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Editor's Comments

hope you all had a glorious holiday and are back now to prepare for Christmas, as the shops would have us do.

You may not have noticed, we had a new printer last month, as they got it just right, if not a little better, I think.

You will also notice this month's issue slightly thinner than normal due to a large loss in advertising, which was impossible to replace this month due to

holidays. We should recover next month. Although still lots of interesting stuff going on and Rye Harbour Art Studio's and art featuring once again with the hope we can keep it going.

A moving appeal from Heidi Foster on pages 16 and 17 for equipment for a deprived area in Africa. This is also the last issue of the fourth year, so expect a few more changes next month as we start a fifth volume.



Carl Bagwell (Harbour Master & Rye Harbour Lifeboat Crew doing their bit for Rye Raft Race, Sunday 21st August, more details page 6

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Next month should also feature pictures from Rye Harbour Fete and Flow-er Festival, which won't make this issue due to not being held till the last weekend in August.

Next month's deadline will be Friday 16th September.

If you are new to the village, then welcome, we hope you enjoy; and please feel free to contribute to the newsletter if you wish, or get involved with things going on in the village, always looking for fresh, good ideas and plenty of help.



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FROM THE HARBOUR MASTERS CHAIR

new arrival. "Kirk" McGregor has joined us as Deputy Harbour Master, he has taken up his role with vigour visiting many parts of the harbour and meeting people who either work by the river or just enjoy sailing or walking its tributaries. Kirk has a "Deep Sea" background recently serving as master on a container ship in the far east. I'm sure we all wish him well in his new shore based post. Another new appointment albeit at a distance, is the head of recreation and Navigation. Julia Simpson, based at head office, Bristol, spent a day at the harbour acquainting herself on the workings of a multi-functional harbour. We were able to show her at first hand commercial shipping activities. This was followed by a trip around the harbour by boat, inspecting navigational aids and viewing the developing fish market site. Another visitor was the 80's icon singer "Sade", (song: "Smooth Operator" amongst others). She attended for a photo shoot on Camber Sands in aid of breast cancer. The old tram shed next to the harbour office has now been

In order to connect the supply



ours was switched off, during this time we were able to start up the emergency generator which is very noisy, disruption start on the rest of the pact. lasted for about 4 hours. Rye Trafalgar 200, what a great day. Those of you who

next year with the date of August 15th pencilled in (Midday high tide). "Raft Race this year moved again back up the river, starting at Scots Float Sluice and finishing at the Road Bridge. Some ten rafts entered the "race" with the early leaders gaining a good head The leading raft, fitted with masts reached the first rail bridge and none of us thought

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visited Rye could not help but see the large number of craft, fully dressed with signal flags, moored to both banks. The Cinque Ports volunteers were there together with representatives of the "Scout" car association.

by a flying display by a number of "Tiger Moths". supplied with mains electricity. Late news, the event was so popular it may be repeated

it would get under, it did less the masts!

The event passed off without any rowdiness or trouble. A tribute to the Lions and Bonfire Boys who took much effort in arranging and policing the day. Well Done.

The whole day was completed The whale exercise took place on Camber Sands as first mentioned in previous notes. The two "Rubber" whales

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Harbour Master's Comments Cont.

(Continued from page 6) were very life like and members of the public walking in at a tad over 82 metres, the Camber Sands thought they were genuine and offered to help. Some 40 persons were involved in the exercise keeping the "Whales" wet and Other vessels have included moving them if breathing became difficult. I am assured that they had a good day and were "Well Pleased". Some of you who watch day time TV will know of the

including the Russian vessel "Savmenskiv Kanal" Coming vessel carried a crew of 11 and arrived from Raynes quarry, north Wales with 1900 tons of road stone.

cargoes of Talcon powder for Ryecon Shipping who are based on the Harbour Road. Jet Skis. You hate "em or Lov"em. generally these personalised water craft launch

and collision regulations. Custodial sentences are now available to courts for the more serious offenders

Burial at sea has always been a traditional means of departing mariners and those who have derived a living from the waters around our coast. There are two locations permitted to be used as burial grounds, one off Cornwall and the other off the Isle of Wight.. Not any more, perhaps after a second body had been washed up ashore on a beach on the Island. The coroner concluded that these bodies had been buried in the deeps but ill made coffins had broken up discharging their cargo to the surface. Lastly, an MP has urged the government to investigate the competencies and skills of the coastguard agency after a TV program questioned the operation and staff shortages of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency. I hope the government responds positively as we all want the best advice and operation of the coastguard when dealing with emergencies off our port.



program "Art Attack". Well this group are coming to Rye to film on the tarmacadomed area at the Strand Quay Rye for whole day. The program involves "Laving out" differing specific identity. materials over a 300 metre square area and when viewed from above an unusual picture is formed, yet again Rye will be on the big screen. A number of large vessels have arrived during the month lookout and obey the steering

into the town. Legislation for these things has been difficult in the past as they have no Not any more, Salisbury Crown court has decided that these PWC's are now "ships" and therefore come under the "Merchant Shipping Acts". This means they must keep a

from the slipway and proceed

to sea, they are not permitted

CARL BAGWELL Captain **Harbour Master**

THE ENCHANTRESS

returns and a happy 200th anniversary. The Martello Tower

along with the other remaining Martello Towers along the coast from Suffolk to

Seaford are 200 years old around this time and we wish them well for the future. Our own tower here in Rye



Harbour is number 28 and was christened 'The Enchantress'. The original purpose for their being built was as a defence against an invasion by Napoleon, a very real threat at the time. But the battle of Trafalgar effectively stopped the threat and so the towers were redundant in some cases before families lived: wives and

Whilst the 'Enchantress' is one been employed in one of the oldest buildings in the community, it is probable that Ship Cottage formerly 'The Ship Inn' is, along with The

completion.



Watch House and Harbour Lights are two to three years older. All of them would have been close to the shoreline of the day.

No doubt The Ship Inn did a roaring trade with the hundreds of artisans the building of Enchantress. Probably there was an encampment close by,



where workers and children would have also way or another.

Time does not permit me to write further on the early years except to say,

that the Enchantress was used as a lock up by the Coast Blockade for those caught smuggling and later in the 19th century there was a small platoon of The Royal Artillery who maintained the cannon and other

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armaments.

Later on it appears to have been used as a private dwelling and with The Cambridge Mission, who provide holidays for poor children from London, In World War 2 The **Royal Observer Corps** and labourers engaged in maintained an observation post with several rye Harbour men in the corps. In the near future I would like

> to see. Enchantress become a maritime heritage centre and centre for Rye Harbour Nature Reserve.

I hope that my vision along with others will come to fruition in due course. Meantime 'Many Happy returns Enchantress'.

Michael Alford





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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Station Approach, Rye

Witnesses are being sought as part of an ongoing investigation into a disturbance involving a group of youths which took place on the evening of Wednesday 20th July at Budgens in Station Approach, Rye. Police were called and one youth was arrested for multiple offences including assault, public order, resisting arrest and possession of an offensive weapon. Witnesses are asked to contact PC Berry at Rye on 0845 60 70 999.

Elderly man conned out of £3,000 savings

Heartless bogus callers conned a partially sighted 93-year-old man out of £3,000 on Tuesday 16 August.

The offenders involved were a man and two women who also had a young child with them. The victim was driven from his home in Camber to first Hastings and then Bexhill to find a bank where he could withdraw the money. He was then dropped off in Rye and given a few pounds to catch a bus home.

The mean crime took place when a man called at the elderly victim's home in Lydd Road between 10:00 and midday apparently claiming to be his next door neighbour. He stated that he needed some cash for some work he was going to carry out for the victim. He was allowed inside and was joined by a woman claiming to be his wife. They persuaded the pensioner to call his bank for authorisation for him to draw out £3,000 in cash for the work they were going to carry out. Whilst in the property they also stole some money from his wallet. The couple then escorted him outside where it is believed they had a light coloured 4x4 vehicle waiting on the payement. Inside the vehicle in the rear was a second woman and a child believed to be aged five to seven.

They all drove to Hastings where the aggrieved was dropped off in a bus lay-by in the town centre while they parked their vehicle. He was joined by the man who escorted him up and down Queens Road in search of the Alliance and Leicester. The conman, who was not wearing any clothes on his top half, stopped several members of the public to ask if they knew where the building society was until one informed him that the branch in Hastings had closed down and the nearest branch was in Bexhill. They all drove to Bexhill where the pensioner was dropped outside the Alliance and Leicester in Devonshire Road at around 13:00 and instructed to get the £3,000 in cash for the work they were claiming they would carry out.

He withdrew the cash in £50 notes and met one of the women outside. After handing over the money he was driven back to Rye where he was dropped off some four miles away from his home by the offenders who claimed they were going to get the items needed to carry out the work and gave him a few pounds so he could get a bus home.

Later that day the pensioner discovered that the man and woman were not connected with his neighbours and he had been deceived out of his savings.

Police are appealing for witnesses to the incident. The man involved is described as white, tall and wearing no clothes on his top half.

Rother CID urgently wants to hear from anyone with information which might help us track down those responsible.

Were you in Hastings town centre on Tuesday morning and asked where the Alliance and Leicester was by an elderly man and a man with no shirt on?

RDE HARBOUR ACUSTETTER **NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH Cont...**

Were you in Devonshire Road, Bexhill, at lunchtime on Tuesday and maybe saw the elderly man being dropped off or met outside the Alliance and Leicester? Or perhaps someone with a large amount of £50 notes purchased goods from you later that day.

If you have any information regarding this incident please contact Rother CID on 0845 60 70

Ouote serial 1740 of 16/08/05 or contact Crimestoppers anonymously on 0800 555 111.

Neighbourhood Watch Search Team

Thanks to all those who attended last nights meeting regarding a Neighbourhood Watch Search Team. The meeting was very positive and generated interest from those who did attend. The West Downs Search Team was well represented and PC Jason Ede gave an interesting view of the work involved.

We are looking to start up a steering group of approximately half a dozen people who would be willing to sit on the committee and organise the search team. We have a few interested parties but if you feel this is something you would like to become

involved in then please contact me, Becky Forte on

rebecca.forte@sussex.pnn.police.uk

Once a steering group is established we will look to recruiting members to join the team. I hope we are able to call on our Neighbourhood Watch colleagues to take this project forwards. Members of the steering group and search team must be Neighbourhood Watch members.

PPI Forum - Rother Meeting in Public

To be held at Battle Baptist Church, Mount Street, Battle on Thursday 15th September 2005 at 10am

A senior manager of the Bexhill and Rother PCT has been invited to give a presentation with regard to the proposed changes to the structure of Primary Care Trusts in Sussex and Surrey.

To find out more about the Patient and Public Forum - Rother or becoming a member: Contact: Clive Mills 01424 777163 E. MAIL: clive.ppi@fsmail.net Or visit:www.maketimeforhealth.org

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Rother Antisocial Behaviour Co-ordinator: 01424 456160

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HOMABAY SCHOOLAPPEAL

ome of you may know me, or heard my name mentioned. I moved from London into the Harbour in November 04. It was somewhat of a culture shock but I love it here. Apart from the beautiful environment, friends, other Harbour inhabitants have made me feel welcome.

I need your help. I support an orphan village in Kenya and will be visiting in October. Parents of these



communities who need it most. The recent G8 decisions and concert, which has raised yet more millions, be sure, will also NOT make a difference to many villages that are suffering. However what we are not told about, are the many Africans who try, even in adversity, to be innovative, socially conscious and share the little they have with the more unfortunate around them.

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My African friends have started a school for 50

children who are orphans and from poor families. unable to send siblings to a proper school. The problem is they have no resources, chairs or desks. I have sent money for the furniture. I am appealing to vour better

children have died of poverty, Malaria, HIV/ Aids and lack of education and medicine. No doubt you'll wonder why poverty and sickness still prevails after pouring millions into Africa. Unfortunately, money, development and food aid often does not reach the small

nature, not so much for money, although still needed, but small books for ages 3-8 (paper back as I have to carry them) your children don't need any more, small educational or soft toys, colouring books and pens, bandages,

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Orphan children also love learning

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wonderful and will give each child a set and sense of being at school.

When I return at the beginning of November, I will update you all on the highs and lows, no doubt, of an extraordinary community.

Thank you to everyone concerned enough to help.

Heidi Foster

plasters and anything light you can think of, a young school child with nothing could make use of. I am grateful to Bogden for keeping a box in the shop where you can deposit anything you can spare. A local friend has kindly donated new pens, rulers, rubbers, paper etc, which is



Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report

ith the end of a rather breeding season at Rve Harbour. many of our

summer visitors have will have another batch of fledglings, already begun their long



excitement over what the



journey back to their wintering autumn may bring, and not a

grounds in Africa. By the time you are reading this, species such as Little Tern, Wheatear and the various species of warbler will have departed, while the first of those species which are so characteristic of the reserve during the winter, such as Dunlin (right), Curlew and Wigeon will already have arrived to take advantage of the open water and shingly shores found here. This time of the year brings rather mixed -

relief that our breeding birds

have succeeded in getting off

hint of sadness that the summer is drawing to an end and the year is slowly winding down to the short. cold days of winter.



Practical work on the reserve has continued in the same vein, with yet more ragwort and valerian clearance, with

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the addition of the first willow bashing session of the autumn at Castle Water. The wardens have also undertaken a range of fencing repairs here to prevent both goats and sheep (but especially goats!) from wandering into places where they shouldn't be!

Well the weather luckily improved just in time for our summer events. We had a good turn out for our Camber Castle Detective event held at the end of July. We had 40 children being detectives that day, and everyone went home with a prize after completing the questions that were set.

Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report Cont..

Our Seashore Discovery event then being shown the art of that was held during Marine Week on 11th August was also seashore (unfortunately only popular, encouraging 41 children to explore the saltmarsh for creepy crawlies, and

catching shrimps down on the one shrimp found it's way into

the net!), but crabs and numerous shells were also closely inspected. Our surprise find for the day has to go to the jellyfish which was found by some of the younger members of the group (see picture).

On Sunday 18th September why not come on our Camber Castle Wildlife and History walk. This will be a circular walk to explore Henry VIIIs castle, and to see the wildlife of Castle Water. Meet at Brede Lock Car Park at 10am. returning at 1pm.

Barry, Miriam, Chris and Sam



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If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact the co-ordinator Age Concern East Sussex, the Almonry, High Street, Battle TN33 0EA or ring 01424 775721.

WHATS ON - IN YOUR LOCAL AREA

SEPTEMBER

COSTAL CURRENTS ART

FESTIVAL - Runs all month, brochures from the Heritage Centre.

Sat 3rd

RYE FESTIVAL - Runs till 18th MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm The Belvedere, with the telescope, eastern end of the high street. The walk ends at

Lamb House which will be open for visitors.

RYE IN BLOOM FIOWER &

VEGETABLE SHOW- Held at The

Community Centre. Entries from 10am, judging from 12 noon and open to public from 2pm. For further information 01797 229808

BALLROOM-SEQUENCE-LINE

DANCE - Held at Pett village hall from 7.30pm – 11pm. Tickets £4 including refreshments. Information Carole Knight 01424 813803

Sun 4th

ECHOES FROM THE SKY - A chance not to be missed to find out more about the fascinating Listening Devices, concrete ears or dishes at Lade Pitt. Meet Dr Scarth at 2pm and the Romney Marsh countryside project (01797 367934) at Lade car park on coast drive (halfway between the Pilot Pub & Romney Sands. Distance 3 miles. Donations appreciated

BIKE JUMBLE - Held at Ham Street from 10am. Details 01797 344277

VALLEYS & VISTA - A circular walk from Rye, enjoying fantastic views from over the Rye Bay. We will cross three main waterways leading to Rye, which have helped shape the landscape we see to day. There will be a pub stop on route for lunch. Pre-booking advisable 01797 226488 by

Friday 2nd Sept. Meet Rve station 9.30am.

Wed 7th

MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm The Belvedere, with the telescope, eastern end of the high street. The walk ends at Lamb House which will be open for visitors.

Wed 14th

MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm

The Belvedere, with the telescope, eastern end of the high street. The walk ends at Lamb House which will be open for visitors. Sun 25th

Sat 17th

FRIENDS OF RYE WURLITZER

Coffee morning/Craft stalls & Wurlitzer afternoon concert with Len Rawle. Evening with Nigel Ogden & Kent Police MVC. Information 01424 444058. Held at Thomas 813787. Proceeds for funds of Lifeboat. Peacocke, Community College, Rye

MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm The Belvedere, with the telescope, eastern

end of the high street. The walk ends at Lamb House which will be open for visitors.

Sun 18th

FRIENDS OF RYE WURLITZER

Breakfast with Len at 8am To 10am. Master class. 11am-12.15pm Morning Song of Praise with Len Rawle. 12.30pm to 1.45pm Special buffet lunch, also afternoon concert Nicholas Martin.

CAMBER CASTLE WILDLIFE &

HISTORY - A circular walk to explore Henry VIII's Castle and see the wildlife of Castle Water. Meet Brede Lock car park 10am

Wed 21st

MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm The Belvedere, with the telescope, eastern end of the high street. The walk ends at

Lamb House which will be open for visitors.

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Fri 23rd

TASTE OF RYE FESTIVAL - local food & drink until Sunday 2nd October. Details

Sat 24th

ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES Held

at Rye Community Centre, Conduit hill at 9.30 - 4.30

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RYE HARBOUR LIFEBOAT

DISTRICT - Lunch at Manor Farm Oast, Icklesham. Information, Mrs Mylrae 01424

MAPP & LUCIA WALK - Meet 2pm

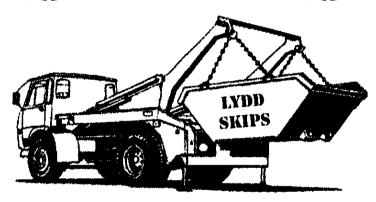
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Camber Castle open week-ends only 2pm till 5pm Last entry 4.30pm

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COASTAL CURRENTS ARTS FESTIVAL 2005

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3 September 2005 - 11 September 2005 Harbour Point, Rye Harbour Sept 3-4 & 10-11 - 10am-5pm

Rve Harbour Artists Group

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Debi Angel

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Jim Spencer
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> contact: 01797 222994 email: judy@judyball.co.uk email: jim@!jimspencer.co.uk



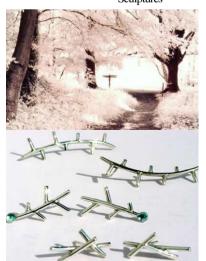
Saffron Summerfield

Saffron Summerfield, Sound Artist. South Coast Sounds is a new audio-visual work created with found sounds and music inspired by the Rye Bay and Rother areas.

Rachel Spring

New work by Rachel Spring. Come and feel the presence of these large-scale figurative ceramic forms which are also available for purchase.

Brigitte Evill Sculptures





Avocet, Tram Road, Rye Harbour Greenhalf & Pollard

contact: 01797 223005

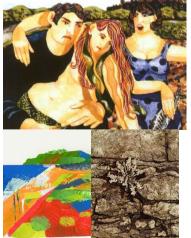
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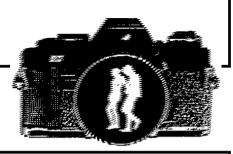
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ugust has been very uneventful for the catching side of things, with only the weather and prices for the fish helping out. Boats have been able to get to sea when they want, with a stretch of good fine weather but the catches of Dover Sole and many mixed fish have stayed on the low side. Trawlers are towing all over the bay, sometimes picking up a box or two of Cuttle fish. these mainly closer inshore, then moving further off when it gets dark, hoping for more

Soles and Plaice. Although there are patches of Spider crabs, they haven't been without the hard wear on the as abundant as other years, so not causing the problems with big bags of them for the trawlers and any set nets blind- trawlers. ed with them. With fewer Spider crabs the netting boats are sometimes quick shooting their now nearing completion, with gear and fishing it at first light, boats perhaps using the quay or when tides suit. leaving it overnight till the next unloading, then once the old day without too much rubbish and crabs. Their catches haven't been high but with enough trips through the week, have managed to earn a pay of

some sorts, the biggest part of the catch being Dover Sole, gear and without the large fuel bill that is starting to make such a difference to the

Work at the fish-market is progressing, the first phase next month for mooring to and stages are clear of boats, work can then carry on with the sheet piling and back filling.

Boy Ashore

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APPEAL FOR HELP

Rye Harbour Youth Action Group, which organises the two youth clubs within the village, is running low on funds and is in desperate need of donations and or somebody to co-ordinate a funding application. If anyone can help in these matters and you don't have to be local, please contact Vanessa Jordan on 01797 229859, all help will be gratefully appreciated.

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Rye Harbour **Sailing Club News**



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pindrift left Rye on June 10th 13.50 hrs, setting some trepidation as it is such a busy port with a great deal of traffic. The initial wind was S. which soon changed to E. and we entered a squall at Dungeness and took in two reefs as the wind increased to E. F6 and progress was slow but at last we were off Folkstone by 19.55 hrs. with Dover breakwater in sight and by 20.45 hrs, we were 2 miles off Dover Harbour breakwater, still headed by a F6 wind. 21.45 hrs we had tied up in by mid-day and by 14.00 the tidal marina in Dover. Relief, it was so much easier than we had imagined. Next morning we fuelled up with diesel and left the outer harbour at 11.15 hrs. in a NE 4 wind on a 95 degree course, under full sail and with excellent visibility, which was just as well as there were container ships, fuel tankers and ferries in the vicinity. We left the shipping lane, the tide was with us, we were averaging es, monasteries and an an-7.9 knots sailing

beautifully Ken constantly

checking the charts to make sure we stayed in the and canals until we came inner channel and avoided out for Dover with the many sandbanks. At 18.24 hrs. we passed Dunkirk and felt very privileged to be traveling along help us fit ourselves in. this coastline in the 60th anniversary year of the ending of the 2nd World War. We headed for Newport, entered and tied up there at 21.00 hrs. We left with permission at 06.15hrs, in light winds crossing the busy entrance to Zeebrugge and entered the want to leave and would Schelde uder, a lovely blue have stuck in one spot for sky which became overcast ever!? The Dutch have hrs strong gusts of wind made it difficult mooring up in Breskins. On the 13th. we sailed into Middelburg and met up with the other club boats. We enjoyed our stay in Middelburg which was the home of the Dutch East India company from 1610 -1798 when Napoleon occupied Holland for 70

vears. There are medieval religious buildings, church- Halpin in Spindfift, Barry cient synagogue.

We negotiated many locks into Veere where we met Eric and Janet Pilkington who had come by road and were there to greet us and Wyn and Bill had booked us in and they were to prove our good guides for the rest of our time in Holland.

They were to tease Jill Halpin about suffering from HR (Harbour Rot) as everywhere we went it was so wonderful she did not great cycle paths so we did lots of cycling. On the 15th. June we cycled from Veere to Veersemeere and the North Sea. We had to buy plastic ponchos to keep out the rain and the cold wind. We had dinner at the Clubhouse. There were 18 of us in 6

boats and a car. Brian Waters, Commodore, John Dawkins and Richard Mockett in Gannet. Ken (vice Commodore and Jill and Linda Sharp, Jean and Derek Philips in

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Rye Harbour Sailing Club News Cont...

(Continued from page 28) Sommerwind. Monica and Chris in Expression. Bill and Wyn Stephens in Northern Lady. Alf Paul. Chris and another in Encounter. Eric and Janet in their Honda - they did actually sleep in a b and b! We sailed on the 16th to and tied up, having shopped for food in Middelburg and had a magnificent feast on cooked on our portable barbecues.

The day was beautiful but windy but we found a wind timid in our approach. shadow for cooking. Bill and Wyn shuttled out Eric and Janet from the nearby main island.

On June 17th we sailed to Goes and stayed in a small private harbour, which is owned by a co-operative and each

member has responsibilities for running on them. and maintaining it and there was an honesty box in the club for any drinks taken. Monica and Chris

had invited us for a meal on their boat and we reciprocated. We mostly ate on board as excellent and good value. raw new herring which you could buy on the streets, the locals hold them by their tails head back and swallow - we were more We had very old and heavy bikes on board and decided to put them up for sale in the Goes harbour - they soon went to Barry and Linda and we bought lighter ones from Halfords which are the Dutch sit up and beg style and we have

cycled some long distances

Ken's crown fell off so we booked him an appointment with the dentist who thought he would manage until we were back in Rye. Somebody else left their medication behind so we the island of Sabbingeplaat locally bought produce was tracked down a pharmacist. The Dutch are so very We did take a liking to the friendly and helpful and we felt very safe. Barry and Linda came for a cycle ride on a lovely track running alongside a canal. On the 18th the others left except for Wvn and Bill and ourselves and we had a really good long cycle to the Oosterscheldt for lunch and returned bird-watching looking for the nightingales we could hear singing. I will continue this next month.

JUMBLE SALE In Aid Of Rye Harbour Youth Club Saturday 20th August **RAISED £119.65**

Vanessa would like to thank Julie & all her helpers Everyone who donated their jumble, time and money Thank You Very Much





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Rye Harbour Church News

ship God? Most people think of worship in the services of the Church as an activity for others who have a minority interest or they think of worship as a complete irrelevance to their own lives. Why gather on a Sunday morning to sing hymns and pray? What good does it do?

First, we come together to give thanks (that is the meaning of the word 'Eucharist'). Thanks for life, for health and strength, for eyes to see the his Holy Spirit. beauty of the world, for love and friendships, for what we get from others and the opportunity to give picture of what god would to others, for the provisions want for our community, of everyday to sustain us, for family and shelter, for blessings without number which only the blind cannot see or the proud will not see.....

Secondly, we come together to be renewed for the week ahead, to draw on no vision", the prophet God's grace freely given in said, "the people perish". his Word and Sacrament (Holy Communion), to draw strength and



Peni, Sancte Spiritus

encouragement from one another, to find forgiveness effective in a group, and pardon, to set aside a time for quiet reflection, to review our lives and rediscover a purpose for living, to come to know God better through his Son Jesus Christ, to come empty and wait to be filled with the fullness of God through

Thirdly, we come together to recover that bigger our society, our world. Jesus called it "the Kingdom of god" in which the hungry would be fed, the poor lifted up, the downtrodden released, in which justice and peace would enrich the lives of all people. "Where there is Our own little schemes are insignificant and futile if

not part of God's greater scheme which he purposed from the beginning and of which Jesus was and is the instigator.....

Finally, we come together to pray for our world as intercession is more powerful and praying for a world that is divided and damaged to be open to God's healing love, available to us through Jesus Christ.

> **Hugh Moseley** (01797 222430)

Services in September

Sunday 11th - 9.15 a.m. Holy Communion with hymns

Sunday 25th - 10.30 a.m. Family Service for Harvest

All Welcome

Rye Harbour Parent and Toddler Group

he parent and toddler group has I sunshine so we can have lunch on the been running as normal throughout the summer and has continued to be well attended, although with Rosemary being away for most of the summer I would appreciate any offers of help to get out toys and tidy up at the end! The sessions with the Fellowship of St. Nicholas

Fun Van were VISTARTS NOW: great fun for all who came along. The children always love the opportunity to get a bit messy with the gunge, sand, paint and other activities on offer.

Unfortunately we were unable to organise a trip to one of the 'Surestart' activity days but are looking forward to a trip to "Underwater World" on 31st August. We are hoping for some

beach, but I'm sure we will have fun whatever the weather!

We have had three new additions to our group over the summer so congratulations to Julie and Paul on the birth of Kiki, to Charlotte and Scot on the birth of Spencer and to Lucy and Lee on the birth of Ellis.

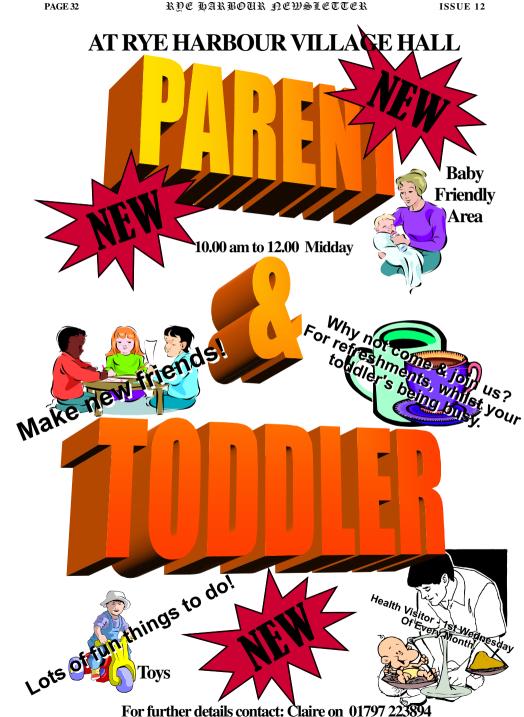
Also best wishes and congratulations to

Lucy and Lee as they are getting married on 2nd September!

The Parent and Toddler group meet every Wednesday in the village hall from 10 until 12 and all under fives,

parents and carers are welcome. We also welcome any offers of help from other members of the community, for more details you can contact me on 223894. Look forward to seeing you there!







Family Announcements Congratulations



Happy 1st Birthday to Ronnie on 27th September from Mummy & Daddy, Greatgran Nanny Pat, Nanny Julie, Grandad Chris and Uncles Nick, Steven, Sean, Lee and Jamie.



Hospital

My friend Garth has recently had an operation on his knee. He is up and about now, I did offer to take him to the pub by wheelchair.

Jack Caister has been in hospital, best wishes for a speedy recovery.

Reports From Nanny Pat & Julie

THANK YOU

I would like to thank all the friends who sent cards or good wishes to me when I was in hospital.

Sylvia Alford

NEW BUS SERVICE

New Sunday bus service with a connection both to and from Hastings via Winchelsea Beach.

Four Journeys each way, leaflets available either in the shop or on the bus shelter timetable.

The Ploughman's Lunches

The next Ploughman's Lunch will be Monday 12th September



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