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*Greetings*

..... and I hope you enjoy this February edition and find it informative.

January, so far, has been one of the warmest on record and as such we have been able to make some progress on the allotment and in the garden in readiness for the forthcoming growing season. You can find all the up to date tips for your allotment on page 16.

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Due to extended repair works on the Village Hall, we had a chilly, but so enjoyable night watching and singing along to South Pacific. Grass skirts, leis and sailor suits were in abundance along with boots scarves and liberty bodices, but hey ho, it all added to it. Well done to the Village Hall Committee, long may you reign.

Please do take time to read our 'Wanted' pages. Popp is looking for volunteers; details on page 9 and the Pett Parish Council have a couple of vacancies, details of which are on page 5.

Now, all you handsome, romantic men don't forget its Valentine's day this month and the least us hard working, perfect women would like is a token of your infection ~ oops I think I mean affection. Mind you, we are all trying to lose weight

now after Christmas so not too many chocolates please!

Need a Car Wash? Then take a look at page 15 for details of a fundraising day for the Lifeboats which takes place on **29<sup>th</sup> January**.

*Jackie* (Editor)

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or delivered to me, Jackie Richards at Ambleside (815224), or Sarah Adams at Seawinds (812323), both on Pett Road. **The deadline for copy is MID-DAY the 15th February** and anything you can get to us before that date is greatly appreciated. Any copy after this time will be entered in the following month's issue.

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Closing date for applications:

**Friday 10th Feb**

Application packs are available from: **Bob Hodgson.**

When you have received the pack and require clarification or you would like to discuss the role you may contact Bob Hodgson, Acting Clerk on 01424 716232

## Parish Council Internal Auditor

The Parish Council needs to appoint an internal auditor to examine the end of year Accounts and complete a Section of the

Annual Return that the Council is required to submit to the External Auditor.

The Council has been fortunate in recent years to have had the services of a volunteer for this annual task but now needs to appoint a new person. If you feel you may be able to assist please contact the temporary clerk, Bob Hodgson.

## Parish Council Village/Grounds Maintenance Contract

The Parish Council will soon be considering the Contract for Village/Grounds Maintenance and any business interested in submitting a quotation should contact the Acting Clerk, Bob Hodgson for further details and a copy of the Specification.

### Bob Hodgson

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## Pett Nats ~ Avril Thurley (Hon Sec)

February 17th sees our eagerly awaited visit from Colin Page, whose encyclopedic knowledge of nature together with his stunning photography makes him one of our most popular speakers.

The title of his talk is "A Countryman's Journey", and wherever that takes us it is certain to make for a very enjoyable evening. Visitors are welcome at £2 each on the third Friday of the month in Pett Village Hall.



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## SANTA-PAWS ~ P. S.



Picture: David Nicholls

Everyday throughout the year at the entrance to Guestling Wood in Watermill Lane, a water bowl and container of water have been placed there, for the use of our four-legged friends who walk with their masters and mistresses.

Leading up to Christmas, Santa-paws has appeared leaving treats for our dogs hanging in the tree and a welcome Christmas message for them.

I believe Santa paws wanted to remain anonymous but thank-you Carol all the same, your kind thoughts are appreciated, especially the water during the warmer weather this year.

## South Pacific ~ Heather Godwin



Thank you to the Village Hall Committee and all involved in the Sing-along-to-South-Pacific. We had a terrific evening - the hall was beautifully dressed, the food was excellent, especially as the gas supply was still an issue, those who dressed up looked good, and the film was superb. And we sang-along. What an antidote to the January Blues!



Picture: Chris Saint

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Like me, I expect that many of you have been enthralled, enraptured and sometimes astounded by the BBC 1 programme, 'The Frozen Planet'. Just when you think photography and images in these wildlife programmes can't get any better, they do. The development of technology, along with the specialist knowledge of everyone involved with the production of the programme, ensures that, along with the stunning images, there is a great insight into the behaviour of species combined with the imperious commentary of Sir David Attenborough.

Some of the footage made for uncomfortable viewing and there was much discussion amongst my colleagues about the life and death struggle between a young bison and a lone female wolf. It was a fantastic window into the survival and the dependency between the two species, though it did make you feel slightly voyeuristic watching it, as was the scene of orcas, killer whales, creating waves to dislodge a seal from a floating ice block - you could just see in its eyes that it knew the game was up.

To be able to produce and transmit such a programme obviously requires enormous resources but the benefit and impact of its transmission will far outweigh the initial cost. I have come across many people not normally natural history programme devotees who have been captivated by it.

I have been equally captivated

by other wildlife filming recently, but this involved far less expensive technology and hasn't been broadcast on a worldwide television network. These films have also shown some fascinating insight into behaviour of more familiar species. Professional wildlife photographer David Plummer, who runs the Sussex Wildlife Trust wildlife photography courses, put out a remote infra-red camera at Woods Mill nature reserve to see what goes on during the hours of darkness. This is becoming increasingly easier to do thanks again to developing and relatively inexpensive technology.

One piece of film David showed me took place in our river valley overlooking the stream and showed a tawny owl behaving somewhat oddly. Like all birds, tawny owls need water for washing which was what we expected this bird to do, but it started to run erratically in the shallow water and almost look liked it was trying to catch the small fish in the stream, unusual behaviour indeed as they are not known for eating fish - they survive on a diet of small mammals.

The quality of the film is obviously nowhere near that of 'The Frozen Planet' but in a way it was just as exciting, because it was a display of totally natural behaviour of a nocturnal species. Hopefully, subsequent footage might confirm whether the owl is actually fishing or just washing its feet!

Last summer, the Trust's

Interpretation Officer Neil Fletcher, was able to fix a camera in our kestrel nest box at Woods Mill and we were able to follow the life of a family of these lovely birds of prey. Five youngsters were successfully reared and left the nest, a remarkable achievement thanks to it being an excellent year for numbers of voles. What was so interesting was not just how many voles the parent birds were bringing to the box but the pecking order among the young birds. A pecking order is usual in any nest and the order of things is that the earlier hatchers will get the bulk of the food and in a 'normal' year it is unlikely that all the chicks will survive, but as this year has been so good for voles there was enough to go round for everyone.

These new innovations in technology are allowing us to view nature in a way that we have never seen before, whether it's through a grand multi-million pound production broadcast throughout the world or by basic cameras you can set out in your garden. By seeing these images it draws you into their world, you become engaged, interested and hopefully want to ensure their survival. It also helps those involved in conservation to understand behaviour and manage the landscape to help them survive so, in the end, everyone's a winner.

*You can view the tawny owl film on the Trust website at:*

<http://www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/news/video/index.htm>

## Volunteers Needed

Would you like to Volunteer for a few hours either weekly or monthly?

Would you like to work with a friendly team of people? Do you have a good sense of humour and are you able to turn your hand to anything?

## THEN WE NEED YOU!

POPP's for the over 60's is held every Tuesday at Pett Village Hall and help is needed during the hours of 8.30 till 2.30.

We need help setting up, manning tables and chatting to the guests, and helping to serve lunch. There are kitchen duties available if you prefer to be behind the scenes.

You can do as many or as few hours as you please, and as many or as few days. If you do more than three hours we will also provide you with a home cooked lunch and pudding.

If you are interested please call for more information.

Ann 813043

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Shelia 01304 219767

## Pett Village Hall Committee

Due to a couple of classes closing we are looking for new groups to fill some regular times we have during the week in the Village Hall.

For more details contact our Booking Manager Derek on 814829



## Do You Know ~ John Taylor

Do you know what gems of English that have appeared on church notice boards across the world? These are all true – Do we produce any like these?

- *The Fasting & Prayer Conference includes meals.*
- The sermon this morning: 'Jesus Walks on the Water.' The sermon tonight: 'Searching for Jesus.'
- *Ladies, don't forget the jumble sale. It's a chance to get rid of those things not worth keeping around the house. Bring your husbands.*
- Remember in prayer the many who are sick of our community. Smile at someone who is hard to love. Say 'Hell' to someone who doesn't care much about you.
- *Don't let worry kill you off - let the Church help.*
- Miss Charlene Mason sang 'I will not pass this way again,' giving obvious pleasure to the congregation.
- *For those of you who have children and don't know it, we have a nursery downstairs.*
- Next Thursday there will be tryouts for the choir. They need all the help they can get.
- *Peter Benson and Jessie Carter were married on October 24 in the church. So ends a friendship that began in their school days.*
- At the evening service tonight, the sermon topic will be 'What Is Hell?' Come early and listen to our choir practice.
- *Eight new choir robes are currently needed due to the addition of several new members and to the deterioration of some older ones.*
- Scouts are saving aluminium cans, bottles and other items to be recycled. Proceeds will be used to cripple children.
- *Please place your donation in the envelope along with the deceased person you want remembered.*
- The church will host an evening of fine dining, super entertainment and gracious hostility.
- *Potluck supper Sunday at 5:00 PM - prayer and medication to follow.*
- The ladies of the Church have cast off clothing of every kind. They may be seen in the basement on Friday afternoon.

- *This evening at 7 PM there will be a hymn singing in the park across from the Church. Bring a blanket and come prepared to sin.*
- Low Self Esteem Support Group will meet Thursday at 7 PM. Please use the back door.
- *Year 8 will be presenting Shakespeare's Hamlet in the Church basement Friday at 7 PM.. The congregation is invited to attend this tragedy.*
- The Vicar unveiled the church's new campaign slogan last Sunday: "I Upped My Pledge - Up Yours".

I'm sure God must chuckle to himself at the way we use our language. We all make mistakes and it is good to laugh at ourselves from time to time – it does remind us that we are not perfect.

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When you think about it, God has to be the best inventor of all time. He took a rib from Adam and made a loudspeaker!

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I like long walks - especially when they are taken by people who annoy me!

Do you know why a woman's work is never done?  
They don't get up early enough!

I do have flabby thighs, but fortunately my stomach covers them!

## Coffee Morning ~ Sally Williams

Now, I know you will all have missed our wonderful cakes and coffee in January as there was no Coffee Morning, so to make up for it, we have even more yummiest cakes and even better coffee for you for February.

Well, not really, how could they be better, but they will be 'exceedingly good' as they say.

We missed you all so much and do hope that we will see you on **Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> February** in Pett Village Hall where you can catch up with your friends, make new ones or just enjoy.

We start brewing at 10am so don't be late. See you then.

### Change of Visit Times

The Harold Road Doctors Surgery in Pett Village Hall has now changed its times to Monday 2 pm till 2.30 pm but Friday will remain at 9 am till 9.30 am



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## PETT CHURCH NEWS

~ Meriel Deasy

After the fun and busy-ness of Christmas we are now drawing breath and relaxing for a few weeks before the demands of Lent and Easter.

We remain so grateful to Frank, David, and Kay who are continuing to take our Services of Holy Communion.

The Parochial Church Council will be meeting on February 23<sup>rd</sup>. On the agenda will be our future Fund Raising Plans - the church does need this money to pay for the electricity and gas bills - like all good households

Also, hopefully, we will have a progress report on the possible appointment of a new Rector, but as I've said before - watch this space!

We have a variety of services in February:

- **5th Feb:** 9.30a.m - David Wotton will be coming to take the service of Holy Communion.
- **12th Feb:** 9.30a.m. I shall be leading the service of Morning Worship
- **19th Feb:** 8a.m. Kay Burnett will be taking the Book of Common Prayer Communion Service at Pett Level
- **22nd Feb:** 7.30pm Ash Wednesday, Service of Holy Communion, St. Peter, Fairlight
- **26<sup>th</sup> Feb:** 9.30a.m. Frank Rowson will lead the service of Holy Communion.

## The prayer of St Ignatius

Teach us, good Lord  
to serve thee as thou deserves;  
to give and not to count the cost;  
to fight and not to heed the wounds;  
to toil and not to ask for rest;  
to labour and to ask for no rewards;  
Save that of knowing that we do  
thy will.  
Through Jesus Christ our Lord

AMEN

*With the demise of the Church magazine, Threefold, if you would like to announce your Hatchings, Matchings or Despatchings in this Parish News, I would be very happy to include them. Editor*

## CHRISTMAS FOR DOGS! ~ Mary Saint



Picture: Mary Saint

Once again a big THANK YOU to the residents of Watermill House.

All during the summer and autumn, as usual you kept our dogs from dehydrating by leaving out a bowl of water together with a top up bottle each day. Then in December the fence by the gate into the wood was decorated, not with baubles, tinsel and fairy lights, but with dog chews and bags of dog biscuits! They were very much appreciated so thank you very much.

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### Gardening Club ~ Sue Dengate

Unfortunately, as your know, the first meeting of the year had to be cancelled so that necessary work on the Village Hall gas supplies could be done. The talk by Chris O'Donoghue will now be for our March meeting.

Our first meeting will now be on St. Valentine's Day Tuesday, 14th February. We hope this will not prevent you all from coming as our speaker is Alan Kenworthy who, after his beautifully illustrated talk last year, will enchant you with more wonderful photographs of his visit to Madagascar. Also we will of course be collecting your membership subscriptions.


We look forward to seeing you all with our programme for 2012. As always new members will be given a very warm welcome. Membership is only £6 per year or £2 admission for non members to each meeting or outing.

### Changes to the Blue Badge Scheme ~ Sheila Thomas

From the 1<sup>st</sup> January all Blue Car Badges will be printed and supplied by one company nationally. This will make them harder to forge or alter.

From 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 your GP will no longer be responsible for deciding whether you should qualify for a blue badge. Instead, local authorities will be running "mobile clinics". The clinics will be held in day centres, libraries and council buildings where therapy staff will access applicants for a badge. We will keep you informed on progress of this scheme.

### Does your car look like a Lifeboat? ~ Peter Adams Lifeboat Operations Manager (Hastings)

What does it take to make your car look like a lifeboat? According to  volunteers at Hastings RNLi lifeboat station, just a bit of spit and polish.

It is the RNLi's annual SOS fundraising day on **Sunday 29<sup>th</sup> January**, and local crew members are ready to make your car shine just like their lifeboat.

Let the crew 'Soap and Suds' your car and all that road salt will be gone, leaving it looking like it has left the showroom - you will have helped the lifeboats and their volunteer crews carry on saving lives.

Just turn up on Sunday January 29<sup>th</sup> at the lifeboat station, Old Town, Hastings between 1000 - 1400h, put a £5.00 minimum donation in the fundraising bucket, and the RNLi will do the rest.

### Village Choir Dates 2012

The Village Choir is held on Monday evenings at 7.30 in Pett Methodist Chapel.

Anyone is welcome to come along and join in. This is for fun and needs no musical training!

Contact Wendy Hatch on [familyhatch@aol.com](mailto:familyhatch@aol.com) or just turn up.

Choir dates for the year are listed but those that are highlighted are Bank Holidays so may not take place.

February 13 <sup>th</sup>	February 27 <sup>th</sup>
March 12 <sup>th</sup>	March 26 <sup>th</sup>
April 9 <sup>th</sup>	April 30 <sup>th</sup>
May 14 <sup>th</sup>	May 28 <sup>th</sup>
June 11 <sup>th</sup>	June 24 <sup>th</sup>
July 9 <sup>th</sup>	July 30 <sup>th</sup>
August 13 <sup>th</sup>	August 27 <sup>th</sup>
September 10 <sup>th</sup>	September 24 <sup>th</sup>
October 8 <sup>th</sup>	October 29 <sup>th</sup>
November 12 <sup>th</sup>	November 26 <sup>th</sup>
December 10 <sup>th</sup>	December 31 <sup>st</sup>



Late winter and the focus is now on planning and preparation of the soil. Late winter is also the end of the period of allotment hibernation. We are all looking forward to next month which is the start of real work on the allotments and importantly for many of us the opportunity to re-establish relationships, share ideas and seeds, and continue to enjoy allotment life.

As I mentioned last month, we now have a crop rotation plan and are working out the best way to prepare the plot for planting. Crop rotation in itself helps to keep the soil in balance, but Lesley has been reading some articles on soil preparation, and I hope that you find the following summary of interest.

"Plants absorb nutrients from the soil in a soluble form, through the moisture in the soil. The extent to which these nutrients are soluble and therefore available to crops depends on the acidity / alkalinity of the soil. The more acidic the soil, the less soluble this makes phosphorous, calcium, potassium, magnesium and nitrogen. The more alkaline the soil is, the less soluble this makes zinc, copper and manganese. The extent to which soil is acidic or alkaline depends upon the concentration of hydrogen ions in the soil. The higher the concentration of hydrogen ions in the soil the more acidic it is.

The concentration of hydrogen ions in the soil is measured on the pH scale. This scale ranges from 1 (extremely acid) to 14 (extremely alkaline) a

reading of 7 is neutral. The pH scale is not linear. The degree of alkalinity or acidity increases or decreases by 10 times the previous level for each whole number on the scale.

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To raise the pH level of soil, alkaline material needs to be added. This may include lime, wood ashes and calcified seaweed. Ideally this should be dug into the soil in the autumn to allow time for it to act on the soil before the next growing season.

To lower the pH level of soil, acidic material needs to be added. This may include conifer needles, leaves, grass cuttings and tea leaves. Farmyard manure will also lower the pH and add humus to the soil, but adding manure year after year will make it increasingly acidic, so reducing soil fertility.

It's worth checking the pH level of the soil from time to time. Take several readings from the site as the pH level may vary depending on what may have already been applied to the soil in the way of feeds or lime."

As always, if you want to know anything about the allotments then please give me a call.



All things bright and beautiful,  
All creatures great and small,  
All things wise and wonderful,  
The Lord God made them all.

But what we never mention,  
Though gard'ners know it's true,  
Is when he made the goodies,  
He made the baddies too.

All things spray and swattable,  
Disasters great and small,  
All things Paraquattable,  
The Lord God made them all.

The greenfly on the roses,  
The maggots in the peas,  
Manure that fills our noses  
He also gave us these.

All things spray and swattable,

The fungus on the goosegogs,  
The club-root on the greens,  
The slugs that eat the lettuce  
And chew the aubergines.

All things spray and swattable,

The drought that kills the fuchsias,  
The frost that nips the buds,  
The rain that drowns the seedlings,  
The blight that hits the spuds.

All things spray and swattable,

The midges and mosquitoes,  
The nettles and the weeds,  
The pigeons in the green-stuff,  
The sparrows on the seeds.

All things spray and swattable,

The fly that gets the carrots,  
The wasp that eats the plums  
How black the gard'ner's outlook,  
Though green may be his thumbs.

All things spray and swattable,

But still we gardeners labour,  
'midst vegetables and flowers,  
And pray what hits our neighbours  
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CHURCH FLOWERS ~ Cathy Norris

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## Nature Notes ~ Avril Thurley

In the middle of December, after several days of rain and gales, it was lovely to see the silvery new buds on the pussy willows in Pannel Lane.

I was saddened to read Mike Wilkins' letter about the heron. Wildlife has enough problems to face without trigger happy jobs taking potshots at it. Herons can be deterred from taking ornamental fish simply by putting a couple of wires around the pond about ten and twenty inches above the ground. This is usually enough to make them look for easier pickings elsewhere.

So far this winter my favourite long-tailed tits have been conspicuous only by their absence. I hope it's just because the mild weather has made it unnecessary for them to come to garden feeders. I do miss their busy, chattering family parties. Now I come to think of it, I have never seen a long-tailed tit using the bird bath.

I am conducting a "scientific experiment" on the palatability of different bird seeds! Having bought 5kg each of "basic" and "premium" feeder seed from the same provider, I am keeping a record of how often I have to refill the feeders with each kind. In my distant youth, people used to put out breadcrumbs, bacon rind, and assorted kitchen scraps, and winters were a lot harder than they are now, yet there were at least as many birds about. I think the real reason for feeding expensive commercial seeds, nuts and fatballs is that people like to see the birds close up - I certainly do. In due course I will let you know the results of my experiment.



There is a sizeable patch of winter hellebore on the bank outside Pannel End. It smells deliciously of vanilla, and on a cold winter's day it lifts one's spirits just to walk past it.

## Chris Saint and the Flicks Team

flicks in the village

Our film on 2 February will be Jane Eyre (12). In the 19th Century-set story, Jane Eyre (Mia Wasikowska) suddenly flees Thornfield Hall, the vast and isolated estate where she works as a governess for Adèle Varens, a child under the custody of Thornfield's brooding master, Edward Rochester (Michael Fassbender). The imposing residence - and Rochester's own imposing nature - have sorely tested her resilience. With nowhere else to go, she is extended a helping hand by clergyman St. John Rivers (Jamie Bell) and his family. As she recuperates in the Rivers' Moor House and looks back upon the tumultuous events that led to her escape, Jane wonders if the past is ever truly past...

Please do not forget, all are welcome to join our Society and enjoy an evening watching a film for as little as £4.50 per show with like-minded people in the local environment of Pett Village Hall. If you care to know more, please email me on [chris@saintfamily.net](mailto:chris@saintfamily.net) or telephone on 813047. Alternatively, you can always pop into the Butchers shop in Pett. All films start at 7.30 pm on the first Thursday in the month with refreshments served from 7.00 pm.



## PARISH DIARY – February 2012

VH Village Hall – RG Recreation Ground – NBC New Beach Club

Wednesday 1 <sup>st</sup>	<b>Coffee Morning</b>	VH	10 am
	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Short Mat Bowls	VH	3 pm & 7.30 pm
Thursday 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.15 am & 10.30 am
	Flicks	VH	7.30
Friday 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	MOPPs	Fairlight VH	10.30 am
	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup>	Boathouse	VH	10.30 am
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Play Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	NBC	8.30 pm
Tuesday 7 <sup>th</sup>	POPP's	VH	10.30 am
	<b>British Legion</b>	NBC	7.30 pm
	Quiz Night	Two Sawyers	8.30 pm
Wednesday 8 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Mobile Library	Church	10.10 – 10.40 am
		Chick Hill	10.50 – 11.10 am
		Smuggler	11.20 – 11.45 am
	<b>Live Music</b>	Royal Oak	8.30 pm
Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.15 am & 10.30 am
	Short Mat Bowls	VH	3 pm & 7.30 pm
Friday 10 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	MOPPs	Fairlight VH	10.30 am
	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup>	Boathouse	VH	10.30 am
Monday 13 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Play Group	VH	9.30 am
	Village Choir	Methodist Chapel	7.30 pm
	Quiz Night	NBC	8.30 pm
Tuesday 14 <sup>th</sup>	POPP's	VH	10.30 am – 2.30 pm
	<b>Garden Club</b>	VH	7.30 pm
	Quiz Night	Two Sawyers	8.30 pm
Wednesday 15 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
Thursday 16 <sup>th</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.15 am & 10.30 am
	Short Mat Bowls	VH	3 pm & 7.30 pm
Friday 17 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	MOPPs	Fairlight VH	10.30 am
	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
	<b>Women's Institute</b>	VH	2.30 pm
	<b>Pett Nats</b>	VH	7.30 pm
Monday 20 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Play Group	VH	9.30 am
	Quiz Night	NBC	8.30 pm
Tuesday 21 <sup>st</sup>	POPP's	VH	10.30 am
	<b>Parish Council</b>	VH	7.30 pm
	Quiz Night	Two Sawyers	8.30 pm
Wednesday 22 <sup>nd</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	Mobile Library	Church	10.10 – 10.40 am

		Chick Hill	10.50 – 11.10 am
		Smuggler	11.20 – 11.45 am
Thursday 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Dance & Exercise Class	VH	9.15 & 10.30 am
	Short Mat Bowls	VH	3 pm & 7.30 pm
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am
	MOPPs	Fairlight VH	10.30 am
	Latin American & Ballroom Dancing	VH	2 pm
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup>	Boathouse	VH	10.30 am
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup>	Flowerpots Play Group	VH	9.30 am
	Village Choir	Methodist Chapel	7.30 pm
	Quiz Night	NBC	8.30 pm
Tuesday 28 <sup>th</sup>	POPP's	VH	10.30 am
	Quiz Night	Two Sawyers	8.30 pm
Wednesday 29 <sup>th</sup>	Badminton	VH	10 am

If you want your special events or regular meetings included in the Parish Diary, please notify us on 815224 or 812323 or email:

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### CHURCH SERVICES:

Sunday 5 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am – Parish Communion, St Mary & St Peter
Sunday 12 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am – Morning Worship, St Mary & St Peter
Sunday 19 <sup>th</sup> Feb	8.00am – Holy Communion, St Nicholas, Pett Level
Sunday 26 <sup>th</sup> Feb	9.30am – Parish Communion, St Mary & St Peter

**PETT WI ~ Heather Godwin**

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A Happy New Year to all potential new members of Pett WI! We are waiting for you to come and join us on **Friday afternoon**, the third in the month, at **2.30pm**, at **Pett Village Hall**. If you do then you will discover what *The Cutty Sark*, a suitcase, an Irish Cookery School and The British Red Cross all have in common!

Those who are already members had a delicious Christmas Lunch at The Two Sawyers, funded by the kind legacy of Rita Akehurst. It was great to sit and have a chat to everyone and, in answer to the neighbouring table's Latin grace, said before their meal, the Pett WI responded with a rousing version of *Jerusalem!*

The first meeting of the year in January was a social get-together, and we will then continue to have an interesting programme of speakers throughout the year and, yes, you've guessed it: that is what a suitcase, an Irish Cookery School and The British Red Cross all have in common – they are the subjects of speakers' talks throughout the year.

*The Cutty Sark* will be the first at the **February** meeting on 17<sup>th</sup>. Do come along - after the speaker there is always friendly chat and an excellent tea.

Contact Mary Saint, Secretary, on 01424 813047, email [heathergodwin@lineone.net](mailto:heathergodwin@lineone.net) or just come along. You will be made very welcome.





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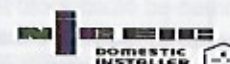
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## DECEMBER PARISH COUNCIL MEETING ~ Mary Saint

At the meeting of Pett Parish Council held on Tuesday December 20, Councillors heard from Rother District Councillor Robin Patten. Among the issues raised was the future of the public toilets at Pett Level. In Rother's view the toilets were unlikely to last more than five years unless a major refurbishment was carried out, which could cost in the region of £3-400,000. Councillor Patten outlined three options:

- Rother District Council could keep and maintain the toilets.
- The Parish Council could take on responsibility for the toilets once refurbishment was complete.
- The toilet block could be demolished.

After some discussion the Council agreed to get an independent assessment of the work required before considering the matter further.

Councillors also heard that MOPPs and POPPs had both had Christmas parties, the latter being attended by some 36 people, a turnout, which was considered to be extremely good. Two councillors had attended the Rother Planning Conference, which had proved to be both interesting and informative. Other items discussed included the Recreation Ground, Finance and the Pett Village Allotments.

Under 'Correspondence' the Parish Council had received a letter from Kieran O'Leary from Rural Rother Action on Housing (RRAH), in which he acknowledged the Parish Council's recent rejection of proposals for affordable housing. However he pointed out that the mix of housing could be altered from mainly flats to mainly houses, should the Parish Council wish to revisit the proposals. Two councillors expressed the view that the decision had been taken and that was an end to the matter. The Chairman felt that as the original proposal was flawed, (even though the mix of flats and houses had been queried with RRAH and the response had been that it could not be changed) people in the village who had completed the survey had done so on the basis of misinformation. In the Chairman's view the item should be put on the agenda for the next meeting as the Parish Council would be viewed in a very poor light if this was not done.

There was further discussion with opposing views being expressed regarding whether people had voted in the survey for the principle of affordable housing or the proposal put forward for the specific exception site. Finally, with a clear majority of councillors taking the view that the village had voted against the principle of affordable housing, the Chairman conceded that the matter was closed.

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Greetings to everyone. At the start of this New Year, 2012 promises to be a good year with lots happening for everyone to enjoy.

**Questionnaire** - Thank you all so very much for giving me valuable feedback as to social activities you would like to see. The full results are pinned on the notice board at the entrance. It seems *Reminiscence* and *Sing alongs* appear as the favourite, *Slide shows, places of interest, floor games* and *local history* are following close behind. We all valued your suggestions and comments. Thank you, I will bear these in mind when booking up future events.

The New Year is bringing new resolutions and new beginnings. POPP has been open now for three months, our membership is slowly growing and our name is beginning to get known. It is very clear that there is a need for both MOPP and POPP in the area. We are very lucky here in Pett to enjoy such a large village hall and facilities in the kitchen and garden area. The hall lends itself to open our centre to more than just a few people meeting together. We hope to plan a more active social calendar which involves the use of floor space with floor games and mobile activities. The Fit as a Fiddle Programme has helped to enhance this at both Centres, keeping older people fit and active.

The new programme of future events is highlighting activities such as floor skittles and regular Thai Chi sessions. We can also play games like Floor draughts, Dominoes and Chess as we have the space to do this.

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### POPP FUTURE CALENDAR

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Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> February Valentines Sing- along with Carol George  
Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> February Tai Chi - Annie Cryar  
Tuesday 28<sup>th</sup> February Lifeline service - Theresa Porter

### FOUR WEEK MENU

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Lemon Meringue Pie and custard  
21<sup>st</sup> February Boiled Gammon, parsley sauce, veg, mashed potatoes  
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## SOMETHING AND NOTHING ~ PS

Heavy rains have blasted the woodlands in and around Pett over the Christmas period, this resulted in some soil erosion along the footpath between Guestling wood and Pett village Hall.

A lone dog walker found a small cylindrical object emerging from the soil here. They were in regimental rows as though they had once been in a container or box that had disintegrated and rotted away; some 30-40 of them. They appeared to have a cap end and made of metal and looked like detonators, they were in a fragile and corrosive state.

A sample was taken to Hastings Police station where one of the constabulary had the same thought, mortar detonators.

A young W.P.C. (Can we still call women Police by this term, or is it classed as offensive?) A young female officer was given the task of placing it in the Bomb pit, (I didn't know we had one in Hastings) and the wheels of motion swung in to action, officers attended the scene and the EOD team were called. I had to ask myself what that was, Explosive Ordnance Disposal team. It was to be some time before they attended and an officer was required to wait at the scene, down the chain of command it came until it arrived with our local PCSO, Sharon Eldrige. Sharon was to be found standing in the woodland alone with the rain pouring down, patiently waiting for the team to arrive, (drowned rat comes to mind) but Sharon was making the best of it with a smile on her face, and a cup of tea supplied by a neighbour. It was pitch black and a howling gale ensued; you never know what you will deal with next in the Police.

The team eventually turned up and diffused the situation, not with modern technology but with the simple sentence, "They're car battery cells." End of situation all stand down.

However, never be too dismissive of objects found in the soil, many incendiary devices have been left in the soil since our last two world wars. They could well have been detonators where a local walker could have come to harm. How did a box of car battery cells come to be buried in the soil at the edge of the footpath? Lost in the sands of time or perhaps the mud of Pett!

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Pett (Chick Hill)	0819	0826	1002	1102	1242	1342	1442	1542	0826	1245	
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Guestling (School)	0829										
Guestling (White Hart)	0834	0834	1010	1110	1250	1350	1450	1550	0834	1253	
Ore (Kings Head)	0838	0848	1014	1114	1254	1354	1454	1554	0838	1257	
Ore (Christ Church)	0840	0840	1016	1116	1256	1356	1456	1556	0840	1259	
West Hill (Whitefriars)			1021	1121	1301	1401	1501			1304	
Hastings (Harold Place)	0849	0849	1025	1125	1305	1405	1505		0849	1308	
Hastings (Rail Station)	0851	0851	1027	1127	1307	1407	1507		0851	1310	

	Hastings - Pett		Monday - Friday								Saturday	
Hastings (Rail Station)	0930	1030	1210	1310	1410	1510	1510	1735	1213	1735		
Hastings (Queens Road)	0935	1035	1215	1315	1415	1515	1515	1740	1218	1740		
West Hill (Whitefriars)	0940	1040	1220	1320	1420				1223			
Ore (Christ Church)	0945	1045	1225	1325	1425	1525	1525	1750	1228	1750		
Ore (Kings Head)	0947	1047	1227	1327	1427	1527	1527	1752	1230	1752		
Guestling (White Hart)	0951	1051	1231	1331	1431	1531	1531	1756	1234	1756		
Guestling (School)							1534					
Pett (Church)	0956	1056	1236	1336	1436	1536	1542	1801	1239	1801		
Pett (Chick Hill)	0959	1059	1239	1339	1439	1539	1545	1804	1242	1804		

344	Bus Time-Table	Hastings - Rye										
Hastings (Stn Int'change)	0750	0850	0950	1050	1150	1250	1350	1450	1550	1650	1750	1855
Hastings (Breeds Place)	0752	0852	0952	1052	1152	1252	1352	1452	1552	1652	1752	1857
Ore (Christchurch)	0800	0900	1000	1100	1200	1300	1400	1500	1600	1700	1800	1905
Fairlight Glen	0803	0903	1003	1103	1203	1303	1403	1503	1603	1703	1803	1908
Fairlight Cove (Hotel)	0809	0909	1009	1109	1209	1309	1409	1509	1609	1709	1809	1914
<b>Pett Level</b>	<b>0815</b>	<b>0915</b>	<b>1015</b>	<b>1115</b>	<b>1215</b>	<b>1315</b>	<b>1415</b>	<b>1515</b>	<b>1615</b>	<b>1715</b>	<b>1815</b>	<b>1920</b>
Winchelsea (Smugglers)	0819	0919	1019	1119	1219	1319	1419	1519	1619	1719	1819	1924
Winchelsea Beach	0821	0921	1021	1121	1221	1321	1421	1521	1621	1721	1821	1926
Winchelsea (Bridge End)	0824	0924	1024	1124	1224	1324	1424	1524	1624	1724	1824	1929
<b>Rye (Rail Station) arrive</b>	<b>0830</b>	<b>0930</b>	<b>1030</b>	<b>1130</b>	<b>1230</b>	<b>1330</b>	<b>1430</b>	<b>1530</b>	<b>1630</b>	<b>1730</b>	<b>1830</b>	<b>1935</b>

	Rye - Hastings												
<b>Rye (Rail Stn) depart</b>	<b>0703</b>	<b>0758</b>	<b>0813</b>	<b>0843</b>	<b>0928</b>	<b>1028</b>	<b>1128</b>	<b>1228</b>	<b>1328</b>	<b>1428</b>	<b>1533</b>	<b>1633</b>	<b>1733</b>
Winchelsea (Bridge)	0709	0804	0819	0849	0934	1034	1134	1234	1334	1434	1539	1639	1739
Winchelsea Beach	0712	0807	0822	0852	0937	1037	1137	1237	1337	1437	1542	1642	1742
Winchelsea (Smuggler)	0714	0809	0824	0854	0939	1039	1139	1239	1339	1439	1544	1644	1744
<b>Pett Level</b>	<b>0718</b>	<b>0813</b>	<b>0828</b>	<b>0858</b>	<b>0943</b>	<b>1043</b>	<b>1143</b>	<b>1243</b>	<b>1343</b>	<b>1443</b>	<b>1548</b>	<b>1648</b>	<b>1748</b>
Fairlight Cove (Hotel)	0724	0819	0834	0904	0949	1049	1149	1249	1349	1449	1554	1654	1754
Fairlight Glen	0730	0825	0840	0910	0955	1055	1155	1255	1355	1455	1600	1700	1800
Ore (Post Office)	0733	0843	0843	0913	0958	1058	1158	1258	1358	1458	1603	1703	1803
Hastings (Harold Place)	0741	0851	0851	0921	1006	1106	1206	1306	1406	1506	1611	1711	1811
(Rail Stn Interchange)	0743	0853	0853	0923	1008	1108	1208	1308	1408	1508	1613	1713	1813



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1 tbsp oil  
1 small onion finely chopped  
10ml/ 2 tsp grated fresh root ginger  
175g/ 6oz cooked white long grain rice  
4 tomatoes, peeled and finely chopped  
4 sun-dried tomatoes in oil, drained and finely chopped  
20ml/ 2 tbsp chopped fresh tarragon and 2 fresh tarragon sprigs  
seasoning

Wash the trout thoroughly including the cavity.

Preheat the oven to 190C/ 375F/ Gas 5. Spread the nuts in a baking tray and bake for 3-4 mins, shaking occasionally. Chop the nuts.

Heat the oil in a pan and fry the onion for 3-4 mins until soft. Stir in the ginger, cook for 1 more minute, then spoon into a mixing bowl.

Add the rice to the mixture in the bowl, and stir in the chopped tomatoes, sun-dried tomatoes, toasted nuts and chopped tarragon. Season the stuffing with plenty of salt and black pepper.

Place each trout in turn on a large oiled foil and spoon the stuffing into the cavity. Add a sprig of tarragon and drizzle with a little oil.

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**District Councillor's Report ~ Robin Patten**

So we are now open for consultation for the 2012/2013 Budget. Some of the ground has been covered in a previous report but essentially the choice now before us is either a 0% increase or a 3.5% increase. One might think that there is no debate to be had – but!

The proposed revenue budget for the Council for 2012/2013 is £11.7m and this takes into account the 30% reduction from Government of their grant £1m in 2011 and £700k in 2012. Savings in excess of £1.7m have been made or have been identified as achievable through permanent losses in staff, flexible working systems, investment in technology to improve efficiency, joint working with other Authorities and closing office buildings now surplus to our requirements but the cupboard for further internal savings is becoming more than a bit bare. To achieve this budget the Rother Council Tax would be £161.19 at a Band D household which is approximately 11% of the overall Council Tax bill with the County Council accountable for 75%, the Police 9% and the Fire and Rescue Service 5%.

You may remember that last year Government capped each and every Council at 0% increase whilst effectively funding a 2.5% grant towards that standstill. This coming year a further and similar offer is on the table hence the possible choice of a 0% increase and unlike last year it is not compulsory for all Authorities but can be taken up or not individually. The downside is that this subsidy is for one year only when it will then be withdrawn and with inflation, plus or minus 6%, the probable shortfall for 2013/2014 and onwards become increasingly unattractive and unaffordable. This situation is further worsened when the 2.5% subsidy awarded last year and is guaranteed until 2015 drops out of Government funding leading to a new meaning of the 'double whammy' expression but which in financial terms could mean finding additional savings in 2015/2016 in excess of £400k just to stand still. Depending on how local Government finances change from 2013 it is certain that further savings will be required which may result in reductions in the number of services delivered and their quality. Our funding position for 2013 will not be known until the back end of 2012. One must assume that statutory services will continue to be delivered including refuse collection, street cleaning, planning, environmental health but that some of the discretionary services such as parks, leisure centres, swimming pools, public conveniences will out of necessity come under the closest scrutiny leading to greater community self help and devolvement of some services to Town and Parish Councils or community groups or at worst even closure.

The alternative is to refuse the Government's offer of 2.5 % and raise Rother's level by 3.5%. This in real terms means for Rother's element of the total Council Tax bill an annual increase on a Band D property of £5.64 (11p per week). But importantly it also guarantees some £248k being built into the base budget which in the longer term gives us a great deal more control over the delivery of services and reduces what will be a highly significant impact of the withdrawal of the Government subsidies first in 2013 and then again in 2015.

So in basic terms the debate is whether to have a 0% increase this year which is, of course, seriously attractive with the overall economy bordering recession, but the evil day will be approaching first in 2013 and then again in 2015. The alternative is to accept a 'reasonable' rise this year which, although strictly avoidable, will ease the unavoidable increases in funding needed in the future. Clearly there is a decision to be made but with the heart or with the head? I would be really interested to hear any comments you may have.



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## PETT PARISH COUNCIL – 2011/2012

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