

Chelsfield Players present **Flat Spin** a 2004 comedy by Alan Ayckbourn.

Joanna Rupelford is looking forward to an intimate evening in her swanky flat in Wapping with the handsome stranger from the next flat. What can go wrong? Nothing, except that her name isn't Joanna, the flat isn't hers and the stranger has some rather alarming friends.

An evening of sex, drugs, violence and pasta.

The play runs from 28th-31st March at 8pm in Chelsfield Village Hall Tickets are £7 and are available from Brenda Payne (01689 831187) Chelsfield.Players@gmail.com or

www.chelsfieldplayers.ticketsource.co.uk

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The Snowdrop

The snowdrop is a common flower which usually first appears in February and is well known for pushing its way up through snow alongside county lanes, woodlands and gardens. In fact one country name for the flower is 'snow-piercer'. It achieves this task by means of a leaf like 'spathe' or protective sheath. Another old country name is 'the fair maid of February' which connects the religious feast of purification of St Mary which occurs on the 2nd February and village maidens would wear the flowers as a sign of purity. Appearing so early in the year makes the snowdrop one of the very first indications that spring is on its way.

Its Latin name Galanthus comes from the Greek gala 'milk' and anthos 'flower'. Although many consider the snowdrop as a British wild flower. sources suggest that it has been introduced sometime between the Roman occupation and the sixteenth century.



The flower has found its way into literature and music on many occasions (Wordsworth – 'The two part Ballad', Seamus Heaney - 'Mid-





term break' and Tchaikovsky –'The Seasons – April' and others). Snowdrop was also used as a nickname for US military police during WWII because of their white helmet, gloves and gaiters.

The snowdrop is ubiquitous around Chelsfield with the woodlands to the south east of the village being probably the best general area to see this harbinger of spring.

Steve Fuller

St Martin's Toddlers Group

We have a busy term ahead celebrating Mother's Day and Easter. This month, on our craft table, we will have playdough, sticking and painting. So, come along and have some fun!

Please recommend the Group to anyone who looks after children under school age. We look forward to welcoming them. We meet in the Brass Crosby Room, 10.30am- 12 noon. Enquiries: Sarah: 01689 853415

Orpington Bowling Club - Open Days

We are having two Open Days to promote this wonderful game of Bowls and to introduce as many new people as we can to this great sport.

The dates are SUNDAY, 29th April and SATUR-DAY, 5th May from 10.00 a.m. until 7.00 p.m. Just wear something comfortable and trainers and we will provide the rest. All ages 8 years to 80+ welcome.

It will cost you nothing to try and we will even throw in some tea and biscuits. Once you have had a go we are sure you will want to come back for more and we have two National Coaches who will be able to offer free coaching session s to help you on your way. We have a Junior Section starting at 8 years and we cover all ages upwards. So come along and have a go and meet new friends and take part in a really enjoyable sport. Where are we you ask. -Goddington Park, Goddington Lane entrance on the left hand side -

look for our large sign. Please contact Stuart Smith on 01689 835005 for further information or visit our website: www.orpingtonbowling.co.uk

SPECIAL EVENTS ENTRY Sunday, 29th April & Saturday, 5th May Orpington Bowling Club, Goddington Park, Goddington Lane entrance. OPEN DAYS All ages from 8 years upwards 10a.m. to 7 p.m. 01689 835005



Local History Group Goddington House Part 2

Alexander made several failed attempts to sell Goddington by auction. starting in 1919 after the First World War. He seems to have lost heart after his son Stewart was killed in action. When he did finally get shot of it, at auction in 1931, his wife died the following year. Curiously, Miller-Hallett was in Jersev at the time and his wife was living in a hotel in Shortlands.

The man seems to have been a bit of a curmudaeon too -- in his will he cut out his son Roger from any benefit whatsoever, while one daughter, Winifred, was not to benefit if she became a nun or entered a religious community. According to the will, she was to be treated "as if she were dead". Geoffrey has never traced Roger. The late Bill Morton, that wonderful historian of Orpington and district. said he understood (we never found out the source) that Roger was addicted

to driving fast cars round the area and garaged one of them in the old building that had housed the fire engine at St Mary Cray. It would be wonderful if we could find out any more about him.

Alexander died at Rottingdean in Sussex in 1953. His former address is given in his will as Tamplin's Brewery in Brighton (that name again). I guess he must have stayed away from the antimony and the booze -- he was 97 when he died.

The next character to play a big part in Goddington's story is Samuel Glanfield, a builder from Dartford. who bought the house and land when it was put up for auction in 1931. He was a plumber. though his father Thomas was a master builder. He married Mabel Cockle at Greenwich in 1906 and they had two daughters - Lilian May, in 1907 and Ethel Eunice in

1910. Samuel Glanfield divided Goddinaton House into 10 selfcontained flats and it has been flats ever since. though now there are 13. This summer, when Geoffrey and I were looking into the current sale. Norman Tate. a surveyor who has been managing agent of Goddington for nearly 30 years, told us the house was in a bad state of disrepair when he first inspected it. The conversion seemed to have been done without the proper planning consents, the work was best described as "poorly carried out" and "the whole place was like a tinder box".

When Samuel died in 1952, his daughters inherited the house (his wife had died in 1941). They were both spinsters and lived in Flat number 7, a huge apartment on the top floor at the front. Geoff and I talked in the summer to Doreen Ellis who has lived in the house since the 1960s and knew the sisters well. She said



they didn't like spending money on the property and even refused to pay the gardener to work extra hours so that he could keep the grounds properly under control.

The sisters were devoutly religious and handed over Goddington as a gift to the Methodist Ministers' Housing Society in 1982 to provide accommodation for retired ministers. They carried on living there but their flat was divided into two and according to Tate they were "in Heaven" because their neighbour was an ex-minister who conducted a service especially for them in their own flat every day. They had Bible readings and sang hymns for hours on end.

Lilian died in 1983 and Ethel in 1997.

It is the Methodist Ministers' Housing Society that is selling the property now, of course. It believes it can use the proceeds better to help fund the charity, especially as repair and maintenance is so expensive and the income from rents is only about £127,000 a year at present. When I checked the Society's accounts, I found they spent £81,000 on Goddington in one year recently and nearly £40,000 in another.

Not all the flats at are occupied by Methodists now – most are let on shorthold tenancies at market rents, though there are one or two "protected" tenants as well who have been there a long time.

It's going to be fascinating to see how the property fares under its new ownership over the next few years. By then, Geoffrey and I may have the answers to all our outstanding questions...

Geoff Copus continued after the refreshments to tell us more about the estate.

Alexander Miller-Hallett's son, Stewart, was killed in 1916 in Mametz Wood. There is a memorial window to him in Saint Martin's depicting Saint Michael putting the Germans to flight. The aforementioned plaster ceiling has monograms of all the Miller-Hallett children and the crest over the entrance is that of the Miller-Halletts, not the Harris family as supposed by English Heritage.

When Alexander wanted to sell the estate after leaving in 1918 it is said that half of England was up for sale.

Geoff passed round papers of previous maps and sales from 1871 onwards. At the first attempt to sell in 1918 there were 371 acres including Gravel Pit Farm (opposite the War Memorial). Three lots were offered but none sold. Alexander retired to Rottingdean and became president of Sussex County Cricket Club. Through the 1930s some parts of the estate were sold off in smaller lots. Fortunately plans for development connecting Orpington to Chelsfield never came to fruition.



St Martins Church

Progress on the New Burial Ground

Now that the graziers have left from both the Tryhorn field next to the churchyard, and the Glebe Field next to the rectory, we can get on with improving both. The latter will be harrowed and improved in time for the Fete and Fair in 2012, and the boundary hedge pruned and rubbish removed. The Tryhorn will need a lot of work to prepare it for an attractive and vitally needed extension to the

burial ground. We currently only have a handful of spaces, plenty for ashes interrments. On the field are derelict pig sheds and shelters and under the grass several concrete bases, if my aerial photographs from 1967 are to be believed. Many self sown sycamores will be felled and there will be a lot of loos for firewood if anyone wants them. We cut them down, you cut them up!. The field will be nicely fenced and a few specimen trees planted, along

with pathways and benches. We estimate about 1200-1500 burial plots that should last at least 100 years so no need to rush! Various planning procedures need to be followed before we can start. Unfortunately two nice five bar gates were recently stolen.

Other news: Updated and improved noticeboards for the church are being made for better information for visitors.

Philip Lane

Faster Broadband

CallFlow are now conecting residents on the 01959 (Knockholt) exchange to fast broadband. It is currently taking BT about 2 weeks to make the connections to the CallFlow network.

Hewitts Road are now getting 15Mb/s broadband speeds from Callflow.

For residents not connected to the 01959 exchange, the service could be provided by a radio link provided your property has line-ofsight to the mobile phone mast at Well Hill. The radio connection should be able to recieve 10Mb/s broadband. In fact, the radio link works up to 10 kilometres.

If you have family of friends who can see the Well Hill mobile phone mast and they are within 10 kilometres of it, they too could have a 10MB/s broadband. For more information about CallFlow see http://

www.callflowsolutions.c om/home-broadband/ slu-broadband/slu-in-

your-ar

ea/crockenhill-and-wellhill.html or phone: 0800 280 0580



Equitable Members Action Group

Do you have an Equitable life Annuity or pension plan?

The Equitable Members Action Group (EMAG) was formed to campaign for compensation for victims of the Equitable Life debacle who suffered losses totalling some £6 billion in what was one of the UK's biggest ever financial scandals.

At the last election, as a result of sustained pressure from EMAG every Conservative and Liberal Democrat parliamentary candidate pledged individually and by manifesto to "support and vote for proper compensation for victims of the Equitable Life scandal in a scheme independent of government".

Again as a result of EMAG's pressure, the Chancellor accepted that compensation should be paid but cited "the current poor economic climate" as his excuse for short changing victims. The sum he reserved in the current spending round amounts to less than 26% of the funds required to compensate fully all of Equitable's victims. However the

principle of compensation and payment is now established and EMAG is determined that proper compensation will be paid.

The proposed payments are intrinsically unfair and mean that 950,000 people (96% of victims) will receive between 0 to 22% compensation and of the other 4% some will receive no compensation whatsoever.

Treasury Officials hope that EMAG and its victims will give up and melt away before the next spending round starts in 2013 when the economy is in better shape and they no longer have an excuse to avoid compensating the victims.

EMAG will not rest until proper compensation has been paid. If you are an Equitable victim (even if you are not sure whether you are entitled to compensation) we need your help. The progress so far has been achieved by thousands of victims badgering their MPs by letter and in person to ensure that the Equitable issue is always in the minds of MPs and ministers alike.

Please HELP US to HELP YOU – You can do so by:

- Joining your local EMAG group to help the campaign develop in your constituency
- Signing a letter to be sent to your local MP demanding full and proper compensation
- Allowing us to use your name in letters to your MP campaigning for a just settlement
- Joining other victims in a meeting with vour MP which will be led by an EMAG officer

EMAG has set up local groups in many parliamentary constituencies.

The Co-ordinator for the **Orpington Constituency** is

Alan Oliver of 113 Lovibonds Avenue, Orpington, Kent BR6 8EP. If you are willing to help EMAG in any way in its continuing campaign please contact him by email at alan oliver@hotmail.com or on 01689 856033.



Be Loud and Clear About Bowel Cancer

The team at BMI Chelsfield Park Hospital have this month been involved in a week of activities to generate awareness for Beating Bowel Cancer's 2012 'BE LOUD BE CLEAR' campaign. Dr Howard Curtis, Consultant Gastroenterologist & General Physician at BMI Chelsfield Park Hospital says, "Over the vears I have treated many patients affected by bowel cancer. The willingness of patients to speak openly and honestly with their doctors about their bowel symptoms can make a huge difference in their health outcome. I, along with the staff at Chelsfield Park Hospital am very proud to support Beating Bowel Cancer's efforts. We very much hope that our participation in the event can help encourage people to become more aware of the disease "

Here Dr Curtis answers common questions about Bowel Cancer:

1. What are the symptoms of bowel cancer? The most common symp-

toms to look out for are a persistent change in your bowel habit, particularly if you find you are going more often and are looser for a number of weeks. If you have bleeding from your bottom that you cannot explain, sudden tiredness or weight loss then you should be checked out by your GP.

2. At what age should I start worrying about

bowel cancer? The average age of patients diagnosed with bowel cancer is 75 years old. However, bowel cancer can affect people of any age. Up to 10% of the people affected are under 50 with some patients in their late teens and early twenties being diagnosed with bowel cancer. It is important that both males and females of all ages actively take responsibility for their own bowel health. If you notice any changes in your bowel you should speak to your GP.

3. How do I get screened for bowel cancer? The NHS actively screens for bowel cancer

in people over 60 years of age. However BMI Healthcare hospitals provide bowel cancer screening to patients over 45. If you have any symptoms of bowel cancer or have a strong family history of the disease then vou will be automatically referred for screening by your GP. Specialist bowel cancer screening is a quick, safe and effective way to put your mind at rest.

4. What are the causes of bowel cancer? There is often no obvious cause for bowel cancer. However if you have a close relative who has had bowel cancer then you are at more risk of inheriting the disease. Other factors, which may increase your chance of contracting bowel cancer. are a diet that is high in fat and red meat but low in fibre, fruit and vegetables. It is important to exercise regularly and to eat at least five portions of fruit and vegetables every day.

5. Is there anything I can do to prevent de-



veloping bowel cancer? It is important to be

aware of the signs and symptoms of bowel cancer, so that if you notice any change in your bowel health you can seek medical advice guickly. It's

estimated that around 90% of cases could be treated successfully if caught early enough. preventing bowel cancer developing is to avoid obesity. Obesity is the

major risk factor for bowel cancer. If you maintain a healthy diet and exercise regularly then you can Above all, the best way of lower your chance of getting bowel cancer by 50%.

Any Spare Carpet?

Does anyone have any cast off carpets or floor coverings as we need to cover the cricket pavilion floor to try and make it a bit warmer!

We can arrange to pick up. If you do please contact Dave Lambert on 01689 828427

Local Wildlife





Riot Aftermath

On Thursday 2nd February 2012 Bromley presented a number of Awards to people in the Community for various different activities, one of which was to a lady who had seen the riots on the television developing last August and had returned, in her own time, to the CCTV offices where she worked, and helped to record the images of perpetrators stealing and being up to no good. Some 2,500 hours of video images were recorded and the Police have been trawling through the pictures to identify and prosecute the offenders. It was also recorded that many of the perpetrators

were now serving custodial sentences.

John. B. Leach 01689 851333 Chelsfield Neighbourhood Watch 81 High Street, Farnborough, Kent. BR6 7BB

The Church Fete 2012

Because of the proximity to the Queen's Diamond Jubilee Celebrations the Church Fete in the Rectory Gardens has been brought forward to the 26th May

Local History Group

Christine Hellicar kindly stepped into the breach at very short notice to give us a talk about her grandfather's motor business in Balham. In 1990 Christine inherited all the catalogues which were produced for her grandfather's mail order business. The company, Withams, was set up by Christine's grandfather, an ex navy man, just after the Second World War in 1946. The name rang a bell with some of the group, still being around in the 1970s. It sold, repaired and hired cars. Then a Morris cost £99 new, but due to shortages could be obtained on the black market for £500. Not many people owned cars then and just hired cars when they needed to. Christine remembered being taken to school in one of the hire cars. Many exservicemen had developed the skills to drive and technical knowledge to service vehicles so there was a ready market for pre war cars that were "not in tip top condition" according to "A History of the MOT". Christine's grandfather recognised this opportunity and went



into car spares.

The business specialised in Austin 7 spares. It provided an exchange unit service. For example, replacement engine blocks could be fitted for £3.99. Customers would drive from as far as Devon for this service. Christine passed round several copies of the mail order catalogues and we all marvelled at the range available and the prices!

The family lived behind the garage in a very cold Georgian house, the low-

er floor being taken up by exhaust systems. There were 3 wells in the garden which caused problems when extensions were built. Eventually the house was replaced by flats to accommodate 3 generations of the family. The parts were placed in sacks and taken to the Post Office daily in a horse and cart. On one occasion a postman was knocked out by a silencer. Christine told us a few tales of the mad and dangerous things that people got up to in those days

cutting up and welding bits of various cars to make "specials".

With the growth of spares manufacturers in the Midlands, competition became greater and the days of buying up old cars and doing them up with spares are now gone.

Christine is a member of Bromley Borough Local History Group. You can find out more at http://bblhs.website.orang e.co.uk, or by phoning 020 8467 3842

The BIG Lunch & Diamond Jubilee Celebration

Plans are well underway for this, what promises to be, most wonderful day!

Regular meetings are taking place to set up all the events and set the programme.

If you have any ideas, or would like to get involved and help in any way, please contact Anne on 01689 826349. The next meeting is on 13th March in the Parish Room at 7.30pm, and will not last more than an hour!

The Big Lunch is taking place on

SUNDAY JUNE 3rd

There will be Fancy Dress, Live Music and Dancing, Barbeque, Stalls and a host of other events throughout the day, So

SAVE THE DATE

Make a special note in your diary, this is a day out not to be missed!





Chelsfield Park Hospital support Under 13's



The Hospitals Deputy Theatre Manager Tom Shrubshall (far right) with the Orpington under 13's Football Club

Rubbish Dumping

Bromley is taking a tough line with offenders who dump rubbish. William Lines is the Environmental Office who says that he will take all measures to eliminate dumping and fly tipping in the Borough. It is an offence to dump any kind of rubbish, including vegetation, anywhere other than the approved dumps. With the ever increasing Land Fill Tax, we can expect a greater incidence of

dumping to occur. William explained that he had powers, to prosecute, even if the dumping is on Private Property. The key is to try to identify the person dumping. If you see anybody, then make a note of vehicle number and take photographs of any dumping process. Should a person be identified dumping materials, and/or the dumped materials contain any identifying

source of the material, then action can be taken. William Lines number is 0208 313 4833 or William.lines@bromley.gov.uk

From the office of John. B. Leach Mob 07711 304965 Office 01689 851333 Fax 01689 851830 Chelsfield Neighbourhood Watch 81 High Street, Farnborough, Kent. BR6 7BB



Follow Up To Goddington House

I had a long chat with Russell Clarke of Sundridae Investments Ltd, the man who is buving Goddington. He was very amenable and quite forthcoming about what he and his business partner Paul Tearle hope to do with the property. Clarke is aware that certain things on the public record about Goddington don't quite add up - he actually thought he was buying the Harris family manor when he agreed to buy – and he is keen to know as much as he can about the house. He will probably set up a website devoted to Goddington as part of his marketing and promotion efforts. Geoffrey and I have provided him with pictures and copies of documents we have found over recent months and written him a two-part narrative about Goddington's owners and changes during its lifetime. Geoffrey. of course. dealt with the earlier history as far as he has been able to reconstruct it, and I handled the period from 1871 up to date. Clarke says he will try to get English Heritage to correct the Goddington listing details.

The new owners think the house deserves to be distinguished by changing its name to Goddington Manor, which Geoffrey assured them is perfectly appropriate. Clarke says he wants to celebrate the house's history and thinks it would be "too boring" just to buy a property, do it up and sell it on. He doesn't anticipate problems with the fact that Goddington is a listed building.

Clarke, who is in his forties, lives at Sundridge Park and knows Bromley well, having been a pupil at school at Kelsey Park at one time. Paul Tearle also lives at Sundridge Park. One thing Clarke hopes to do is remove several enormous conifers at Goddington to

open up the views of and from the house. Eventually he wants to build a few (he did not specify how many) detached houses on the area of the arounds where the tennis courts used to be - ie to the left of the entrance to the drive looking from Court Road – and again this will involve the removal of quite a number of trees. Clarke says he has dealt with Bromley Council on many occasions on planning matters and knows many of Bromley officers well, including Coral Gibson, who is responsible for tree preservation orders. and he does not anticipate insurmountable problems.

Meanwhile, the plan is to improve the existing flats – probably extending two of them by using some of the roof space – and to tackle the poorlyexecuted single storey extension to the right flank of the house. The idea is to give some of



the flats an extra bedroom and to improve their facilities with good bathrooms and showers and update kitchens and perhaps gain one or two more flats overall. They will be sold on long leaseholds rather than rented out. The around floor to the left of the entrance hall will probably be divided up in a different way to provide better and more efficient accommodation - including creating an enormous two-bedroom apartment which will contain the

large lounge that sports the impressive incised plaster ceiling with the initials of Alexander Miller-Hallett and his family. Clarke expects all this work to take 18 months.

The income from rents at Goddington House is totally uneconomic at present, according to Clarke, and the costs of maintenance are huge, which is why the Methodist Ministers wanted to get rid of it. Several of the apartments are already empty and meetings are being held with existing tenants to see what they want to do. The few "protected" tenants will be able to stay on if they choose. Wayside Cottage, which stands to the right of the entrance drive to the main house and was part of the deal, is rented by a family of four at present and they can continue to live there, Clarke says. That property is in poor condition, he said.

Patrick Hellicar

Letter - More than Green Woodpeckers!

Reading about Green Woodpeckers in peoples gardens, they are regular visitors to our garden, also the following: Great Spotted Woodpecker,

Jay, Bluetits, Goldfinch, Wren, Robin, Sparrows, Chaffinch, Wagtails, Starlings, Blackbirds, Thrush Great Tit, Long Tailed Tit, Bullfinch,

Dunnock, Fieldfare and the usual Doves, Crows, Woodpigeons and Magpies—recently a Kestrel.

Hollybush Lane Resident

The Trading Standards Institute is urging consumers to be aware of rogue telephone cold callers offering energy saving devices, after Trading Standards officers up and down the

More Scams

country have received hundreds of complaints.

Also, Bromley Police have issued a warning against fraudsters who telephone under the pretext of being your bank and requesting security information. NEVER disclose any personal details over the telephone. Always initiate the phone call yourself by telephoning your bank at a number you know is correct.



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Gritting The Winter Roads

We (London Borough of Bromley) are legally required to treat roads in winter to ensure 'safe passage' as far as is reasonably practical.

We use detailed local forecasts from the London Met Office to predict when frost or ice is likely to form on the road surface.

What we do When the road

temperatures are predicted to be at or below freezing, our gritting crews will be salting the main routes across the borough, with this work typically taking place at night time and or in the early hours of the morning.

We provide 'salt' bins at locations that are not on the priority routes as a self-help facility. These contain grit, rather than salt, as it is more effective on compacted ice and in very low temperatures.

We are unable to respond to individual requests to treat specific areas immediately. However you can <u>sug-</u> <u>gest that a road or pave-</u> <u>ment be added</u> to the winter service treatment routes and this will be reviewed in April 2012

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS

Bromley Council

Main switchboard: 020 8464 3333 E-mail: csc@bromley.gov.uk 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.

Mobile Library The mobile library stops outside Chelsfield Village School on Tuesdays between 11:15 and 11:45.

BMI

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Chelsfield Village Society cvscontact@gmail.com

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BT Line Faults 0800 800151

Electrical Power Failure (EDF) 08007838866

Thames Water Emergencies 0845 9200800

Transco Gas Emergency Service 0800 111999

Orpington Police Station 1000-1800 Monday-Saturday 0300 1231212

Samaritans 01689 833000

NHS Direct 0845 4647

Safer Neighbourhood Team 020 8721 2605

Chelsfield Village Hall (bookings)

01689 855617

Village Neighbourhood Watch

Contact John Leach 07711304965



WEEKLY EVENTS

EVERY MONDAY

Chelsfield Methodist Hall Windsor Drive

Iyengar Yoga Classes

9.30am-11.00am Suitable for Beginners Contact Denise on 01689 853215

EVERY MONDAY

Five Bells

All You Can Eat Curry Night

from 9.00pm

EVERY TUESDAY (Last 13th Dec - Back 10th Jan) Brass Crosby Room

St Martin's Toddler

Group

10.30am-12.00 midday Contact Sarah Ford: 01689 853415

EVERY TUESDAY

Five Bells

Charity Quiz Night

from 9.00pm

EVERY WEDNESDAY

Hatha Yoga

Classes

10.30am-12.00am Contact Pam Keeper on 01732 458930

EVERY THURSDAY

St Martin of Tours Church

Viva Acappella

Ladies Barbershop Chorus Practice Contact Helen 07984 961696

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

SPECIAL EVENTS

Wednesday 29th February (1st & 3rd Wednesdays) Parish Room-Skibbs Lane

Internet Cafe & Local History Transcription 2.30-4.30pm

Thursday 1st March The Five Bells

Live Jazz

Starts 8.30pm

Wednesday 7th March (1st Wednesday each Month) Orpington Village Hall

Country Market

10.00am-11.00am Thursday 8th March

The Five Bells

International Womens Day

All women diners will be offered a free starter or desert!

Saturday 17th March The Five Bells

St Patricks Day

Live Music from "Fiddlefit" Starts 8.00pm

Sunday 18th March The Five Bells

Mothers Day

Special Menu

Wednesday 21st March (1st & 3rd Wednesdays) Parish Room-Skibbs Lane Internet Cafe & Local History Transcription 2.30-4.30pm Wednesday 21st March (1st & 3rd Wednesdays) Parish Room-Skibbs Lane Internet Cafe & Local History Transcription 2.30-4.30pm

Wednesday 21st March The Five Bells

Indian New Year

Curry Night

Wednesday 28th – Saturday 31st March Chelsfield Village Hall

Flat Spin

A production by Chelsfield Players 8.00pm (see page 7 for full details and booking)

Friday 30th March The Five Bells

Race Night

An evening at the Races!

Sunday 29th April Orpington Bowling Club Goddington Park

Open Day

10.00am-7.00pm all ages welcome

Sunday 3rd June The Rectory Gardens

THE BIG LUNCH

for the Queens Jubilee

Saturday 26th May The Rectory Gardens

Church Fete

from 12.30pm

Saturday 14th July Chelsfield Cricket Ground

Village Fair

-from Mid-day