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THE GUILDEN MORDEN VILLAGE NEWSLETTER

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St Mary's Church Guilden Morden

Tuesday **26th** November

Doors open from 7pm

Bar and Raffle

The Snow Queen

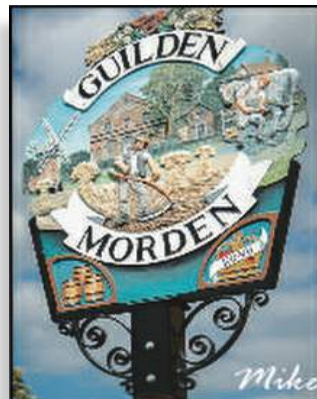
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November 2019

Another busy November! Great news that the Primary School has been awarded a 'good' assessment by Ofsted. Congratulations to all involved. This issue includes all the details for the forthcoming Advent window display, so if you've put your name down, now's the time to start panicking!

November marks the season of Remembrance, and I'm sure you will wear your poppies with pride. Lest we forget those who gave their lives for our freedom.



TUNS Talks at The Three Tuns



Guilden Morden Primary School - our story to 'GOOD'!

Tuesday 3rd December, 10 am

Join us to hear school governors share their journey to rebuild and transform our village school so that it is now recognised as **GOOD** by Ofsted inspectors.

A well-wishing villager would like to offer a big "THANK YOU" to the village parishioner who has refurbished the Village Pump, horse trough, and surrounding area in Dubbs Knoll Road. It makes a lovely focal point of interest. Many thanks!

100 Club Winners

September

1st: (£14) Mrs Morley (59)

2nd: (£10) Penny Seymour (55)

3rd: (£8) M. Taran (15)

Congratulations! Thank you for your continued support.

The Mordens WI - Thursday 21st November at 7.30 pm Christmas wreath making workshop. Members will make door wreaths for Christmas

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PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

Guilden Morden Parish Council need you!

Councillor Vacancy

The Parish Council have a remaining vacancy to co-opt another Councillor (unless 10 electors call for an election) and would like to invite applications. Any resident of Guilden Morden can apply. No previous experience is necessary and training courses are available.

Could this be a voluntary role that you could do? It is a great opportunity to be involved in village decisions and shape the future of the village as well as being involved in day to day matters.

If you would like to find out more about the role or to apply, please contact the clerk; clerk@guildenmorden.gov.uk

The Parish Council next meeting dates are as follows:

All meetings are held in the village hall, starting promptly at 7:30 pm

18th November 2019 - Full meeting

16th December 2019 - Planning meeting

All Parish Council meeting minutes are available on the website or on request from the Clerk.

Songs of Praise

**Sunday, 17th November at 3 pm
at St Mary's, Guilden Morden**

You are warmly invited to ... sing your favourite hymns,
hear some inspiring stories, enjoy tea and cakes
and spend time with friends old and new.

For further details, or if you would like a lift, please contact:
Cynthia on 853217 or Christine on 852125.

Petersfield Church of England Voluntary Aided Primary School (Orwell)

Governors Needed - Do you have some time to spare? Are you interested in supporting your local community? Would you like to join a group of volunteers who are committed to doing just that? **We are looking for additional governors to join our governing body.** We would particularly welcome new Governors with skills in HR or finance. If you are interested in finding out more please contact the school office, in the first instance.

Tel: 01223 207382 or email: office@petersfield.cambs.sch.uk

LET'S S.C.R.A.P FLY TIPPING

Fly tipping is the illegal disposal of waste. It can be anything from a bag of waste to a truckload. We all have seen abandoned items in the countryside, villages and towns, but leaving items by recycling centres, charity shops or by bins are all examples of fly tipping as well. Around two thirds of fly tips come from households, so it is crucially important that you understand your duty of care to avoid a £400 fixed penalty notice or an unlimited fine.



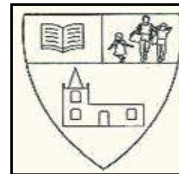
Together with other partners in the Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Partnership (RECAP) we have launched the S.C.R.A.P fly tipping campaign to help residents to understand their responsibilities. Follow the S.C.R.A.P. code below to make the right choices when asking someone to remove your waste. To help us deal with fly tipping incidents efficiently, please report them to us. Here is how:

Online: www.scams.gov.uk/environment/enviocrime **Phone:** 03450 450 063

If you witness fly tipping, call 999 to report a crime in action. Please do not put yourself in harm's way. When reporting fly tipping, please note as many details as possible.

- the exact location and size of the fly tip
- the type of waste dumped and the date and time you spotted or witnessed it
- photos of the fly tip and fly tippers if you were a witness
- the vehicle make, colour and registration number
- the description of people involved and the direction they were travelling in.

GULDEN MORDEN C OF E PRIMARY ACADEMY



Results of the recent Ofsted inspection of our school

The quality of education:	Good
Behaviour and attitudes:	Good
Personal development:	Good
Leadership and management:	Good
Early years provision:	Good
<u>Overall effectiveness:</u>	<u>Good</u>

“Pupils are extremely happy at school. They enjoy their work and are keen to do well. They like the small size of the school because everyone knows each other. As one pupil commented, ‘We are like one big family.’ Pupils behave well and have good manners. They talk happily to visitors about what they are learning. They understand why it is important to work hard.”

Ofsted, October 2019

Everyone involved with the school are really proud that they have achieved a ‘Good’ in all areas. This is the highest grade they could have expected to receive at this time, and it has been achieved under the new Ofsted framework, which has more challenging expectations than the previous one! WOW! A big thank you to everyone involved.

Parent Teacher Friend Association

Firstly, we would like to congratulate our amazing school on its brilliant Ofsted report. We'd like to say a huge thank you to all the amazing staff, governors and volunteers for all their hard work in making our school such a wonderful place for our children.

Guilden Morden PTFA would also like to invite you to take part in our 100 Club which starts again at the end of November 2019. It's one of the easiest ways of supporting and getting involved with the fundraising for our school and pre-school.

The winning numbers are drawn at the end of each month and you have the opportunity to win either a 1st, 2nd or 3rd cash prize. In addition, there is a summer and winter bonus draw, giving each number you hold a chance of winning 14

times across the year. In the past 12 months we have paid out £432 in prize money and raised the same amount for the PTFA fund. Last year, with help from the funds raised from the 100 Club we were able to purchase Forest School water-proofs for Pre-School and two iPad minis for the school.

Each number costs £12 and we really hope you are keen to take part in our 100 Club this year - the more people who take part, the more money we raise for our school and the bigger the prize draw!

If you would like to sign up and/or have any queries please do not hesitate to get in touch via the school office on office@guildenmorden.cambs.sch.uk



Calling All Stall-holders

Christmas Market 2019

Saturday 7th December

St Mary's Church, Guilden Morden - 10am to 1pm

If you would like to book a table to sell your products, please contact Jane Allton

01763 853149 or email: janeallton@supanet.com

A SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE & THANKSGIVING FOR THE DEPARTED



Sunday 3rd November 2019 at 6 pm

A service of remembrance and thanksgiving for those who have died is being held on Sunday, 3rd November, in Steeple Morden Church.

This short, peaceful service will offer an opportunity to reflect and remember our loved ones and, if wished, to have their names read out and have a candle lit in their memory.

A cup of tea and cake will be served from 5 pm to 5.30 pm

Time to choose your



at 101 High Street, Guilden Morden

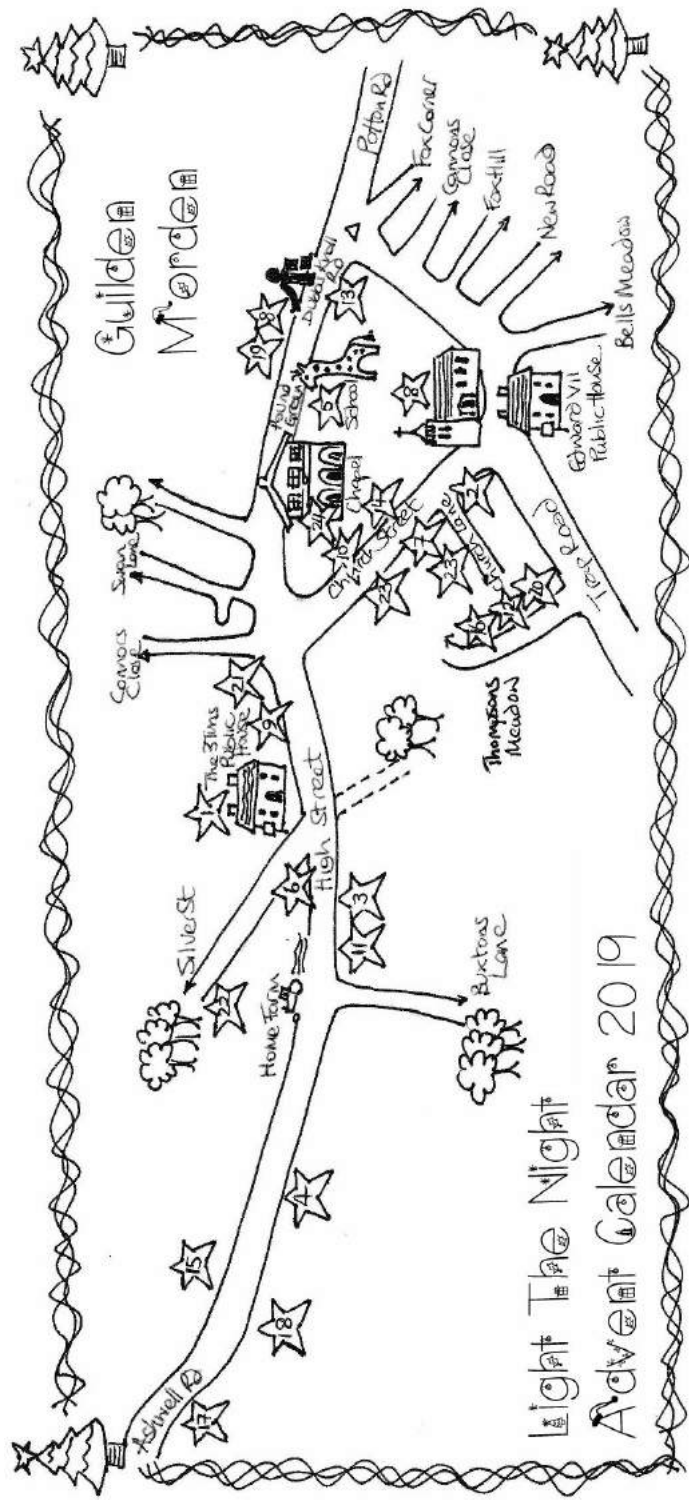
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or freshly dug on 14th December
Charles Paget-Wilkes 01763 852252



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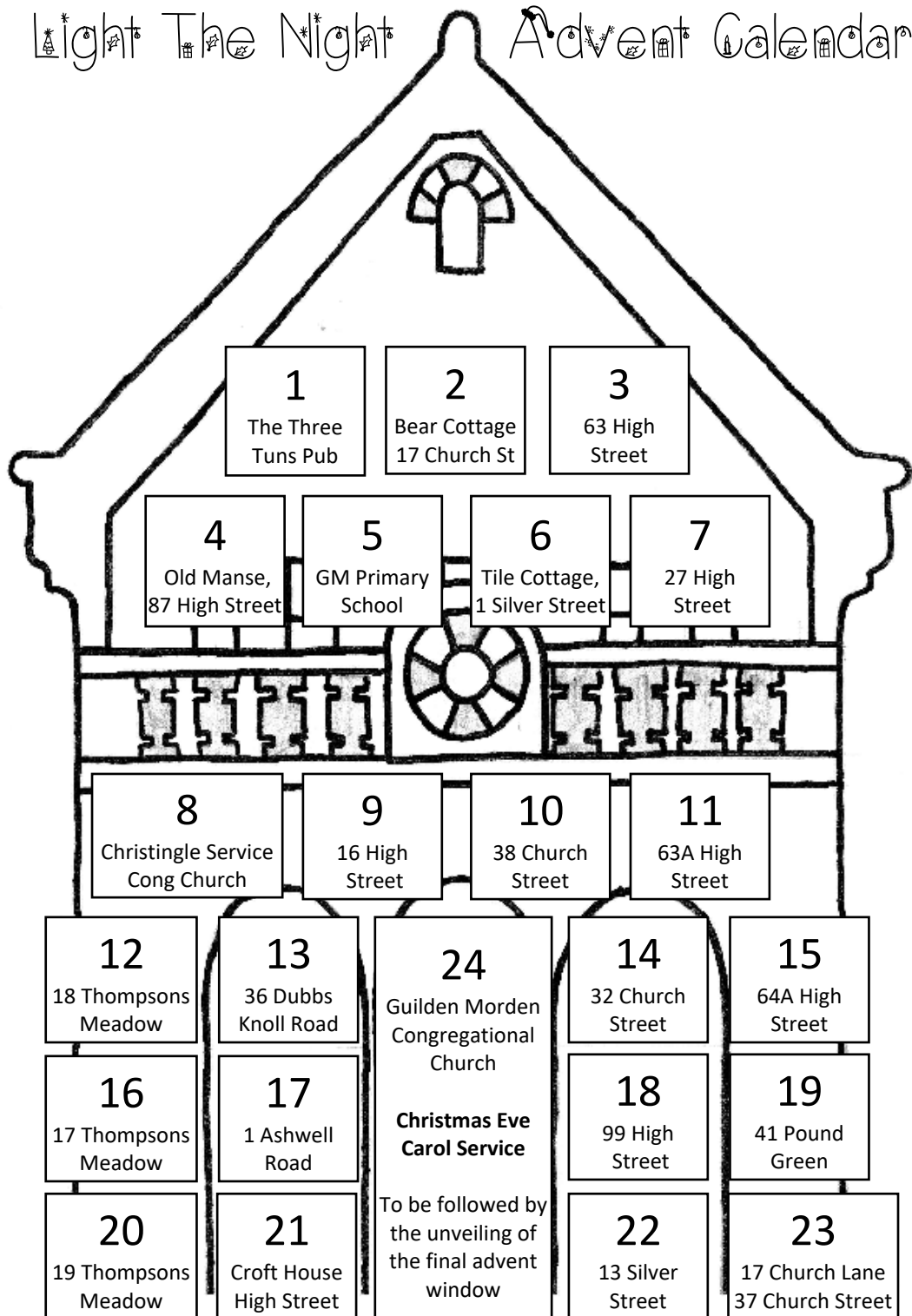


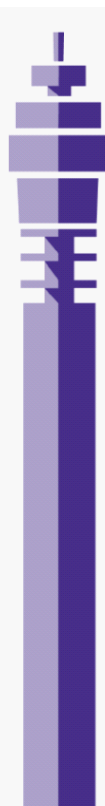
December sees the return of 'Light the Night' Advent calendar window event in Guilden Morden. It begins on 1st Dec and will run for each night of Advent, with one of the 24 windows being unveiled at 5 pm. These windows will then remain lit until 29th Dec. The Congregational church will have decoration on the inside, which will be unveiled at the Christingle Service on 8th December. These can be viewed from 9.30 am to 4 pm over the Advent period and the church floodlights will be on every night. The Congregational church will unveil their Advent window at their Christmas Eve Carol Service.

Please be respectful of those properties where you have to enter the grounds in order to look at the windows, as some of them are set back off the road. Please also use your discretion when viewing windows by the roadside.

I hope that you enjoy the windows and your festive walk around the village. Sarah Fryer

Light The Night Advent Calendar





30TH ANNIVERSARY WHEELS FOR MARTIN'S FRIENDS



To mark the 30th Anniversary of this local charity, 50 guests were entertained at a Gala Dinner in the BT Tower in central London on 12th October.

The event was to recognise and thank those people that have been loyal supporters of our organisation. There was a superb 3-course meal and live music along with the rotating 360° view of the London skyline.

We would like to thank everyone who joined us and especially our friends at BT for their tremendous hospitality and generosity. It was a truly memorable and fitting way to mark this significant milestone in the history of the charity.

THE THREE TUNS WALK & TALK

Great to see more new faces on our walk in September.

Each month we have walked a different 3 mile circular route starting from The Three Tuns car park and ending with coffee and cake. If the walk sounds a little daunting, please join us for coffee, cake and a chat around an hour later. Dogs (on leads) are welcome as well as children and babies. However as we use the local footpaths it is unsuitable for pushchairs.

The next walk will be 9:15 am THURSDAY 7th November followed by FRIDAY 13th December.

Contact: Anne Beadman, 01763 853000



ANNA PYE

**Artist - Printmaker - Tutor
CHRISTMAS OPEN STUDIO 2019**

**November 23rd, 24th / December 7th, 8th
10 am to 4 pm**



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Wheels for Martin's Friends Quiz

The WFMF Pub Quiz will be held on Thursday 28th November
Maximum of six people per team and £2.50 per team member.
8 pm for an 8.30 pm start at The Edward VII Pub - see you there!





With your support we raised over £2,300 this year!

We're delighted to announce that we raised over £2,300 from the festival this year. Thank you if you came along, we had fantastic support from Guilden Morden and the surrounding villages for this annual event. We hope you sampled the wide choice of food and drink on offer or enjoyed the delicious breakfast and lunch available. The festival tries to offer as wide a choice of local food and drink as possible, suiting all tastes and budgets. New stalls Ojos Spanish Food and Four Acres English Wine enjoyed their first visit so much, they'll be at the CRC Christmas Fayre on the 7th December.

We rely on many people who generously donate their time and money to make this event a success. The event wouldn't be possible without the bread-makers, passionate preservers, cake bakers and dessert divas, our herb grower, the set-up/clear-up teams and Made in Guilden stallholders. Thank you also to Peter and Megan from The Three Tuns, who prepared the food for the Belfry Café for the first time this year.

In addition to raising funds for St Mary's Church, the Guilden Morden Food & Drink Festival is a valuable village social event and we would like more people to come along. We need your feedback. Are there things we could do to improve your experience? What could we offer to attract more visitors? Please email lesleyharrison38@gmail.com.

Thank you for your support!

Save the Date - Saturday 3rd October 2020

Lesley Harrison, Lee Davis, Charles Paget-Wilkes

**STEEPLE
MORDEN
PRIMARY
SCHOOL**



FIRE WORKS

**BAR, BURGERS
AND BANGERS!**

**SATURDAY NOV 2nd
GATES OPEN 5.30PM**

FAMILY TICKET: £12.00 (2 adults and up to 4 children) INDIVIDUAL: £4.00 in advance or £5.00 on the night

(No family tickets on the gate)

**BUY TICKETS FROM: Steeple Morden School,
Littlington & Steeple Morden Post Offices**

**PLEASE don't bring sparklers or personal fireworks
All children must be supervised by an adult at all times**

CONGREGATIONAL CHURCH DIARY

www.guildenmordencongregationalchurch.com

- Saturday 2nd Nov** **7.30 pm** Social Supper in the schoolroom
- Sunday 3rd Nov** **10.30 am** Café style service. Come and join us for croissants and coffee in our relaxed style of worship. All welcome
- Monday 4th Nov** **10.30 am - Midday** Men's Guild in the schoolroom
- Wed 6th Nov** **9.00 - 11.30am** Mix and Match Coffee Morning
- Sunday 10th Nov** **10.00 am** Remembrance Ceremony at GM cenotaph
 10.45 am Group Remembrance Day Service at St Catherine's, Litlington
- Wed 13th Nov** **9.00 - 11.30am** Mix and Match Coffee Morning
- Sunday 17th Nov** **11.00 am** Joint service at St Mary's
- Wed 20th Nov** **9.00 - 11.30am** Mix and Match Coffee Morning
- Sunday 24th Nov** **10.30 am** Communion Service with Angus McCormick
- Wed 27th Nov** **9.00 - 11.30am** Mix and Match Coffee Morning

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The season is well under way and the first team have won all of their games so far in both the league and cup. The reserves have also won two of their opening league games. It's fantastic to see another group of 16-year-old players joining us this season, especially those who have successfully integrated into the first team. We now have five players who have grown up in the village, who play most weekends, and are now scoring goals. We are really proud of our "home grown" talent.

GMFC Walking Football continues to be popular and on the 3rd October we celebrated our first anniversary, with special thanks going to The Edward VII catering team for the hot buffet in front of the roaring fire! Our calendar is now ready to go to the printers, and special thanks goes to our local sponsors for making this possible. We would also like to thank Will Lloyd and Astra for all their creative work. We are still raising funds for Dan, a 10-year-old boy, for his new Powerchair Football wheelchair. The calendars will go on sale in November with a special launch before Christmas - there is still time to pre-order your copy.

All fixtures, results and goal scorers are on display in the King Edward VII pub. Sponsorship opportunities are still available from as little as £10 an individual player or £20 for a match ball. Thanks to those who have already participated and benefitted from the match day VIP package.

For further information email us at info@gmfconline.co.uk

Please visit our Village Website - www.guildenmorden.gov.uk

REGULAR EVENTS

MONDAY

Bell Ringers - practise at St Mary's Church. Contact Alan Boyd 852354.

Men's Guild - first Monday of each month. 10.30 to 12 pm. All welcome.

Bridge Club - 7.30 pm at the GM Primary School. All abilities welcome. Please contact Trevor Osborne 852006 for more information.

Legs, Bums and Tums - Village Hall, 9.30 am to 10.15 am, 6.30 pm to 7.15 pm and 7.30 pm to 8.15 pm. Cost £6.50.

TUESDAY

Knit & Natter - Every fortnight, 10.15 am to Midday, at The Three Tuns.

Mobile Library - first Tuesday of the month, St Mary's Church, 11.15 to 11.55 am.

WEDNESDAY

Over 60s Club - second Wednesday of the month, GM Village Hall 2.30 pm.

GM Local History Group - second Wednesday of the month at 7.30 pm in the Chapel schoolroom. Contact Geoff Harper on 853845.

Mix and Match - Toddler group and coffee morning - 09.30 to 11.30 am, in the Congregational Church schoolroom.

Reading Group - third Wednesday of the month, 8 pm in the Edward VII Pub.

Morden Ruffians Bridge Club - every Wednesday at 7.30 pm in Steeple Morden Village Hall. Duplicate bridge in a friendly atmosphere. Visitors and novices welcome. Contact Peter Rice: 01763 242577.

'Eat at the Eddie' - Every first Wednesday of the month, Edward VII Pub. Catering by Paulo. See Paulo's Facebook page for menus.

Bar Games Night - Every Wednesday, 7 pm onwards at The Three Tuns.

THURSDAY

Guilden Morden Fair Weather Cyclists - meet outside St Mary's Church at 9.30 am.

The Mordens WI - third Thursday of each month, Village Hall 7.30 pm.

WFMF Quiz Night - fourth Thursday of each month, Edward VII pub, 8pm

FRIDAY

Pilates - every Friday, Village Hall, 9.30 to 10.30 am.

Bingo! - fortnightly, Village Hall, 8 pm to 10 pm.

Walk & Talk - Monthly village walks, see gamut advert for details.

SUNDAY

Bingo! - Fortnightly in the Edward VII pub. Cash prizes and debacles from 8 pm.

Village Hall bookings? Please email GMvillagehall@gmail.com