



April 2023

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If you'd like to join us and give our lovely village a bit of a tidy-up, meet outside the Five Bells Pub on Sunday 30th April from 10:30am. Equipment and outfits provided!

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Velvet Shank Mushroom

I see that some tracts of the woodlands (Hollows Wood) on the way to Shoreham have been harvested. These are mainly hazel and the coppicing of the trees allows more light to enter the woodland areas and different species of plants, insects and birds move into the area to take advantage of the new environment. It's always strange to see a stretch of woodland that one has become familiar with suddenly change but this is a process that has been used since the stone age and ultimately leads to more wildlife diversity. And speaking of diversity, a story on the BBC website recently reported that a surprisingly large and worrying proportion of flowers in the wild are not indigenous species. The report suggested that around 50% of plants in the British countryside were not native to these shores. On a similar theme I watched the first of Sir David Attenborough's new series 'Wild Isles' and was surprised to hear that Britain has 85% of Europe's ancient oaks

(defined as being 500 + years old) yet one of the smallest proportions of land covered by forest. I remember there being talk of 'creating' new forests some years ago but have never heard anything more about that idea!

Early in January of the new year I was walking down Maypole road when I saw some mushrooms growing from the trunk of a small elm tree opposite the front of Mount Hall. It



seemed like a little investigation was in order so I took a couple of photos and decided to research this fungi for a future piece for the Village Voice. Of course, not everything is as easy as one expects and

positively identifying this fungi turned out to be more difficult than I initially expected. I never have been good at identifying mushrooms and as any species of mushroom can appear to vary due to age, condition and environmental conditions in which it is growing, I find the task difficult. What also didn't help was that I had taken some photos thinking this was all I needed but had not bothered to take any notes with regard to the gills or other more specific details. However, the golden colour was quite distinctive and consequently I initially thought the mushroom was one known colloquially as Caesar's Mushroom. That is until I found that this mushroom has yet to be found in the UK as it favours warmer climes. Clearly, a winter flowering mushroom limits the options somewhat and further research clearly showed the species to be the Velvet Shank mushroom (Flammulina velutipes). Other than its winter flowering nature, the other identifying features are its size, up to

7 cm wide and its distinctive bright orange colour. Indeed, its name

time I found these mushrooms. It is edible and its winter flowering



Flammulina means to shine like 'little flames' while '*velutipes*' means 'with velvet legs'. Its gills (the linear features under the cap) are broad and white while the stem is yellow to brown in colour without a ring (or skirt) and has a velvety texture giving rise to its name. The final means of identification is to cut the stem and you should find a small central hollow running the length of the stem: although I clearly did not know that at the

nature makes it a valuable food source for both mushroom collectors and invertebrates at this otherwise difficult time of year. Such is its comfort in winter that it is one of the few mushrooms that can survive an overnight frost and can even survive being frozen solid!

It can grow as a lone mushroom but more frequently in crowded groups on decaying wood and as it happens the

specimens I found were growing on a rather unhealthy but standing elm which this mushroom is known to favour. After the Dutch elm disease that struck down so many elms in the 70s and 80s this mushroom had a field day and became very common. Previously this mushroom was confused with a similar fungi (*Flammulina filiformis* – known as *Enoki-take* in Japan) that is grown commercially in South East Asia and used particularly in Japanese cuisine but recent DNA sequencing has shown the two of them to be different species.

As mentioned, the velvet shank mushrooms are edible but they should always be cooked before consuming. The stems are quite tough so only the caps are eaten, and the cap's skin should be removed prior to cooking. They are however, rather lacking in taste and are best used by cutting into strips and used as additions to soups. But do be careful as many small brown mushrooms can be dangerous, even to the touch.

Steve Fuller
April 2023

Mutterings From the Millers

I know we needed the rain but phew didn't it come now during March along with the snow flurries. Definitely in like a lamb and out like a lion.

The boys have still managed to keep fairly busy over the last couple of months, ongoing roof replacement, repairing a few walls and general maintenance around the yard. The next field jobs are fertilising the grass and rolling it. After last years fires, which we think was probably caused by the mower hitting a flint, we purchased a new roll. This can only be done in the spring before the grass gets too high and there shouldn't be a frost. The heavy roll pushes the flints and stones back down into the soil. There are many theories on whether this is a good for soil structure or a waste of time and money, we will see.

We trialled a new net wrap for the hay bales last year which is bio degradable but unfortunately the rodents seem to think it is for their lunch. Needless to

say, some of the bales are coming apart where the wrap has been chewed. Fortunately we used all that we purchased last year so will go back to our original wrap.

Defra have now published further information on the roll out of their environmental land management scheme, (ELM). This is the payments for some new sustainable farming incentives, which come into place in the Autumn. The different levels have been dropped and the "pick and mix" approach allows the farmer greater flexibility to choose a combination of actions that will work with existing farm systems and practices. The different sections include:-

Hedgerow standard

- a). For assessing and recording hedgerow condition.
- b). Managing hedgerows so there is a range of heights and widths
- c). Maintaining existing hedgerows trees, or establishing new ones to there is an average of 1

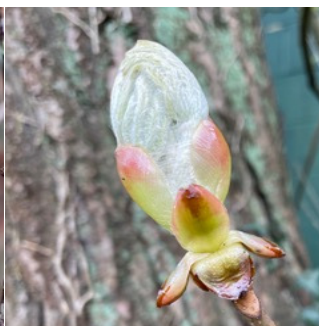
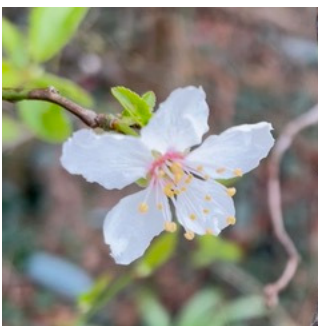
tree per 100m Integrated Pest Management

- a). Completing an integrated pest management assessment and IPM plan
 - b). Establishing and maintaining flower rich grass margins and strips
 - c). Establishing companion crop
 - d). No use of insecticides
- And so it goes on. I'm sure if you really want to know more, you can consult the Defra website. We will look hard at these new levels along with the previous ones especially as we have to fill in all the paperwork for this in May.

During the middle of March, we have had quite large flocks of redwings with a few fieldfares amongst them in the large lime trees chattering away. Why do they all seem to face the same way? Lovely to see a dozen or so of the shy redwings in the garden where you can see them a bit closer and that amazing stripe across their eye and the orangey-red flank. I think

I have spoken about them before but apparently they migrate at night during April to Iceland and Scandinavia when the sky is clear and the wind is in the east.

The gardens birds are singing their hearts out now which is lovely to hear although the skylarks have been singing since the beginning of the year. Wonderful. Watch out for the swallows, last year we saw our first one on the 23rd April but I'm sure the first few have arrived in the UK somewhere. Apparently, there have been lots of sightings of the Alpine Swift over the Kent coast, these birds are larger than the swifts we see here. I will be pleased to any number of swifts, swallows and house martins this year, we were a bit short of swallows around the farm last summer.



strobili (the red flower-like woody seeds) are out on the larch trees. Lovely word strobili, I had to look that up by the way.

There are plenty of weather sayings for spring but my favourite is still about the early appearance of frogspawn indicating a mild spring and early summer - suitable weather for tadpoles. The position of the frogspawn on a pond is also significant. If the spawn is in a sheltered spot near the edge, a wet and windy spring is expected. If it is out in the middle, it indicates a dry spring and early summer. It appears that frogs choose deep water for safety when they sense impending drought. When I sense impending doom, I eat chocolate!

As you can see, the Chelsfield green is showing us spring, the blossom of the cherry plum is quite fragrant and with such delicate petals and the cowslips leaves are just pushing through the earth. The horse chestnut leaves are unfurling, birch catkins, lesser celandine and the



*Chris Miller
Court Lodge Farm
April 2023*

Halstead & District Horticultural Society

April 20th 8pm Talk Late flowering Perennials & Grasses (Plants will be on sale)

April 22nd A walking tour of London's Gardens (outing)

May 8th 9.30am-12 plant sale Halstead Village Hall

June 7th Outing to Belmont House and Doddington Place Gardens by coach

June 22nd 7.45pm Summer show Halstead Village Hall

Mid July (TBC) Outing to Penns in the Rocks Groombridge (own transport)

Sept 2nd Autumn Show 2pm Halstead Village Hall (Staging 9.30-11.30)

Sept 28th 8pm Talk My families Alstroemeria nursery and the UK flower

industry (Flowers available to buy)

Oct 12th Quiz 7.30pm Halstead Village Hall

Oct 26th 8pm Talk The great Storm of 1987 Halstead Village Hall

Nov 23rd AGM 8pm Halstead Village Hall

Membership £10 per year - or joint membership £15

Kent Heights Flower Club

If you love flowers, come and join our Club. Everyone welcome, sit back, relax and watch the demonstration, pick up some useful tips, learn new skills and discover new interests

We meet the first Thursday of the month, March through to July, September through to November

7.00pm for 7.30pm

with a Christmas lunch in December

Halstead Village Hall, Knockholt Road, TN14 7EX

Patricia Ellis is our Demonstrator on 6th April with a theme of 'Serendipidy' and Elouise Halfier-Stott on 4th May

Members £5 including refreshment

Come and join us, have a coffee beforehand, enjoy the entertainment, enter the raffle and you will have a chance to win one of Patricia's beautiful arrangements

For further information contact
Sally Kemsley on 01959 534406

Have You Lost a Ring?

I found a ring outside the village hall on Thursday 16th March. Thought it may be worth a shot if anyone has lost a ring recently in the area to

place a note here. Obviously if anyone comes forward to claim it and can describe it, then I can return it to the rightful owner.

If you think it may be yours please contact me to collect it.

Mark
fisagb@gmail.com

View from the Rectory

ULEZ Expansion – Good, bad or maybe both?

The proposed expansion of the ULEZ in London has created much discussion, annoyance and campaigning over recent weeks. I have been thinking about it recently and I think I can see both sides of the argument. I think it is safe to say that we would all like to be breathing cleaner air and as someone who suffers with asthma that is of particular concern to me. With this in mind, the rationale behind the ULEZ is sound and sometimes people need a nudge to do the right thing. It is also true to say that many of the efforts we are making to reduce the impact of climate change and to protect the environment in general

are no where near radical enough and seem to be paying lip service to the issues. The current state of our rivers and the continuing situation which allows water companies to pump sewerage into them is a scandal and does not seem to be likely to end any time soon.

Returning to ULEZ though, is it the best way to achieve the desired goal and is it fair. The expansion should not come as a surprise to us as it was discussed in policy documents from TfL. The issue comes in the way that ULEZ works and who it affects. It could be argued that if we really want to clean up the air further then we would not introduce a charge for polluting cars but instead would ban them altogether. This is

where the Mayor and TfL can be accused of using it as a money-making activity. In addition, I wonder how long it will take to recoup the money needed to install the hundreds of cameras needed to administer the system.

In addition to this, most people who continue to drive non-ULEZ compliant cars will probably be doing so because they are unable to afford to change their cars to ULEZ compliant ones and so the scheme does disproportionately affect the poorer in society. There is also the current statistic that 96% of vehicles are ULEZ compliant already and so do that 4% really affect air quality that much in the grand scheme of things. If ULEZ were not expanded, the number of

compliant vehicles will continue to rise over time anyway without the need for this controversial and costly scheme.

The mayor would say that he has introduced a scrappage scheme but this is limited to those who claim particular benefits and it is likely that many of those people would not be able to afford to run a car anyway so the people who are most hit are those who live just above the line needed to receive state benefits but can just about afford to run a car.

The cost of upgrading may well be prohibitive for people in that situation as for example I have today seen an advertisement for a 2007 Ford Fiesta with 110,000 miles on the clock, which is probably the oldest ULEZ compliant one. It is priced at £1500. That will be beyond the price range of some people currently driving non ULEZ compliant cars.

To sum up, I believe the aims of ULEZ are right but its implementation will disproportionately affect the poor. Those with

larger incomes will continue to pollute our streets and pay the £12.50 per day whereas those who can't afford to replace their cars will probably stop using them altogether and become isolated at home.

Several London boroughs are taking Legal action and seeking a judicial review but I think he expansion will go ahead. Please look out for neighbours who will be priced off the road and try and help them in any way you can.

Rev Michael

Drama in Bucks Cross Road

March 7th brought drama to the village when a six month old Range Rover

rolled over in Bucks Cross Road, hitting three parked vehicles in the

process (writing on off!). Fortunately no one was injured.



WELL HILL MISSION CHURCH
in the Parish of Chelsfield, Kent
founded 1893



130th ANNIVERSARY FLOWER FESTIVAL "FARMING THROUGH THE AGES"

24th and 25th JUNE 2023

As we advertised last month, Well Hill Mission church is celebrating its 130th anniversary in June. We have sent invitations out to local churches and to other local groups to contribute displays, and have had a very positive initial response. There is still, however, plenty of space for displays, and we would very much welcome contributions from either individuals or groups.

We have identified a number of sites in the church, and a list of locations with an idea of sizes, together with photographs of the interior of the church and a few of the displays from our centenary flower festival in 1993 is available from the contacts below. If you would like to do a display, let us know and we can reserve your preferred site for you.

As part of our weekend celebrations, we are hosting a concert by Dave Griffiths and family at 3pm, to be followed by a cream tea. The concert will be al fresco in the garden behind the church, so please pray for good weather. We won't be able to retreat indoors this year as the church will be full of the flower displays. We will have gazebos up, though, so we should be able to keep both performers and audience dry even if there is some rain. Tickets for the concert are necessarily limited by the amount of space available, so don't delay!

If you would be interested in creating a flower display for our festival, please email wh130th@gmail.com or phone Anne on 07767 783189 or Barbara on 07593 857447.

Concert tickets, price £12 to include the cream tea, please email wh130th@gmail.com, or phone Julia on 07930 676179.



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and Pratts Bottom



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**SUNDAY 9TH APRIL
10.00AM**

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Knit and Natter - Monday 10th April



The second Monday of every month at The Five Bells, 8pm.

knitting expert or want to get started, everyone is welcome.

for a chat too!

Knitting, crocheting and other crafts welcome.

Whether you are a

Feel free to join us just

We'd love to see you!

Why Not Join Your Local National Trust Centre?

The National Trust Orpington and Chislehurst Centre (NTOCC) was formed in 1980 with the aim to further the work of the National Trust by arranging a full programme of events and activities.

We are one of many similar Centres and Associations located across the country and membership is open to both members and non-members of the National Trust.

We have monthly evening lectures held at the Orpington Methodist Church, Sevenoaks Road

or delivered via ZOOM. In addition, there are some afternoon lectures at the Chislehurst Methodist Church, Prince Imperial Road. We also produce a quarterly Newsletter.

There is a regular programme of local walks, day trips, holidays and a variety of social events including concerts, theatre trips, BBQ/garden parties and Christmas lunches.

All monies raised go directly to the National Trust to help in the conservation of the nation's heritage and coastline. Since 1980 we have raised

approximately £220,000.

Projects have included the refurbishment of two painted staircases at Knole, a new lawn and benches at Emmetts Garden and the restoration of Mrs Woolf's portrait at Quebec House.

In 1995 to commemorate the [Centenary](#) of the National Trust we installed a stained glass window at the Holy Trinity Church, Crockham Hill where one of its founders, Octavia Hill, is buried in the churchyard.

To find out more about the Centre and how to join please send an email to ntocc100@gmail.com

Help if You Suffer From Pain

I have recently set up Orpington Fibromyalgia and Chronic Pain Support Group.

It is very informal and it is for any kind of pain that you suffer from.

St Mary's Church,
Worlds End Lane,
Orpington,

I myself suffer from daily chronic pain from my Rheumatoid Arthritis and as my nearest support group was in Maidstone I decided to start up a local group on my own.

I'm still learning along the way as we all are! So do pop along for a cuppa and chat.

All are welcome, just turn up.
email
mhmanagement101@gmail.com
for any queries:

We meet the first Thursday of the Month
From 2pm to 4 pm at:

Mary

Lullingstone Golf Course Closes

Lullingstone Park Golf Course has been closed due to the liquidation of it's owning company Senico. Sevenoaks and

Edenbridge Leisure Centres were also operated by Senico and have also been forced to close.

Sevenoaks District Council are seeking new operators and expect the sites to re-open in the near future.

We Need Your Support!



Through the goodwill of the residents and friends of Chelsfield Village we are just about managing to pay our way in printing costs for the Chelsfield Village Voice, but it's an ongoing process - we still need your generous support!

towards the cost of printing the Chelsfield Village Voice should be made payable to

"Chelsfield Village Hall" and sent to:

Peter Gandolfi
3 Orlestone Gardens
Chelsfield Village
Orpington

Kent
BR6 6HB

Donations may also be made directly online using the following account details:

Chelsfield Village Hall
Sort Code: 40-35-30
Account No: 31172344

Please use the reference "Village Voice" in order to identify the purpose of the payment.

Many Thanks, Dan Sloan

Donations (cheques)

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EASTER SUNDAY 9th APRIL 2023



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Carrot & Coriander soup with crusty bread

Salt & Pepper Squid with citrus mayonnaise

Ham Hock Terrine with piccalilli & Toasted ciabatta

Stilton, Walnut & Pear Salad with a raspberry & Balsamic Vinaigrette



Roast Lamb with Yorkshire Pudding, Roast Potatoes & Seasonal vegetables

Turkey Crown with a sage & onion stuffing, Yorkshire Pudding
seasonal vegetables & roast Potatoes

Smoked Haddock with crushed new potatoes
and a wholegrain mustard & Dill Sauce

Camembert, Fig & Red Onion Tart with mixed salad & new potatoes



Mini Egg & Vanilla Cheesecake

Rhubarb & Ginger Crumble

Chocolate Brownie

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Concert

Saturday
24th June 2023
at 3pm

Tickets **£12.00** includes
cream tea

Please bring your own picnic
chair

Tickets
wh130th@gmail.com
Julia Sparkes 07930 676179

Village Hall as Film Location?

We have been approached by ITV who were looking for a village hall for their forthcoming series on The Great Post Office Scandal, a miscarriage of justice involving the wrongful prosecutions of a large number of sub-postmasters.

At the start in 1999 sub-postmasters having problems were told that they were the only ones.

One sub-postmaster didn't believe this and found others also having problems with the software, and organised an initial meeting of

postmasters – in a village hall.

So far people from the production have made two visits and seem to like the hall and its setting.

We should hear more in a few days.

St Martin's Toddler Group Update

We were thrilled to welcome Heather as our new leader at our toddlers group in early March. Heather has already been an inspiration in planning our craft activities. The children and their carers were delighted with their

hand print chicks. Maybe we have some future Picassos! Also the beautiful Mothers day cards.

We have had a number of newcomers to our group recently and all who come enjoy the

happy atmosphere.

We would love some more volunteers to join our joyful group. You don't need any special qualification, just a willingness to help set up and chat to the carers and children and enjoy Mary's scrumptious tea and cakes too. Even if you can't make every week you would be very welcome. If you are interested to visit please contact the Parish office.

Val Hemmings





WELL HILL MISSION CHURCH
Founded 1893

130th ANNIVERSARY

FLOWER FESTIVAL

24th and 25th JUNE 2023
11am - 4pm

CONCERT & CREAM TEA
3pm Saturday 24th June

Tickets for concert and cream tea - £12
Email: wh130th@gmail.com
Tel: Julia Sparkes on 07930 676179

Chelsfield, Well Hill and District
Produce Show



Saturday 9th September 2023
in Chelsfield Village Hall

SCHEDULE AND RULES

Set up from 9.30am until 11am

Viewing from 2.00pm

Prize giving 4.00pm

Flower arrangements

1. ☺ An arrangement to celebrate the Coronation.

Flowers

2. 3 Roses.
3. A floating head of a Pansy.
4. 3 homegrown sunflowers.
5. A vase of garden flowers.
6. A single hydrangea head in a vase.

Vegetables

7. Gardener's choice. Enough vegetables for a meal for two comprising potatoes and two other vegetables.
8. A mixed salad– any three salad vegetables.
9. 3 Onions- tied & trimmed.
10. 5 potatoes of one variety.
11. 5 medium to large tomatoes.
12. 5 Chili Peppers.
13. A pair of courgettes.
14. 3 Carrots, trimmed.
15. The longest Runner Bean.
16. A jam jar of garden herbs.
17. A bucket of home produced compost.

Fruit

18. 3 Dessert Apples- polished.
19. 3 Cooking Apples- unpolished.
20. 3 Pears.
21. 5 plums.
22. A dish of wild fruit and nuts.
23. 3 of any other home grown fruit.

Wine

24. A bottle of dry white table wine.
25. A bottle of sweet white table wine.
26. A bottle of dry red table wine.
27. A bottle of sweet red table wine.
28. Any other home made alcoholic drink.

Country Fare

29. A basket of 5 Bread Rolls.

- 30. A gluten free cake
- 31. A Carrot Cake made using our listed recipe, but decorated to your own design
- 32. Five Cheese Straws.
- 33. An Apple Pie made with homemade pastry
- 34. Five decorated Cup Cakes.
- 35. A jar of Lemon Curd.
- 36. A jar of Chutney.
- 37. A jar of Honey.
- 38. Six fresh eggs.
- 39. Six Chocolate Truffles
- 40. A bottle of home made non-alcoholic Soft Drink

Photographs - All to be unmounted max size 8½ " x 6"

- 41. ☺ A Memory of the Coronation.
- 42. ☺ Wildlife in Chelsfield.
- 43. ☺ My Pet.
- 44. ☺ A Local Landmark.

Handicrafts

- 45. A hand knitted or crocheted item.
- 46. An item or tapestry or embroidery (specify if using kit).
- 47. ☺ A Glove Puppet.
- 48. ☺ A Christmas card.
- 49. ☺ A item of jewellery, any medium.
- 50. ☺ Any craft or hobby (specify if using a kit).
- 51. ☺ Any drawing or painting

Miscellany

- 52. ☺ A matchbox (standard size) filled with real listed items starting with the letter "C" for Coronation & Charles.
- 55. ☺ An Acrostic to spell out either "King", "Charles" or "Coronation" or a combination of these three words.
See an Acrostic example below

Classes marked with ☺ may be entered by adults or children (up to and including 11 year olds).

Children's entries will be judged separately with age taken into consideration.

Additional schedules and enquiries contact Dan Sloan 07414 920920
chelsfieldandwellhillproduceshow@gmail.com

The Cups & Trophies

KNOX-CUNNINGHAM CUP - Household cup, adult classes only.

WELL HILL CUP – Household cup, all classes.

KEN PICKERING CUP- First awarded in 1996. This is awarded to the “best in show”

TOM CASTLETON ROSE BOWL – This is awarded to the garden judged to most enhance Chelsfield Village.

ALLOTMENTS CUP- First awarded in 1996. To be awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the vegetable class.

CHILDRENS' CUP- This is awarded to the child with the highest number of points in the Children's' classes.

QUEEN ELIZABETH II GOLDEN JUBILEE PLATE - This is awarded to the individual with the highest number of points not awarded the Knox-Cunningham or Well Hill Cup.

WINE CLUB CUP - First awarded in 1996. This is awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the Wine Class

COUNTRY FARE CUP – This is awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the Country Fare class.

TRISS & JOHN COTTENDEN TROPHY – First awarded in 2007. This is awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the Flower classes.

PROGRAMME

Staging: 9.30-11.00 a.m. Entries will not be accepted after 11.00 a.m.. Judging 11.30.
Viewing 2.00p.m. Prize Giving 4.00 p.m.

RULES

Open to residents of Chelsfield, Well Hill and District.

50p per entry. Children's classes free.

Competitors may submit more than one entry in each class, but can only win one prize per class. Children may submit entries in adult classes 50p per class.

Fruit, vegetables and flowers (except in classes 1 and 22) must be home-grown.

Handicrafts, cookery and wine must be homemade. No item may have been exhibited at this show in previous years.

Winning entries will be awarded points as follows:

1st prize: 3 points (red card) & prize (will vary according to class)

2nd prize: 2 points (blue card) & prize (will vary according to class)

3rd prize: 1 point (green card) & prize (will vary according to class)

Handicraft classes and children's classes will be judged on individual merit.

Children's classes will be judged with age taken into consideration.

HOUSEHOLD CUPS

The Knox Cunningham Cup will be awarded to the household with the highest number of points gained in all adult classes. The Well Hill Cup will be awarded to the household with the highest number of points in all classes. No household may win both cups. Only the best score in the household in each class will be counted.

Each entry must be accompanied by a 2" square of white paper (yellow for children, provided). On the back should be: Your name and the class number of your entry.

You will be given a competitor's number when you arrive, which must be written on the front of the square of paper.

Entries for the children's classes should show the child's age on the front of the square of paper.

Chelsfield Community Cafe



It's Spring and the days are longer and slightly warmer. Why not come join us for a Cuppa & some cake??

On 5th April we will have a little fun with crafts by making Easter cards & bonnets. We'll also have

an Easter egg raffle.

We look forward to seeing you on 1st & 3rd Weds afternoon of each month.

*Mags, Pam
& Chelsfield Volunteers*

Demelza Cake Stall at Coronation Party

We hope you have heard about the Chelsfield Park Residents party on Sunday, 7th May to celebrate the Coronation? If not we will

provide more information in the May issue of the Village Voice.

I would like to mention and invite you to visit the

cake stall we are holding as part of the fund raising for Demelza Hospice Care for Children

Rosemary Norris

Local History Group - Donald Ward

Chelsfield Poet & Pacifist

Jerry Dowlen gave a well illustrated talk to the local history group telling us more about Donald Ward who was featured in February's Village Voice.

I knew Donald as a friend and neighbour. It started one day in 1971 when I opened the local newspaper and I saw that Donald's first book of poetry had been published by Allison & Busby and had won an Arts Council award. I

recognised Donald as someone that I regularly saw at Cray Wanderers football. At the very next Cray match I shyly introduced myself to him and congratulated him about his book. It was the start of a friendship that lasted until and beyond his death in 2003. I say 'beyond' his death because in 2013 I was involved in running some ten-year memorial events that included a retrospective exhibition of Donald's life and work in Bromley Museum at the Priory and also at

Bromley Central Library.

In 1971 Donald had been 62 and I was 24. I put him up on a pedestal. I thought it was *fantastic* to get a book of poems published. Coming back to earth and looking back on it all now I realise more rationally that yes Donald was a valuable mentor to me about being an author and/or a poet. Donald Ward gifted us a legacy of lovely and powerful poems that not only are descriptive of recognisable local places like Cudham and High

Elms but are also his chosen medium for opening his soul for our scrutiny.



Why choose to write *poetry*? It is a minority and notoriously unrewarding branch of literature. Write a cook book or a biography of the royal family and you'll have a stampede of publishers waving their cheque books at you. But hardly anyone got rich by writing poetry? Donald explained: 'Poetry must fight for the mysterious against the obvious; for the natural world against modern-day materialism.'

Donald was an important influence upon me, if only subconsciously, in how I looked at the world through the different lenses of politics, religion and humanity. All of us, I am sure, have had our lives and our thinking shaped by older people – our parents, our school teachers, and others we have come into contact with. Donald was

someone like that for me.

If Donald walked in here now, what would we all see. A tallish, slender man with an upright gait. A mane of white hair, a goatee beard. A rather reedy voice, a jovial temperament ... but sometimes with a sense of the ethereal about him, a sense of being detached, not quite in the real world, the proverbial 'absent-minded professor' perhaps wrapped up privately with the themes of human struggle that he would express in poems that could sometimes be beautiful but powerful and difficult too.

The Dead Snake debut collection of poems was published in 1971 by Allison & Busby – amongst their other authors in the early 1970s were Michael Moorcock and Jill Murphy ('The Worst Witch').

Donald was very chuffed in 1981 to have a second book of poems published, this time by Anvil Press, Greenwich whose other authors included a young Carol Ann Duffy. Thirty years later she was appointed poet laureate.

In the final years of his life the Anvil Press came back and published another big, dare I say, 'proper' volume of his work, Adonis Blue. This was in effect his third big 'proper' book of published poems.

Sadly, the book was published after Donald's death in February 2003 but the publisher told me that Donald saw the proofs and was thrilled by them.

Donald's poem, Cudham Hill, written in 1975, paints a picture which is still recognisable today.

The hedges are so high
your cars are lost in
them.

You must walk if you are
to see. Stand still

And hear St Mary's bells
lulling the ear. Stay

At the curves. The hill
nowhere takes the steep

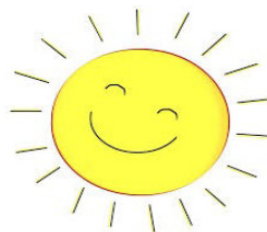
But curls its miles.
Halfway you see the
fields

Wind rippled fall to
woods. Some scent

Anoints me, also
undefined.



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GUIDED SPRING WALK Saturday 15th April

**Circular Walk starting at
St. Martin's Church, Chelsfield
At 10.00am
Approx 4 miles - some stiles to cross**



**Teas and
coffees served
from 9.30 to
12.30**



**Breakfast buns
available at the
church from 11.30
to 12.30 - £5**



THE PARISH OF CHELSFIELD in the Diocese of Rochester

REVISION OF CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Notice is hereby given

that the Church Electoral Roll of the above parish will be revised by the Parochial Church Council, beginning on the 1st day of April 2023 and ending on the 15th day of April 2023.

After the revision, a copy of the Roll will be published by the Parochial Church Council on the church noticeboard for at least 14 days and a copy of the Roll will be available for inspection on a reasonable request being made to the Council.

Under the Church Representation Rules any lay persons are entitled to have their names entered on the roll if the person is—

- (a) is baptised,
- (b) is aged 16 or over, and
- (c) has made one of the following three declarations and duly applied for enrolment.

The first declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it and is resident in the parish.

The second declaration is that the person is a member of the Church of England or of a Church in communion with it, is not resident in the parish, but has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

The third declaration is that the person is a member in good standing of a Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity and is also a member of the Church of England and has habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding six months.

Application Forms for enrolment can be obtained from the Church Electoral Roll Officer. In order for a person to be entitled to attend the annual parochial church meeting and to take part in its proceedings, an Application Form for enrolment must be returned by the date shown above for the ending of the revision of the Church Electoral Roll by the Parochial Church Council.

Any error discovered in the Roll should at once be reported to the Church Electoral Roll Officer.

Dated this 25th day of March 2023

Signed EE Ceolesm
Church Electoral Roll Officer

Address: Goodwood, 10 Logs Hill, Chislehurst. BR7 5LW

Email: roll@stmartinchelsfield.org.uk



THE PARISH OF CHELSFIELD

NOTICE OF ANNUAL PAROCHIAL CHURCH MEETING

The Annual Parochial Church Meeting will be held at in the Brass Crosby Room of the church of St. Martin of Tours, Chelsfield on the
30th day of April 2023 at 4.30pm

1. For the election of SIX parochial representatives of the laity to the Parochial Church Council.
2. For the election of TWO parochial representatives of the laity to the Deanery Synod.
3. For the appointment of the Independent Examiner.
4. For the consideration of:
 - (a) a report on changes to the Electoral Roll since the last Annual Parochial Church Meeting held on 24th April 2022;
 - (b) an Annual Report on the proceedings of the Parochial Church Council and the activities of the parish during 2022;
 - (c) the Financial Statements for the year ending 31st December 2022;
 - (d) an Annual Report on the fabric, goods and ornaments of the churches of the parish;
 - (e) a report of the proceedings of the Deanery Synod;
 - (f) other matters of parochial or general Church interest.

S. F. Atkinson-Jones

The Reverend Susan Atkinson-Jones

Rector of the Benefice of Chelsfield with Green Street Green and Pratts Bottom

**Nomination forms, meeting papers and details concerning attendance and voting will be available on the church website at:
<http://www.stmartinchelsfield.org.uk/report.html>**



THE PARISH OF CHELSFIELD

APPLICATION FOR ENROLMENT
ON THE CHURCH ELECTORAL ROLL

Full name _____

Preferred title (if any) _____

Full address _____

Postcode _____

Email (optional) _____ Phone no (optional) _____

1: I declare that (please tick only one box from options A or B)

1A ☐ I am baptised, am a lay person, and am aged 16 or over1B ☐ I am baptised, am a lay person, and become 16* on _____
* Those who become 16 in the next 12 months may complete the form and become eligible to be entered on the roll on their 16th birthday

2: I declare that (please tick only one box from options A, B or C)

2A ☐ I am a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England) and am resident in the parish2B* ☐ I am a member of the Church of England (or of a Church in communion with the Church of England), am not resident in the parish, [but have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding 6 months] / [and would have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding 6 months, but was prevented from doing so because _____]2C* ☐ I am a member in good standing of Church which is not in communion with the Church of England but subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity, am also a member of the Church of England and [have habitually attended public worship in the parish during the preceding 6 months] / [would have habitually attended public worship during the preceding 6 months but was prevented from doing so because _____]

**If you tick 2B or 2C in circumstances where a new Roll is being prepared, you must delete either the first set of words in square brackets or the second set. If you delete the first set, you must complete the second set by filling in the space at the end. See Note 3 for further information.*

I declare that the above answers are true, and I apply for inclusion on the church electoral roll of the parish.

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Please read the notes overleaf, and, if you are happy to do so, consent to being contacted by Chelsfield PCC in relation to events and other matters of interest.



We hope you enjoy being part of the Chelsfield parish community and we would love to stay in touch with you. If you would like to be informed of future events and other church news please tick the box below and complete the email address and / or phone number on the front of this form. If you tick the box, we will add you to our mailing list. You can unsubscribe at any time by contacting us at admin@stmartinchelsfield.org.uk.

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I consent to Chelsfield PCC contacting me in relation to events and other matters of interest

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Notes

General matters

- 1 The only Churches at present in communion with the Church of England are other Anglican Churches and certain foreign Churches, as listed in the Supplementary Material to the Canons (but note [Rule 83\(3\)](#) of the Church Representation Rules, which provides for any question as to whether a particular Church is in communion with the Church of England to be decided by the Archbishops of Canterbury and York acting jointly).
- 2 Membership of the electoral roll is also open to members in good standing of a Church not in communion with the Church of England which subscribes to the doctrine of the Holy Trinity where those members are also prepared to declare themselves to be members of the Church of England.
- 3 Every six years a new roll is prepared and those on the previous roll are informed so that they can reapply. If you are not resident in the parish but were on the roll as a habitual worshipper and have been prevented by illness or other sufficient cause from worshipping for the past six months, you should complete declaration 2B or 2C as follows –
 - (a) delete the first set of words in square brackets and
 - (b) at the end of the second set of words in square brackets, briefly state the reason for not having worshipped as mentioned.
- 4 If you have any problems with this Form, please approach the clergy or lay people responsible for the parish, who will be pleased to help you.
- 5 In this Form 'parish' means ecclesiastical parish.

Use of email addresses and other personal data

- 6 You do not have to provide an email address on this Form. If you do provide one, the Parochial Church Council and the electoral roll officer are entitled to use that email address to communicate with you in connection with the maintenance or revision of the Roll or the preparation of a new Roll or with elections to or membership of the Council.
- 7 The Church Representation Rules impose certain requirements for your name and address to be given to a third party, such as the diocesan electoral registration officer, in connection with elections to or membership of a deanery synod, diocesan synod or the House of Laity of the General Synod. If you provide an email address on this Form, it will be given to the third party along with your postal address.
- 8 A third party to whom your name and address have been given under the Church Representation Rules is in certain cases required by the Rules to pass them on to another person, such as the presiding officer in a synodical election. If you provide an email address on this Form, that email address will be given to the other person along with your postal address.
- 9 Any person to whom your email address or other personal data is given under the Church Representation Rules is required by those Rules to hold the data securely. Furthermore, if you do provide an email address on this Form, that does not give anybody the right to use it for any purpose other than those permitted by the Rules; so it cannot, for example, be used for social matters or fund-raising unless you have signed the consent above.
- 10 The roll is published after each annual revision and after the preparation of a new roll. The published roll will include your name (as well as the name of every other person on the roll) but none of your other personal data (as defined by the Data Protection Act 2018) will be made public as a result of your inclusion on the roll.



Save the Date!

St. Martin's Summer Fete Saturday 10th June 2023

12 noon – 4pm

Rectory Gardens, Skibbs Lane, Chelsfield BR6 7RH

Looking for volunteers to help set up, man stalls etc etc!

Contact Anne on secretarypcc@stmartinchelsfield.org

Talk on Flowering Perennials & Grasses

Halstead & District Horticultural Society are having a talk on 20th April 2023 at 8pm.

Everyone is welcome to attend and if you are not a member its a £2 entry fee.

The talk will be by Nigel

Gibson from Provinder Nursery and he will be talking about late flowering perennials and grasses. He is also bringing plants to sell and will be offering advice if you need any.

The event will be held in Halstead Village Hall,

Knockholt Road, TN14 7EX

For other events you may be interested in follow our facebook or twitter pages @HalsteadHort or check our diary on page 6 of this issue.

Penny Newman

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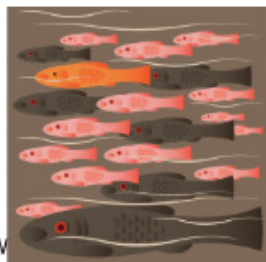
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GOOD FRIDAY

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7th APRIL 2023



DEEP FRIED W ce £7.50

WARM SMOKED MACKEREL with horseradish & watercress £6.95

PAN FRIED KING PRAWNS
WITH CHILLI & GARLIC BUTTER
Served with crusty bread £8.95

COD    wrapped in bacon
Served with rosti potato & pea puree
£16.95

PAN FRIED SKATE WING with caper butter
roasted new potatoes & green beans
£22.95

STICKY FIVE SPICE & SOY SALMON
With stir fry vegetables & noodles
£17.95

Passing Time in Chelsfield

Shepherd's Pie and a Dog Show



"I have to try the shepherds pie at the Five Bells pub in Chelsfield!" That's what I told myself after I went there for a drink recently. My name is Ian, I am a local estate agent, and I have lived all my life (I'm 28 now) in Orpington. I was in the Five Bells with the co-presenter of the Bromley Buzz podcast, Darren Weale (see www.bromleybuzz.uk).

We got talking with the new landlord, Sam Gregory. He told us that he's had the pub for eight months now. He's done quite a bit of work on it – new furniture, some redecoration, and now the garden is being improved in time for the summer.

Sam was brought up, like me, in Orpington, and he is a chef, including at the Five Bells previously. He always wanted to run a pub. Now, Sam has his wish. If you've not been in before, or not returned for a while, drop in and have a drink. Or try Sam's favourite dish from the menu, the shepherd's pie, made with pulled lamb, and as many local ingredients as he can find, such as meat from Whitegate Farm and its butchers shop in Orpington.

Sam is enjoying putting on more live music, and loves running a family-friendly pub. He also reassured Darren that the Five Bells dog show will be on again this year. Darren has never forgotten seeing a St Bernard dog trying to go through hoops and pulling

them all out of the ground.

If you want to know more about me, check out my website, www.ianwoodproperty.co.uk

You can hear me interviewed on the Business Bunker podcast, based in Ashford, recorded earlier on the the same day we were in the Five Bells! See show 623 in Past Shows, here: www.kentbusinessradio.co.uk

Wouldn't you need a drink after being on the radio?

If you see me in the pub, I'm tall, dark-haired, and I wear glasses! Chances are I'll be having a pint of orange juice. Do say 'hello'.

*Ian Wood,
29th March 2023*





April 2023

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The Friends of the Princess Royal University Hospital

are holding a

Table Sale

on Tuesday 4th and Wednesday 5th April 2023

between 10am and 6pm
inside the main entrance to the

Princess Royal University Hospital

Farnborough Common
Orpington
Kent BR6 8ND

Lots of goodies to buy

All proceeds go towards making the hospital a better place for patients and staff

Do please come and support us on the day

ROSEBERYS LONDON
Fine Art Auctioneers & Valuers.

**ROTARY CLUB OF
LANGLEY PARK**

CHARITY VALUATION DAY

Saturday 29th April

10 am – 2 pm

Specialists from Roseberys, London will be on hand to value items of all areas of general interest.



All proceeds will be donated to charities supported by the Rotary Club of Langley Park

VALUATION COSTS

£5 per item or £10 for three.

VENUE ADDRESS

Hewitt Room, Emmanuel Church URC,
The Grove, West Wickham, BR4 9JS



Can You Lend Us a Hand?

Monday 8th May - 9am to 1pm
St Martin's Church, Chelsfield

Our 900 year old church and its large churchyard are loved by the congregation and the wider community. It needs lots of TLC to keep it looking lovely so we're holding a big working party to get as many jobs done as possible inside and out. There are kneelers and brass to be cleaned, pews polished, door handles fixed, fences painted, lights cleaned, bushes pruned, ivy cut back, and many more tasks - and many hands make light work!

Please get in touch if you'd like to join us or just come along on the day. Check out our website, email bho@stmartinchelsfield.org.uk or call Philippa on 07826 516481

www.stmartinchelsfield.org.uk/bighelpout

www.thebighelpout.org.uk

#TheBigHelpOut



Don't Get Scammed This Spring

Kent County Council Checked Scheme

Spring is just around the corner. Many of us are likely to be thinking about carrying out home or garden improvement work. This is also the time of year that rogue and criminal traders redouble their efforts to take advantage of homeowners seeking to improve their living space. They come with bogus offers of guttering and roofing repairs, or work on driveways and gardens.

This year, with household budgets under pressure for everyone, many are likely to be tempted by superficial bargains, which could end up costing dearly. It is all too common for doorstep criminals to promise the earth and fail to deliver. They leave a trail of unfinished or substandard work in their wake, with inflating prices as a project progresses far beyond what was originally agreed.

'Adam' was approached by a stranger outside his home

who told him that the coving on his roof needed urgent attention. What started as a friendly conversation about a relatively small issue ended with £18,000 spent on unnecessary work. When the criminal trader asked for even more money, Adam called in Trading Standards.

He's had sleepless nights ever since and was worried about leaving his home for a period in case the criminals returned. And unfortunately, he has been unable to get any of his money back.

Adam says: “– *do not trust anyone, even if you think you’re going to get a good job. Don’t trust them.*”

Never agree to having work carried out by cold-callers or sign up to high-pressure sales pitches. Always keep your door firmly closed to doorstep criminals. You can watch some of the shocking stories of financial abuse from doorstep crime victims here: <https://vimeo.com/showcase/9983819>

The good news is that for Kent residents, finding reputable, trustworthy and safe traders has never been easier. Kent County Council’s Trading Standards Checked is the only scheme of its kind that thoroughly vets local businesses. This

ensures that they operate to the high standards you would expect of anybody who carries out work on your home.

The website at www.kent.gov.uk/tschecked provides a free searchable database of traders, so you can find someone in your area to carry out the work you need. Plumbing, decorating, landscaping, roofing, pest control and many other services are included. Trading Standards Checked traders can also be found by calling 03000 41 64 38.

The traders signed up to the scheme are required to submit documentation and information that is checked by Kent Trading Standards.

The comprehensive 50-point check ensures traders adhere to consumer protection rules, that they are competent and capable of undertaking the work they commit to and that they are accountable if something goes wrong.

Report every instance of fraudulent activity to Public Protection.

- *To report doorstep criminals, call the charity Crimestoppers on 0800 555 111, completely anonymously.*
- *To report scams and get advice, call the Citizens Advice Consumer Helpline on 0808 223 1133*
- *If you feel threatened, call 999*

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Bromley Council

Main switchboard:

020 8464 3333

email: fixmystreet.com

Opening hours Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5.30pm

Address:

Civic Centre,
Stockwell Close,
Bromley, BR1 3UH
Problems may be reported via the council website,

www.bromley.gov.uk/report,

or if urgent by phone out of hours Emergency Duty Team
020 8464 4848

NHS Non-Emergency 111
Chelsfield Primary School
01689 825827

BT Faults 0800 800151
Councillors
Mike Botting
mike.botting@bromley.gov.uk

Angela Page
angela.page@bromley.gov.uk
Chelsfield Village Voice
chelsfieldvillagevoice@gmail.com
EDF Electrical Power Failure
Call 105 or
0800 316
Thames Water
Emergencies
0800 714614

Samaritans

116123

National Grid (Gas)

Emergency (leaks)

0800 111999

Bromley Police Station & Police

non emergency 101

Safer Neighbourhood Team

020 8721 2605

chelsfieldandbottomSNT@met.police.uk

Chelsfield Village Hall

(bookings)

01689 831826 or email to:

cvhlettings@gmail.com

Chelsfield Players

info@chelsfieldplayers.org

www.chelsfieldplayers.org

St Martin's Chelsfield & Well Hill Services



The Benefice of
Chelsfield with Green Street Green
and Pratts Bottom



St Martin's Chelsfield & Well Hill – Services – April 2023

All welcome! Come and join us any time. Please watch the church website for any updates

St Martin's

Palm Sunday

Sun 2 April 10.00am Holy Communion cwo1 : SAJ
6.30pm Choral Evensong BCP : MG

Wed 5 April 9.30am Holy Communion cwo2 : SAJ

Thu 6 April 8.00pm **Maundy Thursday Benefice Agape** at St Martin's**

Fri 7 April 2.00pm **Good Friday Liturgy** service MG

Sat 8 April 8.00pm **Benefice Easter Vigil** at St Martin's MG

Easter Day

Sun 9 April 10.00am **Parish Holy Communion** CWO1 : SAJ presiding, KIA preaching
6.30pm Sung Eucharist BCP : SAJ

Wed 12 April 9.30am Holy Communion cwo2 : MG

Sun 16 April 10.00am Holy Communion cwo1 : MG

Low Sunday 6.30pm Choral Evensong KIA

Wed 19 April 9.30am Holy Communion cwo2 : SAJ

Sun 23 April 10.00am Morning Worship MH

3rd of Easter 6.30pm Choral Evensong BCP : SAJ

Wed 26 April 9.30am Holy Communion cwo2 : SAJ

Sun 30 April 10.00am **Benefice Holy Communion** at St Martin's
SAJ presiding, MG preaching

4.30pm Annual Parochial Church Meeting

4th of Easter 6.30pm Choral Evensong BCP : MG

Well Hill

Sun 9 April 10.00am **Easter Day Parish Holy Communion at St Martin's**

Sun 23 April 10.00am Holy Communion MG

Key: CWO1 – Common Worship Order 1; CWO2 – Common Worship Order 2; BCP – Book of Common Prayer; SAJ : Rev Susan Atkinson-Jones, MG : Rev Michael Gentry MH: Rev Martin Hayward, KIA : Reader Ken l'Anson

** For more information please see www.stmartinchelsfield.org.uk

Dates For Your Diary

WEEKLY EVENTS

Every Tuesday
Five Bells
CHARITY QUIZ NIGHT
8.30pm

Every Thursday
The Chelsfield Pub
QUIZ NIGHT
from 7.30pm

INDIVIDUAL EVENTS

Tues 5th - Wed 6th April
Princess Royal University
Hospital
Table Sale
10am - 6pm (page 27)

Wednesday 5th April
Chelsfield Village Hall
Chelsfield Volunteers
Afternoon Tea & Talk
2.30pm-4.40pm (page 17)

Wednesday 5th April
The Five Bells
Bingo
From 9pm

Thursday 6th April
Halstead Village Hall
Kent Heights Flower Club
From 7pm for 7.30pm (page 6)

Sunday 9th April
St Martin's Church
Easter Egg Hunt & Service
From 10.00am
(see page 10)

Monday 10th April
Five Bells
KNIT & NATTER NIGHT
from 8.00pm (page 11)

Saturday 15th April
Starts at St Martin's Church
Guided Spring Walk
at 10am (see page 19)

Tuesday 18th April
Chelsfield Village Hall
Evening WI
7.30pm-9.30pm

Wednesday 19th April
Chelsfield Village Hall
Chelsfield Volunteers
AFTERNOON TEA
2.30pm-4.40pm (page 17)

Thursday 20th April
Halstead Village Hall
Talk on Perennials & Grasses
From 8pm (see page 24)

Saturday 22nd April
Coolings Garden Centre
Knockholt Farmers' Market
from 10am - 3pm

Friday 28th April
The Five Bells
LIVE MUSIC - Ransom

From 8.30pm

Saturday 29th April
Emmanuel Church, The Grove,
West Wickham BR4 9JS
Charity Valuation Day
10am - 2pm (see page 28)

Sunday 30th April
Meet at Five Bells
The Big Chelsfield Street Clean
from 10.30am (see front page)

Sunday 7th May
Chelsfield Park
Coronation Party with Demelza
Cake Stall
(see page 17)

Monday 8th May
St Martin's Church
The Big Help Out
9am - 1pm (see page 29)

Saturday 10th June
Rectory Gardens, Skibbs Lane
St Martin's Summer Fete
from 12 noon - 4pm (page 24)

Friday 16th - Sunday 18th June
Coolings Garden Centre
Craft Show
from 10am - 4pm

Saturday 24th June
Well Hill Mission Church
Concert
(see page 14)

Recycling Bin Collection April 2023

Monday 3rd April
Tuesday 11th April
Monday 17th April
Monday 24th April
Tuesday 2nd May

Non-recyclable refuse, Paper & Cardboard, Food Waste
Plastic, Glass and Tins, Food Waste.
Non-recyclable refuse, Paper & Cardboard, Food Waste
Plastic, Glass and Tins, Food Waste.
Non-recyclable refuse, Paper & Cardboard, Food Waste

Every week

Batteries, Small Electrical Items, Textiles (please only present one small transparent bag each week, and re-present the following week if it is not collected)

Every 2 weeks (Mar-Nov)
every Month (Dec-Feb)

Green Garden Waste is collected fortnightly or monthly only from households that subscribe (£60 per annum) to the Bromley scheme (Telephone: 0300 303 8658 for advice)