



## The Newsletter and “What’s On” Guide for Residents & Friends of Chelsfield Village

October 2009

### The Chelsfield Photo Show is Coming to Town Again

2 years since the last one as with my One Man Show and a large part in the autumn play I just couldn't cope with this as well!! It is getting more and more tiring to stage this show but apart from the collection of cameras everything will be in the Village Hall on 17/18th October. There will be a slide show Saturday night (not by dear old Leonard Trotter I assure you!). Since the last show in 2007 there have been fewer new additions, I think I have have got most of them now, but Geoff Copus is still finding gold and copies of these will be there to see. I have 67 albums for you to peruse - that is nearly 6000 photos so bring a cushion, packed lunch, glasses and a patient partner. My father has found a delightful colour slide of Ivy Cottages which I have

copied and enhanced as it was a bit overexposed. Since I have become entirely digital (this can happen when you reach 66) I now copy by scanning which is actually very easy and allows for more manipulation than the film/print/chemistry process. I theory I should be able to take the PC to the Show and make prints ordered during the weekend. We'll see if this works out as it takes up time of course.

The subjects covered are principally Chelsfield, Well Hill, Green Street Green. But also many on Orpington, Bromley, Knockholt and surrounding villages. Way out villages also I have collected include Kingsdown (Deal) and Branscombe in East Devon. A few hundred aerial photographs of the south of England and two albums

### In This Issue:

Job Opportunity	2
Question?	2
Another Snippet	2
Produce Show Report	3
Internet Café Report	4
Computer Virgins	5
Village Hall Accident	6
Village Society AGM	6
Local History Group	7
Philip Lane Photoshow	8
Country Market	9
Chelsfield Post Office	9
Chelsfield Players	12
Another Accident	12
Story From The Past	12
Letter - Football	13
Historical Photos	13
Neighbourhood Watch	14
Hop Farm & Hewitts	14
Riding Club	14
Join Us	15
Contacts	15
Dates for Your Diary	16

### CONTRIBUTIONS PLEASE !

Contributions should be  
emailed to:

[villagevoice@chelsfield.org](mailto:villagevoice@chelsfield.org)

or posted to:

Chelsfield Village Voice  
2 Bucks Cross Cottages  
Chelsfield Village BR6 7RN

## Chelsfield Photo Show... continued

on the construction of the M25, currently being widened. Many old maps, local guides, war-time ephemera and hardware. "Where do you keep it all?" I hear you ask. "In the house and

sundry sheds" came the weary reply.

Please come along and see our efforts. Starting at 10am on both days and staying open late Saturday, closing at 5 on

Sunday. Admission £1.50. I still have some old postcard reprints to sell from the run I did in 1975.

*Philip Lane*

## Job Opportunity

Dear Friends,

### Great Job Opportunity in St Mary Cray!

Can you help fill the attached job vacancy? If you know of anyone who may be interested in this job, then **please pass it on**.

Good News! Our Tearoom building is up and

we are aiming to **open in November**.

If you go passed 263 High Street, St Mary Cray, you will see it in progress!

Many thanks for your continued support.

Carole Wells

The Croft Tearoom CIC

(Community Interest Company)

020 8462 4801

[Tea@crofttearoom.co.uk](mailto:Tea@crofttearoom.co.uk)

PS: I am also looking for **Volunteers** to help in the Tearoom – again, if you know anyone please pass this on!

## Question

There was at least one barrage balloon tethered at Bucks Cross Farm in WW2. Does anyone

know exactly where as there might be the concrete blocks with rings still there

Any V1 it caught would have possibly fallen right on the house of the Village Voice editor!

## Another Snippet

The Civil Defence OP (operations post) is still extant under the "new" cricket pavilion. It was planned to use it as

cellar for the bar once. Any chance of making it accessible for us historian nutcases to explore? A hole in the floor would

be needed ( in the right place of course!) I have been down into it once but found little treasure.  
*Philip Lane*

## Produce Show Report

This year's Chelsfield, Well Hill and District produce show was held in the Village Hall on Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> September. The number of entrants and entries appeared similar to last year with perhaps more fruit and vegetable entries and fewer handicraft entries. The Photographic classes were very well supported. We were again disappointed in the number of children's entries despite trying to interest the pupils of the village school.

Our new Country Fare judge agreed to help again this year, coming all the way from Cranbrook, continuing to be impressed with the standard of entries. She judged the elderflower cordial to be superb and went away with a bottle and the recipe. Our long standing flower judge, Mrs Lewis, sadly passed away earlier this year. Her replacement enjoyed the experience and is willing to help again next year.

Due to a predominance of weddings on the day,



Leslie Virgo was not available until later in the afternoon for presenting the prizes, and it was unfortunate that some people could not stay for this event.

It is customary for Leslie to choose the "best in show". He was taken with several entries and had them all lined up on the stage. He admired a lovely knitted jacket, enormous pumpkin and attractive autumnal arrangement but chose Doreen Graham's immaculate handicraft cushion as his favourite.

The raffle again offered a large number of very var-

ied prizes, seemingly enough for everyone. Thanks go to Chris and Carol Courtney for sourcing all the prizes. Without this super annual raffle, the show would undoubtedly make a loss.

The trophies were awarded as follows:

The Knox-Cunningham Cup awarded to the household with the highest number of points in adult classes was awarded to the Gandolfi family.

The Well Hill cup awarded to the household number of points in

## Produce Show Report . . continued

all classes was awarded to the Graham family.

The Ken Pickering cup awarded for the 'best in show', went to Doreen Graham

The Tom Castleton rose bowl awarded to the garden judged to most enhance Chelsfield Village went to Kevin and Sheila Brown of 1 Ivy Cottages

The Allotments cup awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the vegetable classes went to Trevor Weeden.

The Children's cup awarded to the child with the highest number of points in the children's classes was won by Alex Nikodem-Wing.

The Queen Elizabeth II Golden Jubilee Plate



awarded to the individual with the highest number of points not awarded the Knox-Cunningham or Well Hill Cup went to Trevor Weeden.

The Wine Club cup awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the wine classes was won by Andy Roberts.

The Country Fare cup awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the country fare classes was won by Catherine Gandolfi.



The Triss & John Cotten-den trophy awarded to the individual with the highest number of points in the flower classes was won by Gwen Franklin.

## Internet Café Progress Report

The Parish Room now has a reliable broadband Internet link when the Internet café is in session, via a long cable (thanks Dan) circling Orlestone Gardens, courtesy of the neighbours

and via a garden fence into the back of the Rectory garden (thanks Leslie) and down into the back of the Parish Room. This replaces the somewhat unreliable connection used previously and

will enable us to cover more Internet use including family history searches.

The next meetings will be on Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> October.

## Chelsfield Village Computer Virgins

On Wednesday July 22<sup>nd</sup> at 2.30 pm. two elderly computer virgins, laptops tightly clasped, nervously approached The Rectory Rooms in Skibbs Lane. There on the door, our gateway to the 21<sup>st</sup> century:

Chelsfield Village  
Internet Café  
is  
**Open**

We entered to be warmly welcomed by Peter and Catherine Gandolfi, whose idea this was and who are so generously giving of their time knowledge and teaching skills. An ordinary computer and a laptop set up on line were there for us to use, and although we did progress to use them, we both chose to familiarise ourselves with our own laptops initially.

All the instruction is individual, each of us being gently and patiently guided (again and again!) through the plethora of information towards our individual goals, be they contacting family in Australia; researching a new car on line; designing cherry-bordered note-paper or selling off the family jewels/junk on E-Bay.

Each week our numbers increase and the tangle of cables becomes even more complicated- but it

is fun; fascinating and hopefully useful once we "get there". —and the tea/coffee and biscuits are good too!

The response from my family and friends to their first E-mail from me was reminiscent of the arrival of my School Certificate (aka G.C.E., "O"levels etc.) results over 60 years ago.

"Well done!";

"Hooray!";

"Congratulations!"

—all by E-mail of course

*Elsa Sjovorr*





## Village Hall Bench Involved in Accident

A very nasty accident was narrowly avoided recently when, due to a driver 'malfunction' by a 94 year old, a car driving out of the village hall on Wednesday Sept 16<sup>th</sup>, managed to surge forward over the flat area at the front, wiping out the Bench commemorating Jack Devine and launched itself and the remains of the bench, over the retaining wall, landing in the drive, coming to rest against the opposite wall. It must have been quite exciting for the passenger. Police and ambulance were

called. The memorial plaque has been removed from the bench for safekeeping and will be attached to the replacement bench.

A local resident was seen taking photographs just after the accident but a request for a picture has unfortunately not been fulfilled.



## Chelsfield Village Society AGM Notification

The Chelsfield Village Society AGM will take place on Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November at 7.30 pm in the Brass Crosby Room. This is the opportunity for residents to have their say and hear what the Village Society has been up to. Refreshments will be provided and there will be a talk for your entertainment.

At present the Village Voice is circulated to around 250 local residents, both members and non members. Copies are left in various locations for non-residents to pick up. We have several fans from outside the area who look forward to the next editions. The cost of producing the newsletter that you are reading

now is covered by membership of the CVS and any fundraising that occurs during the year. At present this is not sufficient and reserves are being used. If you wish the production of this newsletter to continue please support it by joining the Village Society (Membership form on Page 15 of this Issue).

## Local History Group

This month's meeting consisted of a discussion on the Battle of Britain, and the part Biggin Hill played in it.

Paul Rason opened the meeting by introducing Sue Short and mentioned her new book about Pratts Bottom which is due out in October.

Paul started by playing 'The Fugue'; from William Walton's Spitfire Prelude and Fugue and asked the audience what was it and its relevance to this meeting. This was of course because it was Battle of Britain week and the 15<sup>th</sup> of October which was the day before the meeting, was the accepted date for the turning point of the battle, and now thought of as Battle of Britain Day. He then produced copies of the War Diaries for each of the Squadrons that were at Biggin Hill during the Battle, which was from July to end of October 1940. These were handed out so that the audience could read the daily

accounts of the squadrons. Paul gave some background on overall plan of Fighter command under Air Chief Marshal Dowding, who aimed to prolong the battle as long as possible into the winter months by which time the enemy could not safely contemplate an invasion across the English Channel in bad weather.

Biggin Hill station is not far away, and local people would have been aware of the young airmen and the adventures surrounding them. Biggin Hill was billed (although perhaps later) as the most famous fighter station of WW2, in part because the Prime Minister Mr Churchill visited it several times, as did the King, General De Gaulle and top brass of the RAF etc. But mainly because it was a very active action station in the front line of the battle to control the skies over London, Kent and Sussex with over 1000 enemy aircraft claimed as shot down during WW2.

Amongst the famous flyers based there at one time or another were Squadron Leader 'Sailor' Malan, a top scoring pilot, Stamford Tuck, a well known flyer of the time and John Mungo Park etc who has a road named after him off the St Mary Cray end of Chelsfield Lane. Although he survived the battle he did not survive the war. Paul also handed out some books of his on the Battle of Britain and the RAF in general, and spoke about these. His photographs of The Battle of Britain Memorial, which is on the Embankment near Big Ben, and was unveiled in 2005 were also made available. Questions were taken about what had been discussed followed by refreshments.

Geoff Copus will be speaking at next month's local history meeting on some of his recent findings on archives of the area of Chelsfield and its environs. This will be held on Thursday 15<sup>th</sup> October at 10.15 in the Brass Crosby room next to the church.



# **THE CHELSFIELD PHOTOSHOW** **2009**

**Will be held again in Chelsfield Village Hall**  
**Saturday 17th/Sunday 18th October**  
**10am till 9pm Saturday**  
**with Slide Show in the evening @ 7.30pm**  
**10am till 5pm Sunday**

**Thousands of photographs of**  
**Chelsfield and District**  
**collected by Philip Lane,**  
**including aerial photographs.**  
**Display of maps and guides**  
**Wartime collection**  
**Admission £1.50**

**For More Information Phone 01689 858634**



## St Mary Cray Country Market

We now have our own country market – the first one in the Borough of Bromley.

On Wednesday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, the inaugural market was opened by the Mayor of Bromley cutting the ribbon. This was well attended, and even though in its first week, showed a good variety of stalls selling a wide range of goods including Fresh fruit and vegetables, plants, eggs and honey, homemade chutneys and sauces (with free tasters) cakes



and refreshments. As well as food, there were handmade greeting cards and jewellery.

The market runs weekly

on Wednesdays from 9.30-11am at Vernon Hall, High Street, St Mary Cray, BR5 4AX

## A History of Chelsfield Village Post Office

... continued from September Issue

At a later time, the Post Office moved once more to one of the nearby Rock Cottages (No. 1 Rock Cottages) and next door but one to a lady called Miss Veralls (No. 3 Rock Cottages). A long established business at No. 3 run by Miss Veralls provided saddles, harnesses, and leather items to meet the requirements of the many horses still used at that

time for a multitude of working purposes. My Grandmother (Mrs Sophia Margetts at The Lodge) remembered the period when horses used to be taken through the front of No. 3 Rock Cottages from the Village street into the back of the cottage for the fitting of saddles etc. Miss Veralls had a *companion who lived next door at No. 2 Rock Cottages. This lady*

*was called Miss Green-slade, and she also had a sister living there with her who was mentally retarded. The cottage at No.1 which was used as the Post Office was occupied in later years by Mr & Mrs Divall and their three children called Harry, "Tibby" and Helen.*

Whilst located at No. 1 Rock Cottages, the Post Office was run by Mr Sta-  
cey who was the Post-

## **Chelsfield Village Post Office . . continued**

master. After a time Mr Stacey moved the Post Office back to Crosshall – it's original location, and carried on running it for a considerable period. In due course Mr Stacey died, but the Post Office continued to be run by his daughter and her husband – Mr and Mrs Smith. The Post Office with Mrs Smith in charge was run at Crosshall until 1938, and then moved across the road to nearby Cross House. Several years later Mr Bert Smith died and following this unfortunate event Mrs Smith gave up the Post Office and moved away from Chelsfield to live with her daughter Margaret.

A number of older Chelsfield residents remember Mrs Smith with great affection albeit they were still at school during that period. Mrs Smith was apparently very patient when children ventured into the Post Office to buy sweets from the tempting and attractive range set out in trays along the counter. In the course of choosing, there

were naturally many changes of mind which Mrs Smith took in her stride on such occasions.

Following on from Mrs Smith, the Post Office at Cross House was taken over around 1940 by Mr & Mrs Beeson, they were also assisted in this task by their daughter whose husband was serving in the RAF. Tragically he was killed during the war-time hostilities and following this event Mr & Mrs Beeson and their daughter moved away from Chelsfield.

The running of the Post Office at Cross House was taken over during the war by Mr & Mrs Humpherson with Mrs Humpherson as the Post Mistress. Mr & Mrs Humpherson continued to live at Cross House from around 1940 until 1959. Whilst Mrs Humpherson ran the Post Office services, Mr Humpherson carried on working as a self employed Photographer. During the war, Mr Humpherson was also a member of the Civil De-

fence Force and can be identified in the wartime group photograph of Civil Defence members taken over on the recreation ground by the hut.

Mr Humpherson was an extremely talented photographer and there are many views of the Chelsfield area taken during the 1950's which are examples of his work – especially the snow scenes at various times and locations. Many family albums (like our own) also have photographs of family members taken by Mr Humpherson during the period when he lived and worked in Chelsfield. These include babies and young children, parents and grandparents as well as wedding photographs etc.

There are many examples of Mr Humpherson's work in Philip Lane's extensive collection. I think it can be said quite fairly that Mr Humpherson was Philip Lane's predecessor in terms of being well known for his photographic work in Chelsfield but I will leave any

## Chelsfield Village Post Office . . continued

more comments to Philip's more expert knowledge of his achievements. I hope that readers will forgive me for this digression from the Post Office history as such, but Mr Humpherson did contribute greatly to our memories of Chelsfield through his work and this is an excellent opportunity to give him a little of the praise he undoubtedly deserves.

Mrs Humpherson ran the Post Office at Cross House for nearly 20 years as Post Mistress with help throughout this period from Mrs Pat Whitehead who also assisted at times in the private part of the house in a domestic capacity.

Without wishing to sound in any way unkind, Mrs Humpherson did not always get along well with some of her customers as did her predecessor Mrs Smith. However this was not always the case since I know that my Grandmother (Mrs Margetts at the Lodge) got along fine with Mrs

Humpherson but many other residents had 'brushes' with Mrs Humpherson from time to time.

I have to admit that during the early 1950's my own recollections of the Post Office with Mrs Humpherson in charge begin. During this period (and in the years just before the 1939/45 war) the range of services offered by the Post Office began to expand from being predominantly just mail collections/deliveries and telegrams into other areas. These new service included the Post Office National Savings Bank (Post Office Book), National Saving Certificates (which at that time could be purchased over the counter and stuck in the holder's personal book), Postal/Money Orders and Premium Bonds.

With the development of the Welfare Services after the War, the Post Office became the port of call in order to collect the weekly Old Age Pension through the Pension Book or Child Allowance

(then only paid for the second child onwards). The arrival of the television (BBC first and then later ITV) saw the introduction of the annual TV licence which was purchased at the Post Office: whilst on the subject of licences there was also the Dog Licence - which dutiful citizens were expected to purchase. A form could be obtained also for the purchase or renewal of the Vehicle Driving Licence but this then had to be forwarded to the appropriate address to complete the process. All in all, the Post Office became a very busy centre of activity in this era with many new transitions as lives became more complicated or sophisticated – according to your point of view.

To be continued

*Written by Carol Margetts with the invaluable help and co-operation of Mrs Pauline Lambert plus additional detailed information and inspiration from Mrs Vera Margetts.*

## Chelsfield Players Next Play

The play is called "Our Country's Good" by Timberlake Wertenbaker.

Synopsis:-

*In an Australian penal colony in 1789, a young lieutenant directs rehearsals of the Restoration comedy The Recruiting Officer. With only two copies of the text, a cast of convicts, opposition from sadistic officers, unforgiving conditions and a leading lady who*

*may be about to be hanged, Australia's first ever theatrical production is in trouble from the start...*

Winner of the Laurence Olivier Award for Play of the Year, *Our Country's Good* is based on the true story of a group of officers and convicts and their attempt to bring art and culture to a barren, unfamiliar world. It explores ideas about hu-

man nature, class and the power of the theatre. Deeply moving, thought-provoking and at times wickedly funny, it is one not to be missed.

It is on Wednesday 18th to Saturday 21st November in the Village Hall. Admission £6.50.

Box Office:- Mrs. Brenda Payne - (01689) 831 187. Box office open from Monday 12 October

## Another Accident

8th September 2009

There was another accident this evening - I guess about 6 - 6.30 because when I got there

they were loading a damaged motor scooter onto a recovery vehicle. The car that hit the scooter was still parked on the

corner of Warren Road. It did not look as though anybody was injured but there was bits of scooter debris all around.

## Stories from the Past

My grandfather, Archie Lane, was a dentist in Orpington High Street till the early 60's. A fascinating man with similar interests and collecting hobbies to myself - railways, junk, fossils, old guns, books. Very clever with his hands and highly innovative, he has recently been recognized

in London, Dresden and Thailand for his pioneering work at the end of WW1 making facial parts for war victims. Working as dental student at Queen Mary's Hospital, Farnham under such luminaries as Gilles and MacIndoe. He personally made about 110 metal "Faces" with glass eyes

and hand painted, to cover up missing skull areas in both men and women. I have two such faces he gave me "to play with" 40 years ago. It would appear that these are the only survivors. At an exhibition entitled "War and Medicine" which ran to much acclaim at The Wellcome

## Stories from the Past . . continued

Institute, Chelsea Hospital, Dresden Hospital he was given a table and spotlighted display. This was especially moving for my father to see. grandpa rarely talked about this work to the family once he was married and we have few photographs but with Dr Andrew Bamji's research

a story has been built up. I still meet patients of Archie Lane who recalled his fine dental work and chair manner. Privileged or interested ones would be taken up to the attic to see the trains and flintlocks, or various human skulls and other gruesome artefacts. I still have "Old Bill" in a box in

the shed. Banned from the house for some years.

If you would like to see the "Faces" which have now been returned to me again after their 2 years travelling I should be pleased to show them to you.

*Philip Lane*

## Letter - Football

Did any other local residents notice the rubbish left on the village green left by the footballers and their followers on the weekend of 26/27<sup>th</sup> September? Drink bottles etc had just got left on the

sides of the pitches, rather than the users taking them home. Do the parents involved really expect residents to clear up after them? These could so easily cause accidents when broken either to resi-

dents and their dogs, or with next week's young footballers. Can the cricket club who lease the field out to the footballers ensure that they take away their own rubbish?

*A Village Resident*

## Local Bus & Cricket Team 1932



D A Z      DATE: 1932      Ken Holland   Ernie Still   Basil Barnes   Ken Whitehead   Bill Tapsell   C. Harding  
 REF: Chelsfield Cricket      Tony Rankes   Rex Denham   Trulin   Fred Smith   Errol Smith

## Neighbourhood Watch

I have recently received a "Neighbourhood watch toolkit" to assist in the operation of our "watch". I wondered whether anyone in the village is interested in this voluntary safety organisation and whether you would like a regular feature in the village voice as a way of

spreading the word.

In the past I have received electronic updates from our borough coordinator and have subsequently sent these on to those in the village whose e mail address I have. At the moment they are not being pro-

duced due to some technical difficulties but should resume again soon.

I look forward to your thoughts and would welcome some input on a way forward

*Mandy Lamond*

## Apples at the Hop Shop & Hewitts

The local Norfolk Royal apples are ripening now and if you can't wait to get their teeth into a decent English apple go to the Hop Shop.

Opening times will be  
Weekdays 1pm - 5pm,  
Saturdays and Sundays  
10am - 5pm.

The orchard is only closed if the weather is

bad, so if in doubt please telephone 01959 523219 to check.

The Hop Shop also has a vacancy so if you want to work in a beautiful setting, there is a vacancy for a long-term, part-time person to work in The Hop Shop

on Sundays and Mondays 9.30 - 5.30.

If interested, please telephone 01959 523219 and ask for Caroline.

Hewitts Farm is also open for fresh fruit and vegetables and is in easy walking distance of the village. So remember you can buy local produce if you wish to support our local businesses

## Welcome to Rushmore Riding Club

Rushmore Equestrian Club is affiliated to the BHS and had been in existence for over 25 years. We are based in the Knockholt, Chelsfield, Downe area in Kent. We hold regular rallies, dressage events and show

jumping.

We have both an adult and junior section and a regular newsletter, keeping members upto date with what is going on.

If you would like more

information on joining our friendly club, please do not hesitate to contact us  
Chairman - Wendy Smith  
Tel: 0208 462 1779  
Secretary - Karen Phillips  
Tel: 01689 818827  
Email:  
[kphillips@deloitte.co.uk](mailto:kphillips@deloitte.co.uk)





## Join Chelsfield Village Society HERE!

It only costs £3 a year to be a member of Chelsfield Village Society, or £30 for life membership. If you would like to join please fill in the form using capitals and send to Catherine Gandolfi, 3 Orlestone Gardens, Chelsfield Village. BR6 6HB

I enclose £3 for annual membership, or £30 for life membership of Chelsfield Village Society.

(cheques payable to Chelsfield Village Society)

Name .....

Address .....

.....

.....

Phone .....

email .....

## USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

### Bromley Council

Main switchboard:

020 8464 3333

E-mail:

[csc@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:csc@bromley.gov.uk)

Opening hours Monday to  
Friday 8.30am to 5.30pm

Address: Civic Centre,  
Stockwell Close, Brom-  
ley, BR1 3UH

### Reporting Problems to the Council

Can be reported via the  
CVS website, or if urgent by  
phone out of hours Emer-  
gency Duty Team 020 8464  
4848.

### Mobile Library

The mobile library stops  
outside Chelsfield Village

School on Tuesdays be-  
tween 11:15 and 11:45.

Books can be reserved from  
here, or over the Internet via  
the Bromley library website  
for later picking up from the  
mobile library.

### Councillors

Julian Grainger

01689 889392

[julian.grainger@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:julian.grainger@bromley.gov.uk)

Samaris Huntington-Thresher

020 8464 3333

[Samaris.Huntington-](mailto:Samaris.Huntington-Thresher@bromley.gov.uk)

[Thresher@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:Thresher@bromley.gov.uk)

Bob Evans 01689 853002

[robert.evans@bromley.gov.uk](mailto:robert.evans@bromley.gov.uk)

### Chelsfield Village Society

[cvscontact@googlemail.com](mailto:cvscontact@googlemail.com)

### Chelsfield Village Voice

[villagevoice@chelsfield.org](mailto:villagevoice@chelsfield.org)

### Chelsfield Primary School

01689 825827

BT Line Faults	0800 800151
Electrical Power Failure (EDF)	08007838866
Thames Water Emergencies	0845 9200800
Transco Gas Emergency Service	0800 111999
Orpington Police Station	0300 1231212
1000-1800 Monday-Saturday	
Samaritans	01689 833000
NHS Direct	0845 4647
Safer Neighbourhood Team	020 8721 2605



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

**Wednesday 14th October**  
Vernon Hall High St St Mary  
Cray BR5 4AX

**Weekly Country Market**  
(Morning)

Sunday 10.30am to  
5.00pm

Slide Show Saturday  
Evening from 7.30pm

followed by an illustrated  
talk

Starts 7.30pm

**Wednesday 14th October**  
Parish Room

**Internet Café**  
2.30pm - 4.30pm

**Tuesday 20th October**  
Five Bells

**Quiz Night** from  
9.00pm

**Tuesday 3rd November**  
Five Bells

**Quiz Night** from  
9.00pm

**Thursday 15th October**  
Five Bells

**Live music with the  
female Barbershop  
group**  
from 8.30pm

**Wednesday 21st October**  
Vernon Hall High St St Mary  
Cray BR5 4AX

**Weekly Country Market**  
(Morning)

**Thursday 5th November**  
Five Bells

**Live music with  
Just Friends  
Jazz Sextet**  
from 8.30pm

**Thursday 15th October**  
Brass Crosby Room

**Local History Group**  
10.30pm

**Tuesday 27th October**  
Five Bells

**Quiz Night** from  
9.00pm

**Friday 6th November**  
Five Bells

**Ultimate Party  
with Simon Perry Disco**  
from 9.00pm

**Friday 16th October**  
Five Bells

**Live music with The  
Hares and acoustic duo  
with songs from the  
60's to date**  
from 9.15pm

**Wednesday 28th October**  
Vernon Hall High St St Mary  
Cray BR5 4AX

**Weekly Country Market**  
(Morning)

**Tuesday 10th November**  
Five Bells

**Quiz Night** from  
9.00pm

**Sat/Sun 17/18<sup>th</sup> October**  
Chelsfield Village Hall

**Photo Show**  
Philip Lane's Annual  
Historical Photo  
Exhibition  
Saturday 10.30am to  
9.00pm

**Wednesday 28th October**  
Parish Room

**Internet Café**  
2.30pm - 4.30pm

**Wednesday 11th November**  
Five Bells

**Curry & Pint Night**

**Saturday 31st October**  
Five Bells

**Halloween meets  
Guy Fawkes!**

**Wed 18th Thur 19th Fri 20th  
& Sat 21st November**  
Chelsfield Village Hall

Chelsfield Players present

**"Our Country's Good"**

by Timberlake Wertenbaker

**Tuesday 3rd November**  
Brass Crosby Room

**Village Society AGM**