

## ROSTRUM JULY AND AUGUST ISSUE

### Village Diary

#### July

- 2**     **Footpaths walk** – village hall car park – 2.30pm
- 4**     **Parish Council** then Planning Committee – Hall - 7.30pm
- 13**    **WI talk** by Ken Usher from CROP – Hall – 2pm
- 17**    **Friends of Wateringbury Church AGM** - Church – 7.30
- 19**    **History Society Coach Outing** – 9.15am
- 23/24** **Garden Open Boorman Mews - 11-5 - £3.50pp**

#### August

- 6**     **Footpaths walk** – village hall car park – 2.30pm
- 14/15/16** **Big Top Holiday Club – School - 10am-12pm**
- 27/28** **Garden Open Boorman Mews - 11-5 - £3.50pp**

*Please note no Parish Council meeting in August*

#### September

- 3**     **Footpaths walk** – 2.30pm
- 5**     **Parish Council** then Planning Committee – Hall - 7.30pm
- 9**     **Blue Plaque Walk** - 10.30am
- Blue Plaque Displays, Ploughman's and Teas** – Church Noon to 4pm

EVERY THURSDAY IN AUGUST

## CREAM TEAS

*home-made cakes & scones*

**AT THE CHURCH - 2-4PM**

**VILLAGE PEOPLE** *Please let us have your news and tributes by 17 August for our September issue. Entries are free*

**Congratulations to Colonel William Pemble Owen English** who was appointed to the Military Division of the Most Excellent Order of the British Empire as Commander (**CBE**) in the Queen's 2017 Birthday Honours.

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**Wedding Congratulations to Jan (formerly Hasbury) and John Chamberlain** who married in Perth, Australia in January. John and Jan are having their marriage blessed in our village church on **Thursday 20 July at 4.30pm**. They invite all village friends to this celebration of their marriage.

**Ruby Wedding congratulations to Rev Jim and Jean Brown** who celebrate 40 years of marriage on **2 July**.

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**Congratulation to Peter Cayzer** who celebrates a milestone birthday on **19 July**.

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## **Grandparent congratulations to:**

**Brian and Alison Tibbals** on the arrival in Pembury Hospital of **Ilah Joan Howes** who weighed in at 7lb 4oz on 12 May and to big sister Jasmine and parents Katie and Simon.

**John and Celia Pocock** on the birth on 27 April at Pembury Hospital of **Piper Eloise**, a second daughter for Greg and Liz and a sister for Harriet.

**Thank you** to all who supported **Rostrum's White Elephant stall** at the village fete. We raised £200 which was donated equally to the School's atrium appeal and the Church Tower re-shingling appeal.

## **JUNE PARISH COUNCIL REPORT**

**Allotments** Councillors had carried out an inspection of the site in Old Road. There were now 3 vacant plots. Any residents who wish to rent a plot and grow their own produce should contact the Parish Clerk.

**Crime Report** – During March there were 2 crimes in the village 1 criminal damage and 1 anti social behaviour. In May sometime between 8 and 12 May the school fence was damaged.

**Village Fete** Mike Witts reported on the fete. Councillors thanked him and the committee for their excellent planning and hard work which meant that the afternoon was a happy, friendly occasion. Councillor Talbert reported that the Railway Partnership were delighted with the responses from visitors to its stall.

**Speed Watch** organiser Charles Stroud reported to the council that in May 458 instances of vehicles speeding in the village had been observed. He gave details of the new computer system for reporting speeding vehicles which the police have introduced. Charles also announced that he was standing down from his post of co-ordinator with immediate effect. At the public forum he was thanked for all his hard work over the years and given a round of applause.

**Joint Flood Group** Five homes in the village have been identified and notified that they are at high risk of flooding; a free survey and advice is available to these households.

**KCC Councillor Mathew Balfour** reported on matters of local interest, mainly traffic and speed related.

**T & M Borough Councillor Simon Jessel** reported that Councillor Roger Dalton had been installed as this year's mayor. A meeting will be organised for Parish Councillors to meet with T & M Environmental Protection Officer Chris Luche to discuss the high levels of pollution at the traffic lights. Parish Councillors are looking for companies to undertake a comprehensive traffic survey in the parish.

**CCTV** at village hall and car park – detailed discussions took place regarding options available for meeting the maintenance costs of the system.

**Trees at Cross Roads** councillors agreed to accept an estimate from Wildwood Trees for pruning work.

**Planning** councillors had no objections to these applications:

Two storey side extension at Little Aces, 31 Teston Road

Expansion of shop floor at Post Office

First floor side extension and conversion of garage into habitable room at 1 Red House Gardens

**Public Discussion** included concerns raised by a resident about the speed and behaviour of drivers on Wateringbury Road near to the boundary with East Malling parish. Plans for the refurbishment by KCC of the Pelican Court care facility.

**The next meetings** of the parish council, to which residents are welcome, will be on **Tuesdays 4 July and 5 September at 7.30pm** in the village hall

**10 Strawberry Garden Party** – Manor Farm Old Road – pm

Non members are very welcome to join the History Society **Coach Outing to Watts Gallery and Artists' village and Loseley Park Manor House near Guildford on Wednesday 19 July**. The coach leaves Wateringbury Hotel at 9.15am, the trip includes entries to both venues, guided tour of Loseley Manor and afternoon tea. **£40 per person**. To book a seat or for more details please phone 01622 812148

## THE VILLAGE FETE - 4 JUNE 2017

Thank you to everyone who contributed in so many ways to make our fete such a splendid village occasion. We are grateful to the Parish Council who have given financial support over the last few years. However due to financial constraints they are unable to make such a contribution in future years. It was therefore imperative over the last 2 years to build up a surplus of funds to enable the set-up costs for 2018 to be met from Fete Committee funds. We are therefore deeply indebted to our sponsors for their help.

We had a record 36 stalls this year representing many local organisations and small businesses. All reported doing a brisk trade. To give a few examples - 185 jars of jam and chutney were sold by Sheena and Gordon, Rostrum's White Elephant stall raised £200 for the school and church building appeals, The WI members sold out of their delicious home-made cakes and raised £91, WATCH youth club's toy stall made £100 and Knitters and Crafters funds were boosted by £75. Vicki of Tidy Tailz Dog Grooming enjoyed meeting dog owners and giving hints and tips as well as selling her handmade dog collars, leads and snacks. The Scouts did brisk business as did the Cricket Club's burgers stall and of course Ellinor's Ices, The Friends of Wateringbury Church Pimms Tent (which raised £300), Redhill Farm Winery and The North Pole Beer Tent all did a brisk trade!

The Not Too Serious Dog Show had a record 41 entries (16 more than last year). Many thanks to our young judges who chose:

**Cutest Dog:** Winner Phil with Bella, runner up Maria with Pepper

**Waggiest Tail:** Winner Isobel with Buster, runner up Paula with George.

**Best Trick:** Winner Sarah with Pip, runner up Wendy with Ted.

**Puppy Obedience:** Winner Edward with Guinness, runner up Damien with Roco.

**Obedience:** Winner Gemma with Oakley, runner up Kevin with Chester.

Thanks to all competitors and to the Sponsors Pets Love Us from Medway Wharf Marine, Wateringbury.

The Raffle, thanks to so many generous sponsors, sold over 1000 tickets.

Kings Hill Rock Choir and Les Blackburn's musical entertainment were very popular; we hope they will come again in 2018.

The success of the day was due in no small part to careful planning led by Mike Witts and to Harry Vidler and many others for their tireless help on the day.

Our annual village fete has been nicknamed 'the friendly fete' by many of our stall-holders and visitors - the fete committee hope you agree and look forward to seeing you on **Sunday 3 June 2018**.

*Wateringbury Village Fete Committee*

## WATERINGBURY SPORTS AND RECREATION ASSOCIATION Registered Charity 281212

### **The Sports Pavilion is 25 years old on 12 July and since its opening has been used by thousands of children and adults**

A campaign was started on 19 December 1989 by the Wateringbury Fields Association, to replace the appalling dilapidated portakabins with a purpose built sports pavilion at a cost of £28,500. Grants of £6,000 were obtained from Tonbridge & Malling Borough Council and the Sports Council, together with a loan of £6,000 from the Sports Council. Numerous fund raising activities were carried out over the next two years, and the new Sports Pavilion, built by John Childs & Associates, was officially opened on Sunday 12 July 1992.

The Fields Association still faced the onerous task of repaying the £6,000 loan to the Sports Council, plus raising support to provide an electricity supply, durable multi-purpose flooring, showers and hot water. With the support of Seeboard and an anonymous benefactor, the electricity supply was connected during March 1995 at a cost of £2,500. Supported by Marley and the Parish Council the durable heavy duty flooring was completed in September 1995 at a cost of £1,000. With a grant from Maidstone Lions Club the showers and hot water were installed in June 1996 at a cost of £2,000. The final repayment of the loan to the Sports Council was made on 15 May 1997.



## **LONDON BRIDGE**

The terrorist attack on London Bridge on 7 June shocked and saddened us all. Wateringbury has strong links with London Bridge. The first stone on the City side of the then new London Bridge (now in the USA) was laid by the Right Hon Matthias Prime Lucas, Lord Mayor of London on the 12th March 1828. Lucas lived for many years in Wateringbury Place. The old London Bridge was designed by John Rennie a famous civil engineer who was responsible for many major national projects (including Waterloo and Southwark Bridges) of the period. Nearby to Wateringbury, John Rennie also constructed Tutsham Oil Mill for Charles Middleton, First Baron Barham of Barham Court, Teston. his son Capt George Lucas Rennie RA went on to marry Caroline Lucas, Matthias' daughter.

## **WATERINGBURY FOOTBALL CLUB**

**Calling parents of all Year 1s and 2s who will be moving into Year 2 and 3 next year.**

You may be aware that Wateringbury Football club started a Youth Academy in 2016 for Years 2 to 3 and has been overwhelmed by its success. So much so we are now starting a Year 4 team from the current Year 3s for next season in a local league.

We've already had enquires from Year 1 and 2 parents about next year and as such this is an **open invitation** for your children to join us on Saturday mornings on the Wateringbury Village playing field from 10am to 11.30am for our fun and informal training sessions.

You are welcome to come along until 15 July as a **free taster** or if you prefer the new term begins on Saturday 9 September. Annual fees are £60 which is great value and from next season your child will receive a Nike club hoodie and training top as part of this fee.

As an ex Governor of Wateringbury School it's been wonderful to watch pupils I'm familiar with develop in terms of their skills and confidence, so why not pay a visit. We are all very proud of what we've achieved with the club certainly going from strength to strength.

Our philosophy is to not plunge our children into competitive football too early and as such we passionately believe this has paid dividends in developing early skills and is undoubtedly keenly supported by parents

Hope to see you and please drop me a line if you are interested

Karl Smith, Academy Coach

(07774 649751 karl.smith@brammer.biz)

## **FOOTPATHS GROUP**

**Next Walks: 2 July and 6 August** meet at the village hall at **2:30pm** for local walks.

The June walk, held on the 11<sup>th</sup> because of the village fete, was well attended, we were blessed with a sunny day. I changed the Livesey Street walk due to very muddy conditions on the lane from the North Pole. So instead we did a river walk along the south bank through Waregrave's Wood and Tutsham Farm then returned along the north bank from Teston. This is an excellent easy 3½ mile walk at any time of the year.

Kevin Reynolds 01622-813763

You are invited to **Kent Police FREE Open Day on**

**Sunday 2 July 2017, 10am-4pm** at **Kent Police College, Coverdale Avenue ME15 9DW** for a fun day for all ages.

- Watch our live police dogs, public order and roads policing displays. See how we work with other emergency services at the scene of a crash.
- Check out the latest job opportunities to see if a career in policing is for you.
- Meet the National Police Air Service team and take a look inside their helicopter.
- See what it takes to be fit for the job or take emergency calls for our Force Control Room.
- Collect evidence at our crime scene, sit in a custody cell, have your fingerprints taken and much more!

## **WATERINGBURY WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

Our speaker booked for **13 July is Ken Usher, from 'CROP'** (Citizen's Rights for Older People), who will be telling us how Crop can possibly help us with problems or issues that we may be experiencing. Ken's talk will be followed by a Beetle Drive, and the monthly competition is an "Insect Brooch".

Due to the recently held elections and the village hall being used as a polling station we moved our meeting to 15 June, unfortunately the booked speaker was not available on that date so we held a 'Games Afternoon' instead. Following the normal WI business, led by our new President Joan Wilson, we started the games with a session of "Hoy Bingo", then settled down to play the various board games provided by the committee. The afternoon ended with our usual tea and cakes and the calling of the raffle, everyone agreed that the change to the programme had produced a very enjoyable afternoon.

For enquiries please contact Janet, on 01622 817833

## **WATERINGBURY CE PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Our Summer Fete on 24 June marked the start of the final countdown to the summer holidays! Thank you to the Friends of Wateringbury Primary School (FOWPS) for all the effort they put into organising this splendid event as well as all the other fundraising occasions over this academic year. The community turns out in great numbers for our fete which is a real credit to FOWPS and for which we are very grateful.

Volunteers provide important support to our school in so many different ways. We would be much the poorer without the parents, grandparents and community members who give so gladly of their time. Our annual Volunteers' Tea Party on 6 July is our opportunity to honour them and thank them.

The entire school will be travelling to Maidstone on 14 July to hear a classical concert performed by Kidenza. This year's theme is 'Around the World'. Live music opens up new worlds for our children and forms an important part of our school experience.

Our Year 6s are putting the finishing touches to their Leavers' Production on 13 July which is always followed by Prize Giving. The Leavers' Service at St John's on the 19 July at 9am is an opportunity for all of us to say goodbye and good luck to our Year 6s - and their families - as they prepare to explore new horizons at secondary school.

Our last day of term will be 20 July. I would like to take this opportunity to thank our local community for supporting our school throughout the year and to wish you all a peaceful and relaxing summer.

Chasey Crawford Usher – Headteacher  
[www.wateringbury.kent.sch.uk](http://www.wateringbury.kent.sch.uk)

## **BABY AND TODDLER GROUP**

This term has seen some new people joining us. We still continue with our craft and singing sessions, which are enjoyed by the children and the adults. June was our Teddy Bears Picnic when the children made teddy bear hats followed by a bear hunt. In July we are having an **end of term "fayre"** with games, craft and cake icing. If you would like to join us it is on **Wednesday 19 July at 10am**. This will be our last meeting until 6 September. So why not come along and join us. We meet every Wednesday and Friday 10am to 12 noon at Wateringbury Village Hall, the cost is £2 for the first child and £1 for any others, this includes tea/coffee for the adults and snacks for the children. For further information please contact Linda on 01732 522 437

## WAR NEWS, JULY/AUGUST 1917

July 17 The Royal family changes its name from Saxe-Coburg to Windsor.  
July 31: 3<sup>rd</sup> Ypres campaign (Passchendale) starts on Western Front.  
August 16 Second major assault - 3<sup>rd</sup> Ypres campaign

The village suffered three war deaths in July/August, 1917: **James Wells, Robert Ralph** and **Lewis Smith**. James came from Canon Lane, Robert from near the North Pole and Lewis from Bow Road. They all came from large families: both James's and Robert's mothers had 11 children and Lewis's mother a mere 8. James and Robert had followed the same occupations as their fathers, James as "an ordinary agricultural labourer" (before he entered the army as a professional soldier) and Robert working in a brewery. Lewis's father was a coachman, but Lewis became a domestic gardener - Wateringbury in the 1911 census had a rather large number of gardeners. All three had attended Wateringbury School. James features in the school log as being punished for cheating and, on another occasion, bad language. Robert won a K.E.C. medal with which he was presented at the Empire Day celebrations of 1906. Robert was aged 24, James 29 and Lewis 31 when they died. All were unmarried.

James had enlisted before the war and was a professional soldier. We do not know when Robert or Lewis enlisted. They were either volunteers or conscripts. Both Robert and Lewis had advanced in rank to lance-corporal by the time they died, but James was still a private after at least 6 years' service. James was in the 2<sup>nd</sup> Battalion Royal West Kent regiment, which had been located in Iraq since early 1915. Britain captured Baghdad in March 1917. James' battalion were not involved in its capture but were moved in June to Baghdad from Nasiriyah some 225 miles away. He died of heat stroke in July 1917 and is buried in the North Gate War Cemetery, Baghdad.

Robert and Lewis were both killed on the Western Front in Belgium in what is known as the 3<sup>rd</sup> Ypres campaign, which ended with the capture, in November 1917, of the village of Passchendale. Both were in northern regiments - Robert in the King's Own Yorkshire Light Infantry and Lewis in the Northumberland Fusiliers. Robert died in mid-July during the bombardment preceding the initial main assault of the campaign on 31<sup>st</sup> July. Lewis died mid-August on the day of the second major assault.

**On the home front**, tragedy struck in Vicarage Cottages (on the Tonbridge Road near the White House) when the infant son of William Cowlard, who had been killed on the Somme a year earlier, died in a fire at home. His mother was out at work at the Leney brewery and the child had been left in the care of his grandmother. Owen English of Manor Farm was appointed as a farmer's representative on a government committee in Maidstone to consider the implications of demobilisation at the end of the war. Although the U.S. was now in the war this seems rather premature planning.

The war did not affect all aspects of village life. Much discussion took place within the church community about whether the choir should sit in the chancel or not. The vicar decided they should definitely not sit there. The choir enjoyed a "treat" in July, a day's outing by train to Folkestone. The journey time from Wateringbury to Folkestone and the return were similar to today's times, despite the railway during WW1 giving priority to military needs.

But air raids and food continued as the major preoccupations for most in the village. Daylight air raids by German *Gotha* heavy bombers were regularly taking place not just on London, but randomly elsewhere as well, due to poor navigation. Wateringbury was not bombed in WW1, but the girls' school log records in July air raid drills being practised and the infants' school log, the same month, records admitting two boys from London, who had come to the country to escape air raids.

Over half of Britain's sugar had, before the war, been imported from Europe. In 1917 it was only subject to voluntary limitations, but in January 1918 became the first food item to be officially rationed. A special allocation of sugar was given to people who made jam from home-grown fruit, an important concession in a fruit growing area like Wateringbury. Wateringbury secured a village allocation of 18cwt. which was distributed in July to 120 applicants from the village, in quantities from 5 to 30 lb. each, strictly for jam making.

*Terry Bird*

**Teston Sewing Bee, Teston Village Hall 9-1pm, 8 July, 12 August** Take along your sewing machine and be guided in using it. There is room for 10 sewing machines.

Refreshments provided. Meet like-minded people in a fun atmosphere. minimal charge towards the hire of the hall.

Details from Valerie Sharp - 01622 812948



It's near the end of our school year and we are all very sad to have to say goodbye to our 20 children who leave us to go to big school. It has been lovely meeting teachers from the 7 different schools we are feeding into this year. It's always a sad occasion when we say goodbye to the children and their families. We care and nurture these children for the time they are with us and it is always an emotional time for the staff but we wish them all the very best for their future education.

Again to help with the transitioning into school we have some P.E. sessions arranged for this term. It helps the school leavers become more independent by changing in and out of their P.E kits.

Our annual **sports day** will be on the Teston Village Green on **Friday 14 July**. All parents/carers and families welcome but beware there is always a mums' race followed by a dads' race, which seems to get more competitive each year! After the races there will be a picnic, raffle and of course our popular ice cream man will be paying us a visit.

As we are near the end of our school year we must offer our thanks to the village hall committee for all their support this year, the hall and the well kept outside area is amazing and the children love playing in the garden.

We would also like to thank Teston Farm shop, who support us throughout the year by supplying the very best locally produced fresh fruit for our children's snack time.

We wish you all a lovely summer holiday and look forward to our intake of 17 new little ones come September. Tina Driver (07805 796353)

### **The Friends of Wateringbury Church (Charity No 1151983)**

The Friends of Wateringbury Church's **Annual General Meeting (AGM) will be held on Monday 17 July 2017** at St John the Baptist Church, Wateringbury at **7.30pm**. Members and public are all welcome.

The AGM will look to approve the Financial Statements for the period to 31 March 2017 and, if considered fit, approve and elect/re-elect trustees to the Board. If you are interested in becoming a trustee, please submit your name to the Secretary with a proposer and seconder by Monday midnight 10 July 2017. At the AGM, only members of FOWC will be eligible to vote, so please bring along your membership card/identification.

As the AGM is the FOWC's formal annual public meeting, members are encouraged to submit written questions in advance by Monday midnight 10 July 2017. However, questions will be taken on the night.

Frances English – Secretary - 01622 812471

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### **Roll Up, Roll Up, for "The Big Top" Benefice Holiday Club**

This Summer, come and travel back in time, when our Time Machine returns for a

#### **Circus Themed Holiday Club.**

**Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday**

**14, 15 and 16 August. 10am-12pm at**

**Wateringbury Primary School.**

We will be playing lots of outdoor games and sports, make many different crafts each day, have singing, dancing, face painting, refreshments and more...

The Holiday Club is open to all primary school aged children.

Pre-school children are most welcome if a parent or carer stays and joins in the fun too!

These days will be led by experienced 'children and youth workers' from different local Churches. Last year we had a number of secondary school children who made the most fantastic Young Leaders; we would love that help again if any young people are interested.

There is **no charge** for this event and children are welcome to do all 3 days or the odd day(s). It would just be lovely to see lots of children ready for some summer fun.

For more information or to book a place(s) please contact

Lisa Glasscote on 07950 852899/ e-mail [lisaglasscote@gmail.com](mailto:lisaglasscote@gmail.com)

**PRIESTLY PONDERINGS** Rev Nick Williams

The Vicarage, 2 The Grange,

East Malling

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01732 843282

Brothers and Sisters in Christ

In the last issue I wrote about the initiative of the Archbishops of Canterbury and York called 'Your Kingdom come'. You may recall it was about prayer for the whole of our country. All three of the Churches in the benefice together with all of the Churches in the Malling Deanery took part with many prayer events being held throughout the 10 days between Ascension Day and the Day of Pentecost.

Whilst all three Churches regularly pray for the communities in which we live as part of their normal Sunday and weekday observances, groups of Christians in the three parishes that make up the benefice of East Malling, Wateringbury and Teston have decided to continue some of the prayer events that started during the Archbishops' initiative. So we will be continuing our programme of prayer walking in all three parishes. You will continue to see small groups of people walking our streets and stopping to regularly pray for God's blessing on the people that live and work there; we are also being joined by our brothers and sisters from other denominations. Prayer for our streets is also continuing in all three parishes and if you would like to join in praying for the street in which you live then please get in touch and join in with what's going on.

Many of us need prayer at different times in our lives and whilst it may not normally be 'our thing' it is often comforting to know that others, even if you don't personally know those people, are praying for you and with you. If you feel that you are at a point in your life where the prayers of the church would perhaps help you then please feel free to call into Church or drop an email or letter to the parish office and we will do our very best to include you in our prayers.

Rev Nick Williams

**COFFEE, CHAT AND CRAFT – Alternate Wednesdays - 10.30-12.30**

**12 and 26 July, 9 and 23 August**

We usually meet in the church for coffee, cake, chat and optional crafts but in the summer we sometimes vary our venue so please phone Pauline on 01622 814673 to check our plans.

**CHRISTIAN AID WEEK - THANK YOU**

The Christian Aid week monies have now been counted and sent off, and I am very pleased to report that **a total of £912** was raised, including both the house-to-house collections and the proceeds from a cake sale after the Rogation Day service. Grateful thanks again to all those who donated and collected, and a special thank you to Benny at The Handy Stores who acted as a local collection point this year. See you all again next year!

Becky Bowie



## SUMMER SUNDAY CREAM TEAS

Every Summer Sunday between 3-5pm Afternoon Teas will be served in **East Malling Church**.

### SUNDAYS COOL (For young people at Primary School)

Over the summer months the young people will meet on

**Sunday 2 July** at **Teston Country park** at 10am for games followed by a bring your own picnic.

**Sundays 23 July, 6 August and 27 August** at 10am in the church vestry.

### SECONDARY DIVISION (For those at Secondary School)

We will meet in the church vestry at 10am on **Sunday 9 July** and are on holiday in August.

## BENEFICE SERVICES IN JULY AND AUGUST

[www.wateringburychurch.org.uk](http://www.wateringburychurch.org.uk)

<b>First Sunday in month</b> 8.30am PB Holy Communion - East Malling 9.45am Family Service – East Malling 9.45am Family Service – Teston <b>10am Holy Communion – Wateringbury</b>	<b>Second Sunday in month</b> 9.45am Holy Communion– East Malling <b>10am July - Matins – Wateringbury</b> <b>10am August - Morning Praise - Wateringbury</b> 6.30pm Evensong - Teston
<b>Third Sunday in month</b> <b>8.30am PB Communion – Wateringbury</b> 9.45am Holy Communion – East Malling <b>10 am Family .Service – Wateringbury</b> 6.30pm Holy Communion - Teston	<b>Fourth Sunday in month</b> 8.30am PB Holy Communion – East Malling 9.45am Morning Praise – East Malling <b>10am Holy Communion – Wateringbury</b> 6.30pm Holy Communion - Teston

Every Monday – 2-3pm – Scout & Guide HQ, Glebe Meadow – Toddler Praise
Every Thursday - 9am in East Malling Church – Holy Communion
Pilsdon Community, 27 Water Lane, West Malling – Rev Viv Ashworth invites you to the Barn Chapel to join members of the community for a Communion Service every Wednesday at noon and 6pm on Sundays
For Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals and other arrangements please contact the Vicar Rev Nick Williams on 01732 843282 or email <a href="mailto:father.nick@btinternet.com">father.nick@btinternet.com</a> For all other enquiries, please contact the Administrator on 01622 815218 or email <a href="mailto:parishofficeemwt@gmail.com">parishofficeemwt@gmail.com</a>

**SUNDAY 30 JULY - 10am - Benefice Service in Teston Church.** As this is the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday in the month, to allow all congregations to worship together, it will be the only service in the Benefice.

#### **BELLRINGING AT ST JOHN THE BAPTIST, WATERINGBURY**

Some of you may have noticed the bells ringing for a couple of hours on **Wednesday 7 June**. A visiting band of ringers rang a full peal as a belated welcome to Rev Nicholas Williams and to remember those affected by the recent terrorist acts. The details of the peal as published in The Ringing World are:

#### **Kent County Association Wateringbury, Kent**

St John the Baptist Wednesday, 7 June 2017 in 2hrs 36mins (7-1-19)

#### **5040 Minor (6m)**

One extent each of Norwich S, Kent TB, Cambridge S, Beverley S, St Clements CB and two extents of Plain Bob Minor

1 Ronald F Diserens 2 Jacqueline M Barlow 3 Thomas M Barlow

4 Marisa A Hayes 5 Nicholas Wilkins (C) 6 Alexander J Britton

A belated welcome to Rev Nicholas Williams. Also thinking of all those who have recently suffered as a result of terrorist acts.

Sue Collins - Wateringbury Bellringers