



SUNDAY 14TH JUNE 10am - 1pm

Locally reared, free-range pork and lamb products.

Fruit and veg, cakes, pastries and pies. Jewellery and bespoke wedding pieces. Bedding plants, hanging baskets and herb gardens.

Handmade greetings cards. Beautiful faux flower arrangements. Ladies fashion scarves and handbags.

Locally produced honey. Refreshments always available.



Come along and see what's new!

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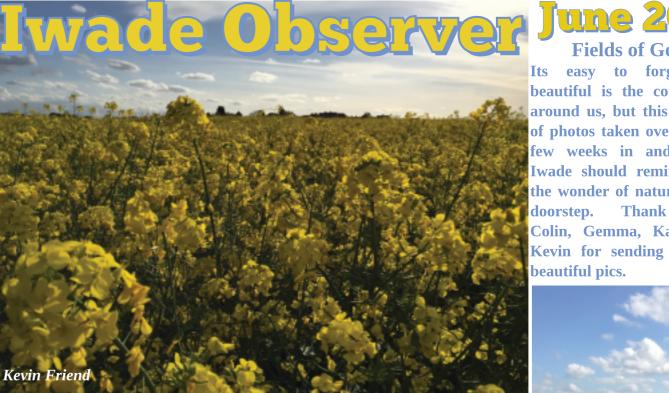
IWADE VILLAGE HALL INVITES YOU TO A BARN DANCE SATURDAY 11TH **JULY 2015** 7.30-10.30m

Do you know your do-si-do from your reel? Come along to find out. It'll be a fun evening of dance and music with everyone welcome, even if you think you can't dance! Dressing up is optional but welcome.

BYO - food and drink Tickets are £5 per person Please call 07724 862744 or email iwadevillagehall@outlook.com for tickets and more info.

Once again many thanks to our contributors without their efforts you would now have in front of you a blank sheet of paper!!

We try to produce a newsletter that will interest all, and reflect village life, and hope we succeed at least some of the time! In a survey we recently undertook it was observed that the heart of any village is comprised of its church, its school, and its pub! We have news from our church in this issue, but what else would YOU like to see in The Iwade Observer? Mail suggestions to the.iwade.observer@gmail.com







Sunday 17th May saw swarms of villagers out giving Iwade a 'spring clean' ready for the summer sun. Dozens of villagers, painted, strimmed, washed and polished, litter picked, levelled planters, bounced and ate sausages and burgers! As a result of their efforts the village now looks spruce and sparkling. It was great to see villagers of all ages lending a hand and showing pride in their own community. The new planters around the village look wonderful, and are now ready to plant. We look forward to seeing a wonderful display of colour in the months ahead. Iwade for a Britain in Bloom award?

Why don't we all now make a pledge to ensure our rubbish doesn't end up on the streets of Iwade, glare angrily at drivers throwing rubbish out of car drivers, and if we see

something and it is safe to do so, pick it up and deposit it in the nearest bin. Keep our streets clean!!









Its easy to forget how beautiful is the countryside around us, but this selection of photos taken over the last few weeks in and around Iwade should remind us of the wonder of nature on our doorstep. Thank you to Colin, Gemma, Karen and Kevin for sending us these beautiful pics.





Village Clean-up







Rogation Walk

from All Saints' Church to turn the clocks back and bounds (a distance of some 13 miles or so - maybe resurrect an ancient country custom on Rogation next year!!) but did cross the parish boundary twice to Sunday during a short walk (about 3.25 miles) crossing 'remind' us of our loyalties, and blessed the the boundaries and fields of Iwade. In the past this surrounding fields and orchards. might have been a walk with the young people of the On returning to the Church refreshments (Cream teas, parish around the bounds (boundaries) of the parish cakes, sandwiches, teas and coffee, and maybe the odd where the young people would have been 'reminded' (possibly with a symbolic beating - hence beating the Church garden. bounds) of the extent of their parish, and blessings Make a note now if you want to join us next year on would have been asked for the success of the new May 1st 2016!!

A hardy band of walkers recently (10th May) set out season's crops. We didn't complete a walk around the

glass of wine!) were served in beautiful sunshine in the



Bobbing, Iwade and Lower Halstow local election results:-

| | | Votes | 1 | |
|----------------------|--------------|-------|-----|-------------|
| | Conservative | | | |
| Duncan Dewar-Whalley | | | | |
| Lloyd George Chapman | | | | Not elected |
| Nigel Randell | Labour | 656 | 16% | Not elected |

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01795 476979 benstokes@swale.gov.uk

Moonwalking!! (A 26.2 mile walk in London overnight) Alison Eldridge

(Congratulations to Alison on completing the Moonwalk - a short report from her below) If you would like to sponsor Alison raising funds for Uniting against Breast Cancer go to http://wtwalk.org/moonwalklondon2015/alison-33. At the time of writing Alison had raised £538.50 - a great effort

"I finished in 8 hours which isn't great, but given the sheer your Sunday roast, you can get some fantastic free volume of participants and the endless queues for the loos, range meat plus all of your veg from our outdoor was the best I could do. Having said that, it wasn't a race and stalls, then how about something sweet to finish it there was a fantastic 'community' spirit on the walk - and a off? We have a couple of stalls selling homemade lot of Moonwalk 'virgins' for whom it was just a great cakes and desserts that will satisfy even the experience. There were some participants who have taken sweetest tooth! But if you hanker after a more part in more than 12 Moonwalks, and a surprising (for me) natural sweetness, we have locally produced number of people from far-flung parts of the world that had honey on offer every month. There's always a come just to take part. People from all parts of the UK were little to taste too if you want to try it. also on the walk, men and women. Some of the braver gents Along with the food stalls, we have plenty of other wore decorated bras, others wore the T-shirts. A lot of stalls to catch your eye too – ladies fashion walkers were doing it in memory of friends and family. scarves, bedding plants, handbags, beautiful We were fortunate with the weather, it stayed dry and only greetings cards, books, handmade craft items, got a bit chilly in the early hours before sunrise when the jewellery and a charity stall or two. If it's brunch wind got up a bit. London looked fantastic, all lit up - made you're after, we've normally got bacon, sausage me feel proud to be a Londoner (born)! We got lots of and fried egg butties cooking, plus the normal tea, appreciation from all the motorists who 'tooted' us almost all coffee and squash to wash it down with. We can't the way and were very patient at the traffic lights and busy promise Michelin stars, but we do promise to fill junctions. your stomach!

It made me realise that the City never sleeps, as there were people out and about the whole night.

As well as making grants to breast cancer charities like Breakthrough Breast Cancer and Penny Brohn Cancer Care, walkthewalk provides funding to hospitals throughout the UK to purchase Scalp Cooling, which is a process to enable

cancer sufferers to keep their hair rather than lose it as a result of chemotherapy; and makes community grants to small charities throughout the country. My thanks to everybody who has supported me and sponsored me"



Thursday 4 June 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library At the Springvale end of Sheerstone, one piece of identification required to join. Why not give it a try?

Tuesday 9 June | Iwade Reading Group Meet See article on page 3 for more info Wednesday 10 June 19:30 **Iwade Parish Council Meeting**

Iwade Parish Council ordinarily meet once a month on the second Wednesday at Iwade Village Hall at 7.30pm and allow time for visitors'

questions in the agenda.

Why not go along and find out more about what goes on, it is a public meeting. Keep an eye out for the agenda which will be published here as soon as it becomes available.

Sunday 14 June 10:00-13:00 **Iwade Village Market**

There's never been a better time to pop down to

see what's on offer at Iwade Village Market. If you're on the lookout for something to complete

If you're interested in booking a stall at a future market, please email Al at

chairman@iwadevillagehall.org.uk or by mobile on 07710 454124. Please support your local market and come down to visit.

Wednesday 17 June 19:30

Iwade W.I. June Meeting

At Iwade Village Hall with a talk from Judi Knight - Eeking out the Rations, a Wartime Cookery Item competition and a general raffle.

Thursday 18 June 11:15-11:25 | Mobile Library

Iwade Reading Group

by Christine Freshwater

The book for June is my choice Time's Echo by Pamela Hartshorne. We will be meeting on Tuesday 9 June to discuss what we thought of it - among other things. We talk about all sorts of things and enjoy a coffee when we meet up once a month.

For July's book, Lianna Colburn has chosen All The Light We Cannot see by Anthony Doerr:-

From the highly acclaimed, multiple award-winning Anthony Doerr, the beautiful, stunningly ambitious instant New York Times bestseller about a blind French girl and a German boy whose paths collide in occupied France as both try to survive the devastation of World War II.

Marie-Laure lives with her father in Paris near the Museum of Natural History, where he works as the master of its thousands of locks. When she is six, Marie-Laure goes blind and her father builds a perfect miniature of their neighborhood so she can memorize it by touch and navigate her way home. When she is twelve, the Nazis occupy Paris and father and daughter flee to the walled citadel of Saint-Malo, where Marie-Laure's reclusive great-uncle lives in a tall house by the sea. With them they carry what might be the museum's most valuable and dangerous jewel.

In a mining town in Germany, the orphan Werner grows up with his younger sister, enchanted by a crude radio they find. Werner becomes an expert at building and fixing these crucial new instruments, a talent that wins him a place at a brutal academy for Hitler Youth, then a special assignment to track the resistance. More and more aware of the human cost of his intelligence, Werner travels through the heart of the war and, finally, into Saint-Malo, where his story and Marie-Laure's converge.

We'll be meeting on Tuesday 9 June if you'd like to join us. We enjoy welcoming new members to the reading group. If you would like to give us a try do please contact us if you would like more information, either via our Facebook page or by phoning Hilary on 01795 474656.

W.I. Update from Christine Freshwater

Following the very successful Fashion Show by M & Co at our April meeting, a group of members attended the first East Kent Group meeting for this year at Eastchurch. We were entertained by Ray Spiller who gave us a musical history of the Eurovision Song Contest from its beginning through to this year which was both amusing and highly entertaining, an enjoyable afternoon was had by all.

Our May meeting was our Resolutions meeting where we discussed and voted for a topic for the WI nationwide, the topic this year is "Failing to care assessment of need in long term care". This was followed by tea, board games and a raffle.

We look forward to our meeting on the 17th June and a talk on "Eking out the Rations" by Judy Knight which will be both interesting and enlightening for those of us who are too young to remember rationing during and following WW2. Our competition will be a "war time cookery item", there will also be tea and raffle.

We are always happy to welcome new members, come along and give us a try, interested call Glenn on 01795 436515.

Iwade Village Does Facebook (IVDF)

Trending during May - a small selection just to show what a diverse range of uses IVDF is put to!

Fly tipping in School Lane. Where's the best: Pizza, Chinese, Indian? Iwade Rocks 2016.

Want to play cricket?

Mobile signal coverage.

Missing, lost and found, keys, cats, dogs, umbrellas. Recommendations for: painters, washing machine repairs, plumbers, dog-sitting, plasterers, iphone repairs, tailoring, builders, glaziers, gardeners, bakers, artificial grass, electricians, weekends away, Dyson repairs, driving instructors.

Scrap for collection.

Flightless birds.

Ride-on lawnmowers.

Barking dogs.

Traffic problems.

Not on IVDF but want to be?

1. Log on to your own page and search for "Iwade Village Does Facebook" in the search box (top left of your home page)

2. Click on Iwade Does Facebook when it is shown in search box.

3. Ask to join group

4. Wait for admin response!

the new Committee of IVH. From sorting out contracts for the regular hirers to ensuring the hall didn't reduce the amount of lockers we had. continue running at a loss, it's been pretty non-stop for the volunteers who have taken on the tasks.

Not only has the workload been difficult. but the decisions that we've had to make have also been tough. IVH had the outgoings were way more than the hirers who wanted more have been incomings, something that could not continue. We realised that this would little as £2 per month. It may be small not be a welcome decision, but to keep IVH going, it was one that we had no choice in. At the same time as making this decision, we also reduced the rate paid by some groups so everyone paid the same; this was the fairest thing to do as our regular hirers are important to the ongoing future of IVH. Incidentally, Scottish Heathers Dancing Group were regular hirer currently uses one of those who had their rates reduced by us and had asked to come back to IVH after trying, and not liking another hall.

We had another major issue with storage as the small room where the heavy duty, flame retardant ones and large lockers were kept has been deemed a danger in a Risk Assessment we had undertaken. This is due to the little plays or musicals there one day. boiler being in there, so we immediately A new website is on its way, not

Well, it's certainly been a busy time for asked all groups to remove any items because we don't like the current one, stored on top of, or next to their lockers but because it's not one that can be and also agreed that we needed to updated easily. A special program is needed and we rely on one person who Offering free lockers only to those hirers has this to do all of our updates. His who used the hall on a weekly basis (or computer recently gave up the ghost, more) allowed us to regain a large so we can't do any updates at all; much amount of space and this will hopefully easier to have a new one and the task help with the re-organisation of other of updating can be given to a few furniture and goods within the hall. people. Huge thanks to Peter though not had a price rise in some 5 years so Hirers who lost the free storage or who has done a stellar job with the updates for us. offered alternatives and this is from as We have a fair few events planned for this year including a barn dance (see revenue for IVH, but it all counts and separate article), quiz night and also the will hopefully stop the hall from looking market which is held on the 2nd Sunday so cluttered. of each month. Your support at these With chairs and tables on the stage, our events is vital for the ongoing future of ultimate aim is to have those removed IVH, so please come along!

and stored elsewhere so we can Don't forget that we also take bookings actually use the stage as a stage! We for parties etc on the weekends. For need to do some work on this one as a info. more please email iwadevillagehall@outlook.com or call the 07724 862744 and the Bookings Clerk preferred area. We are working with will be pleased to help you. You can them on a way forward to this issue of course. We'd also love to put some keep up to date with all the events stage curtains back up, but the cost is happening at IVH by following us on prohibitive right now as we'd need Twitter @IwadeVillageHall or on Facebook at Iwade Village Hall. they don't come cheap! We'll keep So, we start as we mean to go on; searching though as we'd love to stage being fair and equal to all, keeping IVH in the black and looking to the future!

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IWADE VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Speedway Update Paul Heller

Sittingbourne Speedway Ltd (Iwade) are pleased to announce that after many years of applying, their track has at last been granted full Planning Permission by Swale Borough Council for fourteen public events per year. This is in addition to the use of the track for speedway practice once per week.

The club are also moving in a different direction, as they now have planning permission to use the centre green for youth football and are currently working hard on the pitch surface to be ready for the coming season.

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY Held on Wednesday 11th March, 2015

Visitors/Public Time

The hall has offered the hire of external sheds as an alternative storage facility. They looked to the Parish Council to Finance intervene but Members pointed out that the Council is only a Custodian on the Committee the Parish Council has no authority to interfere in the management of the hall. Members •Woodpecker Park Bus Shelter Quotes in Rural Kent. Cllr. Rook is still on the suggested that users approach the Hall Committee to hopefully discuss a way forward.

were going to build housing on an area of land in Dunlin Walk; the Chairman replied this is a possibility and the •Annual Village Clean Up – To take 2015/16 Budget. Parish Council will let him know if place Sunday 17th May, 2015, from anything comes forward. If Swale's 11.00 to 14.00. Proposed by Cllr. Gale •Cllr. Wastall attended the KALC Local Plan is flawed and not be and seconded by Cllr. White, all agreed adopted, Iwade is at risk of further a maximum spend of £250 on event. Community First Aid Responder, was development.

•Community Warden Mavatt)/PCSO - The Community Warden's report had been circulated. Nick dealt with fly tipping incidents; McMahon regarding 'Litter Angels'. issues with youths, parking and other problems in the village.

•The PCSO commented that there had been a burglary in The Street, investigations are on-going regarding theft from a motor vehicle, damage to a motor vehicle in cormorant and an **Iwade Localism Project (Swale** present. It doesn't look as though they attempted burglary. There have also **Borough Council**) been incidents of nails in tyres and he •The Barn – Electricity still being S.106 money; but it will possibly be and has undertaken speed checks in the through to the Solicitor. same road.

Matters Arising from the Minutes

•Visitors - Representatives from the to Gordon Henderson, M.P. and a site of houses that are needed. Wards have Milton Hundred War Games and Iwade meeting will take place between one of approached the Parish W.I. raised concern at the 22% increase his representatives and homeowners volunteering to in hall hire costs and the request to next Thursday. Andrew Shankster, the Neighbourhood Plan this is probably clear items from cupboards which they Managing Director has now gone and had for many years been able to use. there is uncertainty whether promised items will now be forthcoming.

received. Proposed by Cllr. Gale and Trustee; although a representative sits seconded by Cllr. White; all agreed to Village Hall meetings until the Minutes accept the lowest quote of £1798 have been passed; this has been

- It looks as though there could be a list of Representatives and will be problem with finding out what services removed; we have removed our items run beneath the shelter base. Clerk to from the cupboard and the Council has approach County Cllrs. Burgess and •A resident queried whether Wards Truelove to see if they can assist. meetings to another night of the week. Bring back to April meeting.

> To arrange a BBQ, Bouncy Castle, present; PCSOs are being looked at due pickers, sacks and their collection, etc., (12000 lights) and a discussion took the Chairman to Speak to Jess place on the lack of Bridleways.

> •Hall Floor – The Parish Council has •Cllr. Gale attended at meeting at the received a request for a grant/loan from School on Monday regarding the the Hall Committee: Clerk to seek Local Councils

advises residents to check their tyres chased, everything ready to go from before driving their cars. He is dealing the legal side and when the Trust met County Council and others if with the lorry incident in School Lane recently it was agreed to send the lease approached.

with James Freeman, Head of Planning to see if they will take over the new •Persimmon Development – No at Swale Borough Council recently; he footway lighting recently installed. feedback from Swale Council as yet, thought it could control development Clerk to place this on the April Agenda. although it looks as though there is as the village is vulnerable. The Parish going to be a complete review of Council will contact 'Locality' and also

Enforcement. Residents have written Housing Needs to ascertain the number Council for pay the due to a Government initiative.

Representatives Reports from (Village Hall and KALC)

•Hall - Cllr. Gale advised that other •Flowers Beds Quote – Two quotes than action points he is not allowed to report back on anything from the confirmed by Action for Communities been asked if it will consider moving Members were in agreement with the hire charge increase; Clerk to check on

meeting; Scott Montgomery, Face Painting; Clerk to talk to Swale to loading in areas; KCC are installing (Nick Borough Council regarding litter LED bulbs in their street lighting

Any Other Matters Arising

artificial sports surface; representatives advice from the Kent Association of from Sports England, Swale Borough Council, Kent County Council and the School's Business Manager were are going down the route of using the financed by Sport England, Kent

•The Chairman suggested the Parish •Neighbourhood Plan – Members met Council approach Kent County Council

IWADE PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING Held on 22nd April 2015

e Previous Meeting

Minutes of March and FinanceCttee meeting agreed and signed

Visitors/Public Time

1. Borough Cllr. Stokes trying to get Cottages 2.Community Warden (Nick Mayatt)/PCSO - dealt with football shelter. Canterbury and Swale Wardens now combined. CO2 canisters found in Dunlin Walk; Nick will investigate.

•Planning

extension to side of the property, single storey extension to opposite side of the property, and internal alterations - Kimlee, Grovehurst Road _

Members raised no objections.

Replacement of existing fence with 2m a modest extension to high close boarded fence and proposed 1m high division fence – No objections of the area, character and appearance of (Members would question land ownership on the corner of the adjacent green space.)

of brickearth over 4 summers, storage and transportation of materials to nearby brickworks throughout year, phased returning of land to agricultural of dwelling would be contrary to the use - Orchard Farm - Agreed to Council's adopted Supplementary respond as follows:

Traffic assessment has been carried out but does not include Solar Farm and nor other projects going on at the same otherwise wholly open area of time.

The Parish Council strongly requests and appearance of this rural area. that traffic is not allowed through Iwade Village. Condition included that via Bobbing, 8.15 to 9.30 a.m. and parents dropping off and picking up parking for 'executive' cars; is this for children from Bobbing Village School. If approved, Members would ask that water run-off from fields to alleviate converted to a complete dwelling in the flooding to nearby houses and School future, by way of its design, conversion Lane.

Barge Way, Kemsley Fields Business request a condition that conversion Park. propose installing advanced thermal conversion and energy facility to

produce energy/heat Project involves: •Finance discharge stack – additional details; 50% to be paid by Parish Council. documents dated 1/4/15- noted. 14/505217/FULL/ROMC

5. more signs in Sheerstone/Coleshall Construction of 5-bay car port, annex 3. KALC Subscription 2015/16 – above and new boundary wall with agreed to renew. entrance gate - Tiptree Bungalow 4. CAB request for Donation 2015/16 nuisance; fly-tipping, Woodpecker bus School Lane. Object on following agreed donation. grounds: 5. Seed of Hope/Village Centre Rams –

Over development of site and which were refused on these grounds: SW/14/504785/FULL and SW/14/0244 SW/14/0588 -

1. Tiptree Bungalow proposal was 7. Village Garden Competition – refused because extension, by virtue of agreed to place on the May Agenda. 2. 15/501887/FULL - Retrospective - its scale/massing would not amount to original •Iwade Localism Project (Swale dwelling, would harm visual amenities **Borough Council**) 1. Trust has a few points to clarify, the countryside in a manner contrary to then back to Swale Borough Council. policy RC4 of the Swale Borough Still waiting for electricity to be sorted. Local Plan 2008 and to the adopted 2. Neighbourhood Plan – Ward Homes 3. KCC/SW/0105 - Phased extraction Supplementary Planning Guidance meeting with new Parish Council. 'Designing an Extension – A Guide for Cllr. Plumb attended a training session Householders'. This new proposal in Hythe. Cllr. Hunt has spoken to a could be argued as an 'extension'. Councillor at Arun District Council creation of new vehicle access and 2. The provision of all parking to front who is happy to give some guidance. Planning Guidance as above. It would harm the visual amenities of the area •Any Other Matters Arising and represent an unacceptable and 1. Iwade has been chosen by Vodafone lorries associated with development, visually obtrusive encroachment into for the flagship 'Sure Signal'. 2. Foundations are laid for Pavilion; it countryside, to detriment of character looks as though the grass area is being prepared. The proposed development would be 3. Swale Borough Council and KCC contrary to the Council's adopted met at the school to discuss artificial states traffic will not use Sheppey Way, Supplementary Planning Guidance. playing surface. To be included in the Concerns over living accommodation strategic plan for Swale and mentioned 2.30 to 4.00 p.m. weekdays, due to being over what is referred to as that there should be an artificial playing surface in the school. Hoped a commercial enterprise? It is not pitch will be multi-sports. 'secure parking' but open car ports. 4. A price for a salt bin to be land drainage is installed to take away Concerns that the proposal could be investigated. of the ground floor area will be simple. *For the Parish Council minutes in* 4. KCC/SW/0010/2015 - Land off 'If' approved the Parish Council would *full please go to iwadevillage.co.uk* 4Evergreen Technologies does not take place in the future.

construction of associated offices; 1. Scooter Training – School will erection of external plant; erection of a contribute 50% of cost, remaining

2. Woodpecker Park Bus Shelter – Agreed to place on July Agenda.

Parish Council to insure Seed of Hope excessive parking compared to the for £113.95 p.a. and maintain it in existing Tiptree Bungalow. Draw interest of Parish, but not take Swale Planning Cttee's attention to ownership. Agreed to respond to 1. 15/501847/FULL - Single Storey following applications in school Lane Chamonix that the Rams remain but that the missing horns are replaced.

6. Quote for Grass Verge Signs – agreed to purchase 15 signs at £8 each.