

# High Halstow

# TIMES

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**July 2015** 





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#### **Cold Calling Scam**

Crimestoppers are not cold calling people. We have discovered that a group of scammers are falsely using our 0800 555 111 number on telephone displays in a bid to make calls seem genuine. The scammers are calling people, saying they are "Crimestoppers at the Home Office" then asking for personal details.

- \* We are not calling people.
- \* We do not and cannot call people from 0800 555 111.
- \* We would never ask for personal details like this.

What to do if you get a call claiming to be from Crimestoppers:

- 1. Never give out your personal information,
- 2. Report the incident to Action Fraud.

Better Media Solutions scam. We have also been made aware of the Better Media Solutions scam. You may receive a phone call from someone from this company who claims they are selling advertising space in a Crime Prevention Booklet that we support. After sending you a "mock-up" of the booklet, they also send you an invoice asking for £595. The truth about this scam:

- \* Crimestoppers do not work with a company called Better Media Solutions.
- \* Crimestoppers do not support or endorse their booklet.
- \* Any use of Crimestoppers imagery in this booklet is unauthorised.

What to do if you are contacted by Better Media Solutions:

- 1. Hang up don't engage in a sales conversation,
- 2. Report the incident to Action Fraud.

#### High Halstow Website

Please visit the Parish Council website for everything about our village. You can see the minutes of your Parish Council or look up local groups in the village, past copies of the High Halstow Times, and pictures of recent events.

# The Village Shop Opening Hours

Monday – Saturday 7am – 8pm Sunday 8am – 5pm Telephone number: 01634 254561

#### Memorial Hall

Our AGM will be held at 7 30pm on Monday 13th July and we invite anyone who uses the hall to attend and express any suggestions or request any improvements. This meeting is also open to anyone else in the village.

#### Great Birthday Bash

What an enjoyable evening was had by all who attended the W.I. birthday celebrations last month. Buffet as usual was very good and the entertainment superb. Trevor Styles had us singing along to some of the older pop songs, and some ladies could not resist getting up and dancing. Not sure if we needed a licence for that !! Next meeting is on Wednesday July 1st when 2 gentlemen from The Flower Pot in Gravesend will be giving a demonstration of among other things a wedding bouquet. Starts at 7:30, £1:50 on the door, new faces very welcome.

#### High Halstow Friendly Club

We had a very successful bring and buy last month which boosted the club funds nicely. This month we have a mini bus trip to Deal and just hope for good weather. Therefore our next gathering will be on Wednesday 26th August. We will have a speaker telling us all about the wonderful properties that Aloe Vera has with the chance to buy some goodies, and a cream tea. Meeting starts at 2pm in the Memorial Hall.

#### Dog Walkers

Our rights of way and green spaces are for us all to enjoy especially this time of year. Please be aware that if you are exercising your dog it should be under control at all times when in a public place.



#### **Barking Dogs**

A barking dog can be a real irritation at anytime of the day if left unchecked. Please be mindful that your dog isn't causing others sleepless nights or disturbed enjoyment of their garden. If you leave your dog

out during the day when you are out, it might be worth checking with a neighbour that they are not howling for your return. Please be considerate to those around you and how often your dog is barking.

#### Gardeners Club

Hilary Newman gave us an informative and humorous talk on 'The Lazy Gardner' at our June meeting.

We are to be treated on 14<sup>th</sup> July to a talk 'In the Footsteps of Paddington Bear' from Sue Shaw which should be interesting.

# High Halstow 2015 Photo Competition



After the huge success of last year, the HH Photo Competition returns for it's 8th year. Pictures can be emailed to photos@highhalstow.org.uk and can be from a camera, phone or any other device. The categories are the same as last year:

Under 16's - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Flora & Fauna - 1st, 2nd, 3rd People & Places - 1st, 2nd, 3rd Overall Winner

Winners will receive a prize, certificate and their photo included in the HH Calendar.

### Kings Kitchen



A Coffee and Cake Café for the Whole Village.

Open 10.00am - 1.00pm every Tuesday in the Memorial Hall.

Why not come in and enjoy a cuppa and a chat.

A warm welcome awaits you.

#### High Halstow Hikers

Over 20 of us took part in our June walk which started from High Halstow village hall and initially took some paths that few of the group had taken before despite the paths being on our doorstep. About 100 yards beyond the end of the cricket ground along Christmas Lane we took the short path to the right and turned left along the back of the houses and across the amazingly flinty fields to Sharnall Street. This has been transformed from when it was the main very busy and dangerous road to Grain. We took a length of the Saxon Shore Way before passing back to Sharnall Street across a lovely field of wild grass and flowers (through which somebody had kindly mown a very tidy path: thank you!). After passing across barren fields to Jackson's Corner we walked along Clinch Street and then followed another part of the Saxon Shore Way through Northward Hill Nature reserve. The RSPB have cleared large areas of the woods and opened some great views back to the village and out across the surrounding countryside and marshes. We were exceptionally fortunate to have had one of the few fine and warm Sundays for this 6 mile walk. This allowed us to have an enjoyable bbg after the walk to say goodbye to Ron and Lesley Fletcher who have been among our keenest walkers from the start of the Hikers and have now moved to the West Country.

The July walk will be on Sunday 12th July and will start from the Ship Inn, Conyer near Sittingbourne (ME9 9HR) at 10.00 from. Alan Marshall will be leading this. Fingers crossed we may see seals on the mud-banks of the river inlets during the walk.



The August walk will be on Sunday 9th and will be around the Allhallows area, details next month.

All are welcome on the walks. Any queries please contact Mitchell on <a href="mitch.dowsett@btopenworld.com">mitch.dowsett@btopenworld.com</a> or 01634-254428.

#### Friends of St Margaret's

Following the recent Annual General Meeting the following was agreed upon:

#### **Committee Membership 2015/16**

Chairman/Treasurer
Parochial Parish Council
HH Parish Council Representatives
Other Representatives

Gary Thomas
June Collins, Di Welch
George Crozer, Lesley Munday
Fred Beringer, Wendy Brunt, Stephen Gwilt and
Mike Meredith

Friends of St.Margaret's

The Committee also thanked the contribution for the previous year from Bob Prichard and wished him well for the future

#### **Use of Funds**

The members were informed that for 2014/15 a surplus of £1842.55 had been achieved and with brought forward balances there is now a balance of £4900.48 as at 31<sup>st</sup> March 2015. The accounts are with the auditors and once signed off these will be published on <a href="http://thefriendsofstmargarets.org.uk">http://thefriendsofstmargarets.org.uk</a> for all to see

A few years ago some lead was stolen from the church roof and temporary permission was granted for a different material to be used in order to prevent further damage to the building. In the long run though it will be necessary to replace with lead and as a result £4,000 will be invested as a contribution set a side for when that day arrives.

#### 2015/16

The new committee will meet and look to continue to raise funds not only for the roof, but for items which will be identified following the Quinquennial Inspection to be carried out this year. Quinquennial inspections involve a thorough survey of all aspects of a building's fabric and are intended to identify problems, which have developed since the last time it was inspected and to establish priorities for repair to ensure the preservation of the fabric.

The Christmas Tree Festival as well as the Cake Festival will be two of the events that will occur during the next financial year. Please watch this space for details of these and future events

#### **How To Join**

Although in the past we had accepted requests for people to pay an annual fee in one go, it was not clear enough to all that this was the case, so just to be clear you can pay as follows:

- 1 A monthly Standing Order
- 2 A one off Annual Fee

Forms are available on http://thefriendsofstmargarets.org.uk or from any Committee member

Thank you all for your continued support.

**Gary Thomas** 

#### Don't be Shy!

Have you got something that you want to get off your chest! Does your club need to tell the world about what's happening. Do you have an event to promote. Is there a story about the village which just needs to be told. Do you know an interesting fact about High Halstow you would like to share. Are you a poet without anyone knowing it! Do you have an old bike, pram, life size Peter Andre model that you would like to sell. Whatever it is then drop me a line at editor@highhalstow.org.uk and we'll publish your article in the HHT. Don't be slow talk to High Halstow...

#### High Halstow Village Hall

#### Refurbishment Phase Three

As you will all be aware Phase Three has started and that this work will be completed by the time you receive the next edition. This will see a new main double door entrance to the side of the hall along with a fire door in anticipation for when the stairs are to be fitted and a new kitchen where the old Doctors Surgery was. A disabled ramp and rail leading into the hall will also be included in this phase. This has only been possible with grants received from High Halstow Parish Council, Medway Council and The Relief In Need Charity. Without these grants these works could not have been undertaken and so for that the Hall Committee is extremely grateful.

It was disappointing that due to the cost of the works, which went to tender, we were unable to complete all the remaining building works to this project as we are still left with the stairs and bar area to complete. We are pleased though to announce, however that due to a extremely generous member of the village, we have received a further donation of £30,000. This will be used to finish the kitchen and go towards the final phases of the project. The Hall Committee is extremely grateful for this donation and would like to thank them for this very kind act.

The Hall Committee would like to thank Ray Collins for the work he has undertaken prior to the builders coming in and dealing with queries from the builders once they were on site. The work he continually puts into the Hall has saved many thousands, which has enabled the project to move on at a pace.

#### Stage Curtains

The Hall Committee is very pleased to announce that the new curtains including the half blacks and associated stage work has been completed. This has been down to a grant received by Dramarama as well as Dramarama also paying monies towards this. Although this is something Dramarama will benefit from it should be remembered that other users will also benefit from this major improvement, so the Hall Committee once again would like to pass on our thanks. Needless to say Ray and June Collins installing this rather than leaving this to the supplier also saved money.

#### Village Hall Event Planner

The Village Hall Committee is still looking to put on fund raising events for the year and below are dates that have already been agreed

#### Quizathons

#### Friday 17th July and Friday 16th October

All the usual rules apply, entrance only £3.00 and you bring your own nibbles and drink. The evening starts at 7.30 with doors open at 7.00. To book a table or individual places please call Margaret on 07702 196179.

#### Murder on the Peninsula Saturday 7th November.

Due to higher demand than expected, we are currently looking at running this event on two nights, further details to follow in the High Halstow Times.

#### **High Halstow Golf Tournament**

This date to be confirmed but looking like towards end of September. Please see next months High Halstow Times for further details.



#### Concessionary Bus Passes

As an older passenger, you may be entitled to get concessionary or free travel on public transport. Concessionary travel means you pay a reduced fare

#### When am I entitled to free bus travel?

You're entitled to free bus travel as an older person when you reach the eligible age. Eligible age is tied into the state pension age for women.

#### If you were born before 6 April 1950

You're eligible for an older person's bus pass from your 60th birthday, if you were born before 6 April 1950.

#### Women born after 5 April 1950

If you're a woman born after 5 April 1950, you'll become eligible for an older person's bus pass when you reach your pensionable age.

#### Men born after 5 April 1950

If you're a man born after 5 April 1950, you'll become eligible when you reach the pensionable age of a woman born on the same day.

#### If you're disabled

As a disabled passenger, you may be entitled to get concessionary or free travel on public transport. For more information regarding what disabilities apply please visit http://medway.gov.uk

#### Having difficulty travelling by yourself?

If you have difficulty travelling by yourself, you can apply for a **disabled bus pass** with a companion entitlement, which allows somebody to travel for free on the bus with you in Medway and Kent. The pass holder can travel anywhere in England within the times allowed. The pass holder will need to provide evidence of why they depend on somebody travelling with them. The passes are provided at the discretion of Medway Council.

#### When and where to use your pass

The Medway bus pass allows older people, or people with specified disabilities free off-peak bus travel. Holders of a bus pass may travel off-peak for:

Any trip in the Medway Council area

Journeys from Medway into Kent (e.g. Chatham to Maidstone).

Journeys throughout England (including Transport for London supported buses in London)

Important information about timescales when applying or renewing bus passes:

Please note the expiry date of your bus pass, as it is the passholder's responsibility to renew the pass. You can renew up to **8 weeks** before expiry

but please allow **28 days** for applications to be processed once we have received the completed application and all supporting evidence. Your new pass will not be sent until a week before the old one expires.

For more information regarding the above scheme please visit <a href="http://medway.gov.uk">http://medway.gov.uk</a> and type in concessionary bus passes in search box.



#### Resume Of The Parish Council Meeting Held On 10 June 2015

The meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> June was attended by 8 councillors and 6 members of the public. Cllr Gary Jerreat was on holiday.

There was only one planning application, for amendments to the permission to build a house on the corner of Eden Road and Longfield Avenue. An objection was made on the grounds that the proposed large dormer window at the rear would overlook properties in Harrison Drive and residents would suffer loss of amenity and privacy. It was also reported that the owners of Flanders Farm were holding a meeting to discuss with members of the public where the caravans for seasonal workers should be sited.

The public right of way that goes from Ruggles Close to The Street across the Recreation Ground will be given an all-weather surface sometime in the school holidays. This will mean that residents using this right of way to access the school or surgery will not have to tackle puddles, mud and wet grass in future and it will be safer for those with mobility problems. The work is being commissioned by Medway Council. If you use the path or Recreation Ground during the construction period, please be careful and be aware of construction vehicles etc.

The final phase of the Recreation Hall refurbishment is underway and should be nearly complete when you receive this. The final tranche of the Parish Council's grants to the hall since 2002 has been given. It's expected the annual budgeted grant to the hall will cease for 2016/17 and thereafter.

Councillors talked about the provision of a bus shelter in Christmas Lane at the stop near Half Moon Way. This would probably be a wooden structure and Brian Williams is organising a site meeting. If two were bought at the same time delivery costs would be much lower and there will be discussion about replacing one of the other shelters. Longer term residents will remember the old metal shelters that dated back to the 1970s and which were replaced by second hand glass and metal structures donated by Medway Council. These are not very attractive and the idea is to replace them with the wooden, more rural style shelters in due course.

Items raised at the Councillors' Surgery included parking in Christmas Lane during cricket matches and inconsiderate parking on pavements. A car parked half on the pavement and half in the road is less than kind to pedestrians, especially those with push chairs or wheelchairs, who are forced into the road to get past. There was also a complaint about overgrown hedges, also making it difficult for pedestrians to get past.

The school is creating a new sitting area in the grounds and are looking for donations of plants and volunteers. Contact the school if you can help in any way.

At the end of the meeting a member of the public, who had objected to the siting of the skateboard half-pipe on the Recreation Ground, claimed the noise was a statutory nuisance and threatened legal action to have it removed. The half-pipe is sited well beyond the legal limit of no nearer than 25m to houses and as many will remember was the subject of plenty of consultation over many months before the decision to provide the half-pipe was taken.

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> July in the Memorial Hall at 8pm. You are all welcome to attend as observers.

#### Overhanging Bushes, Shrubs and Trees

Could residents please take a look at any flora they have growing on their property to ensure that it is not causing an obstruction to public pathways. The recent warm spell has been heavenly for the plants and greenery to grow and may have become a hazard. It can be dangerous to have to step into the road when the path is obstructed or partially obstructed by an overgrown tree or bush. And an overhanging branch can cause a nasty scratch or worse. Please be considerate to others and get the clippers and shears out.

HH Parish Council

#### Speed Limits

Please can I remind people to observe the speed limits through the Village. We should all be mindful that High Halstow is a nice place to live where children, older



residents and walkers should feel safe. Some may not be as aware of the traffic as they might otherwise be. Please be careful.

George Crozer, HH Parish Council

#### Home & Garden Security

With the recent number of burglaries in the Village it seemed fitting to publish below advice from Kent Police in protecting your home and garden from thieves.



Given the opportunity, thieves will target homes and gardens for valuable items, tools and money, which they can sell on or use in other crimes.

Kent Police works with organisations such as Neighbourhood Watch to issue crime prevention advice and encourage residents to keep a watchful eye out in their neighbourhoods to deter and report any criminal activity.

This guide outlines some simple steps you can take to improve the security of your home and garden, and reduce the opportunity for thieves.

#### Secure your home

- Lock doors and windows when you go out or work in the garden – if you have uPVC windows or doors then double-lock them with the keys to secure them properly.
- Never leave keys or valuables on display near windows or doors.
- · Avoid keeping large amounts of cash at home.
- Photograph and security mark valuable items and keep receipts somewhere safe.
- Consider installing a good quality safe to the appropriate British/European standard
- Safes should be bolted to a solid wall or floor and concealed, for example in a cupboard or fitted wardrobe. For information on safes visit www.securedbydesign.com

- Consider fitting intruder alarms, door chains, a spy hole and external lights.
- Don't open the door to unexpected callers use a door chain and check their identity first.
- If an offer seems too good, it probably is don't part with your money unless you are sure the source is genuine.
- Dispose of packaging carefully wrapping and boxes for expensive items can advertise rich pickings for criminals.
- Cancel milk and papers when you go away, and use timer switches on lights and radios to give the impression someone is home.

 Ask a trusted neighbour to keep an eye on your property while you are away.

#### Lock your car

- Close the windows and sunroof and lock your vehicle when you leave it.
- Use an alarm, immobiliser or steering lock if possible.
- Take all valuables with you when you leave your vehicle – thieves know where to look.
- Remove portable sat navs and clean suction marks from your windscreen or dashboard.
- Don't leave tools or equipment in vehicles overnight.
- Park in a garage, in view from your home, or in a busy well-lit area where possible.

#### Protect your garden

- Maintain hedges and fences to prevent unwanted visitors from entering your garden.
  - Close your garden gate and lock it from the inside.
  - Store bins and ladders carefully so they can't be used as climbing aids.
  - Store tools and equipment somewhere secure after use so they don't get stolen or used to break into your home.
- Secure sheds and garages with suitable locks and consider fitting shed alarms and security lights.
- Disable lawn mowers and other large machinery when not in use and chain items together or to a solid anchor point.
- Security-mark valuable items taking photographs and recording details such as serial numbers and identifying marks can also help to identify items if they get lost or stolen.
- Consider registering valuables on a property database such as www.immobilise.com



Although arrests have been made in respect of the recent burglaries it is still important to keep an eye out for anything suspicious and if you have any doubts then to report these suspicions to the Police. Just because this group may have been apprehended this is not to say there will not be other gangs carrying out the same activity.



#### **Dates for Diary**

Every Monday: Stay & Play

13:30 - 15:00 Village Hall

Every Tuesday: King's Kitchen

10:00 Memorial Hall

**Bell Ringers** 

19:30 St Margaret's Church

Every Thursday:

Mother and Toddler'

Mother and Toddler's

09:00 Memorial Hall

Sugar Babes

19:00 Memorial Hall

Every Friday: Pilates with Joy

14:15 Memorial Hall

Every Saturday: Karmann Dancers

09:00 Memorial Hall

Every Sunday:

DeJa Vu Spiritual Group

18:30 - 21:30 Village Hall

Every 1st, 2nd, 3rd Wednesday:

**High Halstow Stitchers** 

12:00 - 14:00 Memorial Hall

Every 4th Wednesday:

Friendly Club Memorial Hall

14:00 - 16:00

#### Other Dates:

Wednesday 1st: Women's Institute

19:30 Memorial Hall

Saturday 4th: Rectory Garden Party

12:00 Rectory Garden Sunday 5th: Family Service

09:30 St. Margaret's Church

Wednesday 8th: Parish Council Meeting

20:00 Memorial Hall

Sunday 12th: High Halstow Hikers

Details in HHT

Sunday 12th: New Village Market

10:00 - 14:00 Memorial Hall
Tuesday 14th: Gardening Club
20:00 Memorial Hall
Village Hall Quiz
19:30 Village Hall

Sunday 19th: Family Service

09:30 St. Margaret's Church

Friday 24th: Quiz Night 20:00 Memorial Hall

Local groups, please let us know the dates of your meetings/events for the coming year so we can include them in the HHT and on the website.

# A TASTE OF THE MUSICALS



An Evening Buffet or Afternoon Tea with songs and dances from the musicals, and a show. Book a table with friends or family and enjoy the best of the West End in High Halstow

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### High Halstow Friendly Club

We meet at 2pm on the 4th Wednesday of the month for 2hours in the Memorial Hall. Come along and join our friendly club.

#### Village Hall Event Planner

The Village Hall Committee will be looking to put on a number of events for the coming year, below are dates already agreed

#### **Quizathons**

Friday 17<sup>th</sup> July Friday 16<sup>th</sup> October

Murder on the Peninsula

Saturday 7th November



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#### Changes to High Halstow Bus Timetable Commencing 12 July 2015

#### 191 Chatham - Rochester - Strood - Hoo - Allhallows - Grain

This service will be completely revised:

- Buses every twenty minutes between Hoo (hourly from Hoo Marina) and Chatham for the main part of the day on Mondays to Saturdays
- Beyond Chatham, buses will run to the universities, Dockside Outlet Centre, Pier Road and Gillingham Strand, giving new links across Chatham from Grain, Hoo and Wainscott.
- Buses will continue to run hourly to Grain but with 'standard' and 'fast' variations. The 'standard' journeys will serve all the villages along the route but the 'fast' journeys will run direct via Ratcliffe Highway between Lower Stoke and Hoo. The morning buses from Grain towards Hoo and Chatham will take the standard route and will go direct back to Lower Stoke and Grain. The afternoon buses from Grain will run direct to from Lower Stoke to Hoo and will return from Chatham via the villages. During the middle of the day, the two routes will be alternated in each direction.
- No change to Sunday times or route.

### **193** Chatham - Rochester - Strood - Hoo - High Halstow - Cliffe No change.

796 Chatham - Medway Tunnel - Hoo - High Halstow - Lower Stoke - Grain No changes.

#### School buses

6 Grain - Lower Stoke - Hundred of Hoo School No changes.

#### 7 Grain - Hundred of Hoo School

- The morning bus will be re-routed to run via Upper Stioke to replace Service 11 which will no longer run.
- The afternoon bus will no longer run, being replaced by Service 9 that will be extended beyond Allhallows to serve Lower Stoke and Grain.

#### 9 Allhallows - Fenn - Hundred of Hoo School

The afternoon bus will be extended beyond Allhallows to serve Lower Stoke and Grain, replacing Service 7.

### **10 High Halstow - Hundred of Hoo School** No changes.





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# **Stay and Play**

High Halstow Village Hall

# MONDAY 1.30pm - 3pm

Drop-in to this Stay and Play session for 0- 5year olds to enjoy fun activities with other families and to learn new skills with your child.

IF YOU WOULD LIKE FURTHER INFORMATION, PLEASE CONTACT: St. James' Sure Start Children's Centre

St. James' Church of England Primary Academy High Street Isle of Grain ME3 0BS

01634 270341 E: childrenscentre@stjames.medway.sch.uk

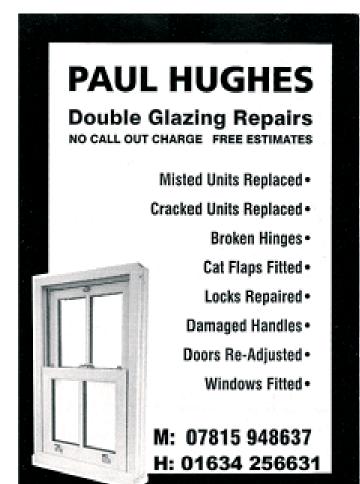
www.stjamesisleofgrain.org.uk

Sure Start Children's Centres









#### High Halstow Relief in Need Charity

This charity exists to assist those in the Village who are in need, especially widows and widowers. The trustees wish to remind the people of the parish that they will give consideration to any request for a particular need, at <u>any time</u> during the year. If you, or an elderly relative would feel safer at home with a telephone 'Lifeline' the Charity could help with this. All requests are dealt with in complete confidence and there is no need to wait for the October form.

#### The trustees are:

Rev. S. Gwilt - The Rectory

Mr S. Bailey - 27 Cooling Road

Mrs J. Collins - 6 Marsh Crescent

Mrs L. Munday - 22 Willowbank Drive

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# Sunday Services

8:00am High Halstow Holy Communion BCP

9:30am High Halstow
1st and 3rd Sundays All age worship
2nd and 5th Sundays morning prayer
4th Sunday Family Communion

6:30pm High Halstow

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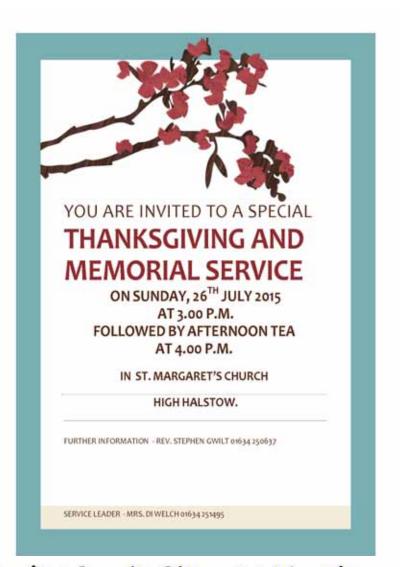
1st Sunday Holy Communion
3rd Sunday Informal worship
5th Sunday Joint Songs of Praise with Allhallows
See notice board for venue

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For further information. Rev Stephen Gwilt 01634 250637 Or Email stephengwilt2@hotmail.co.uk

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Let us not give up meeting together, as some are in the habit of doing, but let us encourage one another - and all the more as you see the day of judgment approaching . Heb 10:25





1st, 2nd & 3rd Wednesdays in each month 12-2pm

A chance to learn a new skill involving **Stitches** of all types from friendly, like minded ladies and to pass on any skills you may have.

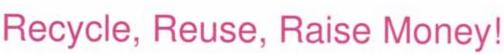
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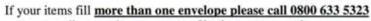
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### The Big Wild Sleepout – 2015 Northward Hill Nature Reserve Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> August, 3pm

For the third year in a row we are having a Big Wild Sleepout at the reserve! Join us for an amazing opportunity that gives you the chance to experience the reserve in a unique way. Grab your sleeping bag, tent and torch and get ready to explore Northward Hill out of our usual opening hours. With activities for all the family, there will be plenty to keep all ages entertained. Take part in a night walk to discover all the wonders of the reserve (we will see birds, bats, stars and more), have a delicious meal around the camp fire. We will have candlelit trails, bug sweeping and building bug hotels for the younger visitors and everyone can wake up to a dawn chorus, and be delighted by bird ringing demonstrations and see what is in our moth trap.

- Price: £25 adults (£20 members), £12.50 children (£10 members)
- Booking Essential. Email us at <u>northkentmarshes@rspb.org.uk</u> or call 01634 222480









# The All New High Halstow Market and Table Top Sale

High Halstow Memorial Hall Sunday 12th July 10am - 2pm

Stalls will include:
Butcher, Jeweller, Hand-made-Cards, Make-up,
Lucky Dip, Bric-a-Brac, Hand Bags,
Dragon & Fairy Ornaments, Cakes
and much more!!

Refreshments available.

If you would like a table, please call Pat 01634 251077

Raffle for the Friendly Club and Charity

#### Barbecue for sale

I know the weather has been a bit unreliable so far this summer, but we still have July and August to look forward to. Fingers crossed for some amazing barbecue weather.

It's an Outback Charcoal Roaster 3000 that is for sale. Included is a cover, several cooking tools and a bag of charcoal.

It's in good condition so please make a reasonable offer and I will donate the money to the HUGH Fund to help towards fitting the new kitchen in High Halstow's Village Hall.

Thank you.

Mrs Chris Peek, 2 Willowbank Drive

Email <a href="mailto:chris.peek@lineone.net">chris.peek@lineone.net</a>

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#### Dear HHT,

On the morning of 9 June I discovered some one had hit the back of my car. Smashing the rear light and marking the paint work. I just wish the person who did this would have had the honesty to own up. I now have to buy a new light unit, which we all know are very expensive, and something I hadn't catered for and certainly don't need the extra expensive of. G Rayfield Harrison Drive

Dear HHT,

Cherry (3 ½), Olivia (3) and Kenny (2) built a den and slept out for Children in Need. We are very proud of our grandchildren who with a little help, built a den and slept out under the stars on Saturday 6th June. They were a bit anxious beforehand but everything was fine and they raised a grand total of £767.50 for the charity.

Well done all of you.

Carol

**Drayton Close** 

#### Need to Hire a Hall

If you are interested in hiring either of the halls in the village for a party, function or meeting please contact:

Memorial Hall - Angela Forward 251756 Village Hall - Crystal Wakefield 251849

Please do not call on a Sunday.

#### Come and Meet Your Parish Councillors

Chris(tine) Watson & Gary Jerreat, two of your Parish Councillors will be at Kings Kitchen in the Memorial Hall on: Tuesday 7th July from 10.30 – 12.00pm and every 2nd Tuesday in the month. Come and tell us your problems or find out about projects we are undertaking.



If we can't answer your questions there and then we will get back to you.

High Halstow Parish Council

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