praise
Sun 31 July Trinity 7				10.30 Benefice Holy Communion
Sun 7 August Trinity 8	9.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Holy Communion	10.30 Village Worship	

Please check Village notice boards and/or the Benefice web site for any developments and changes.

CHURCH NEWS - continued

Sunday Bible Readings in July

3 rd	Trinity 3 St Thomas the Apostle	Eph. 2, 19 – end; John 20, 24 - 29
10 th	Trinity 4	Coloss. 1, 1 – 14; Luke 10, 25 - 37
17 th	Trinity 5	Coloss. 1, 15 – 28; Luke 10, 38 - end
24 th	Trinity 6	Coloss. 2, 6 – 15; Luke 11, 1 – 13
31 st	Trinity 7	Coloss. 3, 1 – 11; Luke 12, 13 - 21

Monkton Open Gardens 11/12 June

We all owe a big “Thankyou” to the organisers of Open Gardens weekend, and to those who so kindly opened their gardens for the occasion.

I would like to add special thanks to those many volunteers who, prior to the occasion, worked so hard in the churchyard to prepare it for our visitors. In addition to our mowers and strimmers, who do a grand job all year round, we had an additional band who freed up more graves which had become immersed in the undergrowth and carefully removed stacks of damaging ivy from the churchyard walls. The exercise still leaves plenty of areas deliberately undisturbed so as to provide a habitat for the local plant and animal wildlife.

After the privations of Covid, which caused Open Gardens to be cancelled two years ago, we were blessed with glorious weather and a highly successful weekend and for that we are truly thankful.

Peter Gausden

VIEWPOINT

Good question!

“Will we be getting a new vicar soon?” is one of the questions I’m often asked these days. The short answer is, No.

But that short answer is definitely not a simple, straightforward answer for it conveys nothing of the protracted deliberations and formalities which accompany the process of making a new appointment in the Church of England.

VIEWPOINT- continued

At the moment, the Benefice Leadership Team [BLT], which consists of two representatives from each of the four churches together with Revd Canon Peter Gausden and me, is developing stronger links and greater cohesion across the benefice. This, we feel, will enable us to tread a more unified path as we approach a time when consideration is given to our hopes for the future.

At some point there will be an opportunity for us to take an active role in discussions with our partners in the Seamarsh Group (comprising All Saints', Birchington; St. Thomas, Minnis Bay; St Mildred, Acol; and St Saviour's, Westgate; together with the Wantsum Benefice) – to find common ground and ways of mutual support. As with all bodies and committees, this will take some time. How much time, we have no idea.

In the meantime, it is heartening to see so much generosity and flexibility being shown by the members of our four Parochial Church Councils (PCCs). Real sacrifices are being made; appreciation is being shown; vision is being channelled; mutual encouragement is being experienced. In what some regard as a challenging and unsettling time, there are real positives and some great blessings. Not least of which is the continuing support we are receiving from our visiting priests: such willingness, flexibility and generosity is being shown.

It's at times like these when the Church feels very much like the Body of Christ which St Paul writes about in his letter to the new Christians in Rome:

⁴ Just as our bodies have many parts and each part has a special function, ⁵ so it is with Christ's body. We are many parts of one body, and we all belong to each other.

⁶ In his grace, God has given us different gifts for doing certain things well. So if God has given you the ability to prophesy, speak out with as much faith as God has given you. ⁷ If your gift is serving others, serve them well. If you are a teacher, teach well. ⁸ If your gift is to encourage others, be encouraging. If it is giving, give generously. If God has given you leadership ability, take the responsibility seriously. And if you have a gift for showing kindness to others, do it gladly.

Romans 12. 4-8 New Living Translation [NLT]

So, whichever parish you live in, please be assured that life in your parish church is continuing, and that the church is there for you – in times of joy or sadness; celebration or reflection.

In this magazine you will find contact details should you want information regarding any aspect of church life; and as the weeks pass, we will keep you up to date with any definite developments concerning, "Will we be getting a new vicar soon?"

And thank you – to everyone 'out there' who has shown support, concern and encouragement to those of us who are working to maintain parish life.

Sally Willins: Licensed Reader to the Wantsum Benefice – on behalf of the BLT.

MINSTER SURGERY PATIENT LIAISON GROUP



UPDATE REMINDER - COVID-19 VACCINATION PROGRAMME

The Vaccination Centre is located adjacent to Wickes Building Supplies and Curry's Electrical Store. It is known as **Thanet Broadstairs Local Vaccination Service (LVS)**. There is plenty of car parking on site and it is on various bus routes. Please note change of opening times – now open every Tuesday & Thursday from 2pm to 6.30pm, every Saturday from 8am to 2pm. Drop in, no need for an appointment. Please remember you must wear face masks at the Centre and at Minster surgery.

“LET’S BE CLEAR ON CANCER” NATIONAL CAMPAIGNS:

BOWEL SCREENING CAMPAIGN

Are you aged 60-74 then this little kit can save your life!
You can now register for a free test kit to be sent to you every 2 years.
Search “Bowel Screening/NHS” or call 0800 707 60 60.
Over 75’s with previous symptoms are still eligible & will also be sent a kit every 2 years

SKIN CANCER AWARENESS CAMPAIGN

Very appropriate at the present time!
Did you know that skin cancer is the UK’s 5th most common type of cancer and that a change of appearance in a mole is not the only sign? For further information and advice search Skin Cancer (melanoma) NHS.
Going on holiday, in the sun, on the beach, please remember:
“SLAP ON THE SUNSCREEN”

ALSO:

Don’t forget you can get help and advice and make sure your travel Vaccinations are up to date from your local Pharmacist.

SURGERY CLOSURE DAYS

Please note that the surgery will be closed on **Wednesday 20th July** from 1pm onwards for staff training.

If you need to see a Doctor during these times

Please Call 111 for NON URGENT confidential help and advice for you and your family.

For COVID-19 help and advice - Call 119

For URGENT/LIFE threatening Cases Call 999 as normal

MINSTER SURGERY PLG - continued

REPEAT PRESCRIPTIONS

Please ensure you have sufficient medication to last throughout the holiday period and submit requests at least 3 working days beforehand to allow processing time at surgery and your local chemist. Requests submitted prematurely will be held until the due date unless a specific reason is given.

PATIENT LIAISON GROUP

A full list of all Committee Members with their contact information is shown on our Notice board in the waiting room.

Please don't forget **we are always here to help and support you** and you can contact us anytime, by phone or email at kenself@me.com

Our next meeting will be held on Monday 11th July and if you have any questions on any of the above or concerns and suggestions you would like raised at our meeting, please contact: Ken Self on 821200 or Jeanne Lawrence on 821049 or email kenself@me.com

Minster Show – Saturday 23rd July 2022

Minster Show - Saturday 23rd July 2022 - We're Back !!

Residents of Monkton, St Nicholas, Sarre, Acol, Manston and Cliffsend are reminded that they are all eligible to enter items into the various sections in the Show Tent for this event.

Show Schedules, with entry forms, will be available from the beginning of May at various businesses in Minster, so don't forget to get yours and get growing, cooking, crafting and colouring!

We'd love to see more entries from outside of the village, make this your year!!

To those who would just like to come along on the day, the show is held on the Recreation Ground in St Mildreds Road and gates open at 1pm, Show starts at 2pm, cost is £3pp, under 5s free.

Lots to do and see, a great afternoon's entertainment for all. Prior to opening, get along to the centre of the village to see the floats and carnival courts parade through Minster, procession starts at 1.40pm from Freemans Road, travels along Monkton Road, High St, St Mildreds Road and into the showground.

Ray Owen

VILLAGE GROUPS

MONKTON GARDEN GROUP

We welcomed Radio Kent Gardening Presenter, Andy Garland to our meeting this month when he talked about his involvement in the National Garden Scheme. Private Gardens large and small have been opening since 1927 and the money raised has benefited so many charities.

Our Club has been granted funds from the Robinson Trust covering our village hall Hire fees. This means we can now afford to pay our speakers.

Next month we have Philip Oostenbrink who is Head Gardener at Walmer Castle.

We will meet on 11th July and welcome newcomers to the group. Please come and join us. Raffle and tea and coffee available.

The programme ahead looks like this:

- 8th August – Radio Kent Garden Presenter Jean Griffin “Tales from the Potting Shed”.
- 12th September – Denise Hill (Hop Along Thanet) – “Growing Hops and Brewing Ale”.
- 10th October – Victoria Golding (Kent Wildlife Trust).

Sue Northrop 07759390223



RECYCLING AND WASTE COLLECTIONS FOR JULY

Make sure that your bins are out by 7.00am to ensure collection.

Friday 1st July – Black bin (general waste)

Monday 4th July – Green bin (garden waste)

Friday 8th July – Blue recycling bin and red bag for paper

Friday 15th July – Black bin (general waste)

Monday 18th July – Green bin (garden waste)

Friday 22nd July – Blue recycling bin and red bag for paper

Friday 29th July – Black bin (general waste)

MONKTON NATURE RESERVE

RESERVE AND NATURE TRAILS - ENTRANCE FEE APPLIES

NATURAL HISTORY MUSEUM

SECONDHAND BOOKSHOP - DONATIONS WELCOME

THE CABIN CAFÉ

NATURE SHED PROJECT

Open Saturday, Sunday, Tuesday & Thursday 10.30-3.30pm

Web site: <https://monkton-reserve.org/>

Tel: 01843 822666 Email: contact@monkton-reserve.org

EVENTS IN JULY

Sunday 10th – Bushcraft Sessions

10-noon (ages 5-8 years)

12.30-2.30pm (ages 9-12 years)

£15 per child

Booking and charges apply – email: education@monkton-reserve.org

Tuesday 26th – Pond Dipping

11am

Members £3, non-members £5 (includes access to reserve)

Booking and charges apply – email: education@monkton-reserve.org

Registered Charity – Thanet Countryside Trust 285972



GET READY FOR SUMMER

MONKTON VILLAGE HALL

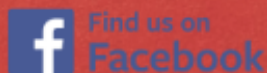


Chairbased Exercise

BOOK NOW ON

01843 22 38 81

**starting Friday 6th May
@ 2pm**





Royal British Legion

Minster & Monkton

61 Augustine Road, Minster

Saturday 2nd July

Live music with Moonlight 9pm

Saturday 9th July

Ska day

Live music with Gumboots Reggae 2pm - 5pm
& Peter Azzopardi 5.30pm-7pm

BBQ, drinks promotions, raffle and more

Sunday 17th July

Live music with Karl Dawson 2pm

Friday 22nd July

Fun music quiz with Quizco 8pm

Sunday 24th July

Live music with Sharon Richardson 2pm

Do You Remember This?

Here's something you may have forgotten if you were living in Monkton in November 2007 and is one of the first things you read if you google Monkton on Wikipedia.....

Monkton was subject to an explosion during 2007 and was largely evacuated as a result. Kent Fire and Rescue Service said that crews were faced with "a well developed fire in a large single-storey building", which was among the largest in the village.

This comes from a BBC news report dated 27th November 2007

GAS EXPLOSION IN WORKSHOP BLAZE

Homes were evacuated and an exclusion zone put in place after a fire broke out at a Kent farm workshop which contained gas canisters.

About 30 firefighters tackled the blaze at Hoo Farm, in Monkton Road, Minster. Propane and acetylene cylinders were confirmed on site, and at least one of them exploded.

Firefighters spent about four hours dousing the fire. A 400m (437yds) exclusion zone was put in place and was expected to remain until Tuesday.

The blaze was reported just before 1300 GMT on Monday.

Crews were confronted with "a well developed fire in a large single-storey building", Kent Fire and Rescue Service said.

Twenty people were moved to safety from nearby homes, but there were no reports of any injuries.

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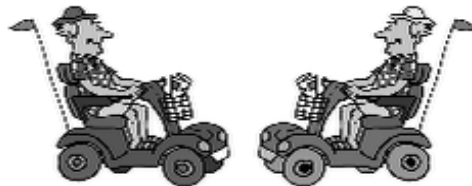
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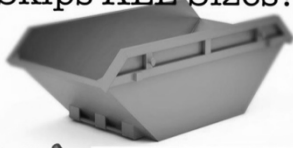
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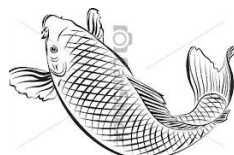
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