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Anything for the November edition should be left in Grafty Green Shop, or contact Mike on 01622 858937 (mf.hitchins@virgin.net) by 15th October

Front cover: Planting for next year's Harvest - near Boughton Malherbe.

News from St. Nicholas Church

St. Nicholas Church

Everything seems to be on track for the re-wiring and installation of a new heating and lighting system and the painting of the main areas of the inside of the Church. Work will start on 9th October with the painter coming in during the following week. By having the painting carried out at the same time as the other work, we will save on the hire of scaffolding which is a major expense of any works carried out on a building the size of our Church. We will also be installing a Loop system for the Deaf. During this time Services will be held in the Village Hall at the usual times - except for the 3rd Sunday Holy Communion Service, which will not be held in the Hall. There is a choice of two Communion Services at St. Mary's Lenham, one at 8.00a.m.and the other at 10.45a.m., which we encourage you to attend. By the time that the first Sunday in November comes around we hope the work will all be finished and the Church ready for use once again.

Cream Teas

We have had a wonderful Summer of Cream Teas with many old and new friends coming along to enjoy the Teas and the lovely atmosphere and the wonderful view at St. Nicholas. I know there is another piece being written about the Cream Teas, so I would just like to say thank you very much indeed to all the Ladies who ran these wonderful Sunday Afternoons, giving up their time and contributing to the food. They know who they are, thank you so much. Also thank you to those who helped by filling in, when one or two of us wanted a Sunday off.

Harvest Supper

By the time this magazine comes out we will have just had our Harvest Supper, so thank you to everyone who helped with this event, one of our main Fund Raisers of the Year. More about the Supper next month.

Joan Davidson

Cream Teas

The cream teas at Boughton Church have had another very successful year and it's very sad they have to come to a close, particularly as the weather has been so nice. The teas will be back again next year in July, August and September.

I really do appreciate all the help from our great team. Well done everyone.

Sally must cook scones in all her dreams. Every Sunday there they are - 150 to 200 freshly baked scones. This year we have been so busy that hardly any scones have gone home for freezing or Kenneth's lunch!

Many thanks to Joan for her freshly made strawberry and different flavoured jams. They sold so quickly she has made jam every single week. Thank you Rob and Hazel for the cream which has been really yummy. Di has us all so organised with the laying of trays and particularly packing the crockery away. How does she keep going! Di has been with us from the very first cream tea. Janet has been our main tea maker and has received our shouts for tea for two or tea for four and so on.

Again this year, Margaret Hoad, Jean Heywood and Auntie Pat from the Post Office helped us on odd Sundays and I know they really enjoyed their days with us. Hope they come again next year.

Tony and Laurie helped with laying up and bringing tables out, checking orders and numbers each week.

Most Sundays we all sat down to a cream tea and thoroughly enjoyed it. Listening to everyone chattering, laughing and meeting old friends has been a really lovely experience. This is what it is all about and seeing and using our lovely church.

Money raised this year has been a record £1,777. Well done to all our team. The money will be used to keep our church well maintained. Next month we start work on the church repairs. Thank you to all our customers. We love to see you all.

Sylvia Close

Quiz, Games & Food Grafty Green Village Hall

7th October 2006 7.30pm for 8.00pm

Teams of 4 - 6

Bring a pen & your own drinks Raffle

Tickets £7 available from Bernard Dodson (850645) Mandy Hitchins (858937) & Grafty Shop

<u>Liverton Hill – Footpath Gate</u>

As you may have read in the Kent Messenger, after a long campaign a Footpath Gate has been installed to help prevent any accidents from happening where the Greensand Way emerges on to Liverton Hill at a dangerous place. Thanks should be recorded to Mike Prickett for his relentless endeavours in getting KCC to install this gate and to Lord Sandy Bruce-Lockhart for his interest and intervention in this matter.

Grafty Green Speed Limit

As some of you may know Boughton Malherbe Parish Council has for some time been in consultation with Kent County Council with a view to reduce the speed limit in Grafty Green from 40 to 30mph.

This has not been an easy exercise and has led to many false promises. – i.e. even though it was agreed a couple of years ago to change from 40 to 30 the new people who took over the Highways Department couldn't find the survey reports and even though we had letters which approved the reduction, they would not accept that and insisted on carrying out the surveys again.

However following a recent traffic survey undertaken in the village, it would appear that the reduction of the speed limit maybe within sight.

Please find below an e-mail correspondence that was received by Pat Anderson, Clerk to the Parish Council, which gives the latest (in writing) news on this subject-:

Subject: RE: Speed limite change Grafty Green

Date: Fri, 1 Sep 2006 08:47:48 +0100 From: <Peter.Rosevear@kent.gov.uk> To: <europa.13@btinternet.com> CC: <Tara.O'Shea@kent.gov.uk>

Pat.

Tara is going to prepare the next set of speed limit proposed changes in September. It will be a Traffic Order referring to a number of sites in the Borough, as there have many demands for speed limit changes. Grafty Green will be included in the Order.

The intention is to advertise the Order in October. If no one objects, the Order can be completed in November, with the changes probably coming in around Christmas.

The one complication may be a restraint on funding. This will be the second Maidstone speed limit Order this year and the total sum of the works involved will exceed our Order budget. However, there is a lot of pressure to continue with these changes, so although I cannot absolutely promise delivery at a given time, once the Order process is underway, I believe that Members would support its completion.

Regards, Peter R

Grafty Garden Cuttings – October

Upon opening one of the latest editions of the Gardeners' World magazine, I found a pair of bare feet staring me in the face (Alan Titmarsh's for those of you who do not take the publication). Now, I'm not a fan of feet, useful though they are; when bare some can be a truly unenjoyable sight, but these feet are illustrating the fact that to trot around the dew covered grass in our gardens is a good, calming therapy. Maybe, but before we all start dancing in the dew at dawn, prolonged checking for biting bugs, sleepy bees on the daisies, wasps, dropped holly leaves and bits of spiky hedging, would seem to me to negate any good 'vibes' that might be engendered, or possibly, I'm just being something of a spoil sport?

A good rain in August has made the gardens green and lush again, with the lawns making up for lost time and mowing going on apace, at least twice a week. The problem is of course, that the weeds are germinating just as fast, so out with the hoe, or if they are the pernicious type, (barebine or mare's tail for instance) a treatment with glyphosate now, while there is still time for it to be taken back to the roots, would be in order.

Time too, to lift any tender plants such as pelargonium, and re-pot for the winter, or to save space, take cuttings and placing 5 or 6 to a 5" pot, take those inside, instead. The last of the tomatoes can be picked and placed indoors to ripen and greenhouses given a wash down, ready for next season. Still having a good supply of bottled tomatoes from last year and a freezer now full of them, I am making tomato jam - to be recommended with a lot of fruit going a little way. I also have good clumps of butternut squashes growing. The plants have outgrown their allotted space, rampaged through the raspberries, smothered the strawberries and invaded the cold frame - so I am hoping for a huge harvest. Trouble is the rabbit has been spotted lurking in there so....? However, with the leaves now dying back, all should soon be revealed.

As I mentioned in an earlier article, my best crops of peas and broad beans, came from autumn sowings, so I shall be putting in many more of those this month. I also have a crop of salad leaves coming up in a small cold frame that can be well protected on colder nights. Garlic can go in now and also, of course, plenty of bulbs for next spring. Tulips should be planted next month.

Rosemary Smith

Grafty Green Gardening Club

Tuesday October 3rd we have a talk on Growing Fruit in the Garden by Russell Williams; meeting in Grafty Green Village Hall at 7.30 pm. Do come and join us. All visitors are most welcome and it will only cost £1 which includes tea/coffee and biscuits; excellent value.

Our September speaker, Ian Currie, was highly entertaining with brilliant slide show on the weather – mostly extremes. He has a web site www.FrostedEarth.com which is worth visiting for good forecasts.

Further information on the club's activities, call Sue Burch on 850381(email burch1997@aol.com) or Rosemary Smith 850526.

Sue Burch

Grafty Green Watch

As the Neighbourhood Watch never actually got off the ground in Grafty Green, I feel that as a village we need to try and improve the security even though at present things aren't that bad with regard to crime. The Neighbourhood Watch was mentioned at the last Parish Council meeting (22nd Aug), and it was agreed that the £6 given by some villagers to get the old Neighbourhood Watch up and running should be given back and any monies received from people who have moved or passed away or interest accrued will be given to charity.

It might be a good idea to have interested parties at certain locations in the village to keep in touch with each other via phone or email when something of a suspicious nature is seen. Sue Birch and I would cover our respective parts of the village; we need two or three others, perhaps Liverton Hill and Church road. Anyone interested in those two areas please call or email me.

When I have the interested parties, we could meet hopefully around Nov/Dec when we can discuss the way forward and swap phone numbers/email addresses etc.

Keith Anderson 858350, europa.13@btinternet.com

Short Monthly Quiz – Answers at the back (don't look first!)

	Question	Answer
1	Which organ of the body produces bile?	
2	In which language was the Doomsday Book written?	
3	What name is given to the central stone of an arch?	
4	In which park is Princess Diana buried?	
5	Which shellfish produces pearls?	
6	Which London theatre opened in 1871, was named after Queen Victoria's husband?	
7	Which anniversary is celebrated after one year of marriage?	
8	Which C word is the medical term for gristle in the human body?	
9	Tiger Tom and Alicante are both varieties of what?	
10	Qantas is the national airline of which country?	

Maidstone Film Society

58th Season 2006 -2007

Maidstone film society will be showing a selection films from around the world from 11th September to 2nd April. Starting with *Les Choristes* and finishing with the Buster Keaton in *The General*, our 58th season includes *Brokeback mountain* from the USA, *Brotherhood of war* from South Korea and *Bombon El Perro*, a comedy from Argentina.

Membership is only £24 for the complete season of 12 films.

All films are shown on Monday evenings in the Exchange Theatre, Maidstone.

See our web site **www.maidstone-film-society.org.uk** where you can see our complete program, or contact our membership secretary on 01622 672307

YOGA

Grafty Green Village Hall
Thursday mornings
9.30 - 11.00

New Term Commences 7th September £5 a session

Yoga for stamina, suppleness, strength and stress relief Mixed Ability Class

For further details contact Liz Watts on 01622 737321

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Link Word Puzzle Answers at the back (don't look first!)

I hope you enjoyed last months link word here is another to rack your brains – Paul Neaves

The answer to number 1 has been filled in – can you solve the rest?

	Word 1	Word 2	Word 3	Answer
1	Net	Snow	Wood	Drift
2	Tape	Typist	Visual	
3	Income	Poll	Road	
4	Exchange	Pop	Sweet	
5	Green	Juice	Quick	
6	Gearbox	Labour	Worker	
7	Far	First	Seeing	
8	Belt	Blank	Paper	
9	Form	Postal	Standing	
10	Institute	Rights	Studies	
11	Fund	National	Worthy	
12	House	Man	Plant	
13	Chunks	Juice	Rings	
14	Row	Sparrow	Warbler	
15	Island	Wharf	Yellow	

Many thanks to Paul Neaves who set both the Quiz and the Link Word Puzzle.

PLATTS HEATH SCHOOL is HERE TO STAY!!



Please note that, following a Press Release issued on Thursday 21st September, 2006, from Kent County Council, the future of Platts Heath Primary School is secure.

We are, and will remain, OPEN FOR BUSINESS.

We would like to take this opportunity to whole heartedly thank the villagers of both Platts Heath and Lenham for their unstinting support of our school and the children.

If you would like to come and visit this small, friendly, family school, please call either Ian Priddle, Headteacher, or Mrs Carin Reddings, Secretary, on 01622 850316.

Carin Reddings, Secretary

Malherbe Monthly Magazine

This magazine can now additionally be viewed on the Internet via the Boughton Malherbe Parish Council Web Site. As well as the current edition all back issues for 2006 can be viewed. You even get the front cover in colour!!!

This web site also hosts all the minutes of Parish Council Meetings and give details of up-coming events in the Village Hall.

The below link will get you there:

www.boughtonmalherbepc.kentparishes.gov.uk

THE TRUSTEES OF ST EDMUNDS CENTRE

ARE HOLDING A

QUIZ NIGHT

QUIZ MASTER JOHN NYE
AT
HARRIETSHAM VILLAGE HALL
ON
SATURDAY 21st OCTOBER 2006 AT 7.30PM
TEAMS OF 4 - 8
TICKETS £5.00 PER PERSON
TO BOOK A TABLE
RING JAN 859412 or TRICIA 858891

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN REFRESHMENTS AND GLASSES

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Bulky Refuse Collections (Weekend Freighter Service)

Please find below the dates of when the weekend freighter service stops near your home during October.

Grafty Green

Saturday 28th Oct: 13:30 - 15:15 -: Church Rd - Junction Headcorn Rd

Ulcombe

Sunday 15th Oct: 11:15 - 12:15 -: Ulcombe Lodge Gardens

Platts Heath

Sunday 8th Oct: 14:15 – 15:45 -: Green Lane

FAMILY HISTORY GROUP

COACH TRIP

A coach has been booked for a trip to The Family Record Centre in London for Monday 23rd October 2006.

Here you can search the indexes for births, marriages and deaths from September 1837 to 2004 (at least). Also available are the census returns from 1841 to 1901 (ten year intervals). Nearby is The London Metropolitan Archive where the records of many London Churches and Local Authorities are on film.

A short bus ride away in Holborn are where wills indexes are kept which may be viewed. If you want a copy it has to be paid for.

The coach will leave the car park at Harrietsham Community Centre at 8-30am and leave London at about 3-30pm. If using the car park would you please leave your car on the far side, away from the road, thank you.

Cost £11/12 according to numbers on the coach. You will need to bring a packed lunch, there is a place to sit and eat.

In March we had an almost full coach, so do not leave it too late. To book a seat please call Frank Long on 01622850863, (leave a message on the answer phone if needed). Further info from Frank as above

Frank Long

Maidstone Symphony Orchestra

Maidstone Symphony Orchestra, Conductor Brian Wright, will perform on Saturday 14th October 2006 commencing at 7.30pm at Mote Hall, Maidstone Leisure Centre, Mote Park, Maidstone.

The programme consists of three works:

- George Hurst Symphonic Variations (Premiere)
- Shostakovich Symphony No.6
- Rachmaninov Piano Concerto No.3 Soloist John Lill.

Brian Wright specially asked for our President, John Lill to play Rachmaninov's great 3rd Piano Concert for his celebratory concert. It begins with the premiere of a work by Brian's teacher, George Hurst, who celebrates his 80th birthday this year, followed by a centenary tribute to Shostakovitch, with his powerful 6th Symphony.

Season tickets are available from the Membership Secretaries on 01622 736392 for five concerts at £40, £60, and £75. Single tickets are £10, £15 and £20, seats for children or students with a student card £5, available from the Membership Secretaries paid for and collected on the concert evening at Mote Hall, or from Mote Hall Box Office on 01622 761111 when payment can be made by credit card. This concert is sponsored by The Friends of Maidstone Orchestral Society.

Grafty Green Heating Oil Club

Grafty Green has a successful Heating Oil Club. We have to date nearly 100 members all taking advantage of cheaper heating oil when ordered in bulk. To make this club work all members have to have at least the minimum 500 Litres every time we order, that is about 3 to 4 times a year. It makes sense to have a bulk order delivered over 2 to 3 days every 4 months, rather than have tankers clogging up our village every week.

We now cover Harrietsham, Headcorn, Lenham, Liverton Hill, Platts Heath, Sandway Ulcombe and Biddenden. If you would like to join or need some information about the club, email me on europa.13@btinternet.com or 01622 858350. The Oil Club is non-profit making.

Don't Let Your "Best Friend Spoil' our Streets

A message from Maidstone Borough Council's Civic Wardens

Here at the council we are very concerned about our streets and open spaces. We want to make sure your street is clean and free of dog mess, so as to give you a better quality of life.

We have received a number of requests from local residents asking the 'Hit Squad' to come and clean your street of dog mess.

Dog mess is unsightly and a health risk, especially to children. If caught not cleaning up, the dog owner can receive a fixed penalty fine of up to £70 or face a hefty fine (up to £1,000) if prosecuted. It also wastes a great deal of our resources (and your Council Tax) clearing up all this mess.

We require that dog owners clean up after their dogs. When available there are free plastic bags at council reception points or just use old plastic bags you have - pop it in a doggie bin or take it home for disposal.

- Residents can contact the Hit Squad on 01622 602162 if your street needs cleaning.
- Residents can report any dog owner who doesn't clean up after their dog by phoning the Civic Wardens on 01622 602117. They will step up their patrols, put up signs and visit any owner who is breaching the law.
- If there is a persistent problem we will bring in mobile CCTV cameras to eatch the offenders.

It is generally only a few dog owners who flout the law and don't clean up. If you're one of these, think again. We intend to use every power open to us to clean up the environment for you, your children and your neighbours.

Maidstone Borough Council

-----PRESS RELEASE-----

Heaths Countryside Corridor Attracts Attention

A team from *Swadelands* School led by Derek Swan has successfully completed a hot week of environmental management at a site in rural Kent. The group joined conservation experts at Bull Heath in July working for the Kentish Stour Countryside Project. The land is the responsibility of the Heaths Countryside Corridor, a community based group committed to preserving areas of natural beauty.

Bull Heath was once used as a sand quarry but is now a mixture of grassland, shrubs and trees, home to a wide variety of species, including many rare birds, plants and flowers. The *Swadelands* party assisted members of the Countryside Project in a number of conservation tasks including coppicing, path clearing and weeding. The group also spent several days constructing shelters, bark baskets and plaster models. The stunning constructions and widened paths attracted the attention of local residents who regularly enjoy using the site for recreation and dog walking.

"The week has been fantastic" said Mr Swan, "and all of us would like to express our thanks to Jo, Emma and Becky for an experience that's been educational, entertaining and thoroughly enjoyable."

In August the Heaths Countryside Corridor continued to attract attention by running a moth event day for local residents in Chilston Park. In the afternoon the Whole Hog Celebratory Art Company demonstrated how to make large moth lanterns. One mum was impressed at the standard of lanterns made by her young children, whereas Holly and Beccy simply said "We loved it!"

As the sun set, Sean Clancy, a local environmentalist, set up moth traps and attracted over sixty different moth species. Children and adults were able to get involved in catching the moths and everyone was surprised by the large number of different types of moths collected in just over an hour.

For more information about the Heaths Countryside Corridor please visit www.heathscc.co.uk

Halloween event at Bull Heath

I know you are all desperate for something to do for Halloween this year so why not consider this:

Ghosts of the Heath

The Heaths Countryside Corridor are organising a Halloween event "Ghosts of the Heath" at Bull Heath, Lenham Heath, on **Sunday 29th October**.

This will be a history walk in which you meet some of the characters who have lived locally since early times. The walk will last around 30 minutes and will be repeated several times between mid-afternoon to dusk. Come and enjoy the walk, hot dogs and soup around a bonfire and then spend some time at this interesting site. Free to members of the Heaths Countryside Corridor, £2 for non-members.

Please book tickets in advance from Annette Rutter (address below). Details about the location and parking will be supplied with the tickets.

Become a member of the Heaths Countryside Corridor by sending your name and address to: Annette Rutter, Membership Secretary, 9 Cherry Tree Road, Charing Heath TN27 0BB

Please indicate what type of membership you require: Family, £15; Individual; £10, Concessions (OAP, Student), £5; Corporate, £50 and enclose a cheque payable to Heaths Countryside Corridor.

To all of you that helped me last year, thank you again and if you would like to help again this year please let me know.

Ruth Lovering

Cornwallis - Remarkable family history of 300 years

Many readers will be interested to know that Lord Cornwallis (the 3rd Baron Cornwallis of Linton), who lives at Goudhurst, has published a book covering the remarkable history of his family through nearly 800 years - the year 1225 to the present day.

One of the earliest of his ancestors to attain public distinction was Thomas Cornwallis who became the Sheriff of London in 1314 - an office of greater antiquity than any other in the City of London. His direct descendent Sir Thomas Cornwallis of Brome, Suffolk was Comptroller of the Household to Edward VI in 1557-58 (also of the Queen's Household) and was appointed to be the last Governor of Calais before it was lost to the French. Subsequent descendants served as ministers from the time of Charles II to Queen Victoria. Many have been Members of Parliament.

After six years of meticulous research Lord Cornwallis commissioned the writing of the book from author Neville B.Cryer. It is a fascinating social study of the English land owning classes, their family connections through marriage, the inheritance of great estates and public service. In 1768 Frederick Cornwallis was appointed Archbishop of Canterbury, the first Etonian to hold this office. Another Cornwallis was Bishop of Lichfield and Coventry.

The second Earl Cornwallis served as a general in the American War of Independence and in 1794 became the first Marquess. (This title has died out.) He went on to become Governor-General of India (twice), then Lord-Lieutenant of Ireland, and in France was responsible for negotiating the Treaty of Amiens with Napoleon (an event still celebrated in France). Another Cornwallis was a cavalry officer at the Charge of the Light Brigade during the Crimean War. Another founded the city of Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Born in 1921, the present Lord Cornwallis was commissioned in the Coldstream Guards and served with the regiment between 1940 and 1944. After the war he went into farming and built up a prize-winning herd of Guernsey cattle at Ruck Farm, Horsmonden, He was a founder member of the British Agricultural

Contractors Association in 1949 - now the. National Association of Agricultural Contractors, of which he was the first president.

Lord Cornwallis also has a distinguished record in Freemasonry (a family tradition going back to 1725), being appointed Pro Grand Master (The Grand Master's Alternate) in 1982. His grandfather was chairman of the Kent County Council for many years and his father (a fine cricketer who captained Kent for some years) was Lord Lieutenant of Kent and Pro Chancellor of the new University of Kent.

It is interesting to note that though the name Cornwallis derives from Cornwall the family's connections through eight centuries have mainly been with Suffolk and Kent.

Copies of the book are available from Lord Cornwallis.

Concert at Ulcombe Church

On Saturday the 28 October at 7. 30 pm

Cancionero

will be giving a concert at Ulcombe Church, *The Search for Salvation*, with a selection from the 13th century Cantigas de Santa Maria and English and German pilgrims' songs and dances

Cancionero are also performing at Lambeth Palace and Penshurst Place

Tickets, price £7. 00 may be obtained from Molly Poulter (01622 842988) or from the Church Office (01622 850604)

Cancionero



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BibleLands continues to provide support and care through its Project Partners to those with special needs who might otherwise be marginalized because of their disability. BibleLands and its Project Partners further seek to enable those with such mental or physical disability to reach their full potential.

£10,000 has been sent to the Swedish International Relief Association (SIRA) School in Bethlehem to help with the daily running costs involved in specialized teaching. The School provides a unique support for children with learning issues and relies almost totally on external donations to continue its work.

£15000 has provided a new school minibus for children with special needs at the Centres for Armenian Handicapped (CAHL) Beirut. For children who are unable to use public transport, the minibus provides a vital lifeline as the only means of getting to the Centre on a daily basis.

The Deaf Unit in Cairo has produced the first Egyptian Arabic Sign Language CD-ROM, thanks to £1300 from BibleLands. This pioneering resource will be invaluable for people with haring impairment throughout Egypt.

Our total special needs programme support totalled £777,822

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Most of the courses are run in the evening with one or two daytime subjects. Our rates are extremely reasonable and our facilities are excellent.

Please ring **Alison, our Booking Clerk, on 01233 756366**—she will be happy to give you full details.

Or call in to our drop-in centre on Saturday mornings between 10am and 12 noon and have a chat with one of our tutors. We are situated in the new Millennium Hall in Egerton in the centre of the village.

Answers to the Quiz and Link Word Puzzle

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xsT	Road	Poll	Income	3
Соп	Sweet	Pop	Exchange	Þ
Lime	Quick	Juice	Green	ς
IsunsM	Worker	Labour	Gearbox	9
Sight	Seeing	First	Far	L
Carridge	Paper	Blank	Belt	8
Order	Standing	Postal	Form	6
Momans	Studies	Rights	Institute	01
tsurT	Могту	IsnoitsN	Fund	11
Spider	Plant	Man	House	7
Pineapple	Rings	Juice	Chunks	3
Hedge	Warbler	Worned	МоЯ	7
Сапату	Xellow	TradW	Island	5

RilantenA	Qantas is the national airline of which country?	
Тотатоез	Tiger Tom and Alicante are both varieties of what?	6
Cartilage	Which C word is the medical term for gristle in the human body?	
Paper	Which anniversary is celebrated after one year of marriage?	L
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Oyster	Which shellfish produces pearls?	S
Анрогр АлаЧ	In which park is Princess Diana buried?	
Keystone	What name is given to the central stone of an arch?	٤
nita.1	n which language was the Doomsday Book written? Latin	
Liver	Which organ of the body produces bile? Liver	
Answer	Question	

TIME STANDS STILL...

...but life goes on.

A.W. Court Funeral Directors
In association with
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(One of the world's leading lecturers on bereavement issues)

invite you to join them for a talk on grief-support and finding the confidence to 'face the world again'.

Lenham Community Centre, Groom Way, Lenham Thursday 5th October 2006 6.30 for 7.00pm

From the Registers

Tuesday 18th July, (belated entry) at Vinters Park Crematorium, funeral of the late Kenneth Appleton of Lenham

Friday 11th August, at Harrietsham, St John the Baptist, funeral of the late George Martin

Tuesday 15th August, at Harrietsham, St John the Baptist, interment of cremated remains of the late Richard Wandelt

Thursday 17th August, at Lenham Parish Burial Ground, interment of cremated remains of the late Gladys Davies

Friday 18th August, at Harrietsham, St John the Baptist, renewal of marriage vows of Paul & Heidi Haisman

Sunday 20th August, at Boughton Malherbe, St Nicholas, baptism of Gail Kelly

Saturday 26th August, at Lenham, St Mary, marriage of Christopher Howard & Debbie White

Sunday 27th August, at Lenham, St Mary, marriage of David Reidy & Luisa Iandoli

Sunday 27th August, at Lenham, St Mary, baptism of Alexander Keggans

Thursday 31st August, at Lenham, St Mary, funeral of the late Elizabeth Nazer

Saturday 2nd September, at Harrietsham, St John the Baptist, marriage of Sean Housley & Marina Horwood

Sunday 3rd September, at Lenham, St Mary, baptism of Oliver Andrew & Scarlett Wrighton

Bits 'n Pieces

Sunday 1st October at 3.00pm - Benefice Bereavement Service.

At 3pm on this Sunday we shall be holding an all-benefice Bereavement Service in Lenham, St Mary. This simple service is designed for people from all of the four home parishes, and visitors, who have suffered a bereavement - whether recently or some time past. There will be an opportunity for quiet reflection and thanksgiving for the lives of loved ones and a chance to write their names on cards and to light a candle for them. Afterwards, refreshments will be served and there will be an opportunity to talk with others who are bereaved. You are warmly invited to attend and to bring with you any friend or relative for whom you feel this service may bring comfort.

Tuesday 3rd October from 12noon to 2.00pm - SHALOM Ploughman's Lunch.

The speakers at this month's Lunch at the Shalom Centre, Marsham Street, Maidstone will be Dr & Mrs Roger Hart, speaking on the subject 'Vets in the Villages & Cottage Crafts'.

Wednesday 4th October 2006 - Confirmation Classes Commence.

There is to be a Confirmation Service on Wednesday 22nd November (at 7.30pm) and preparation classes, shared with our neighbours in the Leeds/Hollingbourne parishes, will begin on Wednesday 4th October at 7.30pm. To find out more about Confirmation please ring Revd Don Irvine (859466) or Michelle at the Office (850604).

Saturday 21st October from 9.45am to 3.15pm at St Paul's, Boxley Road. A celebration of ten years of SHALOM and the retirement of its Director, Margaret Doak.

Sunday 29th October at 10.30am at Ulcombe, All Saints - a Benefice Service. An all-benefice service will be held in Ulcombe church to celebrate the Feast Day of All Saints and the Patronal Festival of the parish church.

Saturday 18th November in Westminster Abbey from 7.00 - 9.00pm.

Taize-style Evening Prayer and Vigil at the Cross with Archbishop Rowan Williams, Brother Alois (the new leader of the Taize Community) and the Roman Catholic Cardinal Archbishop of Westminster. Abbey doors open for song practice at 6.15 pm. Also, earlier, from 4 pm: 'choir' practice (open to all-comers) next-door in St Margaret's, Westminster, and workshops on biblical and social themes at venues in Methodist Central Hall and at Westminster (RC) Cathedral.

Tailpiece

Marriage:

- ~ A good marriage is the union of two forgivers
- ~ The bond of marriage is worthless unless the interest is kept up

Revd Don Irvine

The Len Valley Christian Union

The Len Valley Christian Union is organising a trip to Wintershall in Surrey to see the play, The Acts of The Apostles, On Saturday 14th October. The performance starts at 2.30pm and tickets cost £16. Help with transport can be arranged. Please contact Pamela Cuerden on 859442.

The Len Valley Christian Union will have a film night at the United Reformed Church in Lenham on Friday, 10th November, where we will watch and discuss the 15 plus rated film, the Matrix. Entrance free and light refreshments served. Please contact Pamela Cuerden on 859442. Help with transport can be arranged.

Pamela Cuerden

The Len Valley Benefice Lenham & Boughton Malherbe; Harrietsham & Ulcombe Sunday Services - October 2006

Date	Time/Location	Service
Sun 01 Oct 06	08.00 L 08.00 H 09.15 BM	BCP HC BCP HC CW 1
Harvest Thanksgiving	09.30 H 10.45 L	Fam Svc CW 1
(H & U)	11.15 U	Fam Svc
, ,	15.00 L	Benefice Bereavement Service
	19.00 Bearsted	Taize
16th after Trinity		
Sun 08 Oct 06	08.00 L 09.15 BM	BCP HC
Harvest	09.15 BM 09.30 H	Fam Svc CW 1 (Stewardship)
Thanksgiving	10.45 L	Fam Svc
(BM & L)	11.15 U	CW 1
17th after Trinity		
Sun 15 Oct 06	08.00 L	BCP HC
	09.15 BM 09.30 H	BCP HC CW 1
	10.45 L	CW 1
	11.15 U	CW 1
		BCP EP
18th after Trinity	18.30 BM	
Sun 22 Oct 06	08.00 L	BCP HC
	09.15 BM	MS
	09.30 H 10.45 L	CW 1 CW 1
	10.45 L 11.15 U	CW 1
	18.30 H	Informal
19th after Trinity		
Sun 29 Oct 06	08.00 L	BCP HC
All Ociota	10.30 U	CW 1 (Benefice Service)
All Saints	18.30 H	Informal
Last after Trinity	1	

BM - Boughton Malherbe, St Nicholas

Due to essential repair and refurbishment work which is expected to commence at St Nicholas Church during October, all Services are likely to be held in the Village Hall, Grafty Green. Please see the Church Notice board and Village Post Office for further information

Key

Parishes / Churches

L: Lenham

BM: Boughton Malherbe

H: Harrietsham U: Ulcombe

Services

BCP HC = Book of Common Prayer (1662) Holy Communion BCP EP = Book of Common Prayer (1662) Evening Prayer

Fam Svc = Family Service (not Communion)

MS = Morning Service (not Communion)

CW 1 = Common Worship (Order One)

H = Holy Communion

Informal = Informal! (not communion)

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