

Chailey News

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BLUEBELL WALK AT LUMBERPIT

May 2009

The Church of St Peter Parish of Chailey



SUNDAY SERVICES
See opposite page

WEEKDAYS

Monday	8pm	Bell Ringing Practice
Thursday	7pm	Holy Communion
Friday	6.45pm	Choir Practice

New ringers and choir members always welcome.

Transport to services can be arranged: please contact the churchwardens
The Church is open during daylight hours.

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CHAILEY FREE CHURCH, SOUTH CHAILEY

Please see details of services and weekday activities later in magazine

Contacts: Mr Charlie Hill 01444 471600
Mr Roger Nutley 01273 890114

ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

Hérons Ghyll:	Wednesday 9.30am	Sunday 11.30am	Holy Days 12 noon
Haywards Heath:		Sunday 8.30am	10.30am 5pm
Uckfield:	Saturday 5.30pm	Sunday 9.30am	
Lewes:		Sunday 9am	10.30am

For further information about Roman Catholic services and activities, please contact Mrs Mary Butterfield, Shepherds Wood, Sheffield Park, Uckfield, East Sussex 01825 790370

St Peter's Parish Church

May 2009

- Sunday 3rd May - **4th Sunday of Easter**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am All Age Family Service
- Sunday 10th May - **5th Sunday of Easter**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Sung Eucharist with Children's Church
- Sunday 17th May - **6th Sunday of Easter**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Family Eucharist
- Thursday 21st May - ***Ascension Day***
7.00pm Eucharist
- Sunday 24th May - **7th Sunday of Easter**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Sung Eucharist with Children's Church
- Sunday 31st May - **Pentecost**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Sung Eucharist with Children's Church
- Sunday 7th June - **Trinity Sunday**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am All Age Family Service
12.30pm Church Fete

BCP is the Book of Common Prayer (1662)
all other Eucharistic Services are from Common Worship: Order One

We hope to welcome everyone warmly
and families and children are welcome at all our services

Dear Friends

It is a great joy to be back in harness and working in the village once again. I have been cheered to note how much that is going on by people working together, individuals and societies, groups and businesses within and beyond the village.

I could give various examples from within the Churches life. In fact I must once again pay tribute to our two excellent Churchwardens Chris Jones and Sarah Tillard who work tirelessly and collaboratively for the good not only of St Peter's Church but of our wider community. While lingering on this point I would like to record publically our affection and gratitude for all Basil Bigg's work for the Lord and whole community as he has retired from pastoring the Free Church.

One of the first things that I attended on my return was a lent course jointly run by the parishes of Newick, Barcombe and Chailey. It is a great source of encouragement to me that we are effectively doing more and more together. In some ways 'our' churches (I say 'our' because they are all God's – even when or perhaps especially when – we don't agree!) are similar but in many ways they are also different. In fact Barcombe is in a separate deanery. When I was a curate that was literally a river one did not cross. However we are seeking ways to serve each other which is how it should be.

Indeed in this very month St Peter's will welcome people from Barcombe Church for a 7 p.m. Evening Eucharist to mark the feast of the Ascension. We will welcome you too!

While I'm at it I must just plug two more events which I think will be well worth while attending. On the Evening of Saturday May 16th St Peter's will be hosting a guest speaker from the Holy Land. As I write this has only just been confirmed and further details will probably already have been published. Please put this in your diary or on the calendar now! The second is an early plug for the Church Fete on Chailey Green on June 7th. This is a great community event and one of the highlights of the year for me.

I pray we will go on working together as it's one of the main reasons that make living here such a joy.

Yours,
Richard.

News from Chailey Free Church

Sunday Services:

10.30 am	6.15 pm
3 rd Ian Watt	Suzannah Griffin
10 th Phil Cole	Simon Hateley includes communion
17th Family Service	Derek Martin
24th David Muzzel includes communion	Eric Christie

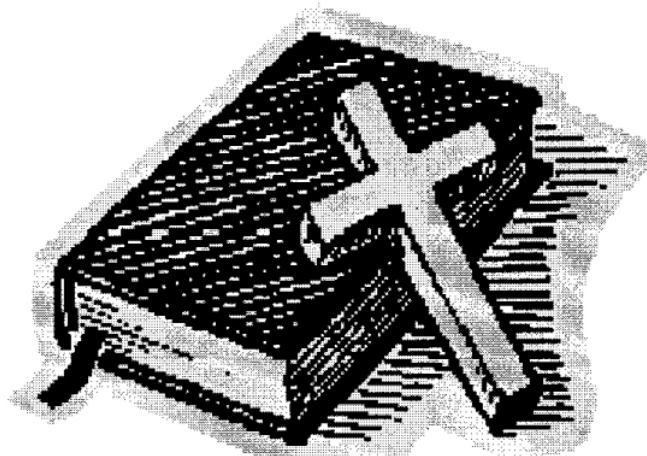
We hold covvies and God Squad during our 10.30 service, if you would like your young to attend please contact Janice on 01273 890114 or better still bring them along.

All welcome to stay for tea and coffee after services

Tuesdays 10 am Hoppers (term time only)
6.30 Boy discoverers age 7 - 11 (term time only)

Wednesdays 9.30 Prayer meeting.

Finally, if you have boys aged 7-11 years, you might like to know about our Discoverers groups which meets every Tuesday evening in term time, when the boys enjoy a wide variety of activities and games. For further details, please phone Janice on 01273 890114





Chailey Pre-School Playgroup
East Grinstead Road
North Chailey
EastSussex
BN8 4DB

Over the next term the children at the Pre-school will be learning all about Fairytales and Rhymes including a fantastic Fairytale banquet where the children are invited to come along dressed as their favourite characters. This will be taking place on Friday 22nd May and if you would like to come along on this day to take a look at how the Pre-school works then please contact Fay on 07732714424.

We would like to welcome Cassie who has recently joined our team of staff members and wish her every success within the Pre-school.

We are currently organising a treasure hunt which will be taking place on a Sunday during the summer which will be a great community event.

We still have spaces for children from 2years for morning/afternoon and full day sessions. If you would like further information or to receive a prospectus, please contact me.

Carrie Heasman - Secretary

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St. Peter's Church Fete Sunday 7th June from 12.30pm

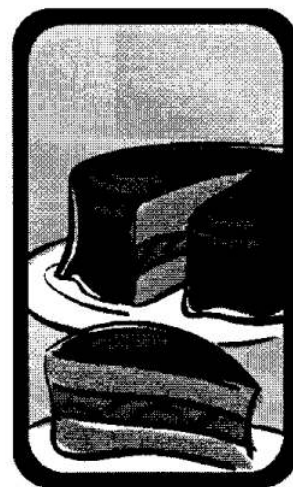
We look forward to seeing you all at the annual fete on Chailey Green. To tempt fate I would say that we always have brilliant weather but when we don't it's still a lot of fun! We are building on last year's expanded success so do make a date in your diaries and come early as we are having a Bar-B-Q starting at 12.30 to have you well fed for the afternoon. All the usual stalls will be there and some of them as usual rely on your help to fill them up before the event.

Bottles please!

Any bottles or cash to purchase bottles for the tombola will be gratefully received by David and Lucy Mitchell. *Please contact them on 01444 443822.*

Bake a Cake please!

All cakes will be gratefully received before or at the fete for the cake stall. *Please contact Olga Jeffs on 01825 722267.*



Plants please!

All types of plants are needed for the plant stall. If you have any seedlings, cuttings or left over plants *please contact Andrew Risby on 01825 722578*. Andrew would also appreciate help to man this stall.

Books Please!

Pauline Floyd and Ann Jones would welcome any books for their stall. *Give Pauline a ring on 01444 471304 or Ann on 01444 831244* or leave them in the Church porch or Pellingford porch.

Fashion and Home Accessories please!

Scarves, bags, jewellery, china and glass in good condition, unwanted presents, stationary, candles, cushions etc – no bric-a-brac! *Please contact Helen James on 01825 722411*

Thank you and see you there

Chris Jones



CHAILEY CRICKET CLUB **are looking for** **NEW PLAYERS**

We always welcome more players and need to strengthen our squad to play in the:

- **Stoner (Mid-Sussex) Cricket League** on **Saturdays**, and
- **Friendlies** on **Sundays**

Whether you play league or friendly cricket or both you will be made very welcome

Join us and you will experience a friendly club, tremendous teas as well as a sociable atmosphere on and off the pitch

If you are interested or would like more information please **contact:**

Mike Beard on 01444 410309 or
David Dembrey on 01273 890777

or email chaileycc@talktalk.net

www.chailey.play-cricket.com



Presents
AGATHA CHRISTIE
“Cards on the Table”

adapted for the stage by Leslie Darbon

Mr. Shaitana is a strange and wealthy collector of snuff boxes and other *objects d'art*. One evening he invites two specialists, Superintendent Battle of Scotland Yard and Mrs. Oliver (the crime novelist) to a dinner party to “view” his special collection – a group of four people who have all committed murder in the past and got away with it. As this group play bridge after dinner, Mr. Shaitana is daringly murdered and the killer has to be one of his dinner guests. Battle sets out to solve the crime aided by the eager Mrs. Oliver who begins with psychological deductions from the bridge score-cards, but there are many red herrings, skeletons in the cupboard and two more deaths before Battle can lay his “cards on the table”.

NADS looks forward to welcoming you to an enjoyable evening's entertainment with the added facilities of raked seating with cushions, bar and ice creams.

NEWICK VILLAGE HALL

20th to 23rd May 2009

Starts: 8.00 pm (Doors open 7.15 pm)

Box Office No: 01825 722985 (before 8.30 pm)

Email: nads_newick@mac.com for internet bookings

Or, buy direct from Newick News Shop or Bob Alderman (Butchers)

www.newickamateurdramaticsociety.co.uk

Chailey Newick Colts Gambia Support Group

This is a brief account of the group's 4th visit to the Gambia and the people of Faraba and Jangjang Bureh villages.

We arrived in Banjul, the capital, in the evening and stayed there the night in relative luxury before spending the next day travelling 200 miles upriver to MacCarthy Island. We stayed near the village of Jangjang Bureh, which was called George Town during the height of the slave trade.

Our accommodation was basic, consisting of tents with en-suite facilities erected alongside the river Gambia.

The showers were suspended buckets of river water but it did warm up during the day and was always very refreshing when we got back to the camp in the evening. The campsite is well known as a centre for bird watchers as the birdlife is prolific in the area

We visited the local school in the village of Faraba, which teaches children of the surrounding area.

The charity is now sponsoring 40 children who otherwise wouldn't be able to stay at school and finish their education because their families are so poor. Sponsorship for one child to remain at school is only £5 a month. Chailey Primary School has been strongly involved, donating money towards the rebuilding of 2 derelict school buildings and the provision of books and other essential educational items. This trip the group took out letters from some of the **children from St Peter's to the children of Faraba school**. As a result of the donations from the charity and the efforts of the committed, enthusiastic teaching staff, the school is now considered to be the best in the Central River District.

The whole village turned out to greet us and we were surrounded by hundreds of men, women and children chanting, dancing and wanting to hold our hands. Four years ago when the founder members of the charity first went out there, it was the first time many of the villagers had seen white people, now these same people greeted us as family.

We were there most of the day as they showed us the garden that money from the charity had paid to be fenced off to stop cattle trampling the vegetables. This will provide the whole village with an area to cultivate enough fresh produce to feed the whole village and a means of income from selling the surplus.

There is a very strange mix of traditional and modern life. The family all live together in one compound with the different sections of the family having their own hut. It is all very basic with no luxuries. The family bonds are extremely strong and the elders of the village are respected and obeyed. However there were several times when we saw the chief elder either texting or speaking on his mobile! Mobile phones have



taken off in Africa because there is not enough money to establish a landline system.

Despite the recent modernisation the number one killer in this area is **still** malaria. The primary aim of the charity has always been to protect as many people as possible. 450 king size mosquito nets have been distributed around the area of Faraba since the charity started, providing protection for around 2,000 people. However, more mosquito nets are needed. For only £5 a whole family can be protected.

We also visited the local Health Centre. That was quite an upsetting experience because they have so few facilities. The women are encouraged to come to the Health Centre to deliver their babies but apart from drugs to enhance contractions and stop bleeding, they have no other medication. There is no pain relief at all, no forceps or operating facilities. If there are problems in labour then the women are transported to the local hospital which is about 4 hours away. The women of Faraba are 50 times more likely to die during pregnancy and childbirth than the women of Chailey.

The chief midwife is on call 24 hours a day, 7 days a week. In the last 5 years, of the 17 staff who work at the Health Centre, only two of the midwives have received any pay at all. They have a cook, but no food. There was no running water in the labour room and the shower and toilet were not fit for use. Needless to say infection rates are high with little access to antibiotics. Having provided mosquito nets for all the beds in the hospital the charity is now providing the salary for a fulltime cleaner and nurse. The ongoing objectives are to raise money to enable refurbishment of the Health Centre to ensure a safer more dignified environment.

We feel we have a unique opportunity to help the people of Faraba who offer their skills free of charge on any project we support financially and by having reliable Gambian trustees helping us with key decisions we ensure that no donations are wasted in well meaning but badly conceived ideas. And to think – it all started with a game of football!

April 2009

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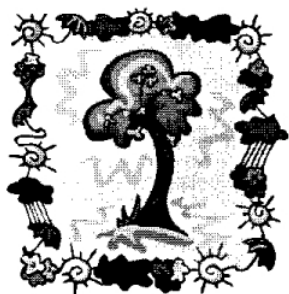
Children's Calendar Diary



Thank you to everyone who purchased one or more of the Eddie Matthias/Marjorie Davies calendars. We took £400.00 and have sent £200.00 to St. Peter's Church, Chailey and £200.00 to the Enterprise Centre at Chailey Heritage. There are a few calendars remaining and we hope to have more printed for Christmas. If you missed your copy and would like one please phone either Teresa Wenban, 01825 722586 or Jill Clarke, 01273 400536.

Eddie's daughters

Chailey Commons Society



How lovely it is to see the Spring flowers everywhere and also to hear the birdsong. There has recently been a really fine and sunny week to encourage all the buds to burst open and show us that we are now well on our way to springtime. The Gorse is a beautiful yellow now and the first few butterflies are already flying across the heathland.

The winter work on the commons has now ceased and the tidying up completed in time for the new nesting season. The Hebridean sheep continue to graze in selected areas and maintain the low cover.

Our Annual General Meeting on 19th March was very well attended and after the formal business we were pleased to welcome our speaker, Lyn Palmer, from the High Weald AONB Project, who told us about their work and the aerial surveys being done. We also heard how we could become involved in some of the work with their new survey kits.

We were saddened by the recent death of our Vice-Chairman, Mrs Foye Ridley, who, together with her late husband, Philip Ridley, had been involved with the Society for many years. Members stood in remembrance and she will be very much missed at our meetings.

A speaker at one of our previous meetings, Desmond Gunner, has invited us to see his fields and woodlands, especially for the bluebells, at Blackboys on **Friday, 1st May**. We shall be meeting at the overflow car park of the Blackboys Inn at 2.15 p.m. Members may like to book lunch at the Inn before joining the walk - 01825 890283.

On **Saturday, 2nd May** we shall be having our first Archaeology walk with Linda Ball, meeting at Pound Common Car Park at 10.30 a.m. until 12.30 p.m.

We shall be attending the Plumpton College Open Day once again on **Saturday, 9th May** from 9.00 a.m. until 4.00 p.m. with our display stand and have our Identification charts and other items for sale.

On **Thursday, 28th May** we shall be having our first Bird Walk, when Ian Woolsey will lead us from Red House Common car park at **8.30 p.m.** to listen for, and hopefully see, the Nightjars. These are unusual birds and it is fascinating to see their flight pattern in the late evening.

Look out for the forthcoming meetings and events, there are details on posters on the commons, in the Members Newsletter and on our website.

William Coleman

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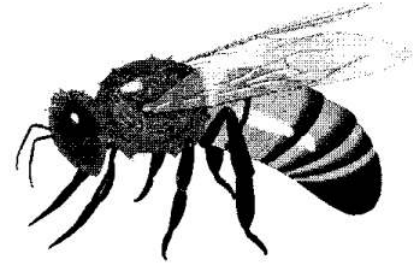
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Chailey Evening W.I

SOS for Honey Bees

This will be the subject of our meeting on Tuesday 5 May. We are planning on discussing the troubling decline of honeybees populations in the UK with a view to seeking to encouraging the Government to resource research into the health of bees be it effected by pesticides or disease.

We are hoping for a good discussion and will be getting up our strength with a sausage and mash supper beforehand.

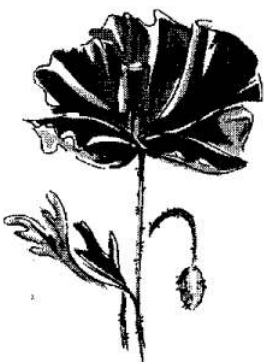


For the April meeting we "journeyed" to Oberammergau with the Rev.Douglas Hollis who told us of the Passion Play which the villagers enact every ten years, and have done since the 17th century.

If you have an interest in the plight of the honey bee and don't wish to lose putting honey on your toast why not join us on 5th May in the village hall at 8.15pm? Sorry but we cannot offer you supper!

Myra Vidgen

Royal British Legion Chailey Sub branch



We urgently need volunteers for House to House collections for the November 2009 Poppy Appeal, especially in South Chailey. All this involves is a couple of preferably weekend mornings in the fresh air in late October, and the boxes will be delivered to you and collected again at the end.

We also need a new organiser to maintain contact with the collectors and organise supplies of poppies and wreaths etc from Royal British Legion Headquarters.

The continuing involvement of the British Armed Forces in Iraq and Afghanistan means that the Poppy Appeal benefits not only Veterans of past conflicts but also young men and women of the 21st Century in very current need.

Please contact Rodney Russell on 01273 400596

James Radcliffe



COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

*By
Sharon Davy*

SMALL BUSINESS RATE RELIEF SCHEME

It's important to help our small traders and firms through this financial crisis especially in rural areas such as Chailey. Recently, I helped a sole trader working from a very modest local farm unit reduce their Business Tax rate by joining the Small Business Rate Relief Scheme. Every little bit helps. A business is eligible if they have a rateable value of less than £10,000. If you, or indeed anyone you know, has not applied for this relief, please contact Mr. Henry Walker, Local Taxation Manager at Lewes District Council. I have met with Mr. Walker and made it very plain I support our local tradesmen and small businesses.

NEW RECYCLING TRUCK

A new, specially designed truck adaptable for both urban and rural areas is now collecting our kerbside recycling. This replaces the smaller, very slow electric vehicle and has been welcomed by our recycling team that had a huge part in the design of the vehicle, thus increasing the overall efficiency of the service. Currently, the new truck is only looking after the rural areas in the Lewes District.

If any resident wants to join the recycling box scheme, or maybe needs more boxes simply contact: Helen Horth, telephone 01273 514979 or e-mail helen.horth@lewes.gov.uk

Cllr. Sharon Davy

e-mail Sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk Telephone: 01444 831 336

Village Walk

The annual Village Walk will take place on Bank Holiday Monday 4th May starting from the Sports Pavilion, North Chailey at 10 am. The walk was a Millennium project linking North and South Chailey, almost totally on footpaths. Come and enjoy the variety of our Sussex countryside as the route includes Chailey Common, bluebell woods, ancient woodland and provides beautiful views of the South Downs and Ashdown Forest. The distance is approximately six and a half miles but a shorter version is available.



Some Village organisations use the walk as a means of raising sponsorship for their own clubs.

At the end of the walk there is a free hot dog BBQ and welcome drinks to round off the morning.

John Smith (01825 723519)

John Millachip (01273 401092)

Trevor Smith (01273 891008)

Uckfield Community Orchestra



Do you play an Orchestral Instrument?

The Uckfield community Orchestra invites musicians of all ages or standard to join us in making music together! We meet weekly during term-time.

Wednesdays 6.20pm – 7.30pm in the Methodist Church Hall, Framfield Road, Uckfield

Cost £15.00 per term. The Uckfield Community Orchestra encourages late-starters, re-starters and even relative beginners to join and enjoy the results of both fun and dedicated musical work. We

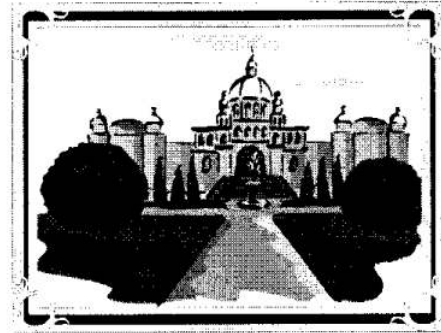
laugh a lot and we work hard!

Formally established in November 2008, though playing since May 2007, the UCO has been given a small grant by the Uckfield Town Council. As part of our ethos of encouraging the musical life locally, we also offer low-cost professional string lessons (violin, viola and cello) by arrangement in Uckfield.

For more information please contact Sundari on 01342 824570 or Gloria on 07976 482279

NADFAS The Newick Decorative and Fine Arts Society

**The Rothschilds at Waddesdon Manor
Plumpton Village Hall 12th May.**



This month's lecture is on Waddesdon Manor the superb country house built by Baron Ferdinand de Rothschild (1874-1898). Ferdinand was one of the brothers of the famous banking family and an avid collector of the arts. The house is full of his treasures. Although the house is now owned by the National Trust it still relies on Rothschild support, finance and direction.

The Manor was only used for weekends in the summer months, for Ferdinand's famous house parties, and was the last word in luxury. When Queen Victoria visited the house she was most impressed by the electric lighting. Fascinated by the invention she had not seen before, she is reported to have spent ten minutes switching a newly electrified 18th-century chandelier on and off.

The lecture starts at 2.15 and either pay £5 at the door or, if you are interested in membership, please ring Kate Evans on 01825 722554 or Carole Burgon 01273 890301. As part of our programme we will be paying a special visit to Waddesdon in June.

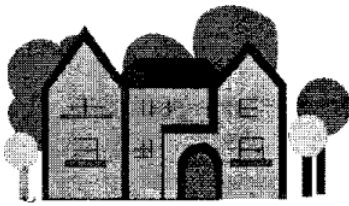
Annette Shelford

St Peter & St James Hospice Newick & Chailey Support Group



An annual walk on 24th May takes in the Chailey Link route. We start from Chailey playing field car park on A272 between 10 am and 12 pm. There will be pick up points en route for those who prefer a short walk. An accompanied group will start at 10.30 am. There will be a childrens treasure hunt. Entry £5 per head for route instructions and £10 per family. More details from Peter Estcourt 01273 400791. **SUMMER LUNCH** takes place on Wednesday 29th July at the A272 restaurant kindly hosted by Simon Maltby. There will be a welcome drink

followed by a salad buffet and our usual array of homemade desserts and coffee. Rear Admiral Ian Robertson has kindly agreed to give us a short talk after lunch. The cost is £20. Tickets from Glenda 01825 722607



Your
Parish
Council

Website: www.chailey.org

Reading Room: please contact the Clerk to book the Reading Room.

Small Grants Scheme: Secretaries of Society and similar post-holders are reminded that the Parish Council sets a single closing date of June 30 for applications under our Small Grants Scheme. Application forms can be downloaded from our website or requested from the Parish Clerk.

The Scheme has been used in the past to help with the administration costs of smaller societies; to go towards the funding of a particular piece of equipment or a training course; or to support a special project eg. an Anniversary or other celebration. Typically, secretaries request sums between £100-£500. The Scheme is designed to be as flexible as possible consistent with good housekeeping and is specifically reserved to clubs and societies which benefit the residents of Chailey. It is a Scheme which relates to working costs. It is not a Scheme under which charitable donations may be considered.

Chailey, the centre of Sussex: the Friends of the Windmill, working with the Council, have arranged for an elegant postcard to be printed by the Chailey Heritage Enterprise Centre. It will be on sale when the Mill re-opens and features three views of Chailey prior to 1911 and one of a nineteenth-century train on the Bluebell Line. The postcard marks not only the Bluebell's Fiftieth, but also the Cricket Club's 250th, the Church's 750th, and Chailey School's Fiftieth Anniversaries.

Traffic management: the Parish Council meets quarterly with East Sussex Highways. At our most recent meeting we discussed, in addition to the state of footpaths and gritting during the winter months, our wish to see a 40mph buffer-zone to the North of the current 30mph limit travelling towards Sheffield Park from the King's Head. However, it seems unlikely that this can be incorporated into the planning for the new junction at Warrs Hill/A275.

We also discussed our current programme of repairing/replacing finger-posts; these are no longer permitted nationally, but East Sussex will permit them (and even contribute to the cost) on minor roads in recognition of the fact that the traditional finger-posts contribute to the rural landscape.

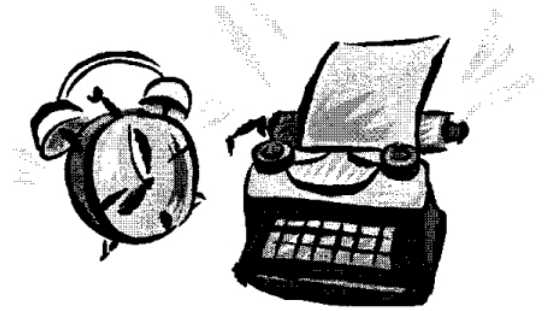
Mark Evans, Chairman (01825 722554)

Parish Clerk, Rachel Seccombe (01825 724413)

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Chailey News -June Issue

The deadline for the June issue of Chailey News is Tuesday, 12th May. Please remember, to avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e mails for spam please:



1. Send to ***chaileynews@chec.co.uk***
2. Include “**Chailey News**” in **Subject** section of the e mail.
3. If a new subscriber or sending from an e mail address for the first time please phone us on 01825 724376 so we are aware and able to look out for it.

Photographs must be sent in JPEG format (minimum resolution 200dpi) and included as attachments to your e mail and not included in the body of your submission. If you require confirmation of the receipt of you e mail please use the “Receipt Required” tool to be found within your e mail software. (Usually under “Tools” in the menu.

Best wishes from all in CHEC
