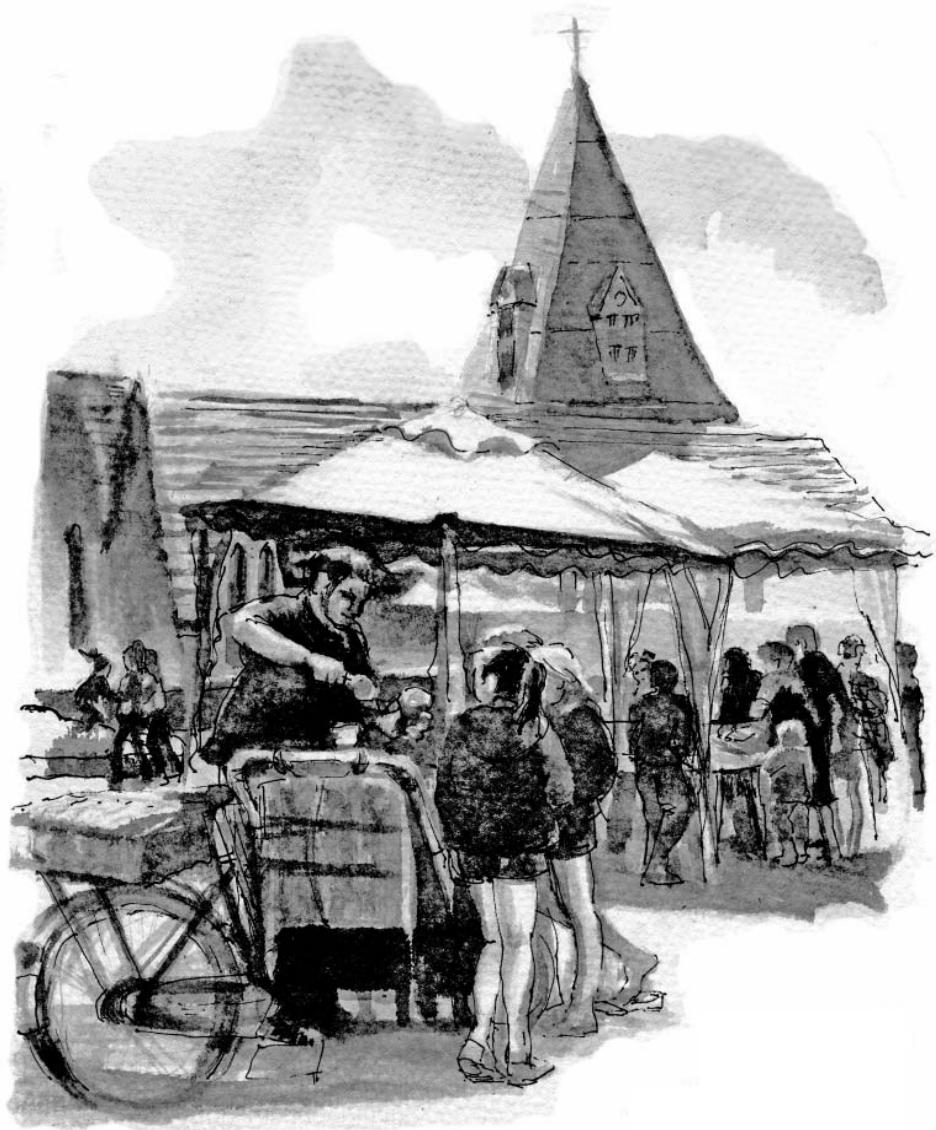


Chailey News

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June 2014

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
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St Peter's
CHURCH CHAILEY

JUNE SERVICES 2014

Sunday 1st June

Sunday after Ascension Day

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am All age family service with Pete's Pantry

Sunday 8th June

Day of Pentecost (Whit Sunday)

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

Sunday 15th June

TRINITY SUNDAY

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

Sunday 22nd June

The first Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish communion

12.30pm Jazz on the Green

Sunday 29th June

The second Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am Parish Communion

Sunday 6th July

The third Sunday of Trinity

8am Holy Communion (BCP)

10am All age family service with Pete's Puppets

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.



Dear friends,

I knew the game was over when I opened the lid of the small aquarium and a jet propelled flying missile hit me in the face, closely followed by another. The frogs were making their 'Great Escape' and the window of the 24hr release was

open!

They landed on the top of the cooker, beside the hot plate and Daisy, Betty and I had hysterics. Betty thought we were playing leap frog and I was struggling hard to save them from 'dead frog.' It had to be done, we had to get them released. We emptied the aquarium of rocks and weed and looking at each other, Daisy and I walked silently to the pond.

'I'll miss them Gran, will you?' 'Yes definitely' I replied. 'Will they be alright?' 'I'm sure they will be, we can't leave them any longer.' At the edge of the pond Daisy began her farewell speech from the saddest film she had ever seen, (probably 'E T') and with heaving sobs she bent over and gently tipped the contents of the aquarium into the pond. Then chaos broke out, the frogs lay on the surface of the water, in a free falling position, motionless, they knew where they would rather be. Daisy began shouting 'we can't do it Gran, they will die, we've got to get them out, Gran NOW please I love them, I need them GRAN! It was then I found myself with a tree branch the size of a telegraph pole fishing in the pond, with Daisy hanging on to my 'anything,' trying to retrieve the frogs. We got them to the bank and Daisy picked up each one and apologised and assured them they would come home with us. We both nearly toppled in and Daisy screamed instructions to me for the best route for their retrieval. We were both crying and suddenly I realised how foolish we were being. I told Daisy that we had played our part in their lives and now it was time to let them go. 'Will you say a prayer over them Gran?' 'Of course I will' I replied.

As we said 'Amen' and we were sitting crying, I heard a mans voice saying 'mind you don't fall in girls,' Daisy was convinced it was God and for a second he was. It was our wonderful neighbour. We told him of our plight and he said he had a pond full of tadpoles and would we like some and he took us to get them and with one swipe of his fishing net, we had 44 more tadpoles. On passing his garage he said 'would you like a larger aquarium, we don't need it?' How many times have I witnessed God's wonderful provision. He really cares about the minutia of our lives. I know they are only tadpoles, but we invested care and concern into them. Daisy and I are still fragile from the last 3 years and the tadpoles were a pleasant distraction.

I always remember when John resigned his commission from the Army and we took our five children out of Boarding School and John went to Theological College, we had £8 per day to live on. The first Christmas there I prayed and asked God to give me the grace to cope with a chicken. Just before Christmas we were given two turkeys. God rewards and blesses us for our faithfulness to Him. I'm glad we were given the tadpoles, I don't know if the frogs will survive but I have told Daisy we must not worry about them or the next 44 that we are raising. If God knows every hair on our heads then: we must not worry, in the Bible it says 'Don't worry about anything' Philippians 4:6.

Identify the source of your worries. Did you grow up in a fear filled family, always feeling insecure, never measuring up and never hearing words of affirmation and approval? Are you listening to the prophets of doom, hearing only about what's wrong, and how much worse it is going to get? What's the source of your anxiety? What feeds your worries? Until you can express your fears you can't expel them. Putting your worries into words disrobes them. They look weak and silly standing there naked. In his novel 'Life of Pi,' Yann Martel's main character, Pi, finds himself adrift at sea on a lifeboat with a 450lb

Bengal tiger as his companion. While on the lifeboat, Pi begins to analyse his fears, both of the sea and the tiger. He gives this counsel: 'You must fight hard to express your [fear]. You must fight hard to shine the light of words upon it. Because if you don't, if your fear becomes a wordless darkness that you avoid, perhaps even manage to forget, you open yourself to further attacks of fear because you never truly fought the opponent who defeated you.' So pull back the curtain and expose your fear, each and every one. Like vampires, they can't stand the sunlight. Financial fears, relationship fears, professional fears, safety fears - call them out in prayer. Drag them out and make them stand before God. How do you do that? 'Don't worry about anything; instead pray about everything, then you will experience God's peace, which exceeds anything we can understand.' Philippians 4:6-7.

As we left our neighbours house with our new charges, Daisy said 'That was a real act of kindness, wasn't it Gran?' I said 'Amen' to that.

From all at the Rectory

Jazz on the Green

22nd June 2014 starting at 12.30pm with a ploughmans lunch. There will be lots of stalls, a fun dog show and Scottish dancing. Please come along for a fun afternoon.



Woodland Tales

Come to St Peter's Chailey Green on Sunday afternoon 13th July 2014 at 3.00 pm and listen to Woodland Tales told by the Weald Storytellers. Organised by the Friends of St Peter's this enjoyable afternoon of Woodland Tales will appeal to both young and old. Tickets are priced £10, Children (under 16) free, which includes afternoon tea, and are available from:

Fiona Pearl (email fiona.pearl@btinternet.com) Tel: 01825 723135.

Janet Barnes (email janet.barnes42@btinternet.com) Tel: 01825 722574.

Latchetts Gardens Openings 2014

We are delighted to be opening again this year for the National Gardens Scheme. The Open Days will be Fridays & Saturdays May 30 & 31, June 20 & 21, July 18 & 19, August 8 & 9. Our Open Days run from 1.30 – 5.30 pm, entrance £5, and children are free. (They love the garden) Delicious Cream Teas will remain at £5, children discretionary! Tea helpers in July will be from, and their takings for, our Church. In May it will be for Family Support Work. The charity called LIVABILITY will also be opening on Saturday July 12th. We look forward to welcoming you all.

Laurence & Rebeka Hardy. Tel. 01825 790237. rebekahardy@gmail.com. RH17 7HQ

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 treated with strict confidence.

Name:

Home Address:

Telephone Number:



Chailey Free Church

For details and more news

www.chaileyfreechurch.com

One of our members, Brenda, would like to share her experience with us ...

At the age of 6 weeks I was adopted, they raised me very well with love and affection. I went to Sunday School and Girls Guildry as a child.. At the age of eleven I was told of my adoption and if I wanted to, could find my real family, this, I did not want to do at the time because I did not want to upset them.

When I was about 11years old my parents started coming to church with me, they had been Christians for years but had forgotten God and didn't attend for years. The next few years were good for me although my parents were going to different churches I was still going to church. I found faith in God when I was about 13 there was a church rally at the Dome in Brighton. The Preacher asked after the sermon if anyone had been affected by the message and if they wanted to know more about God to come to the front of the Dome I could not stay in my seat I wanted to know More. I gave my heart to the Lord then and was baptised when I was 16years old.

Coffee Stop

Fridays 10.00—12.00

Everyone welcome

Bring your friends

All free

Sunday Services

10.30am
and
6.15pm

CONTACT

01444 471600

01273 890114

Wednesdays 10.00am

Prayer Meeting

Thursdays 7.30pm

Bible Study & prayer

Friends of Chailey Windmill

The Windmill is undergoing repairs for storm damage and also being treated for woodworm during May and early June. It is hoped to reopen the Mill and Rural Life Museum on Sunday 29th June.

John Smith 01825 723519

Chailey & Newick Painting Group

On Sunday, June 29th, Chailey & Newick Painting Group will be holding an exhibition and sale of members' work at Newick Reading Room, Church Road, from 11 am - 5 pm. We are very pleased to be joining in Newick's weekend of sport, art and open gardens to be held in support of St Peter's and St James' Hospice. We will have a wide variety of original framed paintings on display, along with unframed work, prints and our very popular artists' greetings cards. We will be right along the route of the open gardens trail from The Green to the church so please pop in and see us - we look forward to welcoming you. www.chaileyandnewickpaintinggroup.org.uk

Carlina Oliver (Chairman)

Community First Responder

I have been volunteering as a lone CFR based in North Chailey and answering calls within a 4 mile radius since November last year. In that time, I have been booked on for 670 hours, attended 36 incidents, and been with patients for over 36 hours.

Community First Responders (CFR) are volunteers working alongside South East Coast Ambulance Service. We are not a substitute for the ambulance service - we are in addition to them. An ambulance is dispatched at the same time. As we are based in the community, we can arrive first on the scene to deliver potentially life saving treatment ahead of the ambulance arriving.

I had an interest in First Aid through my years as a Scout Leader. I was also the work First Aider and on a training course, heard about the CFR Scheme. I undertake additional training provided by the trust.

I am expected to book on for a minimum of 6 hours a week, although I normally do between 15-20 hours, at times convenient to me. Not as arduous as it sounds as while booked on I go about my normal day, but am ready to respond should a call come through.

How does it work? The system is operated via text messaging, I book on and until I book off, I receive text messages of all ambulance 999 calls in my area of an appropriate nature, I am not expected to attend road traffic accidents, drug or violence related incidents.

How is it funded? South Coast Ambulance Trust provide two CFR kits to each new team and as I am the only responder in this area my kit was free. If we are lucky enough to get more than two CFRs, then alternative funding would be required.

Do CFRs have blue lights? No I have to operate within the normal traffic laws in my own car, which currently does not have magnetic signs but I am told these will be with me shortly!

If you would like more information on Chailey CFR, I can be contacted on jonathandowe@btinternet.com or 07740410871. I have also set up an open Facebook Group called "Chailey Community First Responders" on which I will post relevant and interesting information about my work, without of course any personal details.

Jonathan Dowe CHY03

Wanted - Small business in North Chailey looking to beg / borrow 4 large folding tables. Please contact Verity on 07757 771553

Deer on our Roads

With increasing numbers of deer locally, collisions are inevitably occurring. Nationally there are estimated to be 50,000 accidents per year involving deer, including human fatalities. A motorcyclist died in the autumn of 2013 after hitting a deer on the A275 in North Chailey. Many of us who are car drivers locally have had collisions – ourselves included - or at least near misses.

If you hit a deer within the boundaries of Ashdown Forest, ring the Rangers on 01342 823583. Off Ashdown Forest ESCC Deer Wardens are available to help with collisions involving deer; to summon one ring the police on 101.

An injured deer can be dangerous - do not yourself approach one. Rangers and Deer Wardens can deal with injured deer, and will give animals every chance to recover. In cases of serious injury to animals Rangers and Deer Wardens are trained to put them down humanely. You can minimise the chances of hitting a deer if you are aware that:

- Deer move between feeding and resting grounds at dawn and dusk.
- There are peaks in deer traffic accidents during the rut in the autumn and after fawning in the spring.
- Deer usually travel in small groups; if one crosses the road in front of you, look out for the rest following.
- Where woodland or scrub comes right to the road verge deer may step straight onto the carriageway.
- At night, animal eyes reflect headlights - slow down if you see them on the verge.
- Traffic speed is a major factor in the severity of animal traffic accidents - obey legal speed limits and drive with particular care where deer may be present.

Michael Rider N/C
01825-723494

Adapted from Ashdown Forest Conservators public information.



Chailey WI

Occasionally we have a speaker who we think will appeal to a wider audience, when we like to invite not just our husbands but friends and local residents to come and join us. Our June speaker comes under this heading.

Andy Thomas is a leading researcher into unexplained mysteries and is the world's most prolific writer on Crop Circles. He writes and lectures here and abroad and has appeared on radio and TV. We are sure his talk on the extraordinary phenomenon of Crop Circles on Tuesday 3rd June will provide for a very entertaining evening. We charge a nominal fee of £2 for visitors and this includes refreshments.

The May Resolutions meeting was well attended and we decided by a majority vote to support the National WI's motion to urge those registered as an Organ Donor to make their wishes known to their families.

I can't give you any clues as to what the programme will be on Tuesday 1st July as this is the annual Members' Meeting when the Committee have no hand in arranging a speaker, but you can be sure it will be good!

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall when prospective members and guests are always welcome to join us.

Margaret Smith 01825 723519

Chailey Link Walk

The Annual Village Walk took place in perfect conditions on Monday 6th May and was attended by about 30 people. In the beautiful, sunny surroundings there were a number of walkers doing it for the first time, though some 'regulars' were sadly missing. Ten year

old Milo Drinkwater came in well ahead of the pack in a terrific time of 2 hours, which was nearly half an hour faster than the next group who finished. The smell of sizzling sausages drew everyone across to the Sports Pavilion to enjoy hot dogs and the bar manned by the Sports Association. Certificates were presented to the children, and the dogs, who had completed the course and all agreed to come back again next year.

John Smith (01825 723519) - Trevor Smith (01273 891008)

Chailey Commons Society

What a change in the weather – it seems that summer suddenly arrived and all the flowers have responded. On walks through the commons and woods around Chailey the bluebells have been magnificent and also the orchids. I notice that the oak trees have been coming in to leaf, a little in front of the ash trees, so maybe we are in for just a splash!

We enjoyed our April Bird Walk on Pound Common and heard and saw about 24 different varieties both large and small. The migrants were passing over including early swallows and we heard the cuckoo quite a lot which was very rewarding as it does seem scarce now. On Saturday June 14th we shall be re-creating our first coach outing from 1964 going to Hothfield Heathlands near Ashford in Kent, leaving the Sports Clubs car park at 9.30.a.m. – cost approx £15. This original trip was made during the first year of our Society being formed. We shall take a picnic lunch and have arranged a special afternoon tea stop on the way back at Sandhurst for a delicious Cream Tea. Have you booked your place yet? There might still be a place available. Call Linda on 01444 440622.

It is now traditional for us to do a 'Nightjar Walk' on our commons to hopefully see and hear this remarkable bird. Starting at 8.45.p.m. on Tuesday June 24th from Red House Common car Park we will seek them out. Finish in the dark so bring torches

For further information visit our website – www.chaileycitycommons.org.uk

William Coleman 01444 831098

Chailey News Finances

The Church has had its AGM and it has been noted that Chailey News didn't balance its books last year. It is a free magazine, of course, but there are considerable costs involved in production of 12 issues a year distributed to 1,280 households.

We are very grateful for the Parish Council's contribution and also our many advertisers but we used to receive donations from Clubs and Societies who rely on us to get information on their programmes out to the population of Chailey. This seems to have dried up so I am asking if a small donation could be made to 'Chailey PCC' from clubs and societies once a year.

Whilst I have your attention I have a couple of distribution rounds available for anyone who wishes to help us get the magazine out each month :-

1) The houses around North Common and Pound Common. This round would suit a dog walker as it takes probably an hour.

2) The houses both sides of the A275 on the southern most boundary of Chailey this takes about 20 minutes.

Best wishes

Chris Jones Tel:01444 831 244

Chailey Bonfire

Well I hope you all enjoyed the St Georges day fete, we were very lucky with the weather and an enjoyable day was had by all, the addition of the dog show year this seemed to be a great success and our thanks go to Dawn Bilton for organising it and her Judges. Our thanks also go to all the other village societies, stall holders and ride owners who came

along and supported us with special thanks to the Plumpton bowman, Zumba girls with special mention to our very own master of ceremonies Trevor Smith who put on a good show (Trevor -Zumba is on Wednesday Night at Wivelsfield village Hall if you wished to join up)and to the Brownies and Rainbows who coped very well in the field.

You will be pleased to hear that we managed to raise £1800. Every penny goes towards our firework display in November. I would just like to say that we were still desperately short of helpers so if you feel that you could spare a couple of hours to assist at our big events to help spread the load then please contact our secretary Diane Palmer either on mobile number 07773935403 or email secretary@chaileybonfire.co.uk.

Mays 100 club winner was No 20 – Jim Jackson

We are currently putting this years Bonfire Programme together. If you would be interested in advertising this year please email your advert to contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk ' We are selling space at the following prices: £15 - 1/4 - 1/3 page. £25 - 1/2 page, £40 - full page. Please note that the AGM of Chailey Bonfire Society Ltd and Chailey Bonfire Society will now be held at the Reading Rooms, Chailey Green on Wednesday 25th June at 8pm. The Bonfire Society has a free mobile bar for hire. If you would like us to run the bar at any event you have please email 'contact@chaileybonfire.co.uk' or phone the coordinator Sandra Tyler on 07595530653 for further details. All profits from the bar go towards the bonfire night and the Christmas party for our older members of the village each year. 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>

St Peter's School The school has launched a new programme called "Be the best you can be" which encourages children to think about their hopes and aspirations for their futures. Tony Garbett, an Olympic rower, visited us recently and led an assembly and later spent time in each classroom. This was a very inspiring day for the pupils and they have been encouraged to think about their own hopes and dreams for their lives and ambitions to come.



Year 6 pupils have been on a walk to Marlpit Lake. while they were there they set up a mountain bike course, went on a bug and insect hunt and learnt how the Anglo Saxons made fire. Then they made pancakes on the fire they had lit, a well deserved reward for all their hard work.

Since September the Art Club has been working on artwork to commemorate the 750th. anniversary of the Battle of Lewes. The children have made models of the protagonists using plastic bottles and papier mache. they also made a wall hanging depicting the battle incorporating drawings by each member of the club. These were submitted as a group entry to the Art and Creative Writing competition organised by the Rotary Club of Lewes Castle to commemorate the historic event, which ultimately led to representative government to this country. Our pupils won first prize in the category.

It was my 80th. birthday earlier this month and I was invited to a surprise tea party after school on the big day. My thanks to those who organised it though for a lower working class boy like me it was a bit grand. We had sandwiches with the crusts cut off but I did have a small input in the proceedings. When I blew out the candles on the cake, everyone sang Happy Birthday but Bill is a single syllable word so I had them sing it again, this time to William which better fits the music.

Bill Clarke. Tel. 01273 400131.

Sussex Police Report

Chailey AGM 2014

Crime figures - Please note that the crime figures for your area are now available for your personal viewing at POLICE.UK. This site enables you to not only check the crime figures but you can also check the incident details, where it happened and status of the incident. This site offers a lot more features the public may find useful.

District priorities

Burglary - Burglary continues to be a concern across the district with incidents occurring to dwellings and outbuildings. The typical items targeted from a dwelling are jewellery, laptops, other handheld electronic items, wallets/purses if they are visible. Outbuildings/Garages are targeted for high value tools such as Chainsaws, strimmers, lawnmowers etc. Please secure your items as best you can. Crime prevention advice for your home is available from your local officer.

Fuel/Heating oil theft - This has become a high priority across the district. Heating oil is a particular target and most incidents occur shortly after a tank has been refilled. Please be mindful of this. If you have a heating oil tank it is recommended that you alarm your tank as this has proven the most effective way to protect your oil.

Diesel/Petrol thefts are quite common with larger vehicles such as Landrovers being the main target. It is recommended that you look to park your vehicle where it can be seen clearly or in a garage if you have one.

Op Signature - Sussex police have recently launched Op Signature which focuses on scams. Many people have fallen victim to scams which come through the post, email, phone and even at the door. In some cases, people have lost out on thousands of pounds through scams. The more common one being the typical letter saying you have won money and you can claim it after sending a cheque yourself. If you feel that someone is falling victims to scams please call the police immediately as this person could unknowingly be losing a lot of money. For more information on the scams of today please contact your local officer.

Vehicle crime - This has been a common problem particularly in rural car parks. We encourage residents to remove all valuables from your vehicle when not in use. Never leave anything of value on display even for short periods of time and never leave the engine running when you are not with the vehicle.

Chailey Concerns

Speeding - Speeding in Chailey has often been reported as a problem. A particular concern being the A275. The problem is being targeted by the Chailey community speedwatch team who give up their time to help make the village safe. Their productive work has helped decrease the speeding problems in the village and continues to have a huge impact. Please note that further volunteers are welcome. Please contact your local officer for more details.

Further information

Op Crackdown - Op Crackdown has been put in place to allow members of the public to report Anti-social driving or abandoned vehicles easily without having to use the switchboard. This method has proven to be very reliable with a number of drivers being dealt with accordingly thanks to the reports made on Op Crackdown. To make a report on Crackdown simply visit www.operationcrackdown.org. Each report will take about 5 minutes.

Local officer contact

To contact your local officer you can email to steven.knowles@sussex.pnn.police.uk Or call 07787685708 or 101 - ext 563018

Please note that if you are reporting an incident all calls should go through the police switchboard. **Non emergency 101 Emergency 999**



Chairman: Cllr. Don Cranfield (01825 722651)

Clerk: Mrs Vera Grainger (Tel 01825 740409)

For Reading Room bookings contact the Clerk.

Village Information Point

The Village Information Point sessions are held on Friday mornings at the Coffee Stop, Free Church, South Chailey. In June sessions will be held on Friday 13th June and Friday 27th June between 10.00 am and 12.00.

Chailey Annual Parish Meeting was held on 28th April in the Parish Hall. This year following the formal part of the meeting residents participated in a work shop exercise aimed at ascertaining whether the development of a Chailey Neighbourhood Plan would be supported. Chairman of the Council Cllr. Don Cranfield presented his report and explained the workshop exercise:

Chailey Parish Council Chairman's Report

The Parish Council has had a busy and productive year, working on behalf of the residents of Chailey and I would like to take this opportunity to thank my fellow Councillors and our Parish Clerk, Vera Grainger, for all their hard work during the year. I would also like to thank Cllr Jim Sheppard, our East Sussex County Councillor, for his support, and Cllr Sharon Davy, our Lewes District Councillor. Two new Councillors – Katherine Matthews and Stephen Avery - joined the Council during the year, bringing planning and legal expertise. While progress is, necessarily, sometimes not as quick as we would like, we have taken forward a number of projects and improvements to the Parish:

The Parish Council is installing a **Basketball Net and surfaced area at Rowheath** for the use by young people, in particular those attending the **Chailey Youth Group**. Cllr. Peter Olbrich has led this project, which involved consulting with Chailey Youth Group and local residents, assessing the site and obtaining the required 3 quotes for the works. Councillors also had to take into account the need to maintain a balance between the continued use of the green as an informal sports and pastimes area, whilst preserving the rare plant and fungi present on the site.

Improvements and Repairs to Parish Assets: the Parish Council has embarked on a programme of refurbishment of Parish assets, starting with the **Reading Room** and the **conversion of the Pump House in South Chailey** into a bus shelter. As those of you who have been involved in arranging building works on properties will know, this is quite time-consuming, but we are pleased with the work carried out on the Reading Room by R M Wickham & Son, which has ensured it is weather tight and further deterioration is prevented.

The refurbishment of the **Pump House** has taken longer than expected, but the Parish Council has to comply with standards for bus shelters – this work is nearing completion. The Council has also pursued the matter of the damaged bus shelter in South Chailey and the contractors have confirmed the replacement will be installed by early June. The cost will ultimately be recovered from the driver's insurance. We have also ordered a new bench for Chailey Green and replaced the community notice board at South Chailey.

Chailey Windmill has suffered damage in the recent storms and also needs repainting and electrical works. The Parish Council holds a 99 year full repairing lease on the Windmill and this represents a significant financial outlay. However, we budget carefully for maintenance works, the damage will be covered by insurance and I'm sure you will agree the Windmill is an icon of the Parish and it is right that we look after it.

Chailey Sports Club has continued with their fundraising programme for the new Sports Pavilion and the Parish Council still has a substantial sum earmarked to support the project. We have also paid for work to alleviate sports field drainage problems. In total, the Parish

Council has provided **grants** of £17,425 this year, increased from £11,249 last year. The Parish Council continues to pay for grass cutting of public areas such as the sports pitches, Rowheath and the Green and for tree works where the trees are on Council land. We lobby on behalf of Chailey for maintenance works, for instance to hedges along roads to improve visibility, and footpath clearance.

Led by our Parish Clerk, the **Village Information Point** continues to offer an opportunity for residents to raise matters in an informal setting at the Coffee Stop in the Free Church, South Chailey. The sessions are fortnightly on Fridays, 10 – 12.

The Parish Council holds **quarterly meetings with the ESCC Highways Department** to discuss projects and concerns raised by parishioners. Current issues include speed limits, traffic in Oxbottom Lane / Cinder Hill, amber warning lights to assist with crossing the A272 in the Lower Station Road area, and using the **S106 development contributions** from the New Heritage development, for a footpath along Warrs Hill Road and a pedestrian crossing in South Chailey.

And now I come to the main focus of this meeting-

Planning Applications: as a Statutory Consultee the Parish Council comments on all planning applications made within Chailey. In October, Retirement Villages Ltd submitted a revised proposal for the **Gradwell Park** development in which they attempted to address some of the concerns previously expressed by residents, and reflected in the Parish Council comments. On balance, we felt our concerns were still not fully addressed and we continued to object to the application. Lewes District Council Planning Committee refused planning permission and, as far as we are aware, an appeal has not been submitted.

This case perhaps highlights how vulnerable Chailey Parish is to development which is not in the overall interests of the residents. We are not in an Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty, nor the National Park. The government has introduced a policy of presumption in favour of sustainable development (whatever that might be) and in November Lewes District Council circulated details of housing site options which, if all proceeded to development, would result in 127 houses being built - our current allocation is 40 across the Parish.

I must stress that a **Neighbourhood Plan** would not prevent development taking place, but would establish general planning policies for the development and use of land, which would have to be taken into account by Lewes District Council. However, if Chailey Parish Council is going to take forward a neighbourhood plan, we need your help and guidance as to what the community actually wants to see. So, it's now over to you. There are instructions on each table and it is suggested that we spend about half an hour on this exercise."

Cllr Don Cranfield, Chairman

Following the workshop, attendees were asked to complete a short questionnaire. If you would like to comment, the questionnaire can be downloaded from the Council's website at www.chailey.org and returned as instructed; or telephone the Clerk for a paper copy.

There was the opportunity to pose questions to Lewes District Council Cllr. S Davy, East Sussex County Councillor Jim Sheppard, East Sussex Fire & Rescue Service and Sussex Police. There were also displays of work from Chailey Brownies and Chailey Youth Club.

Following the meeting Cllr. Cowan completed a quick analysis of those attending:

70% were resident in North Chailey, and 15% each from Chailey Green area and South Chailey. Of those attending 75% were in favour of developing a Neighbourhood Plan, 8% were against and 17% were undecided.

Diary Reminder: A Planning & Environs Committee Meeting will be held on Tuesday 10th June and Full Council Meeting will be held on 17th June; 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



THANKS TO OUR PARISH COUNCIL

I, along with others attended the Chailey Parish Council meeting – this year in a new workshop format, primarily to have some initial feedback as far as our Parish producing a Neighbourhood Plan. Our Chairman, Mr. Don Cranfield

gave a very clear overview of the importance of the entire community having their say. South Chailey – Markstakes – Chailey Green – North Chailey – New Heritage must have equal representation. Of course, some residents will be against producing a Neighbourhood Plan and some will be for. Our Parish will be asking us for our opinions and although many of us, including myself, dislike filling in forms and tick boxes, our Parish Council will be working hard to democratically represent the views of everyone – not just the few. That is just the first step. It is not possible within this space to speak in detail on Neighbourhood Planning, but The Local Government Group has given all Ward Councillors a guide. One of the many questions in this guide was: ‘Won’t people think neighbourhood planning will enable them to stop housing developments?

This isn’t the intention. Communities will have influence over what housing will look like and where it will go but not to stop it altogether when there is an identified local housing need’. Housing targets will be decided by Lewes District Council with the Local Plan policies and each Council must demonstrate the 5 year housing need.

Neighbourhood planning is not a negative tool – it enables communities to introduce policies to manage change not to prevent change from happening. There are advantages and disadvantages.

SIGNAGE POOR STATE OF REPAIR – BEVERN BRIDGE A275

The ‘Horse Warning’ signs on either approach of Bevern Bridge are in a poor state of repair and could do with being positioned better so they can be seen more clearly by drivers. This is a busy, fast road. Residents contacted me and I have reported this problem to Highways, asking if they can carry out some improvements. This would help our local Chailey riding school and livery yard who have been running their business for almost 30 years.

Improvements will be carried out in the very near future, which will also include a ‘SLOW’ marking adjacent to the signs on the carriageway.

THANKS TO CHAILEY BONFIRE SOCIETY

The organizers of the St. George’s Day event created a brilliant event, packed full of fun events. We wouldn’t have our Chailey Bonfire celebration without their hard work raising funds throughout the year. As I have said before – fireworks are not free! They need our support.

Cllr Sharon Davy email: sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk Telephone: 01444 831 336

Monthly Night Sky Guide

New Moon 28th May @ 19:41; First Quarter 5th June @ 21:39; Full Moon 13th June @ 05:12; Last Quarter 19th June @ 19:39 Note: Times are in Chailey local time – BST/GMT+1 This month there are plenty of planets around to have a good look at in the night sky. Jupiter can still clearly be seen in the evening to the West. It is the first bright object you can spot after the Sun goes down. Jupiter is in the constellation of Gemini, and is very easy to spot as it is so bright compared to the background stars. Jupiter is speeding away from Earth in its orbit now, but it is still a stunning sight – you should be able to spot the bright Galilean Moons (Callisto, Io, Ganymede and Europa) with just a pair of binoculars. Watch them night after night to see them move around the giant planet.

Mars has also passed its closest point to the Earth for this year. The Martian year is almost twice the length of the Earth year at 687 days. During June it will get dimmer as it speeds away from the Earth on its orbit of the Sun. It is still a relatively bright planet in the sky though,

and is easy to spot as the red dot near to the Crescent Moon on the 7th June to the South. It is in the constellation of Virgo throughout June.

A bit lower in the sky at 24 degrees in the constellation of Libra, the majestic planet Saturn is visible to the South at 10:24 PM. The rings of Saturn are easily seen in a small telescope. It is well worth a look if you have access to a telescope, as it is one of the most beautiful sights in the night sky.

Early in the morning, see if you can spot the bright planet Venus in the morning sky. One of the brightest objects in the sky, it can be seen rising at about 3:30 AM on the 1st June in the East, and is easy to spot as it is so bright.

I am now available to give talks on Astronomy to local groups and schools. Please contact me on 01273 400989 or use the email address below. I am a registered STEM Ambassador, and have been CRB checked accordingly.

Richie Jarvis - richie@nebul.ae <http://nebul.ae> <http://twitter.com/richiedeepsky> <http://www.facebook.com/richiedeepsky>

National Mills Weekend

Three members of the Downland Radio Group, Gavin Keeegan who lives in Newick, Kevin Murphy and Chris Coward, were very pleased and privileged to be allowed to operate their (ham) amateur short wave radio from Chailey Windmill as part of the National Mills weekend, held 10th/11th May this year.

A special event call sign - GBOCHW - standing for Chailey Heritage Windmill was obtained from Ofcom and used to great effect over the weekend. Nearly 200 radio contacts were made with other ham operators around the UK and the near continent and included contacts with 42 other mills, including one in Holland - this really was a very good result.

Gavin Keegan reported that the first ever radio activation of Chailey windmill had been a great success and thanked the Friends of Chailey Windmill and John Smith very much for allowing the group access to the mill this year, and commented that the group would really love to come back again next year to, once again, put Chailey Windmill back on the 'radio' map.

NADFAS

Newick & District Decorative and Fine Art Society - Plumpton Village Hall Tuesday June 10th 2014 at 2.15

The Ancient Harp a lecture by Sarah Deere-Jones; From Mediterranean Antiquity to 20th Century Europe.

Using illustrations from carvings, wall paintings, pottery, mosaics, scupture, stained glass, illuminated manuscripts and 18th and 19th Century Art, Sarah will trace the history of one of the woldr's monst ancient and loved musical instruments. The earliest evidence of the harp is in Egyp 2,500 BC and the frame harp first appeared in Western Europe in the 8th Century. However it was not until the Renaissance that it was further developed into the highly mechanised and beautiful instrument we know today.

Sarah has played with orchestras such as the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra, the Ulster Orchestra, The Tenerife Symphony Orchestra and the BBC Symphony Orchestra and with theatre orchestras such as the Festival ballet, Ballet Rambert and the Bolshoi Ballet. She has also played in the West End in productions including Evita, the Sound of Music and South Pacific. Sarah has always had a passion for history and has a large collection of instruments and appropriate costumes. Her lecture should be really fascinating and we do hope to see you there. Visitors are always welcome to our lectures, 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.

OTHER LOCAL NEWS

Newick Festival 27, 28, 29th June

I am sorry but we have very little spare room in the magazine this month so have had to abridge the details of the programme sent in. Please see Newick magazine for more details (Ed)

Friday 27th June - Newick Roots will be taking the children from Newick School on a walk into the countryside. Later from 5.30-8 Junior Cricket coaching at King George V Playing Field. Bar-B-Q from 7 and Newick Folk will play from 8pm for dancing.

Saturday 28th June from 10am a chance to watch and take part in sports - Football, Stoolball, Rugby, Cricket, Fitness, Tennis. From 1-5pm on Village Green Family Fun, Church Road closed to traffic. From 1pm the Big Picnic on the Green Activities start at 2pm. At 3pm Maypole Dancing and the Newick Folk. 4pm Mad Hatters Tea Party. 6.30 for 7 Summer Ball Buffet and dancing in Village Hall. Live Band Tickets £22.50 from Liz Duncton 723372 or Glenda Saunders 723233.

Sunday 29th June - 10am Songs of Praise on Village Green 1030 to 12 Coffee and Croissants in the Community Centre. 6 Gardens open from 1030 Entry £5, Under 16 free. Proceeds to St Peter & St James Hospice. Teas will be served in Newick Church Barn and Strawberries and Fizz at Ketches

Care Workers Wanted - We are looking to recruit support workers to help support our residents, who have profound learning disabilities, at Bevvern View, a registered care home in Barcombe. Salary £14,6000 rising to £18,000 for 35 hrs pw. We are also looking for a part-time Health Care Advisor to instruct staff in health care procedures, monitor the health needs of our residents, and control and administer medication. Salary £17,000 for 24 hrs pw. Please find job descriptions and an application form on www.bevvernview.org or phone Bevvern View on 01273 400 752.

Wivelsfield Film Sunday, 15 June 2014 Doors/licensed bar: 7pm; film: 7.30pm. **12 YEARS A SLAVE (15)** Drama Biography History. Wivelsfield Village Hall, off Eastern Road, Wivelsfield Green RH17 7QG Free, easy parking at the hall. Homemade cakes, ice creams and drinks served before the film and during the interval. Tickets £5.50 on the door, in advance from the Post Office & Village Stores or The Cock Inn, or online via the Facebook page for Wivelsfield Films or wivelsfieldfilms.wordpress.com

Newick Country Market is held every Friday from 10am until 11am In Newick Village Hall on the A272. If your garden is lacking colour come along and see our selection of plants all ready to plant out now that summer is here. Information and orders 01825 768544

Jazz and Jam The Lewes Supporters of Pestalozzi International Village will be holding a Jazz & Jam event in Cooksbridge at the Beechwood Hall, just off the A275 on June the 8th, 2.30 – 4.30 with stalls, raffle and cream teas. Jazz will be provided by the Bryn Bridges Jazz Trio. Please come and support us you will be more than welcome! Price on the door £7 adults and £3 children.

Newick Cinema - The second event of Newick Cinema is on **22 June**.

Just buy a ticket in advance or on the night, turn up and enjoy a big movie on a big screen.

Those essential refreshments will be available (homemade cakes, ice creams and drinks (alcoholic, soft and hot). For the June show these are being provided by Newick Amateur Dramatic Society and Chailey and Newick Colts.

Film: **12 Years a Slave (15) (134 minutes)** Starring; **Chiwetel Ejiofor, Brad Pitt, Benedict Cumberbatch**. Where: Newick Village Hall, Western Road, Newick BN8 4LE. When: 22 June 2014. Time: Doors/ Licensed Bar 7pm Film starts 7.30pm. There will be an interval for refreshments. Tickets: £6 on the door or in advance by emailing detailed request to newickcinema@outlook.com or ringing 01825 723392

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 7.45pm until 10.15pm. Every Tuesday from 3rd June until 8th July. The cost will be £5.00 per person, per evening, paid on the night. We are always looking for new members who would like to play Club or League standard badminton, including people new to the game, or maybe others who would like to return to the game having played before.

If you are interested in coming along then please call David on 01825 723299, or Christine on 01825 769502, or alternatively come along on one of the evenings.

The Heart Of Sussex Walk Sunday 29th June 2014

The British Heart Foundation is once again organizing their exceptionally popular sponsored walk along the beautiful Sussex Downs on Sunday, 29th June 2014. It is a FREE day out suitable for all walkers. You can enter as an individual or as a team with family and friends. There are 4 different starting points varying in lengths from 21 miles from Clayton Windmill, 15 miles starting at the Swan Pub in Falmer, 8 miles from Southease or a relatively gentle 5 miles from Firle Beacon. Please do contact www.bhf.org.uk/heartofsussexwalk tel 0121 6615100

Saddle up for Air Ambulance Bike Ride

Life-saving charity Kent, Surrey & Sussex Air Ambulance is appealing for cyclists to sign up for this year's Double 100 Cycle Challenge and help save lives at night. The 100-mile or 100km bike ride is to be held on Sunday, September 28th, to mark the first anniversary of the launch of the night flying service. The ride is open to regular and occasional cyclists including individuals and teams with feeding stations along the scenic route. The first 200 riders to sign up will receive a special Air Ambulance jersey. To register go to www.kssairambulance.co.uk/involved/double100 and for more information call Julie Clare on 01622 833833, or email juliec@kssairambulance.org.uk

Chailey News - July Issue

The deadline for the July issue of Chailey News is 10th June. To avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e-mails for spam please:

1. Send items 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.

Best wishes from everyone at CHEC