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*October 2021* News

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**Cover photograph by Adrian—thank you**



October  
2021

Happy October everyone ! Welcome to a bumper edition of CLN -  
Many thanks to all of this month's contributors.

You may be aware of the 'Ride and Stride' event that takes place every year, this year the ride took place on Sat 1<sup>st</sup> Sept so, as usual, Rosemary donned her bicycle clips and joined others to raise funds for our local Churches; which include Cobham church, Luddesdown church and the Sole Street church room. It is obviously a hard cycle ride to reach 60 churches in one day and I look forward to reporting on Rosemary's success next month!

Check out the Diary on page 17 for local events and specific war memorial info can be found on page 19.

Don't forget the clocks go back on the 31st Oct and the nights will start to draw in, so think about keeping in touch with neighbours and give them a call of an evening for a little chat; it helps to break up the long winter evenings.

Enjoy our lovely Autumn landscape—until next month keep well and happy !

Tina

## **THE TUESDAY POP-IN**

**Takes place every second Tuesday of the month 10.30 to 12 noon**

**Come and join us for coffee and a relaxed chat with friends**

**CONTACT: MARY PALMER - 01474 816788**



**Welcome to Cobham, Luddesdowne  
and Sole Street Churches**  
**Services during October**



**Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> October**

**10:30am Holy Communion, Luddesdowne**

**Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> October**

**10:30am Harvest Festival, Cobham**

*Tins and packets will go to the foodbank.*

*The collection will go to Shelter.*

*Soup and buttered roll will be served after the service.*

*To book for this please contact Ron on 01474 814250. Look forward to seeing you.*

**Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> October**

**10:30am Holy Communion, Luddesdowne**

**Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> October**

**10:30am Holy Communion (BCP), Cobham**

**Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> October** (Don't forget to turn your clocks back on Saturday night!)

**9am** (Short service of) **Holy Communion, Cobham**

**3pm All Saints Service, Luddesdowne**

**Midweek services**

**9am Morning Prayer 6<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup>, 27<sup>th</sup>, Sole Street  
Holy Communion on the 13<sup>th</sup>, Sole Street**

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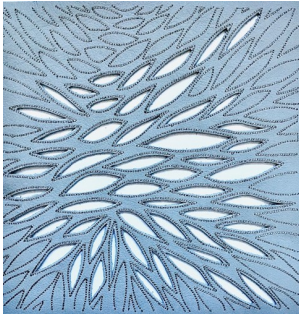
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## **NORTH KENT EMBROIDERERS**



Hello Everyone,

Recently we had a very interesting Zoom talk and demonstration from Zara Day who is the founder and Creative Director of Rosemaryrose Bespoke Embroidered Textiles. Her company specialises in the embellishment of fabrics for luxury residential and commercial properties. You can see some examples of her work here. Zara worked for several printed textile companies before training as a teacher and subsequently teaching for sixteen years. She told us of her journey to the present day and how she constantly considers the environment in her decisions. During lockdown Zara also set up and taught live online embroidery courses which several of our members have enjoyed taking part in.

After the talk, Zara gave us a demonstration of some creative embroidery techniques. It was surprising to see just what a great effect we could get with just a few simple stitches such as back stitch, seeding, split stitch, stem stitch, couching, french knots, herringbone stitch etc, plus a variety of threads. We had come prepared with fabric, designs and threads so that our members were able to stitch along with Zara. Of course the piece wasn't finished on the day but we had had enough tuition and inspiration to finish it off in our own time. It was lovely to see so many of us enjoying our online lesson together and producing beautiful things.

Our next meeting is planned to be 'live' which is a very exciting thought. We have been asked to bring along the work we have done during lockdown and that includes our Covid challenge 'NKEG in spite of Covid-19 we continue to stitch'. Of course we are now NKE not NKEG, but that just shows how long it is since we met together in person.



If you would like to join us or just find out a bit more about us then please look at our website <https://northkentembroiderers.co.uk/>

or email us at: [info@northkentembroiderers.co.uk](mailto:info@northkentembroiderers.co.uk)

or contact our Chairman, Eileen Tuff on 01474 324734

Happy stitching, Karen (All links and photographs used with permission)

## SOLE STREET WI

Our summer party in Min's lovely garden did not disappoint ! It was just wonderful to reunite in familiar surroundings with WI friends and the continuity made life feel normal again. Members had been very industrious on the garden produce front - all variety of fruit, apple, rhubarb, even golden yellow courgettes appeared on the Sales table. Easy conversation flowed over many a cup of tea and a miscellany of home made cakes. The meeting's fun competition was to make a paper hat and the winning entry was an eye-catching pink creation !



Min's garden is always a cake & comfort stop in the Garden Safaris organised by the Local Fund Raising Group for St Mary's Church Room. Several Sole Street WI members are amongst our lively community who open their gardens to the public. Other members volunteer to serve refreshments, donate cakes, run the raffle etc.

It was with huge relief that we were at last able to reconvene meetings in St Mary's Church Room for our September meeting - indoor restrictions compliant. (The erection and dismantling of the large gazebo which served so well throughout the pandemic for outside meetings, pop-up sales plus various LFG events was not without its challenges) Our speaker for Tuesday 28 September, Mr Dean Caston's topic was the shows and stars who appeared at The Victoria Palace Theatre London. September Harvest Hampers this year were donated to Gravesend Food Bank.

Weekly walks continue on Tuesdays emanating from Forestry Commission car park at Jeskyns. NFWI news proposed many opportunities for new activities including Paddle Board Taster Sessions at Mote Park Lake !

Our next main meeting will be held on Tuesday 26 October at 7.30pm in St Mary's Church Room when Tricia Ashdown will be explaining the activities of ACWW - Associated Country Women of the World. For information on this and other activities contact our President, Yvonne 01474 813455. Molly Isaacs

**Remember the Stories?** *By Nigel Beeton*

Remember the stories that we used to read?  
Heroic adventures – we loved them indeed!  
We'd read in the garden, if wet, in the porch,  
Or under the covers at night with a torch!

Our fingers would avidly trace lines of text  
Of what Katy Did, and what she Did Next.  
And, starting this journey along Mem'ry Lane  
We can't forget Biggles, up there in his plane!

We laughed and we laughed at Jennings at school.  
Tormenting his teachers by acting the fool.  
Just William's young friends, and their latest trick –  
"I'll scream and I'll scream till I make myself sick!"

Black Beauty the horse brought a tear to our eye –  
Some stories brought laughter, and some made us cry.  
Like Paddington Bear, and the things he would do  
Arriving by train from Darkest Peru.

There was Noddy, and Rupert, and Peter Pan, too;  
The woodland adventures of Winnie-the-Pooh;  
Little Women and Crusoe and Chalet School Girls;  
Just So – all such stories were wonderful pearls!

This poem could go on for page after page  
If your favourite is missing, please don't fill with rage –  
Just nip to the loft, and dig through that box,  
And sit down and read – ignoring the clocks!

*My favourite book as a small child was — 'Little Old Mrs Pepperpot !'  
What was your favourite?*

*Of course the best stories were made up by my dad—all about a dodgy little  
mouse that lived under the bridge at Surrey Docks and who stole the docker's  
cheese sandwiches! That mouse had so many adventures!*





**Volunteers wanted! Cobham's youth need you!**

**Parents and Carers wanted to help run the Cobham Sole Street & Luddesdown Youth Club**

**Fortnightly on Friday evenings at the Meadow Rooms**

**Are you interested?**

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## **It's what you eat**

Sadly, we can no longer blame a slowing metabolism for piling on the pounds as we reach middle age. Extra weight is more likely to be due to our lifestyle choices of exercise and diet.

A new study, based at Duke University in the US, has found that our metabolism remains steady between 20 and 60 years old. After 60, our metabolism does slowly decline, by 0.7 per cent per year.

*Oh well.....*





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## **October - The autumn chill sets in**

Although we had some warmer days over September, the autumn is now definitely here for real, and it feels colder. It's a beautiful time of year, with the trees changing colour. Sometimes it may seem pointless raking, when the wind blows even more leaves onto the lawn, but just think of all the lovely leaf mould you can make! It's also time to start preparing for early frosts.

### **RHS - Top 10 jobs this month**

- 1 Divide established rhubarb crowns to create new plants
- 2 Cut back perennials that have died down
- 3 Divide herbaceous perennials
- 4 Move tender plants, including aquatic ones, into a greenhouse or conservatory
- 5 Plant out spring cabbages
- 6 Harvest apples, pears, grapes and nuts
- 7 Prune climbing rose
- 8 Finish collecting seeds from the garden to sow next year
- 9 Last chance to mow lawns and trim hedges in mild areas
- 10 Renovate old lawns or create new grass areas by laying turf

**For your diary - Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> October 2021 at 7pm for 7:30pm at Meadow Rooms, Cobham DA12 3BZ** – sees the latest in Cobham Gardeners' regular expert speaker talks with garden expert Susan Scrivens talking on "Herbs For Every Use".

Entry is free for Members; £3.00 for non-members.

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## Smile Lines



### **What the young monk found**

A young monk was assigned to help other monks copy out the old canons and laws of the church by hand. On his very first day he noticed that all the monks were copying from copies, not from the original. So, the new monk pointed out that if someone had made even a small error in the first copy, that error would be continued in all the subsequent copies.

The head monk said: "You make a good point, my son.' So he went down into the dark caves underneath the monastery where the original manuscripts were held in a locked vault that had not been opened for hundreds of years. Hours went by and nobody saw the old abbot. Finally, the old monk returned, looking distraught. "We missed the **R** ! We missed the **R** ! We missed the **R** ! The word was... CELEB **R** ATE!"

### **Here are some real-life extracts from church bulletins and notices that didn't come out quite in the way intended!**

The church will host an evening of fine dining, superb entertainment, and gracious hostility.

Harvest Supper Friday at 6pm. Prayer and medication to follow.

The Men's group will meet at 6pm. Steak, mashed potatoes, green beans, wine and dessert will be served for a nominal fee.

Jumble sale: The ladies of our church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7pm. Please use the back door.

For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.

At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.



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## Dates for the Diary

**LFG EVENTS** in aid of St Mary's Church Room renovations.

**9th October** - Jigsaw Puzzle Competition—in Meadow Rooms

**8th December** - Christmas Design day in the Meadow Rooms

**12th December**- 'Christmas at Home' Village get together at Sole St House.

## **WAR MEMORIAL CENTENARY EVENTS**

### **Saturday 16th Oct**

10.30 Re-enactment at Cobham War Memorial

12.00 Exhibition at the Meadow Room

14.00 Talks at the Meadow Room

### **Sunday 17th October**

10.30 Service at Cobham Church

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## **Other Events**

### **Come in - Guided tour of St George's church, Gravesend & environs**

On: Monday 18<sup>th</sup> October 2021 At: St George's Church, Gravesend  
Guide: Christoph Bull (Local Historian) Meet: 2pm. Price: £10 (includes light refreshments at the church afterwards)

Booking essential . Rev Jim Fletcher (Rector of St George's church)

01474 532505 or [jim@stgeorgesgravesend.org](mailto:jim@stgeorgesgravesend.org)

### **Borley Rectory (the most haunted house in England) – haunted or humbug? (illustrated talk)**

Speaker: Christoph Bull On: Friday  
15<sup>th</sup> October 2021. At: Mick Jagger Centre, Shepherds Lane, Dartford  
Begins 7.30pm Entrance Fee for non-members: £3

Dartford Historical & Antiquarian Society welcome you to their Halloweenish subject lecture. Parking normally available next to the venue.

### **Ifield & Singlewell-isolated & separated (Illustrated talk with supper)**

On: Monday 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 Speaker: Christoph Bull  
At: Reliance Restaurant, Queen Street, Gravesend Meet: 6pm for meal, talk to follow. Cost: £18 for both the talk and award winning fish and chips.

Booking essential: Reliance Restaurant 01474 533593. Spaces limited, unpaid tickets will be sold on.

## **Work at Cobham War Memorial and a big thank you**

After years of neglect and after a lot of back breaking work the war memorial is starting to look like it should - a proper tribute to the names on the monument who gave everything for us today. The culmination of all our efforts is the new fence which if it were not for the huge act of generosity by Jonathon Ireland National Trust Cobham park warden and his amazing helpers, who have not only donated the new estate fencing but also erected it for the village.

### **The British legion is 100 years old.**

As it is the British legion's anniversary, I thought it would be fitting to help raise much needed funds for such a worthy cause. The amazing ladies in the college spurred on by Janet Cherrison have knitted over 800 poppies. These can be bought in Cobham stores, the Little Shop at Sole Street and the local pubs. We are asking a minimum donation of £2 and, from the 18th Oct, we would like you to come along and plant them on the cross marked on the war memorial green to make an amazing tribute to the Legion and to help not only the fallen but to those men and women who have fought for Queen and Country that need our help today. Our aim is to raise £1,000 and with your help I am sure our wonderful villagers can achieve this.

Sacha Dyer



## Cobham's Register

### **Baptism**

**Joshua John JULIE-RUSZ** was Baptised on the 1<sup>st</sup> August 2021.

We welcome Joshua into the Church Family

### **Luddesdowne's Register**

### **Baptism**

**Annie Rose MORSE** was Baptised on the 8<sup>th</sup> August 2021.

We welcome Annie into the Church Family

**Theodore William MORSE** was Baptised on the 22<sup>nd</sup> August 2021.

We welcome Theodore into the Church Family

### **Funeral**

**Catherine Ann GRIFFITHS** (known to many as Ann) was born on the 15<sup>th</sup> April 1936 and died on the 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2021 aged 85 years old. Catherine's funeral took place at Luddesdowne church on the 11<sup>th</sup> August 2021 followed by burial in the churchyard; the service was conducted by Rev'd Angela Walker. Our sympathy and prayers go to Catherine's husband Peter, their children Martin, Stephen and Tim, and their families and friends.



## **COBHAM WAR MEMORIAL 1921 –2021** **Remembrance and Rededication** **16th and 17th October**

This year marks the centenary of Cobham War Memorial.

All villagers are invited to the commemoration and rededication of the War Memorial on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> October at 10.30am at the memorial and to attend the talks given by the Baker family and the exhibition all in the Meadow room each afternoon on the 16<sup>th</sup> +17<sup>th</sup>. The memorial was designed by the internationally renowned Herbert Baker who lived at Owletts and whose family still live there. The memorial was dedicated on the 24<sup>th</sup> December 1921 in the presence of Lord and Lady Darnley (this 8<sup>th</sup> Earl was Ivo Bligh, the famous ashes cricketer). The poster on page 20 is a photograph actually taken at the ceremony.

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All Saints  
Service  
All Saints  
Service

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Sunday 31st October at 3pm

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A time to remember those loved ones  
who are no longer with us.

Jesus said: Peace I leave with you.

My peace I give to you.

Do not let your hearts be troubled,  
neither let them be afraid.



## **LUDESDOWN PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Proposed Meeting Dates for 2021-2022**

Monday 18th October 2021 – Budget Meeting

Monday 15th November 2021

Monday 17th January 2022

Monday 21st March 2022 - APM

## **COBHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING DATES 2021**

### **All starting at 7.30pm**

Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> October 2021

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> November 2021

All Parish Council meetings are to be held at the Meadow Rooms for the remainder of the year

## **Weekly Mini-Bus Service to Gravesend Timetable**

Cobham Parish Council sponsors a mini-bus service to St George's Shopping Centre in Gravesend. The service operates on Thursdays and the fare is £2.00 single or £4.00 return. The service is free of charge to holders of a valid bus pass.

### **To Gravesend**

### **From Gravesend**

Sallows Shaw – The Beeches	09.34	12.59
Sallows Shaw o/s No.73	09.35	13.00
Sole Street – Scratton Fields	09.38	12.54
Cobham New College	09.45	12.47
Cobham Church	09.47	12.45
Henhurst	09.50	12.42
Gravesend Railway Station	10.02	—
Gravesend St George's Centre	10.04	12.30

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## **Remembering Betty Barnard**

The Friends of Cobham Church gratefully acknowledge that the church floodlights were sponsored for the night of 19<sup>th</sup> September 2021 to commemorate the birth of Betty Mary Barnard (nee Ashley), born in 1923 and lived and worshipped in Cobham for well over 70 years.



**Meopham Library Writing Group** meetings are held on the first Thursday morning of each month. The next meeting will be held at **10am on Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2021**. Hopefully, the writing group will again be able to meet in Meopham Library, where masks must be worn.

If the library is still unavailable, writing group meetings will be held on Zoom.

Each month, there is a different writing theme and everyone writes a short story, poem or article, using less than 1,000 words. Recent writing themes have included; “Freedom”, “Harvest Festival”, “Journey” and “Bubbles”. There is also a writing challenge, which involves writing sensible sentences containing six words chosen by the group, using less than sixty words.

New members are always welcome and anyone who is interested in writing, either as a beginner or a more experienced writer, is invited to join the group. The following meetings will be held on 4<sup>th</sup> November, 2<sup>nd</sup> December and 6<sup>th</sup> January in the New Year.

For more information about the group, please ring **01474 813379**.

**The 1<sup>st</sup> South Street Boys Brigade and Girls Association Company** meets every Friday evening from 6pm until 7.30pm. Boys and girls aged 5-18 years old are very welcome to join in the fun, which includes games, craft and outside activities. The uniform is an inexpensive blue T-shirt and sweatshirt with an embroidered badge. The weekly subscription is £2.

In the spring and summer next year there will be opportunities to visit the Boys Brigade Camp Site at Honey Hill and the Water Activity Centre, which are both in Maidstone. There is an adventure playground, woods and well equipped facilities for camping at Honey Hill. Young people can enjoy canoeing, kayaking and stand up boards at the Water Activity Centre, supervised by fully trained and qualified leaders. For more information about the Company, please visit the South Street Baptist Church website at: [www.southstreetbaptist.org.uk](http://www.southstreetbaptist.org.uk)

Children and teenagers, aged between four and sixteen years old, can also join in the fun at home, by visiting the Boys Brigade at Home website: <https://boys-brigade.org.uk/bbathome/>

These activities are freely available for parents to download for their boys and girls, even if they are not members of Boys Brigade. Everything needed for the activities is likely to be easily found at home. To find out more about the **Boys Brigade**, please visit the Boys Brigade national website at: [www.BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK](http://www.BOYS-BRIGADE.ORG.UK)



*...if you have been affected by any of the issues raised in this sermon...*



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*After his induction, Harry met the  
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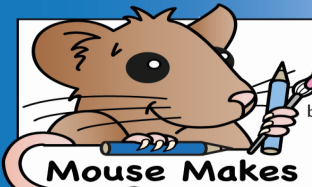
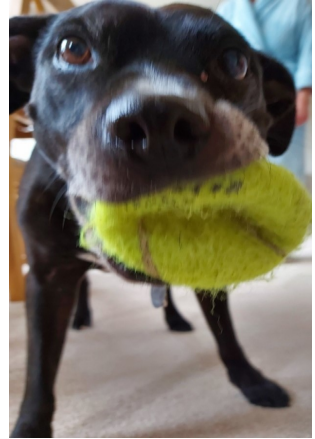
Hello everyone

I hope that you are enjoying being back at school, seeing all of your friends and learning lots of interesting facts and stuff.

Did you have a nice summer? Perhaps you went and visited people you hadn't seen for a while or spent sometime away from home. I spent sometime at the seaside and I had my own parasol to sit under to keep me and my bowl of water cool!

The story below mentions travelling across the water—I hope you enjoy doing the word search—you could ask a grown up to help you.

Love and licks Harvey



## Mouse Makes

"Come with me across the lake," Jesus said to his disciples, so they got into a boat and set out. While they were sailing Jesus slept.

A big storm *blew* across the lake and the boat began to fill with water. They were in **great** danger.

The disciples went to Jesus and woke him. They said, "Master, mater, we are going to drown!"

Jesus got up and gave a command to the wind and the waves, "*Be still, be calm.*" The wind stopped and the lake became calm.

  
Read the story  
in Mark 4: 35-41



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## HARVEST

October brings us Harvest Thanksgiving, when we thank God for all the bounty of Creation. If you ever doubt God's generosity towards us, just stroll down the aisles of your local supermarket: they are groaning with food of a vast variety, of every colour, texture and taste that you can imagine. Our God is a hedonist when it comes to food - He could have provided just a few basic edible things for us to eat; instead, the choice seems endless. But in the midst of all this bounty, take time to remember all the millions of people worldwide who are starving this month, desperate for any kind of food. Before God in prayer, decide how much you can give this month to one of the many charities who are trying to help people in need, and be generous..

October Harvest Thanksgiving bounty God creation generosity

Supermarket food vast variety edible choice endless millions starving

Pray give charities eat help desperate