

Chailey News

Free



June 2017

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

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

For further information about Roman Catholic services and activities, please contact Mrs Mary Butterfield, 01825 724003

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St Peter's
CHURCH CHAILEY

JUNE SERVICES 2017

- Sunday 4th June **Whit Sunday/Pentecost**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Family Communion
- Sunday 11th June **Trinity Sunday**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
- Sunday 18th June **The first Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
- Sunday 25th June **The second Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
- Sunday 2nd July **The third Sunday after Trinity**
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Family Communion

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 residents of Chailey,

My husband has been involved with the Christian healing ministry for over thirty years. He has worked at healing centres, Christian hospitals and taught the importance of the gift of healing to many groups and Churches. Together

we have witnessed God's wonderful healing miracles.

One of the greatest blessings to occur in the life of any Church, in recent years, is the revival of the ministry of healing through prayer. While as recently as 30 years ago relatively few Churches conducted healing services, now many do and the number is growing. We are due to hold another one soon. St Peter's has a prayer group that meets every Tuesday and prays for the needs of the parish, its people and the wider community. They witness wonderful answers to prayer. And why not? Healing is at the very heart of who God is. The Bible tells us repeatedly that God is all powerful and all loving. These words remain platitudes and God remains an abstraction, until they are applied to real situations. To say that God is love and yet not see Him at work in people's lives is a cruel contradiction. The God we worship is not an absentee landlord but a loving caring Father who ministers to His children at their point of need. Sometimes that need is for healing. The ministry of healing through prayer leads people to God. Some like the nine lepers (Luke 17:17) who did not return to give thanks will always "take the healing and run." Others, having received the healing fall in love with the Healer. For many this is the first time God has seemed real.

Many years ago I witnessed this first hand and I often think of it and I am still amazed. We applied for a job that meant we would go and work in a mining community in the Midlands. As Southerners it was a culture shock. We knew God had called us and so we pulled up our sleeves and began the very challenging work. The community we went to had been ripped apart by the miners strike and closure of its mine, families were estranged because either a father or son had worked or not worked during the strike and the rift was still there. Grandfathers didn't speak to grandchildren and brothers too were at odds with each other. Anger was everywhere. Their circumstances had made them hard and unforgiving. Day after day we were told the same story. 'We will never speak to each other again' and they didn't. There would be no reconciliation. I think I understood the pain. Our sons, who represented Maggie Thatcher's middle England, (she being the bone of contention to many miners,) told us they would not be visiting us and thought we were wrong to be there. So we too were estranged, through circumstances, it was the hardest time of my life and whilst there I was diagnosed with MS.

In one of our 3 churches there was an elderly Churchwarden. A Churchwarden is an elected lay member of the congregation whose job it is to help and support the Church and the Incumbent. She was very mean spirited and nasty, and I will call her 'Susan.' She had worshipped at "her Church" for most of her life. She wanted control of "her Church" and she did everything in her power to keep my husband from doing, changing, working or taking any power that she had away and freeing the Church to move forward and out of her vice-like grip. So battle commenced. Daily phone calls from 'Susan' and her family came thick and fast. She argued, she fussed, she questioned my husband's authority.

Everything he did was always wrong. Everything was wrong, except her and her opinions. She made the lives of all of us at the Vicarage miserable and she was unrelenting. It went on and on. Fortunately "her Church" wasn't the one I went to, so I didn't see her. I would always avoid her. I questioned why God had taken us there. I missed our sons and our girls were miserable. Then my husband developed the most excruciating pain between his shoulder blades. We visited Doctors, Physiotherapists, had scans, had treatment, nothing helped, nothing changed and he was laid very low. It all came to a head after we were attacked, we had worked hard, but I knew that our 'season' there was over. How can you tell that a season is ending? Because the grace from God that accompanied that season, will lift and what was once rewarding will start to feel unrewarding. The Bishop gave us permission to leave.

After I had packed up our home I walked to the Post Office to post my change of address

cards. As I came out of the Post Office, there stood 'Susan,' she was reading something in the window she didn't see me, I panicked. If I turned right she would see me. If I turned left she wouldn't, but it meant an extra mile on my walk home and I had my MS legs on. Then the most incredible thing happened. I decided to put my head down and not look at her, but God in His great mercy stepped in. I found myself walking up to her and I tapped her on the shoulder. I was very calm and said "Susan, I know that you have had great difficulty with my husband and I'm sorry. I expect you know that we are leaving shortly and I hope that the next Vicar who comes, values you and your ministry and I just wanted to tell you that I really love you." The most amazing thing was that I really, really meant it. I was able to love her and all the hurts, spitefulness, lies, deceit had gone and we just hugged each other and cried outside the Post Office in the middle of a Northern street and it was probably raining.

Only God can enable you to do that, I could not have done it in my own strength. I'm too weak. I walked back to the Vicarage with a light heart and I said to my husband, "do you want to hear my story?" My husband replied "I'll tell you mine first, that pain has gone from my back, I can't believe it." I was incredulous, figuratively speaking Susan had a knife in his back for 2 years and God had broken the hold she had over him, simply by love, thus removing the pain of the knife. That's part of how God heals. All that is required is a belief that God can heal and a desire to be an instrument through which He can work. The truth is I didn't even realise it at the time, I was simply making my peace with Susan and hopefully hers with me but as always, God had a bigger plan. We left the miners behind and moved to the balsamic vinegar Rectory. The boys moved back home and the years that followed were the happiest of my life. God restored our family.

Back to the Great Dane

Our schedule: Betty goes for a walk at 5.30am, comes home, is towel dried and goes into the office and has one treat for being a good girl.

Betty's schedule

She walks into the kitchen and decides to do the splits in front of anyone who will watch. Gets a treat for being talented. Then someone else walks by, she does a handstand with her best cotton pants on. The next treat is given. She then decides to perform Bolero with the dog next door, across the kitchen floor, in her purple outfit. She is rewarded with a treat by a School girl rushing to find her phone. Betty then ups her game and does a Cossack dance in her red boots. Treat number 4, very Dr Zhivago. Her final attempt is to juggle the oranges in the kitchen, standing on one leg, blindfolded and with one paw behind her back. She gets two treats from an old lady.

She doesn't actually perform the tricks, she just stands by the treat cupboard with eyes that say "I haven't had a treat for 12 years, I'm about to die please give me my last one." It works every time and anyone who passes her feels sorry for her and she gets her treats. Betty you are an addict and we have to address your problem. What a weird life we lead at the Rectory!

How are we still standing? Because God the Healer is good, faithful and just. Amen

From all at the Rectory.

Chailey Free Church

www.chaileyfreechurch.com

		Every Sunday
10:30 12:00	Morning Service Chailey Free Church	
18:30 20:00	Evening Service Chailey Free Church	



Monday 12th June
at 4:30pm



www.chaileyfreechurch.com/messychurch

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Contact us for details on 01273 890114
Email: contact@chaileyfreechurch.com

St Peter's Church, Chailey.

Summer Fun on the Green 22nd July 2017
1pm – 4pm

St. Peter's Church are holding our annual summer event, come and join us to celebrate all things summer.

Refreshments of ploughman's lunch, hot dogs, strawberries and cream will be available. A grand raffle will take place at 3.30pm (tickets available prior to the day and on the day). 1st Prize: Apple iPad, 2nd Prize: £200, 3rd Prize: £100, 4th Prize: Afternoon tea for 2 at Buxted Park Hotel, 5th Prize: Afternoon Tea for 2 at East Sussex National Hotel. Plus, many more luxury prizes.

Stalls and games for all ages, live music, Harvey's Beer, Pimms Tent and Bluebell Vineyard, face painting, art workshop and much much more!

Come along and have some Summer Fun!



Coro Nuovo's Young Musician of the Year

The Friends of St. Peter's Church are once again hosting the Coro Nuovo Young Musician of the Year Competition. Now in its second year, the competition is open to young musicians who are studying at one of the UK's leading conservatoires. Thirteen talented young Sussex musicians will be pulling out all the stops as they compete for a place in the finals and the chance to win a bursary of £1,000.

The first-round auditions are taking place at 1.15pm on Sunday 4th June at St Peter's Church, Chailey Green, BN8 4DA, to which the public is invited. Admission is Free.

For more information contact the Friends on 01825 722574 or

Email: friendsofstpeterschailey@hotmail.co.uk

Lay Parish Pastoral Visiting 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 Commons Society

Although the commons are looking lovely now, the rainfall has been low and this has made them dry and dusty. Perhaps this is part of the changing weather patterns. This has made it all the more important to conserve the wet areas and the Flagship Ponds Project, for which Francesca Dunn has been doing much work, is seeking to do this. Her recent training day on the common has helped to introduce us to the importance of the project.

Flagship Ponds are the very best of Britain's Priority Ponds: sites of national importance because of the threatened species or communities they support. The Flagship Ponds Project aims to help local people and land managers protect the very special species present on these sites. The ponds of Chailey Common support populations of the rare invertebrates Pond Mud Snail and Fairy Shrimp. The ponds are also home to a range of freshwater plant and animal species dependent on unpolluted waters.

Our Ranger, Jo Heading, has been looking at the grazing on Lane End Common and hopefully there will be some cattle there later in the year. As is usual with grazing stock they need to be seen and counted daily so she is seeking volunteers as 'Lookers' to do just that and report in their findings. Would you like to help with that I wonder? Please let either Jo Heading or I know so that we can include you in the rota.

Unfortunately, the problem with 'Dog Poo' continues on the commons with dogs running free and depositing unsightly little piles on paths etc. Please, if you are a dog walker, pick it up and bin it or flick with a stick into cover so that it is not there to be trodden on. Our outdoor activities in June continue with our ever-popular Nightjar Walk on Tuesday June 13th meeting at Memorial Common car park at 9.15. p.m. Do bring torches as the finish is after dark. We have our annual coach trip on Saturday June 17th meeting at the car park by the A272 at 9.15.a.m for a visit to the Surrey Hills and Norbury Park. Bring picnic lunch and prepare for walking. Cost approx. £15 and back around 5.00.p.m.

For further information, visit our website – www.chaileyccommons.org.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/chaileyccommons/

William Coleman - 01444 831098

What can the Citizens Advice do for you?

Lewes District Citizens Advice is an independent charity providing free, confidential and impartial advice to anyone living or working within the Lewes District area. We value diversity, promote equality and challenge discrimination.

We help people to resolve their problems by providing information and advice on a wide range of topics including debt, benefits, employment, consumer, relationships and housing. We are also involved in campaigning, both locally and nationally to make sure that local people have their voices heard so that collectively we can influence policy makers and affect change.

The most recent example is Citizens Advice calling for money advice to be offered at key life moments as consumer borrowing rises

"The Bank of England's figures for March 2017 show consumer credit increased by 10.2% in the year to March, to £197.4 billion." (Gillian Guys CECA)

Changing life circumstances e.g. the loss of a job, getting married or starting a family can put pressure on people's finances and mean they should think differently about their income and outgoings.

Need some information about budgeting and the effect of changes you may be experiencing? Contact the Citizens Advice on **03444111444**

Chailey And District Horticultural Society

Now June is with us everything will be growing fast and that includes the weeds. It is important to keep on top of weeding as by the end of the month things could be out of control and then it can be very difficult to redeem the situation.

All frost tender plants are now in their final positions. We have had a dry winter and a very dry Spring so the soil is dry right down so regular watering is especially important especially with beans, marrows and courgettes. Should we get rain slugs and snails will be out in force.

For Autumn crops of salads and beetroot try and plant before the end of the month. The longer you delay the worse the outcome.

Winter brassicas should be planted in ground rich in well rotted manure and with an extra dressing of lime. They will need protection from pigeons, slugs and snails and later caterpillars and aphids. Give them a good amount of water to help them get established. For those whose ground is infected with club root there are now resistant varieties for most brassicas

In the greenhouse make sure there is plenty of ventilation as too much heat causes a lot of stress in plants. Water well and ensure that water reaches the bottom of containers with pepper, chilli and aubergine plants. At least once a week water until it drips out of the bottom of the pot. Aphids may be a problem and should be dealt with immediately before they get a hold and weaken the plants. Use a spray or biological control and squash green fly with your fingers.

Tie in tomatoes and remove side shoots on all except bush varieties. When watering be careful not to wet the leaves to try and prevent blight.

Clear away all the dead daffodils and tulips. Window boxes and hanging baskets can easily dry out as they receive extra heat from surrounding buildings. A quick reminder that our Summer Show is on the 15th July at the Village Hall.

Good Gardening

Peter Estcourt 01273 400791. pge44@waitrose.com

Friends Of Chailey Windmill

The Windmill and Rural Life Museum will be open on Sunday 25th June between 3 pm and 5 pm with a charge of £1 for adults and 50p. for children over the age of 16.

In May we had an extra opening on 14th May for National Mills Day. Over the weekend the Downland Radio Group operated from the Mill to contact fellow radio enthusiasts from mills throughout Europe as well as the British Isles. Gavin Keegan, who lives in Newick, made the arrangements and tells us they had a very successful weekend with contacts made with Holland (which also celebrated National Mills Day then) and as far afield as Switzerland and Italy. This has now become a regular feature of the year for us and we are delighted to have the Mill used for such an interesting and worthwhile project.

John Smith - 01825 723519

Chailey Bonfire Society

St George's Day



With the sun shining and everything in place, we welcomed both villagers and guests from far afield to our St George's Day event. Attendance was on par with previous years and takings reflected everyone's enjoyment of a village event. A BIG THANKYOU to everyone who made the day the success it was. Your support is greatly appreciated. Our committee work hard to plan and organise village events and we rely on sponsorship and advertising to promote our event. However, this year we struggled to reach our full potential. If you would be interested in working alongside us for next year's event and taking this role on, please contact me on 01273 401900.

Other news

April 100 club winner – W Clarke – number 24

May 100 club winner - Lynda Jane Carter – number 68

Congratulations to you both and thank you for your support.

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 info@chaileybonfire.co.uk or phone the coordinator Diane Palmer on 01273 401900 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>



Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 6th June when Jackie Marsh Hobbs will speak to us on The Secrets of the Royal Pavilion which is sure to be a most interesting evening. The Resolutions meeting which was held in May was well attended and provided much stimulating discussion from members.

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall and are always glad to welcome prospective members and guests for a small voluntary donation.

Margaret Smith - 01825 723519

From the Chailey Leaflet June 1917

NATIONAL SERVICE From the Director General

People have the idea that because they are engaged in work they consider is of national importance they are not expected to enrol. We cannot overstate the importance of everybody enrolling no matter whether he is engaged in making munitions or in any other sort of national work. It is far better to volunteer than be forced, if this voluntary system is not a success you are going to be taken willy nilly. Every man has a duty to the State. Let every man come forward and do his duty without force. We desire to avoid industrial conscription in this country if we can. It is in your hands and if you fail the guilt will be upon your own heads.

Annette Shelford

Note: National Service began during the First World War in 1916 specifying that single men aged between 18 and 40 years old could be called up for military service. However in June 1916 this was changed to include married men and the age limit raised to 51 years old.

Vivace Concert & Strawberry Tea at Chailey Heritage Foundation

Saturday 17th June 2017, 4pm

Vivace is a West Sussex based choir which exists to help charities, churches and other good causes to raise funds. Since its formation in 2003, the choir has helped to raise over £100,000 for charities throughout Sussex and the neighbouring counties. More details about them can be found on their website <http://www.vivacechoirsussex.org.uk/> Vivace have generously offered to perform at St Martin's Chapel here at Chailey Heritage Foundation on Saturday 17th June 2017.

The concert will start at 5pm and will be preceded by Strawberry Tea on the lawn (weather permitting) at 4pm.

To book tickets please use this link <https://mydonate.bt.com/events/vivaceconcert/427623> Tickets cost £12 – to include the tea.

For more information or to register your interest in purchasing tickets please contact the fundraising department on 01825 724444 ext 718 or by email to fundraising@chf.org.uk All funds raised will be dedicated to our <http://www.thedreamcentreappeal.org.uk/>

NADFAS

Newick & District DFAS

Plumpton Village Hall June 13th 2017 at 2.15

The Silver Thread

This lecture will follow the intriguing story of seven generations of Kosovan filigree artisans. Filigree is an ancient art form dating as far back as 2500 BC. Silver, gold and other metals are entwined together to form beautiful designs. Even the most mundane of objects can be transformed using this almost magical technique.

The speaker Elizabeth Gowing studied at Magdalen College Oxford and moved to Kosovo in 2006 to work with the Ethnological Museum in Prishtina co-founding 'The Ideas Partnership,' a charity working on education and cultural heritage. It was chosen this year by Prime Minister Theresa May as one of the 'Points of Light' for volunteering around the world. Elizabeth is also the author of three books on Kosovo and speaks fluent Albanian.

Do come to this lecture, it really promises to be something special and will of course as usual be accompanied by a super digital presentation. We look forward to seeing you. Visitors are always welcome, £7 on the door with tea and biscuits afterwards and a chance to talk to the speaker. For any further information please contact Marjorie Blunden on 01825 723250

Annette Shelford



COUNCILLOR'S CORNER

By
Sharon Davy

LEWES DISTRICT COUNCIL LOCAL CONNECTION CRITERIA FOR RURAL PROPERTIES ON THE HOUSING REGISTER

On behalf of all of Chailey residents, I consistently and regularly keep abreast of housing and planning matters. I would guess many Chailey families are aware of rural connections, but I thought it helpful to reiterate a few points:

- Applicants who have a local connection to a rural area must complete an additional 'Parish Local Connection' application form, giving information and proof where applicable, as to why they have a local connection with a particular rural area. If applicants have a connection to more than one rural area, a 'Parish Local Connection' form is required for each area.
- When rural Properties are advertised preference will be given to applications with a local connection in priority order as follows:
 1. They live within the rural area at an address registered for Council Tax
 2. They have permanent employment within the rural area
 3. They have a close relative(s) i.e.: Mother, Father, Children or Siblings who have resided in the rural area for a minimum of five years with whom they have maintained regular contact.

Lewes District Council aims to proactively encourage and promote the sustainability of our rural villages, working in partnership with Parish Councils. The Council will look for a rural connection to the advertised property through Bands, A B and C.

- Band A is for households with an urgent need to move
- Band B is for households with a high priority to move
- Band C is for households with an identified housing need
- Band D is for households with no identified housing need or interested in shared ownership

If you have served in the Armed Forces within the previous 5 years you do not need a local connection to join the LDC waiting list.

Currently, we are still the joint Ward of Chailey and Wivelsfield. There will be a large number of homes being built at the end of the Wivelsfield Parish, just opposite the Princess Royal Hospital.

The Housing subject is endless and too lengthy for my short note. I am happy to help and give more information if required.

Cllr Sharon Davy – Telephone: 01444 831 336 Email: Sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk



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GCSE and EBacc: We wish Year 11 good fortune as they take their GCSE and prepare to move on to College and Further Education. Assessment of last year's results is a slow-burning exercise, but we received last month a letter from the Minister of State for School Standards to congratulate us on the very high standard of entry in the EBacc last year (the EBacc is a benchmark qualification, combining English and Maths with three other core academic subjects).

We are amongst the top 20% of State-funded schools in England, and this was recognised at an Educational Outcomes celebration event, held to draw attention to the work of high-achieving, improving and innovating schools and teachers. This praise recognises the professionalism, commitment and hard work of the leaders, teachers and students at

Chailey School.

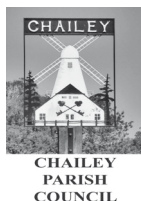
Perhaps this also explains the enthusiasm of a swarm of bees which attached itself to a goal post on the sportsfield before being removed by a bee-keeper!

Learning outside the Classroom: The swarm provided an insight into a fascinating and natural part of the life cycle of honey bees, by which a new honey bee colony is formed when the queen bee leaves the hive, convoyed and protected by a large group of worker bees. Usually we have to travel beyond our School to actualise our learning, as when Year 9 attended a Peer Mentor course to prepare themselves to greet new students in September, or Year 10 visited the Brighton and Booth Museums on an Art Trip – [our annual exhibition of the work of the Art and of the Design & Technology Faculties will be shown after a Private View on June 14th]

But we can adapt our premises also: Miss Burke had the inspirational idea of using our new security fencing to bring to life 'The Boy in the Striped Pyjamas' by John Boyne which her Year 7 English class are studying at the moment. Year 7 used the fence to simulate the fence at Auschwitz which provides the setting for this novel about the Holocaust and its effect upon two young boys, Bruno and Shmuel, allowing Year 7 to experience how the two boys from such different backgrounds, one Jewish and one German, would feel when talking to one another.

Sporting success: The School's newly formed Equestrian Team took part in the National County Showjumping Championships held at Bury Farm in Buckinghamshire. The team gained their place by beating all local private and state schools in the East Sussex Championships back in the Autumn. It was a very tough competition with 148 riders in total, competing in more than 30 teams. Throughout the day the team were in contention for a rosette and only dropped out of the top 8 with the final riders of the day. The team were the second fastest team of the day as well - a fantastic achievement! – finishing a commendable eleventh and were placed as the top state school in the country. Just one less pole down would have secured a prize!

To know more about our active life, click onto our website.



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Reading Room bookings: Please contact the Clerk to book the Reading Room.

Small Grants: Each year the Council makes a number of Small Grants (typically, £250 more or less) to assist societies and other Chailey organisations – paras 9 and 10 of the online document state the purposes and terms of our Small Grants. The closing date for applications is June 30th and the award of Grants will be considered at Full Council on July 18th. An Application Form can be downloaded from our website under Latest News.

Grazing on the combined Commons Longhorn cattle will be grazing on the combined commons (Memorial, Pound and Romany Ridge: ie. South of the A272). They should remain on site until October.

Alabama Rot: Residents with dogs will already have noted that North Chailey has been

identified as a region affected by this disease which can be fatal to dogs. Further information on the disease, its symptoms and treatment will be found on www.vets4pets.com/stop-alabama-rot

Highways Quarterly meeting: The Council met with Highways on May 15th.

- We noted that Highways intend to refresh and add to the 40mph roundels through South Street, and that we have now received information on mobile Vehicle Activated Signs. We are taking soundings from nearby Parishes which have such signs to assess their effectiveness and cost.
- We, and our County Councillor, were disappointed and frustrated to learn that the Warrs Hill footway will be further delayed by a year (to summer 2018) because of the need to undertake ecological assessments of the frontage and passage of the footway, and to negotiate legal agreements. It would seem that the challenges have turned out to be more complicated than anticipated.

Annual Parish Meeting May 12th: The Record of the Annual Parish Assembly will be found on our website: speakers included our District and County Councillors, Sharon Davy and Jim Sheppard; Jeremy Stone for the Sports Club, William Coleman for the Commons Society, John Smith for the Windmill, and Jack Cranfield for Shaping Chailey, our Neighbourhood Plan.

Mark Evans delivered his Report as Chair, thanking the many volunteers who work to make Chailey the vibrant society it is, noting with regret that the Chailey Youth Group had closed its doors during the year but the Chailey Litter-Pickers had established itself with great enthusiasm and effect. He hoped that the two major projects: refurbishment of the decrepit Sports Pavilion, and the Neighbourhood Plan would be completed by the new football season and the late winter respectively, but that he was not sanguine about the long-running project to construct a footway along Warrs Hill. He referenced two important projects for the coming year: the installation of 3-4 defibrillators; and of litter-bins and dog-bins at strategic points. The full text will be found on our website.

Chairman: At the Parish Council's Annual Meeting on May 16th, Mark Evans stood down as Chair and Councillors unanimously elected Cllr Ken Jordan to preside for the coming year.

Mark Evans - Chair

Chailey Litter Pickers - 404 bags so far!

May's group litter pick was a bit different to normal; this time we worked on clearing rubbish from an area of woodland, rather than from the roadside. 16 sacks of rubbish were cleared along with a tyre, heavy bases from traffic cones and large parts of a car bumper from woodland alongside the A275 towards Sheffield Park. It was really satisfying to walk away having restored natural beauty to this bit of wood. Thank you to all who took part on the day. I would like to encourage all Chailey residents to be proactive in dealing with litter whenever they see it. This is OUR problem, it spoils where WE live and WE can make a real difference by picking it up and binning it. Let's face it no one is going to do it if we don't. I'm not prepared to put up with littering in my street, or in my village. Are you? Chailey Litter Pickers are doing something about it – please join us and help make Chailey litter free. Next group litter pick: Thursday 15th June, meeting at Pound Common car park at 10am. Equipment available on the day but please bring gloves and a grabber if you have one. All welcome. For further info contact Janet Caughley on 01273 400785, or at janetcaughley@gamil.com

OTHER LOCAL NEWS

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.

The dates are as follows;

Tuesday 30th	May
Tuesday 6th	June
Tuesday 13th	June
Tuesday 20th	June
Tuesday 27th	June
Tuesday 4th	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.

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DATE: Sunday June 19th **TIME:** 6.30 pm **PLACE:** Cumnor House School Theatre

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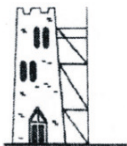
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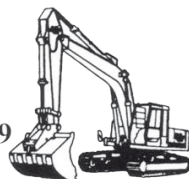


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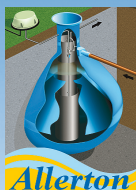
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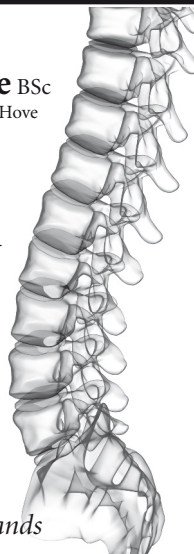
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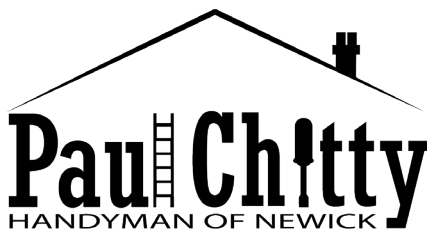


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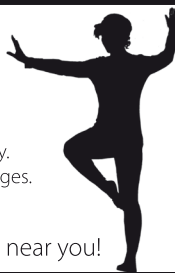
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