

**LOWER HALSTOW**  
**VILLAGE NEWS**

**NOVEMBER 2015**



**Pilot Officer George Henry Corbett,**  
**November 4th 1919 - October 8th 1940,**  
buried in St Mary churchyard, Upchurch, after his  
aircraft was shot down close to Lower Halstow, Kent.  
(see page 7)

**We will remember them at the**  
**REMEMBRANCE DAY SERVICE**  
**at St. Margaret's Church**  
**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November at 10.30 a.m.**

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**St. MARGARET'S CHURCH**

## **SERVICES AT ST. MARGARET'S IN NOVEMBER**

### **Sunday 1<sup>st</sup> November**

8.00 a.m. Communion by extension. B.C.P. Spoken

### **Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November**

10.30 a.m. **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE**

### **Sunday 15<sup>th</sup> November**

10.30 a.m. Morning Worship

4.00 p.m. Evensong (please note change of time)

### **Sunday 22<sup>nd</sup> November**

10.00 a.m. for 10.30 a.m. **FAMILY TIME**

Refreshments at 10.00 a.m.

The service starts at 10.30 a.m.

### **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> November**

10.30 a.m. Sung Communion at Upchurch

## **ALTAR FLOWER ROTA**

November 1<sup>st</sup> Georgina Kindred; 8<sup>th</sup> Maggie Mills & Fiona Harrington;

15<sup>th</sup> Liz Moulard; 22<sup>nd</sup> Yvonne Quigley; 29<sup>th</sup> Jackie Swift & Joan Mustoo.

December 6<sup>th</sup> Ursula Aylward.

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SEND YOUR NEWS. IT HELPS TO SEND IT AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.*

**Saturday 26th September** ... from Kay ... **CANCELLATION of THE GREEN ROCK RIVER BAND.** I am so disappointed and sorry, but this event had to be cancelled because of lack of people requesting tickets. So, if you would like to, please give me a call on 01795 844408 for me to put through your letter box a survey asking what you and your families would like as entertainment in 2016.

**VILLAGE DIARY FOR NOVEMBER** and other dates for your diary.

**Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> November** **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** in the **MEMORIAL HALL.** Parish Council meetings commence at **7.00 p.m.** for a public open time, followed by the Parish Council business.

**Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> November** **DEADLINE FOR LETTING URSULA KNOW IF YOU ARE OVER 60 AND WOULD LIKE TO COME TO THE OVER 60s' CHRISTMAS PARTY ON SUNDAY 6<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER AT 3.00 p.m. IN THE MEMORIAL HALL.** Ursula needs to know by this date so that she can send the invitations and make all the arrangements. She can be contacted at 7 Burntwick Drive or tel: 842924. (*Editor's note – a traditional village occasion not to be missed if you are eligible.*)

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** **DEADLINE DATE FOR BLYTHSWOOD SHOEBOXES**  
Una, 2, Cumberland Drive, or Jackie 48, School Lane, will be pleased to see you with your boxes.

**Friday 6<sup>th</sup> November** **GAMES AFTERNOON** at the Memorial Hall between **2.00 p.m. and 4.00 p.m.** which includes Scrabble, Rummy, Whist, Euchre and many more card or board games. We charge £1.50 for a cup of tea/coffee and biscuits, and you will receive a very warm welcome.

**Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November** **BREAKFAST CLUB** for Primary school children. Please come along to **the church at 9.30 a.m.** for the usual continental type breakfast, which will be followed by a selection of games and activities all related to our theme for the day. As usual the session will finish at 11.30 a.m. Please contact Liz Hadley, (842654) or Hilary Gates, (841632) for further information.

**Sunday 8<sup>th</sup> November** **REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY SERVICE** at **10.30 a.m. in the Church.** As always, we will be remembering and honouring those from the village who lost their lives in past wars. They are mentioned by name, but there are no doubt many of the newer residents who have relatives who also could be mentioned. If any of you have names to be added please get in touch with Alan Swift on 824749 or [alswift@dsl.pipex.com](mailto:alswift@dsl.pipex.com)) with details of anyone you would like mentioned.

**UpARA** (Upchurch Active Retirement Association)

**Monthly Meeting:** **Friday 13<sup>th</sup> November** **2.00 p.m.** Members free; Guests £2

**Ten Pin Bowling:** **Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> November** **9.45 a.m.**

**Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> November** (KentARA Gravesend)

**Coffee Morning :** **Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> November** Members £1.50; Guests £2

**Outing:** **Saturday 21<sup>st</sup> November** **Sittingbourne Greyhound Track**

**Walks** 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Fridays

**Saturday 21st November** The Memorial Hall Committee are holding **the Lower Halstow's WINTER WONDERLAND MARKET** from 10.00 a.m. - 4.00 p.m.

We are supporting the PDSA Animals Trust and 'Dream Flights' for children who are terminally ill to be taken on their Dream Flight.

Our Lower Halstow Cubs will be selling raffle tickets on behalf of Dream Flights for Children.

Jill Peters will be selling raffle tickets too on behalf of The PDSA Animal Trust.

Come and visit our 'Food Court' to taste our Hot Pancakes with great toppings, Hot Dogs, and warm yourselves with some hot mulled wine, and see our Fresh Food too.

In the 'Main Hall' we will have stalls selling wonderful gifts for all the family maybe chocolates or jewellery for mum, a bird box for dad, a toy for your brother or sister and for Granny a warm hat or scarf. Or enjoy a sit down with a cup of tea and a mince pie.

In front of the hall we have stalls selling material, for maybe to make that certain dress or outfit.

Our entertainment during the day begins with: -

**10.00 a.m. The Paula Buxton Dance Studios** will be entertaining us with a Festive Dance and Singing routine.

**11.00 a.m.** We all have our fingers crossed because **Father Christmas** has promised to visit us.

**12.00 noon The Lower Halstow Tai Chi Class** will show you a Tai Chi Routine.

**1.00 p.m. Georgina** will be showing us how to make some beautiful **decorations with tissue paper**.

**2.00 p.m. Jennifer** will show us how her beautiful **fragrant wax** can enhance your home, without flames.

**3.00 p.m.** The Raffles will be drawn.

**4.00 p.m. The Salvation Army Band** will bring our Market to an end, with all of us hearing them play and singing along with **Christmas Carols**.

We hope you will have a wonderful day, and please have a safe journey home.

Please be aware that for the moment, nothing is set in stone, therefore there may be changes.

**Thursday 26<sup>th</sup> November COFFEE STOP in St Margaret's Church. 9.30 a.m. - 11.30 a.m.** (and every fourth Thursday in the month). We serve hot or cold drinks, cakes, toasted sandwiches and home-made savouries etc. at very reasonable prices, in the beautiful setting of our ancient village church. Everyone welcome.

**Friday 27<sup>th</sup> November Scout Group QUIZ, 8.00 p.m. in the Memorial Hall.** A fun and friendly evening with Mike (pub quiz) providing the questions, raising funds to support local young people.

**Tables of 6 at £5 per head** - table snacks provided - bring your own drink - raffle too. Book with Mick on 842587

**Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November CHRISTMAS CRAFT FAIR at St.Margaret's Church, 1.00 p.m. to 3.00 p.m.** Join us for a wide range of crafts, gifts and home baking, including jewellery, needlework, fountain pens, cards, local honey and woodwork. Refreshments available.

Please note the Three Tuns Public House will also be holding its Christmas Market, making a trip to the village very worthwhile! We look forward to welcoming you!

### **REGULAR DATES**

**Every Monday 10.00 a.m.** Free **HEALTH WALKS** starting from the main entrance to The Brick Fields. A brisk walk of up to two hours on mainly flat ground. Sturdy shoes and a rain coat recommended.

**Every Monday 1.00 p.m.** **THE LIBRARY VAN** calls at **Lower Halstow** outside the **Memorial Hall**.

**Every Monday** **SHORT MAT BOWLS 2.00 – 4.00 p.m.** in the **Memorial Hall**

**Every Wednesday** **SHORT MAT BOWLS 7.30 – 9.30 p.m.** in the **Memorial Hall**

**Every first Wednesday of the month** **QUIZ NIGHT** at **The Three Tuns**.

**Not quite a regular date** – Usually every fourth Tuesday of January, February March, April, July, September and October **Gardening Club** meets in the **Memorial Hall** at **7.30 p.m.** We have speakers who come to the Hall and give a talk on a variety of topics. These will always be published beforehand in the Newsletter and visitors are always very welcome.

**The fourth Thursday of every month** **THE BRIDGE COFFEE STOP** in **St. MARGARET'S CHURCH, 9.30 – 11.30 a.m.**

## **PASTORAL LETTER**

Dear Friends,

American rituals. Speaking as a Yank, I have to admit that we admire and envy British rituals. We have had to invent our own, and I have just returned from a celebration in my home town of Kewanee, Illinois, of one of the most enduring of these – the High School Class Reunion.

High School Graduation is a major rite of passage into adult life in the USA. It is commemorated by every graduating class in nearly every high school by a reunion every five years, to the end of time, or until no one is left, whichever comes first. I am in the Class of 1960, and we have just had our 55<sup>th</sup> anniversary reunion.

Only about 20 of the original 42 are left (our school is a very small one), and only 14 could make it, but we had a wonderful time. All the anxieties and tensions of adolescence were far behind. We missed those who couldn't come, and mourned those who had passed on. Mainly we just revelled in each other's company. We remembered with laughter all our ups and downs, triumphs and disasters. We took turns sharing anecdotes and tales about our teenage selves so long ago.

Distance and time both blur and sharpen memories. Even if details aren't so reliable, we can see more clearly what is most important – those lives which shaped our own, those times which formed us all. We can enjoy the presence of all those still with us on that journey on which we all embarked back then. I suppose we're all getting closer to heaven together, marching in step, but we're also getting a foretaste of heaven, that consummation of human relationships and the value of human life which forgives all, and treasures everyone. It was a great experience, giving us all a better understanding of what is really of value, being together and being at one in mutual love.

Sincerely, Revd Ron Partridge, Lower Halstow.

## **HARVEST FESTIVAL**

The weekend of the 9th - 12th October was our Harvest Festival, starting with the school service on Friday 9th October. All the children came to the church with their Harvest gifts, and enjoyed a service in which they all take part. Sunday was the village Harvest Festival, and again produce and many other food items, even chocolates, were brought along. On the Monday evening we had the fun auction in the church. Les Stevens was the auctioneer. He has done this job now for 35 years. Lots of bargains were to be had by about 30 people, including children, who came for the evening. The children enjoy being runners, taking the items to the successful bidders and we really appreciate them. This year we raised £140 at the auction and this will go to Sittingbourne Salvation Army together with £146.50 from the collection at the Harvest Festival Sunday service. Jackie Swift, churchwarden.

## **ST. MARGARET'S - OUR CHURCH**

After seeing in a local newspaper that a church has closed in Sittingbourne, we in Halstow must be thankful that we have an active village church, but it does not function by itself. There are many jobs that wonderful people come and do quietly. It would fill the page to list them all, but there is still a lot to do and we can find room for anyone who would like to come and join our community of helpers. You don't have to be a regular church goer. I would love anyone to think about having a chat with me, and joining us. Nothing is difficult. All you need is a willing heart. The Rev. Julian and his team work hard to maintain regular services to suit all our individual needs and they would be pleased to see you at any of our varied Sunday services. Jackie Swift, churchwarden. *(Editor's note - Jackie works harder than anyone. Please do think seriously about helping her before she wears herself out – then we really would be in trouble.)*



**What is Alpha?** Alpha is a series of interactive sessions that freely explore the basics of the Christian faith and is for anyone who is curious. Each session starts with a simple meal followed by a talk. The talks are designed to encourage discussion, and provide a place where we can feel able to ask questions about the Christian faith in a friendly, honest and informal way, in the comfort of a home.

*“Come and you will see”.* John 1:39

The first disciples came to Jesus with questions. They wanted to know for themselves whether what they had heard about him was true. Many of us have questions too.

Do you have questions about the Christian faith, but feel you can't ask them in the Sunday service?

- Do you want to understand more about what it means to be a follower of Jesus today?

**Who is this for?** It is for anyone. It is for those who feel they are starting out on the Christian journey but feel they don't know much.

- It is for those who have been Christians, part of the church for many years, wanting to have a refresher.
- It is for those who are not sure what they believe or think. **What happens?** Each session lasts up to two and a half hours, and will include:
  - A time of welcome with a simple meal of soup, bread, cheese and fruit. This gives us a chance to chat, to get to know one another.
  - An informal time of worship
  - A talk followed by discussion groups
  - A time of prayer: This will close each session as we relate what has been learnt to daily living.

**When and where?** The group will meet fortnightly, at Newington Vicarage, Church Lane ME97JU at 7.00pm.

### **What are the sessions?**

- **5th Nov**- Is there more to life than this?
- **19th Nov** - Who is Jesus?
- **3rd Dec** - Why did Jesus die?
- **17th Dec** - How can we have faith?
- **7th Jan** - Why and how do I pray?
- **21st Jan** - Why and how do I read the Bible?
- **4th Feb** - How does God guide us?
- **Away Day Sat 27<sup>th</sup> Feb**  
Who is the Holy Spirit?  
What does the Holy Spirit do?  
How can I be filled with the Holy Spirit?
- **Thurs 3rd March** - Why and how should I tell others?
- **17th March** - Does God heal today?
- **14th April** - What about the church?

**What do I do next?** If you are interested to find out more first, do speak to any of the following:

- Julian Staniforth      tel: 01795 227329
- Andrea Staniforth
- Stephen Plumb      tel: 01795 470418
- Mark Ham      tel: 01634 3607



October 8th this year (2015) marks the 75th anniversary of the death of Canadian, Pilot Officer George Henry Corbett 1919-1940. He is the Virgin buried in St Mary churchyard, Upchurch after his aircraft was shot down close to Lower Halstow, Kent.

George Corbett 81366 of the Royal Air Force Volunteer Reserve, Blue 2 of B Flight, 66 Squadron died aged 20. Flying his Spitfire R6779 out of RAF Gravesend he took off at 08.30 with two other aircraft, PO Robert Oxspring 40743, 1912-1985 and PO Charles Alfred Cooke 43634, 1919-1989.

After refuelling at RAF Hawkinge, Corbett rejoined his patrol. He was attacked at 23,000 feet close to Herne Bay by an aircraft coming out of the sun. He was shot down and killed after combat with Adolf 'Dolfo' Galland in a Messerschmitt BF109. His Spitfire crash landed on Bayford Marshes near Lower Halstow on a cloudy Tuesday morning 09.30 October 8th 1940.

Reverend William Joseph Wright (1897-1963) was at his church, St Margaret of Antioch, Lower Halstow. He ran to the crash site after watching the "dog-fight" overhead, but it was clear, due to the bullet damage around the cockpit, that George Corbett had been killed instantly before the crash. Reverend Wright offered prayers and a blessing, remaining with the body until it was officially recovered, the pilot's own parachute acting as a shroud.

Pilot Officer George Corbett was laid to rest in St. Mary the Virgin churchyard in Upchurch with full military honours. The service led by Reverend Wright was attended by members of the Royal Air Force, other service organisations and residents from Lower Halstow and Upchurch village. Parents Henry Claude Corbett and Mabel Corbett of Oak Bay, Victoria, British Columbia, Canada, were originally from Royal Tunbridge Wells before they emigrated. After his death, they installed a large stained glass window, almost "life-size" showing their son in his RAF uniform, at their home church of St Mary the Virgin, Oak Bay, in remembrance. Each November 11th, a single red rose has been placed by the stained window by family members.

The grave was re-dedicated in 1981 after extra work had been completed. Royal Air Force officers and officials, Swale Borough Council officials, parish and borough councillors from both Lower Halstow and Upchurch joined a large number of local residents, along with family members from Canada at the special ceremony.

In 1982 the engine and propeller were recovered from the Bayford Marsh mud with the help of an American Air Force helicopter, organised by aviation historian Mark Kirby from Kent. These and other aircraft parts were moved to Tangmere Military Museum, Chichester in West Sussex. Later the parts were moved again to a small museum on the Isle of Wight.



Reverend William Wright, well remembered in the parish, joined the Church of England and was ordained in Sheffield, Yorkshire in 1934. He was curate for St Georges Church, Brinsworth near Rotherham in the 1930's and then the 11th century church in Lower Halstow from September 1937 until November 1945. He then moved to St Phillips Church, in Maidstone, until 1961. He next became the Rector for Great Mongeham and Ripple near Deal in Kent. Reverend Wright suffered a heart attack while cutting down a Hawthorn tree, which he hated, in the garden of the vicarage. He died aged 66 in 1963 and is buried in St Mary the Virgin churchyard, Ripple.

*\*\*A longer version of this story with several photographs appears in the September edition of Bygone Kent Magazine and the Royal Canadian Forces Magazine\*\**

**MOBILITY AIDS** St. Margaret's has items in excellent condition, i.e. wheelchairs, commode, etc. These are available for emergency borrowing, We are always pleased when the church can help in the community. Please contact Tricia 01795 842419, Jackie 01795 842749 or Ursula 01795 842924.

## **PARISH COUNCIL**

**Parish Clerk** Christine Fordham, 18 Cumberland Drive, Lower Halstow. Tel: 01795 844060, or email [clerk.lhpc@gmail.com](mailto:clerk.lhpc@gmail.com)

**Christmas Tree Light Switch on.** The Christmas Tree Lights will be switched on by Father Christmas at 6.30 p.m. on Saturday 28<sup>th</sup> November. Come and join us at the Village Green to enjoy carol singing, mince pies and mulled wine from 6.15 p.m. onwards.

**Westfield Car Park** The Parish Council are considering changes to the car park at Westfield and every household at Westfield will receive a questionnaire asking for their opinion on the proposed changes.

**Chimney Fires** Kent Fire and Rescue Services report that there were 1,350 chimney fires in the County between 2010 and 2014. KFRS are now operating a free reminder service to residents about having their chimney swept. You can sign up for the reminder service at <http://www.kent.fire-uk.org/news/news-releases/september-2015/dont-give-us-the-brush-off-sign-up-to-alerts-and-avert-a-fire/> – it might just save your life.

**Lighting Consultation** KCC are carrying out another consultation on street lighting and the consultation can be found at <http://consultations.kent.gov.uk/consult.ti/streetlighting>. Please note, however, that none of the lights in Lower Halstow are owned or managed by KCC; all lighting belongs to the Parish Council.

**Filming on the Brickfields** The Parish Council hope that Warner Brothers will shoot a small film scene on the Brickfields/creek area at the end of November/beginning of December. The scene should be part of a major new family adventure film. Although the filming itself will probably only last one day, it is likely that there will be some disruption around the site for 10-14 days as they prepare and then take down the set. Up to 250 people will be on site on the day. The Parish Council anticipate that this venture will bring some small benefit to the area financially, but the Council and Warner Brothers also hope that parishioners will enjoy observing the process of how a major film is made. The only part of the Brickfields that is likely to be out of public use for a few days is the dock area. If you have any queries, please contact the Parish Clerk.

## **LOWER HALSTOW SCHOOL NEWS**

### **2016 New Entrant's Tours**

**Leadership Tours:** Tour the school with a member of the school leadership team!

An opportunity to meet the leadership team, speak to the children and see a 'Good' school at work on Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, Morning Session 9:30 am – 11:30 am. Afternoon Session 1:30 pm – 3:00 pm. Please contact the school to make an appointment.

**Child-led Tours:**



Hear what the school is like from the people that know the best on Wednesday 25<sup>th</sup> November 1.30 p.m. – 3.00 p.m.  
For further information, or to book a time slot, please contact Lower Halstow School, 01795 842344 or [cheryl.minter@lower-halstow.Kent.sch.uk](mailto:cheryl.minter@lower-halstow.Kent.sch.uk)

**FOR SALE – Cox 22' motor boat.** New 13.5bhp Beta Marine engine. Moored at Lower Halstow Yacht Club, 2 berths, a galley with a 2 ring hob and grill, separate flushing toilet cubicle and a large 4 person cockpit. The boat was used for local fishing trips and family days out, but a health condition means that we can no longer make use of the boat. £7,500. Photos available. For more information and to view call Will Ransley on 01795 843871, or 07889 600677 or email [ransleyprojects@gmail.com](mailto:ransleyprojects@gmail.com)

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**MR. DIG-IT'S GARDEN SERVICE** (formerly Lower Halstow) For one-off or regular visits call Peter on 01634 574676 or 07787 813 512.

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The Three Tuns 842840

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Judo Club (Jon) 07944755036.

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Noise nuisance 417850 (out-of-hours 07881817601)

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Parish Council Website: [www.lowerhalstowpc.kentparishes.gov.uk](http://www.lowerhalstowpc.kentparishes.gov.uk).

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**If any number changes, or you are no longer a contact person,  
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