

HINDERCLAY NEWSLETTER

JANUARY 2018

VILLAGE HALL ACTIVITIES

Bookings Linda/Patrick Aves 898512 Hall Hire- £6.00 per hour residents, £7.00 per hour all others

WEEKLY

YOGA *Wednesday 9-10.30a.m. Alyze 07523933776*

SHORT MAT BOWLING *Equip. supplied . Monday 2-4p.m. £5.00 per month including Tea/Coffee and biscuits. Dave Ireland 897316*

KENNINGHALL MORRIS *Thursday 7-9 p.m. Peter Osborne 01953 888291*

You may have wondered what the noise is that goes on in your Village Hall on Thursday evenings between 7:30 and 9:00pm? It's Kenninghall Morris practicing their dancing. We used to practice in Kenninghall, which seems natural, but the hall was pulled down in 2013 to make way for a new one. So, we moved to Hinderclay for what we thought would be a year at most. Currently the new hall in Kenninghall is still being built! Maybe 2018 completion.

Kenninghall Morris dance in the tradition of the Welsh Borders (Herefordshire, Worcestershire and Shropshire) now called Border Morris, a style that is reputed to have started in the early 17th Century.

Kenninghall Morris has, though, only been in existence since the turn of this century and is now made up of dancers and musicians from the very young to the not so very young. Border Morris dancers traditionally black their faces which, historically, was used to provide the dancers with anonymity (a certain amount of 'persuasion' may have been used in the collecting of money). To create our own identity we use both black and white ... and less 'persuasion' when collecting. The tatters - tops covered with coloured rags - are also traditional for this form of Morris dancing and provide colour and form of their own. The Border tradition also involves the use of sticks, the clashing of which provides additional noise. As for the music - the more the merrier, with accordion, melodeon, drums, tin whistles, flutes and even saxophones being used. The tunes played are mostly traditional. Anyone interested in joining Kenninghall Morris should contact Peter Osborne or pop along to the hall on a Thursday evening when the Parish Council are not meeting there. It's great exercise for dancers and musicians are also welcome.

MONTHLY

GARDEN CLUB *3rd Wed each month, 7.30. Val Forge 898270*

Annual Membership £12.00, £2.00 per meeting for members, visitors £4.00 .

January meeting, Invasive species in the garden

BINGO *Cash Prizes. 19th January 7.30p.m. Kate Rose 898562*

COFFEE MORNING Len Parsall 01379 898867

Coffee morning will resume on Thursday 8th February 2018 at 10.30, then every second Thursday in the month. We look forward to seeing you there, all welcome.

LUNCH CLUB (over 60) First Tuesday each month 12.15p.m. Except January when lunch is on 9th Two course meal £3.00

Jean Ireland 897316 or Linda Aves 898512

PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS Second Thursday of alternate months, 7.30p.m.

Next meeting Thursday January 11th

Check the village notice board for dates, Councillors and contact numbers.

ST MARY'S CHURCH

Church Warden, Kate Rose 898562

January 7th Holy Communion 9.30a.m Neil Dear

January 21st Family Service 9.30a.m. Ken Smith

DID YOU KNOW

The Poppy Appeal collected a total of £235.61. Thank you very much for your generosity. The district total was £2,491.42.

SPEEDING IN THE VILLAGE

A traffic speeding sign was requested by villagers at the Parish Council Meeting and one has been in place on Rickinghall Road for several weeks. This sign is borrowed from the Council for two weeks then taken away for four weeks. (due to high demand from other villages) The cost of a permanent sign is prohibitive (over £3,000.00). At November's Parish Council meeting the Clerk was asked to request three more of these signs, two to be placed on the street the other on the opposite side of the road to the current sign on Rickinghall Road.

Speeding is a serious issue in the village. There are no pavements on Rickinghall road and residents of this road have asked that everyone in the village please be careful and considerate of them and also of the many dog walkers who use this road.

If you would like to contribute to the newsletter or have any helpful suggestions please contact

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