

ST MARY'S GAMLINGAY, HATLEY ST GEORGE & ST MARY'S EVERTON



WEEKLY NEWSLETTER 15TH JULY 2022

From Hilary

Thank you for cards and good wishes - I am still struggling to pull round from what has been a long dose of Covid. As I've been warned, the feeling of ill-being and exhaustion outlasts the actual infection which, for me, dragged on for 11 days. My apologies for any resultant 'blanks' - I am doing my best to follow instructions to rest while doing the minimum to keep the necessary business ticking over. I am very grateful to Anne Williams for standing in on Sunday at fairly short notice and to all who rallied round and helped her to fit in. We are working on the sound system in Gamlingay which I understand failed on Sunday. It should be sorted if not for this coming week, then for the following one.

Huge Congratulations and Special Thanks to Co-ordinators and Helpers for the work that went into our events on Saturday in the two parishes – Everton's Coffee Morning and Gamlingay's Summer Fete. There's more about both events elsewhere but well done indeed to everyone involved and especially the co-ordinators. We are obviously grateful for the finances, but also for the fellowship and outreach opportunities these events present. I am very regretful that I couldn't be there in person, but my thoughts and good wishes were, so thank you to those who kept me posted.

Gamlingay Churchyard Jubilee Project

A draft plan was circulated a couple of weeks ago that is to be discussed at a meeting currently to be arranged but due in the next two weeks. Jenny Shelton (community lead) is likely to be leaving our community in September, but interest in the project continues from the Climate Action Group (CAG) - more details on personnel to follow this month's meeting. Any interested parties should give their contact details to Hilary or Sandra so they can be invited to attend.

Sunday Services through July and August

Parish Communion/Eucharist
9.30am St. Mary's, Gamlingay
11.15am St. Mary's, Everton.

NB : For Wednesday Communion please check weekly availability



Gamlingay Fete photo gallery!

John supervising flying teddies, rabbits and other assorted creatures from the top of the tower as well as budding bell-ringers from the bottom!



Gamlingay Summer Fete Report!

(Received from Jane Orchiston who deserves the biggest THANK YOU of all for masterminding, co-ordinating and doing a great deal of the work herself.)



It was a blazing hot day! We had a steady flow of people, especially later in the day. Teddy bears flew down the zip wire in all shapes and sizes. Some were a little bit scared but were soon soothed by their owners!!

Craft stalls, Scouts and Guides arrived and arranged their wares! Refreshments, barbecue and Pimms tent provided much needed sustenance! The bouncy castle was enjoyed by lots of children! Gamlingay Community Choir performed! Tombola and Raffle kept each other company. Some people visited the Bell Tower to have a go at bell ringing! Anne Clarke enjoyed a quiet read in the book tent! Sandra entertained the children. Quite a few people wandered into church for the quiet and the coolness!

The fact is that none of this would have happened without the help of a lot of people.....

- Special thanks to John Boocock and his team (Amanda, Andrew and Cass) for the Teddy Bear Zip Wire.
- Alec and Ros, who fetched and returned marquees, did a lot of shopping and were always there to help!
- Many thanks, also go to Brenda and the refreshments team – a splendid display of cakes and welcome drinks on such a warm day!
- David staffed the Pimms Tent having obtained the TENS licence.
- To Woodview Farm Shop and Sarah Titmus - the barbecue was brilliant, you staffed it, provided the barbecue and the gas and all the produce at no cost to the church – thank you so much
- To all those who helped erect the marquees the night before, and on the day, and brought along their gazebos to provide shelter.
- Afterwards, lots of people helped move tables and chairs, take down marquees and gazebos – people just pitched in which was brilliant and meant that most of the work was done by 5pm and most of us were offsite by 5.30pm.
- Thanks also to Nick who provided floats for all the stalls and had the unenviable (but very satisfying!) job of counting the profits which amounted to the magnificent sum of £1,132.05



More from the Gamlingay Fete Photo Gallery!



EVERTON COFFEE MORNING

(A letter from Linda Bycroft to everyone involved with last Saturday's event)

Dear All

I am absolutely delighted to be able to tell you that we made a total of £500 at our coffee morning on Saturday. For those of you who are interested, the following is a breakdown of the monies taken on individual stalls:

*Jams & marmalade - £88.65
Raffle - £122.00
Books - £8.00
Plants- £59.00*

*Cakes - £78.40
Refreshments - £80.00
Donations - £63.95*

On behalf of Dorothy, Beverley, Jane and myself I would like to say a huge thank you to everyone who helped in any way to the success of the morning. Many of you donated items for the various stalls, helped to set up the tables on Friday afternoon, 'manned' or 'womanned' the stalls on Saturday and helped to clear up at the end of the morning. A special thank you must go to Susie and Jonathan for running Kirkhams Coffee & Cake Kitchen and to Dick Edwards for spending hours in his counting house counting all that money!

It felt very special to be a part of the community of Everton after such a long break, and to welcome back 'old' friends and neighbours as well as to welcome new people. It was especially pleasing to see so many children enjoying themselves out in the garden. For me, there was a real feeling of a community pulling together and I hope that those of you who were there, would agree with me.

Hopefully, there will be more of these events in the future.

*With all good wishes
Linda*

NEWS FROM EAST HATLEY

St. Denis' Church has been re-skinned!

The interior walls have been transformed with new plasterwork.

Peter Mann has written a very interesting article about this which can be found at: www.hatley.info/hatleys-churches/st-denis-east-hatley/st-denis-re-skinned

It is well worth a read and the church a visit.



Photo taken at the recent Open Day.

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Church opening times:

Everton church open Friday – Sunday, and on Bank Holiday Mondays, 10am-4pm

Hatley church can be opened on request.

Gamlingay church open daily 10am – 5pm

Please let Brenda have any articles or pictures for the newsletter
By Tuesday evening each week to Brenda.elcome@ymail.com