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TW. Hopkins, Butchers, Blackboys. Tel: 01825 890251

Hair By Us, Framfield. Tel: 01825 890737

Blackboys Inn. Tel: 01825 890283

Hare & Hounds, Framfield. Tel: 01825 890327

Blackboys Service Station. Tel: 01825 890317

Framfield Service Station. Tel: 01825 890663

Press & Banks, Building Contractors. Framfield. Tel: 01825 890255

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Blackboys Pre-school, Blackboys Village Hall. Teresa Howell

Tel: 01825 763863

Framfield Play Group, Memorial Hall. Jo Rayner Tel: 07881 960875

Framfield CE Primary School, Mrs Janet Wilde Tel: 01825 890258

Blackboys CE Primary School. Mrs Gillian Webb Tel: 01825

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DOCTORS

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Tel: 01825 763196

Drs. C. Fabre & D. Wright, Buxted. Tel: 01825 732333

The Meads, Grange Road, Uckfield. Tel: 0844 4773373

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Seaboard Power Failure & Emergencies. Tel: 0800 7838866 (24

hrs) Gas. Tel: 0800111999

South East Water - Leakline. Tel: 0800 0283399

NOTE: Please refer to the advertisements in the magazine for further local businesses.

St Thomas à Becket Church

Parish Newsletter



**Framfield, Blackboys
and
Palehouse Common**

JUNE/JULY 2007

Letter from the new Editor.

When I was asked to "introduce" myself as the new Editor, I thought "Well, at least I know something about that subject". Several screwed up balls of paper later suggested that I knew too much and most of it wasn't worth printing.

I live in Framfield and many of you will already know me by sight. I am the person being towed around the village by two dachshunds. Others from St. Thomas a' Becket church and East Hoathly with Halland W.I. have been friends for some time.

I am, in Sussex parlance, a newcomer, having only lived in Framfield for fifteen years. I did live in West Sussex in the 60's, departing from there to go "up north" to work - my late husband with Rank Xerox and myself in the Lord Chancellors Department. When we both finally retired we came back to our favourite county, Sussex.

I have always enjoyed reading the Newsletter and have used the expertise of many of the advertisers, so, with the help of the team already so good at getting the News organised and printed, I am looking forward to playing a small part in your Parish Newsletter's production.

I do hope that you will all contribute. Your Newsletter is a combined Church and Parish Council Newsletter for all the community. So- let us know of any events- gardening- fund-raising for Charity, Sports events and results. I can be contacted either by phone or e-mail.

Sue Whitehead.

01825-890352 or susan.whitehead3@tesco.net

P.S. When I was a child I always wondered who "Ed" was in my magazines. Now I know!



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THE SPRING PLANT SALE in Aid of Church Funds

took place in the Church Hall on 12th & 13th May.

The display and variety of the plants given to the sale by our enthusiastic gardeners was quite amazing, and donations secured the most beautiful specimens. There were also books, cards, coasters with a floral theme, magazines and beaded butterflies for inclusion in flower arrangements. Tea, coffee and biscuits were available as well. All thanks to Ruby Tagg and her helpers who on the first day alone raised well over £200.



STOP PRESS!

150 th ANNIVERSARY OF EDWARD ELGAR.

THE DREAM OF GERONTIUS Saturday 2nd June

De la Warr Pavilion Bexhill @7.30pm £15-£20

Box Office:01424-229111.

Ronald Chatwin who has been helping us out with our Services recently and his wife are taking part in this Choral Event.

Lets show our support and thanks by attending this concert.

**ST, THOMAS À BECKET CHURCH
FRAMFIELD.**

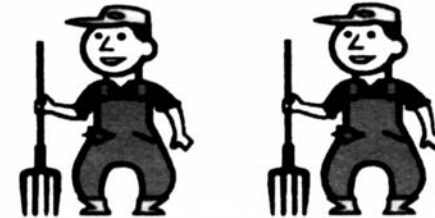


ROGATION SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY 3RD JUNE 2007

**10.15AM BREAKFAST AT HIGHBRIDGE FARM
FOLLOWED BY
11.00AM ROGATION SERVICE**

**HIGHBRIDGE FARM, PALEHOUSE COMMON
(BY KIND PERMISSION OF MRS P. WOODLEY)**



Why not come and join us, we would love to see you all.



From the Registers :

Marriages – those whom God has joined together, let no one divide :

31.03.07 Richard Eldrett and Sally Eves

At rest:

05.03.07 Ted Weston

18.04.07 Lt. Col. Ralph Foregard

HOW TO GET IN TOUCH WITH YOUR LOCAL CHURCH

Churchwardens : Mrs. Pat Tindall (01825 890761) or
Mr. Peter Tomsett (01825 763460)

Secretary to PCC : Mrs. Pat Herbert

Treasurer : Mr. Norman Jones

Office Administrator : Mrs. Anita Long

All communications for church matters should be left at the Church Office, Vicarage Barn, Framfield TN22 5NH which is open Monday to Friday from 9am to 1pm. Or, you can telephone the office on 01825 891090 or email framfieldchurch@btopenworld.com.

Please direct all urgent messages to the Churchwardens. Messages left on the office answerphone, outside office hours, may not be acted upon until the next working day.

Details of Operation Godsend are printed elsewhere in the magazine.

FREE SMOKE ALARMS

Your local Fire Service personnel are happy to make an appointment to visit your home and discuss fire safety issues that are specific to you. They will also ensure that you have working smoke alarm(s) within your home and where you do not, they will supply and fit 10 year smoke alarms.

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Adult Education: 01273 481497

Bins and Recycling: 01323 443322 or 01892 653311

Crimestoppers, report crime anonymously 0800 555111

Education, general 01273 481000

Leisure centres, swimming pools and parks: 01323 443322

Planning, development, building control: 01323 443322

Police, non-emergency: 0845 6070999

Road maintenance: 0845 6080193

Recycling sites: 01273 481000

Street Lighting: 0845 6080193

Trading standards (consumer issues): 01323 418200

ROSE'S PANTRY - FRAMFIELD

Large range of Groceries from Sainsbury's

Fresh milk - Local honey - Home made curries - Ice creams - Soft drinks

Bread to order from Bell's Bakery at Cross In Hand

Locally produced Free Range Lamb and Eggs from Brookhouse Farm

Meat and Sausages from Hopkins Butchers, Blackboys

Sweets - Chocolates - Greetings Cards - Stationery

Dry Cleaning Service.

Open: Tuesday, Thursday, Friday 9.00-1.00/2.00-5.00 Tel: 01825 890316

HOME LIBRARY SERVICE

*Enjoy reading but cannot get to the library?
Books too heavy to carry home?
Caring for someone who cannot be left?*

The County Council's Library Service offers a free home library service to people who cannot easily use a library due to disability, frailty, or because they are caring for someone who cannot be left. Books, books on tape or CD, music CDs and DVDs can be borrowed. A member of the library staff or a volunteer will discuss your requirements with you and then bring you a library service on a regular basis.

Forms for this service are available at your local library or by ringing 01273 479155.



OPEN GARDENS DAY IN MARESFIELD, SUNDAY 24TH JUNE 2007

The Association of Friends of Maresfield Church is arranging another Open Gardens day in the village.

A selection of gardens can be visited and refreshments will be provided at an appropriate point along the route around Maresfield.

For details, and ticket prices, please contact Anne Seigne on 01825 763659.

DIARY OF CHURCH SERVICES

JUNE

		Trinity Sunday (Rogation)
03	10.15am	Breakfast at Highbridge Farm, Palehouse
		Common followed by
	11.00 am	Rogation Service
	6.30pm	Evening Communion (CW)
10		Trinity 1
	10.00am	Family Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Evening Praise
17		Trinity 2
	10.00am	Family Service
	6.30pm	Evening Communion (CW)
20	11.30am	Holy Communion (BCP)
24		Trinity 3
	10.00am	Family Communion
	6.30pm	Evening Praise

JULY

01		Trinity 4
	10.00am	Family Service
	6.30pm	Evening Communion (CW)
08		Trinity 5
	10.00am	Family Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Evening Praise
15		Trinity 6
	10.00am	Family Communion (CW)
	6.30pm	Evening Praise

18 11.30am Holy Communion (BCP)

22 **Trinity 7**
10.00am Family Communion
6.30pm Evening Praise

29 **Trinity 8**
10.00am Family Communion

Church Services : BCP – Book of Common Prayer.
CW - Common Worship 2001

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BY 10th JULY 2007

TO

**ANITA LONG AT THE CHURCH OFFICE – 01825
891090**

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OR**

**ANN NEWTON – 01825 890182
SUE WHITEHEAD – 01825 891050 (childrens items)**

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Open Garden & **CLASSIC CAR SHOW**

+++ Fathers' Day +++

Sunday June 17

Gates Open 12.00 Noon
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Pump Lane
Framfield**

Ploughman's Lunches - Licensed Bar
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Golf Pitching Challenge

Admission £5.00 - Children Under 10 yrs Free

For further details and entries telephone: 01825 732259/890645
FRAMFIELD BLACKBOYS & WALDRON CONSERVATIVES

We have also played three friendly games. We drew games with Sidley and Maresfield. However, we gave Crowborough a good thumping.

Non-League Fixtures

21/04/2007	Away	Sidley	Drawn
28/04/2007	Away	Maresfield	Drawn
06/05/2007	Home	Crowborough	Won 118 runs
13/05/2007	Away	St Lukes	
20/05/2007	Away	Waldron	
27/05/2007	Away	Barcombe	
30/05/2007	Home	Hellingly (Oakshott Cup)	
03/06/2007	Away	Rottingdean	
10/06/2007	Away	Wadhurst	
17/06/2007	Away	W G Gracefully	
24/06/2007	Away	Summerdown	
01/07/2007	Home	Laughton	
08/07/2007	Home	Hadlow Down	
15/07/2007	Home	President's XI	
22/08/2007	Away	Buxted Park	
29/08/2007	Home	St Lukes	
05/08/2007	Home	Waldron	
12/08/2007	Away	Buxted Park Six-a-Side	
19/08/2007	Home	The Invalids	
22/08/2007	Home	Warlingham	
26/08/2007	Away	Ripe & Chalvington	
02/09/2007	Home	London Trinity	
09/09/2007		TBA	
16/09/2007	Home	Wadhurst	
23/09/2007	Home	Summerdown	

If you would like to get involved with Blackboys Cricket Club please do not hesitate to contact us.

Colin Eade, Secretary. 01825 890507, colin.eade@gmail.com

**Framfield Playgroup, Memorial Hall
The Street, Framfield, E Sussex TN22 5RN
Ofsted Registration No 511222
Charity Commission No 1040794**



We had a fabulous spring term with some great activities for our topic of growth. We were very successful in growing lots of beans, cress and sunflowers. We had a trip to Wilderness Wood and the weather was lovely, so the children had a lot of fun looking at everything starting to grow and bringing our Easter celebrations into the trip, we had a fun Easter egg hunt in the lovely playground, of course all the children enjoyed the chocolate!

It is now the start of our sunny summer term, the first half of the term we are looking at transport, the children are lucky enough to be able to use the school playground, where they have some lovely new road signs and zebra crossing, so they first made and filled in their own driving licence, then they took their test outside. It was a great success and they all passed first time! We are also hoping to have a visit from a tractor and a pilot. For the second half of the term, our topic is beachlife/sealife and we are hopefully going to have a trip to Drusillas.

Our Rising 5's group is starting in June on Tuesday afternoons in the School, for all our children starting in Reception Class in September. Sadly we are losing quite a large number this year, they will be sadly missed, but we wish them all the best starting school in September.

We have a few places in September for 2 and 3 year olds, if you wish to know more about the Playgroup, please contact:

Jo Rayner (Supervisor) on 07881 - 960875 or
Claire Renwick (Committee Secretary) on 01825 890302

Alternatively, please feel free to visit us on Monday, Wednesday or Friday morning between 9.00 am - 11.30 am in the Memorial Hall, Framfield.

Framfield CE Primary School

Last term we had a very exciting time. The focus for the school is on Artists and Musicians, and this linked into work on the Ashdown Project. This is a project set up by the Village Schools Association to develop oral story-telling skills. We spent a wonderful morning in the Ashdown Forest on a very bright, sunny and cold morning. It was a rare experience for the children to see icicles and frozen ponds, and to study the beautiful frost patterns which covered branches and leaves. On our return to school the children worked on telling stories based on what they had seen in the Forest. They invented stories about the Fir People, about monsters that live in the forest and used the motifs of fairy stories with magical fir cones and stones. Since then they have presented their stories to the school, and year 6 have made films of their story-telling.

The next stage of this project was an art week when each child did drawings based on their memories of their walk through the Forest. From these drawings they made clay tiles which will be installed on the front wall of the school. These were individual pieces of work, but they also worked together to produce two weavings which represent different aspects of the forest. In addition we have a film of our day at the Forest made by a professional photographer who spent the day with us - a brilliant record of a very fine day.

The children have learned a great deal about different artists and musicians, including Picasso, Saudi, Van Gogh, Beethoven, Mozart and Elgar. They were entertained by the Hand Cross Park School Orchestra; they spent the day learning African drumming and are soon to spend another day with a jazz musician. Another art day will be spent by Keystage 2 children on the work of Surrealist artists to provide a contrast to their work so far. They have written hymns and composed musical accompaniment which will be performed at our Easter Service on 30th March.

We are delighted to be enjoying so much fine weather so far this term, as our school topic is called 'Fitness Factory'. We have many sports and games activities planned, including work with teachers from UCTC. In addition we have many parents coming to share their favourite exercise with us. Later in the term we will be focusing on the contents of a balanced diet and have some interesting things planned to do with food - more next time!

Janet Wilde Headteacher

BLACKBOYS CRICKET CLUB

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We have started our season in Division 7 of the East Sussex Cricket League. Our first game was away to Hellingly II's. We scored 180 for 9 and they replied with 119 for 8. The game was a draw but we earned ourselves 15 points for our efforts compared to their 9.

East Sussex Cricket League – Division 7 Fixtures

05/05/2007	Away	Hellingly 2nd XI	Drawn
12/05/2007	Home	Herstmonceux 2nd XI	
19/05/2007	Home	Uckfield Anderida 2nd XI	
26/05/2007	Away	Eastbourne 4th XI	
02/06/2007	Home	Rye 2nd XI	
09/06/2007	Away	Tunbridge Wells Borderers 2nd XI	
16/06/2007	Home	Willingdon 2nd XI	
23/06/2007	Away	Crowhurst Park 2nd XI	
30/06/2007	Home	Ringmer 3rd XI	
07/07/2007	Away	Herstmonceux 2nd XI	
14/07/2007	Home	Hellingly 2nd XI	
21/07/2007	Away	Uckfield Anderida 2nd XI	
28/07/2007	Home	Eastbourne 4th XI	
04/08/2007	Away	Rye 2nd XI	
11/08/2007	Home	Tunbridge Wells Borderers 2nd XI	
18/08/2007	Away	Willingdon 2nd XI	
25/08/2007	Home	Crowhurst Park 2nd XI	
01/09/2007	Away	Ringmer 3rd XI	

Colin Eade, Secretary. 01825 890507, colin.eade@gmail.com

SSAFA

The last thing an ex-serviceman wants is charity?

The Soldiers, Sailors, Airmen and Families

Association, is a Nation wide organisation which assists serving and ex-servicemen and women and their families. There are many ex-servicemen and women **and their spouses** in our community proud to serve their country, but often too proud to seek help. SSAFA is the leading Service charity when it comes to securing grants from statutory sources, civilian charities, Service Benevolent Funds and Regimental Associations. We also help those who feel they are getting nowhere in the face of bureaucracy, with dealing with councils, utility companies, housing and education authorities etc. If you are that person or know of such a person, the local representative for the Uckfield area can be contacted on **01892 783803** or contact the **Sussex Branch Secretary** on **01403 275495**.

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Framfield & Blackboys Horticultural Society

Please come along and take part in the summer show on **Saturday 11th August** and do have a go at putting some entries in - there is a wide variety of fun and challenging classes for all the family, with novice classes for beginners - we have a new class in the Fruit & Vegetable Section of the show for "A Funny Shaped Vegetable".

This year we will be hosting our very first Scarecrow Competition with a prize of £10 going to the winning entry and, as they were so successful last year, Wheelbarrow Races will be running throughout the afternoon with wheelbarrows once again being provided by Windmill Feeds.

We have changed the format of the dog show to a "Fun Dog Show" (which will not be judged under Kennel Club Rules) and to add to the fun there will be a Fancy Dress class for dogs (optional for owners!). There is no need to come early to register - just come along - entries (at £1 per class) will be taken in the ring and judging will commence promptly at 2.00pm. *Everyone will be charged admission to the showground including dog owners (who haven't had to pay in the past) and this remains at £1 for adults and 20p for children.*

Please don't throw away spare seedlings or spring plant divisions as we intend to run our Bring & Buy Plant Stall again and will be looking for plants.

If you are able to spare a couple of hours on the day to help man a stall for the society we would be very grateful - please call and let me know so that I might put together the rota.

Forthcoming Events:

Tuesday 5th June - Gardening Forum with Valerie Clark at Hobbs Barton - please note this will be at **9.30am** all welcome - tel: 732259

Thursday 21st June - Visit to Hailsham Grange, Hailsham. 11.00am coffee/talk and tour of this divine small garden followed by glass of wine and light lunch. £9.50 all in or £4.50 excluding lunch.

For further information please call Alayne Jenkins on 890580

Tuesday 10th July - Gardening Forum with Jennifer Graham at The Old House, Waldron at 11.00am - all welcome - tel: 01435 812711

Kathy Gore - 890494



We would like to thank you for your support at our Markets

Our next Market dates are:-

**Saturday 23rd June
&**

Saturday 28th July

We look forward to seeing you there.

Sandy 840648

FRAMFIELD'S RED FLYERS

DRAGON BOAT RACE

SATURDAY 15TH SEPTEMBER 2007

Framfield school are again entering the Dragon Boat Race at Bewl Water on Saturday, 15th September. The hardy crew are: Colin Eade, Tim Hills, Sean Dennis, Neil Clayson, Dave Smith, Emma Meaton, Simon Joslin, Sean Read, Ben Walton, Angie Stephenson, Peter Collins, Jonothan Page, Richard Aylwin, Trevor Rice, Janet Wilde (drummer), Philip Collins, Adam Mellor, Sandra Jones, and Ashley Jones.

The crew will be raising funds to help towards an Extended Schools Project which the school and playgroup are looking to develop in the future. This would mean extra class rooms for the school and a self-contained area for the playgroup which would free up space in the Memorial Hall. Other funds are also required to re-fence the school and to buy 10 laptops on a laptop trolley.

If you would like to sponsor this motley crew please email amanda.allison@yahoo.co.uk or phone the school direct on 01825 890258.



BLACKBOYS PRE-SCHOOL
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Blackboys Pre-School continues to go from strength to strength. Our recent glowing OFSTED report has added to our reputation, and we are now attracting more children than ever - in fact we have only a handful of places left for September, so if you are interested, you'll need to get in quick!

We are also delighted to announce that as from September, we will be trialling afternoon sessions at the Pre-School. These will run from 12.45-3.30pm on a Monday and Tuesday initially. This does of course mean that you will have the option of placing your child with us for a full day, from 9.15am to 3.30pm on those days. Nursery funding is available, and we welcome children from two to five years of age (and they don't even have to be potty-trained!).

We believe that we can offer your child a fantastic start to their education. But don't just take our word for it. Talk to other mums, chat to people in the village, come and visit us! We have a superb outdoor play area and sensory garden, fabulous staff, a Special Education Needs Co-ordinator (SENCO) and a great relationship with Early Years Service.

Please give us a ring and arrange a visit - our Manager would be delighted to show you around.

Our Summer term as usual seems to be full of exciting opportunities for our youngsters. We are particularly looking forward to staging our first ever art exhibition on Friday July 20th. During Arts Week we are going to put a selection of art work together from all the classes in the school this work is then going to be submitted to the National Art Gallery as part of their Take One Picture scheme. We are very hopeful that some of our work might be displayed in the National Art Gallery.

Also as part of our Arts Work years 4,5 & 6 will be visiting the David Nash exhibition, being held at Lewes town hall. The children will also be involved in workshops. I'm sure the children will thoroughly enjoy the planned drumming workshops too.

Teachers are planning to enrich pupils learning through a variety of outing this term. Class 1 are going to Bentley Wildfowl Park. Class 2 visited Brighton Museum. Class 3 will be studying rocks and minerals at the Seven Sisters. Class 4 will be visiting our coastlines around the Eastbourne and Seaford area. Class 5 are going to France, to Nausicaa in Boulogne, where they will have ample opportunity to practise their French.

We were delighted when all our year six pupils passed their cycling proficiency. This week the fire safety officers brought the fire bus into the school playground and spoke to all the classes about fire safety.

Sadly I will be leaving Blackboys School at the end of this term. I have really enjoyed my nine years here and I know that Blackboys School will continue to thrive as a successful village school for many years to come.

FRAMFIELD PARISH COUNCIL – MARCH/APRIL 2007

The Parish Council met on Tuesday, 27 March and 24 April 2007 (the last meeting of the 'current' Council).

The issue of the closure of Framfield Post Office was again discussed with the compulsory closure information from the Government not now expected until the end of May.

The public meeting to discuss proposals to place a Pavilion on both Framfield Blackboys recreation grounds was a success and further investigations are now taking place. The final decision will be made once a 'new' Council is in position.

At the April meeting PCSO Nick Arthur reported on the successful day the Police had in Uckfield offering to fit tamper-proof bolts to car number plates as the incidence of number plate theft is increasing. The bolts are free and if anyone would be interested please contact either myself or Uckfield Police Station, PCSO Nick Arthur. If enough residents were interested the PC could consider holding a bolt-fitting session in the Parish.

As the last meeting of the current Council, Carey Jacobsen and Jack Gore were profoundly thanked for all their efforts on behalf of the Parish. Jack will be 'retiring' after twelve years as a Parish and District Councillor.

The next Parish Council meeting, the Annual Meeting, is on 15 May 2007 when all Councillors will sign the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. The next meeting will be held on 26 June 2007.

As an election was not required (eleven nominees for eleven seats) I list the 'new' Council below.

Please contact any of these Councillors or the Parish Clerk, Ann Newton, who holds copies of the full PC meeting minutes.

**Eryl Thomas (890360); Jeremy Bacon (890236); David Andrews ((07765 320116); Myran Eade (890507); Jonathan Fenton-Vince (07903 234103); Peter Friend (01435 867126); Maria Naylor (0780 1230835); Rob Newton (890103); Ian Paisley (890904); Rita Redman (890276); Keith Riddle (890379); Ann Newton (Parish Clerk): 01825 890182 (fax and answer machine)
Email: framfield.pc@virgin.net. Messages will be picked up during office hours.**

"OPERATION GODSEND"

A SERVICE FOR ALL PARISH RESIDENTS

Examples of the services available are:

Transport

Essential journeys - Visits to doctor's surgery or hospital, essential shopping, collection of prescriptions/changing library books

Resources

Small handyman/woman tasks - eg changing fuses, altering clocks etc.
Dog walking/care of pets.
Visiting/befriending.

Requests will be received on an answer phone
Tel. No: 01825 891072

Messages will be checked daily (evenings) and callers contacted within
24 hours

We are in urgent need of more volunteer drivers. If you live in the parish, enjoy driving, and could spare a few hours occasionally, we would be very pleased to hear from you. The most common requests are for transport to hospital appointments - Eastbourne, Brighton etc. and local trips to Doctor's surgeries, opticians and Bird-in-Eye hospital. If you think you can help, please contact the Church office.

Framfield & Blackboys WI

Our May meeting was held at the Blackboys Village hall. We started with a Ploughman's Supper prepared by the committee, then followed the business of the meeting – a discussion on the closure of Community Hospitals. The resolution urges H M Government to stop the closure of Community Hospitals which provide essential services to local people. Needless to say, the resolution was passed and our delegate will take this forward to the NFWI Annual General Meeting in June.

Our June meeting will be at Hadlow Down, by kind permission of Peter & Delia Gillies. We will start with a walk then have tea in their pretty garden. Visitors are welcome, so do come and join us.

Lyn Malyon

<< Note new mobile number for Inside Out 0791 569 7304

FRAMFIELD MEMORIAL HALL 200 CLUB

WIN £400

The club has been running since 1980 and is an important fund raiser for the Memorial Hall

It is simply a group of people (up to 200) who pay an annual subscription, are allocated a number and win prizes (or at least have a chance to win prizes!).

Membership is open to all and each number is included in the draw for each prize. There is no restriction to the number of entries each individual can have.

For 2007 the annual subscription will be £15 and the top prize £400.

The prizes for 2007 will be;

10 at £25; 6 at £50; 3 at £100; 1 at £400

The level of prizes is based on the present membership of about 120 but if we can find new members the prize fund will be increased by at least half of the amount of the new subscriptions.

If you are interested or if you would like an additional number please contact one of the following;

Rosemary James	Framfield Post Office	01825 890316
Mary Short	25 Becketts Way Framfield	01825 890854
Esther Eade	Farriers Framfield	01825 890507
David Jenner	10 Cleve Close Framfield	01825 890632

**The following double page is for the children who , I hope , will do some drawings for us to include and also send us some news of their own .All of the items they send must have their parents consent and only their christian names will be included under their artwork or stories. I would like them to tell us about the wild-life in the Parish.We are all so lucky to live here but we do not often get time to notice the nature around us,and as they play they see so much more.I know the rabbits have multiplied by the meals they have enjoyed in my garden, and if the moles would only throw up the earth in my borders instead of the "lawn" I would be happier ! Please encourage the children to contribute to the Newsletter.
All items should be sent to me at "Spurlings Gate". Sandy Lane. Framfield. East Sussex.TN22 5SB or susan.whitehead3@tesco.net
Contributions by 10th July please.**

MACMILLAN CANCER SUPPORT

The street collection held in Uckfield in April raised £495 helping towards the services that Macmillan provide. Our committee are providing *Teas at Hobbs Barton on 2/3/4th June* when Valerie and Jeremy Clark once again open their garden under the National Gardens Scheme. Do try to go along and wander around, maybe buy some plants for your own garden and enjoy a cup of tea in the beautiful Barn.

With your help Macmillan have now appointed, among other services, a Head and Neck Clinical Nurse Specialist at Eastbourne DG. The 2007 approved bids include a Skin Cancer Specialist (there is an 11% higher risk of skin cancer if you live in Sussex) and a Speech and Language Therapist (patients often have to travel to London for this service). Also in 2006 Macmillan grants were issued to 126 people in East Sussex helping with travel costs, heating bills etc.

Following the positive result achieved by Macmillan's lobbying to allow cancer patients to travel into London for treatment and not pay the congestion charge, they have been lobbying Government again - this time to try to stop parking fees at hospitals for cancer patients.

If anyone feels they need personal help or advice on matters relating to cancer or just general information on Macmillan Cancer Support, please ring the **Freephone Macmillan Cancerline on 0808 808 2020** or visit **www.macmillan.org.uk**.

Ann Press, Local Chairman 01825 890400

**ST, THOMAS À BECKET CHURCH
FRAMFIELD.**



ROGATION SUNDAY CELEBRATION

SUNDAY 3RD JUNE 2007

**10.15AM BREAKFAST AT HIGHBRIDGE FARM
FOLLOWED BY
11.00AM ROGATION SERVICE**

**HIGHBRIDGE FARM, PALEHOUSE COMMON
(BY KIND PERMISSION OF MRS P WOODLEY)**



Why not come and join us, we would love to see you all.

The Childrens ' Parish Newsletter



Their news, their views and their Art

*All the items contributed to this part of the Newsletter is included with
parental consent*

BIRDS ,BUGS and BEASTIES.

For the children

April 25th was a lovely day in my garden. We had four "finds".

A beautiful dragonfly had hatched and was still hanging on to her old body waiting for her wings to dry. Sadly we did not see the moment when she spread her wings and flew away. I have sent an E-mail to Bill Oddie of Springwatch to see if he thinks she will survive. The normal time for hatching is June/July when there is more food about for her.

A big May Bug was crawling up a shrub. It was very large, brown and glossy.

Number three, and my least favourite, a "farmhouse spider" in my hall. Penny Stapleton (Bird-boxes in the churchyard appeal) was on hand and, armed with glass jar and piece of card, kindly removed it out to the garden.

The final "find" was, unfortunately, a little corpse of a Long-eared bat. I have watched the wonderful arial ballet many times in late summer but was never close enough to any of the bats to see what kind they were.

All the birds are nesting and squabbling over the nestboxes. I think they are family members who return to the old box each year, and try to beat each other to it. I have a permanent wren box and one for blue tits. They have smaller entrances than the others and are always occupied.

Do let me know what you have found in your garden or on your walks around the parish.

Sue Whitehead.

AnswerPhone :01825 891050

