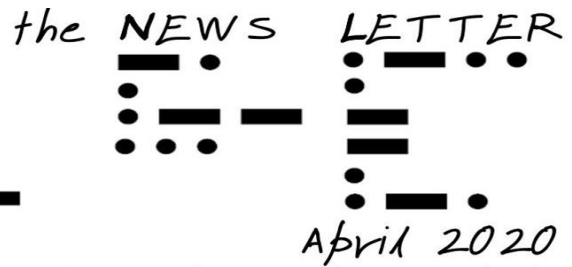


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for Lockerley, East Dean and East and West Tytherley

**Thanks to the Lockerley Greens Preservation Society for sponsoring this issue of the newsletter and to Phyllis Johnstone for her kind donation.**

### **Thorngate Village Care Group - support for the impact of Coronavirus.**

We cover the villages of Lockerley, East Dean, East and West Tytherley. We are here to help with all the usual requests for transport to doctors and hospitals, and much more. Are you stuck for help with shopping, cooking, dog walking etc while unable to get out and about? Are you feeling a bit lonely while self-isolating and would like a chat on the phone? Are you worried about a relative living locally? Our team of friendly volunteers across the villages may be able to help. Just phone a coordinator on any of these four numbers (01794) 340993, 340084, 340850, 341098.

**Over 60's Lunch Club** It has been agreed we should cancel the Over 60's lunches for the next month or two until we know what is happening regarding the coronavirus. We will keep you updated with any new information as decisions are made. The contact number remains the same as usual.

**Lent Lunches** - unfortunately the Lent Lunches scheduled for the end of March and April have been cancelled.

**Exciting Playground News!** With the £70,000 we have raised, and the incredibly kind Mike Mayock (local resident and owner of Mackoy Ltd), carrying out £20,000 worth of groundworks for free, we have ordered some fabulous playground equipment which is now being installed. We hope it will be completed by early April, and that the ground and grass will be recovered well enough for a big opening at the beginning of May. The name of the playground is going to change from Jubilee Field to 'The Tim Iles Community Playground' in memory of the

much-loved Parish Councillor who was always so passionate about having a playground in the village. The playground will be opened by both Mike Mayock and Lyell Fairlie, who donated the land to the parish council in memory of his Aunt Marjorie Aylward who lived in the village for 92 years. Grace Cavill, who won our competition to design the entrance sign, will hopefully also be there to finally see her work come to life. Please visit our Facebook page to see photos of the equipment we are getting and for updates on progress and a launch date. Please be patient and don't enter the playground until we have officially opened it – a full safety inspection will need to be carried out before it can be used.

**Lockerley Walking Group**, Saturday 4th April. Join us for a circular walk from Lockerley over the downs with a lunch stop at the Hatchet before returning via Gambledown, about 6 miles in total. Meet 1030 at Lockerley Memorial Hall or 1045 at Top Green. Contact Dave and Kirsteen ([kirsteen@jadeconsultants.co.uk](mailto:kirsteen@jadeconsultants.co.uk) or 341101) for details.

**Friends of Bentley Wood Annual General Meeting** Wednesday, 8th April at East Grimstead Reading Room. Hall opens at 7 pm for payment of subscriptions, AGM starts at 7.30 pm. Refreshments will be served, and you can pick up your 2019 Nature Notes. Sue Walker will update us on "The Bentley Wood Ponds Project". Non-members wishing to join on the night are very welcome.

**Good Friday**, 10th April St John's Church Lockerley at 6.00 pm

The choir will lead "The Cross of Christ" - the story of Jesus' suffering and death on the cross told through hymns, anthems and bible readings. (Duration approx. 1 hour)

**Easter Egg Hunt at West Tytherley School.** Easter Sunday, 12th April. Come along any time between 10am -12pm. Bring your young detectives along to work out clues to make a word to win a chocolatey surprise. £3 entry. All proceeds to Friends of West Tytherley PTA.

**Bean Pole Celebration at the Barn,** Saturday 18 April. Demonstrations of woodland crafts, including making thatching spars (David Parsons), and turning bowls and chair legs on 2 pole lathes. Buy coppice products from the wood – bean poles and pea sticks – for a modest fee. Tea/coffee and biscuits available. Drive in at Livery Gate or Eastern Clearing entrance and come to the Barn any time between 10 am and 3 pm.

#### **Lockerley and East Dean W.I**

The next meeting of the W.I is on April 21<sup>st</sup>. The talk will be 'Scandinavia via Dunkirk' by Mrs M. Down. Visitors most welcome, please telephone Carole on 340867.

**Thorngate Care group AGM,** Monday 4<sup>th</sup> May 7.30 in the Parish Room - all welcome.

#### **Save the Date - Friday 8<sup>th</sup> May - Oaklands House East Tytherley**

Join us for a lunchtime BBQ on the Bank Holiday Friday, to mark the 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of VE Day. More details next month.

[Joannenash@east-tytherley.co.uk](mailto:Joannenash@east-tytherley.co.uk)

#### **West Tytherley and Frenchmoor Village Fete,** Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> May 12 – 4pm

At the Recreation Ground. It's an afternoon packed with fun for all the ages. Here's just some of the exciting things that will be happening: Heroes and Superheroes Scarecrow Competition – have your chosen characters outside your house by 4<sup>th</sup> May! New Parkour displays in the main arena and bookable Parkour workshops for all ages, bookable in advance – forms available in the West Tytherley Village Shop from 21<sup>st</sup>

March. Popular photo competition to be judged on the day featuring 3 classes: West Tytherley Village Life, Portraits and People. Full details will be featured in the programme published mid-April. Look out for more details on Facebook and around the village. We hope to have a **Quality Seconds stall** at the fete with good quality clothing, accessories, household items and garden goods. To help fill the stall, any donations will be gratefully received by Karen James at Church End, Dean Road, West Tytherley SP5 1NR. Please leave in the porch if out. Many thanks in anticipation.

#### **West Dean Village Fete,** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> May 1.00pm to 5.00pm

Free entry for children. Family entertainment all afternoon! Falconry, Romsey Old Cadets, Giant Inflatable Assault Course, Romsey Rock Choir, Juggling Jake's Circus, King John's Morris Men, Local Produce and Craft Stalls, Sandheath Brass Band, Dog Show & Agility Course, Frontline Ukulele Band, Archery, Science Boffins plus rocket launch, Children's Races, Duck Race, Tug of War, Steam Engine & Classic Cars, Fairground Organ, Meet the Animals, Flower Show, Bars & BBQ, Teas and Cakes..... Join opening procession West Dean Social Club 12.30. Evening live music event – bar and food available.

**Care Group Garden party,** Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> July, in the grounds of Green View, Lockerley Green.

#### **200 Club Winners**

The winners for February were:-

Mrs Anne Strong £20

Mrs Marianne Erskine - Jones £20

We now have 200 members for the 4<sup>th</sup> year running.

The information in this newsletter was correct at the time of printing but may be subject to change. Please check with the organisers.

### Thorngate Village Care Group

If you need support, help, or transport in the Lockerley/East Dean, East or West Tytherley area please call Fiona 341098, Peggy 340084 Julie 340850 or Liz 340993

**Welcome folder copies may be obtained from:**

Lockerley : Bob 340452 East Dean: Tony 341228, East Tytherley, Rob 341269 West Tytherley : Julie 340850

#### Lockerley Baptist Church

Our Sunday Morning Worship is at 10.30am.

The 4C 's Coffee Stop is held on the third Wednesday of each month 10am to 1pm A warm welcome to everyone.

For further information please phone Brian or Marion on 01794 340695.

All contributions for future editions of The Newsletter should be sent to [newsletter@lockerley.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@lockerley.org.uk) or, if by hand, to Caroline McClintock, The Old Vicarage, Lockerley by 12 noon on the 15<sup>th</sup> of the preceding month.

#### DIARY OF EVENTS

Visit the website [www.lockerley.org.uk](http://www.lockerley.org.uk) for up to date diary and news entries.

Date	Time	What	Where	Information
Sat 4 <sup>th</sup> April	10.30am	Circular Walk	Meet Lockerley Village Hall	Kirsteen 341101
Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> April	7pm	FOBW AGM	Grimstread Reading Room	Sue 07929 194385
Fri 10 <sup>th</sup> April	6pm	The Cross of Christ	St Johns Church	
Sun 12 <sup>th</sup> April	10am	Easter Egg Hunt	West Tytherley School	From the school
Sat 18 <sup>th</sup> April	10am-3pm	Bean Pole Celebration	The Barn	Sue 07929 194385
Tues 21 <sup>st</sup> April	2pm	W.I Talk 'Scandinavia via Dunkirk'	Lockerley Village Hall	Carole 340867
Looking Ahead				
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup> May	7.30pm	Thorngate AGM	Parish Room	
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup> May	Tbc	VE Day BBQ	Oaklands, East Tytherley	Joannenash@east-tytherley.co.uk
Sat 16 <sup>th</sup> May	12-4pm	Village Fete	West Tytherley	Facebook
Sat 30 <sup>th</sup> May	1-5pm	Village Fete	West Dean	
Sat 27 <sup>th</sup> June	Tbc	Village Fete	Lockerley	More info to follow
Sun 19 <sup>th</sup> July	Tbc	Garden Party	Green View	More info to follow