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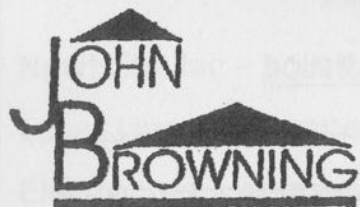
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To commemorate the Centenary of the Outbreak of the 1st World War, there will be a piece every month about each soldier named on the War Memorial.

ELSE, Alfred Henry

Corporal 220678. 1st Battalion, Royal Berkshire Regiment.

Born Kingsnorth, Ashford. Enlisted Hertford. Resided Kings Langley, Hertfordshire. Son of Thomas and Caroline Else (nee Payne) of Slip Hill Cottages, Hastingleigh, Ashford, Kent.

Died Monday 1st July 1918 aged 30 years.

Buried in the Bagneux British Cemetery, Gezaincourt, France. Grave reference III.E.27.

In 1911 Alfred was working as an attendant at the Metropolitan Imbecile Asylum in King's Langley, Hertfordshire. He had brothers and sisters, Albert, Ethel, Mabel, Robert and George. Thomas worked at Ashford Railway works as a machinist with the Royal Gun Artillery during the war. Alfred's father Thomas died on the 12th July 1924 at the Ashford Cottage Hospital. He was buried in Hastingleigh.

HAYWARD, George Henry

Private G/28586. 6th Battalion, Queen's Own (Royal West Kent Regiment).

Born Hastingleigh. Enlisted Canterbury. Son of Thomas and Frances Amelia Hayward (nee Mills) of Bishop Cottages, Hastingleigh, Ashford, Kent. Husband of Belize Maud Hayward (nee Tuthill) of Grove Cottages, Grove Road, Carlton Colville, Lowestoft.

Died Monday 1st July 1918 aged 40 years.

Buried in the Doullens Communal Cemetery Extension Number 1, France. Grave reference V.D.6.

Before the outbreak of war George worked for Messrs Tappenden Brothers. George voluntarily enlisted in October 1917. He was over the age of conscription but chose to ignore this.

His brothers and sisters were Herbert, Bessie, Arthur, Roseanne and Daisy. George had a son with Beliza; William Thomas who was born in Carlton Colville, Suffolk in 1902 and this is where his widow was living when he was killed.

HASTINGLEIGH WITH ELMSTED W.I.

Hastingleigh with Elmsted W.I. met on Thursday the 8th of January in Evington Hall.

Sixteen members attended our meeting.

After we had discussed the items of business, two prizes were awarded. The competition of the month for 2014 was won by Mrs Helmer and the flower of the month for 2014 was won by Mrs Pearson.

The hall was beautifully decorated by the committee, and so we spent a couple of sociable hours enjoying a lovely meal of coq au vin, baked potatoes and vegetables, followed by delicious desserts, all made by members. It was good to sit and chat with our friends, catching up with news from Christmas and New Year.

Next month our speaker will be talking to us about 'The Victorian board school'. The meeting will be held in Evington Hall on Thursday 5th of February at 19:30 and any new members would be made most welcome.

Fiona Steward

FOOTPATH WALK—NEW YEAR'S DAY

Remembering last year, we spent the days before praying for a fine day and lo and behold it wasn't raining! So 34 of us and four dogs set off on the bridleway to Hastingleigh Church. This was fine until we had to drop down the hill on the path to the church. A very slippery descent negotiated with difficulty with only one faller – sorry Alice. It was much better climbing up the hill to Kingsmill Down where we paused for a while to enjoy one of those quintessential English views – we never seem to tire of that.

Heading south along the road we soon reached the North Downs Way and were lulled into thinking that since some work had been done on the track that it would all be plain sailing – afraid not. Soon we were up to our ankles in water and mud, this slowed the progress but we all made it to the end. From here it was all very straightforward just up Tamley lane and back to the Hall for a very welcome glass of mulled wine with mince pies and sausage rolls.

Alas not quite the perfect end. Unfortunately when Alice fell on the path down to the church her car keys had dropped out of her bag. So several of us went to try and find them – where to look? Acres of Rape, loads of mud! Eureka within a few minutes Yvonne had them – somebody was clearly looking after us that day.

So all's well that ends well, and another New Year's Day refresher is accomplished and very enjoyable it was too.

Many thanks to Sue & Vanessa for sorting the refreshments and to all those who provided food and drink.

Next month [8th Feb] Jack & Christine will be leading us. So please come along and join a fun group of people and let's hope for a fine day.

Derek Harris

EVINGTON GARDENERS

Lichens were the subject of a fascinating and highly informative talk given by Don Palmer in November. Mr. Palmer explained that lichens are not plants because they are unable to make their own food. They consist of a fungus and an alga in a symbiotic relationship, the lichen entrapping the alga and squeezing the sugars from it. Lichens are pioneers, going anywhere in the world, from the Arctic tundra, where reindeer and caribou are dependent on them, to cliffs and rocks in maritime locations and to the deserts of Namibia. There are four sorts of lichen: Leprose, which look like daubs of paint, Crustose, which form a crust and grow very slowly (about 3-4 mm a year and by which buildings have been dated), Foliose, which grow fast on the trees and in woods, and Fruticose, shrubby lichens which grow on oak trees especially in the Dolomites and Austria and which are used in the perfume industry as a fixative. They can switch on and off according to levels of light and humidity and they can cope with radioactivity. In addition to the perfume industry lichens were also used extensively by the Celts to dye wool. Mr Palmer spoke without slides and notes but brought along many specimens for the audience to look at. It was a well-attended and enjoyable talk.

The Studio Players played an imaginative selection of largely modern pieces for flute at the Christmas Party in December, including two for solo flute – Pyrrha by Ross Edwards and The Emperor and Bird of Paradise for flute and narrator by Alan Ridout. They were much appreciated by the audience and our thanks go very much to the Studio Players and to Trevor for organising the evening. By the time this appears members will also have enjoyed a talk "A Year in Picardie", given by Rosemary Piddock in January. The talk on the 24th February is entitled, "May your photography blossom and bloom", and is to be given by Glynn Bareham. As always, everyone is welcome.

J.P

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1 st the fourth Sunday of Epiphany	9.30am Parish Communion at Hastingleigh
8 th the second Sunday before Lent	8am Holy Communion BCP at Waltham 10am Bodsham Service in Bodsham School Hall
15 th the Sunday next before Lent	9.30am Family Communion at Waltham
	11am Holy Communion at Hastingleigh
	5pm Evensong at Elmsted
22 nd the first Sunday of Lent	9.30am Holy Communion CW at Elmsted
	9.30am Morning Prayers at Waltham
	11am Holy Communion BCP at Hastingleigh
	4pm Sunday Teatime, Evington Hall Hastingleigh

CHURCH FLOWER & CLEANING ROTA

	St. Mary's Hastingleigh	St. James' Elmsted
Feb 7th	Dr & Mrs Lawson	Mrs Gregory
Feb 14th	Mrs Day	Mrs Pay
Feb 21st	Mrs Young	Mrs McFarlane
Feb 28th	Mrs Courtney Mrs Jerrom	Mrs Hewson

FEBRUARY DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Sat 31st Jan	Jumble Sale	2.00pm
Tues 3rd	Singing (Page 27)	7.00pm
Wed 4th	Coffee Morning	10.30am
Thurs 5th	WI Meeting (Page 14)	7.30pm
Sun 8th	Footpath Walk (Page 15)	2.00pm
Tues 10th	Hastingleigh Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm
Wed 11th	Singing	7.00pm
Fri 13th	Whist Drive	7.00pm
Sat 14th	ECP Film Night (Page 17)	4.30pm
Tues 17th	Pancake Party (Page 19)	6.00pm
Wed 18th	Singing	7.00pm
Sun 22nd	Sunday Tea Time	4.00pm
Tues 24th	Gardeners Society (Pages 16 & 19)	7.30pm
Wed 25th	Singing	7.00pm

Note: All events in Evington Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Parent & Toddler Group meet every Tuesday - 9.30am

Mobile Library every Wednesday 10.55am - 11.20am

Art Group meet on Thursdays 9.30am - 12.30pm

RECOLLECTIONS OF EARLY FARMING DAYS

The reminiscences of Brabourne artist Oliver Trowell, in his recent book 'Before the Combines Came', has made me search my memories of farming times in the 1930's. Unlike Oliver, I am no artist, so I am unable to capture the past in beautiful coloured pictures, as he has done. Nor was my early life spent in East Kent, but amidst the orchards of Goudhurst in the High Weald. On our land at Goudhurst we did not farm ourselves; we rented out nearly all the land, most of which was taken up by the home farm, Bockingfold. From here we would obtain our milk, fresh from the cow, in a churn brought across the fields.

We had moved there in 1928 when my grandfather died. I was then aged only four, but when I was a little older, I was taken to see the cows being milked. Eventually I was allowed to pull the milk from their teats into a bucket, which was most satisfying. There were several pigs, as well as a few cows, and some grazing land, mostly for sheep and bullocks, but the main products of the farm were fruit and hops. It was some years before I was allowed to pick the fruit, but I was certainly invited to enter the hop kilns, as the crop was dried. The hop picking season in the late summer was the busiest time of the year, and the hop pickers were transported from London by train, to live in the metal hopper huts, sleeping on bunks lined with straw, sometimes stuffed into paillasses, for several weeks.

At hay making time, we children were given forks to turn the hay, and afterwards we used long wooden forks with wooden teeth to rake up the bits left over by the primitive machinery of the day. Cereals were grown to feed the chickens and the other stock, so there were stubbles after the crops had been cleared, and everyone turned out to gather up the grains left on the stubbles. Not only humans, but many birds were there too, and partridges were plentiful. When they were feeding like this, my father and locals would call it 'gratining'. a word I have never come across outside Kent.

The fruit at Bockingfold was mainly apples, pears, and above all, cherries. The trees were enormous in those days, and when the fruit was ripe, small boys were employed to lie in the grass under the trees and in the early hours of dawn they would pull strings attached to metal cans on the boughs, and the noise kept the birds away. This was

labour intensive but moderately effective. As far as picking was concerned, we boys had to wait until the very heavy and tall ladders were safely in place before we were allowed to take our baskets up into the trees. Most of my fruit picking days however had to wait until the holidays in early World War 2, when we were desperately needed, since farm labourers were then in short supply.

My two male cousins were evacuated for safety to our home during these times. We were each placed on different farms to pick the fruit. Overhead, in the skies above us, the Battle of Britain was being fought, so we watched out for planes being shot down anywhere near our place of work. Then we would bike off to see if we could collect souvenirs from the sites where the planes had crashed. Tracer bullet cases were highly prized, but my cousin David won the prize for the most gruesome object, a piece of blood stained parachute. I forget what the farmers said to us afterwards for deserting our work, but they did not dare to sack us, as there was no one else to fill the gap and the fruit would then spoil!

Little did I know in those days that I would become a farmer myself. However when I did so, I was determined not to have a fruit farm if possible. To avoid that I found myself looking for land in Hastingleigh in 1953. As I motored from the Wye, Brabourne, Waltham crossroads toward the village, I was held up by a girl driving a flock of geese. She took no notice of me at all. 'This is the place that I want to live in', I said to myself. And over sixty years later I still do.

Charles Jessel

LICENSING OF REV. LORRAINE LAWRENCE

This will take place in Petham Church (one of the 4 churches for which Lorraine has special responsibility) on Wednesday 4th February at 7pm. Everyone is warmly welcomed. There will be refreshments afterwards in the church – any offers of these would be appreciated. Roz Bacon 750327

FROM WYE BENEFICE

Lent is a time when I tend to think about retreating from the world, rather than immersing myself in politics and world affairs. But after reading the Archbishop's Lent Book for 2015, I found myself in an unexpected place. In his book, *In God's hands*, Archbishop Desmond Tutu reflects on what it is to be fully human. His book is about recognising our own humanity through the person of Jesus. Just as Jesus struggled with temptation in the wilderness, we are called to engage with the world in all its injustice and violence. Out of Tutu's struggle against the oppression and prejudice of apartheid in South Africa, has emerged his unshakeable belief that human beings are created in the image of God. His message is that all humanity is to be cherished as each one of us is loved uniquely by God.

While I'm writing this, Hannah and Tim (my daughter and son in law) are guests of the Church on the border of South Sudan and Sudan. This is disputed territory where no precise boundary has been agreed under international law since independence in 2011. Although it doesn't make the headlines, there are ongoing raids and violence by nomadic groups on the indigenous population. They also have claims to the land. The Church is the main agent in bringing encouragement and the means of dialogue between the warring parties. As well as practical help, church leaders facilitate bible study and teaching. The accounts of the temptation of Christ will have a resonance for them as they go through similar times of trial and testing.

When Jesus was tempted he knew despair and failure, common human conditions, and yet he didn't give in. As Tutu puts it, *He didn't have a private little button that he could press when things were tough to bring in the divinity. He got thoroughly clobbered as a human being, and I suppose as you grow older you realize just how extraordinary that is. He was tempted as we are, except that he was without sin.* You may ask, how did he manage that? He had an unshakeable belief in the love of God. Tutu calls Christians *God carriers*. God is love

and we're enabled to love because God first loved us (1 John 4). If we look at the gospel in this way, it turns our values and our world upside down.

Linda Cross

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The Christmas Concert with Trevor Wye and the Studio Players held in St Mary's followed by supper in the village hall on 20th December was also a success, resulting in a profit of £750 being sent to Medicins sans Frontieres to help children orphaned by the ebola epidemic in Africa.

At the time of writing the floor of the hall is being sanded and re-varnished and preparations are underway for the Jumble Sale on Sat 31st Jan.

A large saucepan has gone missing from the hall kitchen if anyone has borrowed this its return would be appreciated.

SB

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He sent his and his wife's best wishes to "all our friends in the community and hope for a fulfilling 2015"

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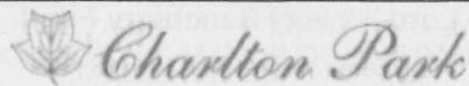
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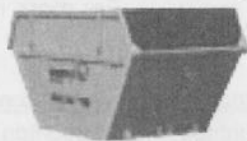
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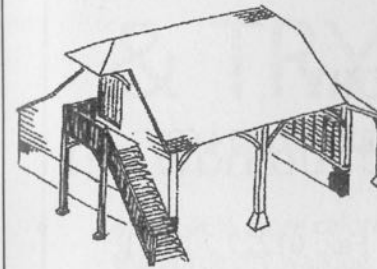
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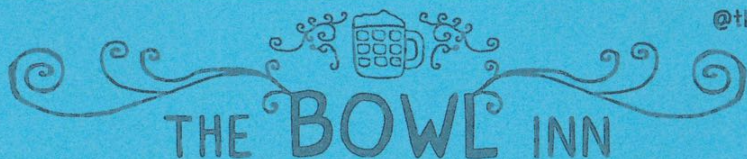
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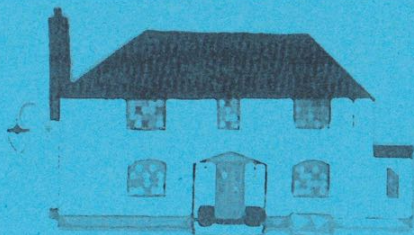
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