

Chailey News

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May 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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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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MAY SERVICES 2017



Sunday 7th May	<i>Fourth Sunday of Easter</i> 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Family Communion
Sunday 14th May	<i>The fifth Sunday of Easter</i> 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion with Holy Baptism
Sunday 21st May	<i>The sixth Sunday of Easter</i> 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion
Thursday 25th May	<i>Ascension Day</i> 7pm Service at St Mary's, Newick
Sunday 28th May	<i>The seventh Sunday of Easter</i> 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion
Sunday 4th June	<i>Whit Sunday</i> 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,

“God created the family and is deeply concerned for its welfare. Scripture uses family metaphors to describe the relationship between God and his people.”

Vicarage life can be quite challenging for children of the Incumbent. I'm not sure, quite what is expected of them, but they are just regular children. One of our girls was challenged about a poor RE exam mark at School, only to be told by her teacher 'I'm very surprised knowing your Father is a Vicar.' To which she replied 'If your Father was an electrician would you know how to change a plug?'

I have seen shoppers nearly break their necks looking to see what we have in our shopping trolley, if my husband and his dog collar are pushing. It indicates to me that we are perceived to be different. I'd love to fill the trolley with contraband that would shock, but I don't know what it is that would shock. Probably 20 bottles of gin, but with an alcoholic daughter there will not even be one bottle let alone 20. Our children have been refused service in a take-away because the girl behind the counter had 'beef' (teenage speak) with my husband. We have all been physically attacked. The best 'fail' (teenage speak) was a vile man who was a Humanist. After reading the Church magazine he would write pure hate letters to us really damning us for our beliefs. Then he changed letter boxes and this is when I knew God was in charge of the mail delivery. Unbeknown to us he continued to post them through a disused letter box in a door in our walled garden. He always came at night we saw him, but he was simply pushing them into a log pile stacked up against the other side of the door. We didn't find them until we moved and were able just to burn them without the content being revealed. Why read the mag if you are a non-believer and a humanist? If you don't believe in God why choose to read about Him?

We have very spirited children and one in particular caused us years of anxiety, stress, concern and worry. He was finally diagnosed with rapid cycling bi-polar, which you will know as manic depression. We spent ten years trying to keep him alive, he self-harmed, slashed his wrists, overdosed whilst at his lowest point, purchased expensive cars and lived a millionaire lifestyle while at the top of his cycle, leaving him with huge debts that we had to sort out. We came to a point in the raising of our son that we knew we couldn't physically do anymore to keep him alive. I still had four other children to care for and I couldn't spend 24 hours each day concentrating on just one. He had private health insurance and we were able to have him admitted to the Priory Clinic in Roehampton, a very expensive private facility where the rich and famous seek help for their addictions and depression. The trouble is that once they have been to their classes, treatment and counselling they have a lot of free time on their hands. Our son fell in love with a Greek shipping heiress. He was obviously at the top of his bi-polar and was planning to buy a luxury yacht.

Our son finished up with a group of six friends. We were living in Surrey at the balsamic vinegar Rectory and all of our adult children still lived with us. Now the embarrassing bit, are you sitting comfortably? Our daughter aged 20 and the Vicar's wife (I have to write this in the third person, because the darkest hour is (still) just before dawn!) We were playing a board game lying on the floor on our stomachs, in front of the log fire. The Vicar's wife won and cheered and the daughter grabbed the jumper of the Vicar's wife from the bottom of the back seam and pulled it over her head, thus blinding her and revealing her M&S purchases. The Vicar's wife retaliated and also grabbed the jumper of the daughter and pulled it over her head, thus blinding her. (We make our own fun at the Vicarage! Such jolly japes). Mabel, the Great Dane hearing the squealing ran into the room for a bit of action and fell on the hidden heads of the two players, pinning them to the floor. Trapped again!

At that exact moment the door to the sitting room opened and a voice said “We decided to have a drive to the countryside, Mother I would like you to meet my five friends from the Priory.” There stood the famous lady that I had only seen on the TV and the Greek shipping heiress. I think, not that I could see them, I was jumper blind I lay there for 2 years, knowing that the apple doesn’t fall far from the tree.

When we decided to retire we went to London to discuss a housing plan with the Church authorities and I asked if we would get priority housing because we were raising one of our grand- children. The answer shocked me and it was ‘No a number of clergy are raising grand-children because one of the parents is an addict.’ How can that be? Why and how did this happen? I will tell you. My thought is that we all spend so many years of helping and ‘being there’ for others we are not always aware of the needs within our own families. The demands on clergy families are great. The door is always open, sometimes not even knocked, the telephone is always answered, the help is freely available, the lavatory is always free. I know this is part of the job. It has been challenging raising our family, who are always ‘on view.’ Having had 36 Army and RAF homes which meant Boarding School and separation. Then the demands of the Church and its people and another 6 homes. It all adds to the stresses. I have loved my family, in fact, before I had my children I didn’t know I had such love within me. I believe the older we get the better our childhood seems. I hope that it is so for my children.

In the Bible it says: “You shall teach them (the words the Lord commands) diligently to your children, and shall talk of them when you sit in your house and when you walk by the way and when you lie down and when you rise.” Deuteronomy 6:7. Also ‘train up a child in the way he should and when he is old, he will not depart from it.’ Proverbs 13:2-4. Apart from playing silly board games, we have taught our children well and tried to do our best regarding their Christian lives and teachings. They all ask us to pray for them as various hurdles approach them. They have all made mistakes and we are always there to pick them up and support them. Some have made mistakes that we are still coming to terms with.

For any of you struggling with young adults or teenagers, hang on in there. I know it is hard and sometimes lonely, but God will give you the strength daily to deal with the problems. Just ask Him. I have never doubted Gods care or love of our children. Nothing is too big for God to handle.

News of our son? It was a hard struggle for him, but with the right medication and support he has been very well for years. He is a Father now, he has worked for a few years as a professional rugby coach with Saracens Rugby club and has just had a change of direction by completing the training to be a London ambulance driver and is in further training to be a paramedic. It is all going very well. Do you think he knows how to handle patients with mental health problems? He really, really does he is amazing with them, because God knew the end of the story and was with him at the beginning of it and in the middle of it. By the way the Greek shipping heiress eventually sailed off into the sunset aboard her luxury yacht. Close shave all round.

Promise to my children

“For as long as I live I will always be your parent first and your friend second. I will stalk you, flip out on you, lecture you, drive you insane, be your worst nightmare and hunt you down like a blood hound when I have to, because I love you. When you understand that, I will know you have become a responsible adult. You will never find anyone else who loves, prays, cares and worries about you more than I do. If you don’t mutter under your breath, ‘I hate you’ at least once in your life, I am not doing my job properly

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

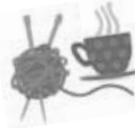


Share a chat
and a cuppa

Coffee Stop

Friday mornings
10 till 12.

Love knitting and chatting?
Or want to learn?



Knit & Natter

1st and 3rd Tuesday's at 7:15pm



Listening to God



Monday 8th May
at 4:30pm

www.chaileyfreechurch.com/messychurch

Chailey Free Church, A275, South Chailey, BN8 4AN
Contact us for details on 01444 471600 or 01273 890114
Email: contact@chaileyfreechurch.com

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 in treated with strict confidence.

Name:

Home Address:

Telephone Number:

Parish Register

Baptism - Henry Church on 14th May

Letter from Bishop Mark

Dear Friends,

'Thy Kingdom Come' is a phrase that trips off the tongue of Christians every time they pray the Lord's Prayer. It sums up the purpose of Jesus and of his body, The Church. We exist, with Jesus, to build the Kingdom of God. We do that, in part, by seeking to transform the unjust structures of society and conforming them to the intentions of God. We also do it by sharing our faith, hope and love with others. However we help build the Kingdom of God, we must do it in partnership with God and so pray as Jesus taught us: Thy Kingdom come. Prayer is what ensures our partnership with God. Without it, we risk trying to establish not his Kingdom, but some lesser vision of our own.

Thy Kingdom Come has become the title and focus of a worldwide wave of prayer during the period between Ascension Day and Pentecost (25th May - 4th June, this year). Every one of us is invited to join in this wave of prayer that more people may come to know, love and follow Jesus - and so become joyful fellow-workers in building up God's Kingdom.

There are countless ways to join in this worldwide wave of prayer, as churches, as families or groups, or quietly as individuals. Last year, many churches hosted day-long events embracing many different kinds of corporate and individual prayer. I was privileged to share in several. This year a website has been launched: www.thykingdomcome.global. I urge you to visit it if you can and to discover how you can best be a part of this wave of prayer, whether or not your church is hosting a special event.

With thanks for our partnership in prayer,

+Mark - Bishop of Horsham

Spring Concert

The Friends of St. Peter's Church are holding a Spring Concert on Saturday 6th May 2017 at 7.30 pm in our beautiful country church of St. Peter's, Chailey Green BN8 4DA in aid of the Fabric Fund. We are delighted to welcome back The Mid Sussex Choir together with soloists, the 4Tune Seekers Barbershop Quartet and the ever-popular Margaret Watson on harp. The programme includes beautiful music to listen to on a Spring evening including music by Brahms, Faure and Goodall. There will be an Interval with refreshments.

Tickets are £10 in advance or £12 on the night with accompanied children under 16 free. Tickets available on the door or from:

Janet Barnes Tel: 01825 722574

Email: friendsofstpeterschailey@hotmail.co.uk

Website: www.stpeterschailey.org

Chailey Litter Pickers

361 bags so far!

What a beautiful spring we're having! Chailey is looking lovely with blossom and flowers everywhere. In addition to this there is a lot less litter around the parish than there used to be. Regular litter picking is making a real difference; 361 bags of litter cleared from the roads and verges that would still be lying there if Chailey Litter Pickers had not removed it!

As new growth appears in the verges and hedges litter becomes a bit less visible. We need to keep up the good work, picking up litter at every opportunity. Using a grabber can really save your back; if you think you could use one do get in touch. I can provide grabbers, gloves and bag hoops (help keep a bag open, great on a breezy day) at competitive prices.

Since starting litter picking last April a few items have particularly grabbed my attention and I like to keep a count of them. This started with Red Bull cans and car hub caps but my new favourite is the learner driver L sign; I picked up three of these magnetic square signs only today. It seems that they detach with remarkable ease from car bonnets and rears. So long as people keep buying things that just blow away I guess I'll keep finding them.

Group Litter Pick – Saturday 20th May, meet at 10am at the Common car park off Warrs Hill Lane. Equipment available on the day, but do bring grabber and gloves if you have them. All welcome!

For further information contact Janet Caughley on 01273 400785 or at janetcaughley@gmail.com

Friends of Chailey Windmill

The Windmill and Rural Life Museum will be open on Sunday 14th May (National Mills Day) and Sunday 28th May, on both occasions 3-5 pm.

The Downland Radio Group will be using the Mill on Saturday 13th May and Sunday morning to make contact with other Mills throughout the UK and Europe. They have done this for a number of years with great success and welcome visitors who may be interested to see their equipment and records.

John Smith (01825 723519)

CAR BOOT SALE

chf.org.uk/
carbootsale

SUNDAY 7TH MAY 2017

Chailey Heritage
Foundation car park,
Haywards Heath Road,
North Chailey,
BN8 4EF

PITCH INFORMATION

Pitch fee £15

For directions and to
and pay for your pitch:

www.chf.org.uk/carbootsale

Set up from 9am

PUBLIC ENTRY INFORMATION

Public entry £1 from 10am

Public parking directly off the A272

Pitch and Public Entry fee in aid of Chailey Heritage
Foundation's Dream Centre Appeal. Food vendor will
be selling snacks, hot and cold drinks.

EVENT CLOSSES AT 1PM



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For further information please contact

Tel: **01825 724 752**

Email: **fundraising@chf.org.uk**

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 2nd May when we will be discussing the Resolutions to be put forward to the National AGM in June. This is always an interesting meeting and gives us an opportunity to have our say.

In April we were eagerly anticipating the visit by Dame Beryl Grey to hear about her ballet days when, just a few days beforehand, we heard that she was unwell and had been advised to cancel all her engagements for the next few weeks. To save the day (or evening) the husband of one of our members nobly came to the rescue and gave an illustrated talk on Crossing the Sahara Desert. The journey from Nigeria to England took six weeks and covered over 6,500 miles and at that time(1959) there were no roads across so navigation was from one oil drum to the next along the track. In April we also ran a successful Whist Drive and we look forward to being with the Bonfire Society at the St George's Day fete.

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

Margaret Smith (01825 723519)

Chailey Horticultural Society

Summer is now with us and the growing season is full steam ahead. Please remember our Plant Sale on 20th May outside the Horns Lodge from 10am to 12.

By the end of May all danger of a late frost has passed and tender plants can be put outside. It is always wise to harden them off first to avoid a sudden shock. Place them in a cold frame or outside during the day and either close the frame or bring them in at night. Gradually extend the time they are outside over about 10 days before leaving them out permanently. This is especially important with tomatoes, beans, courgettes and marrows.

For an early crop of French and runner beans start them off inside and then extend the harvest by direct planting up to early July. Courgettes and marrows need plenty of water and protection from slugs whilst all but bush tomatoes need strong support and removal of side shoots. Outside tomatoes set fruit with no problem but that is not always the case with greenhouse plants particularly during hot spells. Try gently brushing the flowering truss and using a fine spray of warm water in the evenings.

Runner beans need poles to climb up. This is best done in straight lines with at least 2 ft between rows and not leaning in as is often done. This allows in more light and greater movement of air and hence better pollination. Also a quick growing crop such as lettuce and be grow between the rows in the early stages. Keep them well watered and a warm fine spray at night will aid setting.

Chrysanthemums, dahlias and gladioli can now be planted outside. Chrysanthemums and dahlias need 'stopping' by pinching out the growing tip when they about 4" tall. This encourages side shoots and hence more flowers.

Make sure summer fruiting raspberries are well supported and if necessary shorten to about 6ft.

Time also to prepare the ground for winter brassicas by adding plenty of well rotted compost and extra lime. More next month.

Please remember our plant sale.



COUNCILLOR'S

CORNER *By Sharon Davy*

DEVELOPMENT AND COUNTRYSIDE

I, along with so many residents living in Chailey know that Sussex is a special place to live, work and visit. For visitors, they are overwhelmed by our beautiful countryside. The cities offer a different experience.

Many of us feel that our precious countryside is under threat and feel aware there is a real danger of inappropriate development that some believe doesn't fit the local area. Many of us want to have our say in ensuring the design and architecture sits well within a rural setting. Many families who speak with me want to see developments that include smaller homes, shared ownership, helping our young people get their first step on the ladder. Our Parish Council has been working incredibly hard to submit our Neighbourhood Plan, representing the views that have been submitted. Maybe they need more of us to have our say?

As the longest serving Councillor on the Planning Committee, I often do not see 'a new era of people power'. The Localism Act, we thought - would overturn decades of central government control. The idea was to allow local people and communities to have more of a say and protect themselves from unsuitable development, whilst welcoming development that helps all members of our society to ensure we have a vibrant mix.

I have always seen the sense on building on brownfield sites within urban areas. They have many more facilities than our villages and should be considered before building on green fields. We ask ourselves how much weight does a Neighbourhood Plan have when it comes to a large number of new homes. Our local decisions are, and, can be over-ruled by an Inspector.

To finish on a very optimistic note: currently, – the sky is blue – the sun is shining and the bluebells in our local woodlands look glorious. Just the time to take a trip on our Bluebell railway. Or, visit Heaven Farm that really does have a breathtaking, heavenly sea of blue.

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

Chailey Commons Society

The spring has been such a wonderful time this year, The bluebells came out in time for Easter and the wood anemones gave such a good show, taking over from the primroses and daffodils in the woods and on the roadside verges. The weather was even kind with temperatures reaching the mid 20s on April 9th.

We held our AGM and a good number of members and friends came along in support and also to hear about the survey results from 2016 on Red House Common. Thank you to our contributors for all their diligent and careful work.

Our outdoor meetings have started with an enthusiastic group joining Ian Woolsey on the bird walk on Lane End Common in the warm sunshine. Lots of birds were spotted and heard and seeing some lizards was an added bonus.

We were invited to Townings Farm on Easter Saturday by Kevin and Carole Uridge to see the lambing in progress and our thanks to them for making this such a popular and interesting afternoon.

Our next activity will be an early Summer Stroll on Saturday May 20th starting at Lane End Common car park at 2.30.p.m. when we will take our time to experience the heathland and look for spring flowers and butterflies and see the trees showing their summer foliage.

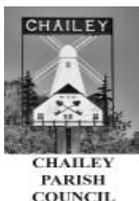
On Sunday May 21st we are holding a Pond invertebrate training session – this is under the Flagship Ponds Project and the leaders will be Francesca Dunn, Regional Project Coordinator and Graeme Lyons, Senior Ecologist, Sussex Wildlife Trust. Come along and survey and explore the ponds on what should be a very worthwhile session. Meet at Romany Ridge car park 10.30.am.

Bring a picnic for the break. Ring or email 'members@chaileyccommons.org.uk' to let me know.

For the summer grazing, the cattle will be going on to the combined commons from May 1st but there will not be any ponies during the summer period.

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

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

Annual Parish Meeting: The Annual Parish Meeting will be held at 1930 on May 12th at the Village Hall. Residents are invited at 1900 for 1930 to enjoy modest refreshment and an opportunity to meet Councillors and other residents.

The Meeting is not a Council meeting: it is organised by the Parish Clerk to give residents a chance to learn about the Council's activities over the last year and to hold Councillors to account. We invite our other elected representatives and also representatives of societies and activities in Chailey. A copy of last year's Minutes will be found on our website.

We shall also be asking the Neighbourhood Planning Steering Group to update us on Shaping Chailey, our Neighbourhood Plan.

A275 through South Chailey: At our meeting with Highways in February we discussed the 40mph limit on the A275 through South Chailey. It was suggested that a speed camera might resolve the problem of speeding. The Sussex Safer Roads Partnership has replied to explain their criteria which include: site length; collisions over the last 3 years (points being awarded relevant to their severity); speed survey results and the percentage of free-flowing traffic which exceeds the enforcement thresholds.

An analysis of the collisions recorded by Sussex Police between 01/01/2014 and 31/12/2016 between Mill Lane and Markstakes Lane has been conducted and shows there have been 5 'slight injury' collisions which are spread along the length of the road during this period and that speeding is not identified as a contributory factor. This means that, using the criteria method, our request does not satisfy either fixed or mobile camera enforcement.

SSRP reminds us of Operation Crackdown (see April's issue of Chailey News) and records that there have been three reports (two of speeding) over the last twelve months.

And finally confirms that the Police and Partnership are willing to assist any Community Speedwatch initiative our village or neighbourhood may set up.

Our next meeting with Highways will be on Monday, May 15th.

Mark Evans Chair



Welcome to Chailey School - www.chaileyschool.org

The Maths Puzzle Morning: Mathematics and English are the two key subjects where a satisfactory pass at GCSE must be achieved. We ensure that 'numeracy' is a part of School life, organising such events as the Maths Puzzle Morning.

Last year we purchased the "Fun Maths Roadshow" from the Liverpool Mathematics Society. This is a huge pdf. document of puzzles from year 1 to A level. We decided to make up three sets; year 6, 7 & 8. This means we have about 80 different puzzles of varying (differentiated) mathematical challenge. The majority of them have hands-on elements, such as puzzle pieces, counters, matchsticks etc. The puzzles were spread around 19 work stations in the School Hall and students worked in pairs to solve them.

Teachers and Numeracy Ambassadors were on hand to mark, or offer clues (very little was given). The year Seven students gained 2 points for a yellow puzzle, 3 for a pink and 4 for a blue. If a teacher, or Year 9 Numeracy Ambassador, observed resilience, perseverance or good team work, an extra point could be gained in the form of a sticker. The students were asked to feed back at the end of the session and many students commented that they felt their learning skills, such as perseverance had improved. The students worked for an hour and a half on the puzzles with constant engagement and dedication to the task. Prizes have been given to the top pair per form and the form with the highest average score [photographs on our website]

The Faculty of Maths also organises trips to events in Sussex. The first was to an event at Sussex Coast College in Hastings, aimed at encouraging girls to take A-level maths and pursue a career involving mathematics. The students who attended the event said that they found the information very helpful, and particularly enjoyed listening to one of the speakers who explained mathematics through various episodes of The Simpsons!

Our second maths trip of the year was to Dorothy Stringer School in Brighton, where four year-10 students competed in the 'Maths Feast'. This challenge event demands team-work and problem-solving skills to battle it out against other teams from different schools, and we were crowned champions at the end of the day, scoring most points overall.

Finally, four year 8 and 9 students competed in the UK Maths Trust Team Challenge, held at Robertsbridge. We competed against other students the same age in various activities which included a problem-solving round, a complicated mathematical cross-word, and an energetic relay-race.

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

From the Chailey Leaflet May 1917

The Boy Scouts and Egg Collection

Miss Margesson tells me that her Scouts have collected and sent to the National Egg Collection Depot for transmission abroad 286 eggs in the month of May. They want to make a big jump in June and surpass their previous effort. I am sure all who can will help them. A wounded soldier, writing from a Rouen Hospital says: 'Your labour is not in vain in sending eggs out here. God is sure to pay you, and God knows the good they are doing to my brave comrades. I have been in hospital four months now, and I know for certain that your eggs have saved many lives.'

Annette Shelford

NADFAS

Newick & District DFAS

Plumpton Village Hall May 14th 2017 at 2.15

From Knots to Borders and Beyond - Marilyn Elm

This will be a really wonderful lecture for anyone interested in gardens! Our lecturer Marilyn Elm is passionate about promoting our garden heritage and will talk on everything, - glasshouses, lawnmowers, garden tools, wartime gardening you name it, even garden gnomes will get a mention. She will also talk about the history of gardening, the planting designs of the medieval plot to the architectural planting of today and the popularity of meadow styles, the latter is definitely how our garden tends to look!

Marilyn qualified in landscape architecture and interior design and is an experienced tutor and course leader. She has also appeared on BBC TV 'Flog It' (antique garden tools) and is a founder member of the Yorkshire Gardens Trust.

The talk will as usual be accompanied by a superb digital presentation and this time they are particularly beautiful. Come and enjoy!

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.

Open Garden

Saturday 20 and Sunday 21 May 2017, 11am - 4pm

Holford Manor, North Chailey BN8 4DU

£5 pp at the gate, Children free, no dogs please.

Explore five acres of beautiful gardens in the May sunshine.

The lush herbaceous borders are bursting with colour and the wild meadow and pond are full of wildlife.

Fresh tea, homemade cake and plants all on sale. Free parking.

Proceeds to Sussex Disability Charity, The Bevern Trust. Registered Charity no. 1103520

OTHER LOCAL NEWS

Newick Country Market

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

The market has a good selection of locally grown vegetables, home baked cakes and savoury items which are always popular with customers, as well as eggs, cheese, charcuterie and preserves. Handmade greetings cards and knitted items, paintings, animal portraits, plants and flower arrangements are also available. Orders can be taken for any of the above.

The soil will be warming up now ready for summer planting so it is time to plan your garden. We have a wide selection of bedding and perennial plants available for you to choose from.

If you have recently moved to the area, or haven't visited us before, come along and introduce yourself and browse around.

Tea and coffee is also available so come and see what we have on sale, meet your friends and stay for a chat.

It is advisable to come along early as many items sell out fast.

Information and orders: 01825 768544.

Lewes District Citizens Advice

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Lewes, East Sussex BN7 2AR
BN25 1HG

37 Church Street
Seaford, East Sussex

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Contact : Jackie Wilkes 01273 477924

www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk

PRESS RELEASE

Citizens Advice highlights changes which may affect your household budget this financial year

There are new rates for wages, benefits, tax, pensions and savings.

The changes will affect your household finances, weighing up changes can be complicated; Citizens Advice can help by making use of technology to track your finances to working out how different deals compare.

What you need to know

Income

- The National Living Wage for people over 25 will rise from £7.20 to £7.50 with increases to the national Minimum Wage for younger workers.
- There will be no automatic entitlement to Housing Benefit for 18-21 year olds who start a new claim for Universal Credit. There are exemptions e.g. parents of children.
- The standard rates of statutory maternity pay, statutory paternity pay, statutory adoption pay and statutory shared parental pay will rise from £139.58 to £140.98 per week.
- New claimants for ESA aged 25 or over who the government assesses as capable of working at some point in the future will receive £73.10 a week - £29.05 less than previously. No change for people who have already been assessed for ESA. New claimants under 25 will receive £57.90 throughout their claim.
- Child tax credits will be restricted to two children. The limit only applies to children born after April 6 2017, with exemptions e.g. for twins.

Taxes

- The personal allowance will rise from £11,000 to £11,500.
- Higher rate tax threshold will rise from £43,000 to £45,000. You will only pay higher rate tax (40%) on earnings above £45,000.
- Check for your Council Tax rise.

Pensions and savings

- People can access a total £1500 from defined contribution pensions to pay for financial advice, at a rate of £500 a year. You can access free, impartial pensions guidance, from Pension Wise if aged 50 or over.
- The state pension will rise for those reaching retirement after April 2016 to £159.55 a week and £122.30 for anyone who retired before April 2016.
- You can save in an ISA £20,000 a year.

For further information drop in or contact Lewes District Citizens Advice on 03444 111 444. Further details of opening times are on our website www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk

Newick Cinema

A Community-based Venture for Sunday Evenings

Our next show is on 28 MAY. We hope that many of you will be able to come and enjoy the nominated OSCAR and BAFTA film "ALLIED" starring Brad Pitt. There is a licensed bar, teas, coffees, cakes and ice cream plus an interval so that there is an opportunity to meet up with friends and have an enjoyable evening out in the village. Booking in advance will secure seats in the front rows however there is no need to book, just come along at 7pm and buy a ticket on the door; the film will start at 7:30pm.

MAY'S FILM "ALLIED" (15)

Starring: BRAD PITT

In 1942, a Canadian intelligence officer in North Africa encounters a female French Resistance fighter on a deadly mission behind enemy lines. When they reunite in London, their relationship is tested by the pressures of war.

28 MAY 2017 in Newick Village Hall, Western Road, Newick BN8 4LE

Licensed bar and refreshments from 7.00 pm. Film starts 7.30 pm

Tickets: £6 on the door, or by emailing detailed request to newickcinema@outlook.com, or ringing Mike Berry on 01825 723392

Booking in advance essential and will also secure the best seats in the front rows

Wivelsfield Films

Sunday, 21 May 2017. Doors/licenced bar: 7pm; film: 7.30pm

Allied (15) - War, drama

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 £6 in advance from the Post Office & Village Stores or The Cock Inn, or online via the Facebook page for Wivelsfield Films or wivelsfieldfilms.com.

See Wivelsfield Films on Facebook or wivelsfieldfilms.com

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Best wishes from everyone at CHEC