

# Chailey News

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## January 2015

# 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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## CHAILEY FREE CHURCH, SOUTH CHAILEY

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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**St Peter's**  
CHURCH CHAILEY

## JANUARY SERVICES 2015

- Sunday 4th January**     *The second Sunday of Christmas*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am All age family service with Pete's Puppets
- Sunday 11th January**     *The first Sunday of Epiphany*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Communion
- Sunday 18th January**     *The second Sunday of Epiphany*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10.00am Parish Communion
- Sunday 25th January**     *The third Sunday of Epiphany*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Communion
- Sunday 1st February**     *The fourth Sunday of Epiphany*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am All age family service followed by Pete's Pantry

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

**On the 24th January we will be celebrating the recent alterations to our church. You are invited to come along and view the changes, and join us for coffee, or lunch (soup and roll) or afternoon tea.**



## Dear Chailey Residents,

I am sure that you will agree with me that one of the most powerful artistic displays of 2014 were the poppies at the Tower of London. We went to see them and even though we knew they were going to be amazing nothing could have prepared us for the scale of impact they gave. Breathtaking!

Did you think they would ever become controversial? Well they did, that is human nature for you. I followed letters in the Telegraph from readers who had bought poppies and when they arrived they did not have the stems that were on the display at the Tower! It became an issue. Well our poppy arrived yesterday without the original stem. Did we mind? Not at all because to us the ceramic flower represented lives lost, bravery, pride, compassion, love, hope, gratitude and freedom. Everything that Christ represents at Christmas and Easter.

When my husband was a curate we lived in a tiny two bedroomed cottage on Salisbury Plain. It was his first job and we were excited, but seven of us and two dogs in the cottage was a very tight squeeze. The children still say it was the happiest time of their lives. Probably because their parents were happy. The confined space did become an issue and one son decided to move to London to see if the streets really were 'paved with gold', and fortunately for him they were. Our third son went off to boarding school to take his 'A' levels, and the middle son asked if he could borrow a blazer, a lift to the station and £20. Unbeknown to us he went to Southampton and came back with his RAF papers and 25 years on is still serving with the RAF. Our 'A' level son became an Army Officer, and both of them have lost many friends due to the conflicts the RAF and Army are still involved in.

So, for them and us to be bothered about the length of a poppy stem is both absurd and ridiculous to say the least. We miss our military life, more than we have missed anything, but realise that when God calls, never look back over your shoulder. He called us out of the Army to work for Him.

So Happy New Year! This time of year is amazing, full of possibilities and opportunities. It is good to enjoy and support certain activities and it is an amazing feeling to love people like family members and close friends. Yet there is another kind of love, the love of worship. Worship is when we devote ourselves to one person or thing, simply because we believe that person or thing is 'worth it'.

Now, for many, this worship is reflected in the love they have for their houses, cars, money, husbands or wives, successes, even themselves. All these things are well and good but God says they shouldn't steal top priority and have first billing in our affections.

That place belongs to God, because of who He is, and because He made us. In Genesis we discover that we were made in God's image and throughout the bible we are reminded to worship Him and Him only. In 1Peter 2 verses 9-12, Peter is saying to us ', 'Listen, the human race has been chosen by God to be part of the massive family of believers who belong to Him forever.' Isn't that incredible? Look what He has done for us. All this is ours for free.

Finally I realised how busy my husband was leading up to Christmas when I asked him to hang out my washing as I too was busy. We discovered he had hung out the ironing! Oh dear!

*From all at the Rectory*

## **Chailey Bonfire Society**

In December members of the Bonfire society attended Chailey Brownies and presented a framed copy of the 2014 Bonfire programme to Felicity Stewart whose design was chosen for the front cover.

The final event of our busy year, the Older Folks Xmas party took place on Saturday 6th December. All participants received a lovely Christmas dinner and listened to the East Sussex Concert Band and were then treated to a small firework display to round of a very successful day.

We will now be taking a couple of weeks off before we start getting ready for 2015 fund raising events.

It is a constant yearlong effort for us to raise enough money to pay for our Insurance, Bonfire Night and the Older Folks Christmas party. We look forward to your continued support in assisting us in being able to put these events on for our village of Chailey. The events early next year will be our Jumble sale on the 7th March and St Georges Day Saturday 25th April.

Don't forget that we can provide a free event bar service, taking all the hassle out providing drinks to your guests. All proceeds from drink sales go towards our bonfire night celebrations and Senior Citizens party. If you would like more information, please contact Diane on 01273 401900 or email [contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk](mailto:contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk).

You can follow all our exploits and events on the Chailey Bonfire Society website, <http://www.chaileybonfire.co.uk>, or our Facebook group – just search for 'Chailey Bonfire Society', or enter this address:

<https://www.facebook.com/groups/ChaileyBonfireSociety>.

*Happy New Year from all at Chailey Bonfire Society*

## **Lay Parish Pastoral Care Team**

We have a pastoral care team who are available to visit anyone who wishes an informal visit, for a chat. If you or anyone you know (with their permission) would like us to visit please contact the parish office (01825 722286) or fill in your details below and hand in at the Rectory. This will be in treated with strict confidence.

Name:

Home Address:

Telephone Number:

# Chailey Free Church



[www.chaileyfreechurch.com](http://www.chaileyfreechurch.com)



## DOWN

- 1 Oldest man in the Bible
- 2 John 3:16, 4
- 4 First woman

## ACROSS

- 3 Noel suitor (new year anagram)
- 5 Won a beauty contest
- 6 Built a big boat

## SUNDAY SERVICES

10:30am and 6:30pm\*

\*note the slightly later evening time



Crossword solution is on our website



## Knit and Natter

Love knitting and chatting?  
Or want to learn?



Come along with your current project,  
grab a cuppa and pull up a chair.

Just learning? Wool, needles and tips  
available on the night.

January 6th & 20th at 7:30pm

**\*Chailey Free Church, A275, South Chailey, BN8 4AN**  
Contact us for details on 01444 471600 or 01273 890114

# **VALENTINES RACE NIGHT**

**Saturday 14th February 2015**

**Chailey Village Hall**

**7:00pm**

**£10 a ticket to include supper**

**Wine bar, lager and soft drinks available to purchase**

**Tickets in Advance Only**  
**reserve yours now by contacting Teresa Wenban**  
teresa.wenban@btinternet.com  
01825 722586



## **Dates for your diary - Chailey News Deadlines 2015**

### **Month of magazine**

February 2015  
March  
April  
May  
June  
July  
August  
September  
October  
November  
December  
January 2016

### **Article deadline (Tuesday)**

13th January  
10th February  
17th March  
7th April  
19th May  
16th June  
14th July  
11th August  
15th September  
13th October  
17th November  
8th December



## Quiz Night!

The Friends of St Peter's invite you to a Quiz Night at the Five Bells, Chailey, on Friday 16th January 2015 at 7.30 for 7.45 pm. It promises to be a very good evening. There will be tables of six so why not make up a team with your friends and come along and join in the fun!

There will be Prizes for the winning teams.

If you cannot form a team ring Fiona or Janet to see if there are spaces still available on tables.

Tickets are priced £12.50, which includes a hot supper and pudding, and are available from:

*Fiona Pearl* (email [fiona.pearl@btinternet.com](mailto:fiona.pearl@btinternet.com)) Tel: 01825 723135.

*Janet Barnes* (email [janet.barnes42@btinternet.com](mailto:janet.barnes42@btinternet.com)) Tel: 01825 722574.

## 2015 Poppy Appeal

The Royal British Legion's Chailey sub-branch is most grateful to all those who contributed to the magnificent current total of £4774. Especially appreciated have been very generous contributions from the Remembrance Sunday collection at St Peter's Church and from the women's section's Autumn Fayre.

James Radcliffe Poppy Appeal Organiser

NB I am standing down this year after 15 years and very much hope that some willing person a little younger than I would be prepared to take over this very worthwhile activity, which involves several weeks effort in the Autumn and calls on many collection points around this scattered village. I should be very happy to help any willing volunteer.

## Chailey & Newick Painting Group

**Annual exhibition** - Outside it was dull, damp and dismal but inside Chailey village hall it was warm and welcoming, bright, busy and buzzing, thanks to all our lovely visitors. We at the painting group take it as a great compliment that, in spite of the atrocious weather, just as many of you as ever came to enjoy our exhibition; a big thank you from all of us!

The winner of the favourite painting vote was Katherine Walden's stunning pastel painting of a heavy horse, 'Gentle Giant'. To see this painting and images of the runners-up visit our web-site [www.chaileyandnewickpaintinggroup.org.uk](http://www.chaileyandnewickpaintinggroup.org.uk)

Next year's exhibition will be on November 21st & 22nd; we look forward to seeing you all again then.

*Carlina Oliver (Chairman)*



# Chailey Commons Society

First of all let me wish you a very Happy New Year.

Our last two outdoor meetings for 2014 were, firstly, an Archaeology and Local History Walk when Linda Ball updated us on the findings from Pound and Romany Ridge, with special reference to the war time trenches which are under more intense investigation. Secondly, we enjoyed an Armistice Day Walk with Ian Seccombe, who took us from the War Memorial, at Chailey Green, to sites of war time history, including the tree carvings (arborglyphs) at Markstakes Common. These give a fascinating record of the troops who were there on the way to the D-Day landings.

A large number of members and friends came along to the Indoor Meeting to hear the wonderful talk given by Dr. Nikki Gammans on 'The Life of the Bumblebee'. It was fascinating to hear about these marvellous little creatures and their life style.

Our first meeting this year will be our indoor meeting on Thursday January 15th at 7.30.p.m. in the Chailey Village Hall, by the Five Bells pub, when we hear from our volunteer surveyors about their results from 2014 on Pound Common. We will also have a special item of news, when Rory Galpin will tell us about his trip to Nepal.

From time to time there are volunteer working parties on the commons and details of these will be advised on the website or in the Newsletter. There is also a regular volunteer group at Markstakes Common who meet on Mondays at 9.30.a.m. Do come along if you feel that these 'Green Gym' activities would be of interest.

For further information visit our website – [www.chaileyccommons.org.uk](http://www.chaileyccommons.org.uk)

*William Coleman 01444 831098*

## Grandparents Group at Chailey Children's Centre.

Firstly, Happy New Year to everyone. Why not make 2015 the year that you try out our group? We are all grandparents helping to care for under 5 year old grandchildren. We meet fortnightly at the Children's Centre which is next to Chailey Comprehensive school. We are a friendly crowd of oldies, and not such oldies (caring for young children keeps you young I find!). We meet up on a Wednesday from 9.30-11.30, with our charges, for fun, play and chat, so do think about joining us this year.

Dates are January 7th and 21st and February 4th and 18th .

More information from the Children's Centre or from me Susannah Griffin on 01825 724335.

## Acknowledgement

All at Ascalon Salon Hair & Beauty in Newick wish to acknowledge the generous support of our clients and the many others who visited the Salon during our week long Charity Fayre between the 10th and 15th November 2014. **Your support enabled us to raise a total of £1212.00 for our nominated charity - St Peter & St James Hospice, Chailey.**

# Fundraising Ideas

Chailey Heritage Foundation is a registered charity which provides education and care for children and young adults with complex physical disabilities and associated health needs. We are always on the lookout for new and innovative ideas to raise much needed funds.

A parent of a child at the school suggested a Scarecrow Hunt in and around North Chailey and we would like to ask if there are any local residents, groups, organisations and/or businesses who would be interested in working with us to explore this further.

Would you or your group be interested in submitting a scarecrow for the event? Do you know any interesting/unusual places we could position a scarecrow? We really would like to gauge interest from the local community and would love to hear your views/suggestions on whether to take this forward. Please contact: [fundraising@chf.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@chf.org.uk) or call us on 01825 724444 ext 718 [www.chf.org.uk](http://www.chf.org.uk).

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## Community Speedwatch Chailey

Can you help to make the roads in Chailey safer?

Can you spare 2 or 3 hours every other month? We need more volunteers to monitor traffic speeds on the A272, A275 and Mill Lane.

You will receive brief training in the simple procedures and plenty of support from the team.

Please contact : Lesley Dunford 01825 723662 or Steven Knowles at [steven.knowles@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:steven.knowles@sussex.pnn.police.uk)

## Bonfire Society Christmas Party

I took my Dad, my aunt and a friend to the party on the 6th December and they had a marvellous time. When I arrived to collect them at 5.00 the village hall was packed with happy people all saying what a great time they had had . So, I just want to say a big thank you to the bonfire society and all their helpers for arranging such a fantastic day for all the older people in the parish. It must entail hours of hard work and I want you to know how much it is appreciated by us all.

*Susannah Griffin*

# Chailey And District Horticultural Society

In 2015 the Horticultural Society would like to generate more support from both old and young. To this end we will write a monthly guide to what is happening in the garden and what needs to be done.

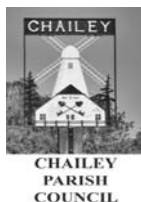
Copies of the schedule will be on display at the Horns Lodge; Five Bells; Kings Head and the South Chailey Stores. Please look through it but leave for others. If it generates any interest please contact Peter Estcourt on 01273 400791

On the 7 Feb there will be an afternoon tea and speakers from 2.30 to 5.00 at the village. Entry is free and it is open to all, so please come and meet members of the committee and other enthusiasts.

January can seem a rather quiet in the garden; Autumn digging, mulching and muck spreading should have been completed. It is time to prune apples and pears but not stone fruit trees such as plums and apricots (this is best done in May to avoid silver leaf infection.) Greenhouses, poly tunnels cold frames, pots and seed trays should be washed and disinfected. It is time to order onion sets, potatoes and seeds. It is worth considering buying plug plants for vegetables tomatoes and bedding plants as you only get what you need and they very good value

January is also the time to dream of the approaching Spring when the real work starts!

*Peter Estcourt 01273400791*



**Chairman:** Cllr. Don Cranfield (01825 722651)

**Clerk:** Mrs Vera Grainger (Tel 01444 831453) (normally available 9.30am - 2.30pm Monday to Thursday)

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Parish Office: **Scaynes Hill Village Centre, Lewes Road, Scaynes Hill, West Sussex RH17 7PG.**

The office is open to the public on Tuesdays between 12.30 and 1.30pm and Thursdays 10.00am to 11.00am.

**Reading Room bookings:** contact the Clerk.



Chailey Parish Councillors wish all residents of Chailey

**A Very Happy and Healthy New Year.**

**Village Information Point:** The Village Information Point sessions are held on Friday mornings at the Coffee Stop, Free Church, South Chailey. In January sessions will be held on 16th and 30th January between 10.00 and 12.00.

**Small Grants:** Thank you The Parish Council plans to renovate its web site in the course of 2015 which will give us the opportunity to share information of Chailey Scouts, sent to Councillors to show how their Small Grant (July 2014) was used – but it still will not allow us to show the 36 cupcakes with Thank You in coloured icing, sent us by the Brownies: one for each Councillor and 24 for residents of Grantham Close!

**Highways:** The Council met with Highways on December 9, and drew attention to the accumulation of leaves on the footpaths – the District Council is responsible for clearance; and also to the mud and water on the A275 corners before Trading Boundaries – our Highway Steward is checking this out.

Highways has planned an exhibition on Thursday, January 22, to show their design for the footpath which will run on Chailey Common from the New Heritage to the junction with the A275. It is hoped that the exhibition will be held at the Old Chapel Community Centre, New Heritage but confirmation notices will be posted on the Council's notice boards and on its web site. Funding for this was set aside by the developers.

We also discussed ongoing works to improve the footpath from the Heritage and to design a pedestrian refuge at Mill Lane/A275 (joint funding).

**One Chailey:** The Parish Council has now completed a first step, applying to Lewes District Council for Chailey Village (the undivided area) to be recognised as a designated Neighbourhood Plan area. (Lewes planners have long had a tendency to view our village as two or even three settlements). The Application is an essential preliminary to Chailey's Neighbourhood Plan.

This will develop through the Council's Planning Committee which meets on the first Tuesday of each month. We are inviting those residents interested to our Planning meeting on Tuesday January 6th at 1930, when it is our intention to establish a Steering Group in the expectation that our application to register Chailey as a Neighbourhood goes forward.

If you would like to attend this meeting, it will be helpful if you contact the Clerk so that we can arrange seating.

#### **Preparing for Winter:**

It is unlikely that we will suffer the extremes of weather experienced elsewhere in the world, but If you do have a problem and your property floods, listed below are some organisations who are able to help:

**Environment Agency: Flooding** For latest information on flood warnings and flood alerts: 0845 988 1188.

**East Sussex Fire & Rescue:** 0845 130 8855 If your property requires emergency pumping out.

**East Sussex County Council:** 0345 60 80 190 Report road gully blockage or surface water run-off from a highway.

**Southern Water:** 0845 2780845 Report problems from a surcharging foul sewer.

**Lewes District Council:** 01273 484354 For Sandbags

**Diary Reminder:** A Planning & Environs Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th January. The next Council meeting will be held on 20th January; both meetings held in the Reading Room at Chailey Green starting at 7.30pm. Members of the public are welcome to attend.

*Chailey Parish Council*

## **Chailey W.I.**

Happy New Year to all our readers.

**theWI**  
**INSPIRING WOMEN**

We start the year off with our meeting on 6th January. The speaker will be a Mr. Chris Jenkins from Wakehurst Gardens, talking on the topic of "Reforestation in Brazil". Our meeting will start promptly at 7.45pm, with the talk, followed by refreshments, then our "business" of the evening. Being a celebratory year we have plenty of forthcoming events in the pipeline. Why not come along and see what we get up to ? Visitors and prospective members are always welcome to join us in the village

hall for a small charge of £2.

Looking ahead to February, and the speaker will be Mr. Colin Snook, with his talk "Inspired Grandad Tramps around Great Britain".

*Carol Brown - 01825 723757*

## Chailey Youth Group 2014

CYG has had a fab 2014 and covered lots of fun activities, maintaining a large membership to 50 members!

We ended the year on a high with Youth Awards and Rainbow Ball. The young people each received nominations over the weeks leading up to the event. They each took home an award and certificate of achievement for 1 out of the 14 categories. Ken Furmedge (Volunteer youth worker) commented "Without these young people there would be no youth project, without their enthusiasm and commitment we wouldn't have a CYG".

We would like to kindly thank everyone who made the event a success. With Thanks to our sponsors- Jays Autos, AMS Pro Property Services, GOBO Studios, Aspects Beauty, Little Gems Childcare, Close Brothers, Little Gems Sweet Treats, Sussex Police and a private Donation.

We are grateful to our Volunteer youth workers Tracey Gunes, Gemma Kybert, Peter Kybert and Ken Furmedge. Our Awesome Parent helpers Wendy Heaseman, Louisa Anderson and Sandi Carter.

We have had a fantastic year! Wishing everyone a prosperous 2015.

*From all at CYG*

Full Moon 5th January @ 04:54

Last Quarter 13th January @ 09:47

New Moon 20th January @ 13:14

First Quarter 27th January @ 04:49

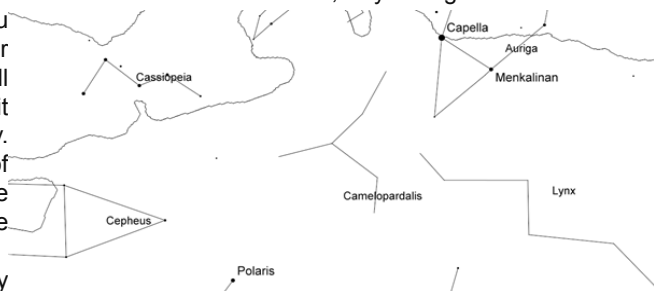
Note: Times are in Chailey local time – GMT+0



This month I want to talk to you about the constellation Cassiopeia, and also the Pole Star, Polaris.

Cassiopeia is known as a circumpolar constellation from our perspective here in Chailey. Circumpolar means that it never sets below the horizon, day or night. In the case of Cassiopeia, as long as you are at a latitude of greater than 34 degrees, you will see it all year round as it rotates in the night sky. The apparent rotation of the sky is caused by the Earth going around the Sun.

Cassiopeia is a very easy



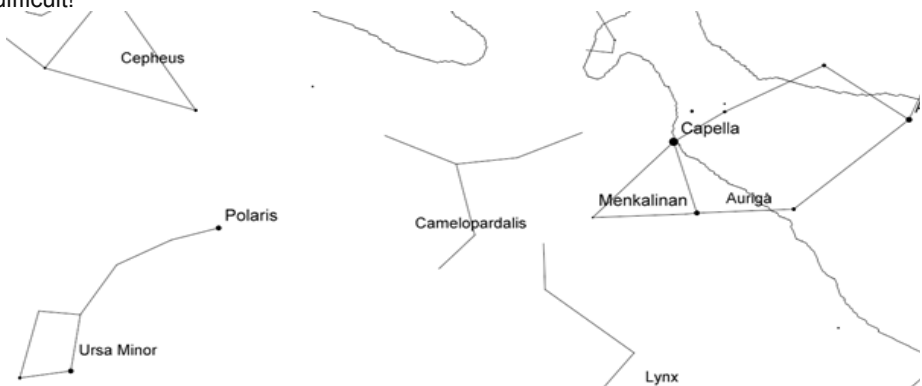
constellation to find and remember. There are 5 bright stars arranged in the shape of a squished 'W' or 'M'. That will depend on which way up it is on the night you view it. You could even say a '3' or very angular 'E' if the constellation is on its side! During most of December and January, Cassiopeia appears almost directly overhead during the early part of the evening. You can use the finder chart below to recognise other constellations and stars in the area.

Cassiopeia is also almost opposite the North Star Polaris from the constellation of Ursa Major, of which the very well known Big Dipper Asterism is part of. Ursa Major is translated as the Great Bear, Ursa being Greek for Bear.

Polaris is often mistakenly identified as the brightest star, but this is not true. Polaris is actually a pretty dim star in comparison to the rest. It is also a true multiple star system. Polaris is actually a 5 star system, with a supergiant star orbited by 2 close by smaller companion stars. These 3 are then also orbited by another 2 companion stars. One of the companion stars called Polaris B can easily be seen with binoculars or a small telescope.

Polaris A, the Supergiant star at the heart of the multi-star system has been very heavily studied by professional astronomers, as it is one of the closest Cepheid Variable stars to our Solar System. A Cepheid Variable star is a star which changes brightness in a very controlled way. This known, controlled variation in brightness allows astronomers to judge the distance to the object, which is crucial to calculating distances to distant Galaxy's.

Interestingly, I noted that while checking the distance to Polaris, the estimated value has changed significantly over the last 20 years! In 1993, the Hipparcos survey calculated the distance as 433 light years away. Since then, that has been reduced to 323 light years using results from 3 other surveys over the last few years! It just goes to show that even measuring the distance to something relatively close by is actually incredibly difficult!



The Polaris multi-star system is(are) the brightest star(s) in the dim constellation of Ursa Minor, or the little bear. When viewed without a telescope, the light from all 5 combine into one. As you would expect, Ursa Minor is also circumpolar.

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## **LOWERING OF SPEED LIMITS – A275 – A272 – finally works to be done!**

I have presented two petitions to East Sussex County Council on behalf of Chailey residents asking for speed reductions: (i) A275, Fletching

Lane to the 30 mph before the King's Head roundabout and, (ii) A272, from the East Sussex border also to the 30 mph before the King's Head roundabout.

On 13th December 2010 I attended the Transport and Environment Meeting to present our case. The Lead Member, Cllr. Maynard recommended approval for the speed limits to be reduced to 40 mph for the A275, East Grinstead Road. 50 mph on the A272 from the East/West Sussex border to North Chailey. (East and West Sussex needed to co-ordinate the cross-County limits). These have been agreed with the Sussex Police.

I know that many residents wanted lower limits and I suggested double white lines might help stop racing drivers and bikers – this idea was rejected by the Police, but we have achieved some success, which is better than nothing. I'm always disappointed when we have a firm decision and it takes years to put in place. Some residents might disagree with lower speed limits and I respect their point-of-view, but the majority of families I meet support lower speed limits within our village.

I am hoping the works will be done by the end of March.

Cllr. *Sharon Davy (Chailey and Wivelsfield)*

Telephone: 01444 831 336 email [sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk)

## **St Peter's**



### **School**

Well done Holly Brightey, one of our year 5 pupils, who has won a prize in the poster competition aimed at speed reduction that was organised by Sussex Police. The images will be scanned and displayed on local emergency services vehicles.

Leading up to Christmas teaching and learning continues as always but additionally we have parties, Christmas lunch, a service at the church and our nativity play. As part of food technology (school speak for cookery) the children will be preparing some of the food for their parties themselves.

The nativity play this year is " The Innkeeper's Breakfast " and it faithfully recounts the gospel story, the inn keeper's breakfast is incidental to the action. The breakfast was made by members of the Art Club rather than the school cook and to my mind it was more Full English rather than what you would expect to be served in Biblical Times. It is conceivable, however, that the inn had an imaginative chef who was ahead of his time. It was pleasing to see how confidently the infants performed before packed audiences and the singing of the accompanying songs and carols was, as usual, first class.

Bill Clarke. Tel. 01273 400131

## **OTHER LOCAL NEWS**

### **Newick Country Market**

Newick Country Market is held every Friday from 10am until 11am in Newick Village Hall on the A272.

The market reopens on Friday 9th January when we will have a good selection of locally grown vegetables, home baked cakes and savoury items which are always popular with customers, as well as eggs, preserves, locally produced cheeses and charcuterie. Handmade greetings cards and knitted items, paintings, animal portraits and plants are also available. Orders can be taken for any of the above.

Tea and coffee is also available so come along and meet your friends and stay for a chat. It is advisable to come along early as many items sell out fast.

Information and orders: 01825 768544.

### **NADFAS**

Newick & District Decorative and Fine Art Society

Plumpton Village Hall. 2.15 Tuesday January 13th 2015

#### **‘SAATCHI A MODERN MEDICI’ Lecturer Barry Venning**

The Medici family dominated Florence for generations and Lorenzo de Medici, known as ‘the Magnificent,’ sponsored such artists as Botticelli and Michelangelo. Charles Saatchi has been called a modern-day Medici and, had he been living in Florence in its heyday, he could have bought four versions of Michelangelo's statue of David for the price he paid for Tracey Emin's dirty bed - even allowing for inflation since 1499!

Like the Medicis, Saatchi exercises tremendous power in the international contemporary art market. He can make and break artists' reputations, and somewhat controversially he has defined the character and direction of recent British art.

Our lecturer Barry Vanning is a historian of British Art and he was the BBC's script consultant and expert commentator for a 2005 documentary on Turner's Fighting Temeraire. His interests and his teaching extend from medieval architecture to contemporary British art and he is currently an Associate Lecturer with the Open University.

Come and enjoy what should be a most interesting lecture. Visitors are always most welcome and the cost is £7 on the door with tea and biscuits afterwards and a chance to talk to the speaker. If you require any further information please ring Marjorie Blunden on 01825 723250.

And of course Happy New Year to everybody!

### **Newick Cinema - A Community-based Venture for Sunday Evenings**

#### **What We Did on Our Holiday (12a) (95 minutes)**

Writers and Directors: Andy Hamilton and Guy Jenkins (of BBC comedy “Outnumbered” fame)

25th January 2015 in Newick Village Hall, Western Road, Newick BN8 4LE



Licensed bar and delicious refreshments from 7.00 pm. Film starts 7.30 pm  
Tickets: £6 on the door, or in advance by emailing detailed request to [newickcinema@outlook.com](mailto:newickcinema@outlook.com), or ringing Mike Berry on 01825 723392  
There will be an interval for hot, cold and alcoholic drinks, ice cream and cakes.

Rosamund Pike, David Tennant and Billy Connolly star in this family comedy. As Doug (Tennant), his wife Abi (Pike) and their three children prepare to travel up to the Scottish Highlands for Doug's father Gordie (Connolly)'s birthday, they fail to give their children a list of things that are to be kept secret. While their offspring set about telling Grandpa and Grandma (Annette Crosbie) the ins and outs of their lives down in London, including intimate details of arguments their parents have had, Doug and Abi try to put aside their differences and have an enjoyable weekend.

## Hourly Train Services, 7 Days a Week From Cooksbridge?

Southern are consulting on a major restructuring of the timetable for off-peak services, to be effective from December 2015. Despite time savings arising from the reconfiguration of services and signalling efficiencies, there is no improvement proposed for off-peak services from Cooksbridge station. The local Station Partnership believes that there is a very strong case for an hourly service in both directions, seven days a week, and will be responding in detail to the consultation. Southern remain unconvinced about the potential demand and if you would welcome an enhanced service, you can help by responding to the consultation on a personal basis. For those who are interested, the consultation document is available on the Southern website. However, it need not be complicated. Simple support for an hourly off-peak service, together with anecdotal evidence of those additional services which would be particularly useful to you and your families, would be extremely helpful.

Responses must be in by 30th January and can be emailed to [gtr.timetableconsultation@gtrailway.com](mailto:gtr.timetableconsultation@gtrailway.com) or posted to: GTR Dec 2015 Consultation, FREEPOST LON 15973, Croydon, CR0 1ZY. This is a major opportunity that will not come again for many years, so if you support our campaign, please find the time to respond. Numbers are important. Thanks, Cooksbridge Station Partnership.

## Chailey News - February Issue

The deadline for the February issue of Chailey News is Tuesday 13th January. To avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e-mails for spam please:

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*Best wishes from everyone at CHEC*