

# EVERTON NEWS

## Everton Community Newsletter Autumn 2014

# SLOW DOWN..!

...that's the plea from **Everton residents** as they watch the cars and vans speeding down Wainsford Road on their way through our Village. The Everton News has become aware, through letters(p.2) and comments that we've heard and received, that many Villagers are deeply concerned about the dangers presented to traffic and pedestrians by thoughtless drivers who seem to be unaware of the 30 m.p.h. speed limit. We were sufficiently alarmed to get in touch with Alan Rice, our County Councillor, New Forest District Council and Hordle Parish Council.

We have asked for a new set of speed tests to be undertaken, the last being done 4 years ago, we have asked for monitoring of traffic speed by the Police, and we have asked for a Village sign to be posted on the Wainsford Road at the approach from Pennington. We have been assured that these will all be considered. We think it's now a case of 'watch this space.'

However, one new initiative that's already underway is detailed below. We've been informed that, although the initial meeting will have taken place by our publication date, anyone that is interested in joining the scheme will be very welcome. The hope is that regular 'speedwatch volunteers' may help to reduce the problem. If anyone is interested please get in touch with the Parish Clerk. Details below.



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## JUNE 26TH - 28TH 2015

Festival details on pages 12 and 13.

Ruth May and Gill Rowlands admire  
Bob Furnell's winning pumpkin!



Competition winners on page 6



## Community SpeedWatch is an initiative by Hampshire Constabulary to increase awareness about the dangers of speeding.

The scheme will be managed by the police local Safer Neighbourhood teams but run by volunteers. Volunteers will use equipment that can monitor the speed of passing traffic and record the details, later adding them to a database. Vehicle checks will be undertaken by the police and letters will then be sent to the registered keepers advising them of the speed and reminding them of why it is a community concern.

### Recruiting volunteers

Members of the community need to become Police Support Volunteers and be vetted before joining a SpeedWatch scheme.

Still interested, think this can work in Tiptoe, Hordle and Everton? Please contact Hordle Parish Council to register your interest in becoming a volunteer.

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# Everton Community Association

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Dear Members



What a wonderful Art Weekend we had. I really enjoyed the variety of the events and managed to visit nearly everything. Our thanks to Cheryl and Steve for organising everything so well. An additional thanks to the sub-committee who worked so hard with great enthusiasm - it was a treat to be involved with them. I did not realise we had so much talent in Everton. I also think it drew the village together which was an additional

bonus. The weather was kind which of course does help, Going out in the pouring rain is not so attractive as staying dry.

In general we have had a good summer although August could have been kinder.

Nice to have the potholes filled but not in a very good way and many have disintegrated already. Does not bode well for next winter does it?

*Barbara Runham*

## Can anyone help?

As an Everton resident I have been interested in the history of the village ever since I saw an old map referring to 'Evilton'. But does anyone know when Harts Lane changed to Fry's Lane and why? My guess is it may be linked to the sale of the farmland owned by Harts farm to a local builder and the change of location of the recreation ground from behind the current social club to its current location. But of course this could have happened earlier.

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## No Cold Calling Zones

Since the last Newsletter, two further zones have been completed and approved and the external signage has been erected. These are the south end of Wainsford Road and all roads off it (Alan Paice) and Cedar Drive etc (Jan Halligan).

At the time of writing, three more zones have received approval and signage is being ordered. These consist of Old Christchurch Road (Part) (Chris & Hilary Knox), Harts Way etc (Graeme & Pearl Callaway) and Crossways and part of Golden Crescent (Roger Hockham).

We believe that the actions taken so far have made a noticeable improvement in reducing nuisance cold calling. A significant part of the Village is now covered by the initiative, but if anybody is interested in opening up further Zones, please contact Bob Cockburn on 645460

## WAINSFORD ROAD - SPEEDING

I'm sure I'm not the only resident of Everton to become ever more concerned with the standard of driving through the village or, to be more precise, the total disregard for the statutory speed limits. Living on the Wainsford road I frequently witness vehicles travelling at wildly excessive speeds: this is not merely the odd car just going over the 30 mph limit but quite a number of cars racing by at an enormous rate, probably 50-60 mph minimum, maybe even faster. The worst area seems to be that part of the 30mph limit after the 90-degree bend heading towards Pennington.

Apart from the obvious danger to the occupants of the properties situated along the road and the problems of coming out of our drives, I am concerned about the safety of the pedestrians, cyclists and horse riders who are frequent users of Wainsford road with its bends and narrow stretches.

It is difficult to find a solution to this problem but it would help if the traffic police were to bring their mobile speed camera on random visits as it may catch some of the main offenders and provide some form of deterrent. Otherwise it's just a matter of time before one of these morons causes a horrendous accident!

*A resident of Wainsford Road*

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF EVERTON COMMUNITY ASSOCIATION (ECA)

**St Mary's Church Hall . December 1st from 7.30 p.m.**

### *To all Everton residents*

This is your chance to find out a bit more about what's going on in the Village. Do come along!

This year we will be showing some photographs of this year's Arts Festival and we'll be hearing a little bit about the plans for 2015.

Wine and nibbles will be provided.

Hope to see you there!

*Ed.*

P.S. No need to join a Committee or anything like that, (unless you want to of course and then that'd be lovely!)

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# Editor's Musings

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Dear readers,



I don't think I can remember such a fab Summer can you? Everton has certainly been spoilt for sunshine!

And it seems like we've all been taking

advantage of the lovely weather, for as you'll see, we've got quite a packed issue full of your news. This is all down to those of you who send me letters, articles and photographs. Thank You, it really does make for a very interesting read!

And my special gratitude goes to Gill Rowlands for allowing us to use her Grandfather's memoirs for our tribute to this year's commemoration of World War 1.

Sadly though we have lost one of our regular contributors, Rainman has retired (page 10 ). He has supported this Newsletter since I took it over and his wry wit and observations have us all in stitches every time. He will be missed.

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So it's been a busy year for everyone ...the Arts Festival in June was a resounding success and on pages 12 and 13 there are a few photographs to have a look at. If you'd like to see them in colour then please have a look at the Website. And do come along to the AGM, where there will be a scintillating reminder of the Festival.

Looking ahead though the Winter season will be here soon, and I suspect it'll be a bit of a shock to our systems.

St Mary's Church will be having their usual Village Carol singing evening which is outside the Shop and with mince pies and mulled wine is always good fun . Everyone is welcome and if you don't know all the Carols there's a hymn sheet. It certainly gets us all in the mood. Sadly the one thing we don't have in Everton to help us celebrate Christmas, is a true Village Centre through which we could hang or drape Christmas lights. Still, perhaps we could all do our best at home instead, if you are lucky enough to have a tree in your garden, then how about hanging some lights in it!

Ed.

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**For further information or to apply please contact the Parish Clerk:**

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## JUST A REMINDER...

That we are very fortunate in Everton to have such a wealth of ancient Oak trees...not all of them are protected. The Tree Team of the NFDC tell me that they rely heavily on information from the Public regarding the safeguarding of any trees. If you have any concerns about any of our trees then please get in touch with them.  
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# EDWARD RUTHERFURD and THE FOREST by Gwen James

The village of Everton has lived under various names. Since 1200 it has been Iveletona, Ivelton and Yewelton. It became Everton in 1810. Although our village is right on the very edge of the New Forest, the towns and villages surrounding us are part of our daily lives. In Edward Rutherford's fascinating and informative novel *The Forest*, much of the story is based on facts which he refuses to change to fit the story. The author brings to life the places and people as they were hundreds of years ago. Our village forbears one might say..

The history of the New Forest, its villages and people goes back over a thousand years. No-one really knows when Lymington, our nearest town, first began. The towns and villages within the Forest and around it are included in the story. Beaulieu, Boldre, Brockenhurst, Buckler's Hard where Nelson's favourite ship the *Agememnon* was built. Beyond the Forest Christchurch, Keyhaven, Milford-on-Sea are not far away. The area was divided into manors, each manor having a lord of the manor. Some lords owned more than one manor, some on the Isle of Wight. Lymington's harbour was ideal as the place from which to sail to their manors on the island. Lord of the manor of Christchurch had the same idea but being further away from the island from Lymington lost the argument. Yarmouth was founded on the island by Lymington's lord of the manor.

Verderers have been in charge of the Forest for hundreds of years, as have the commoners who had, and still have rights in the Forest. In 1851 the British Parliament passed an Act to kill all the deer in

the Forest to make way for more trees. Valiant battles with officialdom eventually achieved success, a story in itself. The New Forest Act 1877 settled the shape of the New Forest and reformed the ancient order of verderers. Local landowners were to be elected by commoners and parishioners to serve as verderers within the Forest. They were to rule the Forest under an Official Verderer nominated by the Crown. There have been many changes over time but the verderers are still in charge of the Forest and agisters of the ponies, deer and cattle..

The New Forest National Park was officially opened in 2005. The proximity of Everton village is established by a nicely painted sign a few yards beyond the village in Wainsford Road. I always get a slight thrill as I drive past that sign. We still have the joy of seeing ponies, deer and cattle in the New Forest. Deer make their way into Everton now and again. A shrub, stripped overnight, is witness to that! One day a very young deer, looking lost, came up my drive. After a delicate nibble at an overgrown shrub it trotted off quite happily

The Forest is our heritage. I hope that you may be inspired to read *The Forest* by Edward Rutherford. He is not only a brilliant writer, he is also a splendid speaker, a rare gift in a writer.

There is much interesting information on various websites.

## Everton Rambling Club



We have – at the time I type this – completed 10 of our programme of 26 walks this season and we are still enjoying this late summer weather.

We have had from 15 to 36 ramblers out and sometimes 20 plus for well earned refreshments in a suitable pub. Our new innovation of

2 evening walks have been a great success so we will plan to keep them in.

Our walks are – generally – on the 2nd Tuesday and 4th Thursday each month starting at 10:30 AM. The distances vary from about 4 to 6 miles and at our pace take 2 to 2 ½ hours – so they are not boot camp endurance tests! The Studland walk on 10th of June in magnificent weather took longer as we could not drag ourselves away from the views! We also enjoyed the picnic on the beach before bussing back to our parked cars.

We have welcomed a goodly number of new members this season and are not yet too big a club – even if your partner doesn't walk, come along as a good proportion of our regulars are single ramblers. Stiles and gates tend to mix people up so there is a variety of chatting going on.

It is often a delightful surprise to be on a walk in an area that you believe you know well but the day's leader has found a fresh route and from their research relate interesting new facts. Summer walks often include a picnic and we frequently ensure that a pub lunch to follow the walk exertions is also possible.

We do help out at The Oakhaven Autumn fund raising effort by providing leaders for their 3 mile; 6 mile & 10 mile walks – this year on 5th October. It is usually the first Sunday in October and sponsored walkers raise significant sums for this well respected charity. So our leaders have been pioneering these walks recently – twice over the 10 miles gets us fit!

We also have a strong social “scene” the American Supper on 11th July was blessed with an idyllic evening and enjoyed by all. To come is a Skittles Evening on 13th November and a Club Lunch on 16th January 2015. Our next AGM is on 27th April 2015 at St Mary's Church hall – which is another social occasion – and potential new members are welcome – coffee & biscuits are served. At the AGM we collect our £8 annual subs. and distribute the forthcoming programme.

Our Officers are :- Bill Foster Chair 01425 610997 [billhcsc@hotmail.co.uk]; Mervyn Hughes Secretary 01590 642509 [mervhughes@me.com] and Treasurer Steve Knighton 01590 645952 [steveknight20@outlook.com]. They are more than happy to chat to prospective walkers!

**Bill Foster**

# EVERTON & LYMORE SOCIAL CLUB

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Once again the time has come to report on Everton & Lymore Social Club, one of the Social Hubs of Everton Village where you can enjoy yourself by playing a game of Snooker or Pool .Alternatively you may wish to play a game of Darts or Crib. We now have SKY SPORTS and show a number of Sporting Events such as Premier Football, Formula 1 ,Rugby and the Ryder Cup, enjoy it along with a quiet drink in pleasant company. Every Wednesday and Sunday, Bingo is available and once a month we have a Film Night, usually on Friday starting at 8pm.

The "Club" as it is known by, also has several functions on a monthly basis, a list will be provided at the end of this note. One other function we provide is to promote Charitable Events –the latest being a Coffee Morning for Macmillan Cancer Support this Year on Friday 26th September . One of our charities is of course Oakhaven and our latest Event will be PUMPKIN DAY Sunday 5th October. The "Club" also now has a Facebook Page - (everton& lymoresocialclub) and is the process of developing a website, this should be available before the end of 2014.

Membership is available to all and a visit to the Club is all that is needed, come along and see for yourself our staff will be able to give you any information you require.

Forthcoming events:

Oct 18<sup>th</sup> Sopley Hall Band (Irish/Folk Music)  
Oct 31<sup>st</sup> Proposed Kiddies Halloween Party  
followed by Adults Disco 8pm.  
Nov 1<sup>st</sup> Stardust(Group)  
Nov 8<sup>th</sup> Retro(Duo Act)  
Nov 22<sup>nd</sup> The Three Belles (1940's Music +  
Buffet) ticket only  
Nov 29<sup>th</sup> Hattrick (Group)  
Dec 4<sup>th</sup> Pensioner's Party  
Dec 14<sup>th</sup> Grand Christmas Draw 1pm.  
Dec 27<sup>th</sup> Retro (Duo Act)  
Dec 31<sup>st</sup> New Year's Eve Spectrum Disco

## PUMPKIN DAY... OCTOBER 4TH COMPETITION WINNERS

### Congratulations to:

Largest Pumpkin....Bob Furnell (53 lbs)

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# Everton Post Office & Village Stores

It's time for another newsletter and what changes there have been at the shop since the last one! The end of June saw the Post Office change to the local format that I talked of in the last newsletter.

The Post Office was closed for a few days at the end of June and we had a few hairy scary days where we had electricians and shop fitters and telephone engineers milling around doing whatever it is they do and at the end of it the Post Office reopened as open plan next to the shop till. The weekend saw the builders turn up and they tore out the old Post Office counter and put up a nice new wall. A few days later the shop fitters came back to install some new shelving and that was it – job done! We had a brand new Post Office and more shop space. Everyone seemed to like it though some were surprised at how small the Post office counter is but in actual fact it is exactly the same serving area that we had before, it's just all the other space that's gone. Come in and check it out if you haven't seen it yet.

The new setup is working well and the change means that the Post Office is now open all the time the shop is open and although we don't have many people using it out of normal hours those that do find it useful.

Prior to the changes I tweaked our opening hours slightly, one of the objectives of this was that it would make things easier with

the new Post Office hours; the later opening in the mornings works well because it allows me to get the Post office ready while we are closed which is a must for security; however the earlier closing on Sunday does not seem to work that well and judging by the number of people who come along after we have closed I think that a 1 o'clock close would be much better. And so as from Sunday 26<sup>th</sup> October, which is when the clocks go back, we will revert to staying open until 1 o'clock on Sundays.

**As from 26<sup>th</sup> October our new opening hours will be 07:30 – 19:00 Monday to Saturday and 08:00 – 13:00 on Sunday and bank holidays.**

Completely changing the subject, from comments that some of you have made in the shop I know that the speed of the traffic on Wainsford Road is of concern to a lot of people. Over the last six months we at the shop have seen two accidents on the Frys Lane junction. On both occasions the drivers coming out of Frys Lane were accused of not stopping at a junction. This judgement was from the drivers coming along Wainsford but from our vantage point, and upon playing back the CCTV, it was apparent that in both incidents this was not the case. If the drivers on Wainsford Road had been driving at the speed limit, which is 30mph through the village, then these accidents could have been avoided.

I mention this here because you will see in other parts of the newsletter reference to action that is being taken to reduce the speed of traffic going through the village. It's my opinion that such action is definitely needed and I hope it is successful.

On that note I'll sign off and hope you have a good autumn.

*Sandra and Steven Burrows*

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# Everton Bridge Club

Everton Bridge Club continues to thrive through 2014 with over 50 full playing members drawn from throughout the local area. We gather on Tuesday Evenings and have up to 9 tables playing duplicate bridge in a friendly, competitive environment.



We meet at around 6.30 in St. Mary's Church Hall and guests or visiting players are always welcome. Except for the 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday in each month when we have our Ladder Pairs competition, we run a host system that means we can even accommodate single players looking for a game on most occasions.

As a Club, we feel it is important to make a contribution to help others and we actively support local and national charities. This year our annual Charity Event in March was in aid of 'Honeypot' who are based near Exbury and do sterling work providing holidays and respite for children who are full time carers for adult family members. In November, we will again take part in the National 'Children in Need' Simultaneous Pairs Competition, pitting our wits against thousands of other bridge players across the country.

On the social front, the annual Chairman's BBQ in June was great fun with good food, good company and good humour. Around 30 members and guests turned out to enjoy the sunshine and steak, superbly cooked by the Chairman himself! The photo shows some of the attendees relaxing in the garden in anticipation of the feast to come.

If you are interested in coming along to meet us and hopefully join our Club you will find all our details on our web page at [www.bridgewebs.com/evertonbc/](http://www.bridgewebs.com/evertonbc/). There is an e-mail contact from the web page or please feel free to contact Eve Ritchie-Fallon on 01590 676528.

## BOULE (petanque)<sup>8</sup>

Have you been on holiday to France ?  
Have you watched them play Boule ?  
Would you like to have a go, learn to play so you can play them next time?

Come and join us on the 'terrain' (the boule pitch) at the rear of the Pavilion on the Recreation Ground, Frys Lane.

The game is basically simple, You will quickly pick it up and enjoy you time playing.

We are a small group, we play for fun and exercise, we meet on Monday afternoons, weather permitting, at 2.00 pm (or 14.00 hrs French time). You do not need to bring any equipment as we have all that is required, as the terrain is a fine gravel surface for your own comfort it is best not to wear sandals.

Please ring Alan on 644901 or Phil on 718529, to check if play is available.

*Alan Paice.*

## Table Tennis Club

The Table Tennis season has begun very quietly but we are looking forward to seeing everyone again after holidays and other Friday evening activities have finished by the beginning of October.

If you enjoy a game of Table Tennis do join us on Friday evenings in St. Mary's Hall from 7.30 pm to 9.30. pm . All you need is a pair of soft shoes and £1.50 each evening you play. We always have an enjoyable evening and stop at 8.30 pm for a short break for a drink and time to chat !

Do give me a ring if you want to know more or just come to St Mary's Hall one Friday evening.  
Gillian 644739

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# Milford on Sea Bowls Club

## Your local Bowls Club



Milford on Sea Bowls Club closed its outdoor season at the end of September with its teams having had mixed fortunes in the leagues it plays in with some important promotions and sadly, some minor relegations. As bowlers say, there is always next year! However, a great year was enjoyed by its many members in excellent bowling conditions. The green looked as good on the last day as it was on the first, very much due to the new advanced irrigation system installed last Winter. An excellent intake of new players joined the Club this year and many who were new to the sport finished the season as proficient players keenly awaiting next Spring when the new season starts.

As always, enquiries for membership should be made as soon as possible so that arrangements can be made for next season. We have set a provisional date of Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> April for our Open Morning and you should register as soon as possible if you are considering joining. We welcome both new and experienced players. Many of the Club's members come from the Everton and Hordle area as well as Milford on Sea. Bowling is enjoyed by men and women of all ages and if you are interested in learning more about the Club then please contact the Honorary Secretary, Peter Kaye on 01590 644252 or email him at [peterkaye@f2s.com](mailto:peterkaye@f2s.com).

## Lymington Woodcarving and Woodturning Club

The Woodcarving Club was established in 2000 with a membership of just 3 carvers on a Tuesday evening at Lymington Community Centre. We have grown to about 40 members and meet on Tuesday and Thursday evenings, this year we have also met on a Wednesday morning.

We have a wonderful facility at the centre, with 15 benches/vices plus 3 Lathes. We are not a teaching facility but have a wealth of very good carvers and turners to help any new comers. We have a stock of wood and enough tools to get anyone started.

Why not give yourself this opportunity to begin a new art form. This is a club, consequently we can keep the costs to just £3 a session which includes a cup of tea and biscuits.

We are the only club in the Lymington area but we work with the other woodcarving clubs in the Waterside area. This gives us the opportunity to join with them in an Exhibition once a year at St Thomas Church Hall, Lymington when we show over 33 exhibits.

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August	10 <sup>th</sup>
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## IT'S TIME TO TALK.

The WI has a long history of campaigning on all sorts of issues of concern to members and their communities.

Any member can put forward a resolution for consideration and thus over the years we have discussed and campaigned on a wide variety of topics.

In the early years we sought improved water supplies to villages and better medical care for pregnant women in rural areas. We pressed for equal pay for women and for equal education opportunities in both town and country.

In the 50s came the anti litter campaign which led to the formation of the Keep Britain Tidy Group.

The following years brought concern over the use of toxic sprays and the dangers of radiation from nuclear testing. There was also a call for more nursery education and a request for single sex wards in hospitals.

The WI has campaigned for organ donation since 1952 and in 1972 called for the establishment of the organ donor register.

This year we are encouraged to talk about organ donation with our families and friends. No-one likes to talk about their death but maybe we should. Whether you are for or against organ donation, it is surely right that your family should be aware of your wishes. It would, I think, be unfair for your loved ones to have to make the decision for you.

So please think about it ..... IT'S TIME TO TALK.

Meetings are held in St Mary's Church Hall,  
Branwood Close every third Wednesday at  
2.30pm.



## Well done

### Kathy McClure...

who once again organised a Macmillan Coffee Morning at the Social Club on September 26th.

Kathy sold coffee and homemade cakes and organised a raffle plus a variety of stalls. The amount raised on the day was £565! Kathy told us that she has an additional amount of around £100 promised, which will bring her total up to nearly £700. What a stunning achievement!



Kathy would like to thank all of the local businesses and friends that she approached and who kindly donated a prize for the fabulous Raffle..and not forgetting all the people who volunteered their time to help.

## Weatherwatch

Alas the Rainman is no more  
He's unable to keep the rainfall score  
A victim of advancing age  
Can no longer stoop to read his gauge.

Put out to grass to ease his pain  
Will rely on others to collect the rain  
Enjoyed the job for the past seven years  
So farewell to the Rainman, no need for tears!

*Rainman*

*Very sad to say goodbye!  
Ed*

## The "Lowly Chef" is taking a break this time but here's an alternative to your Christmas Pud!

### RASPBERRY BOMB

1 packet meringue nests ( crushed)

1 pint double cream (whipped until stiff)

2 ginger biscuits (crushed)

Melted butter (brush round 2pint pudding bowl)

1 tin raspberries ( empty contents into a sieve and make into puree)

Line 2 pt bowl with tin foil. The foil should extend above the bowl.

#### METHOD

Brush melted butter around the foiled bowl.

Cover buttered area with the crushed biscuits.

Place the crushed meringues and cream in another bowl and mix well together.

Pour into the foiled bowl.

Cover with the excess foil.

Place into the freezer.

Overnight gives the best results.

#### BEFORE EATING

4 minutes before eating remove bowl from freezer.

Place the bomb on a dish having removed the foil covering.

Pour the pureed raspberry over the top.

It is now ready to cut into portion and eat.

For special occasions, birthdays, Christmas, Halloween, Guyfauks etc. . Place indoor sparkler on the top.

*Sandy Davies*

# EVERTON LADIES EVENING GROUP - LEGS



In August we celebrated our 35<sup>th</sup> Anniversary with a Grand Afternoon Tea Party which was attended by 70 ladies, including several founder members and past committee. LEGS was originally set up to provide an opportunity for ladies living in Everton or nearby to meet their neighbours over a cuppa and enjoy an evening with an interesting

speaker or even make their own entertainment. It was obvious from the buzz (and the noise level) that this ethos is still alive today as we celebrated in August. Indeed, regular monthly meetings are attended on average by between 40 and 50 ladies so we must still be getting it right!

We meet at St Mary's Church Hall on the first Monday of the month at 7.30pm (except for Bank Holidays when it is usually a week later) and in exchange for £2 you will receive entertainment, refreshments and, above all, a really warm welcome.

By holding a raffle at each meeting or an occasional bring and buy or special event, we support a local charity each year, and in October at our year-end meeting we had pleasure in presenting a cheque to HOPE New Forest and hearing an update on their work supporting older people in the New Forest area

On **Monday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** Hilary Marshall will be giving a presentation entitled "Behind the Scenes at The Lyndhurst Visitor Centre". Our December meeting will be the Christmas Party which is ticket only. **Monday 5<sup>th</sup> January** sees the LEGS year in with our regular, raucous Beetle Drive and Nibbles – only come if you are prepared to have a good time and enjoy yourself! How's that for a New Year's Resolution?

Further speakers aren't ready to be announced by copy date but a poster is displayed outside the Post Office about 10 days before each meeting. Please keep an eye out and hopefully a subject will tempt you to come along and give us a try. All ages, shapes and sizes welcome!

CARRIE KAYE 01590 644252 (Secretary)  
SANDY DAVIES 01590 645599 (Chairlady)



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# EVERTON VILLAGE ARTS FESTIVAL

## Everton Arts Festival – the music bit!

Overall we were very pleased with the musical content of this year's festival and we were especially encouraged by the level of support from the village. Most venues had capacity audiences and we re-



ceived lots of appreciative comments and positive feedback. As it was our first venture into the Arts Festival world and we didn't quite know how it would be received your response meant a great deal so thank you for that!



On the subject of thanks, we are grateful not only for the excellent musical acts but also the help provided by various people in preparing the venues, serving refreshments and moving equipment etc. One event that was particularly successful due to the support, help and participation of Villagers was the Open Mic night, so special thanks to Rob Tabbard and friends who organised and ran that night and the people who got up and performed that evening, especially the youngsters!



Being encouraged with the success of the 2014 Festival and being gluttons for punishment we plan to do it all again next year!



In the main we intend to stick to roughly the same format for the musical content but with a few tweaks here and there in the light of our experience to date. Once again we want to encompass a broad range of musical genres and use different venues for performances around the village so that hopefully we can provide something for everyone.



At the moment next summer seems a long way off but there is a lot of work to do over the coming months on all aspects of next year's Arts Festival so we hope you'll reserve the dates in your 2015 diary and come and enjoy all our artistic offerings!!

*Steve*

# POETRY IN EVERTON COMPETITION

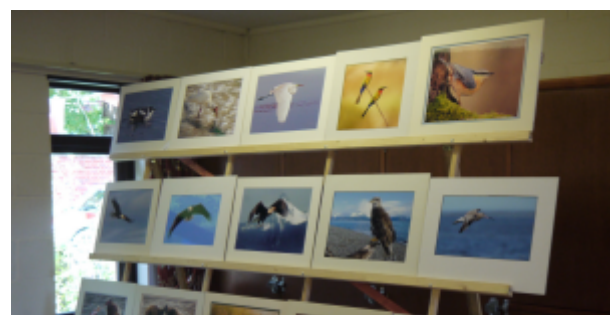
## FIRST PRIZE ADULT

### My Son

He walked across the sun soaked land,  
detector in his hand.  
Looking for mines of destruction.  
Laced with impurities to cause more devastation,  
It happened so fast that ripping blast,  
He never stood a chance.

Who would send their only son to fight a war that  
can't be won.  
Send the cowards they only want to run.  
It's the men who stand and fight doing what's good  
and right.  
Nothing is how we planned, in that far off troubled  
land.

*Angela Hockham*



## FIRST PRIZE JUNIOR

### Winter Poem

The first winter's morning,  
Is where I begin.  
It was a refreshingly cold night,  
As sparkling snow crystals  
The snowdrops will fall,  
The ground will shine,  
Winter will be awoken.

Next come the children,  
All wrapped up and warm.  
Snow fluffier than clouds,  
Keeps them happy for hours.  
The children will play,  
The glorious laughter will be  
heard,  
Winter will be awoken.

Soon enough it is the evening,  
When snow melts on the carpet.  
The children have had an early  
night,  
The sun has already run away.  
Hot chocolate will be made,  
The temperature will fall,  
Winter will be awoken.

Now that presents are piling,  
And it feels like the end.  
I have had a visit from the big  
red man,  
I heard jingling bells all through  
the night.  
The presents will pile up and up,  
Cookies will be put out,  
Winter will be awoken.

Now it's New Year's Eve,  
And it is almost midnight.  
The countdown has begun  
Fire will soon rule the sky  
Colours will fly,  
The new year will begin,  
Winter will be awoken.

It is nearly the end,  
Though it is sad to say.  
The snow that crunched under  
Numb toes has now gone.  
Flowers will blossom,  
Butterflies will glide,  
Spring will be awoken.

*Matilda Gleave*

**On behalf of The Committee** I'd like to take this opportunity to say a huge thankyou to all of the people who came forward during the weekend (and before) to help make Everton's inaugural Festival such a success.

It's true there was a lot of fetching and carrying, a great deal of bunting hanging, a huge amount of baking and a mammoth pile of cups and saucers and wine glasses being washed...But there was also a whole heap of fun and laughter and merry making going on too!

And then there were the artists and the musicians and of course all of you who came along and supported us in all sorts of ways, but perhaps most of all gave us the enthusiasm to carry it all forward in 2015.

**JUNE 26TH, 27TH AND 28TH 2015...**hmmm seems a long way off, but we are already starting to plan and organise. If you would like to be involved in any way then we'd love to hear from you. Either phone me or Steve, or stop us whenever you see us. Oh, and keep your eye on the Garage Wall!

**Cheryl 01590 644865**

**Steve 01590 642989**

**We are now in the process of setting up our own Festival website** [www.everton-festival.co.uk](http://www.everton-festival.co.uk)

It will be fully up and running soon, so visit it to see the Photographs(in colour) from 2014 and to keep up to date with the latest news!



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All you need to do is call our Coordinator, Margaret, on 0845 388 9063. Please leave a message if she is not available to answer the phone and she will get back to you. Please give as much notice as possible as this is more likely to enable us to find a driver for you.

If you are unable to use a 'bus pass' you may be eligible for Travel Vouchers from Hampshire County Council. You can use these for our service and if you wish to have more information please call Margaret on the above number.

## Can you help us and those in our community?

Are you looking to help in your local community?

Would you like to know that you are making a difference to someone who needs help?

We would like to increase our driver pool so we can help more people get to their medical appointments.

If you can spare a couple of hours a week then we would be very pleased to hear from you.

For more information please contact Ian Chislett-Bruce on 01425 614174 or email [hordle.care@btinternet.com](mailto:hordle.care@btinternet.com) for further information.

## Befriending Service?

Hordle Voluntary Care Group is exploring the feasibility of providing a Befriending Service in the Parishes of Tiptoe, Hordle and Everton.

Befriending is a service that organises and supports friendship between two people – a volunteer and a person who would like to be befriended. The intention is to build confidence and help a person to be independent. Many people in our community feel isolated when their mobility is restricted and befriending can help to encourage them to remain involved.

The HVCG committee would be very interested to hear your views about providing a scheme. Different services can be provided such as one to one friendship, going on short trips, shopping and similar. Volunteers will receive training and support throughout. Please help us in deciding whether to introduce this service by completing the form below and returning it to the address shown:

- 1. Do you know someone who may be interested in this service? (names not required) Yes / No
- 2. Would you be interested in volunteering as a 'befriender' or would like more information?

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# HOLIDAY AT HOME

On Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> August dressed in beach attire I strolled down to the Post Office, bought my newspaper and informed them that I was now off on holiday. "Where to?" They asked. "The Church hall" I replied.

On arrival for "Holiday at Home" we were welcomed, then offered a pretty straw hat and, with the familiar sound of screeching seagulls, escorted to a comfy seat at a small table. The hall was beautifully decorated and furnished as if we were at the seaside.



We were given coffee and biscuits and later a chocolate nutty ice cream cone. All served by friendly, smiling helpers of Gillian.

At lunch time we had a tasty portion of cottage pie with vegetables, then jelly and blancmange and tea and homemade cakes

in the afternoon. All of this wonderful food with entertainment too. Quizzes, music, sing songs and Punch and Judy kept us fully occupied and entertained- especially with photographs too. We were on holiday.

The following day found us in the hall once again with fish and chips for lunch, more ice cream and cakes, dancing, singing with music and a Dad's Army film complete with popcorn! Then to our big surprise, we were given our photographs printed on a postcard with stamp ready for posting.

Thinking of the logistics of the whole happy experience made me feel so amazed and more grateful than I could express. A very big thank you is owed to Gillian and her helpers for our miraculous "Holiday at Home" by the sea.

**Rhoda Scott**

## And HERE'S HOW IT HAPPENED!

St Mary's Church supports the Church Army. The Church Army supports work with families, children, young people and senior citizens as well as many other groups. A few years ago the idea of a Holiday at Home was launched. This project was for people who are no longer able to go away for holidays and they would be invited to church halls, or other buildings, to have a Holiday at Home. Many different activities would take place and the holiday would last from around 10.0 am to 3.00 pm each day.

Gillian had heard about this project and thought it would be a good idea for Everton. At the Church council meeting in February she suggested the idea saying a team of 12 people would be needed if we were to undertake a Holiday at home. As soon as the project was outlined to the Church council 4 people immediately offered to be part of the team. It was only a few days later when the full team was formed and a meeting was held. Many extremely creative ideas were suggested and over the next few months much preparation took place. Another meeting was held to ensure we were ready and then the day before the holiday began the Church hall was transformed into "Everton by the sea,"

The next morning 18 holiday makers arrived and the following article is written by Rhoda who was one of the holiday makers and gives you an idea of the programme.

Gillian would like to thank the team who worked so hard and the holiday makers who all joined in all the activities and were so appreciative.



# News from St. Mary's

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What a glorious summer we have had extending into the golden days of autumn.

August this year saw two very memorable events for our Church. On Sunday, 17th August we had our Patronal Festival of St Mary; the evening service was led by Canon Ray Hubble and we were blessed to have the St Nicholas singers and St Mary's church choir perform in what was a very uplifting service. A delicious afternoon tea was also provided and this was much enjoyed by everyone. Thanks go

to all those involved in both the catering and the choir preparation.

During August we also took part in a new venture for St Mary's aimed at those within our parish who are unable to get away and enjoy a holiday during the year. Much preparation went into the 'Holiday at Home' and it proved to be a very enjoyable event for all involved.



By the time you read this newsletter we will be heading towards the end of the year and on the 4th November the After School Club will be holding their annual tea party in the Church hall. This will take place from 3.45pm – 4.30pm and there will be stalls, games and tea. Everyone is very welcome to attend and all money raised will be going to their Christingle Purse which is for children without homes. The Christingle Service will be taking place on Sunday 7th December at 4pm in All Saints Church at Milford on Sea.

On Sunday, 9th November we will be holding our service of Remembrance which will begin at 10.50am and you will be very welcome to attend. On Tuesday, 11th November two minutes silence will be observed at the flagpole at Everton Recreation Ground which will be followed by friendship coffee in the church hall.

Before we know it Christmas will be upon us and what better way to enjoy this festive time than to come and join the Village Carols which will take place on Monday, 15th December at 7pm outside the Village Stores and Post Office; refreshments will be provided afterwards to warm up all the carollers!

The ending of the year brings upon us an important time for those at St Mary's as we approach the period of Advent. A Holy Communion Service will be held on Wednesday, 24th December at 9.00pm and the Christmas Day Service which will be held as usual at 10.00am on Thursday, 25 December. The Church is always busy for this Service but there is room for everyone and a welcome for all. We do hope that you will come and join us on this very special day and share with us the meaning of Christmas.

On Sunday, 28th December we will be holding our family carol service at 10.00am followed by a New Year's Eve Service on Wednesday, 31 December, details of which will be displayed outside the post office and stores. On Sunday, 4th January 2015 there will be an Epiphany Carol Service at 3pm which will be followed by tea in the church hall.

As I mentioned in the last newsletter the Women's World Day of Prayer takes place in March and will be held on Friday, 6th March 2015 at 7pm in St Mary's. The service will be led by the women of Bahamas and promises to be an uplifting occasion.

On Sunday, 29th March 2015 we will be holding our Palm Sunday Service and very much hope to be joined by Morris the donkey who is a favourite with all the congregation, young and old.

Details of our Good Friday Service to be held on 3rd April will be displayed at the village stores and post office nearer the time. This will be followed by our Easter Day Service of Holy Communion at 10.00am on Sunday, 5th April when there will also be family activities in the church hall with hopefully an Easter Egg Hunt to follow!

This is just a snap shot of time spent together here at St Mary's and we feel blessed to be part of a congregation who enjoy sharing their fellowship together and we would love you to come and join us. We follow each ten o'clock Service with coffee in the Church Hall where you can spend time with others from the congregation and those living in Everton.

With all best wishes for a Happy and Healthy Autumn and Winter and we look forward to giving you more news from St Mary's in Spring 2015.

Best Wishes to You All,

Linda Bettle and Joyce Pope  
Church Wardens at St Mary's, Everton

# CHURCH AND COMMUNITY

For such a small village, there's always such a lot going on in Everton! The Music and Arts festival in Everton this summer was a tremendous tribute to the strength of the Everton community it is a privilege to be involved with it.

So what's happening for families at the church? Everton Toddlers continues to provide a valuable meeting place for mums and carers with babies and toddlers. We enjoy having the space to play with the trikes, the tunnel, the slide, the train track, the kitchen and the cupboard full of other toys that make their weekly appearance on Wednesday mornings in term time. Everton Toddlers opens at 9.30am and ends with singing at 11.30am. If you have any neighbours or local friends who would enjoy coming along, please tell them about us.

Each Tuesday in term time, we meet with year 3-6 at After School Club from 3.30-4.45pm, except when it is Messy Church. Messy Church is usually the 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday of the month and is a family event. Through craft, stories and singing we spend time together exploring the Bible in a fun and interactive way, followed by sharing a meal together. Booking for Messy Church is essential as places are limited and fill up fast. Here are the dates for the next sessions: October 21<sup>st</sup>, November 25<sup>th</sup>, De-

cember 16<sup>th</sup>, (2015) January 27<sup>th</sup> February 24<sup>th</sup>, March 24<sup>th</sup>, April 28<sup>th</sup>. Contact Sheila Hopkins (Parish Family Worker) on 07969476148 to book.



We organise special activities in the holidays. In the October half term, there are family film afternoons on Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> October and Friday 31<sup>st</sup> October. Films start at 2pm. There is a family drop-in on Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> October 9.30-11.30am, where there will be activities for children of all ages and refreshments for parents.

Children are always welcome on Sunday mornings. On 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday there is an informal family gathering in the hall (times may vary) and on 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday there is a Family Service at 10am in the hall.

We look forward to seeing you at St Mary's Church.  
Blessings,  
Sheila Hopkins

## St Mary's Church Activities

### Tuesday Friendship Coffee

On Tuesdays St Mary's hall is open from 10.0am-11.30 am for anyone to "pop-in" and have a coffee/tea and meet friends or maybe meet someone you do not know and make new friends. There are books and jig-saw puzzles for you to browse through and take home if you wish. Do please let me know if you need transport. Gillian 644739. With winter approaching we all spend more time in our own homes so do ask for a lift if you would like some company on Tuesday mornings.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday there is no Friendship Coffee as we have Friendship lunch that week but if you do come by a mistake there will be people in the hall to say "hello" !!!

### Friendship Lunch

Cilla Johnson and her team, both in the kitchen and the hall, continue to give us delicious lunches each 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday. We usually have a "full house" of 60 people in the hall and we are now extremely grateful to those who are on a transport rota to

enable a number of the guests to get to the lunch( and home again afterwards!) Before lunch we have a very short service in church at 11.45 am. Everyone is invited to the service even if you are not coming to lunch. Obviously not everyone can come every month so if you would like to be on the "reserve" list do ring me and I will add your name to the list 644739.

### Junior Table Tennis Club

St. Mary's has arranged a Junior Table tennis club for 11-16 year olds for about 5 years. A number of members left the club in May as they had reached their 16<sup>th</sup> birthdays.

We hope to relaunch the Club on Friday 7 November for any young people aged 11-16 years. We meet in St Mary's hall from 6.15-7.15 pm on Friday evenings. Bats and balls are provided but we do ask that young people wear soft shoes please. We look forward to welcoming new members on November 7<sup>th</sup>.

## St Mary's Social Committee Calendar

18 October	The Bazaar - The Church Hall - this is the only fund raising event of the year held by St Mary's. All are very welcome.
10 November	Minibus outing to Stewarts.
11 November	Armistice Day services at the Recreation Ground and during the Drop-in at St Mary's Church Hall.
28 November	Christmas Shopping trip to Chichester. At present a 33 seater coach has been booked, tickets will cost approx. £14.50. Should there be enough interest this can be changed to a 45 seater coach which will mean a slight increase on the ticket price.
Please contact John or Ann Wigglesworth for more details 01590 642556	



# BACK ON DRY LAND...

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## THE YACHTING ADVENTURES OF TWO EVERTON SAILORS. Elizabeth Kempe



One is always told to get back on the horse that just threw you -so, with that in mind we determined this sailing season to revisit the spot where we had been so unfortunate last year (See sailing article 1 - Everton News Letter).

So having sailed every fine weekend we could this year and feeling ready, boat all brightly painted and clean, we set off one lunchtime from Christchurch heading towards Weymouth, passing Peverell Point, our 'headland of fear'!

The seas above a submerged headland can be very different in character from the waters round it and as we approached we could see a line of white capped waves in our path. Another yacht, further inland and in front of us was tossing about like a cork. So I felt a bit uneasy as we too approached the seething turbulent waters. Check the life jacket buckle, make sure the sail is pulled in tight and with the engine on we sped through our fear like pros! Very happy day, ending with a sail along the wonderful Jurassic Coast as the sun set and the harvest moon came up.

People often ask me what do we eat/cook on board a boat and my answer is anything that cooks quickly in one pot and is hot and tasty. Mainly that is Batchelor's 'more or less' instant pasta in a variety of gluey sauces together with whatever lurks in the cool box after being a few days at sea and away from 'Le-delis'. I was more than impressed though when I came across the following menu suggestion in the skipper's wife section of a 1950's sailing book.

Thursday Breakfast - cereal, soft roes on fried bread, toast and marmalade, tea.

Lunch - Braised Joint (Beef and Horseradish Sauce), cabbage and new potatoes. Melon. Cheese and Biscuits. Coffee.

Supper - bloater fritters, brown bread and butter, tinned cherries and cream. Tea.

My poor mother!

Happy sailing!

### Newcomers to Everton

If you've moved into Everton during the last three years then you were made welcome on a special evening, October 4th. The get together was organised by St Mary's Church.

If you're a newcomer to Everton the Editorial team would love to hear your views on what you've been up to...highs and lows. Do get in touch.

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## A Word from Dingle Dell...

...who tells us of the trials in becoming an Everton bee-keeper...

The verges were cut recently on the main road between Everton and New Milton, as the flail mower did its' work a huge swathe of litter was uncovered, most of which was hand collected over the following days. It does seem hard to imagine why it is so difficult for people to take their litter home and not to chuck it out of the vehicle window!



Rant over, the bees are getting ready for the dark months by gathering a reduced colony of workers about the Queen. This is achieved through the expulsion of most of the males {drones} from the hive as their sole purpose in life is to mate with the Queen. Once the Queen stops laying eggs, the drones are not needed any more and bee society in its ruthless and efficient way moves on.

A big threat to the honey bee at this time of year is the Varroa mite which if left unchecked can cause collapse of the entire colony. The hive is treated now when there are less larvae than at other times of the year which means that as Spring comes round, the number of Varroa will be much depleted as they feed on larvae and on adult bees, sucking what passes for blood in the bee world.

Another really common problem to bees is the wax moth, this is not as serious as the Varroa. In a strong colony the bees themselves are able to efficiently police their own hive.

Over Winter, the bees will have reduced their numbers to about 10 000, this will enable them to survive the winter on the stored honey they have in the hive. The Queen will start laying again shortly after the solstice and there should have been the odd drone who escaped the matriarchal broom, in the autumn clear out, who will mate with the Queen.

During the Winter Season the bees keep the area of the hive where they are clustered, at 35 degrees centigrade, this temperature is achieved by 'shivering' which is a constant demand on their energy. This demand is achieved as the bees on the edge of the huddle change places with those in the middle, maintaining a constant rotation. This method seems to work very well as long as the colony has enough stores to last the winter; something in the region of 18 kg of honey for a hive of 10 000 bees. This sounds reasonable but it has to be remembered that 40 kg might have been taken off by the bee keeper at the end of the summer.

To ensure all is well the hive is hefted which means simply one side is lifted to estimate the weight of honey stored within the hive. If by the middle of September the bees do not have enough stores then they are fed a sugar syrup mixture which will allow them to build up enough reserves to last them the winter, and emerge in the spring in order to repeat the whole cycle again.

All is now done so we hope the hive survives through the Winter!  
**Hedgegrub**

## Village Grapevine

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Catherine Gleave from Greenwood Avenue was very pleased with her results from Arnewood – 4 x A stars and 6 x A's. Very well done Catherine, and good luck to all those who have just left Everton to take up their University places.

Congratulations to Ron and Maureen Meers who recently celebrated their Diamond Wedding Anniversary.

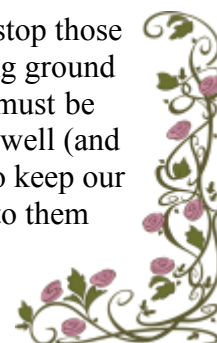
Newlands Manor is the location of the Granary Kitchen, and Christian Rivron was a finalist in the CLA/NPA Awards for Best Supporter of Local Produce. The Granary Kitchen is a successful cookery school and also offers private dining.'

Caroline Bennett has had her debut novel, 'The Half-Term Break' published and we wish her well with it – a dream come true. Congratulations.

We were saddened at the untimely passing of Andy Rose, who with his wife Jane, welcomed so many happy visitors at their B&B in Wainsford Road.

And finally, we don't know how we can stop those who regard Wainsford Road as a dumping ground for their McDonalds containers, but we must be grateful to Chris Lock and Richard Cresswell (and unsung others) who pick up the detritus to keep our village such a pleasant place. Thankyou to them all.

*Grapevine*



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Above is a tiny section of the Installation by Paul Cummins, ‘Blood Swept Lands and Seas of Red’ that is now on display at the Tower of London. Each ceramic Poppy (there are 888,246 ) represents a British or Colonial serviceman who died in World War 1. Individual poppies are available to buy...

4th stanza of

## For the Fallen

They shall not grow old as we are that  
left grow old:  
Age shall not weary them, nor the  
years condemn.  
At the going down of the sun and in  
the morning  
We will remember them

Robert Laurence Binyon (1869-1943)



The following narrative is an excerpt taken from the memoirs of Gill Rowlands, Grandfather George Turnbull, which were published this year. Gill has very kindly allowed us to publish this small part as a tribute to those who lost their lives between 1914 and 1918. George saw active service during the Mesopotamia Campaign.

### Editorial note:

I found it exceptionally difficult to choose a passage, the book contains a full account not only of George’s experiences but also gives a perceptive insight into the historical background and context against which this Campaign was fought. George’s memoirs are now held in the War Museum archives. I felt it was a privilege to be able to read this. By the final pages I felt I knew this man well and was immensely glad that he had survived and gone on to tell his story.

## PROLOGUE

*Little son,*

It has long been my ambition and intention to put into words some of the ‘adventures’ and happenings as they affected me in the great conflict known as the ‘Great War for Civilisation – 1914-1919’.

You are just a wee lovable little boy now, living happily with your mother and sister, but one day you will be a man, and though God grant that the time will never come that Britain will again have to call her sons to fight, I would hope within my heart that should the call come, my son will answer the call as loyally and as blithely as did the boys in 1914.

To write the story of those years as I would like would need a better pen than mine. To us who served, it is a story fraught with memories, memories of happy days and nights spent in training for the great fight, of stricken battlefields where men went berserk in the desire to kill, of hot marches under a molten sky where men cried aloud for water to slake their thirst, and of lonely patrols into the heart of the enemies country with your life in your hands and the dread of the unknown in the heart. All these and a thousand other memories throng into being as the mind goes back over the years, and although my pen cannot hope to do them justice, perhaps my little son would like to know a little of what his father did in the Great War years...



Just before dawn on the following morning we went in to attack. The Turks were holding on to a position on the other side of the peninsular, and we started off in artillery formation to come to grips with him.

We advanced about a mile and then suddenly we received orders to swing round to our left to reinforce a Punjab Battalion who were in difficulties on that flank. As we crossed the battlefield we passed the bodies of many British troops who had been killed earlier in the day. Most of them had been killed by concussion from the heavy shells of the Turkish artillery, and it was a sad sight to see these poor fellows petrified in death and staring up into the heavens with sightless eyes.

We soon came under rifle fire from a Turkish Position on our immediate front. We were still in artillery formation, that is, in fours, and the enemy were still about five or six hundred yards from us. The bullets were just picking up the dust around our feet, and we could have advanced at least another two hundred yards in quick time without undue casualties.

Unfortunately the company in front was commanded by an inexperienced officer just out from India. I think he must have lost his head as soon as we came under fire, for he suddenly gave his company orders to fix bayonets and charge the position in front.

It was a fatal mistake to make, for away charged "C" Company across five hundred yards of rifle-swept country, and in order to keep touch with them we had perforce to follow them in a wild rush.

We reached the enemy lines badly blown; but fortunately for us the Turks put up but a feeble resistance and after a hand-to-hand struggle with the bayonet, we cleared two lines of trenches, and forced the enemy back to another line about a hundred yards in rear.

We were all badly spent after our exertions and our policy should have been to have held on for a time in the position we had gained, and then tackled the line in front after the men had rested and measured the strength of the enemy in front.

Unfortunately the same officer of "C" Company made the mistake again of being too impetuous, and with hardly a pause he swept his men over the top in a blind unreasoning rush towards the Turks. In a moment hell was loose along our front. The Turk had concentrated in this his rear line, and his trenches were packed shoulder to shoulder with riflemen, and the mounds in rear were held by numberless machine guns.

The ground was as flat as a billiard table, and in face of a pitiless hail of machine-gun and rifle bullets, "C" Company went down like corn beneath the sickle. They pushed on with the survivors to within fifty yards of the enemy, but there they stuck, unable to advance or retire.

Captain Marchant, my company officer, was almost crying in mortification at the tragedy of it all.

"Come on boys" he shouted "we can't leave them out there. Over the top, and the best of luck".

With a yell we swept over, and the memory of that dreadful hail of lead will never leave me. In all my experiences, I have never known it equalled, and I can only compare it to a heavy gale shrieking through a forest of trees. The only thing that saved us from total annihilation was the fact that the Turkish Machine-gun fire was going high above our heads, but even so, the ground was littered with the dead and dying.

We only went a matter of twenty yards in that blind rush, then sank down flat on our faces to escape the effects of that murderous fire. I remember seeing a Lewis gunner named Trice swing round and fall with a dozen machine gun bullets through his stomach. I grabbed his gun and handed it over to his no 2, when he too fell with a shattered ankle.

By this time our line had checked their advance. I glanced round quickly and noticed a shallow hole just in front, and pushing Frank Bennett into it with the gun, I lay down alongside him expecting the worse.

The remainder of the day was like a nightmare. From nine o'clock in the morning we lay out in the hot sun in full view of the Turks, although, to do him justice, he left us severely alone all the time we remained impassive.

The slightest movement in our line however, speedily drew his fire, and our only chance was to lie still until reinforcements arrived to release us. As the sun got hotter, more than one man, maddened by thirst, groped for his water bottle. This movement, slight as it was, immediately drew the enemy fire, and more than one man died through moving indiscreetly.

I gave up all hopes of coming out of such a situation alive, so after slowly and painfully digging myself a shallow hole with my hands to rest my face, I resigned myself to sleep in an attempt to forget our miseries.

*George Turnbull (1894-1970)*

# EVERTON VILLAGE PAST...*John Chaffey*

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My parents moved to their newly built bungalow in Everton in 1947 when I was 2 years old. Our property was the third to be built by Saunders brothers on the field they had purchased to develop on the East side of the small village of Everton.

My parents set to digging up the plot to create a vegetable garden and an area to keep chickens, (the 1940's version of 'The Good Life', which was quite common after the war when rationing was still in force.)

'Farmer Jennifer Feltham' (as he was known in the Village) still kept a few cows in the field at the bottom of the garden (now Buckstone Close) and he had to reinforce the fence to stop them supplementing their diet from our garden. I also spent many an hour sat on the shed roof watching his tractor going up and down the field.



Every two months we would travel to Southampton by bus to visit Grandparents and it was in Southampton, in 1949, that I was left with them for a holiday. On my return I was slightly dismayed to find a cuckoo in the nest in the form of my brother, Peter.

In 1950 it was time for school at Hordle and that meant catching the bus at the Rodbourne Tea House, (now The White

House) and returning the same way. We were supervised by a teacher who lived in Lymington, and the older children. By the age of 8 however, we were allowed to spend our threepenny fare on sweets and walk home.

In 1952 I fell over in the playground during Gym and could not get up. The attendance officer was summoned and she took me home in her car. My mother then had to ask Mr Hyde, who ran the Post Office and owned one of the few cars in the Village, to take us to Lymington Cottage Hospital where it was confirmed that I had broken my leg. After this was set and put into plaster we had to travel home on the bus. On the way home we noticed that all the flags were at half mast and we discovered that King George VI had died.

To celebrate the present Queen's coronation in 1953, most of the Village properties were decorated with flags and bunting. A village fete was held, including a fancy dress competition and races,

on the football ground behind the club, (now Roberts and Firmount Close). I remember I only came second in the fancy dress because my Gran made such a good job of my guardsman costume, that it was thought to be hired!

One evening in 1954 I was called into the garden to watch Vardeys steam traction engine and threshing set, go up through the woods to Middletons' Farm - sadly this sighting marked the end of an era.

One new thing that began in Everton was a pilot scheme for the rearing of chickens on a three month rotation, this made the end product affordable to all and was the origin of Golden Produce (Webbs Chicken Factory) in Lymington.

The idea of early morning paper rounds did not appeal to me so from the age of 12, in order to supplement my pocket money, school holidays were spent at Newlands Manor Farm, potato picking and hoeing for 1/6d an hour, for up to 44 hours per week.



There was no television, no car, no computer, no mobile phone, so how did we survive?

Well, my best friend Sean Crane, my cousin, Ronnie Rowe and myself had the luxury

of freedom. We built dens in the woods, climbed trees, fished in Wainsford River for little eels and small trout. We learnt to respect nature and found out that if you poke insects nests they bite back!



John, Peter and Mum, Pat (who sadly passed away last year)

And our only proviso was,

'Make sure you're home in time for dinner and tea!'

## ...AND PRESENT *Nicky Hinman*

As a mother of four in the village - I know ridiculous - right?! But believe me I'm not alone, in fact I know of at least three other families in Everton with tribes my size - some even bigger! I feel I cannot be alone in welcoming the start of Autumn and the wonderful return to the school year!

Don't get me wrong - the Summer was amazing... beach, body boarding, crabbing, forest, camping etc. but with two of my brood under school age, the Autumn also brings with it the return of our wonderful Parent and Toddler Groups.

These groups have been a godsend for me over the last eight years, providing a welcome relief from the inevitable ever decreasing circles we stay-at-home parents move in. Is it just me or do all parents spend an inordinate amount of their time simply repatriating random items and toys to their rightful homes, whilst simultaneously fending off the underlying threat; ENTERTAIN ME OR I'LL SCREAM?!!

At least on Wednesday though, my house is left untouched, the Tupperware stays in its rightful home, books on the bookcase and the lounge resembles a grown up space as the toys remain untouched in the playroom.

For on a Wednesday we all troop down to the refuge of our wonderful Toddler Group. The children are greeted by the lovely and decidedly less haggard helpers who have endless patience and energy to offer craft activities, puzzles, games, lego, play-dough and imaginative play.

The children have friends to play with and healthy snacks to eat, and we the grateful mothers and fathers have coffee and biscuits and a much needed chance to engage in the almost, long lost art of (mostly) adult conversation.

And we leave, sanity restored, happily humming the tunes of our childrens favourite songs and clutching the 'top tips and calming words' handed out at the end by Sheila, the indomitable Church Family worker, ready to face another week.

I cannot praise the Group highly enough nor recommend it more. I have made lashings of friends and have connected with my community in a way I never thought possible.

The Group runs in St Mary's Church Hall from 9.30 - 11.30 on Wednesday and also in Milford Church Hall on Tuesday mornings. It is friendly and welcoming and open to all and is by far the best £1 spent of any parent's money.

# Old Codgers' Corner

(a column for those of a certain maturity )

## Some snippets to make you smile:

When I was in the pub I heard a couple of blokes saying that they wouldn't feel safe on an aircraft if they knew the pilot were a woman.

What a pair of sexists. I mean, it's not as if she'd have to reverse the blooming thing!

Local Police hunting the 'knitting needle nutter', who has stabbed six people in the rear in the last 48 hours, believe the attacker could be following some kind of pattern.

Bought some 'rocket salad' yesterday but it went off before I could eat it!

A teddy bear is working on a building site. He goes for a tea break and when he returns he notices his pick has been stolen. The bear is angry and reports the theft to the foreman. The foreman grins at the bear and says "Oh, I forgot to tell you, today's the day the teddy bears have their pick nicked."

Just got back from my mate's funeral. He died after being hit on the head with a tennis ball.  
It was a lovely service.

## Puns for Educated Minds

How does Moses make his tea? Hebrews it....

Venison for dinner again? Oh deer!

I used to be a banker, but then I lost interest.

Haunted French pancakes give me the crepes.

England has no kidney bank, but it does have a Liverpool.

I tried to catch some fog, but I mist.

Jokes about German sausages are the wurst.

I know a guy who's addicted to brake fluid, but he says he can stop any time.

This girl said she recognized me from the vegetarian club, but I'd never met herbivore.

## And then .....

A man was telling his neighbour, 'I just bought a new hearing aid. It cost me two thousand pounds, but it's state of the art.. It's perfect.'

'Really,' answered the neighbour . 'What kind is it?'

' Twelve thirty.'

## Why we still need newspapers.....

I was visiting my daughter last evening and at one stage asked if I could borrow a newspaper.

"This is the twenty first century dad," she said. "Who needs newspapers, here, take my iPad."

Tell you what, that pesky fly didn't know what hit him!



# Activities in Everton

Please note that all the Everton contact numbers are prefixed with the area code 01590

Acorn Pre-School Pavilion.....	Mon-Fri a.m.....	644648
Alzheimer's Group.....	Church Hall,tea, 2nd Thurs, .....	Dawn Colverd 644679
Bridge Club.....	Church Hall, Tues 6.40.pm.....	Bob McConnell 670940
Church Flower Guild .....	...All welcome to join.....	Anne Wigglesworth 642556
Church Social Cttee.....	.....	John Wigglesworth 642556
Contemporary Dance.....	Church Hall, Thurs p.m.....	Valerie Farrant 01425 613979
Everton Community Association.....	All villagers are automatically members.....	Barbara Runham 641037 Bob Cockburn 645460
Everton&Lymore Club .....	Old Christchurch Road.....	John May 643865
Friendship Lunch.....	Church Hall .....	Gillian Peard 644739
Hordle Voluntary Group.....	.....	Ian Chislett-Bruce 01425 614174
Ladies Evening Group.....	Church Hall 1 <sup>st</sup> Monday 7.30 p.m.....	Sandie Davies 645599
Multiple Sclerosis.....	Church Hall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday p.m.....	Sophy Knight 623118
Music & Movement.....	Church Hall, Thurs a.m.....	Cynthia Wilson 622488
Pilates.....	Church Hall, Wed.p.m.....	Diana Steer 01425 610756
Pop-In Coffee.....	Church Hall., Tues a.m.....	Gillian Peard 644739
Ramblers.....	.....	Bill Foster 01425 610997
Table Tennis Club .....	Church Hall., Friday p.m.....	Gillian Peard 644739
W.I. ....	Church Hall , 3rd Wed. 2.30 p.m.....	Pat Day 642519
Yoga Tuition .....	Pavilion 3.45 - 5.15pm Mondays - .....	Mary Dalby 01425 278420
	Pavilion 6-7.25 and 7.35- 9.00 p.m.....	Dererca Sprake 675695
Anahata Yoga class .....	Pavilion 6.15- 7. 45 pm Thursdays.....	Avril Thomas 07773506068
Everton craft ladies .....	Pavilion 1.00 - 4.30pm .....	Brenda Kingston 01425 616293
Art Group .....	Pavilion 2.00 - 5.00pm Thursdays - ..	Diana Collard 643550

If there are any corrections or additions to the above list please let me know - Editor

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## THE PAVILION

Organised by Jackie May

Pavilion users include:-

**Acorn Pre School.**

Provides a friendly stimulating environment for children from age 2 years. If you are interested in your child joining us at Acorn Pre -school, please ring 01590 644649 and arrange a visit.

**Yoga Classes.**

The Monday afternoon yoga session is a restorative class and as such is limited to 12 members but Mary Dalby is always keen to hear from anyone interested on 01425 278420.

Monday evening classes are run by Dererca Sprake, see above for timings. Anyone interested in joining either class please contact her on 675695

Avril Thomas runs Anahata yoga sessions on Thursday evenings 6.15-7.45 p.m. Anyone interested in joining one of her classes can contact her on 07773506068

**Art Group**

Diana Collard runs the Art Group on Thursday afternoons, they are a group of friendly people who meet to socialize and help each other with different aspects related to drawing and painting. This is not a teaching class but hopefully offers help from other members of the group.

Anyone interested in joining the group should contact Diana on 01590 643550

The Hall is available for hire, for meetings, parties and other social activities. Please contact Alan on :- 01590 644901

## The 119 Bus A sort of a bus timetable...

Kindly compiled by  
Barbara Runham at the request of the Editor.

There is a bus which now goes through Everton daily except Sundays.  
The times are as follows:

The Lymington bus leaves The Old Christchurch Road/Everton bus shelter at 9.30, 10.30, 11.30, 12.30 and 1.30 past the hour.

The return journey from Lymington leaves the bus station on the hour from 9.00am until 2.00 pm.

The bus to New Milton leaves the Everton bus shelter/Old Christchurch Road at 9.21, 10.21, 11.21, 12.31, 1.21 and 2.21pm.

The return journey from Whitefield Road, New Milton is again hourly at 9.10 through to 2.10pm.