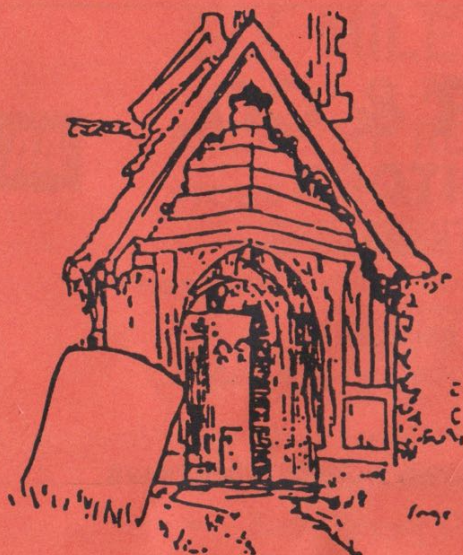
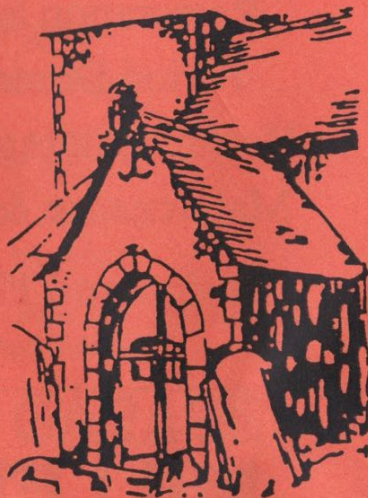


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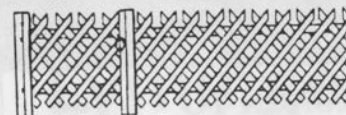
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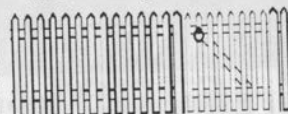
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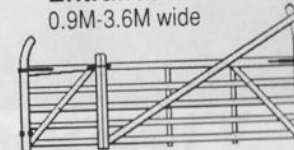
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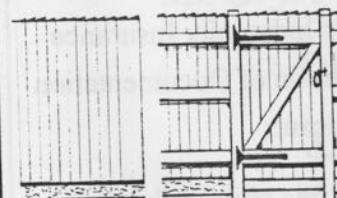
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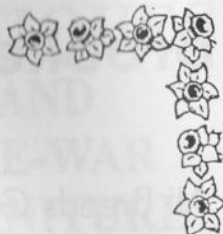
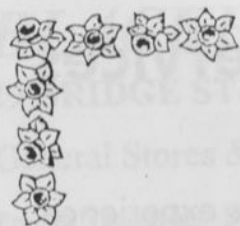
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From The Revd Paul Cox, The Vicarage, Hastingsleigh 01233-750414

Dear Friends,

Seven years ago you kindly welcomed us into your parish life - a new way of ministry for me with much to learn after twenty-six years in teaching. These have been very good and happy years for us. We have come to know village life in East Kent and to appreciate the countryside of the Stone Street area. To have ministered in the parishes of the group has been a great privilege.

I think back over these years and ponder on the changes - some considerable, some quite small but significant, both in the Church life of the parishes and also in the communities. We came not knowing what it would be like - but it was not a blind faith because it seemed clear to both Jenny and me that it was right for us to do so. That "rightness" I have always lived by - each change of job or place of work I have responded to rather than directly sought. I see it as trying to live within God's purpose for us; being open to His will. This is part of the reason why we are "moving on". Whilst it is appropriate to have a second place of ministry before I eventually retire, it is also that I am responding to what I believe is God's will. It is not easy to explain but each time that the living at Biddenden and Smarden has become vacant I have felt "called to it", and now I can and have responded.

We shall miss so much, of course, as we leave these parishes - the friendships and friendliness; the variety of activities: music, art, drama, gardeners, W.I., the schools and much more. I shall even miss, truly, the PCC meetings that I have particularly enjoyed over these years.

We are grateful to you all, and especially to Richard who invited me to join him in the setting up of the Stone Street Group and who has guided me so well in parish ministry. To you all we give our thanks and may God bless you.

Paul and Jenny.

The following appreciation of the life of
Major W.B. Sedgwick MBE, Intelligence Corps.
was given at his funeral on Thursday 31st July 1997
by Angus Southwood.

It is with some trepidation that I speak now about Bill Sedgwick: not only because many of you have known him for as long as, or even longer than I but also because I am not sure that he would approve. He was always reluctant to speak about himself and I can envisage him, jowls wobbling, shaking his head in disapproval at anyone trying to sing his praises now.

This reticence means we know little about his early life but he was born on 26th February 1919 and as a young man worked in Barclays Bank. He was a member of the Territorial Army and at the beginning of the war in 1939 was embodied and served in the South Staffordshire Regiment until he was commissioned into the Intelligence Corps on 6th September 1941. He served continuously with the Corps until he retired from the Army in 1966. He served with great distinction in a highly specialised and sensitive field of intelligence calling for skills which not many possessed. He worked in the Middle East from 1941-51, then in Greece during the Emergency there from 1951-53 and Austria from 1953-55. He then returned to England and spent the remainder of his service at the Intelligence Centre, first at Maresfield and then at Ashford, teaching those difficult skills to regular and reserve members of the three services. During this last ten years of his service he was, in fact, the U.K.'s leading expert in this important aspect of intelligence. He had an immense depth of knowledge and experience which he was able to pass on to others in his own unique and highly professional manner and this was recognised by the award of his MBE in 1959.

After leaving the Army he continued to work at the Intelligence Centre in a civilian capacity running the very busy Officer's Mess for some ten years where he was always a welcoming figure, ready at all times to greet those of us who had returned to Ashford from far flung places. His congenial manner together with his professional ability, both during his Army Service and after when running the Mess made him a well-known personality not only to members of the Intelligence Corps but also to what must amount to several thousands of students from all three services and civilian agencies who passed through Maresfield and Ashford over the years.

It was during the latter part of his time at Ashford that he chose the village of Hastingleigh for his retirement and purchased Lees Cottage there. Here he found great happiness. He came to love the village, its community and the cottage itself. He revelled in the comings and goings and petty scandals that make up village life and very soon established himself as one of Hastingleigh's personalities. For some ten years, until ill-health forced him to give up, he worked in a voluntary capacity as clerk to the Parish Council. The village and its community was his great interest (perhaps even transcending that of his model trains) so much so that old friends complained that it was impossible to prise him out of the village to visit them further afield. On the other hand, a smiling, jovial welcome always awaited any visitor who tapped on his door.

His service then to Queen and Country as well as to his local community after retirement was of the highest order. But, what of Bill the man?

Well as so many of us know only too well Bill was a great and generous host and an accomplished cook. But further than that over the forty years I knew him I found him always ready with a kind word to forgive the transgressions of others, always ready to listen sympathetically to one's problems and to offer help where appropriate, always reticent to speak of himself and his own difficulties of which, in later life, he had a few. Of course, at times he could be cantankerous and I expect many of you, like me, have experienced a sharp retort from Bill when he disagreed with some statement or other. But it was soon over as the convivial side of his nature took over.

In summary, then, he was a remarkable man whose unusual mixture of joviality, irascibility and warm-hearted friendship made him a great character who we shall remember with gratitude, affection and many a smile.

He livened up the day and we have been privileged to know him as a comrade and a friend.

ELMSTED PARISH COUNCIL

The next meeting will be held in Evington Hall
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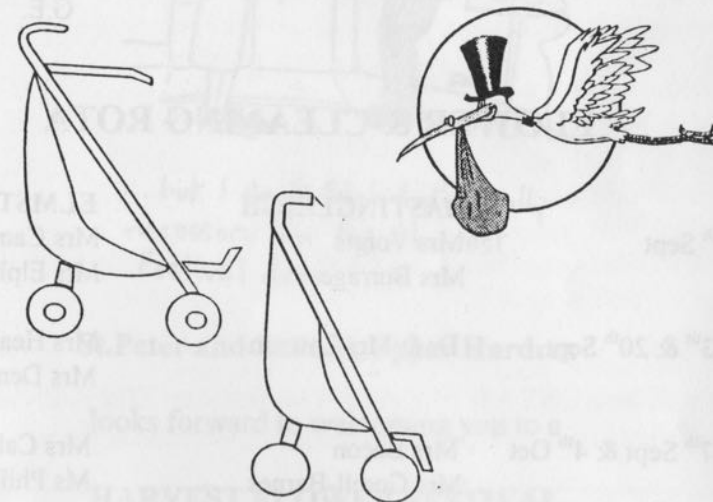
Community News

This months edition is the last to be edited by Jenny Cox, who has made such a sterling effort not only producing this magazine on time every month, but improving its format and readability. The magazine is the lifeblood of this community and we all thank Jenny for such a conscientious job well done. We wish her and Paul all the best in their new life at Biddenden and hope that they can take many happy memories of Elmsted and Hastingleigh with them.

Our debt to Jenny is irredeemable and these brief thanks seem quite inadequate.

It is with pleasure that I can announce that Sheila Burrage has agreed to take on the Editor's batten in the Community News relay race.

WME



Richard and Vanessa London are delighted to announce the arrival of their sons **Samuel Victor** 5lbs 7ozs and **Benjamin Joseph** 4lbs 15ozs born on 21st July.

We would like to express our thanks to all the very kind people who sent us cards and gifts for the boys. These generous thoughts are very much appreciated.

For your information

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Don't forget that friendly table tennis starts again on 17th September and will continue on Wednesday evenings at Evington Hall starting at 7.30 pm.

G.E.

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Bridget Gunn

ELMSTED HARVEST THANKSGIVING

On Sunday 28th September Upper Hardres are having a Flower Festival with Harvest Teas followed by Harvest Thanksgiving Evensong at 6 pm and Elmsted PCC have decided to join with them this year instead of having our own Harvest Thanksgiving. This is only for this year and does not represent a departure from our own Harvest Thanksgiving in the future.

The Upper Hardres Choir have offered to sing at a special service next year for us.



JDB

... but I don't think that's really necessary for the Harvest Festival dear.

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Sunday 14	PENTECOST 17	
9.30am	H.Communion (The Revd Arthur Soar)	ELMSTED
11.00am	H. Communion (Patronal)	HASTINGLEIGH
Sunday 21	PENTECOST 18	
9.30am	NO SERVICE	ELMSTED
11.00am	Holy Communion (The Revd John Hewes)	HASTINGLEIGH
Sunday 28	PENTECOST 19	
9.30am	H.Communion (BCP) (The Revd John Hewes)	HASTINGLEIGH
6.00pm	Harvest Thanksgiving at	Upper HARDRES

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from the Records

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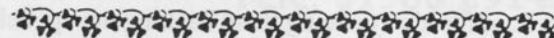
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DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

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4 th Thurs	W.I. Meeting	Evington Hall 7.30 pm
8 th Mon	Wye cycle collection	Evington Hall 8.30 - 10.00 am
9 th Tues	Bodsham School Term commences	
11 th Thurs	Art Group	Evington Hall 9.30 am
13 th Sat	Kent Churches Cycle Ride	10.00 am - 6.00 pm
13 th Sat	Lord Whisky Centre Boot Fayre	12.30 pm - 3.30 pm
14 th Sun	Footpath Walk	Evington Hall 2.00 pm
16 th Tues	Evington Gardeners (New Zealand Countryside)	Evington Hall 7.30 pm
17 th Weds	Table Tennis commences	Evington Hall 7.30 pm
18 th Thurs	Art Group	Evington Hall 9.30 am
20 th Sat	"597 Experience"	Detling Showground
21 st Sun	Sunday Seekers	Evington Hall 9.30 am
24 th Weds	Chiropody Clinic	Evington Hall
24 th Weds	Table Tennis	Evington Hall 7.30 pm
25 th Thurs	Art Group	Evington Hall 9.30 am
28 th Sun	Harvest Thanksgiving Joint Service at	Upper Hardres 6.00 pm



EVINGTON CRICKET CLUB MATCHES IN SEPTEMBER

7 th	Home	1.30 pm	(Southfleet)
14 th	Away	1.30 pm	(Bethersden)
21 st	Home	1.30 pm	(Brookland)
28 th	Home	1.00 pm	(Bilsington)



From the Editor

Recently there have been several "Last Times" and now it is the turn of my "last time" as Editor and Collator of the Community News. Four and a half years ago Bill and Alice persuaded me that I could do the job! It was unlike anything I had ever attempted before and so it was with some trepidation I commenced my new monthly job! These last years have been very interesting and also a good lesson in self-discipline for me. Timing is so important in the production line and many an afternoon or evening when I would like to have been gardening or going out, collating the 220 magazines has had to be the prime job, so that they were at the distributors before the end of the month. Several times there have been serious "hiccups" somewhere along the line and I have thought we would miss the date, but, by burning the candle late into the night, I have managed to clear the Magazines and the Outlooks from the dining room table every month before the last day.

I would like to take this opportunity to say thank you to everybody who has fed me with material for the magazine (both monthly and on one off occasions); to all the typists on the rota and to all the distributors. (No more will I hear the groan of "Oh dear here comes the bag-lady" from Jean, as I enter the shop laden with magazines!!).

My last two thank-yous are to Bill and Paul. To Bill for all the time he spends photocopying the pages of adverts and news material for each month, - making sure that the presentation of the magazine is as professional as is possible. Also for all his kindness and helpfulness to me. And to Paul for always being there backing me up, helping with proof reading, finding relative pictures which have alluded me and sometimes even retyping the whole magazine, late at night, when some disaster has struck the typist's machine.

So thank you everybody for helping me to make my small contribution to the life of these two special villages.

I am so pleased to be able to tell you that Sheila Burrage has kindly agreed to take on the job of Editor of the Community News, as from September. Please keep the material flowing in for her and offer any new ideas for articles for the future. It can be quite worrying to have to find material for two empty sides of an A4 page spread - much better to have articles which can be postponed to next month if too full!

Please also help your editor by sending in written articles - not by phoning with an event and suggesting the editor composes the article herself.

Thank you Sheila for 'taking over' from me. I hope you enjoy the job as I have.

- Sheila's address is 4 The Bowl Field, Hastingsleigh - 750375

Jenny Cox



Paul and Jenny are on the move to:

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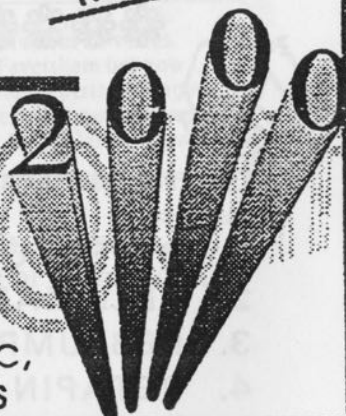
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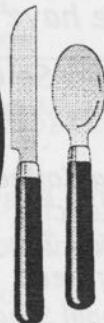
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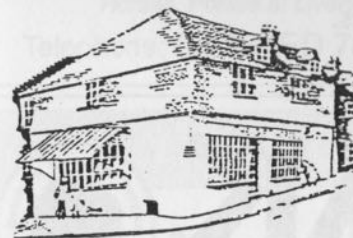
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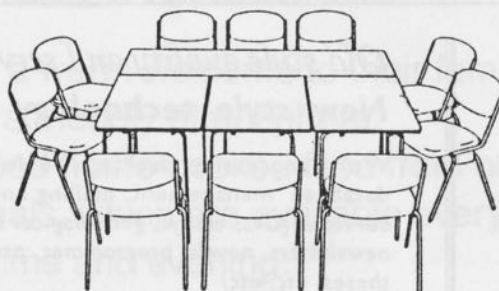
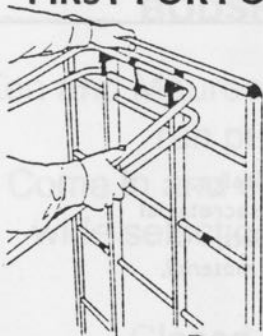
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