

NEWSLETTER

FROM THE WELL HILL RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

March 2007

RESIDENTS STORM CLEAR UP

Thanks to all residents who helped with tree & debris clearance after storms blocked local roads in February.

It was good to see so many people clearing the roads and their neighbours fallen trees. If you were at work you may not be aware of the efforts put in by so many without waiting for local authority input. It was all cleared up by the time you got home.

PRODUCE SHOW

This year's produce show will be on 15th September at the usual venue of Chelsfield Village Hall. This is jointly organised by the Chelsfield Village Society and the Well Hill Residents' Association. The schedule is included with this Newsletter and can be found on the internet at <http://www.whra.org.uk/produce-show/>

Agenda for AGM

- Apologies for absence
- Approval of Minutes of AGM held on 25th April 2006
- Matters arising from Minutes
 - Chairman's Report
 - Treasurer's Report
- Election of Committee
- Election of Officers
- Talk by SDC on planning matters
- Talk on Energy Saving
- Consider an amendment to the constitution to allow local parish councils to nominate committee members
- Any Other Business

WELL HILL RESIDENTS ASSOCIATION

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

To be held at

The Lodge

Lullingstone Park

At

8 pm

On

Tuesday

24th April 2007

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Please come to the Well Hill Resident's Association AGM on Tuesday 24th April. This year we have arranged for two speakers, Miss Gillian Macinnes from Sevenoaks planning department and Louise Shrubshall giving guidance on Energy saving.

Nomination Form:

We hereby nominate:

For election as:

Of the association at the 2007 Annual General Meeting.

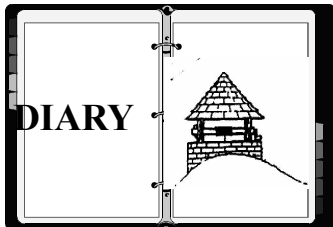
Proposed by:

Seconded by:

Date:

Nomination forms must be handed to Chris Courtney, Shirelands, Rock Hill by 8pm on Tuesday 17th April 2007

Website - visit the website <http://www.whra.org.uk>



CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday 18th March—Mother's day Service at the Well Hill Mission Church 9:45am

Thursday 22nd March—Pests & Diseases at Coolings, Rushmore Hill

Friday 23rd March—Plant a Pot at Coolings, Rushmore Hill

Wednesday 28th –Saturday 31st March - Cemetry Club by the Chelsfield Players at Chelsfield Village Hall, Contact No 01689 831187

Sunday 1st April—Palm Sunday Service at the Well Hill Mission Church 9:45am

Sunday 8th April—Easter Sunday at St Martin of Tours, Chelsfield.

Thursday 12th April—Eagle Heights Display at Coolings, Rushmore Hill

Thursday 19th and Saturday 21st April — Hanging Baskets at Coolings, Main Road

Tuesday 24th April—WHRA Annual General Meeting at The Lodge. Starts at 8pm.

Thursday 3rd May—Local Elections for District and Parish Councils.

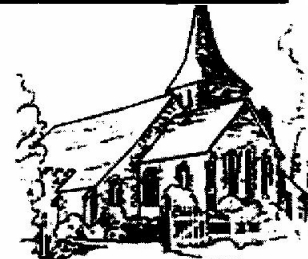
Sunday 6th May—Bluebell Walk—at Cudham to raise money for Harris Hospice Care. Contact Vanessa Casey 01689 825755

Every Friday - Mums and Toddlers 10am Parish rooms, Skibbs Lane. Contact No: 01689 826349

Every Third Tuesday - WI Evening Meeting. Contact No: 01689 821592

Bank Holidays - 9th April and 7th & 28th May - Refuse Collection

Collections during these weeks will be one day later than usual.



ST MARTINS. CHELSFIELD.

8.00am Holy Communion
9.45am Family Eucharist (not 5th Sunday)
11.00am Sung Eucharist (1,3rd,5th Sundays)
11.00am Matins (2nd & 4th Sundays)
6.30pm Evensong
Rector of Chelsfield and Advisor in Pastoral Care & Counselling for the Diocese of Rochester is:

Canon Leslie Virgo
The Rectory
Skibbs Lane
Chelsfield
BR6 7RH

Tel: 01689 825749

WELL HILL MISSION CHURCH



09.45am Morning Prayers (1st Sunday)
09.45am Holy Communion (3rd Sunday)
Pastoral Assistant: Gillian Vernon 01689 874876

1st April Palm Sunday service

Free Saturday Refuse Collection

Next Saturday collection in the 5th May from 12:15 to 1pm at the Kent Hounds car park. For other dates, watch the notice-boards for details, or better still join our e-mail list at <http://www.whra.org.uk/emaillist.htm> and we will send you an e-mail as soon as we have the details.

* **DON'T FORGET WHRA ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING at 8pm on 24th April at The Lodge (formerly the Red Deer), Lullingstone Park.** *



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VACANCY FOR LENGTHSMAN

Shoreham Parish Council seeks a man or woman to help keep Badgers Mount and Well Hill tidy. The work involves litter picking and sweeping footpaths and is for 4 hours every month in both locations from 1 April 2007. The rate of pay is currently £7 per hour although a cost of living increase will apply from 1 April. If you feel you can help or would be able to cover just one of the areas, please call the Parish Clerk, Barbara Ide, on 01732 740193.

PARKING AT LULLINGSTONE GOLF COURSE

Sencio Community Leisure are arranging to install a new barrier at the golf course car park. This will be token operated and customers will be provided with one at the point of sale in the Pro Shop. This will also have to apply to other park users who will be charged £1.00 for the token. Sencio will carry out advance notification of this scheme both in the Pro Shop and in the car park.

They have had to move in this direction to reduce both the abuse of the car park as we have had a number of cars abandoned here again recently and break-ins to customers cars. Sencio state that they have obligations to customers and their insurance company to try improve control over the area. Also they have been advised that the KCC are introducing pay and display in their car park at the Lullingstone visitors centre and therefore are anticipating an increase in the non-golf users of the car park.

LOCAL ELECTIONS

Elections for the District and Parish Councils are due to take place on 3rd May. The age at which persons can stand has been reduced from 21 to 18. Anyone wishing to stand, or who has any query about voting, should contact Sevenoaks Electoral Services on 01732 227188/227243

SHOREHAM AT WAR

A hardback book on the above subject has been produced with the help of lottery funding. A copy is available free to each household in the parish of Shoreham. Please contact Phil Hobson if you would like one.

SUBSCRIPTION

Please support your association by paying £5 for this year. Having subscriptions makes it easier for us to obtain grants from organisations like Shoreham Parish Council and pays for the administration such as newsletters.

If possible, please come to the AGM and pay your subscription there. Otherwise, please send a cheque for £5 made payable to Well Hill Residents' Association to your nearest committee member.



WHRA Committee

- Chairperson & Correspondence -
Chris Courtney (01959 535022)
- Vice-chairman & Planning-
Phil Hobson (01959 534090)
- Minutes Secretary -
Mike Sharp (01959 533600)
- Treasurer -
Mike Peek (01959 533339)
- Neighbourhood Watch -
Mrs.June Dean (01959 534445)
- Social Secretaries -
Tony Barton (01959 534723)
Terry Sparkes (01689 823749)
- Nick Coulson** (01959 532885)
Jean Crossfield (01959 534288)

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ROAD CLOSURES

You will no doubt have noticed the yellow diversion signs that have littered our narrow country lanes over the last few weeks. They are part of a very long diversion for road works a few miles away.

Kent County Council are pre-patching four roads—Castle Farm Road, Shacklands Road, Firmingers and Rock Hill—in preparation for a surface dressing in the summer. The schedule for patching and the diversion routes is:

Castle Farm Road – Works will start on Monday 19th February 2007 and will last for 2 weeks.

The diversion will be via Redmans Lane, Rock Hill, Jubilee Road, Holybush Lane, Hewitts Road, the A224 Orpington By Pass Road and Shacklands Road.

Shacklands Road – Works will start on 5th of March 2007 and will last for 3 weeks.

The diversion will be via Castle Farm Road, Redmans Lane, Rock Hill, Jubilee Road, Holybush Lane, Hewitts Road and the A224 Orpington By Pass Road.

Firmingers Road – Works will start on 26th of March 2007 and will last for 2 weeks.

The diversion will be via Well Hill and Rock Hill.

Rock Hill – Works will start on 2nd of April 2007 and will last for 3 weeks.

The diversion will be via Redmans Lane, Castle Farm Road, Shacklands Road, the A224 Orpington By Pass Road, Hewitts Road, Holybush Road and Jubilee Road.

The roads will be closed and parking suspended whilst the works take place. A diversion will be in operation. Access for residents will be available.

Should you have any queries, then contact John Reynolds (Design Engineer) at Kent County Council on 08458 247 800

The surface dressing of the above four roads is expected to start around the middle of June. It is only expected to take a few days but expect similar diversions. Kent County Council Highways are aware that their diversions are very long. They claim to always sign the diversion for the wider routes to accommodate larger vehicles. They are now aware that the diversions along Jubilee Road and Holybush Lane go along roads unsuitable for heavy goods vehicles. As “locals” we can, and should, use our own diversion routes where they are better than the “official” diversions.

NEW ROOF FOR MISSION CHURCH

After 113 years the roof on the Mission Church needed replacement. The new roof was funded by the church, local people and Shoreham Parish Council. When the roof was replaced the opportunity was taken to replace the 113 year old wooden cross.

At the morning service on Sunday 4th March the roof and new cross were blessed by Canon Leslie Virgo. In attendance were over twenty parishioners and ex-parishioners plus Shoreham (Civil) Parish Clerk—Barbara Ide—and the PCSO Dave Birchall. It was good to see a few ex-parishioners who still hold Well Hill and the Mission Church in such affection. Well Hill is a special place. Let's endeavor to keep it that way for when the roof is next replaced in one hundred years time.

BURGLARIES

Now that the weather is getting better and the days are drawing out, please check your security as we have already had generators stolen in Well Hill. Make sure that you do not leave items of value unattended and in full view. It only takes a few seconds for them to disappear!

If you see a crime in progress, or you see any suspicious activity, do not hesitate to dial 999.

If you would like to receive your Newsletter by E-mail, or have a contribution for the next Newsletter, please mail us at ed2007@whra.org.uk