

Chailey News

Free



June 2022

The Church of St Peter Parish of Chailey



WEEKDAYS

Monday 8pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday 6.30pm Choir Practice

New ringers and choir members always welcome.

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

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Please see details of services and weekday activities later in magazine

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ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

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

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

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St Peter's
CHURCH CHAILEY

JUNE SERVICES 2022

Sunday 5th June PENTECOST
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Jubilee service

Sunday 12th June *TRINITY SUNDAY*
8am Holy Communion
10am Parish Communion

Sunday 19th June *First Sunday after Trinity*
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10.00 Morning Worship

Sunday 26th June *Second Sunday after Trinity*
8am Holy Communion
10am Parish Communion

Sunday 3rd July *Third Sunday after Trinity*
8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Parish Communion
4pm free@four Family service with activities

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,

As a nation, in April we celebrated the Queen's 96th birthday and this month a special extended bank holiday weekend will give communities across the UK a chance to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee.

She is the longest reigning monarch in British history (70 years compared with Victoria's 63 years). Up until recently she attended church every week and did a full week's work!

It is her commitment to serving God and the nation which stands out in her life. Even before she became Queen, she made a promise, which she has kept for over 75 years: 'I declare before you all that my whole life, whether it be long or short, shall be devoted to your service' (21st birthday broadcast, 21 April 1947).

What is the secret of the Queen's consistency of character and service?

In 2002 she said this: 'I know just how much I rely on my faith to guide me through the good times and the bad. Each day is a new beginning. I know that the only way to live my life is to try to do what is right, to take the long view, to give of my best in all that the day brings, and to put my trust in God.' Here are wise words from somebody who draws her strength from the Christian Faith and inspiration for those of us who want to make our lives count!

St Paul urges us to pray for all in authority, "that we may live peaceful and quiet lives in all godliness and holiness." (1 Timothy 2:2).

Traditional images of monarchy portray power, status, and superiority over other people. In biblical times, monarchs were to be feared. When teaching His disciples about leadership, Jesus said, "The kings of the Gentiles (pagans) lord it over them; and those in authority over them are called benefactors." A benefactor was a conspicuously generous person who acted in a way that made the recipient feel obligated.

All this was in complete contrast to Christ's own style, which was to act like a servant. This radical stance was adopted by the young Princess Elizabeth, when she became Queen in 1952. Queen Elizabeth has consciously and deliberately applied Christ's teaching to her reign for 70 years. She has outlived scores of leaders, some with ambitions beyond their abilities, and a few with delusions of grandeur. Her ideals have outlasted theirs. Consistent, determined, charming, and single-minded, she has held before her the model of Christ.

This year we celebrate her Majesty's Platinum Jubilee. Over 50 countries will light beacons on 2nd June to start four days of events: a spectacular pageant, a live concert at Buckingham Palace, Jubilee lunches and street parties across the nation, plus a nationwide bake-off competition to create a new 'platinum pudding'.

So popular is Britain's monarch, that there are calls to perpetuate the occasion with a new public holiday each year.

A centrepiece of the celebrations will be a Service of Thanksgiving at St Paul's Cathedral, London, on Friday June 3rd. It's fitting that the service will form a key part of the Jubilee, as the Queen has been vocal in speaking about her Christian faith in a series of high-profile broadcasts.

In her Christmas Day broadcast in 2016, she said: "Jesus Christ lived obscurely for most of his life, and never travelled far. He was maligned and rejected by many, though he had done no wrong. And yet billions of people now follow his teaching and find in him the guiding light for their lives.

"I am one of them, because Christ's example helps me see the value of doing small things with great love, whoever does them and whatever they themselves believe."

This month we shall sing, 'God save the Queen' with more gusto than ever.

The Queen has been an example of joyful, wise, and generous service on behalf of others all her life. Six months before her coronation she asked the nation and commonwealth to 'pray that God may give me wisdom and strength to carry out the solemn promises I shall be

making, and that I may faithfully serve Him and you, all the days of my life.’
Clearly, God has clearly answered those prayers!

Every blessing - Paul

Pastoral Care Fund

St Peter’s church has set up a specific fund to help families in Chailey who are suffering from hardship and difficult circumstances. Help is available to anyone in the village, not just to church members. If you know of anyone who needs financial or material help and who would benefit from access to this fund, please contact Rev’d Paul Mundy, one of the Church Wardens, or email ‘stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk’. This fund is ongoing and if you feel you can contribute, however little, it would be very much appreciated.

Donations can be made at any time to the Treasurer or directly to the bank. (Chailey P C C, Sort Code 09-01-55 Account 06923088. Please state ‘Pastoral Care Fund’). Cheques can be posted in the letterbox outside St Peter’s bell tower or handed to a Church Warden.

If you are able to gift aid your donation, please include a note with your name, address and postcode, or you can email a note to the Treasurer via:

‘stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk’

A Plea from Your Parish Church - What does £1 buy?

Not very much, as we all know. £1 is less than the cost of a cup of branded take-away coffee or tea, a loaf of branded bread, a box of cereal, a scoop of ice-cream..... St Peter’s Church, which has stood in Chailey for nearly 800 years, really needs some more of those £1s. We expect you are probably saying: ‘Oh, no! Here goes the Church again, asking for yet more money’, and believe us, we really hate to ask! But please, read on.....

Even if you are not a regular churchgoer, you might have attended a baptism, wedding or funeral, joined in with a social, or other, event, or just appreciate the fact that the church is there for everyone in the parish who needs it. You may even appreciate it just for its heritage and historical significance. The truth is, unless more people than just those on the church’s electoral roll donate, even just a few pounds a year, St Peter’s will not be here for future generations. ‘The Church of England’ does not support St Peter’s – St Peter’s has to pay its way to the Diocese, to help cover Diocesan clergy wages, housing and all the many other expenses incurred. At present, St Peter’s church members cannot pay the Diocese what we are supposed to pay; we are being allowed to under-pay for a while. If this goes on, St Peter’s Church days will be numbered. Will ours be the generation that allows this 12th Century church to cease to exist? We know that not everyone can afford to give, and of course, a big ‘thank you’ goes to those who do already. But, if even if 1000 of the 1300 plus households in the village were able to donate just £1.00 per month, that would be £12,000 per year, which would completely turn the situation around to put us in credit with the Diocese.

If you feel you can give something, please consider setting up a standing order, or giving a one-off donation, to:

Chailey P C C, Sort Code 09-01-55, Account 06923088, stating reference ‘Church Funds’.

Cheques can also be posted in the Church letterbox or given to a Churchwarden.

Please start now - don’t wait.

And if you already donate, could you consider raising your donation by even 1% per month? In this situation, every little bit really does help a lot!

Thank you, The Churchwardens



Every Sunday at 10:30am we have a church service. Everyone is welcome. Masks are optional. The service is also posted on our YouTube channel for those who can't attend. See our website or facebook page for links.



5th June 2022

Queen's Platinum Jubilee Thanksgiving Service, Vintage Tea and Folk Concert



3pm service followed by tea and a concert given by Robinswood folk band. Optional 50's dress and children are welcome to come as Kings & Queens.

Chailey Free Church, South Chailey, BN8 4AN

To book your free place,
contact Roger on 01273 890114

or Pete on 07757 388477

or email contact@chailevfreechurch.com

From the Parish Leaflet June 1922

Parish Notes- MY DEAR FRIENDS, Bishop Copleston is very kindly helping at St Mary's and St Agnes on the first three Sundays this month. This will tide us over our present difficulties in the matter of obtaining clerical help.

May I take this opportunity to ask you to make a note of St Peter's Day June 29th which is also our Patronal Festival. We have much to be grateful for in the possession of our beautiful church and the spiritual privileges that are ours there.

Your faithful Parish Priest

T.H.L Jellicoe

Note: Bishop Copleston: Reginald Stephen Copleston (26 December 1845 – 19 April 1925) was an Anglican priest and author who served as a Bishop in India for more than 30 years. His brother Frederick was the Chief Judge of the Chief Court in Burma

Annette Shelford - annette@shelford.net

Chailey Bonfire Society

- Our recent AGM saw big changes to the committee leadership, with longstanding Chair and Vice Chair both stepping down. We would like to thank Chris Farrow for more than 30 years of dedication and service that have been paramount to the Society's on-going survival and successes. We would also like to thank Adrian Black another integral member who has a long association with Bonfire at Chailey and who steps down from Vice Chair.

A new chapter for CBS begins as we welcome Yasmin Tomlinson at the helm and Patience Keet-Harris to assist as Vice Chair. Both have strong ties to CBS and have contributed significantly as members and committee members. We look forward to seeing the society continue to grow under their stewardship.

This is a great time to join Chailey Bonfire Society and help them write this new chapter, to join in the fun and build on the new energy they bring. Contact us by email secretary@chaileybonfire.co.uk or call Diane 01273 401900 for membership details.

Jumble Sale - Big thank you to everyone who donated and helped. Takings on the day were £1034 which is our second highest yet. Well done to everyone involved.

Saturday 18th June – Sussex Day village fete 12pm-4pm at the bonfire field opposite Markstakes Lane. A fun day for everyone – stalls, attractions, bar and dog show and much more. If you would like a stall/car boot pitch please give Clare a ring 07985 112968.

Dog show entries can be made on the field from 12pm and the first class will start at 12.30pm. Classes are: Puppy (6-12mths), Prettiest Bitch, Hansom Dog, Best pair, Rehome/rescue, Waggiest tail, Best purebred, Best crossbred, Veteran, Dog the judge would like to take home.

Running this event takes a lot of organizing and we rely on people offering their time to help us make it a success. If you could spare some time on the day, we would really appreciate some help. Please contact Diane on 01273 401900.

The May 100 club winner was number 48 – Alex Schlup. Congratulations Alex and thank you for your support.

Open Garden

Sunday 26th June 2022 2-5pm

Northfields, East Grinstead Road, BN8 4JB

North Chailey (£5 Children under 12 Free)

Extensive garden, split into different rooms; includes vegetable garden, arbor and poly tunnel/fruit cage. Refreshments and Plants.

Chailey Commons Society

Following a dry month during April, the May showers have brought welcome moisture to the commons. The bracken has still grown of course and is fast becoming the usual feature. As always the young birch trees have been appearing all over the place but the phased clearance by selected areas was effective and helped to keep them in check.

We enjoyed another bird walk on Lane End Common and it was interesting to note the new arrivals for the summer and busy activity everywhere during nesting. New members are always welcome so, if you would like to join us, come along to our activities, and find out more.

Down at Markstakes Common the volunteers have been continuing the large task of maintenance in the Mire area and real progress is being made on willow sapling removal and pushing back the bramble where it has spread, especially at the perimeter, but leaving patches to provide good habitat for butterflies.

The Exmoor ponies on Red House Common continued browsing the gorse and bramble shoots ranging widely across the common and appreciating the fresh growth in the grass areas and the new purple moor grass (*Molinia*) shoots.

As the main bird nesting season is under way, we appreciate everyone's help in respecting the Wildlife Refuge area on Red House Common as this part of the heathland area is known to be important for birds such as Nightjar that make their nests on the ground. We are pleased to say that several garden warblers and a willow warbler were heard singing in the refuge as well as a yellow hammer. The temporary path closures for the period between April and early July are really helping to ensure as little disturbance as possible. Fortunately, there are many established paths across the commons avoiding this marked area and generally the rights of way will not be affected.

We have our late evening Nightjar Walk on Thursday June 7th when Adrian Podmore will lead us on the commons, starting at the Sports Club car park at 9.15.p.m. As before, this can be a little unpredictable and we shall be crossing to Red House Common to begin with followed by a return to the combined lower commons, as both these areas usually have nightjars flying. A fine evening would be helpful, and we ask that everyone brings torches as the finish of the walk will be after dark.

For further information, visit our website – www.chaileyccommons.org.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/chaileyccommons/ also <https://friendsofmarkstakescommon.weebly.com/>

William Coleman - 01444 831098

Chailey Horticultural Society

The time has come to start thinking about our summer show on Saturday 16th July in the village hall. Schedules are available from committee members and the Five Bells so try and find some classes to enter and remember the potatoes in a bucket competition for children will also be judged on the day.

June is the month with the maximum amount of daylight and hence crops grow fast and their requirements more demanding.

We have had a long dry spell so regular watering is of the utmost importance. Most plants prefer to be watered at the base with the leaves kept dry to avoid fungal diseases. Also remember plants in containers can dry out very quickly and get relatively little benefit from rain. It is also possible that there may be water shortages later in the year so one

way to lessen water use is to apply a mulch. Give plants such as tomatoes, cucumbers and brassicas a good soaking before applying your preferred mulch. The best are grass cuttings and compost and apply these round the base of the plant. Both delay evaporation, suppress weeds and give a nutritional boost.

With lawns the ideal length is between 1" and 2" and if kept at this length the cuttings won't contain seeds to contaminated compost heaps or mulches. Also try and mow in different directions as this allows the growth of different grass species.

Early potatoes will be ready for lifting. Most early varieties don't produce much in the way of flowers to indicate their maturity. As a rule of thumb allow eight to ten weeks between growth appearing and harvesting. Second early and main crop can be dug after the flowers have faded. Start feeding tomatoes as the first truss sets. Allow six trusses per plant if grown undercover and four trusses for those outside and then stop further growth by nipping off the growing tip.

Hopefully you have had an abundance of rhubarb over the last couple of months but it is wise to stop pulling it by the end of June or early July to allow the crown to gather strength for next year. Keep checking crops grown under glass for aphids and red spider mite. Aubergine and cucumbers seem the most vulnerable. A good jet of water will remove the aphids and the resulting humidity deter the spider mite.

Finally a moan! Looking round the village I see an increasing amount of fencing either replacing a hedge or in place of one. Fences are ugly and of no environmental benefit.

Hedges are more attractive, provide refuges for wild life including birds and hedgehogs, improve air quality and reduce noise.

Remember our Summer Show.

Good Gardening

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COUNCILLOR'S CORNER *By Sharon Davy*

Planning Decisions - The town of Lewes is in the South Downs National Park so all new dwellings constructed in the town cannot be included in the rest of the District as far as the local housing figure. This places an extra

burden on our northern, rural villages not within the Park. At the Planning Meeting held on 27th April, I voted against two developments that were not on brownfield sites: one in Ringmer and the other in Wivelsfield, both of which are on greenfield farming land. I support a tide of change to concentrate on towns, cities and urban areas, such as the town of Lewes which has a multitude of services and brownfield sites. The right well designed development in the right place on a small-scale is often welcome, rather than urbanising our villages. Had the Committee supported the applications, our MP, Maria Caulfield had formally asked for them to be called in to the Secretary of State.

Complaints of commercial dog waste being dumped - I have been informed that commercial dog waste is being dumped in dog waste bins and left in bags, on Red House Common and Lane End. No-one has reported that the same problem is happening on Romany Ridge and Memorial Common to me. It's clear that dog waste in large quantities in supermarket plastic bags is from an enterprise - kennel, dog walking company, I have reported it to Lewes District Council and suggested we erect signage making it plain that it is an offence. It's very hard to find the culprit/s without any evidence, but in the unlikely event that one of us finds a name or address, please take a photo and we can submit it to the Council.

Decision to close District Council Offices, Southover House - I do not support Council employees constantly working from home, a computerised voice message does not offer a first-class service and many in our community want to speak face-to-face, especially in the housing, council tax and planning departments. In my view, closing the District offices and leasing the

Council office building to a Charleston Farm art venue does not benefit the majority of our approx. 97,500 population, just over 17,000 live in Lewes town. If there is a change of use, I would prefer the building to be utilised as a recovery clinic, a much needed place where people leaving hospital can recuperate before they return to their homes. Or, small flats to help young people find a home.

Cllr Sharon Davy – sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk Home 01444 831 336



CHAILEY REPAIR CAFÉ – A LOCAL SUCCESS STORY!

It seems unbelievable that Chailey Repair Cafe first opened as long ago as August 2018. Since then we have tackled nearly 3000 repairs (yes, we count them!) and operated a drop off service during Covid lock down. We now have 38 skilled volunteers, and as many as 160 people have come along each month. On our best ever day, we tackled a remarkable 90 repairs in 3 hours!

Chailey Repair Café is part of a world-wide movement where volunteer experts repair things free of charge – although a donation towards running costs is invited. Anyone can bring along broken items or clothing needing repair from home, and have a cuppa and a cake and then watch while your repairs is done in front of you..

Where else can you bring your clocks, lawnmower, teddy bear, radio, laptop, 100 year old doll, music box, lamp or zipper to be repaired? That's just a fraction of what we looked at last month – we do love a challenge!

You'll find us at St Peter's Church, Chailey on the A275 at Chailey Green normally on the second Saturday of each month (14 May but please note June's date will be the 18th as there is a wedding at St Peter's on 11th and we thought we might get in the way....) between 1000hrs and 1300hrs where we have a full Café service including our legendary cakes!

We are delighted to have been invited to attend Chailey Bonfire Society's Sussex Day fete on the afternoon of 18th June at Markstakes Corner, South Chailey – do come and say hello!

Contact us at chaileyc@gmail.com and we'll see what we can do to help.

See you very soon!!

Bryan McAlley and the Chailey Repair Café team

Chailey School

We are Nancy & Loretta from Chailey school and we are lucky to have been chosen as Campaign Champions for the brilliant Send My Friend to School campaign.

If you haven't already heard of them they are a group of international development NGOs, teachers' unions and charities which brings together over 250,000 UK schools, teachers and young people take part in the campaign to demand quality education for all children across the globe.

This is an amazing opportunity for us and our peers to realise power and importance of young people using their voices in chorus with others across the globe to create positive change for all. This years theme is All My Friends Need Teachers. Obviously children can't learn without teachers and we feel passionately that every child should have the same right and opportunity as us to a quality education. For this dream to become a reality The UK and other world leaders must commit to recruiting and training 1.8 million teachers to get 40m more girls into school by 2026 - a G7 endorsed target.

Education is powerful. Not just for individual children and their families, but for whole communities, countries and the world. Education – it's quality and accessibility decides a child's future and we want to live in a world where everyone gets the same opportunities as we have in this country. We all have that one teacher who inspired us to believe in ourselves and reach our potential.

For us it was our primary school teachers- doing our SATS they inspired us to keep going, be resilient and achieve our best. However lack of available teachers or resources and funding for training for those who are available is preventing this from happening. We want to raise awareness to make sure the UK Government keeps it's ambitious global targets for improving access and learning in all countries. We want every child to have a teacher -in every class, in every school, in every country.

Craft Fair And Cream Teas to be held at St Peter's Church, Chailey On Saturday 16th July 2022 From 10am—2pm. Entrance £1.50; Cream Teas, Raffle. For Information or If You Would Like A Stall (£15) Call Teresa 01825 722586 Or Maryjane 01825 724687 Come And Support Your Local Crafters, Jewellery, Cards, Needlework, Knitting, Cakes, Ceramics, Toy Stall, Aromatherapy Candles, Produce, and More.

Chailey Cricket Club

Well, as the jockeys say at Plumpton 'we are off and running' – eventually. On 8 May, our first game of the new season, should have witnessed a renewal of an old foe: Dormansland CC. However, they pulled out on the Friday before. Fortunately, via the emergency fixture bureau we quickly arranged a game against Cuckfield who, as it happens, lost their fixture. What transpired was a very enjoyable 40 over match. Cuckfield were all out for 166 in 36 overs [Pramendra Shekhawat 3 for 23 and James Brooklyn 4 for 20] which gave Chailey their allocation of 40 plus 4 uncompleted Cuckfield overs. We managed to find the strength to get to 169 for 5 in 42 overs, thanks largely to Marc Sellis 68; James Brooklyn 30no and Josh Coppard 33.

Rather than go back to the old records it may be of interest to read something different so a delve into our player / team historical records to track down some data. From the records we hold we can see that over the past 80+ years 829 people have turned out for the club and have helped the club play 2091 matches of which saw Chailey come out as victors in 848 whilst another 821 were losses, 408 were drawn and 14 tied... including our first ever game in the now defunct Mid-Sussex Cricket league. Quite an entrance!

In those games we have enjoyed an array of talent that has witness the following:

Batting:

Danny Andrews 19,496 runs (including 26 centuries); Mike Beard 16,800 (7 centuries);
Richard Cogan 8,907 (6 centuries); Malcolm Olliver 7,459 (1 century) and
Alf Holding 6,937 (1 century). Alf's total is more than likely to be a fair bit more as our records are limited to one game in 1937 and others post July 1947. He played in many more matches pre-1947 so would have collected many more victims as well as runs.

Highest partnerships: 247 - Richard Cogan 137no and Mike Beard 102no
221no – Danny Andrews and Toby Glyn, both 105no
217no – Ben Decca 80no and Edward Johnstone 107no

Bowling: (wickets)

1,341 - Alf Holding – again will be many more as for the reason given earlier.
1,082 – Roy Clarkson
761 – Richard Cogan

Best bowling: although the club has witnessed 16 instances of a bowler achieving a hatrick (3 twice) only three have collected all ten wickets.

10 for 16 – Basil Holding – 1963 v Moulsecomb MDCA
10 for 19 – Herbert Philpott – 1937 v Cooksbridge
10 for 20 – Roy Clarkson – 1966 v Ardingly

Wicketkeeping: (most dismissals)

204 – Mark Haylett
182 – John Padgham (our current President)

These are just a few of the many of records that we maintain. For these and for all our 2022 fixtures please do visit our website.

Chailey Cricket Club – your village cricket club - www.chailey.play-cricket.com

Herbert Henry Matravers: Chailey Curate

The April Chailey News article '100 Years Ago' mentioned Herbert and his long service to our community, which prompted me to research his background and fascinating family history.

Herbert was born in Lewisham in 1871, middle son of three to Edward & Emma Matravers. When his Quaker family's long established woollen manufacturing industry in Westbury, Wiltshire, fell into decline, Edward began a London banking career. Edward was declared insane in 1876, dying at 44 years old in 1877, so Herbert would not really have known his father.

One son went into banking, but Herbert & brother Ernest became students of theology. Herbert earned a B.A. at St Catherine's College Cambridge in 1893 & an M.A. in 1897. Ordained in Exeter in 1895, he became curate of Totnes, whilst his brother Ernest was curate at Oxted. In 1897, Herbert came to Chailey and served at our local church for over 50 years.

Ernest's life was complicated. He married then left Oxted to become an English Catholic Priest in Norfolk. By 1921, he had a new partner who he married after his first wife's death. Ernest had now left the church to become an insurance clerk.

Herbert never married. For most of his years here, he boarded with the Longhurst family at Heatherwood, North Common, then retired to Tunbridge Wells. He died there in a nursing home in 1951, aged 80.

The Matravers' presence in Westbury can be traced back to the 17th century or earlier. They chose well as regards work and marriages. As Quakers, they started out as shopkeepers but later owned numerous woollen mills and made their fortune during the 18th and early 19th centuries. With their wealth, they purchased properties and land in the area. Family wills reveal they were not hard-hearted businessmen - they left legacies to the less privileged members of society, even setting up new schools.

William Matravers (born 1715) married Elizabeth Were, whose socially high-ranking family were significant landowners with a Coat of Arms. Their great-granddaughter married the nephew of Westbury MP Mannaseh Massey Lopes, who built Westbury Town Hall. Hester Matravers (1738-1812) married the Rt Hon Lord William Seymour. He was a son (but not heir to the title) of the 8th Duke of Somerset. Interestingly, there is a scratched message on an ancient window at The Manor in Chitterne St Mary, Wilts, which reads "Dear Hester Matravers I have a great regard for you." The author and date of the note remain uncertain.

I have not been able to tie the Matravers family of Semington to the Westbury family, just 7 miles away, but the Semington people are also interesting. In particular, when Maurice Matravers died Intestate in 1741, wife Elizabeth obtained administration of the estate, aided by witnesses Jeremiah Baily - a relative - and Isaac Gulliver who subsequently became her husband. In 1745, Elizabeth gave birth to Isaac Gulliver Jnr, but when his father drafted his will in 1765, Isaac Snr said he was "my son or reputed son Isaac Gulliver otherwise Matravers". He nevertheless made Isaac Jnr his main heir.

Isaac Gulliver Jnr also held the title "King of the Dorset smugglers" and the Customs authorities said he was "one of the greatest and most notorious smugglers in the west of England." He was extremely wealthy by the time he died in 1822, having led a life of two halves; he was a respected businessman in addition to his 'off the record' activities. His estate was worth £60,000, equating to £8m+ today.

Lorraine Dicksee, Family historian & author, April 2022 (email lorharry@outlook.com)

Maria Caulfield - Residents across East Sussex are set to benefit from changes to the rules at local tips. Households will no longer have to pay to get rid of DIY waste under government plans that will change the rules that currently allows some Local Authorities, such as East Sussex County Council, to charge for DIY waste from households. Under the proposals,

household DIYers would not be charged to get rid of waste including plasterboards, bricks and bath units. This is part of a fresh move to crack down on fly-tipping, which has increased since the beginning of the pandemic.

The Government banned backdoor charges on local residents disposing of household rubbish at household waste centres in 2015 and since then guidance has made clear that this includes DIY household waste.

However, around a third of Local Authorities still charge for certain types of DIY waste, using rules designed for construction waste. The changes outlined in a technical consultation will change this rule and could save households charges for an individual item – for example, a sheet of plasterboard.

Fly-tipping is a crime which blights communities, poses a risk to public health and the environment, and costs up to £392 million a year. Local authorities dealt with 1.13 million fly-tipping incidents in 2020/21, up by 16% from 2019/20. Charging local residents to dispose of their household waste cannot continue. We need to make it as easy as possible for residents to be able to safely and properly dispose of household waste, meaning that no one is using cost as an attempt to excuse fly-tipping. I fully back these plans to ensure that local council cannot charge residents for disposing of household waste anymore.

Chailey Parish Council

Meeting with Highways (East Sussex County Council)

The Parish Council has resumed meeting with Highways, now twice a year. The first face-to-face meeting took place on May 4th and discussed among other matters:

- The Council's recent application for a Feasibility Appraisal of the junction A275/Mill Lane to instal amber warning lights at controlled hours (Chailey School arrival and departure). Highways anticipate submitting their Appraisal by mid-July.
- New Heritage's request for improved warning of the access to and egress from the New Heritage, to be funded from the accumulated \$106 funds. The Council and the New Heritage have requested a meeting with relevant Council Officers and Advisers to identify the terms on which projects which can be so funded.
- The Council drew attention – again – to the poor state of the A275 through Chailey Green. The Highways Steward has had this area under observation and the Council was told that substantive repairs to the sharp corner are scheduled.
- The Council requested Highways look again at the desired relocation of the Swan PH telephone-box to the bus-stop at Mill Lane. A meeting has been arranged.
- The Council commented on safety issues in regard to the footpath being constructed between Hamsey and South Chailey.

Local organisations are invited to apply for a small grant from Chailey Parish Council. Every year Chailey Parish Council supports a number of organisations within the Parish. The applications from organisations are now open. Please contact Debbie King, Clerk to Chailey Parish Council for further information by email chaileypc@btconnect.com or 01825 722388. Debbie is based in The Reading Room, Chailey Green, Chailey, East Sussex BN8 4DA. Forms can be downloaded from the www.chailey.org website, see latest news on the front page. The completed form and attachments should be sent to Debbie King at the address above to arrive by 30th June 2022 at the latest. Copies of any documents may be sent by email to chaileypc@btconnect.com but please note that a copy of this form, bearing an original signature, must be submitted to the Clerk by post or by hand by the date stated.

Our next meeting will be held on Tuesday 7th June at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall. We have a surprise speaker, (but definitely a very nice surprise), so we can't divulge a name right now. June will also see us celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and despite the fact we can't guarantee the Platinum Jubilee Cake, it will be delicious.

We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm in the Village Hall and always welcome prospective members and guests, where for a nominal sum of £3 you can listen to the speaker and enjoy some homemade refreshments.

Margaret Smith (01825 723519)

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Friends Of Chailey Windmill

The Windmill is currently scaffolded in preparation for painting. This should start in early June and the Windmill is unlikely to reopen until the last Sunday in August.

John Smith (01825 723519)

OTHER LOCAL NEWS

Uckfield Lewes and Newick Arts Society

8th June 2.30 the Civic Centre Uckfield

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Annette Shelford - annette@shelford.net

Burgess Hill Symphony Orchestra

If you missed our May Concert we are playing at Holy Trinity Church, Cuckfield on 18th June, at 7.30 pm when you are in for a treat. Aglaia Carvalho-Dubost, who has just turned 14, will be playing Saint-Saens' first cello concerto. We will have extracts from Beethoven's 5th Symphony together with some well known film music. This concert will be part of the Cuckfield Festival.

Monica Todd - 01825 722 660

Crawley Astronomical Society

If you are interested in any aspect of astronomy, space or cosmology then Crawley Astronomical Society is for you. During lockdown we have held regular monthly zoom meetings with guest speakers to discuss all subjects relating to astronomy. However we hope to return to live meetings between 7.30p.m. – 10.00p.m. at the The Haven Centre The Oak Room, Hophurst Lane, Crawley Down, RH10 4LJ as soon as possible.

It promises to be a big new year for our society as we recently entered into an agreement with Cophorne Preparatory School to house our small pulsar observatory in their school grounds where we aim to teach pupils interested in astronomy as well as use it during member/local outreach events.

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Deborah Harris 01273 007556

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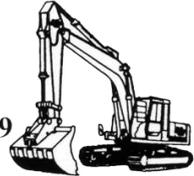


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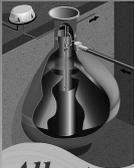
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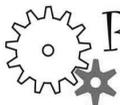


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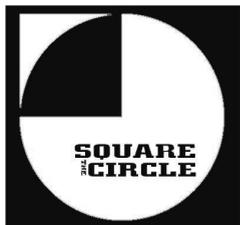
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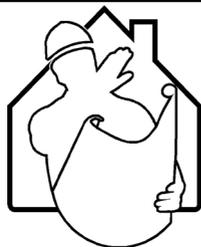


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