



Iwade Village Newsletter

Visitors from Age Concern enjoyed a fantastic performance from Iwade School children at the Flower Festival - singing, recorders and hand bells

August 2009

Outstanding Ofsted *by Sue McGoldrick*

Following a recent unannounced visit from Ofsted to carry out a full inspection, we are very proud to announce that Happy Days has been awarded Outstanding in all 14 areas. This is the highest award that can be given to any nursery and an exceptional achievement for a nursery as big as ours. This ranks Happy Days in the top 1% of nurseries nationally. We would like to take this opportunity to thank all our staff and our parents, who help make Happy Days what it is. The sun

shone and 'our' children came across to the Ofsted Inspector as confident, happy and well balanced children who thoroughly enjoy their time at Happy Days. Where do we go now – the answer is simple – there is no going back, we will all continue our commitment to our parents and children and strive to maintain the high standards that have been recognised by Ofsted. The full report can be obtained from Happy Days or from the Ofsted website.



Opening night at the new Fish and Chip takeaway at The Woolpack.

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Congratulations to Iwade School on the launch of their new website
www.iwadeschool.co.uk

Iwade School Summer Fete *by Nicola McKenzie*

Iwade's Circus-themed Summer Fete was held on Sunday 5th July and took over £3000. Well done to all those who organised the Fete and supported it either by going along and spending money, running a stall or taking part in some way. Also to the local businesses who sponsored the event. There were quite literally loads of prizes given away in the raffle. The school even donated a DS! On the field there were displays from Body and Sole Dance Academy, Chris the Magician and the HM Prison

Service Dog Sector. The Fire Service were there alongside the Police with a real-life fire engine and finger printing. An inflatable obstacle course, slide and bouncy

castle entertained the children whilst adults and children could indulge in a bit of welly wanging amongst other things. Say no more. And a £50 voucher to boot!



HM Prison Service Dog Sector who displayed obedience and the ability to get baddies!

According to our new Parish Council Chairman Dave Manning the Development Brief has gone through with no major improvements to the culverts. This could cause flooding when the overflow rises as it has done in the past.

Editor's Note

Welcome to the August edition of the newsletter. Iwade has been very busy over the last month and what fantastic weather we've had! Lets hope it continues. Congratulations to Happy Days on their Outstanding Ofsted. Watch this space for Tinkerbells' Ofsted report. They were visited on Monday 29th and Tuesday 30th June. Thank you to everyone who has worked towards the August edition of the newsletter, to Atlantic Print and to those who deliver in all weathers. If you have any news to report however big or small please use the Newsletter Contact details on page 8 and tell us all about it.

Tara Kent

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Iwade Junior Tygers by Gary Foster

This club is for 5-8 year olds, we meet on Thursday afternoons at 4.15pm, beginners are welcome. The 45 minute class is comprised of Taekwondo related games based on one of the eight skills: Discipline, focus, teamwork, balance, co-ordination, control, fitness and memory. The Tygers get to expend lots of energy playing the games, running, kicking and punching pads.

The Tygers are taught where and when they are allowed to use their new found Martial Arts skills.

We recently had a competition where the Tygers competed against each other in Tyger combat (similar to Gladiators) with a baton and shield to find the Tyger combat champion.

We have other events such as a Summer camp, Tyger Summer Fun day and our Christmas party where we award the Tyger of the Year trophy.

Tygers can progress to full Taekwondo training at our Cadets class (8 -12 yrs) either at Swallows in Sittingbourne or Teynham Village Hall.

The emphasis for our club is fun, the children have lots of fun, burn off lots of energy and learn something useful along the way. A great club to give your child a healthy, active and more confident start to their life.

For more information please contact Gary on 07810 204 739 or check out www.tsatkd.org.

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Flower Festival in Pictures by Nicola McKenzie

Sorry we didn't have enough space to include all the displays



The Lost Sheep by Maria



The Wedding Feast by Lynda



The Net by Parent & Toddler Group



The Sower by Lamplighters



The Growing Seed by Happy Days



The Mustard Seed by Jeanne

Tinkerbells Early Years *by Sue Nolan*



Last term we had our Sports Day, great weather and turn out, this year the Tinkerbells team won with 5 extra points. Well done to them. Thank you to everyone who attended and especially those of you who took part in the parent race at the end.

We also had our Graduation assembly for all our school leavers, this was quite an emotional time for us all, we had 32 children leave for big school, we wish them every success in their future. The children made a fantastic display for the Church

for the Flower Festival, our theme was Hidden Treasure, the treasure chest was made from paper maché and jewellery made from pasta shapes, real sand was used for the beach area, the children took a long time and effort to prepare this display and were very proud of the end product.

We have a few places left for the September start, we take children from the age of 2 years and they do not have to be dry. If you need any further information about the setting please call on 01795 428061. Thank you.

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Community Update *by A/Ps Walshaw & PCSO Woods*

Parking operation

The Iwade neighbourhood
policing team mounted an
operation to tackle dangerous
and inconsiderate parking in
Iwade with the fire brigade on
Friday 12th June 2009. We are
very please to say that the
parking issues are improving but
this will continue to be
monitored vigorously.

3 points on your license and a
£60 fine.

That is the price you will pay if
you park on the white zig zag
lines along Ferry Road at the
traffic lights. Highways are
attending and re-painting the
lines so that there are no excuses.

Get dog mess cleaned up

We are no closer to stopping
people leaving dog's mess all over
the area, Swale Borough Council
have informed us we can have it
cleaned up.

If you report dog mess before
midday, Swale Borough Council
are committed to send someone
to clean it within 24hours. To get
this cleaned up please call 01795
424341

**Punish those who throw litter
from their cars.** At PACT it was
asked, "Can those who throw litter
from their cars been punished?"
The answer is YES, Swale Borough
Council have confirmed if you
witness someone throwing litter

they can be issued a fine and
taken to court. You must have the
vehicle registration details, place
it happened and time and date of
incident. Where possible you
should also include what was
thrown out of the car and vehicle
make and model. To get this
cleaned up please call 01795
424341.

Weight restrictions for Iwade

Iwade has the standard weight
restriction, which states vehicles
over 7.5 tonnes are only allowed if
they are delivering in Iwade. If
you wish to report this call the
Crime Reporting Line 01795
477055 stating time, date,
location and vehicle registration.

Kemsley Mill *by Linda Gordine*



I wonder how many of you have read the 'Glossy', distributed to some homes in Iwade, which outlines the proposal for energy supply expansion at Kemsley Mill? The article explains how good the plan is for the Mill - but I question how good it will be for Iwade in terms of air quality, land and water table contamination risk and transport nuisance. The Environment Agency website lists what is in our backyard. Kemsley Mill is logged as a 'Pollution Hazard' with an operator performance of only average (latest published date of 2007). When you look at the pollutants

released into the air, and what each of them can do to people, it is frightening (www.environment-agency.gov.uk/homeandleisure/37793.aspx). This takes you to maps, where it's enlightening to look at Industrial Pollution and Air Pollution in our area. The link shows pollution incidents where a significant or major incident has occurred but what about the minor ones? In Iwade I've noticed a distinctive smell that permeates the air on some occasions. My husband thinks it's something to do with farming and the surrounding fields but I'm not convinced. To me, manure doesn't have such a sweet sickly smell. If anyone can shed some light on this I'd be very grateful. Anyway back to the main issue: More Power to the Mill states that already the Mill uses paper sludge from the effluent treatment process and plastic contaminants. Their plan is to bring in pre-treated waste products to turn

into electricity and steam. The leaflet states that the fuel would be 'hard to re-cycle waste materials, sourced and pre-treated off site'. My query is - what are the waste products and what have they been treated with? If the waste is to be stored then what safeguards will be in place? St Regis estimates four deliveries per hour, by lorries, which could equate to 32 loads per day! The article states that there are excellent road links. That may be so but the roads in this area are becoming congested and there are always problems with accidents on the 249. I have many other uncertainties, which I hope to pursue at the public exhibition in Kemsley Village Hall towards the end of this week. Kent County Council is already involved in the early stages of research and I think that Iwade should be at the forefront and prepared for what could be just around the corner.

ChurchWarden's Notes *by Sylvia O'Shea*

This month we have some good news to share with you. Hugh Nelson, his wife Lizzie and young family have moved into the Vicarage at Newington and on July 4th Hugh will be ordained in Canterbury Cathedral. A special service to welcome them will be held at Upchurch on July 5th at 10.30am. He will gradually work around all six churches in the Benefice, but for the first few months will concentrate in Newington. If you see him give him a warm Iwade welcome. Did you enjoy the Flower Festival? Hope you managed to come along to enjoy the children entertaining our visitors from Age Concern Sittingbourne on the 29th June.

It's been a pleasure to welcome

visitors on the 2nd Saturday of the month. Many folk comment on the feeling of peace you feel when entering the building. After all, it has stood there for many hundreds of years - we are doing our best to ensure it remains so for future generations.

That is why we all work so hard arranging events to raise the necessary funding. Events like the coffee morning in May, the Strawberry Fayre in June and the Band Concert on July 4th in the Church Grounds, by the UK Paper Concert Band. This annual event is always popular.

Make a note of September 6th when the Annual Walk and B.B.Q. takes place. Call Lynda on 476274 to reserve your place.

Hope to see you this Summer.

Beavers *by Jo Richards*

The Beavers have been working on their Creative, Outdoor and Discovery badges this term, so have had a varied programme so far, from learning to tie their first knots and making bird feeders to Tie Dying T-shirts. As I write this piece they have just completed a joint fun evening with the Cubs at our district camp site at Bexon Lane, where, along with the Cubs, they learnt fire lighting skills, how to put up a tent and follow trail signs. The evening culminated in a game of rounders, which was very entertaining, not least because of the very interesting interpretations of the rules. The result was a 5 all draw (thank goodness) although I have to say the best rounder was from our very own Cub Leader, Baloo (Lisa Andrews)!! *(continued on page 5)*

Broadband

KCC have published an advertisement on behalf of Iwade, Selling and Womenswold on their website inviting proposals to provide a residential and business broadband service. It's stated that in advertising this requirement, KCC is acting on behalf of the local communities who will make the final decision. In Iwade's case this will be the Broadband Committee who in turn report to the Parish Council. Potential suppliers can discuss the requirement with Lyndon Gurr on 01622 221255, Brian Tayler on 01622 694080 or visit www.kent.gov.uk/business/broadband-service.

The deadline for receipt of proposals from suppliers is 5pm on Friday 7th August.

Visit iwadevillage.co.uk for broadband updates *Nicola McKenzie*

1st Milton Regis Scout group kindly invited our Beavers on a trip to Groombridge Place in May, which was a wonderful day out. The Beavers got to walk and play in the mystical gardens, discovering magical statues, signs, trails and playgrounds. Talking dragons and peacocks appeared from nowhere and they got to see Robin Hood and his Merry Men fire flaming arrows into targets. Thank you to 1st Milton Regis for inviting us and it will definitely be a trip we will be repeating ourselves next year.

In April the Beavers joined the Cubs and Scouts at our Spring Camp to sing along at the Camp Fire. This was the first time that many of them had the opportunity to sit around a real fire and experience the atmosphere. Thank you to all the parents that made the effort to bring their children along, I know you secretly enjoyed all that singing and toasting of marshmallows as well!!

Iwade Herons *by Debbie Hursell*



Herons on their presentation nights at Iwade School in June. Well done lads, look forward to next season

Iwade held their two presentation nights and what another successful year. This years chairman's awards were given to those players in each team who don't always get much play but are there week in week out supporting their team. These were Louie Sargent, Callum Whitehead, Tommy Robinson, Haydn St Pierre, Ben Hardy, Luke Barney, Jacob Kenninson, Scott Ryall. **Other Awards:**

Managers player: under 9's- Declan Nickolls, under 10's- Kane Taylor, under 11's-Joshua Brissenden, under 11 blues- Ryan Jarrett, under 12's,Nathan Jarrett, under 13's-whole team, under 14's- Matthew Andrews, under 15's-Ryan Gregory. Players player: under 9's-Jake Phillips, under 10's-Luke Stone, under 11's-Joshua Brissenden, under 11 blues- Jack Murphy, under 12's-Mick and Mark Brissenden, Under 13's- Billy Humphrey, under 14's- Tom Luck, under 15's- Ben Reynolds. Sportsman under 9's-Owen Hyatt, under 10's-Tommy Robinson, under 11's-Craig Lawrence, under 11 blues-Tom Bennett, under 12's-Jack Mills, under 13's-Kieran Smith and Brandon Glenn, under 14's-Kallum Holsman, under 15's- Scott Ryall. Most improved- under 9's- George Holbourn and Joe Lusted, under 10's- Jordan Tindall, Brandon Byford, Alex Mann, under 11's- Jake

Maskell, Matt Russell, under 11 blues- Gavin Holtum, under 12's- Liam Gardner, under 13's-Shane Lawrence, under 14's-Ryan Marshall, under 15's- Dan Elliott. Supporters player: Under 9's-Luke Friend, under 10's-Conor Gillam, under 11's-Fraser Stevens, under 11 blues Nick Orr, under 12's- Mick Brissenden, under 13's- Christopher Hogg, under 14's- Jack Mcgreavy, under 15's- Jack Exell. Top goal scorer- under 9's- Declan Nickolls, under 10's- Conor Gillam, under 11's-Ryan Rogers, under 11 blues- Conaugh Fawcett, under 12's Tom Elliott, under 13's- Nathan Yates, under 14's-Dayon Goode under 15's- Ryan Gregory & Jon Goodman. Most Man of match: under 9's- Luke Friend, under 10's-Craig Clark, under 11's-Lewis Creed, under 11 blues- Callum Southwell, under 12's-Mark Brissenden, under 14's- Tom Luck, under 15's- Ben Reynolds. Penalty shootout: Under 9's- Jamie Hardy, under 11's blues- Haydn St Pierre, under 12's-Tom Elliott, under 13's- Nathan Yates, under 14's- Dayon Goode, under 15's- Dan Elliott. 5 yr award- Declan Nickolls, Conor Gillam, Craig Clark, Joshua Brissenden, Toby Waters, Connor Stedman, Zack Taylor, Callum Southwell, Jack Mills, Laim Lucas, Jacob Kenninson, Dan Butcher, Scott Ryall.

Parish Council Meeting Notes

Extract from 22nd May Planning Meeting

Cllr Wilks was elected Chairman for the Planning Committee.

Parish Council has tried to preserve Woodpecker Drive area for its biodiversity and wildlife. It is a habitat of the highly protected Great Crested Newt and the Noble Chafer Beetle, recently discovered on this land, which is also protected and was thought to be extinct in Kent.

Hillreed and Ward Homes (Barratts) Development Brief

The Chairman referred to the flooding in the village and commented that Shaun Fury of Campaign to Preserve Rural England is assisting.

The draft shows a small increase in the size of School Lane playing field – 1.3 hectares but no land for formal sports provision as promised in the original master plan for Iwade.

The Chairman stated that there must be 30% affordable housing with some three storey dwellings and 40 dwellings to the hectare. Cllr Gregory stated that the elderly and disabled had not been taken into account and the developers should consider bungalows. She also commented that the allotments had failed to materialise.

Residents were concerned that the end of the roadway in Helen Thompson Close will be opened up to create an access route into the new development and resulting traffic will create a hazard for children.

Points to raise in the response:

- Query why there is no land for formal sports provision.
- No allotment land.
- Bus shelter needed for School Lane.
- We need to clarify that we will get a haul road.

Extract from 12th May Parish Council

Cllr. Manning was elected new Parish Council chairman and Cllr D White elected Vice Chairman.

Committee representatives are: Kent Assoc Local Councils (Swale Branch): Cllrs. Manning and Fearn
Planning Committee: Cllrs. Wilks, Manning, D. White, Fearn and Gregory

Village Hall Committee: Cllrs. Gregory and Hurrell

Parks and Play Areas: Cllrs. Hyde and Hurrell

Finance Committee: Cllrs. Manning, D White, Wilks and the Clerk

Cllr. Gregory informed Councillors that she is chairing the Broadband Committee of 10 members which is communicating with KCC Nicola McKenzie is co-ordinating.

PSCO Lindsay Woods reported the following PACT priorities

1. Litter and fly-tipping
2. Anti-social behaviour
3. Parking issues

The telephone number for anti-social behaviour is: 01795 477055.

Cllr. Gregory reported vehicles were using Dunlin Walk footpath as a short cut from the village centre and residents request that a bollard be installed at each end.

Clerk will contact KCC. to reinstate the gate and sign at the Medical Centre entrance to the village.

Parish Precept 2009/10 –Swale Borough Council state that the Parish Precept has been increased by £399 (this was not at the request of the Parish Council) to address the shortfall with the parish lighting expenses.

Councillors to consider writing to the Local Council Ombudsman regarding this issue and the Clerk was asked to put this item on June agenda.

Extract from 14th April Parish Council

Ward Homes requested Parish Council take responsibility for new Grovehurst Road bus shelter.

Re the Iwade Community Orchard Project Cllr Hurrell volunteered to report back at the next meeting.

Parish Council's insurance policy with Allianz is due for renewal on 1st June with premium £1148.51. Clerk will ensure that Grovehurst Road bus stop is covered.

Note from Swale reference Hillreed and Ward Homes Development Brief

Subject to some further work (including screening for an Appropriate Assessment), Members at the Local Development Framework Panel on 25th June agreed to recommend to the Council's Executive that both Briefs be adopted.

Update from Cllr Wilks Planning

Cllr Wilks pointed out that in the 30 page Annex A - Responses to Public Consultations the only good news appeared to be an acknowledgement of steps to provide allotment land. A major concern to the Parish Council is the flooding problems arising from the Iwade Stream which was hoped the Developers would resolve as required by the Swale Local Plan Policy. So far this is not happening as they can not get support from the Environment Agency. Local member Ben Stokes attended the 25th June meeting referred to above and spoke on all the issues raised by Iwade residents including flooding, drains, the stream, unadopted roads, Helen Thompson and Woodpecker concerns, over development, wildlife, allotments, road calming, sports facilities and issues re being overlooked amongst others. Thanks Ben.



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Dates for the Diary (August 2009)

Communion Service Sunday **2nd** August 11am All Saint's Church Iwade

Farmers Market Sunday **2nd** August 10am to 1pm Iwade Village Hall

Gardening Club Thursday **6th** August 7.30pm call Ann on 599755 for venue

Church Open (items for sale) Saturday **8th** August 10am to 2pm All Saints Church Iwade

Family Communion Sunday **9th** August 11am All Saints Church Iwade

Parish Council Meeting Tuesday **11th** August 7.30pm Iwade Village Hall - public welcome

Mobile Library Thursday **13th** August 10.40am end of Sheerstone

Communion Service Sunday **16th** August 11am All Saints Church Iwade

W.I. Meeting Wednesday **19th** August 7.30pm call Hilary on 474686 if you are interested in joining

Family Service Sunday **23rd** August 11am All Saints Church Iwade

Mobile Library Thursday **27th** August 10.40am end of Sheerstone

United Benefice Communion Service Sunday **30th** August 10.30am

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