

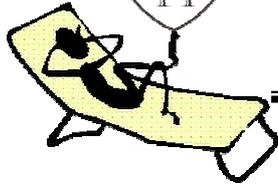


# LYMINGE HISTORICAL SOCIETY

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## LHS Whitsun Newsletter 2013



**W**ith the coming of warmer and we hope drier weather we embark on our three trips for this year. We hope you enjoy these outings and offer our thanks and appreciation to those of you who provide other members a lift.

If you have ideas for future trips please let us know and we will see if we can make arrangements. Unfortunately the rising costs of fuel have meant we cannot offer coach trips to farther-a-field locations. We will continue to monitor the situation and if any reasonably priced trips come to our attention we will check with you to see if any are viable.

### **2013 LHS SUMMER TRIPS AND EVENTS:**



1. 15<sup>th</sup> June – Tour of the Western Heights with John & Jane Buss. Meet at 1:15pm outside the Methodist Church if you are offering a lift or need one. If you haven't already done so please let Katharine know if you are going.
2. It is not too late to sign up for the Maidstone Museum trip on 2<sup>nd</sup> July – we meet at **12pm** outside the Methodist Church if you are offering a lift or need one. This is a change to the original meeting time.  
The talk starts at 2pm in Maidstone Museum. We would remind you that there is a park & ride facility. We have provided a map of the area around the museum one for each car – please see Katharine for a copy.
3. August 6<sup>th</sup> the guided tour of Sandwich, we meet at 12pm outside the Methodist Church if you are offering a lift or need one. The tour starts at 2pm; we will announce via the July or August Parish Newsletter the venue once we have confirmation from the Sandwich Local History Society. Let Katharine know, if you haven't already, whether you will be going.
4. Please remember that from September we start the talks at the new time of 7:30pm not 7:45pm.  
The talk in September is on the Kent Coal Fields by Jim Davies co-author of a history of the Kent Coalfield "*Invicta Coal*".



### **MEMBERS' INFORMATION**

1. Could you please let Daphne know your email address - assuming you have one? As we have announced before we are looking for ways to keep you informed at other times than at these meetings and email seems to be one of the ways we can do this.

If you do not have email do not worry, we will ensure we put in place other means of communication for you. But we do need to know if you have an email address that you look at regularly.



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2. **First Aiders** – if you have a current First Aiders' certificate and you are willing to come forward when necessary during our meetings or trips could you please identify yourselves to Daphne? We obviously want more than one volunteer so we have a good chance of having someone available when needed.



### **PUBLICATIONS**

1. Today we have taken delivery of revised copies of the **Lyminge Guided Walk**. We will be replacing the copies of the earlier Guide in the shops with the updated version. Copies are available tonight at £2.00 a copy. The revision includes a lighter weight cover, updated text, refreshed and new photographs. Plus we have restructured the map to include some of the footpaths and the main thoroughfares of Silverlands.
2. Talking of walk guides – we hope, once we have reduced the stocks of the old **Etchinghill Guide**, to produce an updated version. We are talking to an Etchinghill member about this. If you would like to assist please let me know after the meeting.
3. **Lyminge a history Part 3** is selling well and I am pleased to announce that we have already covered the printing costs. If it continues at this rate we will have to have another print run soon.
4. **Part 4** of the *history* is on track and expected to be published by October in time for overseas posting and Christmas stockings.
5. **New Copy**. We are looking for local memories, stories, diaries, histories etc. for part 5. Please let us know if you have some to share or you know of someone who would like to share their memories of the parish.
6. We are looking at the possibility of producing a guide to the Parish Church's graveyard – this will be in a booklet form similar in style to the **Lyminge Guided Walk**. Gerry Darnley has turned in a superb analysis of the earlier grave plans and we are making arrangements for the data to be checked on the ground – so-to-speak, and added to where necessary.

### **THE ARCHIVE PROJECT**

The Archive Cataloguing effort has borne fruit and we now have the majority of the *document archive* checked. Our dependable and much appreciated volunteers have provided us with the input sheets to create the catalogue.



We are now looking for more volunteers to help type up these sheets and create the online catalogue. Can you help? If you have used a computer can spare a little time your help will be greatly appreciated. Guidance and facilities will be provided.

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We have a huge collection of photographs – quite a few of which need identifying in terms of the location, people, event etc. Would you like to be involved? It will be a matter of looking at a picture then, if you recognise aspects of it, filling in a form; another pencil, paper and eraser job.

## ***THOMAS HOGBEN'S 1760 MAP OF LYMINGE***

At Christmas we announced our intention to mount a copy of this historic map in a new display board by the existing map next to the Post Office. Since then a further map – known as the Bedingfield Map dated 1685, has come to our attention and with agreement with the Rector we now intend to include a copy of this map as well. Placing *Street Furniture* in a public area requires permission. We are currently in negotiation with the relevant authorities to gain these permits.

## ***LHS WEBSITE***

We are having a slight problem with getting our website updated so please bear with us whilst we find – hopefully, a permanent solution. There is a skeletal version online at [www.lymingehistoricalsociety.co.uk](http://www.lymingehistoricalsociety.co.uk) but the link is proving unreliable and we are having teething problems with updating the pages and adding data.



## ***2013 ARCHAEOLOGICAL DIG***

As you know there is another dig taking place in Lyminge starting on the 22 July 2013. In the past whilst our members have assisted the diggers with cakes and their scrubbing skills the Society has limited its direct activities to hosting the end of Dig talk.



This year whilst we will continue to support the talk we thought it would be nice to provide more direct action. So, with the help of Rosemary Piddock as our liaison officer and Stuart Hunnisett acting for the Dig, the Society will provide a welcoming supper for the diggers in the Village Hall on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> July. This will be funded from the sales of our books.

If you would like to help on the evening to layout the hall, help serve the food and clear up afterwards please let John Carr know on 862972- your reward is a free supper.

Have a great summer and enjoy the trips. See you on September 3<sup>rd</sup> for a 7:30pm start.



John Carr

LHS Chairman - 4 June 2013

