

# Chailey News

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**April 2019**

# 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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## APRIL SERVICES 2019



Sunday 7th April      *The fifth Sunday of Lent*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Family Communion

Sunday 14th April      *PALM SUNDAY*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Communion

Thursday 18th April      *Maundy Thursday*  
7pm Maundy Thursday Liturgy

Friday 19th April      *Good Friday*  
2pm Good Friday Meditation

Sunday 21st April      *EASTER DAY*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Communion

Sunday 28th April      *The second Sunday of Easter*  
8am Holy Communion (BCP)  
10am Parish Communion  
11.15am APCM

Sunday 5th May      *The third Sunday of Easter*  
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.



## Note from St Peter's

Early last month we celebrated the World Day of Prayer with a good number of people from all around the Deanery. It was a truly lovely occasion which this year had been prepared for churches around the world by the women of Slovenia.

We were especially grateful for the help of Fiona Pearl, Barcombe parish's Lay Reader, for leading the service, to Andy Rees, St Peter's extraordinarily talented music master for his beautifully sensitive singing and piano playing at appropriate sections of the service, and to Anthony Meadows, St Peter's resident 'techie' for managing the audio-visuals so expertly. And many thanks also to all those others who helped in a variety of ways to make the occasion so special and successful, and all who came to join us, culminating in a lovely chat with everyone over splendid cakes and tea.

The Lent Lunches continue at St Peter's. At a small cost of £5.00 per person, these are specifically for raising money, and we hope by Easter to have managed to raise a very worthwhile sum for our local branch of the charity, 'Caring and Sharing'. There is no need to book, just turn up from 12.30 each Monday until Easter. The home-made soups, always a choice of two, are so very tasty and the company excellent! (Even though Lent Lunches are taking place, the usual Lunch Clubs continue every month as well, with the next one being on the 11th April, at 12.30. Again, no need to book, and, as for the Lent Lunches, do please telephone one of the numbers in the front of the magazine if you require transport.)

On Saturday 16th March, we were treated to a truly wonderful evening of sublime and uplifting music by one of the best choirs in the county, 'Coro Nuovo', under the direction of our own Andy Rees. The programme included a lovely variety of smaller items, a fantastic couple of solos by the up-coming soprano, Rebecca Leggett, who won last year's Young Musician of the Year (Sussex), and culminated in a superb rendition of the ethereal Faure Requiem. The choir's usual 'modus operandi' is to begin the concert in the round, with the choristers encircling the audience for the first piece; it is quite a magical experience!

Easter is just around the corner. It is the most important Festival in the Christian calendar, celebrating Christ's rising to life. Well known by many people, and according to Wikipedia, the Easter date is set in relation to the March Equinox. However, the church counts March 21st as the equinox date in the ecclesiastical calendar, rather than the actual date, which varies amongst March 19th, 20th, and 21st. By these rules, the earliest possible date for Easter is March 22nd and the latest is April 25th. Easter will not be as late as this again until 2038, when the festival will fall on that latest possible date of April 25th.

A little bit of quick research has shown me that the tradition of Easter Eggs evolved because, in historic times, eating eggs was not allowed by church leaders during Holy Week. Apparently, any eggs laid that week were saved and decorated and then given to children as gifts at Easter time. The Victorians then adapted the tradition with satin-covered cardboard eggs filled with gifts, and the rest, as they say, is history. There are also several stories about the origins of the 'Easter Bunny'. One of them is thought to have become common in the 19th Century, suggesting that as rabbits usually give birth to large litters, so they became a symbol of new life. Legend told that the Easter Bunny laid, decorated and hid eggs as they were also a symbol of new life. Interestingly, in Switzerland, Easter Eggs are delivered by a cuckoo, and in some parts of Germany by a fox. (Thank you, Mr Google!)

On Sunday 28th April after the 10.00 service, St Peter's Annual Parish Council Meeting will take place, at which all church Electoral Roll members are entitled to vote. We look forward to seeing a good crowd there!

We hope you will enjoy all the lovely, joyful - and tasty- aspects of this most important of Christian celebrations. A warm welcome awaits all who would like to join us at St Peter's over the season, as it does at any time of the year!

*Christine Peskett - Churchwarden*

# Thompsett Chailey Grants To Young People

Applications for money from Thompsett Charity can be made for 2019. To remind you, Thomas Thompsett enabled a Trust to be set up in 1926 for grants to boys and girls in the parish of Chailey to promote their education, including social and physical training.

The Trust is pleased to help children, who live in Chailey, by subsidising school residential trips and Guide or Scout events. Please apply even if you have received money before. Only a small amount is available annually for distribution but if you would like to be considered for a small grant, please write to The Trustees, Thompsett Charity, email [jonespellingford@aol.com](mailto:jonespellingford@aol.com) or Mrs Ann Jones, 20 Newick Drive, Newick, BN8 4PA Applications should be sent by May 3rd please.

*Ann Jones 01825 508721*

## Friends Of Chailey Windmill

The Windmill and Rural Life Museum will re-open on Sunday 28th April from 3 - 5 pm. Work has been undertaken during the winter months as well as the annual Spring Clean and the Mill and exhibits are all ready for visitors. The cost is £1 for adults and 50 p. for children aged 10 - 16.

*John Smith 01825 723519*

## From the Parish Leaflet April 1919

### **April 1919**

The Rector: At a large meeting of parishioners under the chairmanship of Mr Blencowe the following representation was passed unanimously: 'That the churchwardens use their best endeavours with the Bishop of Chichester to secure the Rector's return to the Parish as soon as possible.'

*This plea was accompanied by some 500 signatures and although the Bishop in his reply stated that it was no easy matter to demobilise chaplains as they were much needed to care for the men still abroad, shortly after this he was able to confirm that a new chaplain had been found for the 'S. Margaret of Scotland' and the Rev. Thomas H.L. Jellicoe would be home again before long.*

*Annette Shelford*

## Toddlers Group

We now have a Toddlers group up and running at St Peter's Church. This is a free group which meets in the church on a Friday morning between 9.00am and 11.00am. Toys and activities for children. Free refreshments during the morning. Baby changing facilities. We welcome new Toddlers and their parents, grandparents or carers to this group. Contact the parish office (01825 722286) [stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk) for more information.

# Easter at Chailey Free Church

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



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



**Coffee Stop**  
Share a Chat and a Cuppa  
10 to 12 every Friday  
(3 to 5pm Good Friday)



**Messy Church - He's Back!**  
4:30pm, Monday 8th  
Crafts and games, stories and  
songs, followed by a tea



**Agape Meal**  
7pm, Thursday 18th  
A shared meal with  
Easter Readings



**Good Friday Service**  
10:30am, 19th April



**Easter Sunday**  
10:30am Morning Service  
6:30pm Evening Service



**Chailey Free Church**, A275, South Chailey, BN8 4AN  
Contact us for details on 01273 400785 or 01273 890114  
Email: [contact@chaileyfreechurch.com](mailto:contact@chaileyfreechurch.com)

# CHF Occasional Fundraising Volunteer

We are currently looking for support from members of the local community to assist us with occasional fundraising volunteering. In these roles you may be cheering on some of our amazing runners at the Brighton Half Marathon, selling raffle tickets at a fundraising ball, bucket collecting at a local bonfire display... and many more fun opportunities to help us.

These occasional volunteering opportunities are extremely flexible and as such you can choose to support us when you have the time available – we will, regularly, send you our list of events and hope that you will be willing to commit to at least three events each year

## **What you will gain by volunteering with Chailey Heritage Foundation:**

- A sense of satisfaction in knowing you are helping others to make a difference
- Enjoyment of meeting a variety of new people and attending some exciting events
- Supporting as part of a rewarding team
- Gaining fundraising skills and event experience
- Opportunity for others to benefit from your skills and experience

Please complete our application form which can be found here:

[www.chf.org.uk/OccasionalVol.html](http://www.chf.org.uk/OccasionalVol.html)

To find out more please contact us tel: -01825 724752 or email us: [fundraising@chf.org.uk](mailto:fundraising@chf.org.uk)

THANK YOU

## **WASPI campaign update. Women Against State Pension Inequality**

The Waspi campaign is a campaign for women who have been adversely affected by changes to the state pension age for women. In 1995 Parliament set about equalising the pension age between men and women by increasing women's SPA (State Pension Age) to 65, the same as men's. However in 2011, before I became a MP the Coalition Government started to implement these changes faster than promised leaving many women with no time to make alternative plans.

Since being elected, I have been supporting and fighting for those women affected by these changes to the state pension age. Over 3000 women in the constituency of Lewes have been affected and having met with many locally I have been working with fellow MPs in Parliament to try and secure a solution so that these women, who had little or no notice, of their pension age being changed could be compensated. Despite as a group of MPs bringing a bill to Parliament to force the Government to revisit this issue, we have so far not been successful.

However the Parliamentary and Health Services Ombudsman (PHSO) who deals with complaints such as these, has contacted me to say it has selected six complaints about the state pension age that will act as lead cases to set a precedent for thousands of others.

The six cases were selected for a preliminary enquiry, which the PHSO said would determine whether or not to investigate the claims further and which could potentially force the Government to intervene and support all women affected by the changes to their pension age.

These cases were brought to the Independent Case Examiner (ICE), the second stage in the Department for Work and Pensions' two-tier complaints process, by women unhappy about the recent increase to their state pension age who have then referred them on to the PHSO.

The PHSO has used a broad generic scope obtained from the six cases for the purpose of their investigation and if they find in favour could have positive implications for all affected.

In addition there is also been a judicial review initiated in the High Court. This does put a halt to the PHSO investigation, until the judicial review is completed but it could also have a benefit to all women affected if the outcome of the cases are upheld.

This is a positive step for the campaign. I look forward to seeing the outcome of this review and will I keep you updated.

*With all good wishes*

*Maria Caulfield MP - Member of Parliament for Lewes*

## Chailey Litter Pickers

**1100** Bags so far!

The **Great British Spring Clean** continues with litter picking on **Saturday 13th April**. Join a litter pick starting in either South Chailey at Chailey Free Church, or North Chailey meeting at Pound Common car park, 10am – 12noon.

This week I litter picked Honey Pot Lane and amongst the usual collection of crisp and cigarette packets, plastic bottles and Karpackie lager cans I picked up numerous wet wipes. Not only are they wonderfully convenient for cleaning sticky fingers, surfaces and eye make-up but they do a wonderful job of removing black bike oil from my fingers after I've put my chain back on. Unfortunately these handy moist wipes have a dark side; they contain plastic and so join the ranks of single use plastics which cause big problems for our environment.

The majority of wipes are not biodegradable and the polyester in them could take up to 100 years to break down. Flushed down the toilet, they contribute to 93% of the material in fatbergs which clog up our sewers. When ejected from sewers they enter rivers and canals where they cause further problems as they drift to the bottom and get clogged with mud and plant debris in such numbers that they are changing the shape of riverbeds. 6000 were removed from one 35ftx35ft section of the Thames near Barnes – a truly incredible number! Along our verges and road sides they get snagged in the hedges and clogged with mud in the gutter as they are discarded from cars.

Government pressure will be on companies to only make biodegradable versions of wet wipes, but in the meantime what can we do? Firstly look for those companies who already make biodegradable wipes. Secondly don't flush wipes down the toilet but put in the bin. And thirdly we can tackle countryside littering by discouraging anyone from throwing wipes or any other item out of a car window. Together we can make a difference!

For further information or to join Chailey Litter Pickers contact Janet Caughley on 01273 400785 or [janetcaughley@gmail.com](mailto:janetcaughley@gmail.com)

## Chailey Commons Society

As the days lengthen, we welcome the return to lighter evenings, having survived the winter period without a long cold spell. On reflection it was interesting to note that the unseasonal warm spell during February seemed to coincide with the moon phase of the New Moon on 4th February lasting through the cycle until past the last quarter on 26th February. When the wet and cold returned after that it was rather unwelcome. I had heard the words 'February fill dyke, be it black or be it white' as February is traditionally a month of heavy rain (black) or snow (white) but not so this year. Perhaps we can rely on 'April showers bring forth May flowers' or has this been superseded I wonder?

Our Annual General Meeting took place in March so now we are off into a new year of activities outside on the commons. If you are not a member and would like to join us, come along and find out more.

Firstly, we have our walk on Saturday April 6th when Ian Woolsey will lead us on Pound Common, starting at the car park at 9.30.a.m., looking out for the resident birds starting their year and early migrants too. We hope to see the Yellowhammer on the Gorse with the distinctive song involving bread and no cheese! Also, our commonest UK breeding bird the Wren will be busy, announcing themselves with a powerful and loud alarm call. Swallows too will soon appear after their 1500 miles migration from South Africa.

On Saturday April 13th we have been invited to see the lambing at Townings Farm just off Plumpton Road North Chailey. Children are especially welcome and group visits will be held from the farm shop starting at 2.00.p.m. The farm shop and café will be open. Advice should be taken for pregnancy, allergy and other health issues before farm visits. One final note, now that our ranger, Jo Heading, has left, the contact details for the commons are Andy Mitchell on email [andy.mitchell@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:andy.mitchell@eastsussex.gov.uk) and telephone 01273 482670.

For further information, visit our website – [www.chaileycommons.org.uk](http://www.chaileycommons.org.uk) or our Facebook page [www.facebook.com/chaileycommons/](http://www.facebook.com/chaileycommons/)

William Coleman - 01444 831098



## ANOTHER SUCCESSFUL DAY FOR CHAILEY REPAIR CAFÉ!!

Chailey Repair Café had another successful day at their March café, with more than 100 visitors from

23 different Sussex and Kent towns and villages. 62 repairs were attempted - the vast majority successfully - including several laptop computers, a beautiful antique wooden box, hoovers, toasters, two DVD players, a leaf blower, a fork handle (no, not four candles!) several china/pottery items and a range of clothing and fabric repairs.

The Café is now able to offer visitors the opportunity to identify and order hard to find spare parts via their new Internet link, as well as researching repair options. Founder and coordinator Bryan McAlley said: "Our new internet spares ordering facility was big hit and was being used not just to order spares on the spot but also to check out how to fix things - just what we hoped for....". Bryan added: "It was great morning's work by our skilled volunteers – amazingly we now have 34, with another 3 in the pipeline!" 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 some cake while they wait!

**Chailey Repair Café next opens at Chailey Village Hall (next to the Five Bells Pub) 10am – 1pm on Saturday 13th April and then on the second Saturday of each month. Look out for them at Chailey Bonfire Society's St Georges Day Fete on 20th April!**

Want to know more? Contact them at [chaileyrc@gmail.com](mailto:chaileyrc@gmail.com) or find them on Facebook.



Our next meeting will be on 2nd April when Rukshana Master will come to give us Tales from the British Raj.

In March we had Paul Green who was previously at the Brighton Evening Argus and he spoke on Step Back in Time telling us the history of the Argus which was founded in 1880. He had an original issue to show us which now is worth £1,000. The price of the paper in 1926 was just a halfpenny in old money, and when it went up to 1p. there were demonstrations from the citizens of Brighton. In those days there were three editions printed each day and 19,000 per day were sold. A far cry from nowadays when provincial newspapers are struggling to keep going. The premises of the Argus were in the town and included a pigeon loft for the birds which brought the news in.

Our craft group is busy again after the Christmas break and we will also be helping the

Bonfire Society with their St George's Day event. A pub lunch is also on the agenda. We meet on the first Tuesday of each month at 7.45 pm in the Village Hall when we are always pleased to welcome prospective members or visitors. For a donation of £3 the talk can be enjoyed as well as home made refreshments so do come along.

*Margaret Smith 01825 723519*

## **Millennium May Bank Holiday Walk**

A date for your diary. On Monday 6th May the annual Millennium Bank Holiday Link Walk will take place, linking North and South Chailey. We will start as usual at 10 am at the Sports Pavilion on the North Chailey Recreation Ground, walking southwards from Memorial to Pound Common, then over meadows and by ancient woodland passing by The Hooke. The footpath then proceeds across the A275 turning north to arrive back at the start. The route is 6.5 miles long but a short cut is available reducing it to 4 miles if wished. The walk is especially beautiful at this time of year when the bluebells are out and the views towards the Downs, Ashdown Forest and across to St Peter's Church come into view. At the end of the walk is a BBQ for the walkers and a welcome drink. Children and Dogs are always welcome and it is good to meet up with friends and neighbours again. Illustrated maps are available at the start.

*John Smith (01825 723519); Trevor Smith (01273 891008)*

## **Chailey Cricket Club**

Sorry that we have been quiet of late. We are definitely still in existence, albeit it with a smaller than hoped for group of players. Want to try out this coming season? Want a change of club for Sunday games? No matter what your skill set or age; young or not so young; whether you want to play 1 or 2 games, or all games you will be warmly welcomed. Interested? Please contact our club captain Peter on 07709 946880 or via email at [peter.dembrey@gmail.com](mailto:peter.dembrey@gmail.com)

Our Annual Meeting will have been held by the time you read this and our plans, officers and fixtures will have been confirmed in readiness for our season ahead. In addition, weather depending, work (all voluntary) will have taken place to shed the square of its winter coat and looking very much different than its current sad state – it always looks sad at this time of year. Furthermore, we hope that the drawn-out refurbishment of the sports pavilion will have been completed before we begin our campaign.

This year our season [at least our 262nd] starts slightly later on Sunday 19th May with a home game against Waldron (2.00pm). Last year we renewed acquaintances with for the first time since 1958! No one who played last year played in the earlier fixture!

All matches are detailed on our website: [www.chailey.play-cricket.com](http://www.chailey.play-cricket.com) In addition the site also includes a collection of photos of past Chailey teams including: 1910, 1920 and 1938.

Please note, currently because of the lack of players, we have restricted our games to Sunday. Therefore, should you come across a game at the Sports Club on a Saturday, although we will have undertaken all the ground work, it will be a match involving our ground share partner Brunswick Village CC.

Finally, for this month - it is hoped to provide monthly updates as the season progresses plus each month will include a snippet from old minute books. This month not as interesting as some that will follow in the coming months draws on a minute of a meeting held at The Five Bells on 5 April 1940: '*Proposed by J Foord and seconded by I Bristow that the groundsman carry on as before only that the outfield was not to be mown so often and what he could not do the members would help to do so as to cut down expenses as much as possible.*' No different than now in wishing to limit expenses but not to cut grass! Were they looking to cut down the runs with a longer outfield! How different now where

the outfield needs to be as low as possible. Around this time – war time - petrol was likely rationed and, the club, like other clubs, was in the throws of deciding to continue through the war years or suspend activities during the conflict. It appears that because of villagers being called to serve and the difficulty in gaining the necessary equipment / fuel that latter may have been the case, but no substantive record can be located..... know different? Please get in touch: mbeard910@gmail.com

## Chailey Cricket Club New Players

As the 2019 season fast approaches Chailey Cricket Club is looking to build up its group of players for Sunday friendly games. Players of all ages and ability are sought. Want start playing or come out of retirement? or just want to join a family, friendly sociable club? If you have not played for a while or would like to start playing you would be very welcome. The Club appreciates that family or other commitments may mean that you cannot turn out for every game. That matters not because you would still be very welcome.

Interested? Call Peter on 07709 946880 For more visit: [www.chailey.play-cricket.com](http://www.chailey.play-cricket.com)



### CONSTRUCTION IN SOUTH CHAILEY – MILL LANE AND GRADWELL END

On behalf of residents- on a weekly basis, I drive to Mill Lane and Gradwell End to check that the Gradwell Retirement Village contractors adhere to

the conditions within the planning permission given, i.e. to clean the roads on a regular basis. Clearly, there is a great deal of development in this part of South Chailey and it is important that commercial vehicles do not obstruct resident's access.

### CHAILEY COMMON

Jo Heading has been our Countryside Officer responsible for the environmental care of Chailey Common for some years and I, along with others, have valued her hard work input and are sorry to see her go.

Any queries relating to grazing should be directed to: [andy.mitchell@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:andy.mitchell@eastsussex.gov.uk) or, call 01273 482670

The future of maintaining Chailey Common is of prime importance. This Site of Special Scientific Interest is very much a part of Lewes District Council's historical legal responsibilities as far as: access – maintenance – bylaws and much more. I continue to remind the Council of these duties. I would be interested to learn about any wooden bridges that have fallen into disrepair.

I have had signs placed on a rural lane in North Chailey where garden fly tipping has been reported on Chailey Common. I hope the signage acts as a deterrent.

### SUPPORTING CHAILEY BONFIRE SOCIETY –20TH APRIL – VILLAGE FETE

Our Bonfire Society is part of our community and relentlessly raises funds with an amazing group of volunteers. We wouldn't have the Bonfire and Fireworks without all their hard work throughout the year so, if you have the chance – please support the Village Fete as it's a great family afternoon. See their website for more details.

Cllr Sharon Davy (Chailey and Wivelsfield) [sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk](mailto:sharon.davy@lewes.gov.uk)  
Telephone: 01444 831 336

# Chailey Bonfire Report

Our thanks to everyone who helped at our Jumble Sale earlier this month. We had a huge amount of jumble donated which was all sorted into place by our wonderful helpers. We had a record number of customers through the door and the fundraising total for the day was £820.

At the time of writing we are very busy finalising everything for our St George's Fete on 20th April. We still have space for stalls, so if you are interested please contact Clare 07985 112968. We are also including a display of vintage vehicles and classic cars. If you are the proud owner or either/both and would like to bring it along to show, please get in touch with Clare.

If you are able to donate a cake for our cake stall, tombola prizes or a prize for our raffle, please contact Diane 01273 401900 and we will arrange collection.

Our ever-popular dog show will be taking registrations from 12pm, with the first class at 12.30pm.

Classes are: Puppy 6-18mth, Prettiest Bitch, Handsome Dog, Best Pair, Best rehome/rescue, Waggiest tail, Best Purebred, Best Crossbred, Veteran, Dog the judge would like to take home.

Winners of each class will be given a free entry into our Best in Show Class at the end of the afternoon. Each class costs £1.50 to enter.

We hope that you will be able to come along and join us for a fun afternoon for all the family.

March 100 club winner was number 34 Chris Jones. Well done Chris and thank you for your support.

Please note that the AGM of Chailey Bonfire Society Ltd and Chailey Bonfire Society will be held at The Five Bells Pub on Wednesday 1st May. The Limited Company meeting is at 8.15pm followed by the Chailey Bonfire Society meeting at 8.30pm. The meeting is open to everyone who is either already involved or to new members who are interested in getting involved.

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>

## Chailey Horticultural Society

Firstly a word of warning. Slug pellets containing metaldehyde will be banned from 2020 everywhere except permanent poly tunnels and greenhouses. This is because of their danger to wild life and a small risk of contamination of drinking water. The effectiveness of metaldehyde was that it is a contact killer and thus very effective against surface slugs. The applications that remain available are those containing ferric phosphate and biological agents.

Ferric phosphate is not a contact killer and works to kill slugs after ingestion. At present it is considered safe as it breaks down to ferric and phosphate compounds though both of these are poisonous in large quantities.

Biological controls work by infecting slugs with nematodes that seek out and kill them. The advantage is that it works on slugs below the surface. It lasts about six weeks per application. The soil needs to be warm and wet.

Now as promised to the growing of parsnips and carrots. The easiest way for parsnips and exhibition carrots is to use a dibber to make a hole about 6" deep and fill it with a mixture of 50/50 sieved universal compost and horticultural sand and plant 4 to 5 seeds on top. Parsnips are slow to germinate and always use fresh seed. Choose just one seedling and protect from slugs. Choose canker resistant varieties. With carrots use carrot fly resistant varieties ( Flyway) or protect with fleece.

Now something for the adventurous. Who has heard of Hamburg Parsley? Common in Eastern Europe it is almost unknown here. Botanically it is a parsley though distantly related to parsnips. The top growth looks and tastes like flat leaf parsley and the root

looks like parsnip with added flavours of parsley and celery. It is therefore dual purpose and easy to grow in the same way as parsnips. Completely hardy and ready to harvest in six months. Sowings can be made in March or July though too much heat can inhibit germination. Also don't pick too much of the green parsley like top growth as that will spoil the root which is used in the same way as parsnips. At our shows it would come under the 'any other vegetable' class!

By mid April greenhouses and poly tunnels should be frost free and allow the planting out of tomato plants though chillies, sweet peppers and aubergine will still benefit from a little extra warmth.

Prune fig trees in late March and early April and try to bring some order to what is usually a thoroughly disorderly tree.

Split agapanthus and repot orchids after flowering.

The St. George's Day Fete is on the 20th April and we will have a stand with plants for sale and advice to be given.

*Peter Estcourt 07803179708 - [pge44@icloud.com](mailto:pge44@icloud.com)*

## **Sussex Gardens Open for The Bevan Trust**

Open gardens days in aid of Sussex disability charity, The Bevan Trust.

7th April 11-4pm Banks Farm, Barcombe BN8 5DY

1st-2nd, 22nd-23rd June 11-4pm Holford Manor, North Chailey (no dogs please)

Entry £5, children go free, most areas wheelchair accessible, free parking, refreshments available to buy with profits going to The Bevan Trust (Registered Charity No. 1103520)

Visit [bevantrust.org](http://bevantrust.org) for more details

## **Girlguiding Lewes Windmill District Jumble Sale**

Saturday 18th May 11.00am Chailey Village Hall

Donations of Jumble will be gratefully received and can be dropped off at the hall on Saturday 18th from 8.30 am. Alternatively please call Terie Galpin on 07528699881 /01825 723727 to drop off before or to arrange a local collection.

If you would like to know more about Rainbows, Brownies Guides and Rangers in our District or would like information on volunteering as an adult please contact Terie.

## **OTHER LOCAL NEWS**

### **Wivelsfield Films**

Sunday 14th April Doors/licensed bar 7pm: film 7.30pm/ Wivelsfield Villager Hall, off Eastern Road, Wivelsfield Green RH17 7QG. Free, easy parking at Hall.

#### **Green Book (12A)**

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](http://wivelsfieldfilms.com) Homemade cakes, ice creams and drinks served before the film and during the interval.

# The Art Society, Uckfield, Lewes & Newick

**250 Years of the Royal Academy by Rosalind Whyte**  
**April 10th The Civic Centre Uckfield 2.30**

The first President of the Royal Academy was Sir Joshua Reynolds. With the permission of the King, George III, some 36 artists set up in Pall Mall in a room merely 30ft long. However, the gallery grew rapidly and in 1769 it held the first of what was to become the ever-popular Summer Exhibition. This was open, unusually for the time, to all artists, but they could of course be rejected as was Constable in 1802. However happily for him and for us, his work was accepted a few years later. In 1876 the Academy made its final move to Burlington House where it has remained to this day. The annual rent was a £1 for 999 years, a bargain if ever there was one!

Rosalind has a Masters in Art History from Goldsmiths College and a Masters in Gender, Society and Culture from Birkbeck College. Apart from her lectures she also leads appreciation art holidays. This lecture will be accompanied by an excellent digital presentation and the cost is £7 on the door for non-members. If you need any further information please contact our membership Secretary Ann McNorvell newickdfas2017@gmail.

## Newick Country Market

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

**PLEASE NOTE** during Easter week the market will be open on THURSDAY 18th April (Maundy Thursday) instead of Friday 19th (Good Friday), at the usual time.

Come and join us in the Village Hall to see our wide range of homemade savoury and sweet bakes as the fancy takes you, locally grown produce, bespoke greetings cards, jewellery, knitted items, plants and flower arrangements for that special occasion. Orders can be taken for any of the above, and special diets can also be catered for. If you cannot see what you want feel free to ask one of our producers.

April is the month when we start to have more plants available ready for summer planting, so come along and see our selection.

All the items are produced by members of the market and our cooks have the required standard of Food Hygiene Certificate.

If you haven't met us before why not drop in for some freshly brewed coffee, meet friends and catch up on village news.

It is advisable to come along early as many items sell out fast. Further information 01825 722907

## Bowls For Fun – Open Day 4th May 2019 – In the Heart of the Ashdown Forest

The Isle of Thorns and District Bowls Club on the A275 at Chelwood Gate (in the Cats' Protection grounds) are having an Open Day on 4th May 2019 (11am to 1pm and 2pm to 4pm) and welcome all who would like to play bowls in the heart of Ashdown Forest. All you need is some flat shoes with no ridges on them. We will provide all other equipment and hope some of you will come and join us at the club for fun and gentle exercise. (Please Phone Barbara Bird 01342 323861 for more information if needed.)

# Newick Amateur Dramatic Society

## “GASLIGHT”

**A VICTORIAN THRILLER BY PATRICK HAMILTON  
DIRECTED BY CIARAN KIELY**

This classic Victorian thriller was first produced in 1935. Jack Manningham is slowly and deliberately driving his wife, Bella, insane. He has almost succeeded when Bella has an unexpected caller, a former detective called Rough who believes her husband to be a murderer and a thief...

Samuel French Ltd.

Come along for a thrilling evening as the truth unfolds

**Wednesday 8th – Saturday 11th May 2019** Tickets £9 NEWICK VILLAGE HALL  
Curtain up 8.00 pm - Doors open 7.15 pm

Box Office : 01825 722359 or 722985 or Email : [info@newickdrama.org](mailto:info@newickdrama.org)  
or direct from Newick Butchers or at the door

## Newick Cinema

**A Community-based Venture for Sunday Evenings**

Our next show is on 28th APRIL. We hope that many of you will be able to come and enjoy the multi Oscar and BAFTA winning “GREEN BOOK”. 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.

**APRIL’S FILM** - Multi Oscar and BAFTA Winning - **GREEN BOOK**

Dr Don Shirley is a world-class African-American pianist, who is about to embark on a concert tour in the Deep South in 1962. In need of a driver and protection, Shirley recruits Tony Lip, a tough-talking bouncer from an Italian-American neighbourhood in the Bronx. Despite their differences, the two men soon develop an unexpected bond while confronting racism and danger in an era of segregation.

28 APRIL 2019 in Newick Village Hall, Western Road, Newick BN8 4LY

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](mailto:newickcinema@outlook.com), or ringing Mike Berry on 01825 723392

Booking in advance not necessary but will secure the best seats in the front rows

## Burgess Hill Symphony Orchestra

Our next concert is at St. Andrews' Church, Junction Road, Burgess Hill, on Saturday 11th May at 7.30 p.m. The programme is:

The Barber of Seville Overture.	Rossini
Cello concerto. opus 104.	Dvorak
Symphony No. 2.	Brahms

Our soloist is a local favourite Pavlos Carvalho. Tickets £12.50 in advance; £15 on the door. Under 16s free. We look forward to seeing you,

*Monica Todd*

## **Lewes Citizens Advice - UNIVERSAL CREDIT - HELP TO CLAIM**

Lewes District Citizens Advice is launching our new Help to Claim service for Universal Credit on **1st April 2019**. The service is available face to face, by phone and web chat, supporting clients from the start of the Universal Credit application process through until they receive their first payment.

Our adviser will help with setting up an email address or bank account and help you complete the application form. To access the service drop into any of our offices across the district during opening hours or call **0800 144 8 444** and you will get advice on how to proceed with your claim. The web chat service will be available through the Citizens Advice self-help website.

As well as help in our offices we will also have someone in Lewes Job Centre every Monday morning and the Newhaven Job Centre every Thursday morning where Citizens Advice and Job Centre staff will work together to make sure the claim process is as straightforward as possible. If money is tight and you would like to apply for an advance payment until the first payment comes through, we can help you set this up and discuss how the repayments will work so that you don't leave yourself short of money while the loan is being paid off.

For information and advice, call us on **03444 111444**, visit one of our offices in Newhaven, Lewes or Seaford or check out our website [www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk](http://www.lewesdistrictcab.org.uk) for further details

## **Ardingly Choral Society with Mid Sussex Sinfonia - Mendelssohn's ELIJAH**

Sunday 07 April 2019 7.30pm Ardingly College Chapel

Soprano: Sally Harrison, Alto: Jane Haughton, Tenor: Lawrence Oisworth-Peter  
Bass: Mike Christie-Bass Conductor: Robert Hammersley

Tickets £15. (Conc £13) From M Kershaw. **01825 791241** Online - [www.ardinglychoralsociety.org.uk](http://www.ardinglychoralsociety.org.uk)

## **Chailey News - May Issue**

The deadline for the May issue of Chailey News is 16th April. To avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e-mails for spam please:

1. Send items to [chaileynews@chec.co.uk](mailto:chaileynews@chec.co.uk)
2. Include "Chailey News" in Subject section of the e mail.
3. If a new subscriber or sending from an e mail address for the first time please phone us on 01825 724376 so we are aware and able to look out for it.

*Best wishes from everyone at CHEC*