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SERVICES FOR JULY 2009

5th July Trinity 4	09.45 Sung Eucharist
12th July Trinity 5	09.45 Sung Eucharist
19th July Trinity 6	09.45 Sung Eucharist
26th July Trinity 7	8.00 Holy Communion (said) 09.45 Matins

SIDESMEN FOR JULY 2009

5 th July	9.45 am	Anrhea Martin-Jenkins		
12 th July	9.45 am	Michael Pavia		
19 th July	9.45am	Laurence Reed		
26 th July	8.00am	Paul Read	9.45am	Elizabeth Clark

ALTAR FLOWER ROTA JULY 2009

5 th July	Rose Thiselton	12 th July	Anthea Martin-Jenkins
19 th July	Barbara Kinnear	26 th July	Julia McFarlan
2 nd August	Wendy Sharp		

CHURCHYARD WORKING PARTY

The Monthly Working Party will take place on Thursday, 9 July, 9 am – 1 pm. Help is very welcome, so please join us – even if it is only for an hour or so. Further details from John Clark (707230) or Nick Holroyde (01798 342314).

THE RECTOR'S LETTER

Beloved in Christ

When the law made wearing safety belts in a car compulsory, like many others my first reaction was "why should I? It's an invasion of my free will." However, after a while I did acquire the habit, not least because friends pointed out that I and others might well suffer through my neglect of the car safety belt. I eventually realised that these friends were showing loving concern for me, for themselves and for others. This led me on to think of love as the general and total safety belt. That love is the safety belt of our relations with one another. That love is the safety belt of our general conduct, and that love is the safety belt of our ultimate destination.

There is only one law for the Christian "that you love one another." Easy to say, not so easy to do. For love suffers long and does not lead to hasty judgements – we rarely know all the facts. In love we seek to understand, knowing that there are always unknown circumstances in the lives of each of us which account for that of which we disapprove. This awareness makes us seek to obey that simple but difficult command of God in Christ, to hate the sin but to love the sinner. Love is indeed the safety belt of our relations with one another, and it is also the safety belt of our general conduct. St James in his epistle singled out the tongue as the wildest member of the human body, the most uncontrolled and uncontrollable of all our powers. Only love can control the tongue. Love too is the safety belt of our ultimate destination. There is a very moving story told by J.M. Jones in his book 'The cup of Cold Water'. He writes, "I was standing not long ago by a child's sick cot: and if there is any sight which is hard to look upon it is that of a little one to whom it is all such a mystery, racked and tortured with pain. But the little one whispered: "Father, give me your hand" and holding her father's hand, though riddled with pain, she never moaned. Thus I learned that I cannot rest upon ideas, visions, aspirations, strivings. I say only 'Father, give me your hand'. I can be patient and brave then, because Father your name is Love."

The day will dawn on each of us, as it did for that sick child, when we will be faced with the most important and adventurous journey we have ever taken, and we shall travel safely if we have long since acquired the habit of fastening the safety belt of love around us, for love does not come to an end.

My love and prayers to and for you all. **Father Derek.**

THE VILLAGE LUNCH

The next Village Lunch will be held on **Monday 13th July 2009** at 1pm in the Village Hall. Please book with Erica (707162) or The Shop in good time. *(There will be a lunch for helpers at Great Brockhurst on Thursday 6th August)*

THE VILLAGE TEA

The next Village Tea party will be held on **Wednesday 29th July** from 3-5pm. All are welcome.

LURGASHALL PARISH COUNCIL

The Parish Council's next meeting will be on Thursday, 9 July 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend. **Patrick Széll, Clerk to the Parish Council.**

LURGASHALL FETE 2009

Our run of excellent weather for the last four fetes came to an end this year, with overcast skies. But did that make any difference? No! More people than ever before and the car park pretty much full from 3pm onwards! It feels like the Fete has become something of an unstoppable monster....

The Fete Committee would like to thank everyone who helped with the Fete this year, and to everyone who came and made it such a good day out. Special thanks to those who helped new Field Marshall Mike Pavia to set up and clear away on over the whole weekend. The way that the whole village works together makes the real difference.

On the money side, we had a very good year once again. We expect that higher takings and lower costs may produce another record profit – around £8,000. One of the important aspects of the Fete is the way that we can now fund any special projects in the Parish – not just from the main organisations, but any deserving cause can get money from us. So **applications are invited** from village projects seeking funds from the fete. Applications to the address below please by 15th August.

There will be a meeting in the village hall in September (date to be advised in the next newsletter) to decide how to distribute the profits from the fete this year.

Steve Vaughan – Nuthatch, Tennysons Lane, Haslemere GU27 3AF
Tel 01428 643142 email: nuthatchgarden@hotmail.com

<p style="text-align: center;">LURGASHALL HORTICULTURAL SHOW Saturday 15th August 2009 <i>DON'T FORGET TO PICK UP YOUR ENTRY FORMS FROM THE</i> <i>SHOP OR FROM NORTHHURST FARM!</i></p>

LURGASHALL CRICKET CLUB

<u>Saturday</u>				<u>Sunday</u>			
4 th July	Wood Street	(A)	2pm	5 th July	Six-A-Side	(H)	9.30am
4 th July	Lurgashall Sixes	(H)	11am				
11 th July	Grayshott 11	(A)	2pm	12 th July	Brook Strollers	(H)	2.30pm
18 th July	Alfold	(H)	2pm	19 th July	Fittleworth	(H)	2.30pm
25 th July	Lindford	(A)	2pm	26 th July	Not the MCC	(H)	2.30pm
25 th July	Hammer Bottom Butsers	(H)					

Call to Action..... on the Green!

Last year's 'Action on the Green' was the best yet!

So, once again we are inviting children and their families from Lurgashall and Northchapel to come along for a day of sports and fun:

The 4th annual **ACTION ON THE GREEN** will take place on
Sunday, 27 September 2009, 11am - 4pm in Lurgashall

Family Fun Football Volleyball Tug o' War Stoolball Tag Rugby Archery "Lurgashall Lap" BBQ
Youth Bus/Photo Competition

You can join in any or all of these; so can your family. Once again, we have secured the services of sports and youth professionals who will organise the games and provide tuition.

ALL activities are free of charge for children, including the BBQ lunch.

Pre-registration is strongly advised.

Please contact Jeremy Bonnett 01428 652 855 or Sue Lambot 01428 707 419

LURGASHALL VILLAGE HALL AND YOU....

Lurgashall Village Hall is an important local amenity. It provides a welcoming, economical venue for parties, classes, exhibitions, talks, meetings, lunches and afternoon teas. It is also our local Polling Station.

The Hall relies totally on the community for its continuing existence.

You can support the Hall in a variety of ways:

make it your first choice of venue when planning any event

support events organised by others in the Hall

hire hall equipment for your off-site entertaining

join the 50:50 Club (see Page 4)

come along to the AGM on Thursday, 2 July at 7:30pm and learn more about your Hall

It's something different.....

..... and it's coming to the Village Hall on Friday, 2nd October 2009

'An evening of pâté, puddings and easy-listening songs from Jeremy Lewis'

Please put the date into your diary now and watch for further announcements in the Newsletter as summer drifts by.....

LURGASHALL VILLAGE HALL
BOOKING SECRETARY NEEDED...
Your chance to join a successful team.

After providing an excellent service managing Hall bookings, Anne-Louise Game would now like step down. The task is not an onerous one, but it is vital to the success of the Hall. The Booking Secretary is often the first point of contact for hirers of the Hall and its equipment. Are you interested?

If you would like to learn more about providing this important service to the Lurgashall community, please contact

Sue Lambot 01428 707 419

*The Village Hall Management Committee wishes to record its thanks to Anne-Louise
for a job well done!*

Important note: Anne-Louise is still active as Booking Secretary until her replacement is found.

So, for all Hall enquiries, please ring 01428 708 075

**PRIZE WINNERS in the VILLAGE HALL 50:50 CLUB
JUNE DRAW**

The June Draw was held at the Village Lunch on Monday 15th June. The first prize was won by Kay Holme and the second prize was won by Joan Creamer. The next draw will be made at the Village Lunch on July 13th. It will be a lucky day for someone!

If you would like to participate in the monthly prize winning draw, you can join the *50:50 Club* at any time and pay between £1 and £10 a month for a minimum period of 3 months. Membership is open to all, whether Lurgashall residents or not. Why not suggest that your friends and family join in the fun? Please contact Annabel Grout on 01798 861 459 or at amgrout@hotmail.com for an application form. Completed forms should be sent to Sods Cottage, Lurgashall, W. Sussex, GU28 9EX.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There have been a number of local thefts recently, roof tiles, a trailer and also garden tools and equipment here in Lurgashall. Also there are reports of garden ornaments and furniture being stolen all over the Petworth and Midhurst areas in the hours of darkness. Make sure that ladders and garden tools are secure as these are often used to force an entry. Please report any unusual activity to Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999 or 999 in an emergency. Sussex Police can also be contacted via www.sussex.police.uk.

A recent listing of house burglaries in the Chichester District includes a number of Deception Burglaries and also instances of entry by insecure doors and windows where the householder has been in the garden. As always, be on your guard and never let casual callers into your house no matter what the excuse, send them away or tell them to come back later when you have had the opportunity to enlist the help of a neighbour to give you support. When you are out in the garden, remember to lock the external doors and fasten the windows, particularly now the better weather is here.

Paul Read. 01428 707385. read85@btinternet.com

LURGASHALL HISTORICAL SOCIETY

Meets last Wednesday of the month

Next Meeting 29th July 7.30 pm at The Old Barn

Newcomers Welcome – Contact Julia Doggart 01428 707593 or juliadoggart@gmail.com

RED CROSS HOUSE-TO-HOUSE COLLECTION

A big 'thank you' to all those who gave of their time and to those who generously donated to raise £416.31 The grand total for Petworth and the surrounding villages is £3,526.25 and the Red Cross is most grateful for our contribution. *Judy Flint.*

GIRL FRIDAY SEEKS WORK in the Haslemere and surrounding area.

Will turn her hand to most things to include: -

PA / Secretarial Work

Cooking to inc. dinner parties, freezer food and family meals

Baby Sitting

Animal care to inc. dog walking and horse riding

Cleaning & light gardening

House sitting

General errands

Please call Cally on 01428 651 971 / 07808 761 220

MANGO MARQUEE HIRE

Mango Marquees, based near Haslemere, offers affordable marquees for every occasion.

Please contact Paddy on 01428 651 971 / 07966 571 546 or via email paddy@mangomarqueehire.com for a free, no obligations, site visit & quote or visit www.mangomarqueehire.com for more details.

TRADITIONAL FETE IN PETWORTH PARK

Saturday 11th July 11am-5pm. A great fun day out with lots to see and do for all the family. Further details from Tony Sneller on 01798 343124.

THE LURGASHALL NEWSLETTER

Please note that all contributions for the August 2009 Newsletter should be sent to Jenny Stephenson at Garden Cottage, The Green, Lurgashall (01428 707393) or email jstephenson@lurgashall.fsnet.co.uk by 20th July 2009.