

**SEDLESCOMBE VILLAGE HALL**

The Annual General Meeting of the Village Hall Management Committee takes place there on Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> March at 7.30pm and everyone will be welcome to attend and 'have their say' on how our unique Village Hall operates. Regular user groups are entitled to nominate a representative to serve on the Management Committee, there are also elected posts available for non-regular users who feel they have something to contribute. Some of the Committee's current members have served for a long time (one or two of them since the Hall was opened in 2001) and may welcome the opportunity to take a back seat to allow some new and enthusiastic input.

**OTHER FORTHCOMING DIARY DATES ...**

**Sedlescombe & District Garden Society** will meet in the Village Hall on *Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March* at 7.30pm when the Speaker will be Tom Hart Dyke of television fame talking about his World Garden of Plants at Lullingstone Castle. All are welcome to come along - Members free and a small admission fee for visitors.

**Antiques Fair** - a reminder that there will be another one of the "from time to time" Antiques Fair in the Village Hall on *Sunday 11<sup>th</sup> March* from 9.30am until 4.00pm - coffees and refreshments available.

**World Pony Driving Championships** - the Coffee Morning to support our Team (and in particular Sarah-Jane Cook) will be held at 'Tamar' on *Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> March* from 10.00am until 12 noon; Cakes Stall, Books Stall, Tombola etc please call Hilary on 870397 for collection.

**Sedlescombe Sports Association** - are holding a Jumble Sale on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March in the Village Hall in aid of the much needed Pavilion. Jumble needed please - for collection please 'phone Rosemary on 870533.

**Table Quiz** - advance notice that the next quiz will be on *Saturday 31<sup>st</sup> March* in the Village Hall; entry @ £3.50 per head includes tea and home-made cakes. Bookings can be made now from Reg & Pauline (870258) or Ralph & Jean (870223); profits from the evening go to Village Hall funds. Watch out for more details which will follow.

**SEDLESCOMBE THEATRE**

**CLUB** ticket numbers and money are now due for the forthcoming visit to Devonshire Park Theatre; as soon as possible please!

*Shirley - 870517*

**BONUS BALL CLUB (Parish Church)** subscriptions are now due for March - £5 each please;

*Rosemary*

**GRAND SPRING QUIZ** - quiz-sheets will shortly be available from the shop with 42 questions about Food & Drink and 6 weeks to think about the answers! First prize will be a Cream Tea for 2 at the Bistro and second prize a bottle of wine; quiz-sheets £1 each with proceeds to the Village Hall.

**PERSONAL from Ted Cornford**

together with Bertha's family we would like to express our great appreciation for the many messages of condolence received from which we know that Bertha was widely regarded with much affection and as a special person. We found the support and turnout for the funeral very touching. Ted wishes it to be known that in the face of his loss and grief after more than 50 years' married to such a wonderful wife, he could not wish to be living in a more caring and compassionate community.

**FAIRTRADE FORTNIGHT** - do look out for money-off fairly traded goods in supermarkets during this fortnight ending March 11<sup>th</sup>; change today - buy Fairtrade and make a difference

**JUST TO REMIND YOU ...**

**Ecumenical Lent Group** - meets each Wednesday during Lent at No 15 Gorselands, commencing at 7.00pm. If you would like to join in, please 'phone Margaret Smith on 870431.

**Lent Lunches** also continue every Friday 12 noon until 2.00pm at No 2 Forge Cottages; enjoy a "soup and roll" lunch and take the opportunity to help others less fortunate than ourselves.

**Easter Lilies** - don't forget to order your Lilies @ £2 each for decoration of the Parish Church at Easter which you can donate in memory of a departed loved one - further details please 'phone Sylvia on 870688

**POST OFFICE RALLY** -

many thanks to everybody who joined us last Saturday morning on The Green - it was encouraging to see so many of you there and hopefully there will be some coverage in the local press this week-end. The

Government's Consultation Period ends on March 8<sup>th</sup> and some time after this they will be talking to Post Office Ltd who will then be required to form a list of Post Office closures. It is anticipated that the whole process will take some time (probably several months) before individual PO's will know their fate. Please continue to support *all* Post Offices whenever you can.

*John and Jenny Mainwood*