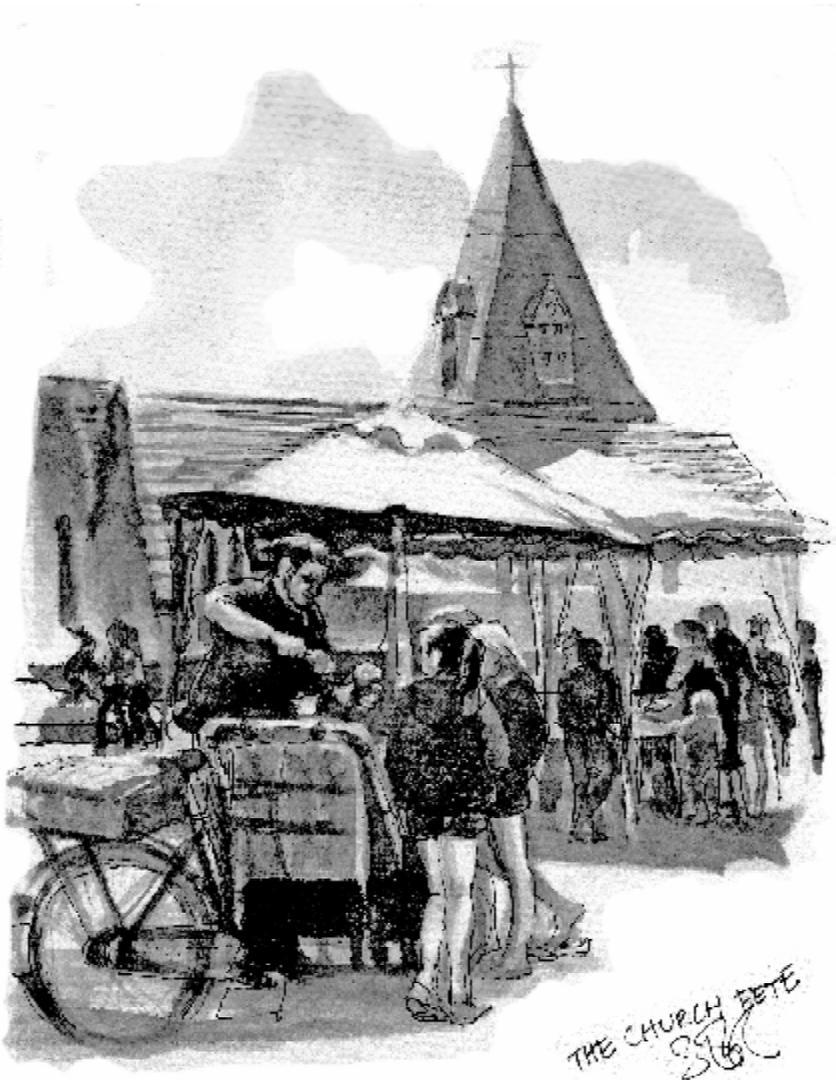


# Chailey News

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June 2010

# The Church of St Peter Parish of Chailey



## WEEKDAYS

Monday 8pm Bell Ringing Practice

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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Please see details of services and weekday activities later in magazine

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## ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

Herons 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, 01825 724003

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## June 2010 Services

<b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>(First Sunday after Trinity)</b>
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10am	All Age Family Service
12.30pm	Church Fete on the Green
<b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>(Second Sunday after Trinity)</b>
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>(Third Sunday after Trinity)</b>
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10am	Sung Eucharist
<b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup> June</b>	<b>(Fourth Sunday after Trinity)</b>
8am	Holy Communion (BCP)
10am	Sung Eucharist

BCP is the Book of Common Prayer (1662)  
all other Eucharist Services are from Common Worship: Order One  
We hope to welcome everyone warmly  
and families and children are welcome at all our services

# Notes From The Rector

Good, kind people of Chailey

Well we are in residence, we have unpacked and we are already exploring the glorious surrounds that are Chailey. The bluebells have greeted us, as have the deer and the barn owls as I walk Mabel, our dog, early in the day before many people have stirred. We have been overwhelmed by your kindness and the magnitude of your welcome, thank you, it has made the relocating so much easier.

We had a telephone call from our daughter this week, excitedly declaring, 'we are nearly with you and Eddie (her husband) has his suit on!' As much as we love our children visiting us, we were surprised as she hadn't told us she was coming. It was late in the day and as a Metropolitan Police officer who had been heavily involved in the election, we knew she was very tired after travelling all over the country with the ex Prime Minister. She pulled up in the drive laden with flowers and changes of clothing, only to realise that she had arrived a week early for my Licensing Service, which formally marks the beginning of my ministry with you in Chailey. What a wonderful surprise. Eddie was very fed up in his suit.

We serve a God full of surprises, just as we think we are going one way Him, he calls us another, just as we get too comfortable he challenges us. When we think we cant go on he gives us the strength to persevere. We have been created in his image and he wants us to reach our full potential, trusting him in good or bad times.. As our daughter arrived a week early, her plans were wrong, it says in the Bible. 'Many are the plans in the mind of man, but it is the purpose of the Lord that will be established.' Proverbs 19:21. We want to establish the purpose of what God plans to do in Chailey and we must trust him for his plan in all of our lives. He will sustain us and build us he will never fail us and his timing is perfect.

"The Lord is my rock and fortress and my deliverer, my God my rock, in whom I take refuge, my shield and the horn of my salvation, my stronghold. Psalm 18:2.

Back to my early days next time.

*Every blessing*

*Rev John Maskell*



## The Coffee Stop

at Chailey Free Church

FREE

Freshly brewed coffee, tea, etc

We will be open every Wednesday from

10.00 -12.00

Just drop in for a drink, meet your friends or  
even make some new ones!

Everyone welcome





# News from Chailey Free Church

## Sunday Services :-

	10.30 am	6.15 pm
06 <sup>th</sup>	Basil Bigg	Susannah Griffin
13 <sup>th</sup>	Brian Lanstone	David & Helena Stevens includes communion
20 <sup>th</sup>	Family Service	Martin Batstone
27 <sup>th</sup>	Ray Dadswell includes communion	Share, Prayer & Praise

We hold Discovers 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 6.30	Hoppers (term time only) Boy discoverers age 7 - 11 (term time only)
Wednesdays	9.30 10.00	Prayer meeting. Coffee Stop
Thursdays	7.30	Bible study and prayer.

Mums, Dads, Grandparents & Carers with young children why not bring them along to Hoppers on a Tuesday morning.

Dates for your diaries:-Saturday 17<sup>th</sup> July art challenge and BBQ; Friday 20<sup>th</sup> August treasure hunt and BBQ; Saturday 18<sup>th</sup> September – Harvest Barn Dance with a live band, tickets on sale now from Brenda Barnes on 07884303725.

## Joan Phillips

Joan passed away peacefully in her beloved Piltdown home on Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> March 2010 with Trevor, Jack, Sarah and Matt at her side. Adored wife, mother and mother-in-law. Trevor and family would like to offer their heartfelt thanks to everyone for their support, kind wishes and donations to Joan's favourite charities. She is much missed by us all.

# Chailey Short Mat Bowls

We have come to the end of our season. Both of our teams, the Windmills and the Greens played in the Wealden League division two. The Windmills managed to finish 5th with 83 points but sadly the Greens languished at the bottom after a season in which they uncharacteristically struggled to gain points. They will undoubtedly return to winning ways next season. Congratulations to Laughton who won the division by just one point from Ringmer Hares.

Congratulations also to Des Foord, Colin Mouland and John Lucas who won the Hadlow Down Triples Tournament earlier this year.

In the club competitions Des Foord and Mavis McLaren took on Anne Waterman and Chris Robey in the pairs final. After a close game Anne and Chris won by three shots. In the singles, after some close results in the early rounds, Bridget Jerram played David Newman in the final. It was another close game with Bridget the winner by two shots. Needless to say the lady members were delighted with Bridget's success against such a strong player. However, in our Ladies v Gentlemen's end of season match the men triumphed winning four of the six sets. The score was 82 shots to 56. It must be the men's larger bowls that helped them to their victory!

Many of our members play outdoors at various clubs during the summer. Let's hope for better weather this year and that we return to Chailey bronzed and refreshed in the Autumn ready to do battle again.

*Mary Lynch*

# The Friends of St Peter & St James Hospice

All seven of the county's hospice chief executives have recently reported that they are the most poorly funded hospice group in Britain, despite providing a service to about 2.2 million people. This leaves a large gap between needs and resources, which puts even greater pressure on voluntary fundraising groups at a time when money is generally tight.

"The Friends" will be holding a Summer Fair and Grand Raffle on Saturday, 3rd July, between 2.00pm and 4.00pm, at the Hospice in North Chailey, and we hope as many people as possible will come to help us make this our main Summer fundraising event a success.



Small contributions - of cosmetics, bric-a-brac, books or anything else saleable would be much appreciated. Phone Bruce on 01444 440418 if you have anything to spare, and we will arrange collection.

Please help us to support this most worthwhile of causes....."

With thanks for your continuing support - we always need the oxygen of publicity!

*Bruce Haithwaite*

*Chairman*



## Chailey Cricket Club

On Saturdays Chailey Cricket Club play league cricket in the Stoner (Mid-Sussex) Cricket League Division 2. Sunday matches are friendly fixtures with players young and not so young, who all set out to enjoy the game. Fixtures for June are:

Date	Home Team	Away Team	Type
Sat 5th June	CHAILEY CC	vs Cowfold & Lower Beeding CC - 1st XI	League
Sun 6th June	CHAILEY Friendly XI	vs Seaford Seagulls CC - 1s: XI	Friendly
Sat 12th June	CHAILEY CC	vs East Grinstead CC - 4th XI	League
Sun 13th June	Southwick CC - Friendly XI	vs CHAILEY Friendly XI	Friendly
Sun 20th June	CHAILEY Friendly XI	vs Ardingly CC - Sunday in Association with Brook House	Friendly
Sat 26th June	Copthorne CC Sussex - 1st XI	vs CHAILEY CC	League
Sun 27th June	CHAILEY Friendly XI	vs Speldhurst CC - Friendly XI	Friendly

Our home games are played at the Chailey Sports Ground, North Chailey, just off the A272. More information can be found at [www.chailey.play-cricket.com](http://www.chailey.play-cricket.com), as can our latest results.

If you would like to play cricket on a regular or occasional basis please get in touch with David Dembrey on 01273 890777 as you will be made most welcome.

## Chailey and Newick Painting Group

ART EXHIBITION at the FLETCHING GARDEN TRAIL

Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June from 11 - 5PM

FLETCHING VILLAGE HALL

We are delighted to announce that the Chailey and Newick Painting Group shall be exhibiting recent work at Fletching Garden Trail on Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> June 2010 from 11 - 5pm. Many framed and unframed paintings will be for sale and handmade greetings cards will also be available. There will also be the opportunity to win an original watercolour painting by the group's show secretary, Lorna Holdcroft BAHons. Find us in the village hall. Admission free to the art show.

For further information please contact Lorna Holdcroft on 01825 723956 or email [lorna@holdcroft67.fsnet.co.uk](mailto:lorna@holdcroft67.fsnet.co.uk)



## **COUNCILLOR'S CORNER** *By Sharon Davy*

### **A272 Speed Limit Proposal**

Several years ago, on behalf of local residents, I presented a petition asking for a reduction in the speed limit on the A272 (from the East/West Sussex border all the way to North Chailey, which now has a 30 m.p.h. speed limit. At that time, I did not have the support of the police as they cited their priority is to keep traffic moving. I also suggested continuing the double white lines from the county border to stop drivers and bike riders using the road like a race track. On both counts, I was unsuccessful.

However, the August 2006 Department for Transport revised guidance to local highway authorities for setting speed limits might help implement a reduction in the speed limit. The revised guidance recommends highway authorities to review the speed limit on all their rural A and B class roads with a crash rate above a recommended threshold by 2011-2012 and it is this guidance that will give a lower speed limit for the A275 by our shop/post office.

I have been asked by many residents to try again. With this in mind I have contacted the Speed Management Engineer at County Hall and asked the police for their support this time around.

There is a petition at the King's Head roundabout petrol station. Please add your name to the petition. I should quickly add that I know some residents have a different view but I am responding to the many families wishing to see a reduced speed limit

*Cllr. Sharon Davy (Chailey and Wivelsfield)*  
email @ [sharondavy@lewes.gov.uk](mailto:sharondavy@lewes.gov.uk)  
telephone: 01444 831 336

### **Lost Tortoises**

Out two tortoises (one large and one small) have escaped from our garden at: 2 Meadow View Cottages, Town Littleworth Road, Cooksbridge, Lewes East Sussex BN8 4TH 01273 400616. If found, please can you contact Mike or Pam Embden on the above address/phone no.

*Many thanks,*

*Mike and Pam Embden.*

### **Newick Country Market.....**

...is held every Friday in Newick Village Hall from 10.00am til 11.00am  
*Pam Imray, Tel 01825 722855*

Recently our parents group, the Friends of St Peter's, entertained the children to an early evening disco but the Year 4,5 and 6 pupils have been practising more disciplined steps while preparing for the country dance festival to be held at Plumpton Racecourse. This week, beginning 10<sup>th</sup> May, Year 6 pupils have been tested and assessed in preparation for the move to secondary school in September.

**St Peter's**



**School**

Ofsted inspectors deemed our school to be a 'good school' with 'outstanding features' particularly in our provision of care, guidance and support for all pupils including those with additional educational needs and this seems to have given to some people the impression that we are a "Special Needs School". That is not the case. We have only a small minority of pupils so designated and they often come with their own finance which pays for them to have some individual dedicated learning support to guide them through their schooling. This ensures the education of mainstream children is not adversely affected in any way. We are also a 'dyslexia friendly' school. The inspection report said that parents' enthusiasm for the school was linked to the excellent support, guidance and good teaching which enables all pupils to enjoy their learning. What I think is magical here, is the way in which the children care for and look after their less able classmates and vice versa. We have a real community which reflects the best of society in the outside world. We recruit only first class teachers, something which has been borne out by our results and our excellent Ofsted reports. I have two higher certificates in mechanical engineering, a diploma in industrial management, a nationally recognised qualification in commercial photography and fluency in two foreign languages but the only job I was offered at the school was that of caretaker. So if you have a child due to start school in September, we still have a few reception places left.

I have a small collection of Greek Orthodox icons, one of which I bought in the Plaka in Athens that depicts St. George slaying a dragon, so I was slightly interested in Cllr. Davy's efforts to mark St. George's Day. George must have been a pretty effective saint because in all the 35 years I've lived in Chailey, I've yet to see a dragon. I went to Bateman's on Saturday, a birthday outing with my daughter, who knows me to be a lifelong fan of Rudyard Kipling and especially his poetry. Consider his lines "Our England is a garden and such gardens are not made by saying 'Oh, how beautiful'. and sitting in the shade". I think that says more about England and being English perhaps than hoisting a flag.

Bill Clarke Tel. 01273 400131



## **Wivelfield Village Day**

Saturday July 17th 10am-4.30pm on the Village Green. Donkey derby, Harris's traditional funfair, miniature steam railway, beer tent and much more! Fun for all the family! For more information, visit our website at [www.wivelsfieldvillageday.org.uk](http://www.wivelsfieldvillageday.org.uk) or call Barbera on 01444 470024 or Nicky on 01444 2303777



### Grand Portreeve

On the 24<sup>th</sup> of April, at our St Georges Day event, Mr Adrian Black was 'crowned' The Grand Portreeve of the Order of St George Chailey. Adrian had raised the grand sum of £295 during our Corrupt Election which he donated to his favoured good cause – The Court Meadow School in Cuckfield. Adrian will now be blatantly

'used and abused' and paraded at future society events, publicising our good works for the remainder of his term of office. He does at least get a free ticket for the Pig Roast in July! If you feel that you, or someone that you know could do better and raise funds for your charity or good cause, now is the time to start canvassing for support (money!).

### Village BBQ 5<sup>th</sup> June

Every June we invite all the other clubs and societies in Chailey to a social function at the village hall, if your club has never been along before please get in touch and we'll add you to the invite list. You will also see the Bonfire Boys at the Church Fete the following day.

### Duck Race 27<sup>th</sup> June

All 500 plastic ducks are out of storage and are in strict training for their annual race down the River Ouse at the Anchor Inn. In reality, it's not really that strenuous for them, there is never that much flow in the river and the ducks are usually driven along by the breeze or the sheer will power of the watching crowd! However, it's great fun and there is always the possibility of seeing someone get very wet indeed – Go on, sponsor a duck, you might win £50!

### Chailey Pig Roast 17<sup>th</sup> July

Do you fancy a wonderful evening out this July? After the rip-roaring success of last year's event we just had to organise another one. What you get for your £20 per head is – the most heavenly professionally spit roasted pork with stuffing, salad and rolls (pudding too this year!), in a marquee is the glorious surroundings of Balneath Field with a live band and cash bar. This just has to be THE evening out of the summer. Tickets are on sale now.

*Trevor Smith*

01273 891008

[www.chaileybonfire.co.uk](http://www.chaileybonfire.co.uk)

[contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk](mailto:contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk)

## **Badminton is Fun!**

Newick Badminton Club are running a Summer Badminton Season again this year for 6 weeks, to be held at our normal venue in Newick Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. The remaining dates are Tuesdays 1st, 8th, 25th, 22nd, and 29th June. Cost £5.00 per evening. Please call David on 01825 723299 more Frances on 01825 724474.

*David Palmer, Chairman, Newick Badminton Club*



Chairman: Cllr Peter Olbrich (Tel. 01825 723438)

Clerk: Mrs Vera Grainger (Tel. 01825 740409)

For Reading Room bookings contact the Clerk.

### **Chailey Annual Parish Meeting Chairman's Report**

The annual meeting of Chailey Parish Council was held on 23<sup>rd</sup> April in the Parish Hall and was well attended. The Chairman, Councillor Peter Olbrich provided an informative update on the work of the Parish Council for the previous year.

Councillor Olbrich explained that much time had been taken up during the year with health and safety and legal issues. A management licence for Chailey had been set up involving the owners of the Green and the Parish Council. There had been various legal issues to deal with relating to common land owned by the Council.

When BT decided to remove its red telephone boxes from Chailey this provided the opportunity to the Parish Council to purchase the box at South Chailey for £1.00, with the idea of using it to display information. The Council had also installed a new bus shelter in South Chailey. In North Chailey the repainting of the Windmill had been completed.

An outline of the expenditure made during the year was presented to the meeting. The Parish Council had provided funding for tree surveys and has undertaken the recommended trimming and cutting of trees owned by the Council. A grant had been approved in support of Chailey News and a total of £4,700 provided in small grants to village organizations.

The Chairman recalled his scariest moment last year which was when he was strapped to the front of Councillor Millam's tele handler (a machine with a long reach hydraulic arm), and lifted to the top of the flagpole on the green to untangle the flag hoisting rope which had jumped off its pulley. Never one to miss an opportunity though, Councillor Olbrich took his camera and provided to the meeting some interesting aerial photos of the green which he had snapped.

Finally, Councillor Olbrich concluded by paying tribute to the hard work of his fellow Councillors throughout the year and welcomed new Council member Don Cranfield. The previous Clerk Rachel Seccombe was thanked for her dedication and commitment over the previous three years and a warm welcome made to new Clerk Vera Grainger.

### **Chailey Highways and Byways**

The Parish Council meets quarterly with East Sussex Highways. This is an opportunity to discuss local projects and problems.

It was hardly surprising that after one of the worst winters on record, the future gritting of roads in our village was a hot topic. It was confirmed that the stated gritting routes

within Chailey are: A275; A272; Beggars Wood and North Common Roads; and Mill Lane.

The Parish Council also have grave concerns in regard to Warrs Hill. Since discussions at the March meeting Highways staff have twice visited Warrs Hill and are considering how best to repair the edges of the road and its drainage, and to improve access for pedestrians.

The Parish Council expressed its pleasure concerning the introduction of a 40mph limit along the A275 from the Brickworks to Markstakes Corner: the local petition and political pressure have achieved the result which the Council has long requested. The contribution made by local resident Ed Sheridan to the speed restriction campaign was acknowledged and much appreciated.

We also noted, with gratitude, that the Brickworks, in response to our request, has constructed a soak away to try and prevent rainwater seepage onto the pavement beside the works.

Highways are also at our request, costing up the feasibility of running a footpath alongside the A275 to link the King's Head to Chailey Green. This request was flagged in many responses to the Parish Survey last year.

#### **Diary reminder: Full Council Meeting**

The date of the Annual Full Council Meeting planned for the 18<sup>th</sup> May was changed to Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> May 2010 and the next Full Council meeting is planned for the 15<sup>th</sup> June in the Reading Room, Chailey Green commencing at 7.30 p.m.

Chailey Parish Council

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E-Mail: [chaileypc@btinternet.com](mailto:chaileypc@btinternet.com)

## **NADFAS Plumpton Village Hall**

### **June 8<sup>th</sup> 2.15**

AVERY special lecture to celebrate our 25<sup>th</sup> Anniversary entitled 'Bohemians in Art and Fiction'. The speaker is Lois Oliver and will be a presentation with music, drawing on the Art, Music and Literature of the time and tracing Bohemianism from its origins in the Paris of the 1830's. This lecture will be followed by refreshments to suit the occasion and we will also be holding a Raffle with some really wonderful prizes. £5 on the door for non members and if you require any further information please contact Marjorie Blunden: 01825 723250, or Carole Burgon: 01273 890301.

*Annette Shelford*



# St Peter's Church Fete

Sunday 6th June 2010 12.30 - 4.00pm On Chailey Green Once again we have all the popular stalls. Cakes. Books. Plants. Fair Trade. Tombola. Children's Games. The Church Warden's Raffle & More Bonfire Society Barbeque Tea Rooms and Beer Tent.

It's a fun day out for all the family

For information and or offers of help please e mail [stpeters@email.com](mailto:stpeters@email.com)



## Help needed!

We look forward to seeing you all at the annual fete on Chailey Green. We are building on previous year's successes so do make a date in your diaries and come early to the 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 Paul and Emma Tonking. *Please contact them on 01825 724 423*

## 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 722 267*

## Plants Please!

All types of plants needed for the plant stall. If you have any seedlings, cuttings or left over plants please contact *Andrew Risby on 01825 722 578*. Andrew would also like some help in manning the stall.

## Books Please!

Pauline Floyd and Ann Jones would welcome any books for their stall. *Give Pauline a ring on 01444 471 304 or Ann on 01444 831 244 or leave them in the Church porch or Pellingford porch.*

## Accesories Please!

Please look out your unwanted gifts, scarves, hats, bags, jewellery, perfume, ornaments, vases, pictures- they can be left inside the church behind the font or in our porch, Pellingford, Lewes Road, Scaynes Hill, RH17 7NG Tel: *01444 831244*  
Contact Ann Jones

Thank you and see you there.

*Chris Jones*



# Chailey Commons Society

The spring, although late, saw the bluebells appearing very quickly in early April, having allowed a wonderful show of the Wood Anemones to show first.

The dawn chorus was a real sign that nature had recovered from the severe winter and our Bird Walk on Romany Ridge was well supported and the Willow Warblers, Chiff Chaffs and Linnets were seen and heard together with our more usual residents on full song.

There have been two exciting finds on the commons recently.

A visiting naturalist has been researching the vernal (seasonal) ponds and has found that there are Fairy Shrimps *Artemia Salina*. Although they live in fresh or saltwater, they do not live in oceans or seas. They are well-adapted to living in arid areas where water is present for only part of the year. Their eggs will survive drought for several years and hatch about 30 hours after rains fill the pools where they live. Using a torch after dark, he was able to confirm the sightings and the pond concerned will now be listed as a 'Priority Pond' - Ponds with species of high conservation importance. Secondly, our Ranger, Crispin, has found a worked flint scraping tool, and the County Archaeologist has dated it to 4000 – 3000 BC indicating Neolithic occupation of our commons.

Our members will be attending several members events during June, including a walk on Lane End, a fully booked Photographic Course and a Barbeque. Look out for forthcoming meetings and events and other information on our website, and also on posters on the commons and in our newsletter.

*William Coleman, 01444831923, [www.chaileycommons.org.uk](http://www.chaileycommons.org.uk)*

## Annual Village Link Walk

It may not have been the warmest May Bank Holiday Monday for the Millennium Walk linking North and South Chailey, but it was one of the best attended of recent years. Over 40 people, including lots of children and a few dogs, set out from the Sports Ground on a morning with plenty of sunshine interspersed with a few showers. Walkers heard the cuckoo on Pound Common and all the woods were full of bluebells. The smell of the sausages cooking on the barbeque welcomed everyone back at the end of the six and a half mile route and after thirsts were quenched there was cake to round it off. The children proudly collected their certificates and donations were split between the Chailey Guides and Brownies and the Bonfire Society. Again the familiar faces of the regulars, who have been to every one of the walks since its inception, were mixed with those who had never walked the route before but who vowed to be back next year. So if you missed it this year then come along then!



*Trevor Smith and John Smith*

# South Chailey Speed Limit

On April 19th 2010 I attended the Planning Committee Meeting at County Hall and I am pleased to report that a 40mph Speed Limit will be extended through the Village to Markstokes Lane. However, the extension of the Speed Limit further north to the Village Hall, a distance of 3/10th of a mile, is without significant frontage development so it will remain subject to National Speed Limit. We would perhaps, like to have seen a 30mph limit imposed and the Government now expects that 30mph limits should be 'the Norm' for villages, but how to define a Village can be a problem, so in accordance with County Council Policy on local speed limits, South Street did not meet the criteria requirements to be considered for a 30mph limit. As there were no specific financial implications in respect of the recommendation and no definite date having been put forward for the installation it is therefore hoped the 40mph limit will be introduced at the earliest possible opportunity. We are hopeful the new speed limit will encourage drivers to make a commitment to 'Kill Their Speed' although there are always a few who will flout the law. I have no doubt South Chailey will particularly benefit from reduced speed, improve conditions and produce a more desirable balance of safety for pedestrians, children and cyclists and reduce noise pollution.

And finally, thanks to all who supported the petition, its a positive result and one which will hopefully be of benefit to all.

Any queries please feel free to contact me.

*Eddie Sheridan.*

email; [ejs@mbc-hq.co.uk](mailto:ejs@mbc-hq.co.uk)



A few weeks on and the children's seeds have grown considerably. Soon we hope to plant them out and reap the rewards of pretty flowers and harvesting our own vegetables. We will continue our topic of growing moving onto care and concern for living things.

Over the next few weeks we will begin preparing our rising 5's for the transition to school taking time to visit reception class and sharing stories with new friends.

During June we will be looking at safety awareness using support material from CBeebies 'Nuzzle & Scratch'.

If you would like to find out more about Chailey Pre-School please call us on 07852 986024

*Kate Blackaller*

# Chailey Common Mangement Committee

## HISTORIC FINDS ON CHAILEY COMMON

Our sharp-eyed Ranger, Crispin Fitzpatrick, has made not one, but two historic finds during his conservation work on the common within the space of a few weeks.



First, in April, was the discovery of a pre-historic flint scraper on Red House Common. The Assistant County Archaeologist said "This is an exciting find and adds to our understanding of prehistoric activity in the Chailey area some 5,000 years ago".

It was found in an area where there had been no discoveries of this age before – at least not on the Common. Scrapers such as these would have been used for cutting flesh and skin from animals, smoothing off wooden tools and weapons and slicing twine and string made from natural fibre.

Flints and other signs of ancient habitation lie buried for millennia. Usually they come to light due to disturbance by building development or farming, though sometimes natural processes such as rabbits or moles burrowing or, in this case, a fallen tree can unearth some secrets of the past. .



Then in mid-May Crispin discovered a shell in some recently disturbed earth on Romany Ridge Common. The police were called, who in turn notified the bomb squad. After several hours a team from the Royal Ordnance Depot arrived from Kent and identified the object as a spent

smoke bomb shell, which would have been fired from a mortar in the second World War. These are apparently quite common and almost indistinguishable from the shells charged with high explosive. The bomb squad removed the shell and Crispin was able to return to his conservation duties.

*John Smith, Chairman*

## Friends Of Chailey Windmill



The Windmill and Rural Life Museum will be open on Sunday 27th June from 3 pm - 5 pm.

There are many interesting items on display, for example there is a silver groat, found close to the Mill, which dates from the reign of Edward IV (1461-83) plus many farming implements and also relics from WW2.

*John Smith*

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# Chailey WI

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 1st June when Mrs Betty Houghton's talk will be 'My Time at Bletchley Park'. This promises to be a most interesting evening and, as always, visitors and prospective members are welcome to join us.

At our May meeting we enjoyed a buffet after discussing the resolution which is to be put to the National AGM in June. This is that it should be mandatory to have labels giving the country of origin on all fish, meat and poultry products, as at the moment this is merely voluntary. It is often misleading to see a union flag displayed where in fact the product did not originate from this country. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall.

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## Chailey News - July Issue

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