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30th October

Editor's Comments

I have finally achieved, what I set out to do, this time four years ago to this month.

As a voluntary newsletter with the limited circulation of five hundred, it was always going to be a struggle to maintain a professional printed format. However this new method is the ideal form and although it may be a little rough this month, I feel sure given time I should be able to improve the quality to a respectable level.

We also have the capability of four spot colours although I only have three of those at present with the fourth colour being purple, should be with us shortly.

I was very pleasantly surprised this month with the letter from Nita and Frank Hilton

**HAPPY
HALLOWEEN**
Trick or treat?



and their donation was instrumental in the purchase of a very expensive stapling machine as once again this job falls to me, so I thank you both once again.

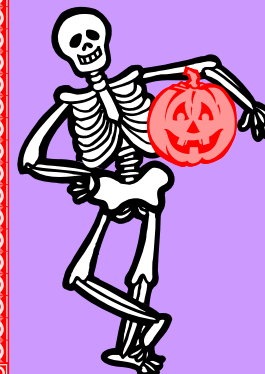
Next month's deadline will be **Monday 17th October** by which time I hope to be a lot more organised.

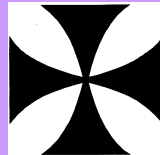
Photo's unfortunately may suffer more than anything

but if interested all photo's of the Flower Festival and Fete will eventually be on www.ryeharbour.org in full colour, I believe the flowers already are.

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- ♦ What's On
- ♦ Comments & Letters
- ♦ Church News
- ♦ Family News
- ♦ Tide Timetable
- ♦ Harbour Masters Report
- ♦ Local Bus Times
- ♦ Sailing Club
- ♦ Shop Times
- ♦ Nature Reserve
- ♦ Fishing News
- ♦ Neighbourhood Watch Update
- ♦ Characters of Rye Harbour
- ♦ Parent & Toddler
- ♦ Rye Raft Race Details Inside
- ♦ Parish Council Notebook
- ♦ Village Hall
- ♦ Flower Festival
- ♦ New Bus Service
- ♦ Village Fete
- ♦ Local Allotments





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FROM THE HARBOUR MASTERS CHAIR

On a routine river patrol with the recently appointed deputy we came across the vessel "Oxygen" sunk at her moorings in Rock Channel. The harbour craft "Rother III" is equipped with a salvage pump so its first use was to pump dry the vessel, shifting about 4 tons of water in approximately 35 minutes. This first use of the pump proved very successful. Did any of you remember? September 3rd was "Merchant Navy" day. County town, Lewis, regularly borrow my large "Red Dusters" (the Red Ensign) for flying over the town hall and at a church service held in the city. Both the harbour craft have been surveyed by the Maritime and Coastguard Agency and found fit for a further five years of service as a general harbour work boat and pilot vessel. The Rother III is now 26 years old and was moulded at the yard of Lochins in Rye (Now a pine work shop and fish processing plant). The Aries is some 22 years old and was formerly a rig supply vessel working the Baltic Sea. Both craft will continue to provide valuable service in Rye for some time to come. Some of you may have seen what looks like an "Over grown" rowing boat transiting



the harbour over the last few weeks. The vessel "Southern Queen" has been re-fitted at "Sea cruiser's" boatyard to her former glory. She started life as a ferry in the "Scilly Isle" before the second world war. With the Dunkirk evacuation underway every craft available was required to assist in bringing back troops from the beaches. The Southern Queen was more than able, carrying up to 80 men at a time. The British maritime museum have shown considerable interest in the craft so you may well hear more of the history in due course. As Autumn approaches boat owners are considering "lifting out" for the winter lay-up. A time when bottoms are scrapped and painted and other general maintenance tasks are completed preparing for the next season of leisure pleasure! Many of the boatyards are lifting out towards the end of this month (September) It also seems to be the time when traffic surveys are under taken. The Strand Quay car park is used by about 6 "volunteers" who, equipped with clip

boards, count cars and lorries at the "Kettle of Fish" roundabout. This car park was also successfully used by the "Art Attack" crowd as reported previously, who produced a terrific picture in old redundant materials and what appeared to be strand line debris. I won't give the game away as to what the picture was but you can see it on the program scheduled for afternoon viewing later in the year. In common with other old towns and harbours we shall soon see erected information signs around the river banks detailing the towns contribution to ship building and as an important port for the defence of the realm. A second visit by the Russian vessel "Saymenkiy Kanal" took place recently bringing some 2,000 tons of road stone to Rye from North Wales. At 82 m in length this vessel has two engines and a bow thrust. She is one of 200 built to this design and is very manoeuvrable when piloting through the narrow outer channel. Other vessels are now arriving to load locally harvested grains for export to the Continent. Rye Wharf is alive and kicking.

CARL BAGWELL
Captain
Harbour Master

REDECORATION OF VILLAGE HALL

Would you like to spend a couple of hours helping to repaint the inside of the Village Hall?

Can you spare some time on either Saturday 15th October or Saturday 29th October?

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RYE HARBOUR HERITAGE LAUNCH PARTY

IT'S the flags out for a full turnout from the village at the RYE HARBOUR HERITAGE launch party in the village hall on SATURDAY OCTOBER 8 at 3pm. Rye Harbour Heritage has been successful in obtaining funding from the English Nature/Countryside Agency Partnership through Defra's Aggregate Levy Sustainability Fund (ALSF) on two important village projects: the Heritage Archive and the Youth Project. This is the day when it all gets off the ground and the projects' progress and future plans are discussed.

On the Heritage Archive, Michael Alford, Shawn Downey and Steve Tollett have done so much already to record the life of the village and we now need to build on this wonderful material with memories and stories, early photographs, newspaper cuttings, postcards etc. from villagers. There are also many people who've left the Harbour or whose families lived here and who have never forgotten the village and who have their own

photographs and memories.

Enthusiastic volunteers are needed to help with the collection and collation of this information, much of which is from the 19th century - when the village was founded. We need to preserve this



The heritage picture that means so much...the harbour's "blue boulders", the blue flints or boulders which earned a small living for some of the villagers who collected them from what is now the Nature Reserve. These were shipped in their hundreds of tons to the potteries of Staffordshire, including Wedgwood where they were used in the manufacture of high-grade pottery.

information so that it is accessible now - through the internet and hopefully in booklet form - and also for future generations.

The Youth Project goes out to the all-important future voice of the Harbour - the kids of the village -

who with sound and video sessions will be recording their families, and their other favourite Harbour people and places - a distinctive angle on the Harbour's heritage from the perspective of the young.

Heritage Archive contact:

Mike Slavin on 224916
Alan Read on 222304
Joan Porter on 225849

Youth Project's contacts are Saffron Summerfield on 07941 932543 or Heidi Foster on 229103.



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Local Tide Times

OCTOBER Rye Harbour Approaches
Add 1 hour for B.S.T. until 30th October

Date	Time	O.D. Metres	Time	O.D. Metres
1 Sa	1001	3.1	2221	3.1
2 Su	1033	3.3	2248	3.2
3 Mo	1101	3.4	2316	3.3
4 Tu	1130	3.6	2344	3.4
5 We	1158	3.6	—	—
6 Th	0010	3.4	1225	3.6
7 Fr	0037	3.6	1254	3.6
8 Sa	0109	3.4	1329	3.4
9 Su	0146	3.2	1409	3.1
10 Mo	0232	2.7	1504	2.5
11 Tu	0342	2.1	1656	2.0
12 We	0544	1.9	1838	2.1
13 Th	0712	2.2	1957	2.5
14 Fr	0821	2.8	2059	3.1
15 Sa	0915	3.3	2150	3.4
16 Su	1001	3.8	2233	3.7
17 Mo	1044	4.0	2311	3.8
18 Tu	1125	4.2	2347	3.9
19 We	—	—	1203	4.0
20 Th	0022	3.8	1239	3.9
21 Fr	0058	3.6	1314	3.7
22 Sa	0134	3.3	1351	3.2
23 Su	0214	3.0	1433	2.7
24 Mo	0302	2.5	1529	2.1
25 Tu	0403	2.1	1637	1.8
26 We	0511	1.8	1752	1.6
27 Th	0630	1.9	1921	1.9
28 Fr	0747	2.2	2023	2.2
29 Sa	0837	2.6	2102	2.6
30 Su	0914	3.0	2135	3.0
31 Mo	0946	3.7	2206	3.2

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Freda Gardham School	1520	1520	1520
Rye (Rail Station) ⇆	1648
Tilling Green	1530	1530	1653
Rye (Rail Station) ⇆	1759
Rye Harbour	1807
Rye (Rail Station) ⇆
Cadborough Cliff
Tilling Green
Rye (Rail Station) ⇆
Rye Harbour
Rye (Rail Station) ⇆
Freda Gardham School
Thomas Peacock School

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Cadborough Cliff
Rye (Rail Station Approach) ⇆ arr
Rye (Rail Station Approach) ⇆ dep
Rye (Memorial Care Centre)
Playden (Peace and Plenty)
Houghton Green
Military Road
Kings Avenue
Rye (Rail Station Approach) ⇆

Explanation of Codes:

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S: Saturdays Only
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R: Operates via Rye Harbour at 1807
T: Operates via Rye Harbour at 0820

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Northiam (Coppards Lane)	...	0720	0720	0730	0800	...	0930	1030	1130	1230	1330	1430	1441E	1530	1630C	1730			
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Beckley (Four Oaks)	...	0728	0728	0738	0808	...	0938	1038	1138	1238	1338	1438	1449	1538	1638	1738			
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Playden (Peace and Plenty)	...	0738	0738	0748	0818	...	0948	1048	1148	1248	1348	1448	1459	1548	1648	1748			
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Rye (Rail Station) ⇆ dep	...	0751	0751	0756	...	0859	0959	1059	1159	1259	1359	1459	...	1559	1659	1759R			
Winchelsea (Bridge End)	...	0757	0757	8	...	0905	1005	1105	1205	1305	1405	1505	...	1605	1705	1816			
Winchelsea (Beach)	...	0800	0800	0908	1008	1108	1208	1308	1408	1508	...	1608	1708	1819			
Winchelsea (Smugglers End)	...	0802	0802	0910	1010	1110	1210	1310	1410	1510	...	1610	1710	1821			
Pett Level	...	0806	0806	0914	1014	1114	1214	1314	1414	1514	...	1614	1714	1825			
Fairlight Cove (Hotel)	0730	0812	0812	0920	1020	1120	1220	1320	1420	1520	...	1620	1720	1832			
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Pett (Chick Hill)	0815	0822	0949	1149	1414	1545													
Pett (Church)	0818	0825	0952	1152	1417	1548													
Guestling (School)	0825																		
Guestling (White Hart)	0830	0830	0957	1157	1422	1553													
Ore (Kings Head)	0834	0834	1001	1201	1426	1557													
Ore (Christ Church)	0836	0836	1003	1203	1428	1559													
Hastings (Baldslow Rd)	...	...	1008	1208	1433	...													
Hastings (Safeway)	...	...	1012	1212	1437	...													
Hastings (Queen's Road)	...	...	1014	1214	1439	...													
Hastings (West Hill, Whitefriars)	0841	0841	...	...	...	1604													
Hastings (Harold Place)	0845	0845	1608													
Hastings (Rail Station) arr ⇆	0847	0847	1019	1214	1441	1610													
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Priory Avenue (Linton Road)	1022	1222	...	1613													
Amherst Road	1024	1224	...	1615													
Silverhill (Battle Road)	1028	1228	...	1619													
Upper Church Road	1032	1232	...	1623													
Sainsbury's Superstore	1036	1236	...	1627													
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Little Ridge (Hare Way)	1043	1243	...	1634													
Conquest Hospital (Grounds)	1046	1246	...	1637													

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Conquest Hospital (Grounds)	1050	1316	1710
Little Ridge (Hare Way)	1053	1319	1713
Asdowen House	1055	1321	1715
Sainsbury's Superstore	1100	1326	1718
Upper Church Road	1104	1330	1722
Silverhill (London Road)	1108	1334	1726
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NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



Rye Harbour

On Sunday 18 September Kent Police notified Sussex that six illegal immigrants had landed in the Dungeness area and a boat had made off towards Rye. A male was then arrested mooring his boat at Rye Harbour.

Good work between Police forces in Kent and Sussex. If you keep a boat at Rye do you know what your neighbour does with theirs?!

Call 0845 60 70 999 or Crimestoppers on 0800 555111 if you have any information.

Keeping your children safe

Our thoughts are all with the family of the murdered schoolboy Rory Blackhall at this difficult time. If you are concerned about keeping your children safe this is what the KIDSCAPE charity suggests that parents should teach their children:

- * To be safe - this is their basic right
- * To say no - it's okay to say no if someone is trying to hurt them
- * To get help against bullies - but without fighting
- * To tell - they can tell you anything and you will not be angry with them
- * To be believed - they need to know they will be supported
- * Don't keep secrets - some should never be kept
- * Not to talk to strangers
- * To break the rules - if it means they will stay safe, they can run away, scream, lie or kick

It's very important not to leave small children in unsupervised play areas in shops and shopping centres. Stay with them all the time. Above all, don't ask strangers to keep an eye on them, for whatever reason. With all children, teach them their address and phone number, so they can be brought back more easily if they get lost. You can also write their name and address on a piece of paper they can keep on their person. For advice on keeping teenagers safe and further information visit: <http://www.kidscape.org.uk/or> <http://www.identifyme.co.uk/> for identification cards or wristbands for children.

Police warn businesses of parcel deceptions

Sussex Police are warning all businesses along the South Coast to be wary of parcel deceptions following several incidents in the area.

The victim will receive a telephone call from another local business in the area, or someone claiming to be an identified person from a local business, stating that they are due to have a parcel delivered to them that day but will not be available to collect it. The caller then requests that the victim accepts the parcel on their behalf and pays any money due, and they will re-pay them at the first opportunity when they collect the parcel.

Sometime later that day, a courier will arrive and request payment for the parcel - normally between £40 and £100.

The parcel is later found to be full of scrap paper and when the victim enquires with the person or business they believe telephoned them, they know nothing about it.

There have been over 40 offences since the beginning of August all along the South Coast from Hastings right through to Worthing and with many in the East Downs area including Eastbourne and Polegate. Police are urging any businesses who receive such a call not to accept the parcel, dial 1471 on their telephone in order to try and obtain the telephone number that called them and contact Sussex Police on 0845 60 70 999. Quote Operation Handcuff and serial no. 1816 of 17/08/05

Enough is Enough - Chief Constable's warning

Chief Constable Ken Jones today announced plans for a four-month campaign to target yobbish behaviour in Sussex.

And he put 'on notice' the irresponsible elements of the drinks and entertainment industry, including the major supermarkets, with the warning that those who sell alcohol illegally to young people WILL be

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH Cont...

prosecuted. "The people of Sussex have had enough," said the Chief Constable. "And so have I."

From now until the New Year, every division and district of Sussex Police will mount operations to target yob behaviour and its causes.

He explained: "Sussex Police is now on top of most of our targets and key objectives. Neighbourhood policing has been introduced across the Force. Arrests and detections are increasing and, in key areas, including the serious end of recorded violent crime, crime numbers are falling.

But lower-level crime - yobbish behaviour, usually fuelled by alcohol - is not, and I am determined to do something about it. In our Policing Plan for this year, I said that Sussex Police would lead on tackling yob crime, but that we expect others to play their part too.

Irresponsible elements within the drinks and entertainment industry are only interested in making a quick buck and see the rest of the community pick up the tab.

The consequences of their greed are plain for all to see. The character of some of our towns, cities and villages changes at night. Binge drinking, drunken boorish behaviour, vomit and litter on our streets, wasting the time of police, ambulance and hospital staff who have better things to do.

Enough is enough. We are going to work with our partners across Sussex and will bear down on bars, clubs and supermarkets who are breaking the law.

We will be actively looking to prosecute and make examples of those in the industry who fail to heed my warning today.

This warning particularly applies to the large companies who own theme pubs and bars. I am also fed up with the failure of some major supermarkets to get their houses in order. All too often it is badly run supermarkets that are at the heart of the problem by selling alcohol to underage kids. Many have good policies which they fail to enforce.

The picture is not universally bad across Sussex. There are many areas with vibrant night-time economies which are thriving and profitable; but there are others where this is not the case.

We are going to increase our operations over the coming months, with increased targeted patrols, video evidence gathering, and high profile local campaigns tailored to address local community concerns.

Those who sell alcohol to under-18s will be prosecuted, and we will apply to have their licences revoked".

Operation Enforce

Operation Enforce starts today, Monday 12 September. This operation targets untaxed and abandoned vehicles across Rother and hotspots identified by local residents will help to target specific cars and reduce criminal activity.

SUSSEX POLICE

In an emergency dial 999

For all other calls use 0845 60 70 999. If responding to a NHW by e-mail message please quote the Serial No. and date or the Crime Reference No.

Crimestoppers: 0800 555111 Information about any type of crime can be given anonymously on this number. Trading Standards: 01323 418200

Hastings Borough Council ASBO (Anti Social Behaviour Order)

Helpline: 0800 783 6084

Rother Antisocial Behaviour Co-ordinator: 01424 456160

Harbour Watch

Do you want to be kept up to date with Neighbourhood Watch information about crime prevention advice and issues relating to your area.

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• WHATS ON - IN YOUR LOCAL AREA •

OCTOBER

Sat. 1st

TASTE OF RYE FESTIVAL

Last day on Sunday.

ANTIQUUE &

COLLECTABLES FAIR

Held at Conduct Hill, Rye. Time 9.30am till 4.30pm.

RYE ART GALLERY

A celebration of comic postcards art. Open Thursday - Sunday 10.30am - 1pm and 2.00pm - 5pm. Last day 30th October.

Sun 2nd

ANTIQUUE &

COLLECTABLES FAIR

Held at Conduct Hill, Rye. Time 9.30am till 4.30pm.

THE AFRICAN

EXHIBITION - Including Kuba textiles from Zaire, Zimbabwean sculpture and more. Last day.

Sat 8th

HASTINGS WEEK

A programme of events to mark the anniversary of the Battle of Hastings. Events run till 16th. Information 01424 781111

NATIONAL TOWN CRIERS

CHAMPIONSHIP - Held at Hastings to include Hastings bonfire celebrations. Information 01424 781111

IDEN FESTIVAL - An evening of music & verse at Iden Church from 7.30pm tickets £5 from Iden store or on door. Featuring David Willison (piano) playing works by George Newson. John Smith & Friends and Iden Residents.

Art & Craft Exhibition - At Iden Church 12 noon till 6pm and 11am - 4pm on Sunday 9th. All items for sale by Iden Residents

Fri 14th

HASTINGS DAY - Anniversary of The Battle of Hastings. Information 01424 781111

Sat 15th

ANTIQUUE &

COLLECTABLES FAIR

Held at Conduit Hill, Rye from 9.30am till 4.30pm.

Sun 16th

FRIENDS OF RYE

WURLITZER

Claudia Hirschfeld Wersi show, starts 2pm Tickets £4.50 at Thomas Peacocke Community College, Love Lae, Rye.

ANTIQUUE &

COLLECTABLES FAIR

Held at Conduct Hill, Rye. Time 9.30am till 4.30pm.

Sat 22nd

BATTLE ABBEY - Haunted Heritage. Information 01424 773721

WORLD CRAZY GOLF

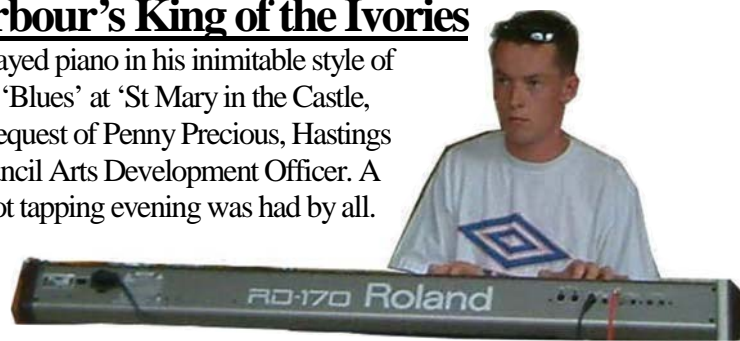
CHAMPIONSHIPS - Held on the sea front at Hastings runs till 23rd.

PLEASE NOTE RYE FARMER'S MARKET HELD EVERY WEDNESDAY ON STRAND QUAY BETWEEN 10am - 1pm THURSDAY GENERAL MARKET AT ROPE WALK

IF YOU HAVE AN EVENT YOU WOULD LIKE ME TO ADD, PLEASE LET ME KNOW BEFORE DEADLINE

Rye Harbour's King of the Ivories

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Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report

Now that the year is slipping into autumn, many birds are on the move from their northern breeding grounds to warmer climes further south, and the position of Rye Harbour on the south coast means that many species stop-off here to feed up before making the exhausting (for a small bird) crossing to the continent. This includes large numbers of familiar species such as Wheatear and Yellow Wagtail, but also an exclusive group of birds that only occur on the reserve during autumn and spring. A common passage visitor at this time of year is the Whinchat (pictured), a rather splendid sparrow-sized bird with an attractive plumage of rich browns and a striking eye-stripe. This species breeds in wet, uncultivated places, particularly in upland Britain, and unlike many of our autumn visitors, which spend their time making life difficult for bird-watchers by skulking in low vegetation, the Whinchat is a bit of a show-off, perching high on vegetation or fence-posts, every so often darting out to catch some unwary insect.

Practical work on the reserve has included yet more clearance of those pesky



willows from Castle Water, and also the removal of vegetation from in front of Castle Water hide to improve the view. On the Beach



Reserve, the smaller goats had turned into real escape artists, but with their removal to inside the electric fence at the western end of the reserve (where there is more food for them), this will hopefully have been cured. Unless they can tunnel that is.

To finish off the summer holidays, we had some popular family events. The bug hunt at Castle Water proved very successful, with many leeches and frogs finding their way into the nets. On our bank holiday seashore discovery day, shrimps were the catch of the day, with the odd fish also

being closely observed (photo below). Unfortunately only one pipistrelle bat was detected during the Birds, Bats and Bugs walk – maybe next year they won't be so shy!

The reserve has quietened down now the schools have

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Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report Cont..

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gone back, however we're still encouraging schools to brave the autumn weather. Some will be looking closely at the river systems and coastal erosion, whilst others are more interested in finding out the history behind Camber Castle.

Why not venture down to the reserve during half term and join us on our **Pebbles, Pebbles Everywhere** event on **Tues 25th Oct**, meeting at Rye Harbour car park at 11am, returning about 12.30pm after being creative with pebbles found on the beach.

Barry, Miriam, Chris and Sam

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AGE Concern

Due to the increase in demand, Age Concern East Sussex require more self employed gardeners to include in their gardeners register for many parts of Rother. The gardeners agree to work for no more than £7.00 per hour for the current year. They are also required to supply two references and evidence of insurance.

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.

RYE HARBOUR VILLAGE FETE - AUGUST 2005



For those of you who were able to attend this year's fete I am sure you will agree it was a really enjoyable event. The weather was perfect, not too hot and no rain. I was a little nervous about the weather this year, mainly caused by the hail stones rattling on my windows on the Thursday before the fete. The Coronation Field looked wonderful, with a wide variety of stalls and attractions. The pony rides were a new attraction this year along with the bouncy slide and castle all of which appeared popular. Speaking to several people who came along one of the most common comments was how they had never seen so many people on the field. Music also added to the atmosphere, thanks to Paul for his contribution and then later the live band. I should also say thank you here to those who provided the electricity to allow the music and band to play and the Burger Van to cook! One disappointment was that the Clairvoyant was unable to come along – a rumour suggested this was due to unforeseen

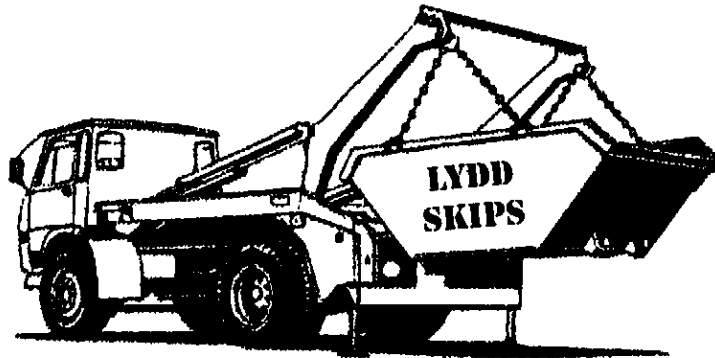
circumstances.

I would like to express my thanks to all of you who donated your time, money, raffle prizes or cakes and other items (several anonymous bags full of a variety of items were left on my doorstep). There are too many people to mention individually but without support such as this the event would not have been able to take place. Having said this one person who I would like to say a big thank you to is Ian Thomas who worked extremely hard in the build up to the event booking all the stalls and then on the day itself organising and liaising with the stall holders to ensure all went smoothly. His skills in negotiation are far better than mine. Finally my thanks go to everyone as due to your generosity the event raised over £1000 towards the continuing renovation and development of the facilities in the Village Hall.

Ann Newman
Chairperson
Rye Harbour Village Hall
Management Committee



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Children's Christmas Party



This years Children's Christmas Party at the village hall will be held on Sunday 11th December, to which all resident children of the village are invited and welcome, we hope to see you there for fun and games, food, entertainment and presents with Father Christmas.

Jumble Sale in Aid of the Children's Christmas Party

The next Jumble Sale in Aid of the Children's Christmas Party will be Saturday October 22nd
12.00 noon at the village hall.

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 FLOWER FESTIVAL



TREE AND SHRUBS PLANTING PLAN FOR TOILET AREA

HC. HORSE CHESTNUT TREES – established
ELE. ELAEAGNUS EBBINGEI – silverleaf hardy

??????? Suggestions for shrub for this area – needs to be wind, salt and drought tolerant

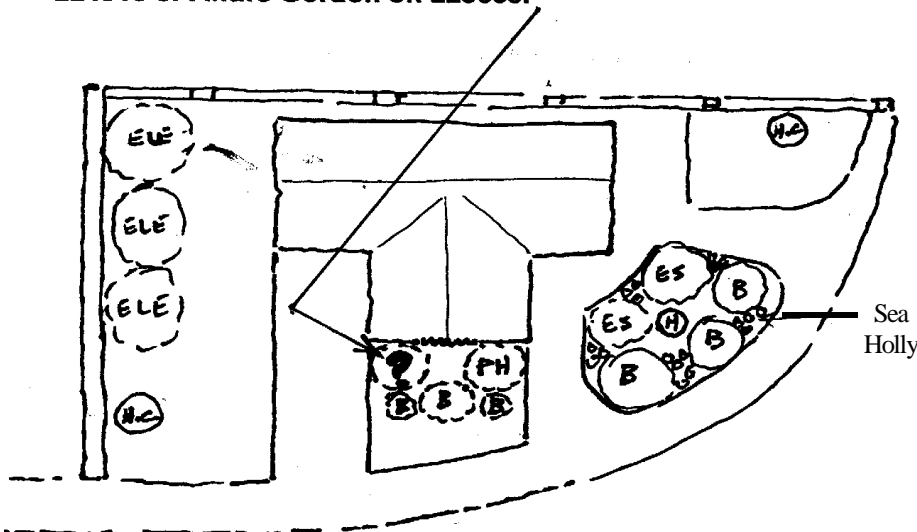
PH. PHORMIUM TENAX – purpleum group, 12ft
ES. ESCALLONIA – E rubra crimson spire – hardy
B. BERBERIS – evergreen dwarf with purple leaves
H. HAWTHORN TREE
Sea Holly to fill gaps in Hawthorn bed.

NEWS!!!!!!

Good news...our replacement hawthorn is coming up from Landford Trees in Wiltshire at the beginning of November – delivery costs are much cheaper than at £28+VAT instead of £60+VAT now.

The village will pay for the tree from the monies collected for it and Rother District Council has offered to buy all the shrubs on Val Fricker's planting plan seen here, plus any mulching etc. needed. RDC will plant the tree and shrubs at the same time.

More news later re planting ceremony. Any comments or suggestions for a shrub in the area marked? to Val Fricker on 224916 or André Gordon on 225633.



Rye Harbour Sailing Club News



The weather was superb and on the Monday we sailed down the coast to Yerseke which is a major fishing port. The number of fishing trawlers was amazing and in such good condition with no rust or dirt to be seen. This was true of much of Holland - everything so polished and spick and span - we admired this greatly but at the same time it was a bit intimidating - we thought we would never be able to measure up and felt a bit homesick for Rye Harbour where things are a bit more relaxed and natural.

On Tuesday the 21st. of June we did our final shopping as we were off to Stampersplatt in the Grevellingmeer where there were islands and no shops. The weather continued to be superb with just light winds and we left on the 10.00 am opening bridge to go into this large inland sea. The island of Stampersplatt has a staging which we tied up to, a rubbish collection point and chemical toilet. We did a bird watching walk seeing nightingales, whitethroat and chiff chaff.

Following the 1953 major flooding disaster, the Gravelingenmeer inland sea was created. It does evaporate and water from the North Sea is let in to correct the salinity levels; however it is now apparent that increased salinity is occurring plus increased pollution levels which will have to be addressed. For the boating fraternity, holding tanks will be high on the agenda. We were still accompanied by Bill and Wyn in Northern Lady and by Alan and Maureen Redfearn in their Moody boat Sanctum who collected our one week ticket costing 11 euros - this must be the bargain of 2005. We saw numerous attractive boats and barges - the most outstanding being the Swan, a steel hulled 1996 barge with a lovely carving of a mermaid lying on her tummy with her hands tucked

underneath her chin. A similar barge was given by the nation to Queen Wilhemina. This island is marshy - very little above sea level and covered with sea buckthorn, willow, alder, aspen, silver birch and scrub giving cover to warblers and nightingales whose song is always magical. The grass is kept down by 30 dark brown beautiful ponies with long tails and manes covering their eyes. On Wednesday we were awakened by these ponies at dawn trotting along the pontoon and inquisitively nosing around for the scraps they received. A last look around with a major dose of HR and yet another swim before we set off for Ossehoek a much smaller island and amazingly manmade, containing an even quieter anchorage with more excellent swimming. It was Midsummers day and what a sparkling one with a cuckoo adding its song to the chorus. We had been woken at midnight by an excited Dutchman and what a sight. With every movement of the water the phosphorescence given out by the plankton was as he said like looking at the stars in the night sky. I have seen some of this in NW Scotland and the S Atlantic but never so much. We were certainly glad to have been woken.

It was Bill and Wyn's 43rd. wedding anniversary and Jill had painted a picture of their boat and Ken found a frame. They took us on their boat to Brouwershaven and we had a celebratory meal - then back to more swimming in the mirror calm sea - paradise. Then off to Oudoorp to a small horseshoe shaped nature reserve with the heat increasing mostly swimming and sunbathing and saw red breasted merganser with young - very young - possibly their first venture forth. The weather forecast was strong winds and storm so we went to Oudoorp Marina for shelter and Bill helped us into our very tight slots and

we had an electric storm in the night. In the morning we cycled through the fields to the village and looked around and did some shopping.

On Sunday we had a long cycle ride with Bill and Wyn and in the evening had a party on board Spindrift with a film show of photos, Wyn on the keyboard, classical CD's and wine aplenty.

Archipel another bad attack of HR and Jill caught no fish yet again so we had to eat other peoples barbecue food. Nobody believes her real story of the 4.8 foot Wahoo except there is a photo somewhere. We then sailed to Oude Tonge and visited the cemetery for the Feb. 1953 flood victims and got talking to a resident and she invited us to her home.

Next day we cycled to the channel entrance and saw many avocet families, spoonbills, greylag geese, Canada and Egyptian geese and thence to Ooltgensplaat where the birds were even more magnificent with two marsh harriers quartering the land and a snowgoose among the greylag. This is getting a bit too long so I will jump to July 15th. when Bill and Wyn had to get home and we felt like orphans but continued with Maureen and Alan who now became our mentors and very good they were too. The weather began to break when we reached Blankenberge and we ended up staying there for 6 days but used our time, travelling by bus to Brugge and on another day travelling to Ghent on the train and following forecasts very carefully to make our way home across the Channel arriving back on July 26th feeling we had been away for ever. It is always very special coming into the entrance of Rye Harbour and hearing and seeing all the terns fishing and calling.



Welcome to Rye Harbour Sailing Club

About Rye Harbour Sailing Club

The Club has dual parentage, The Rye Bay Yacht Club which was founded in 1925 and The Rye Harbour Sailing Club which was founded in 1934. The two amalgamated to form the present Rye Harbour Sailing Club (RHSC).

The club is situated on the River Rother close to Rye Bay where excellent sailing is enjoyed all year round. We have active dinghy and cruising divisions and year round events both sailing and social.

The club prides itself in the diversity of its members' sailing interests and in the variety of yacht and dinghy classes that are enjoyed. Many members undertake substantial annual passages whilst others are happy to mess around on the river!



We are a RYA Training Centre for certain Royal Yachting Association courses and our more experienced members are always happy to share their knowledge. We have established links with certain overseas clubs that members have visited and regularly undertake cruise/races to Boulogne.

The club welcomes new member applications and details of this are within the membership section.



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Letters To The Editor



Dear Mr Whitaker

My wife and I have very much enjoyed your newsletter over the years we've lived in Rye Harbour. We have now – alas – moved away and would like to express our appreciation of your hard work, social commitment and eye for a good story, ever since we've been reading your eminent organ (as Private Eye might say).

Congratulations on your work and please accept the enclosed cheque as a mundane acknowledgement for the pleasure you've given us.

Yours Sincerely

Nita and Frank Hilton

Dear Editor

I would like to say a really big thank you to Ann Newman, Steve Rogers, and Ian from the Saltings Tram road, for all the very hard work, including making numerous phone calls, that they have done to make the village fete the big success that it undoubtedly was. Ian organised most of the stalls etc. on the periphery, which caused many people to stay a longer time and have a lot of fun. Ann and Steve organised all the sponsors and that took much letter writing and delivering, as well as co-ordinating the whole thing.

They all gave up hours of their own time to do this over the months. This was to raise money to help keep the village hall solvent. It requires a lot of maintaining, which costs a lot of money over the year.

More people are needed on the committee, so please come forward and offer your services if you want the village hall to continue to be there for us all to use.

Molly Saunders committee member.

Dear Editor

I would like to give a very appreciated thank you to all those involved in organising the Rye Harbour Beer and Music festival and making it a fabulous day. Thank you very much to all. From the person who had enough, to forget their name.

The Monday Club

The Monday Club in Rye Harbour meets every two weeks, always on a Monday at the village hall from 2pm until 4pm. Activities in the hall are Scrabble, Whist, Chatting and of course tea. The Monday Club is loosely in association with the popular monthly Lunch Club and their meetings are arranged to take place either side of this event.

We would welcome new members as numbers

are rather low at present and so if you are interested, pop into the hall and meet us. The dates of the Monday Club and the Lunch Club are always displayed on the notice board outside of the village hall.

October meetings will be Monday 3rd October and Monday 24th October, with the Ploughman's Lunch on Monday 10th October at noon, Monday Club's start at 2pm.



FISHING NEWS

ROUND RYE BAY FOR MORE



September has seen the weather stay fine with boats able to get to sea most days or nights depending on their fishing method. With the hours of darkness now increasing the night trawlers after Dover Sole are managing to get an extra dark haul in, when the tides work right this in turn has seen the catches slightly improve. Main species have been Sole, Plaice and Whittings, with any other prime fish a bit scarce this year, the Red Mulletts, Squid and Turbutts just haven't appeared in the bay. Fuel is causing some concern to the fishermen as it is to everyone, with a business or transport, be it a lorry or a car and the money spent on running a boat each week has more than doubled in a short space of time. A blessing this year has been the smaller number of Spider Crabs in Rye Bay this in turn has helped both trawlers and

netters and now with Autumn here they hopefully will decrease more although in Hythe Bay the fishing grounds have been well covered with them. Work continues at the fish market on the new quay and with one or two teething problems to sort out, concerning the mooring up of the boats, the first phase should be ready for use perhaps next month.

Boy Ashore

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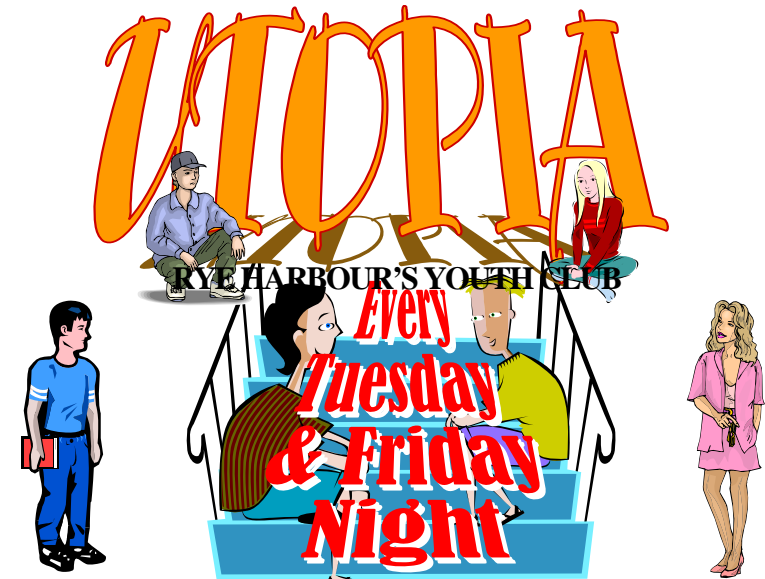
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Rye Harbour Church News

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any thanks to Janet

Pollard and her assistant flower arrangers for decorating the Harbour Church so beautifully and thoughtfully over the August Bank Holiday weekend. We had a steady trickle of visitors who appreciated both the flowers, based on the theme of favourite hymns, and the refreshments, all provided by Janet. £280 has been sent to Sightsavers Charity as a result. The Favourite Hymns evening service was topped with Pizzas for which we thank Molly Saunders. The toilet and kitchen were completed just in time for the festival and came in useful for the Coastal Currents exhibition a week later.

On 9th October at St. Mary's, Evensong at 6 p.m. will be lead by St. Bede's Junior School Choir.

On Friday 14th at 7.30 p.m. at Freda Gardham School, Dr. Colin Connelly, former Deputy Chief Scientist to the Department of Health




Veni, Sancte Spiritus

and current Advisor to the World Health Organisation, will speak on "Science and Faith". All are most welcome to attend.

On Sunday 16th October the Deanery of Rye is invited to St. Andrew's, Fairlight, for a Deanery Service for St. Luke's at 6 p.m. with the opportunity of the laying on of hands with prayer for healing.

On Saturday 22nd October the Friends of St. Mary's are providing a concert in Church given by local singers under Lesley Brownhill known as "Simply Opera". Tickets can be bought at the door.

On Saturday 29th October Westfield Parish with the support of the Deanery is hosting an introduction to the Old Testament entitled "Walking Thru the Bible". This will be in Westfield

Church Hall, starting at 9.30 a.m. and ending at 5 p.m. The cost is £10 per person including the Seminar Manual. Please bring lunch. Details can be obtained from me.

This is just to give you a flavour of what is happening in the wider Church and in Rye, and a reminder that we are all part of one parish known as Rye with Rye Harbour.

Hugh Moseley (222430)

Services in October

Sunday 9th 9.15 a.m.
Holy Communion
with hymns

Sunday 23rd 10.30 a.m.
Family Service
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Well here we are, back to normal term time routines. Hopefully all the older children returned to school without hitches, soon be Christmas! (sorry about that). Although I didn't go on the trip to Under-water-world, I gather there was a great turnout and everyone had a wonderful time. Fish and chips with picnics on the beach as well as all the lovely sea-life to look at. We have lots of young ones at the moment, which is nice, also lots of older girls so we need a bit of balancing!



What we really need at present is for more help to open up and pack away. I have to leave early now for a lunchtime pick up, so that's one less pair of hands, if everyone mucks in it makes it so much easier, Claire can't do it alone!

Everyone welcome on Wednesday mornings 10am – 12pm, why not bring a friend, the more the merrier, good value too, at only £1 per family, including yummy healthy snacks for the children and a welcome tea or coffee for parents/carers.

See you there!

Rosemarie

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Family Announcements

Congratulations



Congratulations to Janine and Chris on the occasion of their recent wedding, looking forward to the Blessing at the Church and the knees up afterwards. Love and Best Wishes from all the Robus Family.



Congratulations to Billy Harris, on his little book of Rye Harbour, it is most interesting, well-done Billy.

The Rye Harbour Music and Beer Festival was a great success this year, lovely weather and thank you to Mick and Val, Alan and Amanda, Jim and Judy who held the events in their gardens, throughout the afternoon and evening, the bands were great and we all had a good time, from what I can remember.

Hospital

Jill Stott is home from hospital and we send her our best wishes.

Moving

Margaret and Turpin have moved from one end of the village to the other, we hope they are happy in their new home. I was a little worried as they looked at a house opposite us.

Louise and Josh are moving to Rye, we hope they will be happy there.

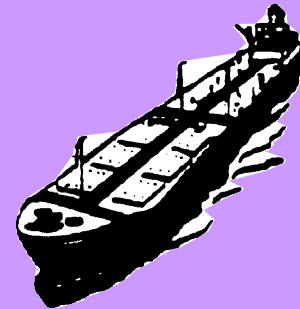
Thank You

Sylvia Alford lunches have started again and she would like to thank all the ladies who help her in the kitchen.

Reports From Nanny Pat & Julie

The Ploughman's Lunches

The next Ploughman's Lunch will be Monday 10th October



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