

# EVERTON NEWS

Spring 2017



# Everton Community Association



Dear members

I was interested in a comment I heard after the recent Government announcement regarding the extra housing that was expected to be built in and surrounding Everton Village, 'What is the Everton Community Association(ECA) doing about it?' Well, at the time, not a lot. Sadly that is true of many of the people

who live in the Village who also do just that. Do they take part in the Village life? No, not many.

The ECA was started many years ago by people who lived in the Village and wanted to contribute to make the village a better place. All villagers are members and the group (ECA) is non-political. However, several members of the ECA committee did get involved in providing help with letters of complaint regarding the announcement. These members did this of their own volition as villagers, although they applied to the ECA to fund the printing costs, which it did.

I am also interested in the Everton Village Festival which will run from June 11<sup>th</sup> until June 18<sup>th</sup> this year. Much work has been put in by the Festival Committee. Sponsors have to be found and musicians, dancers, performers etc have to be booked. Many arrangements are

made enabling a smooth week of entertainment for the locals and visitors. Again, I am interested in the often detrimental comments usually made after the event, by someone who never attended, or how much better it would have been if....etc.etc. I say, get active and join in and make things happen.

We thank Steve Adams, the musical director for the Festival, who has constructed a website [www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com). On this website you can find out about all of the items taking place during the week. In addition, later in the Spring, a programme will be produced and distributed in the area. It will not be delivered to every house in the village this year, instead the full programme is published in the Newsletter. Pages 12,13.

Historically, the Hordle Parish Council have always supported Newsletters in the Parish, in the case of Everton by reimbursing the ECA with the shortfall in cost between income from Advertising revenue and publishing costs. However, this year, funding will have to be applied for by the grant process. We hope that the fine Newsletter that was produced by Cheryl last year, maintains the standard that we have all become accustomed to.

I wish you all a very Happy Easter and look forward to meeting you all at the Festival, during the many activities. I am particularly looking forward to seeing Mr Punch and Mrs Judy on the Recreation Field.

**The ECA are thinking of holding coffee mornings, would you be interested?**

**If the ECA can help your organisation or group in any way please get in touch...**

**Chairman...Roger Hockham**

## Defribillator Update

Thanks must go to Hordle Parish Council for the new defribillator that has been fitted to the Everton Londis Shop. This was following a decision made by the ECA, that the Everton Shop was the most useful and practical place for the installation. More thanks go to Barrie and Carole Morgan who agreed to have the system fitted to their premises. They also support the system with electrical power.

As advertised and arranged by the ECA the first demonstration by the Lymington and Sway First Responders for 'Call and Push Rescue' took place on Saturday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2017. Because of the interest shown by villagers a second demonstration has been scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> March 2017. Again it is fully booked. A third demonstration is to take place soon. Please see notices on notice boards outside the Shop, the Pavilion, the Church Hall and the Everton & Lymore Social Cub (ELSC). All the demonstrations are free, however places are limited to a maximum of fourteen attendees.

Please contact Angie in 01590 677376 to book a place for the next demonstration.

We thank the Volunteers at Lymington and Sway First Responders for giving their time and skill at no cost and thank the ELSC for providing the facilities for the demonstrations to take place. Also, not forgetting the British Heart Foundation who provided the training equipment.

**Roger Hockham** Chairperson of the ECA  
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## KINGFISHER

The stunning photograph on our front cover was taken and sent in by Jonny Bettle. He kindly allowed us to use the image which was taken at Blashford Lakes. Thanks Jonny!

## FESTIVAL CHALLENGE

We'd love to feature a photograph of the Festival on our front cover in the Autumn edition so why not give it a go?

The photograph can be of any event, as artistic or not as you please.

So no excuses please...send your jpegs to the editor [cherylfillmore@hotmail.com](mailto:cherylfillmore@hotmail.com) by July 31st 2017.

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Dear readers,

Firstly just a few words about the response to the parking article in the last issue. A prize for good neighbourliness goes to the lady in Golden Crescent who phoned me as soon as she'd read it, she apologised profusely, having not realised that she'd caused a problem.

However, I also received a different view point which claimed to come from Farmer's walk. I was sent two letters, but neither were signed nor any address given and so I'm afraid they carry no authenticity at all.

I'm very happy to include a letters page in future newsletters, as from time to time issues do arise which need to be brought to the attention of everyone in the Village. If you do write in, letters must have your name and address included although I'm happy to withhold that information should you wish it.

This time round, although I've received no letters I am aware of the over riding concern of Villagers about the amount of dog poo in Everton, in particular on the Rec and on the bend of Wainsford Road. Toby Sears is working on getting new dog bins so please support his endeavours ! There will be notices etc in the Shop.

Onto happier topics and of course with Spring upon us, we have the delights of the year ahead to look forward to. Once again the Village Festival is being held in June, there are plenty of details further on in the Newsletter, so I need say no more, just come along and enjoy it all! Especially the Great Get Together on the 17th June. Well, perhaps just a quick word about the photographic soiree...as this is 'baby'. I saw Dr Manuel Hinge's film *Ytene* a few years ago and was captivated and charmed, not least by the appearance on screen of our own Louis Rumis., but also, some would say, by Dr. Manny Hinge himself!

Come along and see if you can spot Louis, though I should warn you, he is in disguise.

Photography is quite key in the Festival this year, not only are we having a competition, but also we have set Evertonians a challenge to photograph our Village's Festival in all its glory. (see opposite page bottom right)

We have a few additional articles in this edition, for you to enjoy, a few words on fashion, a few on fairies and some adventures whilst travelling. Hedgehogs are a feature too, as I promised in the Autumn. Again, my personal thanks to everyone who submits articles and news.

And a final word about Barrie and Carole, yes they are as genuine as they seem to be, and yes aren't we lucky to have such a great shop in our tiny Village! Long may it last...(There we are that's my pay rise sorted...)  
Ed.

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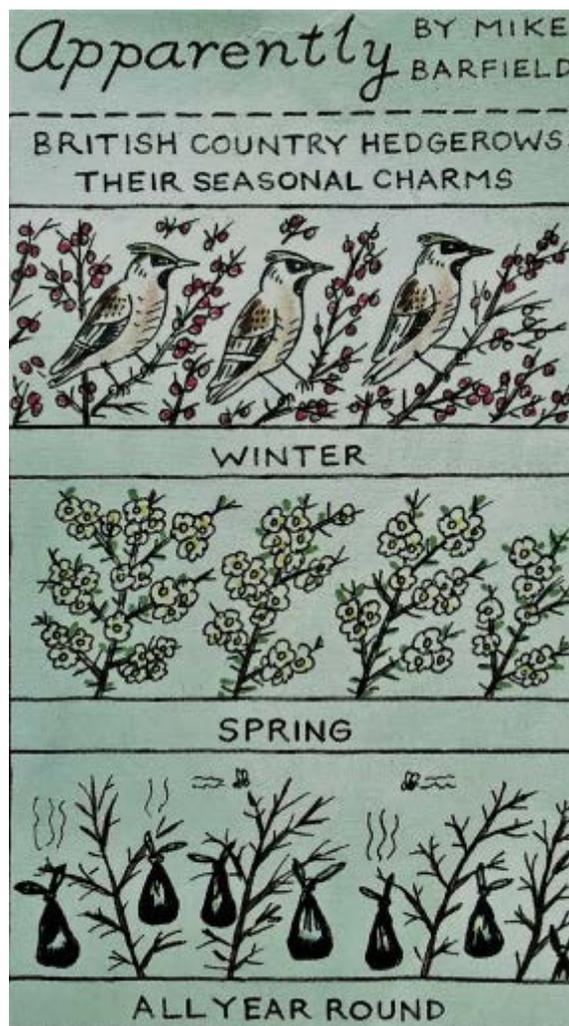
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## Parish Council Business

### Public notice

Parish Council Meetings take place on the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Pavilion, Vaggs Lane, Hordle, SO41 0FP at 7.30pm. Councillors are available to speak informally to you from 7.15pm. These are public meetings and all are welcome to attend.

The Annual Parish Assembly is on 25<sup>th</sup> April 2017 at 7.30pm. This is your chance to bring issues and matters of interest to the attention of the Parish Community.

Agendas are available on the website [www.hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk) and on local notice boards (located at Everton Post Office) one week in advance and minutes and papers are on the website two weeks after the meeting.

You can contact the Parish Council by phone or email (above) or the Parish Office is usually open 10-12 Monday to Thursday if you want to pop in.

## Updates and news

The Parish Council have recently installed three defibrillators in the Parish and would like to thank Everton Post Office for agreeing to host the Everton one. An awareness raising session was held which was well attended by over 25 people. Additional street lighting has been installed on the A337 between Knightcrest and the bus stop. This project was joint funded by grants from HCC and the Parish Council as well as a contribution from the Knightcrest residents association.

Sue Brayely has been elected as Parish Councillor for Everton South Ward. The Parish Council are also pleased to welcome Roger Hockham and Lynda Poxon as new councillors. Many of you will know Roger as the chair of the Everton Community Association. For a full list of Parish Councillors please see the website.

If you would like to be kept up to date with Parish matters please email your details to [admin@hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:admin@hordleparishcouncil.gov.uk) and you will be added to our distribution list.

**The Parish Council are running an anniversary event to celebrate the opening of the BMX track and Toddler Play Park and Road way at Dudley Avenue.**

**This will be on May 1 Bank Holiday Monday at 2pm. Bournemouth BMX club will be doing a demonstration and there will be play opportunities for younger children. Bring your bikes and join in the fun.**

**Our congratulations go to  
Roger Hockham  
on his recent appointment as a  
Councillor serving on Hordle  
Parish Council.**

Telephone 01590 677376

## Useful contact details

### Hordle Parish Council

Cllr Sue Bown (Chairman) 01425 618757  
Cllr David Horne (Vice -Chairman) 01425 614998

### New Forest District Councillors (Hordle and Milford)

Cllr Fran Carpenter 01425 614665  
Cllr Penny Lovelace 01590 681889  
Cllr Sophie Beeton 07546 484602  
Cllr Mel Kendall 01590 642575

### Hordle Parish Council

Parish Clerk 01590 611119

#### and to report

Highway maintenance matters 0845 6035633  
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## BIKE RECYCLING PROJECT

### New Forest Bike Project – A community social enterprise

We're New Forest based and serve the area by refurbishing unwanted donated bicycles and getting them back out to people who need them.

More info about the New Forest Bike Project social aims and objectives on the website below. Please contact: Louis

Phone 07818 403114.....

Website [www.newforestbikeproject.org](http://www.newforestbikeproject.org)

## Hampshire County Council..... Concessionary Travel Passes

Replacement bus passes ending 31 March 2017 will be issued prior to expiry in March 2017.

It is not necessary to enquire about a new bus pass unless your circumstances have changed.

If however, you have not received a replacement bus pass by March 31 then contact

Hampshire County Council on 0300 555 1376

Or

[www.hants.gov.uk/transport](http://www.hants.gov.uk/transport)

## Community Speedwatch

We have been out and about twice a week across the three villages of the parish for some time now and I must thank my regular volunteers for making this possible. Our place on Everton Road generally has some good results in educating the drivers who think it is all right to break the speed limit.

On the other hand, during our times in Wainsford Road we usually only have one or two speeding cars, so maybe the word has spread that the speed limit in Wainsford Road is 30 mph. However, one problem that we have noted is the numbers of drivers who cut the corner with their off side wheels right over the white line and on a blind bend. This is the right hand bend in the road by the foot path and bridle way, as the road goes towards Pennington. This even continued to happen with our PCSO standing there with us on one occasion.

Pedestrians' walking on the road to access the foot path say that they take their lives in their hands on the road at this point.

I would like to thank all the kind members of the public in Everton, who are very positive about our activity and often come and say 'thank you' to us and that 'the cars do speed down there'.

We are always on the lookout for anyone interested in joining us as a volunteer. I make up a list of our venues and it is up to the volunteers if they are available to do any particular outings. The outings are only for one hour at a time. Please contact me if you are interested.

Cllr. Pat Rendell - Co-ordinator Community Speedwatch,  
Hordle Parish Council. [patrend46@btinternet.com](mailto:patrend46@btinternet.com)



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# Everton Rambling Club

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The 32nd year of our walking group will commence in May. The walk programme for this new year is ready and our walk leaders have provided once more two per month. The walks start at 10:30 generally from designated New Forest car parks and cover a nominal distance of 5 miles which we complete in three hours (approx). For those interested a pub lunch is sometimes arranged as well.

During the summer we may walk in Dorset usually in the Purbeck hills.

In addition we organize a few social events such as an American Supper a skittles evening and a New Year lunch.

We are known to be a sociable and friendly group who enjoy the outdoors. Leaders often provide interesting information about the

locality we walk. We would appreciate support to strengthen our leaders team and if you feel interested to help us we will be pleased to hear from you. Training is available from within our group.

Potential members are invited for an introductory walk (at their own risk). Should you then decide to join us the usual application form is completed and an annual subscription of £8 becomes due.

For this initial contact please ring 01590-642509 or e-mail me at [mervhughes@me.com](mailto:mervhughes@me.com)

Look forward to hearing from you.

**Mervyn Hughes**

**New Members Secretary.**

## Everton Bridge Club

Everton Bridge Club has continued our positive trend into 2017. We have around 50 members drawn from throughout the local area and while standards and abilities may vary, we score highly in terms of enthusiasm and attendance! We gather on Tuesday Evenings and have up to 9 tables playing duplicate bridge in a friendly, competitive environment.

We meet at around 6.30pm in St. Mary's Church Hall and guests or visiting players are always welcome. Except for the 1st 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. The donations raised at our 2016 Christmas Party were 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.

Our 2017 annual Charity Event on March 21st will benefit 'Rose Road', a Southampton based Charity who provide help and services to young disabled people between the ages of 0 - 25. In November we will again take part in the 'Children in Need' Simultaneous Pairs Competition when we usually manage to make a significant contribution to the appeal.



On the social front, the AGM & Christmas Party in December was great fun, with good food, good company and good humour. Looking forward, the advent of Spring and the lighter evenings mean that the Chairman's BBQ in July is not too far away!

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.

# Everton & Lymore Social Club

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I have been asked what function is Everton & Lymore Social Club ? It is a small part of the Village that provides a Social Centre for Families, it is not a Working Men's Club. The activities provided are many, such as Snooker, Pool, Darts, board games Crib, Dominoes, Sky TV and a comfortable Lounge to relax. We have a Film show every month and Bingo twice weekly, also functions such as Live bands perform in the Lounge. Lists of all the entertainment is provided on the Club Notice Board at the front of the building.

The Lounge or function room is available to members for private parties though I'm afraid we don't allow 18th or 21st parties. Our other function is to raise charity funds, Oakhaven being the Clubs main charity, though last year we provided 5 other charities with a venue. In total we raised over £4000 for these events.

We hold Halloween and children's Christmas party (open to the village families) along with a member's Senior Citizens Christmas party.

## LIST OF FORTHCOMING EVENTS:-

April 1st Private Party

8th DE JA-VU

15th SUNSTROKE

22nd PRIVATE PARTY

28th FILM NIGHT

29th COFFEE OWLS

May 13th STICKY JAM BAND

26th FILM NIGHT

27th GRAND CANYON (Country)

June 3rd BANTASTIK

## June Festival Week

12th JAZZ NIGHT

13th MUSIC NIGHT

15th JAM NIGHT

16th FOLK NIGHT

17th CAPRICORN COUNTRY

## **BAND**

24th Private Party

30th FILM NIGHT

July 8th DE JA-VU

22nd CAT & MOUSE

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# EVERTON LADIES EVENING GROUP – LEGS 8

All ladies in Everton are welcome to come to our regular monthly meetings. The Group has been running happily for the past 38 years so, whether you are a long time resident but never tried us out, or a newcomer to the area looking for an opportunity to make new friends and meet your neighbours, you will find us here.

We meet at St Mary's Church Hall on the first Monday evening of each month, from 7.30 to about 9.15 and offer a varied range of speakers and entertainment and also an annual outing. We don't have a membership fee as we are an independent and unaffiliated Group, but there is a door charge of £3 for each meeting to cover expenses. Tea or coffee and biscuits is included. For those who enjoy eating out in company, we have an off-shoot, LEGS Ladies Who Lunch, and every two months we visit a different local restaurant to have lunch together.

You will find a poster at the Everton Post Office advertising our month's speaker, or you can take pot-luck and just turn up or you can email me at [carriekayeathome@gmail.com](mailto:carriekayeathome@gmail.com) As I say, you will be most welcome.

**CARRIE KAYE**  
**01590 644252**

## MILFORD ON SEA BOWLING CLUB



This year the Milford on Sea Bowls Club opened its immaculate green for the outdoor season on April 15<sup>th</sup>. With great views of the Isle of White and the Needles it's a pleasure to be out there again playing and competing. During the Winter the pavilion has been refurbished to bring the changing rooms and cloakroom facilities up to date, the main hall area carpeted and redecorated, windows renewed and roof space insulated and a completely new kitchen fitted.

Our Open Mornings are on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> May and Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> May. If you are reading this after those dates and interested in taking up the sport, or as yet are undecided - don't worry - just contact the Secretary (details below) and he'll make special arrangements for you. Established players should also make contact if they are interested in joining. We have members not just from Milford but all the surrounding areas with many residing in Everton and Hordle.

Bowls is a really healthy sport, and the Club plays at all competitive levels. Full coaching facilities are available and for newcomers you can use club bowls and shoes for the first few months. There is a dress code but nowadays it's far from onerous. Last year we had a great intake of new members with some of them already playing in our mixed league teams. Come and join them.

Honorary Secretary, Peter Kaye is on 01590 644252 or email him at [peterkayeathome@gmail.com](mailto:peterkayeathome@gmail.com)

### Mobile Fish and Chip Van in Everton on Monday evenings

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Number 2110.....Name G. Leach....

Please get in touch with the editor if you hold the ticket or know who does.

We will need identification and the ticket!

Nationally the membership of the WI has seen a steady increase over the last few years and I am pleased to say that, here in Everton, we have also been delighted to welcome some new members. But there is always room for more and perhaps there are women out there who are not already members and who are wondering "why join?"

We are told that staying in work, volunteering for something or joining a community group helps you to stay physically and mentally active for longer ..... **so, join the WI!**

Lonely and sometimes feeling isolated ?  
**No need ..... join the WI!**

The WI encourages women to be aware of national and international issues and to take action where possible. Amongst current issues there is much concern about climate change and food waste as well as more defined topics such as providing appropriate care for dementia patients.

We can't change the world alone but if we work together maybe

we can make a difference. For example. did you know that it takes 140 litres of water to produce a single cup of coffee but only 40 litres to grow, process and brew the leaves for a single bag of tea? I am not sure that "drink tea and save water" will catch on but it makes you think about just how much water you use or need.



I read somewhere that knitting can induce relaxation, boost mood and relieve pain..... **so join the WI** and come to the craft meetings ! If you then wanted to take your skills to a higher level you would , as a WI member, be eligible to attend courses at Denman College. Denman is the day and residential WI college, near Abingdon, running courses in many aspects of craft, cookery and lifestyle.

**So why not come and join us ? .....we are very friendly and drink tea !**

*Jan Morris*

## MEETING DATES AND DETAILS

15th March; Getting Away From it All; Mike Johnson  
19th April; What the Butler Saw--Mr. J. Pitman  
17th May; AGM  
21st June; National Trust "Finest Gardens" Spring and Summer. DVD  
We also have an outing in July and a cream tea in August. Christmas lunch in December in a restaurant in the local area.  
Our W.I. in Everton meets on the 3rd. Wednesday of every month, we also meet for a craft afternoon on the 4th Wednesday.  
We are based at St. Mary's Church Hall in Branwood Close, Everton SO410LU.  
Please come and join us, the first month is free to see if you like us.  
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## *Hello friends and neighbours,*

We would like to thank all of you for helping us through our first Christmas and New Year here in this lovely village, which has quickly become our home. We really enjoyed the run up to Christmas, putting up the decorations and tree,

unfortunately there was no snow!

We were pleasantly surprised how well attended the church carol service was and like all of you that came, we thoroughly enjoyed the evening and the mulled wine!

We are so pleased that we have received so many nice comments on how well stocked the shop is now but we are always happy to improve and if there is anything you feel we should add, please come and speak to us, we will be happy to see if we can get it for you.

As you all now know the Post Office is open the same hours as the shop, so you can buy a stamp or do your banking when you buy a newspaper. Things are changing all the time with the Post Office and some of the more recent changes are that you can now do cash and cheque deposits for most of the high street banks, balances and free cash withdrawals.

It is hard to believe we have been here nine months already and will very soon be celebrating a year in the New Forest with our new customers, neighbours, and friends.

Thank you all for your continued support,

*Best wishes Carole, Barrie and Emma*

## Spring Concert Lymington Choral Society HANDEL'S MESSIAH

7pm Saturday 6 May, 2017 St Thomas' Church, Lymington

Brought to you by the Choral Society with its Musical Director, Michael Goldthorpe and Timothy Rice, Organ/Harpsichord  
The Lymington Classical Players, Leader Marjory King. Soloists: Eleanor-Rose Sanderson-Nash, Soprano; Rosanna Cooper, Alto;  
Joel Williams, Tenor; Harry Thatcher, Bass.

Tickets £15, £12.50 (gallery restricted view) - includes a glass of wine or soft drink. Accompanied children free entry  
Available from Maxwell Hamilton, Lymington 01590 672191, Milford Community Centre 01590 644861, New Forest Stationers,  
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Phone for tickets: 01425 614023 Monday to Saturday 9am - 7pm, Sunday 11am - 3pm

More Information: [www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk](http://www.lymingtonchoral.org.uk)

Email: [lcspublicity@hotmail.com](mailto:lcspublicity@hotmail.com)

## Table Tennis Club

The Table Tennis Club has been meeting regularly in St Mary's hall on Friday evenings from 7.30 -9.30 pm through the winter.

We will continue to meet until the end of May (except Good Friday) and then take a break until the beginning of September.

Do come and join us even if you have not played for many years or just want to try something new. Everyone is welcome and bats and balls are provided. You do need soft shoes and £2 for each evening you attend.

*Gillian Peard*



At last we seem to be putting winter behind us, the days are lengthening and before we know it, the clocks will go forward and then Easter will be upon us.

The weather since Christmas has really been quite kind, with nothing too cold and, although it has seemed rather grey and dull much of the time, we haven't had too much rain.

Everything is really springing into action. With seeds to sow, seed potatoes, veg plants and herbs all ready to start now, there really is plenty to do in your garden, and that is all besides the regular 'spring clean' needed after the winter.

Grass is already growing apace, and now is the time to try and get to grips with moss, which has really appreciated the weather till now! An application of a good combined treatment now should hold it in check, control early weeds and give a boost to the grass.

Start thinking about tubs and hanging baskets. If you have the protected space of a greenhouse or even an unheated conservatory, you can take advantage of the great selection of baby plants available now, which are much easier on the pocket than their larger equivalents later.

We have several events planned in the centre during the spring, with an Easter Egg hunt and Tea party for the kids, hanging basket workshops which are open to all, and of course we look forward to welcoming you on Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> July for the Everton Festival.

*Simon Collyer*



## Feeding Spike...



Our thanks to Everton Nurseries who have now started to sell Spike hedgehog food and a range of other goodies for our prickly friends.



### Numbers and locations

You reported sightings of over 40 hedgehogs roaming the gardens and streets of Everton prior to the Winter hibernation period. Locations were widely spread and covered pretty much the whole Village.

Lucy Hall, BBC Gardener's World editor said 'Gardeners are increasingly acting to help wildlife, but the question is can we do it fast enough to halt this sharp decline in numbers.? Our message to all garden owners is to see your outdoor space as a small scale nature reserve - part of a network of gardens that link to make a great big, valuable habitat. Seen like this, every small step you can make to help wildlife really does make a big difference when we all act together. (the i newspaper Feb 6th 2017)

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## The Great Get Together,

The Great Get Together is heralded as Britain's biggest Community event this year. It will be held nationwide on June 17th and 18th, to mark the anniversary of the death of M.P. Jo Cox. This is a non political event with the aim being to bring together friends, neighbours and strangers for street parties, picnics and barbecues,...to promote a show of unity and to celebrate what we have in common.

When the Festival Cttee. heard about it, well we just had to be part of it. The scene is set, what better opportunity or reason to pack a picnic (though there will be plenty of food on offer) and come along to the recreation Ground (off Greenmead Avenue) and party with your friends and neighbours and especially, you can say a warm hello to any newly arrived residents! Tables and chairs will be provided! And to amuse you further there's displays by the Birds of Prey, Punch and Judy shows and Everton's popular Bottle Tombola will be back, not to mention art, flowers and crafts to admire, dance routines to take part in and music to enjoy! Any further information will appear on the Shop Shed wall and on the website!

*Music Man, Steve gives more info on music p. 18*

## Art and Crafts

This year we will be exhibiting all our Art and crafts in a marquee on the Recreation Ground.

If you'd like to display and sell your work please get in touch with Pauline 01590 641847

## Photography Competition

The theme for this year's Photographic Competition is 'Spring in the New Forest', and will be judged by Everton's own International Judge and award winning photographer, Louis Rumis MPAGB EFIAP.

In addition to printing your photograph this year, a jpeg image is acceptable, and can be emailed to [cherylfillmore@hotmail.com](mailto:cherylfillmore@hotmail.com)

If you prefer to print and mount your images they can be handed into Everton Stores and Post Office in a sealed envelope with your name, and contact details. This year we are only having one category and entries are limited to three per person.

All entries must arrive by midnight, Sunday June 4th.

The winner will be announced and a trophy presented during the Photographic Soiree on June 12th at St Mary's Church Hall.

## How you can help!

- ✓ Enter the photographic competition
- ✓ Take up the Festival Photography Challenge see p2
- ✓ Exhibit and sell your work
- ✓ Buy a Raffle ticket(or two)
- ✓ Bake a cake
- ✓ Donate a bottle of something special for the Tombola(The Post Office and Shop will be our collection point...thanks Barrie and Carole!)
- ✓ Offer to help in any way you like...tel 01590 644865

**BUT ABOVE ALL**

**Come along and join in.**

# PROGRAMME

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## Bank Holiday Wednesday

### May 31st

#### Photographic Walk

2.00-4.00 pm. New Forest

This walk will be led by Steve Adams and Carole Knighton. Bring a camera, mobile phone, or ipad, Photographs can be entered into this year's Competition. (see p 14). Meet at Bolton's Bench at 2 p.m.

Free Event

## Sunday June 11

#### Opening Concert ; A Summer Serenade

7.00-9.00 p.m. St Mary's Church Hall

Relax and enjoy an evening of Light Classical Music given by Ken Smith, flute, Brian Howells, violin, Alison Myers, Cello and Chris Dowie, piano.

Doors open at 6.30 wine and soft drinks will be available. Buffet included in ticket price. **Tickets £5.00**

## Monday June 12

#### Everton Ramble

2.00-4.00 Everton -Gordleton Mill

A gentle ramble through the tracks and footpaths around Everton to the Sculpture Garden at Gordleton Mill. The walk is hosted by Everton Ramblers. Meet at the Pavilion off Frys Lane at 1.30.

Free Event

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#### Photographic Soiree

6.30-10.00 St Mary's Church Hall

A chance to spend an evening with BBC Cameraman and wildlife enthusiast Dr Manuel Hinge who will be showing his acclaimed film of the New Forest *Ytene*, and local photographer Louis Rumis, international medal-list winner. Wine and soft drinks available. **Tickets £5**

## Tuesday June 13

#### Ukulele Workshop

3.30-5.00p.m. Pavilion Frys Lane

A workshop for beginners and improvers who wish to learn some chords and strum patterns in a couple of sessions (Another session is on Fri 16th 3.30pm. ) Our aim is to include the budding ukelele players at the musical evening with Empty Frets. on Sat 17th

Free event.

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#### Jazz Evening

8-10.30p.m. Everton & Lymore Social Club

Chill out to the great sounds of Vanessa's Villains -a jazz trio, plus singer, playing jazz standards with an amazing female vocalist "Vanessa" and a line-up of bass, guitar and sax "the villains".

Entry and bar available to all

## Wednesday June 14

#### Garden Party

2.30-4.00 p.m. Old Mellow

While away the afternoon at a Garden Party with a cream tea and music at Old Mellow (next to the Crown Inn).

There will be prizes for the 'most striking hat'.

Tickets £3

## Thursday June 15

#### Open Mic Evening

8.00-10.30 Everton & Lymore Club

All types of music are welcome and you can come and play, sing, or just sit and listen.

Entry and bar available to all

## Friday June 16

#### Ukulele Workshop

3.30-5.30 Pavilion. Frys Lane

(as above)

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#### Folk Evening

8.00-10.30 Everton & Lymore Club

Local Folk impresario Steve West hosts the evening of Folk.

Entry and bar available to all

## Saturday June 17th

#### The Great Get Together

11.45-5.00 Everton Recreation Ground

**Free parking: Food: Music: and plenty to see and listen to... Come and take part in this nationwide event!**

Punch and Judy, Birds of Prey, Vintage Cars, Hog Roast, Beer Tent, Refreshments, Ice Cream, Bottle Tombola, Woodcarvers, Hordle Flower Club, Art and Crafts

#### Music Schedule

The Rezzonators	11.45 - 12.30
Mad Cow	12.30 - 1.30
Another band (tbc)	2.15- 3.15
Sunstroke	3.45 - 4.45

#### Free Event

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#### Empty Frets

#### Extravaganza

7.30-10..30 St Mary's Church Hall

Festival favourites will be partying ...

Doors open at 7 and wine and soft drinks will be available.

Free entry but by pre booked ticket only.



#### Capricorn Country Band

8.00 -10.30 Everton & Lymore Club

A chance to listen to this highly rated four-piece country music band based in Bournemouth. Voted Southern Country Magazine readers' 'Band Of The Year 2007'.

Entry and bar available to all

## Sunday June 18th

#### Songs of Praise on the Green

10.00-11.00 St Mary's Church

This will take place on the Crossways Green. Chairs will be provided.

## Midsummer Madness at Everton Nurseries

#### Forest Youth Orchestra

11.30-1.30 Everton Nurseries

Come and support local young people as they perform at Everton Nurseries. The relaxed atmosphere and superb acoustics of the Nurseries add to the enjoyment so grab a drink and/or a snack from the adjacent Camellias Café, sit back and support the youngsters!

Free Event

#### Father's Day Tea Party with Polly Morris

3.00- 4.00 Camellias Everton Nurseries

Treat Dad to a cream tea with music at Camellias.

Cream teas available from Camellias

#### Festival Finale with Swing Unlimited

7.30-8.00 Everton Nurseries

A final treat as this great Community Band brings our Festival to a rousing end. Seating is provided under cover, so no worries about the weather! The Raffle will be drawn during the interval and a bar will be available.

Tickets to include supper box, £10

# News from St. Mary's

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Greetings from the Churchwardens at St Mary's Church. We hope that you are all enjoying the spring flowers and green shoots that are just starting to appear; it is always a wonderful time of the year with so much to look forward to.

St Mary's has had a very full and exciting time over the last few months. We have had a new sound and vision package put into the church; this really is a great enhancement for us and enables us to show films, slides and hymns on the screen during our services. All of this was possible thanks to the generosity of Jenny Lawford and her family who gave this wonderful gift in memory of her husband John Lawford. John took many services at the Church over the years and was a much loved member of the congregation who will be greatly missed.

Another change in the church is the very welcoming and cosy children's corner following the removal of one pew at the back of the church. There are toys, books, colouring pencils, a dolls house and Noah's Ark complete with animals. There are plenty of cushions and room for Mums and Dads, grannies and grandpas to all enjoy the services with the children. The church is open daily from morning to afternoon every day, so do come and have a look around.



We are pleased to report that two baptisms took place in the last few months, these were great

occasions enjoyed by all, filling the church and giving everyone a special day to remember - we even had to relay one baptism service via sound and video into the hall to ensure that everyone was part of the service.



Harvest Festival in September was another well attended event in the church's calendar. As part of our continuing support to the Support a Cow organisation £600 was also raised which will be used to support allotments and tools for farmers in Central Africa. The non-perishable food gifts that were gathered all went to the Basics Bank in Lymington for distribution to those in need. We have a drop off basket in the church foyer for anyone wishing to donate non-perishable food or toiletries to Basics Bank.

Our annual Autumn Bazaar was held on Saturday, 22 October 2016 and as always this was a very successful event, which raised just over £1200. Our thanks go to everyone who came along and we hope you enjoyed the coffee and cake as well as all the gifts, preserves and home-made cakes on sale. Half of the funds raised go to the maintenance of the church hall with the remainder being split between the five missions that we support - the Church Army, Tear Fund, Scripture Union, Mission to Seafarers and the Church Mission Society.

The crib festival in December was a new venture for the church and was a great success with many nativity scenes on display; these were beautifully displayed by Jan Morris and her team of talented ladies. Many of the cribs on display had come from abroad which all added to making the festival so special.



Carols at Christmas, on the forecourt of the village shop was a cheering start to our Christmas festivities, more families than ever before joined us for Christmas carols and readings, followed by warming mulled wine and mince pies. It was a joy to see so many youngsters there with their parents; our thanks go to Carole and arrie for helping us to continue with this special Christmas time and for doing such a wonderful job in keeping a shop and post office in the village.

Looking ahead to the summer we are hoping to have another service on Crossways Green in June as part of the village festival. Last year was very successful if a little chilly and breezy. Please keep a look out for notices around the village nearer the time.

Last of all it is time for Linda and I to say cheerio as Churchwardens of St Mary's church. We have greatly enjoyed our role but life changes and so must we. We pray for the new Churchwardens and hope that they will find their role both happy and fulfilling, as we have done.

We will no doubt see you all around the village; there are many services and events that take place through St Mary's and we would love for you to come and share your time with us. You will be made very welcome at any of our services which take place at 10.00am on a Sunday morning, when you hear the bell ringing you still have ten minutes to get to church. The congregation enjoy sharing their worship together and each ten o'clock Service is followed with coffee in the Church Hall.

With all best wishes for a Happy Springtime and a Wonderful Summer,  
**Joyce Pope and Linda Bettie**  
**Churchwardens of St Mary's Church, Everton**

# CHURCH AND COMMUNITY



## Tuesday mornings at St Mary's

### Friendship Coffee

On Tuesday mornings at St Mary's hall (except 3rd Tuesday of month) everyone is welcome to pop-in for a cuppa (either coffee or tea or hot chocolate!) and biscuits and an opportunity to catch up with friends and village news. Everyone is welcome any time between 10.0-11.30 am.

On 3rd Tuesdays there is no coffee but we have Friendship lunch. A freshly cooked two course lunch followed by coffee and this is preceded by a short Church service at 11.45 am. The lunch is served at 12.15 pm and costs £3.50. If you might be interested in coming to the lunch please contact Gillian 644739 as usually one or two of our regulars are unable to come each month so we have spaces which are filled from our reserve list. When we have a vacancy on our regular/ list it is then filled from the reserve list.

Look forward to hearing from you or seeing you with your friends at Tuesday coffee.

*Gillian*



Pancake Day at Friendship Coffee

## St Mary's Social Committee

Our January and February social events started with a 'Scrabble' afternoon and a 'Fun Whist Drive' both of which were enjoyed by all.

### Future events

Thursday 16th March 2.00p.m. Film Show

Saturday 29th April 6.30 p.m. Quiz night with fish and chips

Saturday 20th May 10.00 a.m. Table Top Sale

Saturday 1st July 6.30 p.m. Barbeque (Church car park)

Sunday 24th September Harvest Festival Supper

Saturday 21st October 10.00 a.m. Church Bazaar

**Everyone is welcome to all events**

*John Wigglesworth*  
*Chairman social committee.*

**Easter Services**  
**at**  
**St Mary's**

**Palm Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> April**

8am	Holy Communion
10am	Morning Worship in Church
10am	Family Activities in the Hall
10.45am	Procession with Morris the donkey
6pm	Holy Week in Picture & Song in the Hall

**Maundy Thursday 13<sup>th</sup> April**

10.30am	Holy Communion
12 noon	Soup Lunch

**Good Friday 14<sup>th</sup> April**

10am	Walk of Witness from Recreation Ground
10.30am	Good Friday Worship in Church
4.30pm	Come & listen to Stainer's 'Crucifixion' in Church

**Easter Sunday 16<sup>th</sup> April**

10am	Holy Communion in the Church
10am	Family Activities in the Hall
5pm	Easter Egg Hunt around the Church

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# Hedgehogs in Everton

We had the privilege and great joy of being home and restaurant to a delightful family of 5 hedgehogs from August to October -They visited every night for their "SPIKES" food outside our patio window and we watched as the little "Tiggys" grew bigger and stronger - we hope so much they survive the winter and we shall have the pleasure of them and their new "Tiggys" visits in the summer again-

We now know that our hedgehogs ancestors have been around since the ice age -an estimated 30 million hedgehogs in 1950 but today the figure could be as low as 1 million so they need our help to survive - give them room to survive by making-holes in the base of the fences so they can roam, travelling up to 3 km per night and gardeners please don't use slug pellets - if you are patient your prickly friends will keep your garden slug and snail free - then like us you can delight in the

*John and Diane Evans*



Lisa Smith is lucky enough to have a succession of nightly visitors. Mind you from what she tells us they are pretty well looked after!

Pauline Day of Frys Lane tells us that they often have hedgehogs in their garden. The baby in the photograph was sighted on October 21st. Two weeks prior to this, her grandchildren Niamh and Eryn made the Hedgehog Nursery and the Hedgehog Hotel pictured here.



Thankyou to everyone who made contact with me and told me all their stories about the hedgehog population in Everton. It is really excellent news that these popular creatures are doing so well in our Village.!  
Ed.



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# Music at the Festival

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## Steve says...

Once again we've aimed at providing a wide mix of musical genres over the festival week and hope that there will be something for everyone. Most of the musical events are free and where there is a charge for entry it will have been subsidised by the festival.

We open the festival on Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> June with an evening of classical music, a *Summer Serenade* at St Mary's Church Hall. This will be given by Alison Myers and friends. Tickets (£5) can be purchased from June 1<sup>st</sup> at the Post Office. (Warning: they do sell out fast!)

Next musical performance will be on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> June when Vanessa's Villains provide an evening of jazz standards at the Social Club. They played a great session for us two years ago and it should be another good evening with free entry to the club. Non-members welcome.

Next day, Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup>, during the afternoon we will be repeating the Tea Party in the lovely garden at Old Mellow (only this year we've ordered better weather!). At the bargain price of £3 you get a cream tea, good company, and a fine repertoire of relaxed music from Cynthia Mason at the keyboard. Eccentric hats will be the order of the day!

We return to the Social Club on Thursday evening (15<sup>th</sup>) for an Open Mic session which promises to be a lot of fun with musicians of varying standards performing short spots. This will be an "anything could happen" evening which will probably finish with a mass jamming session. Free entry-just buy a drink and grab a seat!

The Social Club is again the venue for music on Friday evening when Steve West hosts the Folk evening. Steve always sets up an entertaining programme with very good performers demonstrating a wide range of influences within the Folk genre.

Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> June will be a major day of music. Once again we will have bands on the Recreation Ground playing from midday as part of the Great Get Together initiative.

The line-up is still being finalised and the bands will play mostly '60's and '70's music from the trailer stage.

In the evening the Capricorn Country band will be performing at the Social Club. The band is considered to be one of the best Country bands in the area and, again, entry is free and non-members Welcome..

Meanwhile Festival stalwarts Empty Frets will be appearing at St Mary's Church Hall. The first part of the programme will focus on the ukulele and we hope to include cameo performances from people who have participated in Ukulele Workshops during the week. The rest of the programme will include the usual wide range of popular music.

The final day of the Festival, Sunday 18<sup>th</sup> June begins with Songs of Praise led by St Mary's Church on Crossways Green, this will be followed by the Forest Youth Brass who will be playing at Everton Nurseries from 11.30am. These talented youngsters play a mixture of solo and ensemble pieces and sound great in the superb acoustics of the Nurseries. Come along, take a seat and support and encourage our local musicians of tomorrow!

Later in the afternoon, from 3pm, Camellia Restaurant at the Nurseries is the perfect venue to treat Dad to a Cream Tea with musical accompaniment from Polly Morris and her band. A popular act on the local scene. Polly writes and performs comic observational songs and will provide the perfect background for an afternoon tea.

And so to our musical finale! We are delighted to welcome the return of the Swing Unlimited Community Band who gave us such a great evening last year. Their superb performance was enhanced by the excellent acoustics of the Nurseries and we can expect another lively evening again this year. Entry is by ticket (£10) which includes a supper box, which just in case you are getting peckish will contain a variety of savoury and sweet snacks baked at Camellias. Doors (and the bar) will open at 6.30pm.

A huge thank-you to all the venues and to all the support from performers and helpers. More details of any of the above can be found on our website [www.evertonfestival.com](http://www.evertonfestival.com)

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# SPRING INTO FASHION



Wear green in 17, the pantone colour of the season. Not your thing? Then bright primary colours, pastels and pinks, from shocking to pale, floral and ditsie prints (remember them! Ed) are also in vogue. Return to the 70's with wider leg trousers, printed or plain and wear them with block or kitten heels. Good news for those of us who teeter around on stilettos with a pained look on our face!

Give everyone the cold shoulder by choosing tops with cut outs at the top of the arms, (hide those bingo wings!)

This is what I'd gleaned from much research, so you can imagine my dismay when I heard a fashion guru say  
' Really this season, anything goes...'

So remember fashion is self expression, it's about feeling good in what you wear.

A few last words, start a foot, leg and arm routine. Moisturise daily so that, when the time comes, you'll slip your feet into those lovely strappy sandals and step out into the sunshine with confidence. Have fun and don't forget the factor 20!

*Not a fashionista*

**Karen Briggs, the proprietor of Time and Tide in Milford has suffered some amazing setbacks since she opened her dress shop before Christmas, all in the form of difficulties with the refurbishment! However, all is sorted out now and she's open for business. She sells upmarket day and occasion wear and it's definitely worth going down to Milford to have a browse.**

## Poets Corner

### An Irregular Lady

The other day I came across  
A lady quite hirsute,  
And on the end of her retrousser nose  
There perched a tiny wart.

She was dressed in tartan,  
She was playing a flute and  
On her single hairy leg  
She wore an ancient hobnail boot.

"Hello", she said, "Do you think me strange  
As I hop and skip on my only leg?"

"Not so", said I,  
Telling a great big lie,  
Not wanting to catch her single eye.

But then her countenance came into sight,  
Oh, it gave me such an awful fright,  
She opened her mouth, she started to sing,  
And her teeth were most bizarre.  
One stuck out and one turned in,  
And another held up her bra.

But truth to tell  
I found her ... well ...  
Rather adorable and strangely cute  
And found myself in hot pursuit  
Of that lady quite hirsute!

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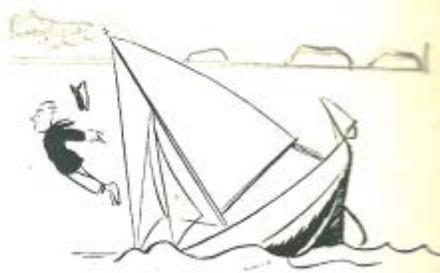
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# BACK ON DRY LAND...

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



As I write, the wind is howling outside, the rain pours in buckets and the daily foray to the Everton Post Office is a Wellington boot and funny hat affair.

So sailing is not on my mind right now - though I check frequently that 'Kingfisher' - our beautiful 27' green painted Pintail is still safely attached to her mooring at Christchurch. She is wrapped up in tarpaulins - not just to keep the rain off but to protect the varnished woodwork from the frost. However carefully the wood is prepared, varnished and revarnished - exposure to frost can undo all the work, and bare wood exposes itself in ugly patches.

Lucky for me my shipmate, Captain Crow is a painter decorator by trade and a dab hand at the sanding. He also generally maintains the boat, refouling the hull every few years as well as look after the engine and electrics, repair the head (loo) etc.

There is a lot to do each spring to get 'Kingfisher' seaworthy and perfect. I must admit to a certain smug pride as we motor through the channel at Mudeford and the temptation to do a royal wave to all the crabbers is sometimes overwhelming. I try to restrain myself!

As well as all the general spring boat maintenance, we have to wash down the interior paintwork, refit the bunk cushions (that spend the winter in the loft) and restock the larder with tinned and dried goods. Very handy when improptu extended sailing trips are decided on by choice or by conditions.

The weather that is beautiful mid morning can change to horrible lumpy waves and rain by afternoon. Weather forecasts are sometimes way off reality. We have to be ready for anything, so wet weather gear, life jackets and Jack Stays are always on board and ready to go.

We have been surrounded by sea fog where visibility reduced to zero in 5 minutes,; and a beautiful cloud formation admired over the Old Harry's Rocks at Poole turned out to carry a regular typhoon of rain and mad winds. Then you can't see, get absolutely freezing and drenched. Ten minutes later you are in afternoon sunshine, mopping up and putting on something dry as well as a braver face and - if its not too bumpy - a kettle of water for a cup of tea.

This year we are moving from our mooring at Christchurch. The beautiful views of Hengisbury Head and the horses on the marshes will be missed, but the restrictive tidal nature of the harbour will not! There is a window of opportunity for entering and leaving the harbour so you either have to go sailing for a week or a weekend or a couple of hours. So we are moving to Beaulieu where we are free to go out to the Solent at most times of tide. The new mooring is up the river, beyond the Marina and is a delightful quiet spot. I shall let you know all about it next time. And if anyone goes to Bucklers Hard and walks along the coastal path towards Beaulieu and sees a beautiful dark green little yacht moored just up from the jetty at Bailey's Hard - then give us a shout and come on aboard and say hello.

Oh, and p.s. I caught a total of six mackerel last year with my new fishing gear!!

## THE PAVILION

The Pavilion is used by many residents as a meeting place for local group activities and the Acorn Pre School. It offers a large, comfortable room adjoined by a small kitchen. This can be hired for a very reasonable cost for meetings, parties and other social activities. **Please contact Alan Paice on 01590 644901.**

*Groups that already use the Pavilion 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

**To Book the Pavilion call Alan on 644901**



### **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



## A Word from Dingle Dell...

Spring is here and like the flowers, many houses have sprung upwards as is the current vogue. Speaking of houses the plan to build on the first field out of Everton on Wainsford Road needs to be watched with care. The current government claims to only build on green belt land in special circumstances, however the London Times of December 13<sup>th</sup> last year, had an article explaining that the government was paying £9000 per house to local authorities to build on the green belt. This would mean the 120 houses planned for the Wainsford Road site would net New Forest council a huge sweetener. This must be fought on all fronts as any more building in Everton on such a scale would destroy the Village.

Meanwhile life continues with burgeoning life clothing the fields around us, shortly the oak, beech, chestnut and ash will all open their leaves. All these trees play a vital part in ecology, the oak is valuable in all its life stages, 300 years to grow and 300 years to die. In the later stages of its life it is a vital habitat for stag beetles and woodpeckers, not to mention moth caterpillars and the nuthatch. And here, the enemy is modern man, for he is far too quick to reach for the chainsaw and if there is no tree preservation order in place the tree is felled. This is a great shame as many insects and birds are thus deprived of a home and or food.

The weather has not been extreme this winter with many warmish days which seems to be the norm now that we have 'global warming'. The first birds to nest will be the rook and an old country saying tells us that if the rooks build high then we shall have a hot summer. This could be an old wives tale but of course you must make your own judgement. After the rook, the blackbird and if there are any left, the thrush will build where they can. Sadly many birds are being forced to abandon their nests due to hedge and shrub cutting between March and August. This is only true for mechanical cutters, the shears do not seem to worry them as much, as they do their work quietly. Best of all would be hedge laying which was, and still is, done between October and February and provides a very thick stock proof fence. However it is a very labour intensive exercise which is not often seen these days. In these parts the flail cutter is used which do the hedge no favours but is very quick and quickness seems to be the order of the day now.

Let us hope you enjoy your Spring and Summer, there is much to see and enjoy just by looking around, if you are lucky enough to be out and about.

### Hedgegrub



*Gordy*

**Tweeting 'Everton style'**

## Grapevine

'Alright?'  
'Yeah. You?'  
'Good.'

Or

'Good morning. How are you?'  
'Very well thankyou. And you?'

Whichever way we pass the time of day is irrelevant, it is the contact that is important.

A great way of making contact with friends and neighbours can be helped by looking at the back page of this newsletter where so many groups and activities are listed. And all are very welcoming.

We can also keep contact by visiting the Village Shop and we're always sure of a warm welcome. By the way, have you seen the extensive range in there now? This photo from the Village website, ([www.evertonlymington.com](http://www.evertonlymington.com))



*Cc T. Sergeant*

shows the shop and post office when Mr and Mrs Adams had just taken over from the Hydes in the 1950's.

Another shop just taken over in the area is the long established Truffles in Lymington. Bev Laimbeer lives in Everton and is looking forward to continuing with the traditional loose sweets and the interesting and delicious chocolates and goodies.

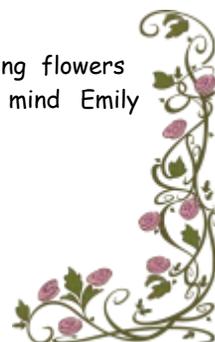
Heard recently: 'Drive carefully, it's not only cars that can be recalled by their maker!'

Everton residents have been helping to keep our roads safer by manning the temporary speed checks in Everton Road and Wainsford Road - the latter does not have a pavement so a lower speed is necessary to protect pedestrians. Similarly, pedestrians are having problems using the pavements by the Village Green near the Main Road, as generally there are cars parked on them. Those that use the bus are most affected and must not be dismissed.

Everton's Archie King is doing well in the U 15 Volleyball National Championship, as is George Dunsdon who represented 9th Lymington Sea Scouts and won 4 Gold medals at their swimming gala. Connor Lopez is going great guns with the New forest Runners, and also showing her heels is Pauline Breeze. Well done all! An another resident, Bronwyn Burrell is making news by driving a rally car from London to Lisbon this month(April) in the same Austin Maxi that was used in 1970.

April is such a lovely month, all the spring flowers everywhere(and showers!). It brings to mind Emily Dickinson's poem:

A drop fell on the apple tree  
Another on the roof  
A half dozen kissed the eaves  
And made the gables laugh.



## The Everton Fairies

Have you heard the legend of the Everton Fairies? The Everton Fairies are believed to be mystical folk who tidy the village at night. It's not known when the legend started, but it was long, long ago when the village was just a cluster of houses round the West Lane area. It was before cars, before bicycles and even before roller skates. Possibly even before the wheel was invented.

Back then the only local transport was horseback or donkey. As we all know there is a by product of animals on our roads and it was a valuable commodity for the garden. Everton rarely had any horse poo and the locals assumed mystical forces were at work. The truth is, it was Fred Wainsford who would send his small children about the lanes collecting it but to avoid jealousy from his neighbours who could never grow pumpkins as large as his, (to this day there is a pumpkin competition inspired by his efforts at growing them), he kept quiet. Fred was happy to go along with the myth of the fairies.

At the end of the 19<sup>th</sup> century drinks companies introduced deposits on glass bottles and children would collect them from hedgerows and ditches to get back the deposit at Everton Stores. They also collected any rags to sell to the rag and bone man. Adults coming back from work noticed that the village always appeared tidier than when they left in the morning and this activity was put down to fairies and the legend grew to incorporate bottles and rags as well as poo. The children kept quiet lest their poor parents claimed some of their rewards.

During the 20<sup>th</sup> century paper and metal were scarce when Britain was at war. You've guessed it again, these were keenly collected and the legend grew once more. Was there nothing these fairies didn't tidy up?

Children grow up, times and packaging change as well as peoples habits. We often see MacDonalds wrappers, plastic bottles and other rubbish about the village. Not only that but now there is horse poo that no one wants and dog poo can be seen on the road as well as the woods at the bend in Wainsford Rd. Worse than this, some people even go to the trouble of bagging dog poo but then leave the bags in the verge or thrown in the bushes in the woods. Occasionally good hearted people of the village do a rubbish pick.

The bad news is that the fairies never existed, the good news is that together we can keep our village tidy. Will you help or still wait for Everton rubbish fairies?!

**Toby Sears**

## Rail storm

This morning there was news of yet another stoppage on Southern Rail, just one more of a litany of problems on our railways. It may be of some small consolation to know that problems also occur elsewhere.

Just before Christmas I was travelling by train from Brisbane down to my daughter's home on the Gold Coast. It was late afternoon and out to the west a typical Queensland December storm was brewing, tumultuous black clouds sweeping up from below the horizon. From the comfort of my airline type seat, through the window I watched fascinated as those ominous clouds were constantly riven by lightning; sheet and forked, up, down and sideways; nature at its most awesome.

The clouds loomed closer but, confident of the sanctity of the train, I was unconcerned until suddenly the train and all its contents were enveloped by one gigantic lightning flash; it seemed to me to be all around, on both sides, above and below. Instantaneously there followed the most humungous clap of thunder. My ears were still ringing as the train rolled slowly to a halt.

Everything around seemed to be still working, the lights remained on and the illuminated sign at the end of the carriage still flashed out the next destination. Shortly a laconic voice over the public address system advised that the storm had disrupted the signals and until they were fixed we were going nowhere.

By now it had started to rain, a monsoonal storm typical of early summer, and I envied not those who were trying to fix some kind of electrical fault in those conditions. They fixed it though and within half an hour we were on our way again and arrived at our destination without further mishap.

To me this was a minor adventure, a slightly unusual occurrence; by means of my mobile phone I was able to advise my daughter of the delay and the circumstances became a topic of conversation. No doubt the long suffering commuters on Southern Rail and other afflicted networks would regard my minor inconvenience almost with envy?

**anon**



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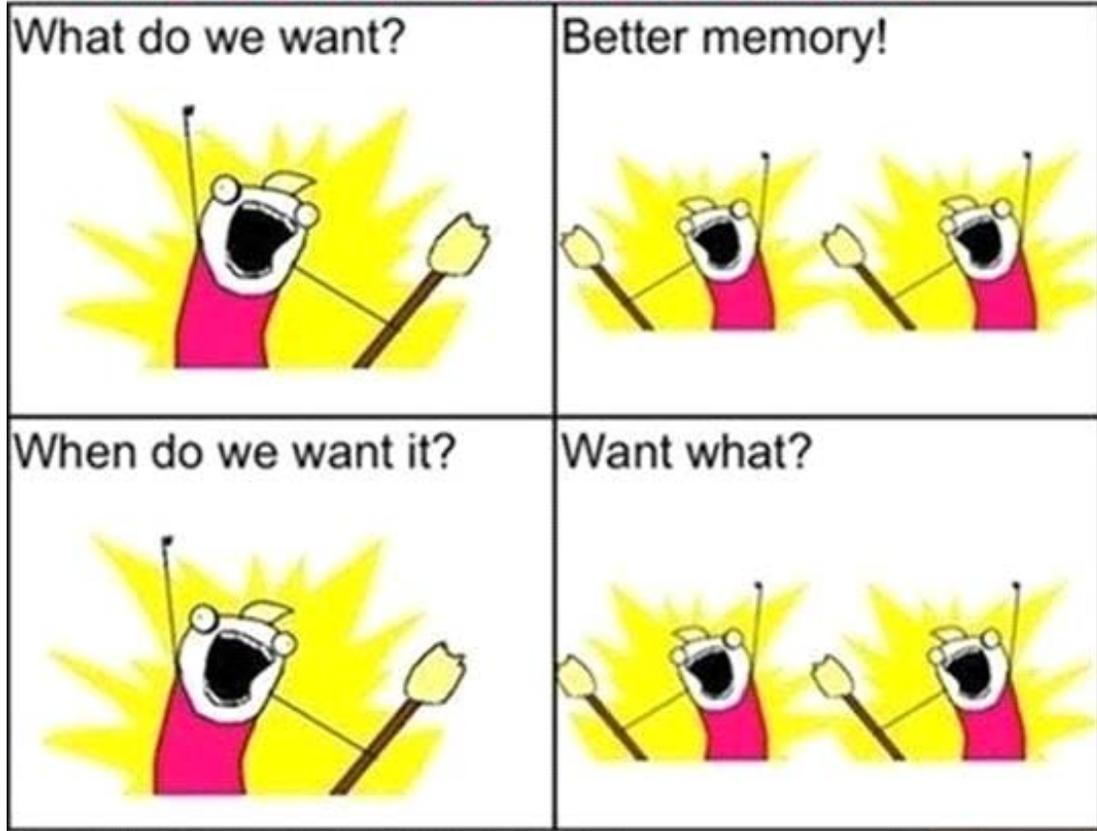
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# Old Codgers' Corner

( column for those of a certain maturity )

## The Senior Citizen Cheer!



### Here are just a few lessons from life which I'm still trying to learn :

- *A penny saved is obviously the result of a government oversight.*
- *Long ago when men cursed and beat the ground with sticks, it was called witchcraft. Today, it's called golf.*
- *The real art of conversation is not only to say the right thing at the right time, but also to leave unsaid the wrong thing at the tempting moment.*
- *The easiest way to find something lost around the house is to buy a new replacement for it.*
- *He who hesitates is probably doing the right thing.*
- *Did you ever notice: The Roman Numerals for forty (40) are 'XL.'*
- *If you think there is some good in everybody, you obviously haven't met 'everybody'.*
- *If you can smile when things go wrong, you must have someone else in mind to blame.*
- *The sole purpose of a child's middle name is so that he can tell when he's 'really' in trouble.*
- *There's always a lot to be thankful for if you take time to look for it. For example, I am sitting here thinking how nice it is that wrinkles don't hurt.*
- *Ageing: Eventually you will reach a point when you stop lying about your age and start bragging about it.*
- *The older we get, the fewer things seem worth waiting in line for.*
- *When you are dissatisfied and would like to go back to youth, just think of Algebra.*
- *One of the many things no one tells you about ageing is that it is such a nice change from being young.*
- *Ah, being young is beautiful, but being old is comfortable.*

# 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.....	Jackie May 644648
Alzheimer's Group.....	Church Hall,tea, 2nd Thurs, .....	Nicki Gordon 644679
Bridge Club.....	Church Hall, Tues 6.40.pm.....	Bob McConnell 670940
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
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.....	Carrie Kaye 644252
Multiple Sclerosis.....	Church Hall 3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday p.m.....	.Soophy 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.....		Mervyn Hughes 642509
Table Tennis Club .....	Church Hall., Friday p.m.....	Gillian Peard 644739
W.I. ....	Church Hall , 3rd Wed. 2.30 p.m.....	..Renee Edwards 641656
Yoga Tuition .....	Pavilion 3.45 - 5.15pm Mondays - .....	Mary Dalby 01425 278420
Yoga Class.....	Pavilion 6-7.25 and 7.35- 9.00 p.m.....	Dererca Sprake 675695
Art Group .....	Pavilion 2.00 - 5.00pm Thursdays - ..	Diana Collard 643550
Art class with teacher.....	Church hall, Mondays 10am to 12, 1pm to 3pm.	
.....		Heather Jolliffe 07545 973870
Art Class with teacher .....	Farmer's Walk studio, times by arrangement	
.....		Melvyn Gates 645489

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