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#### OVER TO YOU!

Esme M Hubbard (Nee Wright) sent the following open letter to all of her friends in the village, which she wanted including in the December issue of the newsletter, but as you can see by the date, that issue was already printed and delivered.

Dear Withernwick-errs.

30th November 2001

Now that another Century is well established I wonder if events throughout these two years have been

significant - or shall we remember only the tragedies.

The foot & mouth problem for farmers and the slaughter of those innocent-looking cows & sheep - how we cringed every time it was shown on TV and our hearts went out to the owners of these animals who couldn't keep back their tears. The many rivers throughout England and Wales were swollen owing to excessive rainfall and residents had to be evacuated because their homes were flooded not once but twice in some cases. Oh for some Priestman Dragline Excavators those were invaluable some 50 years ago in cleaning out rivers and widening and deepening ditches and streams and improving irrigation generally. There are lots more depressing occurrences every day and I for one wish sometimes that I was not such an avid reader of daily newspapers.

Now we look forwards to Christmas and the New Year when our families are still maturing. What an interesting time it is for parents and grandparents. I have 21 children. 4 children, 8 grandchildren and 9 great grandchildren.

14 of my brood are girls!

I have been sewing, knitting and crocheting for kiddy-widdies for almost 70 years and I am still working hard in this field. I can remember learning to crochet when I was 5 years old and one of the girls in the top class at Withernwick School taught me this craft when I was in my mother's infant's class at the school. The girls name was Elsie Barker who lived in Main Street in the village - such a polite and courteous lady she grew up to be. My last reminiscences of her are when she was a bus conductress with the East Yorkshire Motor Services during World War 2. Cheers Elsie!

During the last year, I have had a few small trips abroad. Like the Algarve, Kuwait and the Canary Isles and my long haul flights seem to have drifted away - not because of the 11th September. It is so that my relatives and friends have an

opportunity to visit the U.K. and this may happen, all being well, when I celebrate my 90th birthday next April.

I have dearly loved my long-haul flying trips, 10 times to Australia and back - 3 of these have been round the world jaunts, the Bahamas, South Africa, all parts of America. I was never happier than when I settled in cramped plane seats anticipating yet another stopover in a strange country. Those were the days when boiled sweets were handed out to passengers at the beginning of every flight. The first time I visited Australia way back in 1965, British Airways (then BOAC) presented us with a huge breakfast before entering Sydney - consisting of a juicy steak, two eggs, kidneys and sausage. I got to regard Australia as my second home, visiting Shirley, my oldest daughter.

I still enjoy my 3 days a week card playing, whist drives etc, where we play solo and Kalooki - my own spelling of this last game which is a sort of advanced Rummy only with frustratingly strict rules. I am taken and fetched back each time by

my daughter Cynthia for whose never-ending service to me I shall always be grateful.

I hope all your Withernwick activities are still flourishing and will continue to do so. These are my Best Wishes to you all for Christmas and the New Year.

With Love, Esme M.Hubbard. (Nee Wright)

#### THOUGHTS FROM ABROAD

(Sent in by Julianne Ashton's dad)

We are often asked when we are in the UK, "Why live in France?" Those who have visited us don't ask. They say, "Your so lucky to be living here." I reply that it wasn't luck but my wife's foresight, aided by her sister.

We bought the house in 1989 as a holiday home. After four years of eagerly awaiting out departure dates (3 times per year) and then not looking forward to returning to England, we decided to sell up and to move here permanently. Something we have

never regretted.

The house was a ruin consisting of a small living area, a barn and a cowshed. We stripped the inside leaving the pillars and beams and gradually re-built it. The wooden floors were removed and replaced with concrete. Heavy work in which we were helped by our neighbours. The walls are of stone about 60cm thick. We were told how to make holes in them, how to use props made of wood, then how to put in lintels, doors and windows. After all, if some of the young people I had taught in the past could be artisans then why couldn't I? After five years we had re-built a house with five bedrooms, three bathrooms, a swimming pool, garage and terrace. We did employ some tradesmen to mend the roof, to make the shutters, to make and erect the large front door and to build the staircase. My wife's relatives have been down to offer their expertise and my son-in-law has also greatly helped. They all gave us heart as well as assistance but, the bulk of the work we did ourselves.

Why live in France? The friendliness of the people is a huge factor. Living in the countryside we offer mutual assistance such as helping with the harvest, plucking and dressing chickens and occasionally assisting in the birth of a calf. In return, we get help with concreting, the ploughing of our garden and the gift of plenty of manure. Then, of course, we musnt forget the 'vendange'. One gets invited to pick the grapes and then to participate in a tremendous meal washed down with liberal quantities of wine. As

a bonus, you can have five litres of new wine and a litre of 'eau de vie' if you want them, and that makes pineau.

The weather plays a big part, hardly any snow, just enough rain, and lots of sunshine and no lengthy days of perpetual dampness. There are seasons as there are storms but the winter seems shorter. We turn our central heating on in November and it goes off at the end of March. The odd log fire is lit before and after that period but not a lot. On average, we see sunshine four days out of seven and in August and September, almost every day.

The quality of life and the standard of living are immense. Shop assistants always greet you with a smile and hello and never forget to say cheerio. The garage man is kind and helpful. There's a huge variety of food and wine all at very reasonable prices. The doctor is always available and a specialist can be seen in days with hospital immediately, if necessary. You pay for the service

but £3.50 is not a lot. Income Tax and Social Security payments are high but since I am only taxed on my state pension, for me it

Finally, where we live in Lot and Garonne is so beautiful. We sit on our terrace and gaze out over the pool onto a fertile area surrounded by trees. In the distance a lake shimmers stocked with fish and used by hundreds of birds - it's a nature reserve. Undoubtedly the deer, coypu and wild boar use it but are rarely seen.

Do we miss our family? Of course we do but when they visit us we see them all day and most of the night for two weeks not

just for a few hours every now and presently. We also use the telephone a lot and soon we will be able to E-mail them.

### 102 YEARS DIFFERENCE



A coffee morning held at 'The paddocks' residential home in Hornsea raised over £300 for 'The Kids Club' in Hull. (They help children with Special needs) The family and friends of Amy Sherman, granddaughter Of Doreen and Maurice Dunn sponsored her at this event, which coincided with her 4<sup>th</sup> birthday. Amy is seen here with another birthday girl, Miss Edith Regan who reached the age of 106 on the same day. "Some achievement I think!"

Thank you Doreen Dunn for sending this lovely photo in and for informing me that sadly, Miss Regan has since passed away. Our condolences go to her family and friends.

### 'BAH HUMBUG'!

Thank you 'Santa's little helper'
For sending this photo, which
Was taken on Christmas Eve
Of a young villagers front
Door. The chap who lives
There was secretly tickled
Pink to find his 'Santa stop'
Sign and a pillow-case with
A few surprises inside. Just
Lucky someone had a camera
Handy!



### WHAT'S ON IN WITHERNWICK

MARCH							
Wednesday	6 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Lent Lunch, hostess - Joan Gibson, Mill Lane.				
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Friday	8 <sup>th</sup>	7 - 9pm	Jam & Cram, Sunday school room. (11 - 14's)				
Friday	8th	9 ' ish	Fun Pub Quiz in the Falcon Inn.				
Sunday	10 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Mothering Sunday. All-Age Worship, St Albans Church.				
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Lent Lunch, hostess - Valerie Smith, Mill Lane.				
Wednesday	13 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	St Albans Church AGM, Sunday school Room.				
Wednesday	20 <sup>th</sup>	12 noon	Lent Lunch, hostess - Norah Spencer, High Street.				
Friday	22 <sup>nd</sup>		End of School term, Hornsea & Village.				
Sunday	24 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Palm Sunday, All-Age Worship, St Albans Church.				
	26 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Village School at St Albans Church.				
Tuesday	27 <sup>th</sup>	7.45pm	Village Fete Group, $1^{st}$ meeting in the Village Hall.				
Wednesday	29 <sup>th</sup>		Good Friday, St Albans Church.				
Friday		2 - 3pm	Easter fun night, Falcon Inn. (VHC & YC)				
Saturday	30 <sup>th</sup>	9.00pm	Clocks go forward 1 hour.				
Sat/Sun	30 <sup>th</sup> /		Holy Communion, St Albans Church.				
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Friday	5 <sup>th</sup>	9 'ish	Fun Pub Quiz in the Falcon Inn.				
Tuesday	9 <sup>th</sup>		Back to School, Hornsea & Village.				
Saturday	13 <sup>th</sup>	2.30pm	Darby & Joan Spring Fair, Sunday school room.				
MAY							
Saturday	4 <sup>th</sup>	10.30am	Plant Sale at Joan Gibson's, Mill Lane.				
Monday	6 <sup>th</sup>		May Day Holiday, Hornsea & Village School's.				
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>		Deadline for inclusions in the June Newsletter.				
Wednesday	8 <sup>th</sup>	7.45pm	Village Fete Group, 2 <sup>nd</sup> meeting in the Village Hall.				
Tuesday	14 <sup>th</sup>	9am	Bishop Richard, Holy Communion, St Albans Church.				
Wednesday	15 <sup>th</sup>	7.30pm	Annual Parish meeting, Village Hall				
Monday	20 <sup>th</sup>	8.00pm	Village Hall Committee A.G.M, Falcon Inn.				
Friday	31 <sup>st</sup>		End of School term, Hornsea & Village.				
JUNE							
Mon & Tue	3rd &	4 <sup>th</sup>	Golden Jubilee Bank Holiday. (2 days)				
Monday	10 <sup>th</sup>		Back to School, Hornsea & Village.				
Sunday	$23^{\rm rd}$	5,00pm	Promenade concert, Hollis Rec, Jim Froud Tel 527392				
Monday's		6.30-7.30pm	Keep Fit, Village Hall, Hornsea Adult Education, 533942.				
Monday's		7.30-9.00pm	Movement to music, Village Hall, (HAE as above)				
Tuesday's		2.00pm	Darby & Joan, Sunday school room, Alternate weeks.				
Tuesday's		7.30-9.30pm	Youth Club, Village Hall, over 13 year olds, 50p.				
Wednesday's		7.45 for 8pm	Ladies Group, Village Hall, 1st Wed in the month. £2.				
Thursday's			Wet fish van around the village.				
Friday's	NOT TO BE A SECURE OF THE SECU		Mobile Library bus, opposite the butchers.				
		1.45pm	Pram Service, St Albans Church.				
2 <sup>nd</sup> Sunday 6.00pm		•	Praise and Prayer, St Albans Church.				
	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday 8.00pm		Village Hall Committee meets in the Falcon.				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday 7.30pm			Parish Council meets in the Village Hall.				
3 <sup>rd</sup> Sunday 10.30am			Holy Communion, St Albans Church.				
4 <sup>th</sup> Sunday 10.30am			All Age Worship, St Albans Church.				
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