

Hackington Parish Council Community

DIGITAL NEWSLETTER

Issue 3 June 2022

PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS



The Platinum Jubilee Celebrations were good and we had a 'Jubilee Picnic' get-together on the village recreation ground on Friday 3rd June organised by the Memorial Hall Committee. We brought our own food and drinks and made ourselves comfortable to enjoy the afternoon. The band '6 Shades of Grey' were really great and made the event all the more enjoyable. It was well attended and enjoyed by most of the village, and we were so lucky with the weather.

Cllr Annie Cover

SPOTLIGHT ON CLIMATE CHANGE



Hackington Parish Council Declares Climate Emergency

At our recent Parish Council meeting we declared a climate emergency. What this means is that the Hackington Parish Council acknowledges that climate change is happening and we are ready to act on the causes and impacts. It is a commitment to develop an action plan and affect change. We have joined 300 other councils who are taking proactive actions to deal with this emergency. A community climate change group has been set up and we met for the first time on 11th June. An action plan is currently being developed. We will be sharing news and views with you via this digital newsletter and on other platforms. If you have a keen interest or expertise in this area and would like to get involved, contact Cllr Ania Bobrowicz at ania.bobrowicz@hackington-pc.gov.uk.

Car tyre wear and tear contributes to environmental pollution

Have you heard of tyre pollution? Toxic particles from car tyre wear and tear are almost 2000 times worse than pollution from car exhausts. More here from the [National Geographic](#) and the [Guardian](#).

Tips and Hints

Do you have any unwanted items? There are many places where you can recycle them. Check it out on the [Canterbury City Council](#) site.

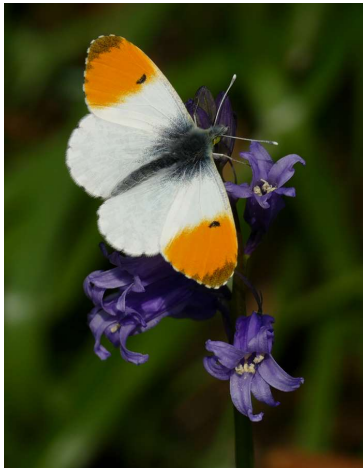


**DIGITAL
CHAMPIONS
NETWORK**

In 2021 Kent County Council created Digital Kent to provide support to the local communities in the wake of Covid. A Digital Champions Network was subsequently set up with volunteers from local communities coming forward to offer their expertise and support to local residents for all things digital.

At the next coffee afternoon on **Wednesday, 6th July, at 2:30pm in the Memorial Hall**, there will be a short presentation by Sophie Mckenzie, Engagement Officer (Digital Inclusion & Capability), who will talk about the services on offer. Your local digital champion will also be in attendance. If you plan to attend, feel free to bring your ipads, mobiles, or laptops and bring your questions and queries (e.g. how to set up an email account, how to use an online prescription service, etc.).

TYLER HILL MEADOW



April at Tyler Hill Meadow

The sun was shining on Sunday 24th April when Irene Pellett and myself went to the Meadow to complete the April flower survey. There was a good covering of Ground Ivy and a good variety of other wildflowers and blossoms. Common Orchid leaves could be seen with their distinctive spotty pattern. Under the mat hides we spotted six slowworms of various sizes and we were pleased to spot a toad! Sitting quietly in the meadow it was a delight to see a variety of butterflies. The Speckled Woods were flying in a pretty pattern, a lovely air show! Orange Tip and large and small White were active. The fox has a clear path across the open ground to the woods.

May at Tyler Hill Meadow

After some very welcome rain, the sun was shining for the May flower survey. On Friday 27th May the next survey was undertaken. The Oxeye daisies were beginning to make a cheery show. Bees were active and birds sang merrily. We noted very few Vetch plants which used to be more common. We looked eagerly for common Orchids which were abundant last year but only found one in the bud. Under the mat hides, there were many ants but nothing else! The woodland walk was very

boggy! I'm glad I took my wellies!

Clare Jones

(Image credits from left to right: Orange-tip butterfly - Andrew Reekie, Ground Ivy - Wikipedia, Vetch - Isidre Blanc)

NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN - SURVEY

A big thank you to all Tyler Hill residents who took the time to respond to our Neighbourhood Plan Survey. We received 55 responses. Your views are important to the Parish Council and can be used in discussions with the City Council over various matters which affect our village. Councillors are looking through the responses and will report back in due course. If anyone would like to see the results of the survey in more detail, please contact Cllr Ania Bobrowicz on

ania.bobrowicz@hackington-pc.gov.uk.

REMEMBER THIS FIELD LAST YEAR?



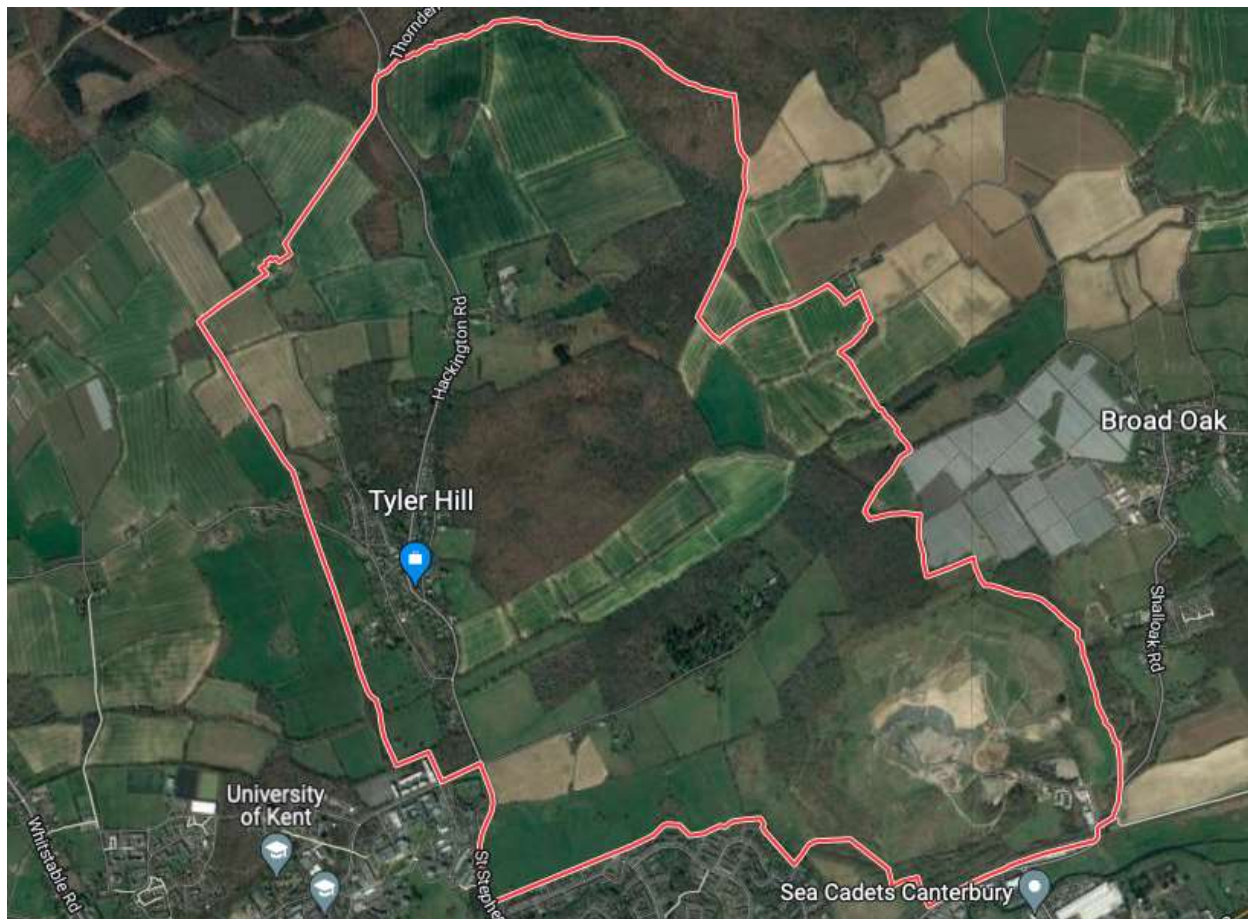
WATT TYLER'S STORY - PART 3

Do you remember the vibrant colours of phacelia and sunflowers in the fields leading to Sarre Penn? They were planted last year and many residents commented how beautiful they looked. Dogs loved going into the field and residents took photos. The two fields are farmed by St Nicholas Court Farms, St Nicholas at Wade. We decided to find out more about the crop.

'That was a cover crop which is grown between crops. Our energy crop rotation affords a nice gap between harvesting rye in June and drilling maize the following April. It consisted of sunflowers, phacelia, oats, and radish. It is grown to build organic matter levels, trap nutrients, reduce soil erosion risk and provide food and habitat for wildlife, beneficial insects, and pollinators. Always a bit touch and go getting the crop established in the dry months of July and August, but worked quite well last year'.

St Nicholas Court Farms

(with many thanks to Liz Barter for the use of the photograph)



Perhaps you were lucky enough to be born here. Perhaps you moved here because you liked the location and the ambiance of the parish. Perhaps you are resident here but don't feel you are here permanently –yet. This little ramble sets out how lucky you all are, describes some of the benefits of living here, and why, if you don't already, you should consider participating in village activities.

The parish is located just north of the city of Canterbury and bounded by the line of the former Crab & Winkle railway to the west, Broadoak to the east, and Whitstable to the north. Its 1500 acres are mainly wooded with oak and chestnut on the higher ground whilst the valley of the Sarre Penn, formally hop gardens, is now arable. The main area of habitation is the pleasant village of Tyler Hill. . The village is separated from its neighbours by open countryside and woods and from the University by fields and woods. Its setting is distinct and detached. There has been a community hereabouts from medieval times when the abundant local clay and timber were used to make tiles for the cathedral, churches, and manors of East Kent. Until the coming of the University of Kent, the main occupation of those living in the parish was concerned with hops, fruit, arable and dairy farming or with the products of our woods, chiefly coppiced chestnut.

Since 1960s Tyler Hill has almost doubled in population and has become a dormitory village for those working in the City or at the University. Surrounded as it is by fields, meadows, and the ancient Blean forest, the village is a much sought-after location providing, as it does, easy access to the countryside, the City, the coast and the motorway system. The community, being relatively small, is self-regulating. It enjoys the benefit of the efforts of many active residents in its well-appointed Memorial Hall and on the adjacent spacious Recreation Ground. In the centre of the village The

Tyler's Kiln pub is a splendid meeting place and welcoming hostelry for fine food, beers, and wines.

Well now, don't you feel lucky to be living here?

Watt Tyler

(Image credit: Google)

WELCOME TO NEW RESIDENTS

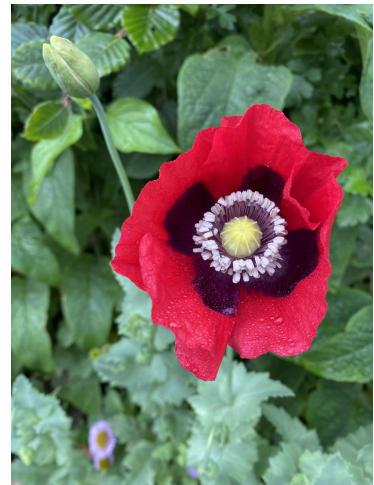
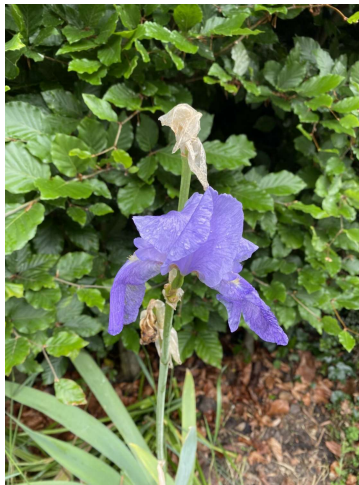
We have recently welcomed new arrivals to Tyler Hill, Alison and Mark, who moved into Silvadene on Link Road. They would like to thank all who welcomed them.

'Many thanks to all those who have made us feel so welcome to Tyler Hill with their warm wishes and gifts. We look forward to meeting many more of you.'

Alison and Mark

FLOWER, PRODUCE, AND CRAFT SHOW

17th JULY 2022



TYLER HILL GARDENING SOCIETY FLOWER, PRODUCE & CRAFT SHOW

SUNDAY JULY 17TH

TYLER HILL MEMORIAL HALL, SUMMER LANE CT2 9NJ

SHOW OPENS TO PUBLIC AT 2PM

ADMISSION FREE

AFTERNOON TEA SERVED
TOMBOLA
PLANT SALE
CRICKET MATCH
NO PARKING FROM 11AM-DROP OFF ONLY

Entry forms and the show schedule are available [here](#) and from outside Honeywood House,
Summer Lane CT2 9NH.

All entries are to be submitted no later than Wednesday, 13th July, 8pm.

TYLER HILL MEMORIAL HALL ACTIVITIES



Blean, Hackington and Tyler Hill Society Meetings and Events

The Society's next meeting is an evening at Tom and Kate's eco establishment, Rough Cottage, Fleet's Lane on July 11. Time to be arranged. We hope to look around their smallholding, look for glowworms and hear the nightjar accompanied by a glass of wine and strawberries. Further details will be available via the Facebook Tyler Hill group.

Gardeners' Club Meetings and Events

The Gardener's Club is preparing for the long-awaited Flower show on 17th July. For details of how to enter and the show schedule, see [here](#) or go to the Facebook Tyler Hill group.

Monthly Coffee Club at the Tyler Hill Memorial Hall

The monthly coffee club is usually on the first Wednesday of the month. Please note that the time has changed to an afternoon coffee - 2:30-4:30 from 6th July.

Regular Clubs running at the hall (please see the notice board outside the hall for contact details):

Bowles Society: Every Thursday evening at 7pm

Canterbury Photographic Society: First Wednesday of the month 6.45-10pm

Gardeners' Club: Third Wednesday of the month: 7.30-9.30pm

Kendo: Mondays 7-8.30pm

Little Bubbles Messy Play: Tuesdays 9.30am-1pm

Rock Choir: Mondays 9am-12pm

Thai Chi: Mondays 5.30-6.30pm; Wednesdays 5-6pm; Sundays 2-3.30pm

Tippy Toes: Thursdays 10-11.30am

Yoga: Tuesdays 7.30-8.30pm; Fridays 9.30-10.30am

Zumba Gold: Fridays, 11-11:50am

Please note that all Tyler Hill Memorial Hall activities are run by the Tyler Hill Memorial Hall committee, not the Hackington Parish Council. Therefore for any inquiries, please contact tylerhillmemorialhall@gmail.com.

[Unsubscribe](#) | [Manage your subscription](#)

Hackington Parish Council

Our next Parish Council meeting will be on Thursday, 14th July, at 19:30 in the Tyler Hill Memorial Hall.

All residents are welcome.

Unless otherwise stated, all photos by AB under CC BY-NC 4.0

MailPoet