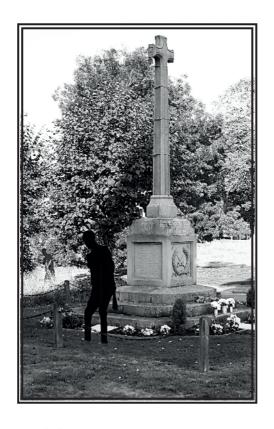
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Tower



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If I should die, think only this of me:

That there's some corner of a foreign field

That is forever England. There shall be

In that rich earth a richer dust concealed;

A dust whom England bore, shaped, made aware,

Gave, once, her flowers to love, her ways to roam,

A body of England's, breathing English air,

Washed by the rivers, blest by the suns of home.

And think, this heart, all evil shed away,

A pulse in the eternal mind, no less

Gives somewhere back the thoughts by England given;

Her sights and sounds; dreams happy as her day;

And laughter, learnt of friends; and gentleness,

In hearts at peace, under an English heaven.

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To all "Tower" Contributors

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VILLAGE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION – The Parish Council entered Kingsclere into the Fullers Hampshire and Isle of Wight Village of the Year Competition for 2018. I am delighted to report that Kingsclere won the Excellence in Localism award and came runner up in the Best Small Village category. The awards reflect what a great place Kingsclere is to live in with lots of volunteers in the village doing lots of great things. This was the first time the current Parish Council had entered and has given us a feel for not only what we need to do to win but also where we can improve. The village was presented with a cheque for £100 and two certificates.

REMEMBRANCE SUNDAY – The Parish Council will be closing the roads to traffic in the centre of the village again this year for the Remembrance Walk along Swan Street and the Silence at 11am. We respectfully ask motorists to be mindful of this.

NOTICE BOARDS – There are five Community Notice Boards provided by the Parish Council around the village and one Commercial Notice Board on Crown Green. Please could commercial notices not be put on the community boards and please could community notices not be put up more than 4 weeks in advance of the event. Please remember to use drawing pins to attach notices – NO NAILS, TACKS or STAPLES. Following a recent risk assessment, lots of staples had to be removed!

PARISH PATHS GROUP - The next Kingsclere Parish Paths working group will be Sunday 25th November meeting in the garden of the village club at 9.45. Please come and join us if you can spare a couple of hours. For more information contact us on kingsclereparishpaths@btinternet.com

GREEN WHEELY BINS & GLASS RECYCLING – the collections dates are 7th and 21st November 2018.

NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING – will be at 7:30pm on Monday 26th November 2018, in the Village Club, (unless otherwise notified). We welcome the attendance of all parishioners at our meetings and anyone who wishes to raise any matters of concern will be given the opportunity to do so.

The Parish Website www.kingsclere-pc.org.uk





"LEST WE FORGET"





3rd November - Film Club presents "**The African Queen**" The Village Club 7.30pm (see page 8)

8th November - Colonel Christopher Newbould well-known speaker and battlefield guide "How We Won the War" St Mary's Church 7.30pm

10th November - "Lest We Forget"

A Commemoration in Words, Music and Dance
(see page 18)

11th November- **Remembrance Parade and Service** The Square, Kingsclere 11am (see page 18)

"Ring Out the Bells" Kingsclere Church Bells 3.00pm

"Light the Beacon", White Hill 7.00pm (see below) Viewing/ Parking on the Range Road off Sydmonton Rd.

18th November - Village "Victory" Tea Party The Village Club 2.00pm (see Page 15)

Please admire the wonderful collection of knitted poppies to be seen in Kingsclere shop windows (see page 10)

REMEMBRANCE BEACON - Like many towns and villages, Kingsclere will be lighting a Beacon at 7 pm on Sunday Nov 11th as part of the WW1 centenary commemorations. The beacon will be on the Canon Heath Down at the top of White Hill which overlooks Kingsclere. As there can be no public admittance to the site it can easily be viewed from the footpath to the right at the end of Fox's Lane and especially along the Sydmonton road from Lord Huntingdon's private road on the left where the gate will be open for cars to drive in and park.

Large areas of the land on Cannon Heath Down come under an agreement with Lord Huntingdon by Natural England and Harold Makant of that organisation has kindly given permission for the beacon to be on that site.



Kingsclere CE Primary School



Would you like your child to start school in an 'excellent' Foundation Stage environment in September 2019?

We welcome you to come and visit our school to meet our Headteacher, staff and pupils on our open day/evening



Thursday 8th November at 2.00pm and 6.30pm



"A Good School with Outstanding features" - Ofsted

Please contact Mrs Mills in the School Office on 01635 298583 or email adminoffice@kingsclere.hants.sch.uk to book a place



Ecchinswell & Sydmonton CE Primary School OPEN DAY

Is your child starting reception in September 2019? Join us in our nurturing, rural setting for an open morning at Ecchinswell ${\it C}$ of E Primary School.

Meet the teachers and pupils who are part of our friendly community and see how we help children develop into motivated, resilient, inquisitive learners.

Date: Wednesday 14 November 2018

Time: 9.30-11.30am

Address: Ecchinswell, Berkshire, RG20 4UA

Telephone: 01635 298 288

We are located on the border of Hampshire and Berkshire and welcome children from both catchments.

St Michael's Hospice Coffee Morning Saturday, 10th November 10am – 12 noon Village Club, Kingsclere



Please come along to our Autumn St Michael's Hospice Coffee Morning. Stalls include preserves/jam, cakes & biscuits, jewellery, lavender bags, Christmas cards, tombola and raffle. We are sure to have some lovely stocking fillers for those wishing to purchase Christmas gifts! Any offers of donations for the tombola/cake stall would be much appreciated.

Sarah Melling. Tel no. 297823

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Bus of Hope

Thursday 8th November, 6:45 to 8:30pm in the Holding Field (Bowls Club) Car Park.

Upstairs- crafts and activites for children up to age 12

Downstairs- somewhere for young people to chill and chat

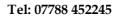
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Foresters Friendly Society



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Decorators (

The Foresters will be visiting the 'Living Crafts for Christmas' event at Blenheim Palace on Saturday 17th November 2018. The coach will leave The Square, Kingsclere at 8.30a.m.

If you would like to participate please contact Eric Fowler, 2 Medway Close, Thatcham, Berks. RG18 3AU or telephone 01635 863765.

SATURDAY COFFEE

Every Saturday

Delicious home made cakes, freshly brewed coffee and tea.

Kingsmill Room 10:00 to 12:00 noon

All welcome.

Kingsclere Village Bunnies Baby and Toddler Group

October brought us some unseasonably warm weather, so we enjoyed playing in the garden & getting creative with conker painting and autumnal collages. Hopefully a mild winter will give us plenty of opportunities to explore outdoors more!



Save the date! Our Christmas party will be held on the 11th December this year. More details to follow...

With Christmas shopping starting (or for some, finishing!) don't forget our Kingsclere Bunnies Preloved page on Facebook on which you can buy, sell and give away items locally. A great place for some festive bargains – or a chance to declutter before your avalanche of gifts arrive!

Where: The Village Club, George St. When: every Tuesday, 9am-11am Cost: first visit free. After that, £1 for bumps and unweaned babies. £2 for first child (including snack donated by Swan St Stores) and 50p for additional children.

villagebunniestoddlergroup@gmail.com

KINGSCLERE & HEADLEY WOODLANDS W.I.

Venue: Kingsclere Village Club, 35 George Street



This month's speaker - scheduled for **Wednesday 14 November** - HAMPSHIRE **Alick Brown** of **SSAFA** (the Armed Forces charity). Alick is one of the 21st century volunteers who not just emphasise the continued relevance of this remarkable 19th century Military Charity but are actively improving & diversifying its standards with time.

MEMBERS PLEASE NOTE: The Letter-Clue of the month is 'S' (for 'Sierra')

<u>POTENTIAL VISITORS PLEASE KNOW</u>: We will be delighted to see you at any of our monthly meetings. **Just £2 per person** at each of 2 visits - to enjoy talks on a wide variety of subjects PLUS tea & good company, the chance of winning one of the set of raffle prizes on offer each month as well being able to scan and/or buy bargains on the 'bring 'n' buy' table of the day. Check-in time at the Village Club: 1.30.



"LEST WE FORGET"

Saturday, 3 November, 2018 at 7.30pm at the Village Club, George Street.

The African Queen

(1951: PG: 105 min)

In Africa during WW1, a gin-swilling riverboat captain is persuaded by a straight-laced missionary to use his boat to attack an enemy warship in the little known front in East Africa. Classic cast!

(Screened as a part of Kingsclere's 'Lest we forget' WW1 commemoration)

Next month: 8 December - *Paddington 2* preceded by the annual Christmas 'Do'. <u>Please contact the Secretary (Fiona Sawyer - 297221) to confirm and pay £6 by the end of the month.</u>

Kingsclere Film Club subscription membership gives access to the monthly film screening (averaging out at £4.16 per film). Guests are always welcome at £7.50 subject to space.

Contacts: John Sawyer (Chairman) 297221 or Diana Tait (Membership Sec) 298494

KINGSCLERE CHRISTMAS MARKET



Saturday 24th November 2018, 6pm - 8.30pm at The Village Club, Kingsclere

Come and join us for a fun festive evening of shopping. We return for our third year with amazing local artisans and talents on board, who will be selling their beautiful makes and gifts.

There will be music from a talented pianist and also a Hog Roast available. All of this can be enjoyed with a Prosecco or Peroni in hand. £1.50 entry for adults. We hope to see you there.

Beccy Monteith - 07725 904647

Nature Notes

A holiday on Alonissos, Greece brought us many sightings of hooded crows instead of our familiar carrion crows. The main difference is their pale grey body which contrasts with their black wings, tail and head (the hood). They could be described as crows with fashion sense as they certainly looked smart. It seemed strange to see them so far south as here we regard them as northern birds, N England, Scotland, Ireland and Scandinavia and a distribution map confirms this but also that they range eastwards across Russia, Adriatic, Greece and Turkey.



It was interesting to identify tiny highways in the sandy soil on the island as the work of black ants carrying peppercorn sized berries from lantana plants to their nests.

Some species of tree have started to shed their leaves but generally there is still a reluctance to let go of Summer and much of the countryside is still green-ish; a few sharp frosts will make a difference and we will then be into the glories of Autumn. An aspen tree in Love Lane is dropping both yellow and red leaves when yellow only seems usual.



It is good to know that local folk are caring for their visiting hedge-hogs. Autumn is a critical time for these animals as they fatten up for hibernation. A large broken clay pot, lying on its side has made a feeding station for one regular visitor-arriving quite punctually after dark who polishes off a ration of homemade mixture. On one occasion two prickly shapes could be seen and heard, crammed side

by side crunching away. European hedgehogs were also present on Alonissos.

Diana Tait and Rod Eldred

St Mary's 200 Club October 2018, no 42 Chryssie Green

Well done Chryssie

Entries drawn first week of each month, various village venues.

METHODIST NOTES

4th November Jeff Britt Morning Worship

11th November Joint Service at St. Mary's at 11am

18th November Helen Watson Morning Worship

25th November Revd. Rachel Borgars Holy Communion



All Services other than 11th November start at 10am

Friends of St Mary's Kingsclere Ltd

We have been planning our forward programme, and dates already confirmed are our Annual General Meeting at 7 p.m. on Thursday 15th November in the Kingsmill Room; the Village Walk on the morning of Thursday 27th December; a Quiz Night with ploughman's supper at the Fieldgate Centre on Friday 18th January; and the Plant Sale, again with Kingsclere Gardening Association, on the morning of Saturday 11th May.

Other possible events we are exploring include an Art from the Attic Sale (watch this space!), a Friends' Sunday Lunch, a Poetry Reading, and a Murder Mystery Evening. As and when plans firm up, details will be given in future issues of The Tower.

Peter Turner, Chairman

Poppies

A big big thank you for all the ladies who came and sewed the poppies are now all attached to ropes.

There have been several requests to buy them at the end of November and so it has been decided that if anyone wants to buy some the money will go to the poppy fund. Please call me with your details and I will make arrangements

Janet Bond, 297610

Reflections



On the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month in the year 1918, the armistice between the Allied nations and Germany began. This agreement to cease hostilities was signed in a railway carriage in Compiègne, France at around quarter past five that morning. It brought peace to Europe, after the ravages of four long years of what was called the 'Great War'. And that peace came at a great cost, particularly to those who fought, but also to those who remained at home.

As we think about that day this month, I've been thinking about what peace means for us who live in England today. It impacts everything, doesn't it? Looking at places of conflict today, what we know is that lawlessness increases, education is disrupted, the economy struggles, food supplies are hit, and that's not considering the loss to human life and devastation of the land and environment. That is pretty all encompassing, isn't it? Peace is so precious and it means that we can live our lives as we do without worry about such things.

But the sad thing is that the peace of 1918 did not last; it was not 'the war to end all wars'. We continue to see wars fought across our world, even if thankfully for us, not on our own soil. But a greater peace was won, a greater armistice was signed some nineteen hundred years or so before that. It was a peace that was won at great cost; it was an armistice signed in blood. It was a peace not between nations but between humanity and God, and it was a peace that would endure forever. It was a peace that dealt with the wrongs, with the aggressions, with the hostilities of mankind against God, and, remarkably, it was bought not through the promise of reparations from the guilty party, as in 1918, but through an offering of the ultimate reparation from the innocent party. God gave up His Son. Jesus willingly paid the ultimate price to bring the offer of peace to all.

And to know this peace, to experience this peace in our hearts, we must surrender, lay down our arms, sign our name on the armistice, and accept the sacrifice made on our behalf by Jesus Christ. Let's put our faith in Him as we remember the end of the 'Great War'.

Blessings,

Services in the parishes of Kingsclere and Ashford Hill with Headley November 2018

Sunday 4 th November All Saints	8am	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill	
	9.15am	Holy Communion with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)	
Sunday I I th	8am	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere	
November 1 3 rd Before Advent / Remembrance	10.50am	Remembrance Service – St Mary's, Kingsclere (no Junior Church or Breakfast)	
	10.50am	Remembrance Service – St Paul's, Ashford Hill	
	3pm	Remembrance Service – St Peter's, Headley	
Sunday 18 th November	8am	Holy Communion – St Peter's Church, Headley	
2 nd Before Advent	9.15am	All Age Messy Worship– St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)	
	Ham	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere	
Sunday 25 th	8am	Holy Communion – St Mary's, Kingsclere	
November Christ the King / Sunday next before	9.15am	Morning Worship with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)	
Advent	Ham	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill	
Sunday 2 nd December	8am	Holy Communion – St Paul's, Ashford Hill	
Advent I	9.15am	Holy Communion with Junior Church – St Mary's, Kingsclere (breakfast 8.45am)	

ABC, our service for pre-school children and their carers will take place on 19th November at 9.30am – Please note this will be in the Kingsmill Room due to work taking place in the main part of church.

St. MARY'S CHURCH:

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Sarah Mussett sarah.mussett@hotmail.co.uk 01635 291900

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administrator@stmaryskingsclere.co.uk 07790 934972

From the Registers of St Mary's

Wedding Those whom God has joined together

14th Sept Charlotte Newport & Gary Sutton

Funerals I am the resurrection and the life says the Lord

19th Sept John Spooner 21st Sept Ralph Cook

26th Sept Pamela Moreland (Burial of Ashes)

11th Oct Marian Butler

Ralph Cook

Ralph's family and Maisie would like to thank everyone for their support, love and prayers during the last months of his life. Also, to many friends who attended the Celebration of his Life Service, with many memories of his active life at St. Mary's and in the village.

Alleluia, Praise the Lord

M.E. Lawrence

CAMARADERIE

At our October meeting, we enjoyed listening to Rev. Rachel Borgars and learning about her journey into The Ministry and her varied experiences as a Prison Chaplain and Police Chaplain.

Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 5th December 2018, when The Woolton Hill Handbell Ringers will join us for an early Christmas Celebration. Come along and join us for what promises to be a very entertaining afternoon.

We will be serving a Christmas Tea and there will be a raffle, which is all included in the £2.00 entrance fee.

We look forward to seeing you at 2.30 pm in the Methodist Schoolroom.

Pam Kitch 01635 299743

Lighting up St. Mary's

November



- 10th In loving memory of Sgt Leonard Phillips IX Squadron Bomber Command.
- 11th For Maisie Phenix resident at George Street, Kingsclere, since 1945. Happy 100th Birthday, with love from your family in Canada and New Zealand. Daughters Josephine and husband Neville, Penny and husband Terry. Granddaughters Rebecca and husband Mike, Anna and partner Mac. Great grandchildren Griffin, Maisie, Amelia, Jasper, Will, Finn, James and partner Mackenzie. We'll be thinking of you on this very special day, as you celebrate with your friends.
- 15th To celebrate the life of Joan Maitland. A much loved sister, sister-in-law and auntie. Andy, Barbara, Lorraine, Ian and families.
- 23rd Dear Eileen, Missing you Always, Remembering you Always, Loving you Always. Anne, Bill and Graham xxx
- Jonny Webborn is remembered today on his 30th birthday. A wonderful son who was cruelly taken from us 5 years ago. We think of him every day and miss him so very much. Tim, Sue, David, Lizzie and Andrew

To book please contact Andy and Sarah Bates, Brook House, Popes Hill, Kingsclere RG20 5SJ. 01635 299710. Online www.clerewoodlands.org.uk £12 per evening, block booking discounts. Cheques payable to St Mary's Kingsclere PCC, gift aid welcome.

Deadline for December Tower is November 10th. Please note there is no Tower in January and so anything missing the December deadline will appear in the February edition.

METHODIST CHURCH:

Chief StewardWendy Morgan297538Secretary & Hire of HallJeanette Billington297585

ROMAN CATHOLIC: Rev Patrick Tansey 0118 981 4572

tadley@portsmouthdiocese.org.uk



FKS - Friends of Kingsclere School

Kingsclere's firework and bonfire display will take place on Saturday 3rd November at the Fieldgate Centre. The gates open at 5.30pm, at 6pm the bonfire will be lit and Feel the Beat will perform, then the firework display will be at 6.30pm (no pets or sparklers allowed). Refreshments include a barbecue, a vegetarian option, a bar, drinks & sweets. Plus there'll be a Glo Tent (sponsored by Howe & Son) selling fun Glo merchandise.

Tickets can be purchased from Budgens (Shell Garage), Swan Street Stores, The Village Butchers or the school. Prices £5 adult, £3 child in advance or £7 Adult, £4 child on the day. All proceeds provide much needed support for the school supplying equipment and extra curricular opportunities.

Traffic increases due to the event and we appreciate the support of the village. Where possible we encourage villagers to walk to the event. Also if residents are able to park on their driveways to free up roadside parking this would be helpful. The school playgrounds/car park will be open for parking for those coming from outside the village.

Rachael Knight, Email - knightrachael@hotmail.co.uk, Tel 268160

The Village Club

Victory Tea Party at Kingsclere Village Club



Kingsclere Village Club will be stepping back in time this month when it hosts a Victory Tea Party on Sunday November 19 2-5pm.

Guests will be able to tuck into Anzac biscuits, Tommy cake and Parkin, among other treats. There will also be displays by the Royal British Legion, and the Heritage Association, as well as entertainment from local musicians and a ticket prize.

Tickets cost £5 and are available from Fiona on 297221 or the village butcher.

Fieldgate Centre

Refurbishment project

The refurbishment programme is well under way and the installation of new doors and windows has been completed.

Thanks to all our sponsors and those who attended Race Night, the profits have enabled us to order new curtains and fabric for re-covering seating in the bar area. If you feel that you can spare a few hours now and again to help with organising events, or with DIY/decorating, please call the office – your help will be worthwhile, appreciated, and you'll probably enjoy it!

Dates for your diary

November

Sat. 3rd FKS Fireworks Doors Open 5.30pm

Sat. 10th 'Lest We Forget' WW1 Commemoration (details p.17)

Wed. 14th KCA Annual General Meeting in the Atkinson Room

7.30pm All residents of the village are automatically members of Kingsclere Community Association and entitled to attend, speak, and vote at our Annual General Meeting.

Come and support your local community centre.

December

Saturday 1st Children's play 'Hansel & Gretel'. For ages 6yrs and above.

Friday 7th Charity Rock Night

Saturday 8th Les's 60s, 70s, 80s Disco Night (Over 21s)

Saturday 15th 'An Evening with Gary Myles'

Sunday 16th Nathan's Singers Christmas Cabaret, An evening of song

and festive fun, featuring guest singers from the west end.

Tickets £10, include wine & Mince Pie

Raffle profits to JDRF fighting to cure type 1 diabetes.

Friday 21st Festive Singalong with the Kingsclere Singers

Monday 24th Ceroc Xmas Eve Freestyle

01635 298497, www.thefieldgatecentre.co.uk, fieldgatecentre@btconnect.com

Kingsclere Heritage Association



Our next speaker meeting will be on **Thursday 22nd November** at 7.30pm at the Village Club when local historian ROGER DAY will present "**The History of the Automobile Association**".

This world famous organisation, with it's Head Office in Basingstoke, was founded in 1905 in London by a small group of businessmen. Roger will tell us of the development over more than a century, much in line with the development of the motorcar, to become the multi-functional business of today. Something of a trip down memory lane for all who remember the days of the AA Scout saluting every member.

Michael Leah - Secretary, tel 297403

Police Report

During the month of September there were 13 reported crimes in Kingsclere, mostly minor, apart from a break-in at the shop, during which cigarettes were stolen. There were no thefts from homes or cars, but a couple of cases of shoplifting and making off without paying from the filling station were recorded. There were 2 minor traffic collisions, and a small number of minor assaults and public order offences.

PCSO 16173 Emma PAGE Basingstoke Rural Neighbourhood Policing Team (NPT)

Address: Tadley Police Station, Mulfords Hill, Tadley, Hampshire, RG26 3HZ.Email: emma.page@hampshire.pnn.police.uk Website: www.hampshire.police.uk

Bellringing



On **Thursday 15th November** there will be a peal attempt starting at 6pm lasting for approximately 3 hours.

Helen Piper

LEST WE FORGET

A Commemoration of the end of World War 1 in Words, Music and Dance

Kingsclere Players. Kingsclere Singers Kingsclere Performing Arts College

The Fieldgate Centre, Kingsclere 10th November 2018 7.00pm

Tickets £10 Adults, £5 under 16 from The Village Butcher

Info: 01635 297234



Kingsclere PHOTO Club



EXHIBITION RESULTS

Thank you to everyone who came to our recent exhibition, we hope you enjoyed the show! The photo voted by you as the 'favourite picture' was "Chapter House" by Chris Brown. The raffle for a Portrait session at MOL Photography was won by Andy Bates.

2019 CALENDARS

Our super 2019 calendars are on sale, available from MOL Photography and SPAR Kingsclere (formally Swan Street Stores), and make ideal gifts!

FORTHCOMING MEETINGS at the Village Club (Main Hall), George Street, doors open 7.15pm for 7.45pm start:-

Weds 7th Nov "Underwater Photography"

Guest photographer Leena Roy shares with us her images from the oceans across the world.

£2 members, £3 non-members

For more club information, see our website: www.kingsclerephoto.org or contact:- Gareth Martin (Treasurer/Darkroom) Tel. 01635-299227

The Village Club



Village Club Autumn clean - Thanks to those who came and helped at the recent Autumn clean. The garden, hall walls and ladies toilet look much better.

Spaces in classes - If you want to get fit or learn a new skill we have places on the Monday night art group, Wednesday morning yoga and Thursday afternoon Move it or Lose it group. For more information and bookings please email education@kingsclerevillageclub.co.uk

Kingsclere Gardening Association.

Next meeting is **Thursday November 8th**, **7.30pm at the Village Club**



Our speaker is Mr. Marcus Dancer. His talk is titled "New and exciting plants for your garden". Marcus has been with us twice before and is always an entertaining speaker. He will be bringing plants with him so any cash in your purse or pocket may well disappear. His speciality was clematis and other climbing plants, obviously this has now extended. He is a nurseryman from Fordingbridge who attends farmers markets and other outlets.

The Competition: A vase of flowers, 1 kind; a vase of mixed to include Berries/Foliage; 2 vegetables of 1 kind; a single stem from the garden; a pot plant.

I will also bring the competition bulbs for the spring show, still time to get them planted.

December we have no meeting, but will inform if we have a social evening out.

John Eckton 01256 850017

Kingsclere Twinning Association

Tickets now available for our **Bistro and Quiz Evening** which will be held on **Saturday 1 December 2018** at 7.30 p.m. in **Kingsclere Primary School**.



- Three course supper provided.
- Bar serving wine, beer, and soft drinks.
- Raffle to win a Magnum of Cormicy Champagne.
- All welcome and no need to be a member.
- Tickets are £15 for members and £17.50 for non-members. Please email kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk or contact Sue Watson on 01635 298940 to reserve your tickets in advance.

Why not consider joining in 2018-2019? Family membership is £5 per year. Please contact kingscleretwinning@yahoo.co.uk or telephone Sue Watson on 01635 298940 for details regarding membership or if you would like to receive newsletters with details of future events.

Kingsclere

Community

Library



We are delighted to host an author evening on Monday 3rd Dec at 7.30pm

The Common Good: The Story of Greenham Common by Penelope Stokes "Stories, maps, pictures and personalities from five centuries"

To many people the words "Greenham Common" conjure up an image of peace women in conflict with the police, but the common has had a much longer and more varied history, surviving several military occupations since the English Civil War.

Tickets £5 from the library and Village Butcher, includes glass of wine.



Rhymetime with Rita: On the second Tuesday of every month, 2:30

Opening hours: Tues & Thurs 1 - 5:30; Saturdays 9:30 - 2

Nicki Lee, kingsclerelibrary@gmail.com

Kingsclere Royal British Legion – November 2018

The focus of the Kingsclere Branch of The RBL during the early part of November will of course being the preparation and delivery of this year's Act of Remembrance on the centenary of the cease of hostilities during World War 1. The parade will form up in the Old Council Offices Car Park on Swan Street from 1030am on Sunday, the 11th November and all are most welcome to attend.

The parade will move down Swan Street and conduct the Act of Remembrance at the memorial within the grounds of St Mary's Church. We hope to have a large number of attendees and we have a number of additional wreaths to lay in what is a very special year. Any questions regarding the format or attendance at the Act of Remembrance should be forwarded to me using the contact details listed below.

It is a myth that you must have served in the military to be a member of the RBL; all are most welcome and we would encourage all to come along to a meeting to see what we are about.

If you would like more detail, please contact me via the Facebook page or call on 01635 628004. We meet in the Function Room of The Crown at 7pm on the first Tuesday each month.

Mark Holden, Chairman, Kingsclere Royal British Legion



Do come to our next talk:

Behind You: Pantomime History & Backstage Antics

Tony Harris – a professional comedian, raconteur and actor specialising in historical talks with an hysterical twist.

Wednesday – 21st November - 10.00am St Mary's Hall, Overton.

Free to members – non-members £3 on the door.



Vacancy for co-opted school governor at Ecchinswell Primary School

Ecchinswell & Sydmonton C of E Primary School has a vacancy for a volunteer to join the governing board. This is an opportunity for someone in the local community to help improve the education experience and contribute to the success of our rural community school.

The school governing board is responsible for

- Overseeing the financial performance of the school
- Ensuring educational standards are continually raised
- And ensuring clarity of vision, ethos and strategic direction

Being a governor is a rewarding way to make a voluntary contribution to your community. Many companies are increasingly encouraging their employees to give back to their community in a socially responsible way, and this is one of them.

The governing board meets around 10 times a year for a couple of hours on a Tuesday evening. There are also opportunities to contribute through school visits and activities. New governors are given full training so no prior experience of being a governor or knowledge of the school curriculum is required.

For more information please contact the school on 01635 298 288

Our School is committed to safeguarding and promoting the welfare of children and young people and expects all staff, governors, parents and volunteers to share that commitment. The successful candidate will be subject to a DBS check.

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