

Hinderclay Newsletter January 2021

HAPPY NEW YEAR, HINDERCLAY!

Thank you to everyone that makes this newsletter possible.

If you have anything you would like to include in future newsletters, please send to familykerslake@gmail.com or phone Rowena on 07808772197



Paul and Alison Brown are moving away from Hinderclay next Wednesday, after living in the village for more than thirty years. We wish them well on their new adventure! Their son, Martin, sells honey at their gateway and taught us all about bees at the Summer Gateway Fair! Martin does deliver orders into the village and will continue to do so after his parents have moved away. His contact number is 07599744509

Do you need help or support?

As we enter 2021 and again find ourselves with restriction (currently tier 4) please note that there are several people in Hinderclay that can offer help to those who are in need. Be it a voice on the end of a telephone for a chat, shopping or prescriptions that need collecting, there is someone here that can help. If you are in need, please contact one of the people below

Karen Calton	01379 898949	Roger Michaels	01379 890257
Kate Rose	01379 898562	Chris Clayton	07841 016384
Ken Smith	01379 898776	Rowena Kerslake	07808 772197
Richard Langston	07939 241550	Julia Kenyon	07931 327004
Debbie Plater	01379 898030		

Council Help: Home But Not Alone (help in Covid times) 0800 876 6926. The phonelines are open from 9am to 5pm, Monday to Friday.

St Mary's Church Services

CHURCH SERVICES

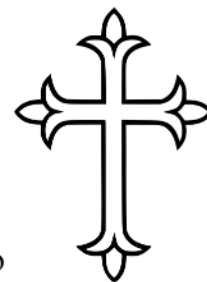
10 January 2021 – Family Service – 9.30 – Ken Smith

24 January 2021 – Holy Communion – 10.00 – Rev Cathy Bladen

At all our services we follow the Church and Government Covid 19 guidelines to keep everyone as safe as possible.

Our Carol Service this year was made special with the church decorated with flowers, foliage and candle light (thank you to all the ladies who decorated). Although we could not sing, Erick and Ken put together the recordings/films of our favourite carols. The Christmas story was told by our readers – Paul, Rowena, Chris and Elizabeth. And to complete the magic we heard Tony singing the Christmas version of “From a Distance”. Thank you to all - also to Rev Cathy for leading us in the service.

Our **Christmas Day Communion service** was at 10am this year and taken by Rev Adam Barclay. Attendance had to be booked (in line with guidance) and communion was taken with everyone remaining seated in their pews. With our church looking as festive as it can – what a wonderful way to begin our Christmas Day.



**Hinderclay Village Hall AGM
Has had to be cancelled because of
tier 4 restrictions.**

Many of you might have passed through Thorpe Street over the last year, out for a walk or bike ride, and seen a house sprouting from the ground. We are true 'self-builders', undertaking much of the work ourselves – no small challenge with a young child to look after during a pandemic! We are building a family home based on the form of local agricultural buildings with inspiration from the Pacific Northwest of Canada and the US where we lived for a number of years. It will be a 'low energy' home, needing only a small amount of additional heating in winter beyond that provided by the sun's energy and the occupants. We are also trying to use sustainable building materials where possible. Thanks to all who have shouted up positive words as you have passed by, it has provided a great deal of encouragement over the last year!

Sam, David and Skye



THANK YOU – Walking around the village you cannot help but notice the Christmas themed stones that have been painted and left in various places. I have seen several children, adults and families trying to find them and getting a great deal of pleasure on their searches. Thank you to **Karen Calton** for such an inspired idea to keep us all amused in these difficult times. Such a talent.



LITTLE ERNIE
If you would like the chance to support our Village Hall and have the chance to win cash prizes every month, please contact: Linda Aves on 01379 898512

And from Karen:



Thank you for all the lovely comments I've had from walkers in the village who have spotted the Christmas painted stones. I hope you enjoyed looking for them. I shall leave them out until twelfth night, but if any children in the village would like one to keep, please choose one, and maybe put it out next Christmas.

**Village Hall
Little Ernie**

Winners for November
53 Mrs E Metcalf
203 Lottie Clements
52 Mr Jeffrey Parker
149 Francesca Ward

Winners for December
197 Mr T Woods
239 Mrs A Jackson
107 Jemma Guest
227 Mrs J Ireland

1st Redgrave & Botesdale Brownies have been running for nearly 40 years and this past year has meant adapting to different and sometimes difficult circumstances. Over the summer we could hold some meetings outdoors so we met at Rickinghall Village Hall playing fields. In October, we were able to get back to some indoor meetings, and we are very grateful to Hinderclay Village Hall for allowing us to meet there. It was lovely to be together again, playing games, hearing stories and we even completed the Reflect badge by representing DNA with strawberry laces and marshmallows. The November lockdown brought a new learning curve as meetings went on Zoom. We celebrated Remembrance Day, designed future uniforms, tested our memories and finished the term with a Christmas session of games and crafts. We are starting a new term with visitors who will talk about pet care and teach us laughing yoga! We can do cooking now too – as the girls are all in their own homes, they have access to a kitchen and the Leaders don't have to do the clearing up! Our promise starts with "to do my best" and that is what we are doing. We will continue to adapt and do the best we can to make our Brownie Pack a safe and fun place to be. Thank you to the halls that have allowed us to meet, to the parents who continue to support their girls and mostly to the Brownies who continue to attend and achieve and put a smile on their Leaders' faces each week.

Clare Brinkley



