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Thank you, Fran Molyneux,

SPONSORSHIP FOR MILLY VOICE

Milly Voice, whose family lives in Pett Level, is competing in an international 100km ultra trail race in Switzerland on the 13th August, the prestigious SwissAlps100, in order to raise money for Macmillan Cancer Support and specifically, the Macmillan Horizon Centre in Brighton.

Macmillan is giving wonderful support to her mother, Pamela Voice, who is currently undergoing treatment for an aggressive breast cancer, as indeed it is to the whole family.

Milly is by profession a teacher, and is also an experienced trail runner both in the UK and in Europe, achieving success in several races, including being in the top ten women and 1st British woman in the UTMB OCC race in Chamonix and just recently, 1st woman in an international race in Lausanne Switzerland. She is an ambassador for Salomon and has been featured on billboards and in its stores both in the UK and in Europe.

Nearly £8000 has been raised for Macmillan so far through both online and offline donations. The reason for this inclusion in the Parish magazine is to say that if anyone feels that they would like to contribute to support the Macmillan Cancer Support charity, either online or by cheque, it would be sincerely appreciated. Cheques, made payable to Macmillan Cancer Support, may be sent to Milly at the address below.

More details, including a personal piece by Milly on why she is doing this, can be found on Milly's Just Giving page:

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PETT OLDER PEOPLES PROJECT (POPP)

POPP will be having a reunion tea on Tuesday July 19th from 2.30 pm to 5 pm in the Village Hall.

Anyone is welcome to come along for a chat, cup of tea and cake. Even if you are not a member of the club. There will be no charge.

We hope as many as possible will come along after having a break for 2 years because of COVID.

Any enquiries please telephone Brenda Kirkham on 01424815022 or 07444008034

FLORAL ANTICIPATION

A long time ago (most of what I say or write nowadays starts with these words!) when driving from East Coast to West Coast in the USA, we became frequently aware of signs at the side of the highway advertising a certain café in California. The first one said that we were only 2500 miles away from it and, of course, the number reduced until we were quite close. We were determined to get to the café and were enthusiastic to see what it was like. Sadly, after the mounting anticipation throughout the journey, the café turned out to be a bit of a disappointment.

There will be no such disappointment when you arrive at the **PETT CHURCH FLOWER FESTIVAL!** Increasing and entirely justifiable anticipation is what I hope you will feel as we get closer to the **FLOWER FESTIVAL WEEKEND ON 17TH/18TH SEPTEMBER.** Pett Church will look much brighter and smell much sweeter as a result of all the beautiful flower arrangements.

On a more mundane level, there will be delicious refreshments and also a number of stalls selling all sorts of treasures. And there will be a tombola and raffle. None of this need depend on good weather. We may discover, however that it turns out to be a last touch of summer on that weekend.

Do get in contact if you would like to take part as a flower arranger or sponsor or stallholder. Or just remember to be a visitor!

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We slipped up and published the 2021 classes for Floral Art in our 2022 Schedule.

Please note the correct classes are listed below

54. **It's a Celebration** An arrangement in a container for a 'Special' Birthday. Not to exceed 24" in width. No height restriction.
55. **Platinum Anniversary** A table decoration for a Platinum Wedding Anniversary(70 years) using all white flowers. Not to exceed 24" in width. No height restriction.
56. **The Crown** An arrangement in a goblet. Not to exceed 12" in width. No height restriction.
57. **An Invitation** An arrangement in a basket to take to a Celebration. Not to exceed 24" in width. No height restriction.
58. **Garden Party** A petite arrangement in a tea cup with saucer. Not to exceed 9" in width and height.

Deepest apologies for our error.

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Currently the 1st XI sit bottom of Division 5 whilst the 2nd XI are comfortable in middle of Division 11.



Adam Stunt and Stuart Ware continue to produce really good cricket pitches, so big thank you to both of them for their hard work and I'm sure we'll see performances improve in the 2nd half of the season.

It's great to see more and more people from the village come to The Rec whilst the games are being played and show their support to the teams. This is great to see and everyone playing really appreciates it - if you haven't managed to pop up to watch yet, we look forward to seeing you.

Remember, all of our fixtures are on the notice board as you enter The Rec.

Top League Performances of 2022 so far:

Batting -

Gary Chatham 97 vs Crowhurst Park 3rd XI

Paul Leitch 96 vs Seaford 3rd XI

Ben Harvey 71 vs Westfield 2nd XI

Paul Fagan 61* vs Seaford 3rd XI

Luke Crisford 56 vs Herstmonceux 1st XI

Bowling -

Andy Murphy 5-30 vs Seaford 3rd XI

Luke Crisford 5-34 vs Bexhill 2nd XI

Gary Chatham 4-28 vs Isfield 1st XI

Ben Linklater 3-13 vs Herstmonceux 1st XI

Charlie Ware 3-22 vs Crowhurst Park 3rd XI

Remember, if you're interested in getting involved in the cricket club, please do contact us: Stuart Ware - sjw@meadowshed.co.uk or Gary Chatham - gary.chatham@hotmail.com

Gary Chatham

FAIRLIGHT END OPEN GARDENS

Fairlight End opening for the National Gardens Scheme on Sunday 12 June was again a big success. The sun shone, 248 visitors were recorded on the gate, and over **£3000** was raised for charity, including teas, cakes and plants. Beneficiaries include Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie Cancer Care and Pett Village Hall.



Chris and Robin Hutt would like to send their thanks to neighbours and friends in Pett who generously worked to support the event on the day and/or baked lovely cakes which delighted the visitors: 'Pett cakes are the best for miles around,' said one.

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COFFEE MORNING AND LIBRARY NOTES

WEDNESDAY 6th JULY, 10 - 12

COFFEE MORNING AND COMMUNITY LIBRARY

With patriotic bunting flying in Platinum Jubilee week, we were able to set up part of the Community Library outside for the June Coffee Morning, even though it was unseasonably cold with a chilly breeze. However, it gave us more room inside for celebration, coffee, cake and catching up, not to mention Hearing Aid support, the 500 Draw and the Parish Council. Kudos to David Penfold, our Parish Council chairman, who always turns up so that anyone may voice an opinion or ask a question about village matters. Other village groups are very welcome of course - to publicise their events or simply to let themselves be known.

The Community Library Store, from which we draw our books, is moving location. Consequently, it has been quite challenging for library staff to meet our requests for new books over the last two months. Apologies to our regular borrowers, but we still have plenty of interest to read, even without new input. Our **Books of the Month** include our most borrowed book **In a Land of Plenty** by **Tim Pears**. This is a family saga set in the heart of England and opens in 1952. It has been made into a TV series. Another popular family saga is **The Boy with No Boots**, by Sheila Jeffries, the first of a trilogy about keeping family together in hard times.

'TIME TO TALK, TIME TO LISTEN'

Towards the end of this July Coffee Morning, do please consider giving a little of your time to stay on for, or come to, a Samaritans presentation. From 11.30 (for about an hour) in the main hall at the Village Hall the **Hastings and Rother Outreach Team of the Samaritans** will be making a presentation, with discussion, entitled

TIME TO TALK, TIME TO LISTEN

It will focus on looking after ourselves and each other in these tough times. This is a very topical issue following the mental health and isolation problems arising from the lockdown and the continuing depressing national and international news. You will be very welcome to come along to listen and join in, and bring with you, or invite, any friends or relatives whom you think may be interested.

More details will appear on Facebook, elsewhere in this edition of the magazine, the Village Hall website, Pett on the Net etc.

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CELEBRATIONS

This year is flying by with gardens in bloom and all those fruit and vegetables growing fast.

We have high hopes of a record number of entries for all the classes. Please note the separate notice correcting the error made in the **Floral Art Classes**.

Have you tested the Swiss Roll recipe yet for which there is now a cup?

Along with the Show in the Pett Village Hall, there will be side-shows and games of chance.

We are always incredible grateful for donations to the stalls.

The Crockery Smash. Great way to vent your frustrations. If you have any cracked, chipped china or some you dislike, please bring it along on the day.

The Tombola (for Adults and Youngsters), Pick a Bottle and the Grand Raffle are delighted to receive donations ahead of the day. They can be dropped off with any Committee Member; **please see back of the schedule.**

Books, Puzzles and Toys. Always a popular pitch so please bring them along on the day.

Produce. Also, on the day. Edible items for the stall, where all those spare fruit and vegetables not worthy of entry can be sold, along with pickles and preserves.

Refreshments are being organised by the WI team. If you can make cakes or savoury snacks, please advise our WI Events co-ordinator, Jane Murray, on 07871 701077 or Email to cocoelectra@btinternet.com, who will be co-ordinating the assortment.

Parking. As the Village Hall car park will be set out with stalls, parking will be in the adjacent field with a greater area mowed.

Dog Show. This will also be staged in the field at the top end behind the Two Sawyers car park. We ask all dog owners to ensure that their pets are well behaved and are kept on a lead. Seating will not be provided, so competitors are welcome to bring something to sit on whilst watching the classes. Please also remember to bring water for the dogs and poo bags.

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MY GARDEN BLOG GILL PLANK

June - what a strange month so far! Cool and windy but with some much needed rain for the vegetables.

The vegetables are still rather reluctant to grow, sadly they seem to lack whatever genetic strength weeds have. There are weeds that can grow inches overnight so why not my spinach and beetroot? Brambles certainly have this gift. I have been removing brambles from hedges, fences, trees and plants along with nettles. Now, I know we need to promote wild flowers for bees, butterflies and other insects, but there is a limit to how much I can allow them to dominate.

I have harvested broad beans and onions. For the first time I picked all of the broad beans before they got old and tough, and have frozen several bags of them. Onions are hanging neatly in onion bags in the shed and should last me a few months. Peas, runner beans and French beans are coming along nicely now as are courgettes. I am holding my breath about the tomatoes as 2021 was a catastrophic year (they all got blight). Cucumbers are very happy and doing really well.

Now, what's all this about pulling off extra pear and apple fruits? It is not only hard to do but quite upsetting throwing away lots of little fruits. How do I know the rest will develop well? Time will tell I guess but it feels rather murderous pulling them off.

I have a timetable for working the garden: vegetable patch, fruit cage, rockeries, terraces, pond, fruit trees, hedges, edges, digging, pruning and dead heading etc etc. However, I am clearly slowing down in my old age or the wrong things grow too quickly (a regular problem) and I am failing to keep up with it (or there are fewer hours in the day than there used to be). My best solution is to argue the case for the wild environment and leave more and more areas to do their own thing! I have created more wild flower patches and although untidy the bees are very happy. The buddleias are about to flower so should attract butterflies very soon. I did see a Red Admiral yesterday.

I have written about foxes and badgers before and admitted that I throw out dog biscuits along with dried up cat food (my cats can be very fussy but not the foxes). There seems to be a new pair of foxes along with a cub (a neighbour found a dead cub in the road recently and I had sighted two a few weeks ago.) The little one does not come up the garden with the adults so I presume it is now left to its own devices. Nor does it appear before dark whereas one adult is around from 9.15pm. This one starts off under the bird feeders collecting bits that have dropped - not a very sustaining meal. By the way, when I ordered sunflower hearts for the feeders I had an apology from the company for the increase in price telling me most sunflower seeds for their products come from Ukraine!

I have some lovely roses this year. Not normally a strength of mine but maybe conditions have been right. I will collect some horse manure for them this week. The pond is also doing well with lilies flowering and damsel flies hovering over. I do however have to top up the water - back to the lack of rain!!!!

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NEWS FROM PETT LEVEL PRESERVATION TRUST

POSTCARD DESIGN COMPETITION WINNERS

The Pett Level Preservation Trust are delighted to announce the winners of this year's 'Design our Pett Level Postcards' competition. Congratulations to Poppy (age 6), our junior prize winner and to Zoe (age 14), who wins the senior prize. The quality of entries this year was again so good that in addition to awarding our winners, judge Annie Soudain singled out three further entries that she felt deserved a special commendation. The Highly Commended entries came from Mika (age 8), Indie (age 9), and Eden (age 9). The winning postcards will be on sale for £1 at village venues and events over the summer months and can be purchased direct (e-mail lolahall@fastmail.fm for details). 2023 competition details will be announced in the New Year. All proceeds to the Pett Level Preservation Trust.



The winning designs for this year's Pett Level Preservation Trust Postcard Competition by Zoe (14) and Poppy (6)



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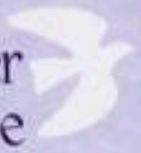
This term we are exploring the Value of **Hope**.

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A Prayer of Hope



Dear God,
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of a new day,
bless me with vision to see
the best of things to come...
Wisdom to make good decisions...
and most of all, *faith*
that you are walking with me
every step of the way.
Amen.

Celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee brought fun and laughter to our school. We had been hoping for beautiful weather- and we were not disappointed. The sun shone for our Party, Picnic and Parade! Below are our winner of our Jubilee Hat Competition.





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GARDENING CLUB

Last October our speaker was Jay Ashworth, the Ornamental Gardens Manager at Ashburnham Place, near Battle, whose talk focused on the history of the estate and the redesign of the gardens by Lancelot (Capability) Brown. The estate is now run by the Ashburnham Christian Trust and is a thriving community, theological college and conference centre, but the gardens and their benefits are at the heart of the Trust's ethos and, with Jay at the helm, continue to evolve, to be managed with a light hand and to follow modern ecological and sustainable principles, with nature and biodiversity at the centre.



This month we visited the estate and were very fortunate to have two tours of the gardens. On arrival Jay met us in front of the striking orangery, now the restaurant, from where the gardens open out, over the original Italianate formal garden, across an expanse of lawn, dotted with beautiful specimen trees worthy of any arboretum, the lakes to right and left and a distant vista ahead. The overall design dates from Capability Brown's redesign in the 1800s, but Jay's vision, gradually being realised as lack of money and staff allow - from 37 gardeners in its heyday, to 1 today - Jay - is to stay true to the nuts and bolts of Brown's plan, but bring the planting ethos right up to date to enable the gardens to continue to have seasonal interest and plenty of colour and scent, but in a more environmentally sustainable way. The walled garden once had large beds with many rose bushes of a single variety, but the roses now nestle within varied perennials, which will return year on year in greater abundance, providing changing seasonal colour, keep weeds at bay and offer food and shelter for bees and other pollinating insects, whilst also being far less labour intensive. Other areas, for example around the pretty church and graveyard, now support wild flower meadows or prairie planting, where once the grass would have been mown and pristine. Benches have been placed throughout the grounds to allow visitors to rest and contemplate the many vistas.

Our visit then progressed to the huge walled kitchen garden, half of which has so far been transformed over the last five years, from a barren, compacted wasteland into a thriving organic vegetable garden, based on Charles Dowding's No-Dig principles, which briefly involve initially clearing the ground of weeds, covering it with cardboard as a weed suppressant, then very thick compost on top, which is then planted. The ecosystems in the soil substructure, there since time immemorial, are thereby left undisturbed and nature is enabled to work to improve the ground over time and provide the plants with the necessary nutrients, while the mulch keeps weeds from taking over, so no fertiliser or weedkiller needed. This method is also much less labour intensive than traditional digging methods, so a small volunteer workforce can manage where once many gardeners were employed. Nick Heasman, along with his wife Anna, is the force behind this and we were all very fortunate to benefit from his inspiring delivery as he explained the principles of No Dig while we could clearly see the results before us. One telling statement is that there are more living organisms in one teaspoon of soil than there are people on the planet"! The garden produce has a low carbon footprint too - it supplies the Orangery restaurant!

We were very fortunate to visit on a lovely sunny day and, the tours over, we enjoyed some social time in the Orangery over tea and cake. Our next visit, on Tuesday at 2.00 p.m. on July 12th is to Alexandra Park, details nearer the time by email.

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As spring has come and gone and summer has crept gently in, the churchyard has blossomed. The hedge along the back fence of the churchyard was planted some years ago, and it looked as though it had never been trimmed which meant that it had turned into a row of small trees. One of the first jobs for the Churchyard Guardians, was to trim the 'hedge' to try and thicken it so that it provided a haven for wildlife. Now, all the root energy from that original row of trees has been put into new growth so a job for the next work party will be to trim it back to fence height again.



One other way that the churchyard has blossomed is that there has been a slight hiatus in the mowing regime so that the grass has grown longer than usual and it has allowed buttercups, ox-eye daisies and many other flowers to come out. It looks wonderful. However, I appreciate that such wild floristic abandon isn't to everyone's taste and many will be glad to know that the new mowing regime will recommence soon.

From my point of view the temporary cessation of mowing has given me the opportunity to confirm the identity of some plants in our botanical list as well as to extend the list as things come into flower as the season progresses. It also gives me a chance to record them photographically and get them verified by proper botanists. Of course, the flowers also attract the wildlife which I have been recording at the same time.

Talking of adding to the botanical list, I was delighted to find another species of orchid in the churchyard recently - a Common Spotted Orchid. I had assumed that it had flowered naturally as it had not been cut back, but it turns out that a spot of guerrilla gardening had taken place and a local resident (who shall remain nameless) thought that it would add to the biodiversity of the churchyard (it has) and would be better there than in their garden (I agree). I hope it thrives and spreads.

We will shortly be arranging a couple of events that will hopefully add to our knowledge of the biodiversity of the churchyard - a bat evening, and a moth night. Keep a lookout for details.

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PETT PARISH COUNCIL UPDATE

I am pleased to say that all the events in the parish celebrating the Queen's Platinum Jubilee went off well. The unveiling by the Lord Lieutenant of the footpath information board outside the Royal Oak was favoured by the weather and a good attendance; there is a photograph at the end of this issue. The WI tea was also successful and the church service on the Sunday morning quite well attended. The weather did not really favour the picnic at the Recreation Ground, but the rain held off and those who were there enjoyed the occasion; it was good that the Lord Lieutenant looked in - unofficially.



In connection with the footpath map, several of the stiles on what we have called the Jubilee Way have been repaired. Andy Norcott has added an extra step to the stile at the top of Chick Bank and Andy, together with Stephen Crisford, has virtually rebuilt the stile going from what was the Rectory Glebe on to Stephen's land so that, in both cases, it is much easier to get over and manage the large drop from one side to the other. Many thanks to Andy and Stephen for this work.

The parish council meeting in June approved without any issues the accounts and the internal auditor's report for the last financial year. Some information will be posted on the noticeboards and the full accounts and report will be available on Pettnet.

Advantage was taken of having a June meeting to pass resolutions that clarified the council's view on the possible exception site behind Watermill Lane and Pett Road. Although the site is in Guestling, its development would affect nearby Pett residents. The meeting was attended by about 20 members of the public, who made some useful points, and was much calmer than the earlier Parish Meeting.

The full resolutions approved unanimously by the council will be available in the minutes of the meeting in the next week or two, but I will summarise them here.

The council confirmed that there was not a sufficient requirement for low-cost housing in the parish and that, at the present time, it will not support the development of any Exception Site in or bordering the parish (although not excluding the possibility of approving a site under certain conditions). The council will only support the use of the land behind Pett Road and Watermill Lane as an Exception Site if the proposals are acceptable to nearby Pett residents and if access routes are defined that are adequate and acceptable to East Sussex Highways.

It was noted that the time to voice objections would be when the draft local plan was made available for comment by Rother District Council. This would be later this year or early next. The parish council will comment on the plan, but it will notify residents when it becomes available so that they can also comment if they so wish. It was also agreed that a public meeting would probably be called to discuss the draft plan.

The resolutions agreed by the parish council will be sent to district and county councillors, appropriate Rother council staff and the chair of Guestling Parish Council.

I am sorry to report the death of Manfred Schwalbert, known to many as the one-time owner of the Royal Oak, who previously had an eventful life and a distinguished career at NATO. Our sympathy goes to his wife and family.

David Penfold, Chair of PPC



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One tin of chopped tomatoes - 400g

One chopped white onion or shallot - 70-75g

Three tablespoons of extra virgin olive oil

Breadcrumbs for the topping

10-15 small leaves of basil

In a pan boil some water with salt and cook the pasta for at least 5 minutes less than the cooking time indicated on the bag (this is because it has to continue cooking in the oven). At the same time chop the ham and mozzarella into tiny pieces, and put aside.

In another pan put the oil and soften the onion until golden, Pour the chopped tomato and stir for 5-7 minutes until it thickens a bit and all the natural water evaporate. Add the basil and season with salt as you please.

Turn off the hob and in the same pan add the pasta, previously drained from its own cooking water, and the other ingredients, including the parmesan. Mix well and pour all of it into a casserole and sprinkle with breadcrumbs. Put in the pre-heated oven for 25-30 minutes, until the pasta starts to burn at the edges. Serve with a nice glass of red wine and...



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PETT WI NEWS

What a wonderful event our Jubilee Party was! 80 guests enjoyed an afternoon tea with prosecco, sandwiches, homemade scones and jam, and a huge array of tempting cakes! We were entertained by local singer Sammy Lou who soon encouraged guests to sing along and also get on the dance floor. We were particularly proud to have been featured on the main national ITV news that evening!

We would like to thank Heringtons Solicitors for their kind support as well as Concepts of Rye, Tic Tocory and Johnsons Fruiterers. This event could not have happened without the fabulous organisation of Pett WI committee members Amanda Leeson, Tracy Hedley, Jane Murray and Trish Walker and to so many of our members (and families) who helped by making scones/cakes/jam, organising flowers, helping in the kitchen, lending china, making bunting, buying/selling raffle tickets and so much more! Special thanks to Pam Burgess and Lin Jessop for picking and arranging garden flowers which helped make the tables look so pretty. Also to Philippa Strickland for much cooking of jam, making of bunting and helping in the kitchen, Clare Walker for helping with the raffle and Sharon Sellens for leading us in Jerusalem and for helping with so many things on the day!

Back in May members enjoyed a varied, lively, interesting, thought-provoking and entertaining meeting which covered items that included the current campaign to "See the Signs" to raise awareness of the subtle signs and symptoms of ovarian cancer to help ensure that more women are diagnosed earlier as well as an explanation of an upcoming resolution women and girls with ASD & ADHD - under-identified, under-diagnosed, misdiagnosed, under-supported. Our main speaker was the charismatic Chantal Palmer from Charles Palmer Vineyards who gave an entertaining talk about life at the vineyard and the processes involved in making wine as well as telling us more about The Cellar Door which encompasses their wine tasting room. Members are looking forward to a social event at the Cellar Door in August.

Other events in May included a visit by members of Pett WICAID (Pett WI Community Aid) team to the MacDonald Ward of the Conquest Hospital where they were welcomed by ward matron Mark Chamberlain. The main aim of the visit was to present a cheque for £2,327.71 which represents funds raised via our recent Spring Fair and community donations including a fabulous £500 from Kit and Janet Mclean in respect of the gate takings at their popular Elm Tree boot fair events. Mark showed us around the courtyard garden which is the centrepiece for our fundraising as we assist with the renovation of the garden. Mark thanked Pett WI for their continuing support of not just this project but other initiatives over the years. The MacDonald Ward is one of 21 courtyard gardens at the Conquest Hospital which due to funding constraints has seen the once immaculate courtyards become in serious need of renovation. The hope for the MacDonald ward courtyard is to restore it to its original purpose to provide a tranquil and beautiful space for patients and visitors to enjoy.



Pictured from left to right - Mark Chamberlain, Hilary Dymott (WICAID Coordinator), Sally Watson and Wendy Burgess.

Members of the theatre club also enjoyed the Battle Theatrical Society's production of The Calendar Girls the Musical.

As always it's all going on at Pett WI!

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Hobbies look debonair and dashing. With their black 'eye mask' and drooping 'moustache' there's a touch of Zorro about them. And, like that enigmatic swordsman, Hobbies are famed for their speed and dexterity. Superficially the Hobby looks similar to the Peregrine, which along with the Kestrel makes up the trio of falcons that breed in Sussex. But Peregrines are very different birds. They started raising their families way back in April and adult Peregrines are up to four times heavier than a Hobby. Peregrines hunt by putting their weight behind their attack, whereas Hobbies use aerial agility and acceleration; the ninja to the Peregrine's sumo. The Hobby's slender scimitar wings slice the air as they twist, turn and tumble to pluck their victims from the sky in their talons.



These victims are the reason for the Hobby's 4,000 mile journey from Africa, and for their late egg-laying. The birth of the hungry Hobby chicks is perfectly synchronised with their food supply, which is most abundant in Sussex skies in July and August. Hobbies specialise in catching the uncatchable; swallows, martins, swifts and dragonflies - all accomplished aviators themselves, who probably thought they were invincible whilst airborne. Watching a Hobby hunting is watching an accomplished predator at work.

If you've been on a wildlife walk with me you've probably already heard my favourite piece of Hobby trivia. In 1946 Mr Adolph of Langton Green, Kent had an idea. Presumably, with a name like that, the preceding seven years had been a tough time for Mr Adolph, but now he was free to unleash his incredible invention upon the world; a game which involved flicking wobbly model footballers up and down a tabletop. This game, he insisted, would be a great hobby for boys and he named his invention just that: 'Hobby'. But when it came to registering the name, the Patents Office said that 'Hobby' was too general a term. Instead, Mr Adolph took the scientific name from his favourite falcon. And so the agile Hobby (*Falco subbuteo*) became forever linked to wet Saturday afternoons flicking headless Crystal Palace midfielders around the dining room.

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PETT ON THE KNIT

I'm glad so many of you liked my contribution to the Queen's Jubilee on the post-box opposite French Court Lane during the Jubilee Bank Holiday weekend. A fantastic 150 of you liked it on the Pett & Pett Level Community Facebook page and over 3,500 liked it when I posted the picture on the Facebook page dedicated to PostBox Toppers UK. It was worth all the hours it took to complete to see people smiling at it and taking selfies and pictures of Her Maj.



Knitting HM and the corgis meant that I took my eye off the ball when it came to knitting the squares but I've just packed another box to send to Knit for Peace with two blankets, some patchwork cot covers, knitted gloves and hats for adults and children, and some babies' booties and knitted toys.

Knit for Peace accepts anything knitted with love: baby clothes, knitted toys, hats, scarves, gloves, socks, together with the blankets which are then distributed to those in need in deserving countries at home and abroad. With the hike in fuel prices in the UK the blankets will be most welcome in this country, too, this winter.

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Blanket Square Pattern: (knit diagonally)

Cast on 1 stitch.

Row 1: kf&b (2 stitches)

Row 2: K1, kf&b (3 stitches)

Row 3: K1, kf&b, k1 (4 stitches)

Row 4: K1, kf&b, k2 (5 stitches)

Row 5: K1, kf&b, k3 (6 stitches)

Row 6: K1, *K1, kf&b, knit to end of row*

Repeat the 6th Row from * to * until side of the square measures 12.5 cms or 5 ins exactly.

Begin to decrease.

Next Row: K1, k2tog, knit to end of row.

Repeat this row until 2 stitches remain.

Next Row: K 2 together.

Tidy up wool ends by sewing into square.

Abbreviations: K = Knit, Kf&b = knit into the front and back of the same stitch, K2tog= knit two stitches together.



If you need any wool, let me know. I'm not in need of any donations of wool at the moment but if you have any squares or items to donate please bring them to the Coffee Mornings, or to me at 2 Brambletye, Pett Road, near the Methodist Church. I can always come and collect - any questions please contact me on 07977 100 296 or heather.brambletye@hotmail.co.uk or heathergodwin19@gmail.com

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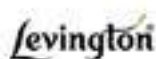
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PETT LEVEL INDEPENDENT RESCUE BOAT

Welcome to the PLIRB monthly update! We are rapidly speeding through the year and enjoying the heady heights of summer - or whatever the British summer weather throws at us! We hope everyone had a wonderful long Jubilee Weekend in June and has a much-earned break planned.



Our thanks continue to go to everyone who visits us, donates, or just stops by to say hello. Everything we do is thanks to our amazing and growing team of volunteers and supporters - anyone is welcome to join us, see contact details below!

Here's our update..

- Over the Platinum Jubilee weekend PLIRB were at Fairfest in Pett, cooking up a storm with our ever-popular barbeque! Over 850 burgers and sausages were flipped and cooked! Thank you to all those who attended and to the wonderful organisers for putting on such a fantastic two days.
- Our Charity Stall is in full swing every Sunday, from 10am to 4pm. We have been overwhelmed with such a generous selection of donations so do pop down to see all the goodies on offer! From buckets and spades to homewares and lovely paintings, there is something for everyone!
- Thanks to donations, we have been able to purchase much needed new dry suits for our crew! We have been so pleased to team up with Northern Diver who have been incredibly helpful and supportive to ensure we have the most appropriate kit for going to sea in all weathers.
- Not only that, with thanks to the Co-Op and other donations, we have installed CCTV around the PLIRB station. With increasing footfall and some recent incidences in the areas, we give our thanks to those who have donated to ensure we are protected.
- For an alternative way to support PLIRB and your chance to win up to £25,000, you can join the Weather Lottery. Tickets are just £1 per week - search online for The Weather Lottery or see our Facebook page to sign up!
- We also have to give a huge thank you to Robin Lyons and the Royal Oak Pub in Pett for hosting their super fun quiz every other week, with all entry proceeds going to PLIRB. They have raised an incredible sum of almost £2,000! We aim to always have a team and while we strive to 'win'...we're always happy to be the winning losers and get the chocolate! Every other Wednesday from 8.30pm at the Royal Oak - come and test your wits against the local quiz masters!
- The training we do is immensely important and prepares us for all challenges and situations we may face. In June we were tasked, close to midnight, in a multi-agency search to find two missing teenagers who had become lost between Cliff End and Fairlight Glen. With three UK Coastguard teams and the police, we were asked to conduct a shoreline search. A huge effort in the dark with a receding tide and treacherous rocks, the casualties were located, brought on to the PLIRB rescue boat and returned safely to the slip. Without local support and our training, these kind of operations would not be possible. It is also a great reminder to always be aware of tides, cliff falls, weather and location conditions.
- A date for your diary! The PLIRB Open Day is on Sunday 28 August from 11am to 3pm. Tickets for the Grand Raffle are on sale at just £2 each. Thank you to Rye Bay E-Bikes for their generous donation of two fantastic e-bikes - just two of the brilliant prizes up for grabs. For your chance to win, visit our Facebook page, see us on Sunday mornings - or

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- As well as the stalls, games, BBQ, bar and sea display, for the first time we will be holding a fun dog show at the Open Day. You can enter on the day, with four classes to enter your pooch for! Look out for flyers and poster for more details.
- The hugely popular calendar competition is back! We have launched this year's competition to find the best local photos to appear in our 2023 calendar. There will be 12 winners who will each receive two free calendars, plus one overall winner who with the extra special prize of a vouchers for a canvas print. A £5 donation per photo entry and up to five image entries per person. Competition closes on 4 September. Visit our Facebook page or speak to us on Sunday for more details...and good luck!
- We have registered as a member for the newly formed National Independent Lifeboat Association, which aims to ensure the preservation and protection of life on the water by supporting independent lifeboats and associated organisations throughout the UK. This is a fantastic opportunity for PLIRB and ALL independent lifeboats across the country and we are super excited to become a member.
- July 1-4 is Clean Beaches Week in the US but widely recognised and supported across the UK. We encourage everyone who visits our beautiful coastline to take a few moments to ensure all litter is disposed of responsibly and you leave the beach as you would like to find it.

With summer in full swing and the beaches busy, safety awareness remains an important part of our work. Please be vigilant about weather warnings, seasonal tides and currents and stay mindful of the dangers at both the top and bottom of local cliffs, due to continued rockfalls all along the local coastline.

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The official Opening of the Jubilee Footpath by The Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex (Andrew Blackman) and Chair of Pett Parish Council (David Penfold)



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NATURE NOTES

When it comes to ensuring the success of offspring, evolution has come up with some really bizarre strategies. Strategy is not exactly the right word because that suggests deliberate actions, rather than the random adaptations that just happen to be successful in a particular situation. Some of you may have seen the picture of a ruby-tailed wasp that I found in the churchyard and posted on Facebook recently. The wasp doesn't have a common name, but its scientific name is *Omalus aeneus*. Also, it doesn't have a ruby tail. All of the ruby-tailed wasps belong to a family called *Chrysididae* which all have bright metallic-coloured bodies, most of which have a red abdomen. *O. aeneus* is mostly blue but there are greenish and purplish patches and a very dark blue, almost black top of its thorax. The top of its thorax is also smooth which contrasts with deep punctures around the rest of its thorax and gives the whole insect a jewel-like appearance. Beautiful though this insect is, its 'strategy' for the success of its progeny is, to say the least, unusual.

All of the ruby-tailed wasps parasitize other insects and the majority of those are other bee or wasp species. They parasitize those species either by laying their eggs in the brood chambers of other insects, or just inside the other insects. There are clearly dangers to that approach since when entering a brood chamber (or a larva), the wasp or bee that owns the brood chamber may attack, and possibly kill the intruder. *O. aeneus* sidesteps that danger by laying its eggs inside aphids. Now an aphid is not much of a meal for a wasp, but that isn't what *O. aeneus* expects to happen. It is expecting that the aphid will be paralyzed by another wasp - a Crabronid wasp that specializes in eating aphids. But what it really hopes for is for the Crabronid wasp to carry the aphid back to its brood chamber to join other paralyzed aphids and the egg that the Crabronid wasp has laid. When the *O. aeneus* larva hatches, it will have a nice meal of egg and aphids and a cosy brood chamber in which to spend the winter. The following spring it will emerge as an adult in its full technicolour glory and hopefully amaze another photographer who just happened to be in the right place at the right time.

Coincidentally, on another visit to the churchyard, I noticed some aphids on a teasel leaf. They looked unusually large, brown, and were immobile. It turns out that these aphids had been parasitized by another wasp - not *O. aeneus*, but another much smaller Braconid wasp, for whom an aphid would be a substantial meal. The aphids were in fact, corpses, just providing a protective shell for the growing braconid larva inside them.

So yet again, another gruesome tale from the smaller end of the animal kingdom, but on a brighter note, I saw a swift today. Sadly, it wasn't in Pett, and it is the only swift I've seen so far this year, which is itself a tragedy. If only we could ban insecticides once and for all, then the swifts would have something to eat and we'd see a lot more of them.



Alan Kenworthy

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NOTES ON THE ENVIRONMENT

You may have heard the news ‘froth’ about restoring imperial measurements. One fact I can remember about imperial measures is that a gallon of water weighs 10 pounds (lb). Petrol weighs slightly less than that but by the time you read this a gallon of petrol will be about 10 pounds (sterling). So there has never been a better time to think about buying an electric car, though you may well have been put off by the FUD. FUD? That stands for

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and represents the sort of tactics used by say, tobacco companies when the link between smoking and lung cancer was proven, in order to protect their businesses. The oil companies are adopting similar tactics to put people off buying electric cars and the social media are full of FUD, so I think it’s time to dispel some of the common myths being spread about them.

Not FUD, but a real concern, is range. The typical practical range of a modern electric car is usually around 200 miles which is quite a bit less than a typical internal combustion engine (ICE) car. But the question you need to ask yourself is ‘How much range do I need?’. For the majority of people their usual journeys are less than 30 miles, but even if you commute to London every day, a range of 200 miles is more than adequate and you can charge your car at home overnight. Longer journeys are slightly more difficult in that you will need to find a public charge point. There are now more than 30,000 public charge points in the UK and that number is increasing all the time. Recently, 16% of those 30,000 charge points provided by Tesla were made available to drivers of non-Tesla cars and motorway service stations are well provided with both Tesla and non-Tesla charge points. There are even charge points at places like Tesco (free), Lidl (free), and McDonalds.

So, onto the FUD. One of the most prevalent myths about electric vehicles (EV’s) is the long tailpipe myth. This goes something like - the EV doesn’t produce any CO2 emissions, but the power station providing the electricity does. Working out whether or not an EV causes more emissions than an ICE car is complicated but many studies have come up with exactly the same answer - i.e., even if the EV used electricity generated entirely from coal, it would still produce less emissions than an equivalent ICE car and no such ‘dirty’ mix of fuel exists. The UK mix of generation fuel types includes gas (mostly), nuclear and renewables - all of which produce less CO2 than coal and that mix is improving, whereas ICE cars emit the same throughout their life. There is another factor that adds to the efficiency of EV’s and that is regenerative braking. When an ICE car brakes, all of the energy that was used in accelerating the car is wasted as heat in the brake discs. When an EV slows down, regenerative braking recovers some of the acceleration energy by recharging the battery.

Regenerative braking also has an impact in another bit of FUD. This is the idea that EV’s are heavier than ICE cars and so produce as many or more particulates than ICE cars. Particulates are produced in 3 ways - as brake dust, in tyre wear, and in exhaust gases (particularly from diesel exhaust). As far as the last category is concerned, EV’s don’t produce any exhaust gas. Regenerative braking also means that brake pads last around 4 times longer than on an ICE car, and that just leaves the tyres where it has been estimated that the additional weight of an EV increases tyre wear by about 4%. I’m sure you can make your own mind up about which type of car produces less particulates.

Alan Kenworthy

SEA SUNDAY

17TH JULY, 10:30AM
PETT LEVEL INDEPENDENT RESCUE BOATHOUSE

After a three year break we are happy to return to our popular Sea Sunday service at Pett Level.

There will be a collection for the **MISSION TO SEAFARERS** - a charity which helps sailors throughout the world.

The lifeboat crew will serve refreshments after the service. If you wish to sit throughout the service then please bring a chair.

Meriel Deasy

AMEN TO THAT!

I have only recently puzzled over the meaning of **AMEN**. I knew that it was Hebrew rather than Greek and I used to think it simply signified the end of a prayer and was just a way of saying “over and out.” Avril Thurley’s brother has helped me at last to gain some insight into what the word meant to a Hebrew speaker and, indeed, what Jesus meant when he used it. And I want to share this with you.

The root from which the word **AMEN** comes means “firmness, steadiness, reliability, support, truth.” Another Hebrew word which comes from the same root is the word for a pillar or support. There are verbs which have a similar derivation and they mean “to support” or “to be made firm, to be faithful” or “to stand firm, to believe.”

When we read the word **AMEN** in the Bible or when we say it ourselves at the end of a prayer, it is an affirmation: “I will stand with you in that prayer” or “What has been said is true and right.”

The trouble is that when you think you are having some success in etymological detection, you realize that you are often straying on to all sorts of other mysterious but fascinating paths!

Angela Hawksley



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