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## The Ladybird

I thought a piece about the ladybird (Coccinellidae) would go down nicely in mid-winter as a reminder of the summer days to come. The English speaking world generally uses the name 'ladybird' although the Americans, just to be awkward use the name ladybug. However, this insect is a beetle and consequently the use of the name 'bug' is incorrect as this term usually refers to insects that suck sap whereas the majority of the world's ladybird species are predators of other insects. The name originates from Britain where it was originally known as 'Our Lady's bird' or the 'Lady beetle' because many medieval Christian paintings showed Mary wearing a red cloak, mimicking the red wing case of most species of this insect. In the 1600s this insect was also sometimes known as the Ladycow which ties in with the Russian name which means 'God's little cow' and in Dutch it is called 'lieveheersbeestje', meaning 'little animal of our good Lord'. In Germany the name

"Marienkafer" translates to Mary-beetle. All these endearing names probably stem from the ladybird's welcome disposition for eating aphids and other garden pests. Mirroring these engaging names the ladybird is also considered lucky in some countries. For instance in Turkey it is known as the "good luck bug" while in Russia and Italy the sight of a ladybird is either considered an opportunity to make a wish or that a wish will soon be granted. There are 46 species of ladybird in Britain although only 26 of those look like the classic ladybird most would consider 'normal'. As already suggested, most ladybirds are red, usually with spots. However, there are many variations with the most prominent colours being orange, yellow and black, even black and white check, as well as the more common red. There is a common misconception that the number of spots indicates the age of the beetles but this is not the case. The number of spots is down to both the species and the genetics so that the

"Ten-spot ladybird" can have up to 15 spots! Likewise other sub-species of ladybirds can have a confusing number of spots, or even stripes. The most common in Britain is the 7 spot ladybird which is relatively large compared to the other species. The life cycle of these insects involves the larva going through four instars. These are the stages whereby the larva grows until it moults from its old exoskeleton and then continues growing within its new one. Pupation then follows and the ladybird becomes an adult and can live for a surprisingly long lifetime of one to two years. The ladybird's greatest asset to humanity is its voracious appetite for aphids making them a great friend of gardeners. During the season you can buy ladybirds via the internet both in the beetle and the larval form as both lunch on aphids. However, the larvae do not fly away so they are probably your best option if you want them to work on your garden and not your neighbour's. Some of my own purple sprouting

broccoli plants in the allotment are infested with aphids yet I can't remember seeing any ladybirds on them. While only a few feet away my sunflower plants always seem to have plenty of ladybirds but very few aphids. Clearly somebody's missing a free lunch.

The biggest story in the world of ladybirds in the last couple of decades has been the arrival of Harlequin (or Multicoloured Asian) ladybirds when they arrived in Britain in 2004. They were usually introduced to various countries around the world to attack pest species but are now also eating home-grown ladybirds (that story seems to be a reoccurring theme throughout history). In America, these insects were introduced in 1988 and have now become the most common type of Lady-bug (as they would call them) despite only having been in the country for a few decades. The problem with identifying these ladybirds is that they can vary so widely that it is virtually impossible for the non-expert to identify a native ladybird from a

recently arrived harlequin. The one common feature that these ladybirds exhibit is their large size, but then the most common British ladybird, as mentioned previously is also large making it a problem if you decide to do a bit of "species cleansing". On a lighter note the ladybird has been immortalised in the popular children's nursery rhyme "Ladybird – ladybird" which is around 200 years old. There are many versions but one is: Ladybird, ladybird, fly away home  
Your house is on fire and your children are gone  
All except one, and that's Little Anne  
For she has crept under the warming pan.

Similar nursery rhymes exist in many parts of

Europe and this link to children may well have led to the publishing company Wills & Hepworth in Leicestershire adopting the logo for their children's books in the mid 19th century. In 1971 as a direct result of the brand recognition that their logo had achieved they began trading under the name 'Ladybird' books. I had always assumed the brand was a lot older. Demand for the books has fallen in recent decades but in 2015, they branched out into adult spoof versions of their very own books with titles such as: "The Hangover", "Dating" and "The Zombie Apocalypse". However, I digress, so I'll bring this month's monolog to an end.

*Steve Fuller  
February 2018*



## Mutterings From The Millers

I mentioned a few months ago that we were trying to sort out our waste as we are trying to be "green". The two new cardboard/plastic bins have been working out ok but completed filled within a couple of days by our tenants. Peter has been trying to source further companies that can help us and surprisingly it is not as easy you would think. Eventually after many telephone calls to various providers, he found someone to help and our new roll on roll off skip was delivered on at the end of January. It is amazing our plastic/cardboard policy in this country, fruit and meat packaging that is black apparently shows off the produce better but is not recyclable as the machines that sort the plastic cannot see it, so it goes into landfill. A well-known energy drink bottle is recyclable but not the plastic shrink wrapper around it. We learnt quite a lot from the waste disposal expert during this procedure. We now recycle all our cardboard, paper, plastic, tins, metal, oil, fertiliser sacks and pesticide containers. The

last two items to a special farming recycle yard.

Nothing to report on the field side but still waiting for confirmation from Europe regarding what we can grow this coming year. Getting a bit close, as we need to source seeds to plant. As usual hay and straw deliveries continue and guess what, Peter is still doing the electrical work on the old stables. I think he will be an expert by the time all the buildings have been rewired.

It is lovely to hear the birds starting to sing again including the skylarks and the other Sunday afternoon we noticed a large flock of fieldfares circling around our tall lime trees. About 60 perched in the trees and the rest flew around, amazing sight. Also, I have seen a kite over the farmhouse, unmistakable with the forked tail. The picture is of snowdrops in the churchyard.

Steve's great grandfather is having a difficult time we notice from his letters. Trying to run two farms,

here and at Fairtrough plus the engineering side with labour being short, must have been very difficult. The weather after Christmas had been wet and then turned to snow, here is an extract from one of his letter to Stanley, his eldest who is in Malta with the Army from 29<sup>th</sup> February 1916

"Things are most trying here just now as the weather is fearful, we have had snow off and on continuously since last Weds afternoon. It is quite 3 feet deep in places in Goddington Lane. The papers say it is the heaviest snowfall since 1888. It has given us a time and then to make matters worse Prior was taken bad on the engine and had to be taken into the Plough on Bromley Common and put to bed, but he is better now. We had to send another driver up to take the engine and by that time the snow was so deep that he could not get beyond Mill Lane Deptford where the engine was stuck for 24 hours. I managed to sell some of the stuff to clear off the vans there and



Painter drew the rest to market with his rubber tyred Foden. I was rather fortunate because I had nearly 500 bags of stuff out before the snow came. Then I put on rail Weds and Thursday, thinking Wednesday's lot would get to market Thursday in time to sell Friday morning, instead of which both lots arrived early Friday morning and as trade was good I sold right out except a few savoy greens. Greens which sold on the previous Sat at 1/6 to 6d made as much as 4/-, also cabbage, so that was a bit of luck. I had hardly anything to sell on the Saturday as it was impossible to find for the snow but I should not have done so well on the Sat with it as I did on the Friday. We have nothing up tonight except greens 2ft long, & snips & c so expect a happy time in the morning."

Mr Bonar Law officially

opened Orpington Hospital on the 19<sup>th</sup> February 1916. George happened to pass by at the time and noticed a great many people there.

I hope you forgive me for delving back in the past whilst we wait for the crops to grow. His letters give us such an insight to life here in Chelsfield at that time that I hope you enjoying reading about it as much as Steve and I do.

Not many weather sayings for February

other than Candlemas Day, which I wrote about in last year's notes but thought the following was quite interesting.

During a fierce blizzard in 1891 in Devon, corn was reported to have germinated and grown to a height of 3ins beneath the snow – the ground was warm when the snow fell and the snow would have had an insulating effect against the cold air temperature above.

*Chris Miller  
Court Lodge Farm*



## Local Burglary

Be Aware!! On Wednesday 31st January two men in balaclavas were spotted leaving a house in Well Hill after breaking, entering,

ransacking and stealing from the property.

Please let this serve as a reminder to always keep your home well secured

and alarmed when you leave them empty, and please be aware and report any strange occurrences you see to the police!

## Protecting Your Property

### Insecure house

“What opportunities do burglars look for?”



- 1** High front boundary
- 2** Low side and rear boundaries
- 3** Recessed, insecure side gate
- 4** Wheelie bin in front of side gate
- 5** Insecure garage door
- 6** Insecure shed door and window
- 7** Paved driveway and path
- 8** No intruder alarm system
- 9** No security light
- 10** Insecure front door
- 11** Open insecure windows
- 12** Valuables not protected



## Chelsfield Evening WI

The November meeting welcomed the "Chicken Ladies" Julie Smith and Caroline Ashby as their speakers, together with two feathered girls Nora and Flora. The ladies spoke about chicken keeping, their work as volunteers for Fresh Start Hens and Julie's hen hotel, Fowly Towers. And also shared some interesting facts.





If you would like to come and see us, we meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at the chelsfield Village Hall at 8pm. We welcome ladies of all ages. Why not come along and see us and make some new friends, in addition to our monthly meetings we look forward to our bowling night, theatre tour and speakers Cadbury Fry and Rowntree. You will find further events and our yearly programme on our Facebook page. Your first three meetings are free, so why not try something fun and interesting for the New Year.

*Chelsfield Evening WI*

Did you know chickens are the closest living relative of the T-Rex, and they also go through the Henopause later in life.

Our ladies thoroughly enjoyed the evening, although Nora and Flora were the stars of the show.

## Chelsfield's Casualties of The First World War

There are no 100<sup>th</sup> anniversaries for servicemen in February, so I've researched two names from the war memorial in St Martin's who died early on in the war, so their anniversaries fell before I started this project.

### **JOHN EADE**

202124 Leading Seaman [Reginald] John Eade of

the Royal Navy died at sea on 15<sup>th</sup> October 1914 aged 31, when the ship he was serving on, HMS Hawke, was torpedoed by a German submarine in the North Sea. He is remembered on Chatham Naval Memorial. He was the son of William and Martha Ann Eade, who lived at High Street, Green Street Green, and ran a grocer's shop there

for at least 20 years. John lived with his wife Violet at Gads Hill, Gillingham, and in 1911 he's already in the Navy, having signed up in 1898 and served on several different ships. His Navy death record shows he had a sister, listed as Mrs Wells, who lived at Cosy Nook, Farnborough. HMS Hawke was an 'Edgar' class cruiser launched in 1891. In





1914 aged about 27. He has no known grave and is remembered on the Le Touret Memorial in France. In September & October 1914 the 1<sup>st</sup> Battalion RWK's were stationed in La Bassee and Neuve Chapelle in France, and from 24<sup>th</sup> to 26<sup>th</sup> October they were involved in fighting to retain the line in the Battle of La Bassee, so Ernest probably lost his life in the heavy shelling.

Ernest was born in Downe, and was the son of Richard & Ada Mussell. He signed up to the militia on 4<sup>th</sup> January 1904, ten years before the war started, and his

October 1914, the ship was part of the 10th Cruiser Squadron was deployed further south in the North Sea as part of efforts to stop German warships from attacking a troop convoy from Canada. On 15<sup>th</sup> October, the squadron was on patrol off Aberdeen, when at 10:30 a single torpedo from the German submarine U-9 (which had sunk three British cruisers on 22<sup>nd</sup> September), struck Hawke, which quickly capsized. When I searched for more information about HMS Hawke on the internet, and found a listing of all the men who died when the ship sank, it made grim reading. A total of 524 officers and men

died, including the ship's captain, Hugh P. E. T. Williams, and there were only 70 survivors. Contemporary newspaper reports said that the survivors reported that the ship sank in 5 minutes, so there was no time for anyone to escape. It was believed the German torpedo had hit very close to the Hawke's own charges, so the devastation was quadrupled, hence the rapid loss.

**ERNEST MUSSELL**

L/7471 Sergeant Ernest Stanley Mussell of the 1st Battalion of the Queens Own Royal West Kent Regiment was killed in action on 26<sup>th</sup> October



occupation was given as 'Brewer's Labourer', so he was presumably working for Fox's Brewery in Green Street Green. The 'Register of Soldiers' Effects' lists his wife as Bessie Hilda Mussell, later Bessie Lowthorpe,



and indicates they had children. In the 1911 census he appears to be visiting the Thompson family in Farnborough who have a daughter Bessie, so perhaps this is her. Here he is listed as a Motor Driver. Before that, in 1901 he is living

with his parents and siblings in Worlds End Lane, and his father is a 'Builder's Timekeeper'. Further back, in 1891, the family are living in Downe and father Richard is a baker. In 1911 mother Ada is living in Albert Villa, Green Street

Green, with some of her children. Ernest was the cousin of Jack Mussell, also on the church war memorial, as his father Richard was Jack's father Henry's elder brother.

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## **Chelsfield Village Fair - 7th July 2018**

It won't come as any surprise to you that preparations for the 2018 Fair are well underway and the team has undergone quite a change. Our new Chairman is Sharon King, a punishment for her loyalty over the years and David Padilla has taken over from Nigel Lamb as treasurer. Henrietta Barnes has taken over secretary duties from Sharon and we have two new recruits, Jo Green and Conor Canton. What does this mean for the Fair? Well not much. Ex-Chairman Peter Lamond has taken on the bar as a 'turnkey' project and Nigel is still very much part of the team, given that he's booked most of the infrastructure stuff already!

One of the major changes, internally, is

that we are in the process of becoming a Community Interest Company (CIC). The Fair has grown in size and complexity immeasurably since it was revived and we've decided that we need to become a legal entity. This means that the bank account, insurance, assets all become part of the company, rather than individuals and it puts an end to the passing worry that each committee member was individually and severally liable for the actions of the others. It doesn't protect us if we're fraudulent or negligent of course, but we've managed to steer clear of organised crime so far so we're not too concerned on that score...

Once again, nothing much changes in reality.

No one is paid and it's all not-for-profit, but we will all be company directors which means we can wear a special hat. Or something.

Right, enough of that boring admin stuff; let's get on to my pet project - aircraft! You will no doubt be pleased to know that last year's display acts are booked once again; a Spitfire from the Heritage Hangar and Mark in his Extra 330SC. If you were at the Fair in 2017, you may remember an unpublished two ship flypast of a De Havilland Dragonfly and a De Havilland Chipmunk. This was a favour from a friend of mine, Carl, who works at Shipping & Airlines and Surrey & Kent Flying Club (from where I fly) at Biggin Hill. At the end of last year, Carl pointed out that the

Chipmunk (one of my favourite aircraft!) would be available for displays in 2018, flown by Steve Monk. I sent Steve the display plan and we are 90% hopeful that we will have a short display from this lovely post war RAF trainer.

I will also be proposing that we expand the display area in the hope that I can make the area less restrictive while maintaining the safety of those of us on the ground. That's all to come but should be considerably less heartache than last year. I will also be asking those of you affected who signed last year to, once

again, give me written assurance that your properties will be unoccupied during the flying displays. Thank you so much for that - without you, we could not have continued to have flying displays at Chelsfield.

Once again I will be encouraging donations to Chelsfield Flying Club, which largely finances the flying displays, so if you are willing to help us stump up the £3,500 for the flying, please email me: [dgriffs@btinternet.com](mailto:dgriffs@btinternet.com)

and I will make sure I empty your wallet. In the meantime, please check our Facebook page and

website ([chelsfieldfair.com](http://chelsfieldfair.com)) for updates.

If you think you have any type of suitable entertainment for the arena during the afternoon, please get in contact - we have a few limited slots which we can fill. We're looking at around 15 minutes per turn but (unlike one nameless act booked in 2016) we would like you to turn up!

So, put 7th July in your diaries and I will be back with further updates soon.

*Dave Griffiths  
Chelsfield Village Fair*

## **Power Cut? - Call 105**

### **YOU CAN CALL 105 TO REPORT OR GET INFORMATION ABOUT POWER CUTS IN YOUR LOCAL AREA.**

The electricity network operators have introduced 105 to give you an easy-to-remember number to call that will put you through to the local people who can help. 105 is a free service. You can call the number from most

landlines and mobile phones.

### **CAN I USE MY PHONE DURING A POWER CUT?**

Cordless phones probably won't work during a power cut. They take their power from the mains and most don't have battery back-up. Traditional corded phones will work – you might want to keep one

handy so you can plug it in and make phone calls if you have a power outage.

In most cases, mobile phones will work if they are charged. If you have a smartphone, you can visit your local network operator's website or social media channels, where available, to report a power cut and get updates.

**WHAT SHOULD I DO DURING A POWER CUT?**

Switch off all electrical appliances that shouldn't be left unattended, ready for when the power comes back on.

Leave a light on so you know when the power outage has been resolved.

Check to see if your neighbours are okay. Wrap up warm.

**HOW CAN I PREPARE FOR A POWER CUT?**

Keep a torch handy – it's much safer than using candles.

Get a battery-powered or wind-up radio (useful for keeping up to date with relevant local news). Keep warm – keep a blanket and warm clothing handy, and fill a vacuum flask or hot water bottle.

Stock your cupboard with food and drink that doesn't require electricity to prepare it.

Keep your mobile phone and laptop fully charged.

Check your network operator's website or social media channels for updates.

**I'M ON THE PRIORITY SERVICES REGISTER. SHOULD I NOW CALL 105?**

The Priority Services Register is for people who might need extra support during a power cut; for example, people who need electricity for vital medical equipment. If you are on the Register and you have a power cut, you should continue to call the phone number that you have been given.

**Phil Lane's Cartoons**

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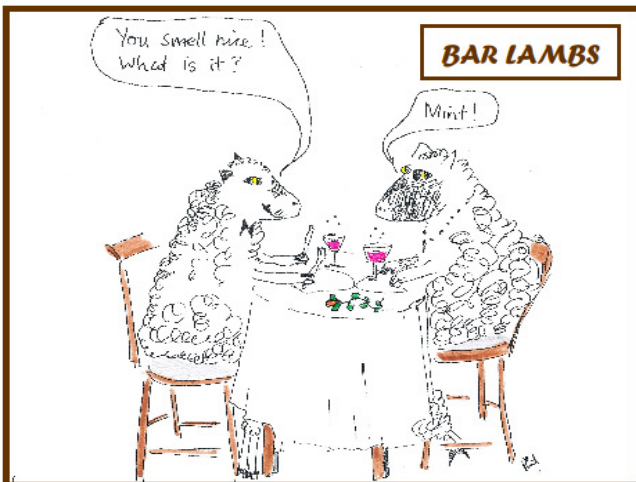
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and HRH Prince Charles! £5.50 pp. Most of these can be a seen

adorning the walls of The Bo Peep.

Phil Lane



## Stop Fraud Week

**Stop Fraud Week** was part of the national campaign from Financial Fraud Action UK and the Government, backed by the banking industry coming together to tackle fraud.

The advice being issued this week is **really simple** but it can stop you becoming a victim of fraud.

A **genuine** bank or organisation will **never** contact you out of the

blue to ask for your PIN, full password or to move money to another account. Only give out your personal or financial details to use a service that you have given your consent to, that you trust and that you are expecting to be contacted by.

Don't be tricked into giving a fraudster access to your personal or financial details. Never automatically click on a link in an unexpected

email or text. Always question uninvited approaches in case it's a scam. Instead, contact the company directly using a known email or phone number. Please share the attached leaflet with friends and family and together we can help stop fraud.

To read more about the campaign and to **access all the resources** go to

<https://takefive-stopfraud.org.uk/>

## From Shoreditch to Shortlands (Local History Group)

Despite humble beginnings as the son of a porter, born in Clerkenwell in the early part of the 19<sup>th</sup> century, Edward Harrison became a prolific publisher of the reviled but hugely popular "penny dreadfuls" of the Victorian age.

These cheap, weekly-part story-papers filled with bloodthirsty, exciting and violent adventure tales aimed at young men outraged the Press, courts, Church and moral guardians of all kinds. The publishers and proprietors of such "penny packets of poison" were condemned as "nasty, low-minded fellows", their output

blamed for corrupting youngsters and luring them into a life of crime.

At the height of a career that made him one of the three leading publishers of such material and a rich man, Harrison came to live in Shortlands, then a fashionable new and sparsely-populated suburb on the edge of Bromley. The story of his life and career was the subject of Patrick Hellicar's talk at Chelsfield Local History Group's January meeting. Although a key player in this literary phenomenon and a big operator as well in the wholesale and retail distribution of newspapers,

magazines and other periodicals, Harrison is not widely known outside the circles of students of Victorian literature and fans and collectors of old publications, Patrick pointed out.

Little has been discovered about his early years. The trail is obscure until the mid-1840s when he married and began to make his mark as a bookseller, newsagent and later publisher based at Kingsland Road in Shoreditch.

By the 1860s, however, Harrison was also in business in the Strand, increasing his publishing



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effort with “choice tales” and other offerings, then quitting Kingsland Road and moving to premises in a square just off Fleet Street as his business expanded.

Among his notable successes were penny-partworks entitled *The Blue Dwarf*, *Blueskin*, *Black Bess* and *The New Newgate Calendar*. Well in excess of 20 “penny dreadfuls” have been attributed to him – some running for several years and issued in 20, 50, 70 and even 254 parts.

Popular stories easily achieved sales of more than 30,000 a week. Alongside these, Harrison produced more-upmarket publications including *The Gentleman’s Journal*, a higher-toned, higher-

quality alternative to other sensational weeklies available at the time, and the well-regarded *Young Ladies’ Journal*, sold as far afield as Australia, which continued for many years beyond Harrison’s death until 1920.

About 18 months after the death of his wife, Mary, at Shoreditch in 1866, Harrison remarried and moved to Shortlands. Home for Edward, now 48 years old, and his new wife Eliza was a solid, newly-built 10-bedroom mansion called Kingsbury House standing in four acres off Valley Road. It was expensively and luxuriously furnished and included a number of glasshouses and even a picture gallery. The family remained there until

Edward’s death. Eliza died in 1877 at the age of 60 and Harrison himself passed away in 1885, aged 66, leaving an estate valued at as much as £22 million in today’s terms. He was interred in the family grave at West Norwood cemetery. Kingsbury House and its contents were sold and the proceeds divided among Harrison’s surviving three sons and two daughters. Harrison businesses continued in various forms until finally wound up in 1931. Eventually, in the 1920s, Kingsbury House was demolished and suburban semis occupy the site today, with nothing to show that here once lived a king of the “penny dreadful” phenomenon.

## Safer Neighbourhood Meeting Report

Major changes in the way the Police will operate in future so please read; There was now a 4 module course undertaken by all officers in Safer Neighbourhood training, and all officers had now had training Safer Neighbourhood matters.

An update on the amalgamation of Bromley with Croydon and Sutton but nothing official has been issued yet, but

believed an announcement will be this month. Small police stations will close and police are looking for offices which are called Hubs – these to be within a 20minute walk from ward location and need to provide basic accommodation. 80% of the officers time is expected to be on the beat.

The new Borough arrangement also includes

losing 5 vehicles which includes 1 of the 2 RT cars.

Bromley has currently 380 officers – about 80 ward officers and 30 response officers. Bromley had had to move response officers into ward officers as the Mayor has not allowed any increase in police numbers and wants 3 Officers on each Ward. The new policing arrangements required the

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Neighbourhood wards to take a more active role in suggesting what the officers should be concentrating on as their priorities. Our Ward officers are still Phil Bradley, Dan Mitchell and David Lillywhite and are very pleased if you chat to them.

Peter Sibley gave a report on various policing activities in the last few months including 9 community impact days where an area is targeted. This includes searching all garages as these contained stripped down mopeds and cars. A

register is now being made of all LBB garages and as a lot are not being used, these may be knocked down for housing redevelopment. Modern slavery is apparently very common with car wash places and nail bars.

Antisocial behaviour needs reporting to the local police so they can trace back the bad guys locations and take action. Information needs to be fed back from local residents. 13 stolen vehicles recovered in the last few months and 18 vehicles seized due to no tax/insurance. Moped crimes were discussed and

under the current directives, the better way to catch the criminals, is at source of where the bikes are kept.

All CCTV cameras locations are being revalued and better deployment will occur- Ward officers can apply for a camera to be located in a location, but needs a supervisor agreement for the request to be forwarded to LBB.

*John. B. Leach*  
*07711 304965*  
*Safer Neighbourhoods*

## USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

### **Bromley Council**

Main switchboard:

020 8464 3333

E-mail: [fixmystreet.com](mailto:fixmystreet.com)

Opening hours Monday to Friday 8.30am to 5.30pm

Address: Civic Centre,  
Stockwell Close,  
Bromley, BR1 3UH

### **Reporting Problems to the Council**

Can be reported via the CVS website, or if urgent by phone out of hours  
Emergency Duty Team  
020 8464 4848.

### **Neighbourhood Watch**

John Leach 07711304965.

### **NHS Non-Emergency 111**

**Chelsfield Primary School**  
01689 825827

### **BMI Chelsfield Park Hospital**

Main Reception

01689 877855

Physiotherapy

01689 885920

Outpatients

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Call 105 or 0800 316 3105

**BT Line Faults** 0800 800151

**Thames Water** Emergencies  
0800 714614

### **National Grid (Gas)**

Emergency (leaks) 0800 111999

**Bromley Police Station & Police non emergency** 101

### **Samaritans**

Freephone 116123

### **Safer Neighbourhood**

**Team** 020 8721 2605

[chelsfield.prattsbottom.snt@met.police.uk](mailto:chelsfield.prattsbottom.snt@met.police.uk)

### **Chelsfield Village Hall**

(bookings) **01689 831826** or  
email to:  
[cvhlettings@gmail.com](mailto:cvhlettings@gmail.com)

### **Chelsfield Players**

[info@chelsfieldplayers.org](mailto:info@chelsfieldplayers.org)  
[www.chelsfieldplayers.org](http://www.chelsfieldplayers.org)

## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### WEEKLY EVENTS

#### EVERY MONDAY

Chelsfield Methodist Hall,  
Windsor Drive  
**Iyengar Yoga Classes**  
9.30am-11.00am  
Suitable for Beginners  
Contact Denise 01689  
853215

#### EVERY MONDAY

Chelsfield Village Hall and  
Brass Crosby Room  
**Chelsfield Housemartins**  
Monday Afternoons, for local  
people who are unable to go  
out without help.

#### EVERY MONDAY, TUES- DAY, THURSDAY & SAT- URDAY

Chelsfield Village Hall,  
**InsideOut Pilates**  
Monday 6.30pm-7.30pm  
Tuesday 9am-11am  
Thursday 6.30pm-7.30pm  
Contact Francesca on  
07791 073445  
[iopilates@gmail.com](mailto:iopilates@gmail.com)

#### EVERY MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY

Christ Church Hall,  
Charterhouse Rd  
**Pilates Classes**  
Monday 9.30am Beginners  
10.45am Over 60's  
Monday 5.45pm Beginners  
6.55pm Mixed Ability  
Tuesday 7.15pm Beginners  
8.25pm Mixed Ability  
Wed 9.15am Mixed Ability  
Wed. 1.30pm Over 60's  
Saturday 8.45am Beginners  
Saturday 10am  
Contact Sally 07786 035640  
[orpingtonpilates@gmail.com](mailto:orpingtonpilates@gmail.com)  
see  
[www.orpingtonpilates.co.uk](http://www.orpingtonpilates.co.uk)  
for venues and more info

#### EVERY TUESDAY

Brass Crosby Room  
**St Martin's Toddler Group**  
10.30am-12.00 midday  
Contact Sarah Ford:  
01689 853415  
[stmartinstod-  
dlers@gmail.com](mailto:stmartinstod-<br/>dlers@gmail.com)

#### EVERY TUESDAY

The Chelsfield (Windsor Dr.)  
**Quiz Night**  
From 8.00pm Contact 01689  
600656

#### EVERY TUESDAY

Five Bells  
**Charity Quiz Night**  
from 9.00pm

#### EVERY WED THURS & FRI

Chelsfield Methodist Church  
Hall, Windsor Drive  
**Pilates Classes & Pre &  
PostNatal Pilates Classes**  
Wed 6.50-7.50pm  
& 8.00-9.00pm  
Thursday 8.20-9.20pm  
Friday 9.35-10.35 & 10.45-  
11.45am

Post Natal Pilates 12-1.00pm  
(Babies Welcome)  
Call Bethany Lucas  
07415 638546  
[bethanylu-  
casplates@gmail.com](mailto:bethanylu-<br/>casplates@gmail.com)

Further classes at:  
[www.bethanylucaspilates.co.uk](http://www.bethanylucaspilates.co.uk)

#### EVERY WEDNESDAY

**Hatha Yoga Classes**  
10.30am-12.00am  
Contact Pam Keeper  
01732 458930

#### EVERY THURSDAY

Chelsfield Village Hall  
**Class Street Dance**  
4.30pm-6.00pm Boys & Girls  
all Ages  
Info: Clare 07960 865518  
[www.class-streetdance.co.uk](http://www.class-streetdance.co.uk)

#### EVERY FRIDAY

The Chelsfield (Windsor Dr.)  
**DJ NIGHT**  
From 8.30pm Contact 01689  
600656

### SPECIAL EVENTS

**Monday 5th February  
(1st Monday of Month)**  
Brass Crosby Room  
**St Martins Memory Cafe**  
2 - 4pm. Contact Jack-  
ieMcCann 01689 854119  
[memorycafe@stmartinchels-  
eld.org.uk](mailto:memorycafe@stmartinchels-<br/>eld.org.uk)

#### Wednesday 7th February

Five Bells  
**Open Mic Night**  
So all you budding musicians  
out there, come along and  
have a go! Starts at 8.30pm

#### Saturday 10th February

Five Bells  
**Bruce's Vinyl Night**  
Open Deck session with  
Dancing 'till Late! From  
8.00pm

#### Wednesday 14th February (2nd Wednesday of Month)

Chelsfield Village Hall  
**Afternoon W.I.**  
Newcomers Welcome  
Contact Gwen on 01689  
834879

#### Friday 16th February

Five Bells  
**Williw Austin Live Music**  
Music Starts at 9.00pm

#### Tuesday 20th February (3rd Tuesday of Month)

Chelsfield Village Hall  
**Evening W.I.**  
Newcomers Welcome  
From 7.45pm  
Contact Madeline 01689  
891533 or Sue on 01689  
827407

#### Wednesday 21st February

Five Bells  
**Open Mic Night**  
So all you budding musicians  
out there, come along and  
have a go! Starts at 8.30pm

#### Thursday 22nd February

Brass Crosby Room  
**Local History Group**  
Talk on The Long March by  
Peter Gandolfi Starts  
10.30am

#### Saturday 24th February

Five Bells  
**Firewalk for Charity**  
Contact the pub 01689  
821044 for details

#### Saturday 24th February

The Chelsfield, Windsor Dr.  
**Titanic Cinq 5 - Live Band**  
8.30pm  
Contact 01689 600656