

June, 2007

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# PARISH NEWS

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## June Tides ..... Rye Harbour Approaches

Add one hour in shaded areas for Summer Time

Date	Day	Time (hrs)	Height (m)	Time (hrs)	Height (m)
1	Fri	1117	3.1	2330	3.0
2	Sat	1151	3.1	-----	-----
3	Sun	0003	3.0	1223	3.1
4	Mon	0036	3.0	1257	3.1
5	Tues	0112	3.0	1336	3.1
6	Wed	0155	2.8	1422	3.0
7	Thurs	0024	2.6	1515	2.8
8	Fri	0347	2.5	1615	2.7
9	Sat	0457	2.5	1720	2.7
10	Sun	0607	2.5	1827	2.1
11	Mon	0714	2.6	1934	3.0
12	Tues	0815	2.8	2035	3.1
13	Wed	0912	3.0	2134	3.3
14	Thurs	1006	3.2	2230	3.4
15	Fri	1059	3.3	2323	3.4
16	Sat	1147	3.4	-----	-----
17	Sun	0012	3.4	1232	3.4
18	Mon	0057	3.3	1315	3.4
19	Tues	0140	3.1	1358	3.0
20	Wed	0223	2.8	1441	3.1
21	Thurs	0308	2.6	1525	2.8
22	Fri	0350	2.4	1612	2.6
23	Sat	0448	2.1	1705	2.4
24	Sun	0547	1.9	1803	2.1
25	Mon	0652	2.0	1910	2.1
26	Tues	0753	2.1	2011	2.2
27	Wed	0846	2.2	2102	2.5
28	Thurs	0933	2.6	2148	2.6
29	Fri	1016	2.7	2232	2.8
30	Sat	1057	3.0	2112	3.0

Low Tide is about 7.5 hours after high tide times listed

## EDITORIAL



Oh Dear, Oh Dear, Oh Dear

where was my 'head' when I put together the April edition of the Parish News? For those who spotted the mistake my sincere apologies. For those who didn't - I printed the April edition letters on one page and the May letters on the other. This month I have printed the missing letters from the May issue and hope that you can now make sense of all this.

The Parish and District Elections duly took place on the 3<sup>rd</sup> May and the results of the election are given in this edition of the Parish News. Congratulations to our new Councillors and we hope you have a very successful term in office.

When I came out of the Village Hall after voting, to my horror I discovered I had a seriously flat tyre. Now I don't know about you ladies but I can change a wheel (have done so in the past) but why do I never have the confidence to believe it is on tightly enough!! I have visions of the wheel flying off when I am driving down the motorway or even a country lane, so I end up taking it to a garage just to make sure.

We have a 'packed' edition of the news this month but I would like to specifically draw your attention to the leaflet enclosed 'Silent Auction'. Be sure to read it and get your bids in as soon as possible.

Copy for the July edition can be sent to me on email at [denise.jordan@virgin.net](mailto:denise.jordan@virgin.net) or delivered to me at 5 Glebe Cottages, Elms Lane (814187). The deadline for copy is the 15<sup>th</sup> June. Any copy you can get to me before that date would be greatly appreciated.



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## AS I REMEMBER PETT IN 1941

When I moved to Pett in 1941, I had just married a local man, Henry John Griffen (known to everyone as Jack), he was a soldier at the time.

To me Pett seemed a lovely little village where people were friendly and considerate to each other as they went about their daily business, it had few houses and lots of green fields that edged the road, the amenities were good.

The East Kent bus service ran 8 times daily, the first out of Pett was at 8am, the last back was at 10.50pm. The drivers were always very helpful. My mother-in-law used to go into Hastings about once a month. If she had lots of shopping bags and no one met the bus the driver would carry her shopping to her gate, (she lived in Oak Cottage - the first house on the right in Elm Lane). This was done out of respect for a lady. When an urgent prescription was needed you could stop the bus, explain to the driver your need to get medication and he would willingly take the prescription, get it made up and drop it off on his next journey through the village. All this came at no charge, just friendship and respect for others.

The Look Out at the top of Chick Hill was used as the Beach Club, because Pett Level was a restricted area. You had to have a special pass to go down there.

The Hundreds was on Chick Hill near the top. Mr. Banger grew and sold the most delicious tomatoes I have ever tasted. I grow my own and have tried over the years to match them but to date haven't found his secret.

At No. 1 Lunsford Cottages Mr. Fred Harmer sold freshly caught fish.

Along the road on the left at The Roundels you could buy tomatoes and fresh free range eggs.

The Royal Oak was run by Mrs Morris. It was her home but two rooms were open for public use, the one on the right was the shop selling sweets, tobacco, dry groceries, vegetables and fruit when available. The room on the left was used by Mr. Hanley to run the Library every Monday afternoon. A clinic was also held there by the District Nurses so that babies and young children could be weighed and receive their immunizations. Mothers could also collect their allowance of cod-liver-oil and orange juice.

At the top of Panel Lane was the lovely old Vicarage. Once a year a Jumble Sale would be held there in the stables, also in the summer the village Fete where the children would have horse rides in the grounds.

Then, of course, the Beautiful Church with its unlocked doors

welcoming anyone and everyone. The Churchyard was neatly kept by Mr. Spencer Glazier. It was such a lovely place to spend time.

Next to the Church was the Post Office. Mrs. Colegate was the Post Mistress. In those days a Post Office only dealt with Post Office business.

Alongside was Seetmans Grocery Store. This sold sweets, cigarettes, tobacco, vegetables and fruit, when available, wines, spirits and beer.

Just along the road on the right was the village hall built in the memory of a soldier that was killed in the 1914-1918 war. This hall was the centre of the villagers' social life. On Monday evening from the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in January the men would go along and pay their Tong Tide money (like a Christmas club today). On the 2<sup>nd</sup> week in December they would draw it out. This was run by Mr. Spencer Glazier. Every Tuesday and Friday evening a men's club was held, on Wednesday evenings the whist drive took place. Once a month, on a Friday afternoon, the W.I. met. Every school day the children would come to the hall for a cooked meal and a dessert. This would be served by Mrs. Dorothy (Dolly) Butler and Mrs. Milly Cloke.

A few yards along on the same side was the School. There was a house for the teacher and two classrooms where children aged 5 years - 14 years had their lessons. It had a playground and out door toilets.

Just a few yards further along the road in the same place that it stands today was the Methodist Chapel.

Going a little way along on the left was the garage selling fuel. Next to that three Sussex Cottages marked the end of Pett Village. The left side of the road was in Fairlight, the right was in Guestling.

On the right was, as it is today, the Two Sawyers. Back then it was a country club. You had to be a member to be able to drink there. In the forecourt was a big wooden shed used as the butchers shop, Mr Robert (Bob) Whiteman was the butcher.

Then there was the village forge and all the local horses were taken there to be shod. This later became a brewery.

Still on the right, the dairy was owned by Miss Hills. She would sell you milk from there but also delivered milk daily with her horse and cart.

Nearing Watermill Lane you could find Mr. J Barden, the local builder and decorator, and Mr. T. Barden the local undertaker and carpenter.

Just down Watermill Lane at No 3 Milly Cloke's sitting room was used as the Doctors surgery and her kitchen as the waiting room on Tuesday and Friday mornings.

Back to the main road, a few yards along on the left, next to Rose Cottage, was a long tin shed that served as Mr. Mercer's Haberdashery shop. If you needed it, he sold it!

How Pett has changed over the years.

M.G.





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**FORTHCOMING EVENTS**

*Final Reminder For .....*

**PETT W.I.**

Our next get together will be in the Village Hall on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> June at 2.30.

The business part of the meeting will be followed by a talk by Mrs. S.Bridges entitled 'Easter Island Return'.

In the third part of the afternoon there will be sandwiches and home made cakes, as much teas as you can drink and a good gossip. We also have a selection of books for sale and will hold a raffle.

Sadly our membership is decreasing so if you would like to come for a visit you will be made very welcome.

*Evelyn Darnell*

**WATER SAVING TIP OF THE MONTH**

USE BATH WATER TO FILL THE TOILET CISTERN

**PETT LEVEL PRESERVATION TRUST**

will be holding a Fundraising Lunch at the White House, Pett Level, on Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June at 12.30 pm, by kind invitation of Mrs. Angela Hawksley. Tickets, at £8 to include drinks, should be booked in advance by phoning Angela on 812705.

*Avril Thurley  
(Hon Secretary)*

**PETT SUMMER FAIR**

at Pett Church on Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> June, from 2 - 4 pm. There will be stalls, a raffle, games and refreshments. Goods for the stalls or raffle may be left at the church or at 'October'. Offers of help gratefully received. Call Jillian on 01424 813841.

J.A.G



**THE BLESSING OF THE MARRIAGE**

of

Elizabeth Greenfield and Len Manwaring will be taking place on at 11.30 am on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June at

St.Andrews Church, Fairlight.

We welcome all our friends in Pett and Fairlight who would like to come and celebrate this happy occasion. E.G. tel: 812721

**SECURITY TIP**

**Car Crime**

Don't leave anything on display in your car. Even an old coat on the back seat is a temptation for someone to 'smash and grab' - they steal first and think about value later.



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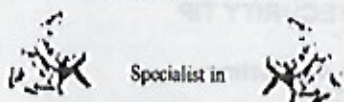
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## OBITUARY

### DENIS GLENN 1936 - 2007

It was with much sadness that I heard of the passing of Denis Glenn who died on April 24<sup>th</sup> after a short illness. If you are not sure who Denis was I would not be surprised, for he was a quiet, unassuming, gentle man but was always busy helping others without seeking recognition or thanks...

Denis was born in Ireland, where work was hard to find and so, in his teens he joined the RAF. This became his life, in fact he spent more than half his life serving his country. When he married local girl Hilary Webb, she became a RAF wife and travelled the world with him. They had two children, Julia and Andrew, who now lives in Canada.

Throughout their married life Denis and Hilary were regular visitors to Pett, returning to Hilary's family home, Rose Cottage. On his retirement they naturally made this their home, Denis loved Pett almost as much as Ireland. He and Hilary kept up the family tradition of gardening (The Cecil Webb Memorial Cup being a coveted trophy at the Annual Flower Show). Denis could be seen in all weathers tending to this wonderful flowers and vegetables, despite an on-going battle with badgers, which he never entirely won! They were also keen walkers, Denis, Hilary and Julia could often be spotted on the highways and byways around the village.

Although he was such a quiet, family man, Denis will actually be missed by a great number of us. He was always willing to help anyone who had a problem. He could turn his hand to anything, whether it was fixing a telephone, sorting electrical faults, or even mending gas cookers. Denis would methodically work through the problem (his military training?) and never gave up! As well as helping those of us in Pett he recently spent much of his time working alongside adults with learning difficulties and he was on the Executive Committee of Hastings and Bexhill MENCAP.

His kindness and patience will be missed by us all. I, like many of you feel privileged to have known him. He was a wonderful husband and devoted father. Our thoughts are with Hilary, Julia and Andrew at this sad time.

*Rosemary Osborn*





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## FISH RECIPE OF THE MONTH

There exists a belief that shellfish is harmful to health and can cause high cholesterol. It is true that a small amount of dietary cholesterol is found in shellfish. However, this will not affect your cholesterol level so it is safe to enjoy shellfish as part of a balanced diet 2 -3 times a week. More information on this subject is available from Heart UK ([www.heartuk.org.uk](http://www.heartuk.org.uk)) or the British Dietetic Association ([www.bda.uk.com](http://www.bda.uk.com)).

This month's recipe therefore is a healthy and tasty addition to the BBQ season. Prawns are a low fat food and combined with this walnut pesto, provide a lot of omega-3 fats which have a protective effect on the heart.

### KING PRAWN SKEWERS WITH WALNUT PESTO

This is an unusual starter or main course which can be prepared in advance and kept in the fridge until you are ready to cook.

12 - 16 large, raw, shell on prawns  
50g/ 2oz/ ½ cup walnut pieces  
60ml / 4 tbsp chopped fresh flat-leaved parsley  
60ml / 4 tbsp chopped fresh basil  
2 gloves garlic  
45ml/ 3 tbsp grated fresh parmesan cheese  
30ml/ 2 tbsp olive oil  
30ml/ 2 tbsp walnut oil  
salt and freshly ground pepper

Peel the prawns, removing the head but leaving the tail, and put in a large mixing bowl.

To make the pesto, place the walnuts, parsley, garlic, cheese and oils in a food processor and process until finely chopped. Season.

Add half the pesto to the prawns in the bowl, toss them well, then cover and chill in the fridge for a minimum of 1 hour, or leave overnight.

Thread the prawns on to skewers and cook them on a hot BBQ for 1 - 2 minutes each side, when the prawns will change from grey to an orange/ pink colour.

Serve with remaining pesto, fresh crusty bread and a green salad.



## LETTER PAGE



March edition, Parish News – Keep it coming, Denise! As ever, my mother (no longer able to live here) loved it as it keeps her in touch with village life. She particularly enjoyed 'Life on the Level' - brought back happy memories of her years in Pett. Anything to do with village history is always a hit – although we couldn't place the Gun Shed (image, p 8) Where is it? (or was it, since it is being demolished – no, we didn't know that either) The advertising gaffes were fun - especially the Nytol one! Looking forward to the April Issue...'  
(Name and address supplied)

*Ed: The Gun Shed is next to the Village Hall.*

Dear Editor,

Reading BM's "Life on the Level" I would like to endorse the sentiments concerning the gorse and blackthorn at Toot Rock. It is such a shame that it has been allowed to take over so much of Pett Level. I dug out an old postcard from 1915 showing Pett Level more, well, level. How nice it would be if the Countryside Stewardship Scheme was available for this area also.

*Nick Davey*

Dear Editor,

### **Daffodil destroyers**

The spring daffodils were a beautiful display, a credit to the village. Fortuitously, Pett has not been the victim of sabotage as in the case of a village in Yorkshire (Daily Telegraph 31/3/07) where the whole display was destroyed by a hedge cutter.

Sadly, we were the victims of vandals on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> March between the hours of 15.15 and 15.45 hours when quite a number of

blooms by the church were beheaded. Four young people and a big stick were observed in the area at that time.

It would be very considerate of them to come forward in the autumn and assist the flower loving residents, who are no doubt planning a finer display for 2008

*Pett Villager  
(Name and address supplied)*

Dear Editor,

May I take this opportunity to thank Avril and others for their kind words expressed in connection with my recent departure from the Parish Council. I will miss the work, the 'debates' and perhaps most of all, the constant relearning of Rother District Council planning policies!

I also offer my congratulations to the newly elected Council and wish them every success in the management of our village affairs. You can be assured of my support.

*Chris Saint.*

Dear Residents

This is to ask everyone for their help. It has come to my attention that the pavilion at Pett has encountered vandalism. For those of you who are not aware, the pavilion is currently being redecorated. For the pavilion to be decorated this costs money. Money that comes from you, the parishioners of Pett village. Vandalism is a mindless act which is frustrating and inconvenient to the people who use the pavilion. I have been told that broken glass has been found in the area. This of course needs sweeping before games can be played on the recreation ground. On a very serious note, the broken glass could result in an injury to someone. Please keep in mind that young children visit the recreation ground to use the play park.

Villagers who use the recreation ground if I could ask you to keep your eyes open and to report vandalism to the police. **If anybody knows anything that can help to identify the offenders please call 0845 60 70 999.**

Parents are you aware of what your children are doing when they are not with you?

I ask that you are mindful of your children's actions when they are not in your sight, for their safety.

Thank you for your assistance in this matter.

*Police Community Support Officer  
Chrissy Locke*



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...or I will be if I'm not careful. Just when it becomes official that I am Publicity Officer extraordinaire I go and make a huge mistake by omitting Ray Barden from the Vice-President list of the 'who's who' of the Horticultural society. My sincere apologies Ray, wouldn't have missed you off intentionally for the world. (Think my upgrade in 30 years time has just gone up a bit more)

However, down to business. For those of you who don't read the Village Voice in the Rye Observer, (and what is there to read normally?) schedules for the July Flower Show are now available in a variety of places. Anywhere you might go really, like the Post Offices in Pett, Fairlight and Ore or the Butchers or Wakehams or the Pubs (all those in the vicinity) or even from some notable villagers like Vice-president Ray Barden at Nedrabs! (Extra mention Ray) Other villagers and venues where the schedules can be obtained include Miss Cicely Perring (Watermill House) Col. Alan Parks (Field Cottage) Paul Norris at the upholsterers, the Co-op at Winchelsea Beach and the Beach Club. You cannot escape them even at Flicks in the Village on 1<sup>st</sup> June as they will be lurking by the doorway! You might even find them at a few other places too.

Now, don't forget, when you do find them choose what classes you want to enter and fill in the enclosed entry form in legible handwriting, stating children's ages for their classes, and

hand it in by 25<sup>th</sup> July. Yet again I just stress the need to keep to all stated sizes and amounts as the Judges will disqualify all those that are not correct. Also, all exhibits must be staged by 10.15am at the latest and there will be no admission to the Marquee after this time. This is a fun flower show and you WILL enjoy yourselves!

Do hope you visit all the other attractions that will be on the field that day and if you would like to help out or donate any produce or gifts or money, then please do contact one of the committee members. Last year some of the stalls were left out as there was nobody to run them, so if you can, please do!

Last reminder in next month's issue (if I haven't been replaced by then)

Jackie Richards  
Publicity Officer  
June 2007

You know you are getting older when  
instead of going  
Skinny dipping - you go  
Chunky plunging!

### SAVING TIP OF THE MONTH

Have you tried 'ryefreecycle'? Before you commit any 'still useful' item to the landfill site, try using the above website as someone else might need it. Alternatively, you can request items too.



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## NATURE NOTES

The most unusual report in April was of a dormouse on a nut feeder in Cliff End Lane. I get woodmice regularly, and once I had a very good view of a yellow-necked mouse, but never a dormouse. It would certainly be difficult to mistake any other sort of mouse for a dormouse in view of the latter's furry tail.

It's all very well having my tame blackbird come into the cottage, but it has its disadvantages for both of us. For me, the downside is that Mr. Blackbird is not



housetrained. For him, he has twice spent the morning shut indoors because I didn't notice him when I went out. Each time when I opened the door he shot out past me, complaining loudly about false imprisonment, but he seems incapable of learning from his experiences.

For the benefit of those who asked, I offer without comment the description of Monkshood given in my wildflower book:- "Although Monkshood had been used medicinally to treat neuralgia, gout, arthritis, rheumatism and measles, it is extremely poisonous. Only a small amount may cause death within a very short time." I have some in my garden if anyone wants some seedheads - not to be grown where puppies play!

The new nest box which I put up last year, and which was boycotted

last summer, is now being used by Great Tits. As usual, Blue Tits are nesting in the box by my back door, and Starlings under the porch roof. The latter are extremely noisy, especially in the evenings, and they are lucky that their nest is securely fortified as they must have advertised their presence to every passing cat. Once again I have no Martins, and I haven't even seen a Spotted Flycatcher.

The apple trees have carried so much blossom this year that the leaves were hardly visible. No doubt we shall all be giving each other apples in September.

Avril Thurley



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PARISH DIARY - June 2007

VH = Village Hall

RG = Recreation Ground

Friday 1st	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Saturday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Bowls Club Cup Competition	RG	10 am
	Cricket v. Eastbourne 3 <sup>rd</sup>	RG	2 pm
	Church Jumble Sale	VH	2 pm
Sunday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cricket v. Icklesham	RG	2.30 pm
Monday 4 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Parent and Toddler Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	Royal Oak	8.30 pm
Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Mobile Library	Church	10.20 am
		Chick Hill	11.10 am
		Smuggler	11.45 am
	Puppy Training Class	VH	1 pm
	Advanced dog training	VH	2 pm
Thursday 7 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.30 am
	Flicks in the Village	VH	7.30 pm
Friday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
	Railway Club	VH	7.30 pm
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket v. Crowborough 2 <sup>nd</sup>	RG	2 pm
Sunday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Bowls v. Herstmonceux	RG	2.30 pm
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Parent and Toddler Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	Royal Oak	8.30 pm
Tuesday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Garden Club	VH	7.30 pm
Wednesday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Puppy Training Class	VH	1 pm
	Advanced dog training	VH	2 pm
	Bowls President v. Captain Match	RG	2.30 pm
Thursday 14 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.30 am
Friday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
	Women's Institute	VH	2.30 pm
Saturday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Fayre	Parish Church	2 pm

	Cricket v. Lewes St. Michaels 3 <sup>rd</sup>	RG	2 pm
Sunday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket v. Hastings Priory	RG	2 pm
Monday 18 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Parent and Toddler Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	Royal Oak	8.30 pm
Tuesday 19 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket v. Warlingham	RG	2.30 pm
	Parish Council	VH	7.30 pm
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Mobile Library	Church	10.20 am
		Chick Hill	11.10 am
		Smuggler	11.45 am
	Puppy Training Class	VH	1 pm
	Advanced dog training	VH	2 pm
	Bowls v Hastings	RG	2.30 pm
Thursday 21 <sup>st</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.30 am
	Bowls v. White Rock	RG	2.30 pm
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Saturday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Bowls mini tournament & picnic	RG	10 am
	Cricket v. Wadhurst 1st	RG	2 pm
Sunday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Cricket v. Eastbourne Martlets	RG	1.30 pm
	Bowls v. Hollington	RG	2.30 pm
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Parent and Toddler Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	Royal Oak	8.30 pm
Wednesday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Puppy Training Class	VH	1 pm
	Advanced dog training	VH	2 pm
Thursday 28 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.30 am
Friday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Saturday 30 <sup>th</sup>	PLPT Lunch,	White House, Felt Level	12.30 pm
	Cricket v. St. Peters 3 <sup>rd</sup>	RG	2 pm
	Bowls v. Guestling	RG	2.30 pm

If you would like your regular meetings or special events to be included in the Parish Diary, please drop a programme, note or fixture list in to Rectory Cottage.

Avril Thurley



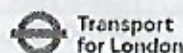
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time will read 01 02 03 04 05 06 07  
(Hour, Minute, Second, 10<sup>th</sup>s of a  
second, day, month, year).

Not only does June have Fathers  
Day (17<sup>th</sup>), Longest Day (21<sup>st</sup>) Mid  
Summer Day (24<sup>th</sup>) but is the only  
month this year to have two Full  
Moons – 1st day and the last day.

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Ever Wondered Why:

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"practice"?

### ROTHER DISTRICT COUNCIL

Declaration of Result of Poll May 3<sup>rd</sup> 2007  
for the  
PETT PARISH COUNCIL

Surname	Other Names	Number of Votes recorded.	
Camble	Gordon	116	
Dunlop	Andrew	244	Elected
Green	Jillian	185	Elected
Hollman	Arthur	186	Elected
King	Martin	119	Elected
Roberts	Brian	188	Elected
Stapley	Paul	156	Elected
Woodcock	Brian	144	Elected

The total number of votes recorded represented 43.8% of the registered voters.

Andrew Dunlop  
Jillian Green  
Arthur Hollman  
Martin King  
Brian Roberts  
Paul Stapley  
Brian Woodcock

are duly elected for the Pett Parish of the Rother District Council

Declaration of Result of Poll  
for the  
MARSHAM WARD

Surname	Other Names	Number of votes recorded	
Bird	Roger	1063	Elected
Patten	Robin	1120	Elected
Warren	Nicholas	264	

The total number of votes recorded represented 45.47% of the registered voters.

Roger Bird  
Robin Patten

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# RSPCA Mallydams Wood Adult Courses 2007

## SKETCHING WOODLAND with Sarah Stone - Saturday 9th June 12pm - 4pm

Join local artist Sarah for sketching plants and trees in Mallydams Wood. You will get a chance to ask Sarah for tips and techniques to develop and improve your own sketching skills. Please bring your own pencils and sketch books.

## TREE IDENTIFICATION with John Goodman - Saturday 14th July 12pm - 4pm

Come and join John for a tour of our woodland, learning how to identify both the native and non-native species of trees growing in our 55-acre nature reserve. John was the first ever warden here at Mallydams Wood and what he doesn't know about trees is probably not worth knowing!

## AN INTRODUCTION TO BIOLOGICAL DATA RECORDING

With Henri Brocklebank - Saturday 8th September 12pm - 4pm

Henri is the manager of the Sussex Biodiversity Records Centre and has kindly offered to come and present a session on the basics of biological data recording. Come along to this session to find out how you can help to ensure the continued survival and protection of our wildlife habitats.

## FIRST AID FOR WILDLIFE with Richard Thompson - Sunday 21st October 2pm - 5pm

Would you know how to give emergency first aid treatment to a wild animal before taking it to a veterinary surgery or wildlife rehabilitation centre? Well if not, here's your chance to learn more! Richard is the wildlife centre officer here at Mallydams Wood and has many years first-hand experience in the treatment and rehabilitation of our native wild animals and birds.

## WILDLIFE PHOTOGRAPHY with Andrew Forsyth - Saturday 27th October 1pm - dusk

This course is aimed at the budding amateur photographers among us! Learn all about the basic techniques the professionals use to make the most of their subject matter from one of the country's foremost wildlife photographers. Andrew is one of the RSPCA's own photographers but his trips to far-off lands to photograph wild animals in their native environment are truly awe-inspiring.

Please bring your own camera with you on the day.

**FOR BOOKING FORMS AND FURTHER DETAILS:** Contact RSPCA Mallydams Wood, Peter Jones Lane, Fairlight, Hastings, East Sussex, TN35 4AH Tel 0870 010 1850

## LIFE ON THE LEVEL - MAY

What a Spring! The Level and its surrounding countryside looked unbelievably beautiful with everything seeming to bloom in unison.

The backlash of this lovely weather was brought home rather sharply when we attended the annual meeting of the Pett Level Preservation Trust where the speaker was Jonathan Hunter the Environment Agency's Senior South Eastern Flood Risk Officer. No longer known as Flood Defence it is now Flood Risk Management as the decision has been taken to allow nature to take its course in future as it will be 'economically impossible to defend all locations'.

As I understand it, and it's a big subject to take in, instead of attempting to hold the sea back against the threat of rising sea levels, they will employ controlled flooding of areas where least damage will be incurred, thereby minimising the effects to heavily developed areas. Defence schemes will continue to be maintained in vital and heavily populated areas. How long for, one wonders? I believe the talk was designed to reassure but I think quite a few returned home rather subdued. I trust the residents of Pett Village have contingency plans in place to accommodate residents from the Level as we surge up the hill seeking refuge?

We have an interesting historical vehicle here on The Level. It's an

old Sheffield bus dating back to 1922 and currently lived in by its now owner, who it has to be said is obsessive about it and its history. Get him talking about it and it's difficult to stop him! These buses had a very short lifespan of only about five years, due to the harsh terrain of Sheffield at that time, and about twenty of them were bought by a farmer in Ashford who had the idea of converting them into horse drawn caravans. The horses then took them to their final destinations where they were used as holiday homes and in some cases for more permanent residences. Some years later the Council, in an attempt to 'clean up' the area known as Marsham flatland, insisted that these old vehicles must be destroyed when they were replaced by newer caravans/chalets etc. In the village Plan drawn up in the early 1970's the Council wrote 'The Marsham flatland area between Chick Hill and Royal Military Canal is low-lying and is occupied by a range of dwelling types including holiday accommodation. Most of the dwellings are of substandard construction including converted bus bodies which are considered detrimental to the pleasant nature of the area'. But one remained. "Caravelle" is being lovingly restored and can be found if you care to take a stroll around that fascinating area behind the canal.

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My role is to:-

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If incidents are not reported to the police and not stopped they can escalate. Please report all incidents to stop them from happening again, and causing alarm or harassment or distress to someone else. If we are

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I can be contacted at Rye Police Station on 0845 60 70 999 where a message can be left or via email at [Christine.locke@sussex.pnn.police.co.uk](mailto:Christine.locke@sussex.pnn.police.co.uk)

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- 1801 Population of Pett was 185.
- 1801 Lists were prepared for every village, including Pett, of people, animals, wagons, arms, tools, windmills, crops, etc., and their possible use in the defence of the realm against the threat of Napoleon Bonaparte and the French.
- 1804 The Royal Military Canal (from Shorncliffe, Kent, to Cliff End) was started. It was completed in 1809 at a cost of over £200,000.
- 1805 Martello Towers were being built along the coast. By 1808 seventy-three had been completed - eight of them along the Pett and Winchelsea beaches. By the end of the century all the local Martello Towers had either been eroded by the sea or blown up.
- 1829 One of the many smuggling runs occurred between Watch House and Cliff End.
- 1833-1837 Three men were sentenced to be transported to Australia for crimes committed in Pett. George Fowler (age 16) for 7 years, Robert Collier (age 31) for 7 years and George

Sawyer (age 31) for 10 years.

- 1864 New Church, St. Mary & St. Peter, built at Pett for £1,600. It was dedicated by the Bishop of Chichester, Rt. Rev. A.T. Gilbert on the 29<sup>th</sup> December.

1880's Florentina Lucas Shadwell withdrew the licence of the Royal Oak Public House.

1910 First Parish Magazine published.

1917 16<sup>th</sup>/17<sup>th</sup> March; Zeppelin L39 dropped bombs on Pett, causing £163 of damage to two houses. Later on the 17<sup>th</sup>, the L39 was shot down over France. All 17 members of the crew were killed.

1917 24 November. Auction of 3,680 acres of Fairlight Hall estate, which included much of Pett and Pett Level was held in Hastings.

1920's First Pett Bus operated. This was a converted van run by Mr. Morris of the Royal Oak.

1923 Old Village Hall built on a site presented to the village by Mr. Dennett in memory of his son Preston, who was killed during the First World War.

1929 Pett church first fitted with electric light.

1930 31 July: Amy Johnson gives flights in her Gipsy Moth plane (named Jason), to people from Pett for 10/- a go. The plane landed in a field near Fairlight Hall.

1939-Second World War: 54 high explosive bombs, 10 unexploded H.E. bombs, 13 flying bombs (V1s) and 3 unexploded shells fell on Pett and Pett Level. 9 of the V1s fell in the sea or close to the land. There were also 3 machine gun attacks from the air.

1940 29 May: Pett Level marshland flooded as part of S.E. England defences.

1947 New Sea Wall built on Pett Level. Much work done on the sea wall since.

1963 Pett Sports Association inaugurated.

1972 Pett Level Naturalists Society started.

1978 2 June: United Benefice of Pett and Guestling formed.

1980 July: Pett Parish boundaries enlarged to include a strip of land that was formerly in Fairlight.

1987 15/16 October: Hurricane. Winds up to 108 mph, barometric pressure 958 millibars and in four hours 15 million trees were lost in

Sussex; lorries overturned; church steeples crashed to the ground; cars were crushed and 3,000 miles of telephone lines came down.

1994 8 September: United Benefice of Fairlight, Guestling and Pett formed.

2002 The new Pett Village Hall was opened by the comedian Paul Merton.

I am sure that some other notable dates have been missed off this list. If you know of any glaring omissions please tell the Parish News Editor, or me, and perhaps they could be added on.

*John Taylor*

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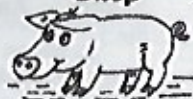
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### PARKINSONS DISEASE SOCIETY

Pub Crawl on 14<sup>th</sup> April 2007

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part in the pub crawl - The pubs who  
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### GARDENING CLUB NEWS

Our Plant sale went very well on the 8th of May, and I must say a very big 'Thank you' to all those wonderful people who brought plants for us to sell on behalf of the Club. I always worry for weeks ahead that we won't have enough to sell, and I plant everything I have growing in my garden to boost the plant tables, and this year you all really came up trumps!

We have an 'Extra' gathering this month to go on a visit to Hole Park in Rolvenden, and we meet at the Village Hall at 1.30pm. on Thursday 24th May to organise the journey. We are spending the afternoon firstly with the Owner of the the house and garden, having a guided tour, then we will have a browse around the Gardens, and make our way to the Tea rooms where the owners wife will have a lovely home made 'Afternoon Tea' for us, before we meander gently home again. Any one who isn't on our list to come on this trip will be more than welcome the 'tickets' are £11 each and we will see you at the Village hall on Thursday. ( we travel by car in 'convoy' )

Don't forget the next official meeting for the Club will be on Tuesday the 12th June, and we meet again at the Village Hall, this time at 6.15pm. to travel - (again in convoy). We are going to Great Park Farm near Battle, for a walk in their lovely 'Show Gardens' to browse through the Nursery and to Shop for wonderful vegetables and gourmet foods in their 'Gourmet Kitchen' sales department. Oh I and did I mention the glass of wine while you are browsing? See you there!

P.W.B. 17 05 2007

### VILLAGE PHOTO

View of Chick Hill Circa 1890 - 1910  
(Picture supplied by Mrs. Dannie Bourne)





## ICKLESHAM CASUALS FOOTBALL CLUB

The reason that Football club reports have dried up in recent months is that the pitches didn't. The incredibly wet December and January threatened to result in abandonment of the season – something that had previously occurred only once in over a century. Thankfully, though, the weather relented and this did not happen. The upshot, however, was a backlog of fixtures which saw the season extended into the second week of May (when cricket demands were also competing) and a host of midweek fixtures – which at one point saw the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI playing 4 times in the space of 8 days.

The season has now – finally – ended, and the enforced mid-season break did the Club no harm at all. The start of December saw both teams struggling in their respective divisions (both then occupied relegation places), but in the final analysis the 1<sup>st</sup> team finished a highly creditable fourth in East Sussex League Division 1, whilst the 2<sup>nd</sup> XI achieved a respectable mid-table position in Division 5.

Highlights for the 1<sup>st</sup> XI included league doubles over Firehills, Sandhurst and Northiam (including a 7-3 home victory in which Phil Badrock scored 5 times). Once again, the bulk of their goals were scored by Badrock (23) and Sean Baker (14). Although the backbone of the team is an ageing one, younger players such as Greg Palmer, Sam and George Richardson, Dan Marsh and Tim

Linch have all established themselves as regulars this season.

The Second XI were rarely able to field a settled team but relied on strength in depth, fielding no less than 48 players over the season. Too often, the team was unable to defend a lead and lost too many games by the odd goal. Highlights were defeating Heathfield Hotspur both home and away, and winning 4 and drawing 1 of the last 6 matches (a run which included victory over Cinque Points and a draw against Panako, the two teams that secured promotion). Goals were shared out more equally than was the case with the first team: Janek Zysemil led the way with 12; the versatile Jon Fitton chipped in with 8; and Dale Glazier scored 7.

### Playing records:

1st XI: P20 W10 D5 L5 For 54 Ag 48 Pts 35  
2nd XI: P22 W 8 D5 L9 For 52 Ag 55 Pts 29

This has been a difficult season in a number of ways, and as ever much of the hard work has been done by a small number of individuals. In particular, I should like to record thanks to Team Managers Martin Tytherleigh and Michael Hambridge; and to David Mayne and Micky Zysemil for all their help both off the pitch and on match days.

**KEITH SWALLOW**  
(Honorary Secretary)  
01424 814676



ICKLESHAM CASUALS FOOTBALL CLUB  
Photos: 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> XI 2006/07 squads







## FLICKS FILM CLUB

On the 7<sup>th</sup> June at 7.30pm in Pett Village Hall, we will be screening the film, **THE HISTORY BOYS** rated at a 15. The story line is about a school day nostalgia trip and the film won endless awards when it hit *The National Theatre*. Cut'n'pasted to the big screen - same director, same cast - it's kept all its probing, comic smarts. *Richard Griffiths* plays inspired and inspiring English teacher Hector, who clashes with young supply teacher Irwin (*Stephen Campbell Moore*) while coaching Sixth Formers for Oxbridge entrance exams. As stuffy tradition meets modern technique, lessons will be learned.

The clash of the masters is academic; at least until Hector's caught groping one of the boys (hands on teaching perhaps?) and Bennett's classroom drama is suddenly laced with dark longing and sexual desire. Think *Grange Hill* rewritten by WH Auden: slightly fusty but wickedly witty.

Little is gained by uprooting this play from the stage, but nothing's lost either. The young cast get top marks for battling Bennett's improbably middle aged dialogue while Richard Griffiths - once Uncle Monty in *Withnail & I* - gives Hector gravitas (and a 60 inch waistline). Elsewhere, *Frances de la Tour* plays a deadpan history teacher ("How depressing it is to teach five centuries of masculine ineptitude") and *Clive Merrison* pitches his conniving headmaster somewhere between Gollum and Mr Burns from *The Simpsons*. It's a mark of how high this movie sets the bar that these

actors can't steal the show. Like the Oxbridge entrance exams the pupils sit, such excellence is expected, not exceptional.

Do not forget ... all are welcome. Contact myself, pop into the Butchers Shop in Pett Road or just turn up on the night and complete an application form. For as little as £10 you can become a member and see up to three films completely free!

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Cllr. Martin King	1 New Coastguard Cottages, Toot Rock, Pett Level
Cllr. Brian Roberts	2 Coastguard Cottages, Pett Level Road, Pett Level
Cllr. Paul Stapley	Bower Cottage, Pett Road, Pett
Cllr. Brian Woodcock	Hither Green Cottage, Pett Road, Pett
Clerk	
Bob Hodgeson	17 Barnfield Close, Hastings TN24 1TS 01424 716232 e-mail: bob.pettpc@yahoo.co.uk

### RESPONSIBILITIES

Pett Village Hall Management Committee	Cllr. Jillian Green
Pett Sports Association	To be advised
Police Community Consultative Group	Cllr. Brian Roberts
Social Care Liaison Officer	To be advised
Rother Association of Local Councils Representative	To be advised
Planning Working Group	To be advised
Flood Wardens	Cllrs. Brian Roberts, Andrew Dunlop Dr. Arthur Holman, District Cllr. Robin Patten

### Rother District Council (Marshall Ward)

Cllr. Roger Bird	67 Battery Hill, Fairlight, Hastings, TN35 4AL	01424 813636
Cllr. Robin Patten	5 Old Coastguard Cottages, Pett Level Road, Pett Level, TN35 4EH	01424 812479

(Addresses and Telephone numbers will be included on the July edition once the approval of the individual Councillors to publish this information has been obtained)

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Cllr. Carl Maynard	The Burrow, 23 Baldslow Down, Weefield TN37 7NJ	01273 461576
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### Village Hall Committee

Name	Telephone No.	Responsibility
Phil Button	812148	Chairman
Ray Barden	812551	Vice Chairman
Jeanette Barden	812551	Secretary
Carol Pecorini	813544	Treasurer
Derek Johnson	814629	Hall Manager & Hall Bookings
Evelyn Darnell	812616	Committee Member
Tim Jury	813620	Committee Member
Philippa Strickland	814384	Committee Member
Sally Williams	812641	Committee Member