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## CHAIR'S REPORT

I sincerely hope you all had a lovely peaceful start to the New Year and are looking forward to the year ahead. It's always about new beginnings, isn't it?

Our village will have challenges ahead with the housing allocation sites, we just hope common sense will prevail as to numbers. If we are unlucky and if we do get some, we can only hope our younger families can afford to get their foot on the ladder. At the time of writing there is nothing we have heard, just rumours about possibly the A21 corridor and a Garden Village somewhere in the Borough but be reassured, as soon as we know, so will you!! I don't think we are over sensitive regarding this as we all know how many school places we have each year, and our Surgery must be nearly at capacity now, so we must be vigilant.

It was very disturbing to discover crime back on our doorstep over Christmas with the robbery at Downingbury Farm Shop. The wanton destruction of produce all over the children's toys was just despicable! The thieves stole goods obviously but to destroy all the hard work Peter and Carmen have put in to making the coffee shop a nice place to meet friends in, just doesn't make sense, does it?

I hope the police manage to catch the thieves and make them pay for new toys for the kiddie's corner. I hope there is no more of this in the future.

I have always spoken to you about new beginnings and I am going to be taking my own advice. Some of you will have heard that I am retiring, so sadly this is my last letter to you as Chairman of a fantastic Parish Council. I have been very proud to have been part of a pro-active council and have loved working for you in every possible way. It has been an absolute joy working with colleagues over the years - some who actually went along with some of my ideas! I have the utmost respect for past and present Councillors who just want the best for where they live, and staff who do their utmost to ensure quality.

Thank you for all your genuinely given support to me over the years and the privilege of working for you.

Regards,  
June



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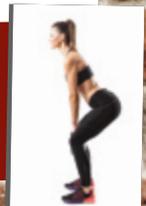
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For this year's Heritage weekend, September 14-16, we are hosting a Flower Festival in the church. It is nearly 10 years since we had an event like this. Then, nearly all the village organisations were involved in one way or another, with flowers or displays. We would like all the village organisations to be involved again, by giving time, flowers, foliage or creating their own display. The theme for this year is to be based on a poem by Robert Browning, whose son was married in the church.

The church will be open for visitors during the day on both Saturday and Sunday; there will be a concert in the church on Saturday evening (September 15) and a choral evensong on Sunday 16 September at 6.30. Tea, coffee and refreshments will be provided while the church is open.

If you would like to help in any way (you do not have to be a flower arranger!!) whether by being part of the catering teams, providing flowers or greenery from your garden, flower arranging or helping with any visitors, please get in touch with:

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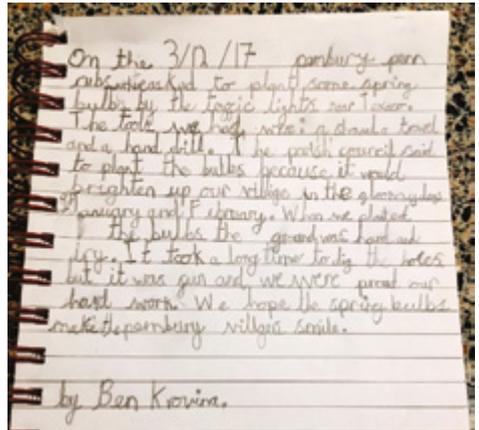
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## DAFFODIL PLANTING

My name is Ollie Hanes and I am 9 years old. I have been going to the 1st Pembury cub pack for over 2 years. In early December we were asked by the Parish Council to plant daffodil bulbs in Pembury. We met by the petrol station and then went over to Woodsgate corner to start digging! There were about 15 adults and children working together to plant the two large sacks of daffodil bulbs. Everyone brought their own spades to dig the holes. It was very cold, but the ground was not too hard for digging. We dug up some worms and found some rubbish. Our cub leader showed us how to put the bulbs into the ground with the roots going down. We worked together and it took less than an hour. It was really good fun and I can't wait to see the daffodils come up in the spring!

By Ollie Hanes



## VILLAGE MARKET

Visit your local gem! The Village Market offers you a wide range of keenly priced items including cakes, preserves, fresh produce, free range eggs and speciality teas and coffees. As well as unique hand-made cards, jewellery and textiles there is always an interesting mix of seasonal plants, vintage items, quality pre-loved toys, books and games. Support local charities including Kent Air Ambulance, Hospice in the Weald and Pepenbury. Browse the stalls and stay for homemade refreshments. Open every Tuesday from 9 until 11:30 in Pembury Village Hall. Extra parking is available at The Camden Arms until 11:00.

## MEMORIAL WALL

Several memorial plaques have already been purchased and have been affixed to the Memorial Wall in Pembury Burial Ground behind St. Peter's Upper Church. The recent addition of a wooden bench has made this site a lovely area to sit and think about loved ones.

If you are interested in placing a plaque here, please contact the Parish Office on 01892 823193 or email the Deputy Clerk: [deputy@pemburypc.kentparishes.gov.uk](mailto:deputy@pemburypc.kentparishes.gov.uk).



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## 2nd PEMBURY RAINBOWS

So we've stepped into 2018 and we have waved farewell to the fun and adventures we had in 2017.

In the build-up to Christmas, we had a great evening at Hollywood Bowl, taking up 4 lanes! There were strikes and spares being achieved by all the girls and some seriously great techniques being applied!

Along with Rangers, Guides, Brownies and 1st Pembury Rainbows, we took part in our annual Carol Concert, performing in Upper St. Peter's Church, to family and friends. Super performances all round – 2nd Pembury sang 'The Holly and The Ivy', with props and actions.

We worked towards a special Christmas Challenge badge, which included decorating cakes, making candy canes, playing crazy snowman games, as well as filling four shoeboxes with goodies for children less fortunate, through "Operation Christmas Child".

And what else would complete our preparations for the Festive Season? A Pantomime of course! Rainbows and their families took over the front 65 seats to watch Aladdin at the EM Forster Theatre. A brilliant production made even more



fantastic by the impromptu involvement of three of our parents.

As we return to a new term, we have the pleasure of five new girls joining our Unit, who we hope will enjoy the programme we have planned over the next few months, including more badges to work towards and gain, an evening at Clip'N'Climb and learning all about Chinese New Year.

In order to welcome new girls to the Unit, we have to say goodbye to others – four of our Rainbows now continue their journey in Guiding, moving on to 3rd Pembury Brownies. We wish them lots of fun and look forward to following their future adventures.

Toto/Amanda Baker  
2nd Pembury Rainbows

If you have a daughter who may be interested in joining Rainbows, please register your interest at: [www.girlguiding.org.uk](http://www.girlguiding.org.uk)

## RAPID RELIEF TEAM – LITTER PICK

The Environment Group just wanted to say a huge thank you to all who turned up on Saturday to take part in the litter pick.

This was organised by the Rapid Relief Team. They were amazing. They offered hot food and drinks to everyone who was helping, provided us with black sacks and then took 46 bags of rubbish to the tip for us!

They also helped a homeless man who had turned up at St. Peter's Church. Heather from the church, and Patrick brought the man over to the Rapid Relief Team. They provided him with hot food and a drink, and also drove to Capel to get the gentleman a sleeping bag. They also made several calls and provided the gentleman with information as to who could help him.

I hope you will all agree that the village is looking a lot tidier, long may it last!

We all felt very proud to be part of their team for the afternoon.





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At 27 Danny is the youngest person to have featured in this column. Danny is a British motorcycle racer who has put Pembury on the international map.

Born in Pembury Hospital in 1991, he has resided with his family in the village. He attended Pembury Primary School and was very popular making many friends. He went on to Mascalls School in Paddock Wood. It was whilst he was there he took part in Moto Cross Meetings with the East Kent Moto Cross Club. He moved on to mini-moto racing due to the outbreak of foot and mouth causing moto-cross meetings to be cancelled. In 2003 he won the British Mini Moto Championship.

Danny then moved on to track racing and was very lucky to be picked to join the Moto GP (Grand Prix) Academy which, with the permission of the school took him away from home to train and compete in Spain. This was a difficult time for Danny and his family as he was so young and had to get used to travelling to Spain on his own for these training sessions.

Danny moved on to ride in the Spanish Championship and eventually moved on to Moto GP. Lack of funds and sponsorship brought him back to the British Superbike Championship and the years to follow led

him and his family with emotional ups and downs throughout his racing career.

It is very tough for a family to maintain sponsorship and financial support for talented children in sports that they love. Through Danny's persistence and hard work he has maintained his racing career and love of the sport.

Looking back on his career it was in 2005-6 that he caught the eye with his determination and ability and joined the Moto GP Academy, where he gained experience and confidence. He gained a podium finish in the Spanish Championship.

Between 2007 and 2009 he rode for the DeGraff Moto GP Team and started to score World Championship points when he rode in Japan. He finished a brilliant 16th and finished in the top 10 at most of the rounds. The following year riding for Spanish team Andalucia he finished consistently in the top 10. Unfortunately due to lack of funding he had to move on. Danny joined the Mahindra team in 2011 and achieved Pole Position at the last ever round for 125cc's.

In 2013 Danny rode for the Ambrogio Racing Team in the Moto 3 Class in the World Championships. After starting well and qualifying

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## PEMBURY PEOPLE continued...

in the top 10 in most of the meetings, an accident prevented Danny from competing for a couple of rounds. He then signed for PTR Honda to contest the remaining rounds of the Supersport World Championship with good results.

Amongst the highlights of 2014 was his debut ride in the Isle of Man TT race achieving a 120mph lap. He completed the year in the British Superbike Series and riding some road circuits. He had a very serious accident at the Ulster GP which nearly cost him his life. But he was determined to recover so he could continue in the sport he loved.

In 2015 he continued to compete at the British Superbike Championship, although the bike had quite a few engine failures, which proved frustrating. He collected a bronze at the Isle of Man TT race. He also replaced an injured rider in the Manx TT getting into the top 10 every outing but unfortunately broke down on both occasions during the race.

2016 saw Danny as the official test rider for Mahindra Racing. Last year he broke 4 vertebrae in his back and dislocated his shoulder in a practice session during the Isle of Man TT. Doctors gave him a 6 month recovery period but he wanted to be back for the Classic TT only 2 months later. After a lot of hard work and treatment he made it back, finishing 9th in the superbike race!

He was invited to take part in a 24hour World Endurance Race in France and his team finished 2nd. This was a great achievement after his injuries and he had only been signed up a week before the event.

Danny then competed in an International Road Race in Frohburg, Germany. After a non-finish in the first race he was determined to show what he could do in the next. He went on and won the 600 Supersport race. In the Superbike race he worked his way up from 6th and on taking the lead he set a new lap record and went on to win.

The season finished in Macau where he finished in 10th place but sadly Danny lost a good friend in the race when he crashed and sadly passed away.

Danny is now looking forward to a new season doing the full International Road Race Championship in Europe and the World Endurance Championship along with the Isle of Man TT. He currently races with the Penz BMW Team and is grateful to LENCO Motor Spares in Tunbridge Wells where he works part-time.

I am sure we would all like to congratulate Danny in what he has achieved so far and wish him every success for the future as he strives to make it to the top.

Richard Snow



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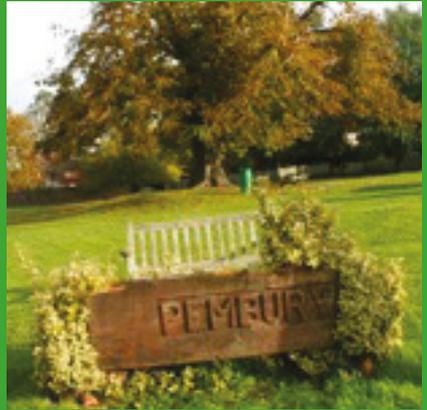
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Deadline for nominations is Friday 15th July 2018

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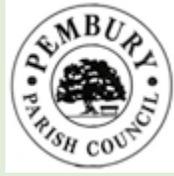
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## JACK COMES BACK!

Pembury Players finished a very successful pantomime to a full house on a Saturday evening at the beginning of January. 'Jack comes back' was written and directed by one of Pembury Players own actors - Maggie Weaver. 'Jack comes back' is a continuation of the well-known panto 'Jack and the Beanstalk'. Patrick Gillan, who starred as the outrageously funny Dame Trot commented:

*"We had four performances and the audiences were fantastic. The Saturday matinee saw around 60 children and parents making around 130 people and Saturday evening up to 170 people enjoyed the show - the biggest audience to date. The actors had the audiences in hysterics and it was wonderful seeing the children laugh at all the naughty bits. Pembury Players could not happen however without the amazing backstage crew and of course all the incredibly talented volunteers. The images show the cast, the backstage crew headed by Richard Highgate and the indomitable ever-popular Dame Trot herself!"*



## FLORAL ART GROUP

Floral art enthusiasts meet at the Baptist Church Hall on the first Monday in the month – March to December (Bank Holidays excluded) at 8.00pm.

Under the watchful guidance of team leaders Ann Purton and Brenda Penfold, they are shown how to create themed flower arrangements before putting their own skills to the test, the results of which they may take home.

These really are fun evenings – nothing formal here! So, if you would like to spend an evening that is different amongst pleasant company, why not come and join the group? Should you feel a little nervous at coming alone, why not bring a friend or two?

For full details contact Ann Purton who will be pleased to hear from you on telephone number: 01892 824223.



# **Pembury Parish Council's Annual Parish Meeting**



**Held at the Village Hall, High  
Street, Pembury**

**On Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March  
2018 at 8pm**

## **AGENDA**

1. Welcome by the Chairman
2. To receive minutes of the 2017 Annual Parish Meeting for signature
3. To receive audited accounts for the year 2016/17
4. To receive financial projections for the year 2017/18
5. To receive the Chairman's report on the work of Pembury Parish Council
6. To receive a report from Tunbridge Wells Borough Councillors
7. To receive a report from Kent County Councillor
8. Open Forum to ask questions of Pembury Parish Council

*Clír June Crowhurst*  
Chairman, Pembury Parish Council  
Dated: 5<sup>th</sup> March 2018



# **Folk Day at St. Peter's Saturday 26 May 2018**

**The Parish Council are running their annual Scarecrow competition in the morning, on the lawn in front of the Upper Church. For details contact: Cllr K Brooks – 825882 or Cllr S Harris - 822544**

**Folk music and song inside the church from 2-00 pm – 4-00 pm, admission £5 (accompanied children free).**

**There will be a beer tent (real ale) and a hog roast on the lawn.**

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## GARDENER'S SOCIETY

The Society was founded in 1944 and will, therefore be celebrating its 75th anniversary next year. It is affiliated to six national horticultural organisations and holds three shows each year – Spring (Daffodils), Summer (Sweet Peas and Roses) and Autumn (Vegetables/Chrysanthemums/Dahlias). There is an annual plant sale held on the Village Green on the last Saturday in May and the Society have a stall at the 'Fun Day' on the Recreation Ground on 9th June.

Two full day trips are organised each year – the December Christmas market themed outings have proved very popular. Like many similar societies, membership has dwindled in recent years and there is particular concern that exhibitors are fast becoming a rare breed. Another worry is that not a single entry was made by a Junior at all three 2017 shows.

The Society really does need new blood, as



members, exhibitors, or preferably both so why not do your bit to ensure the tradition of the Village Flower Show continues in Pembury? By joining now, you will be in time for this year's shows where your entries could well win a prize.

Full details and a copy of 2018 show schedule from Derek Parks – 01892 822804.



### **Donna's Garden Party**

**Another fun fund-raising garden party in aid of  
'Maidstone Cat Welfare'**

**Saturday 26th May 2018 ~ 10am to 4pm**

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TRAMPOLINE PARKS

# CRICKET FOR ALL IN THE VILLAGE!



At the time of going to press we are fully embraced into our winter coaching at the Judd School in Tonbridge, as we look forward to an exciting season ahead for the club for all ages and abilities.

2018 sees both senior league sides return to the Kent County Village League, giving the club a stronger focus on local cricket, and our junior sides start their second seasons in the Invicta Junior Cricket Leagues.



We are also delighted to confirm that we will be introducing “All Stars” Cricket into the village.

“All Stars” Cricket is an initiative that is being rolled out by the ECB in clubs up and down the country, giving children aged between 5 & 8 a great first experience in cricket.

Each child will receive a backpack containing a bat and ball, a shirt, a cap and a water bottle!

The emphasis will be on fun and being active, with a focus on developing movement skills.

Please keep an eye on our website for further details, the sessions are due to start in May.

We are always keen to welcome new players of all ages and abilities, as well as social members to come along and enjoy the comfort of our facilities and further develop the atmosphere in the club.

For the 2018 season we are offering **FREE** senior playing membership to new players and our hard

ball practice and coaching will be moving to Friday nights, whilst parents and spectators can take advantage of the bar being open!

Softball Coaching and “All Stars” Cricket will be on Saturday mornings.

To complement the expanding junior section, and to improve our practice / training facilities, we have recently had a new artificial wicket installed on the square, and additionally our net has also been refurbished.

“Cricket for all” continues to be our focus, and in addition to the junior participation and the senior league sides, Sundays will once again see a full fixture list throughout the summer, a great place to harness the skills for both young and old, whilst enjoying the joviality of social cricket.

Embracing the village community is an essential ingredient to a successful club, and we are indebted to the many local residents and businesses that continue to support us, this not only helps maintain the high standards at the club both on and off the field but enables us to plan for the seasons ahead.

If you are interested in joining us, or are keen to find out further information, please don't hesitate to call Richard Dawes (07827 909489) or Andy Weaver - Secretary (07714 693997) e-mail the club at [PemburyCC@gmail.com](mailto:PemburyCC@gmail.com) or look us up at <http://pembury.play-cricket.com>. We will be delighted to hear from you.

Richard Dawes  
(Club Captain – Pembury Cricket Club)

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**Ladies Breakfast** Saturday 30<sup>th</sup> June and 6<sup>th</sup> October - Breakfast with a speaker at a local venue

**Quiz & Chips** Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> November Fish and Chip supper with quiz and games.

**Table Centre Christmas Creation** – learning to Make a Christmas table centre. Enjoy nibbles and mulled wine.



Email contact for more information or booking:  
[jforberts1958@gmail.com](mailto:jforberts1958@gmail.com).

## PEMBURY PLAYERS - 'ACCORDING TO RUMOUR'



Following their masterful performance of the tense thriller 'Shock!' last summer and another highly inventive original pantomime 'Jack Goes Back' in January, Pembury Players will be switching to a full-length farce for their next summer production.

The play 'According to Rumour' by Robert Scott is licensed by Lazy Bee Scripts and has more twists and turns than the Brands Hatch racing circuit. Characters include: Carter – a man in trouble, Kitty Kat – a woman who is trouble and Roger – a man hiding from trouble. There is also a bent detective, Logan, investigating a nearby robbery and some rather suspicious twins; maybe only one of them is suspicious but we are never sure which is which. The plot revolves around a bag of money found at Carter's flat and various unsuccessful attempts to conceal it. For this show we have Patrick Gillan making

his debut for Players in the director's seat so it promises to be an exciting experience for us all!

'According to Rumour' will be performed at the Village Hall in May 2018. It is mainly aimed at an adult audience but apart from a few expletives it isn't particularly offensive. Tickets priced at £8.00 will be on sale from April at Pembury Pharmacy or they can be reserved in advance via [pemburyplayers@gmail.com](mailto:pemburyplayers@gmail.com). Some tickets will also be available at the door.

Performances will be at 8.00 pm on Thursday 17th, Friday 18th & Saturday 19th May.

*[We know there is due to be a wedding and a football match on TV earlier that day, but this is live entertainment and a chance to celebrate!] There will of course be a licensed bar as usual.*

## PEMBURY U3A

The media recently reported that the Government had appointed Tracey Crouch MP as a "Minister for Loneliness". As ever the media went for an attention-grabbing headline. The reality is that Tracey Crouch is officially the Under Secretary for Sport and Civil Society but has been given responsibility for "cross government work on loneliness".

There is even a Commission on Loneliness set up by the late Jo Cox MP. One of their reports gave the estimate that some 9 million people in the UK suffer from loneliness. So, loneliness has become a hot topic and can of course afflict people in any section of society at any age. But it is of particular concern for those at the older end of the spectrum who are most vulnerable both psychologically and physically.

So, what is to be done? I am sure that there are any number of things which the Government could do to help to reduce loneliness e.g. better public transport to reduce isolation, keeping open local facilities like libraries and so on. But as the Commission on Loneliness itself recognised, the issue needs to be tackled with concerted

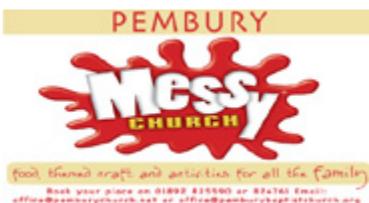
action by everyone including businesses, civil society organisations, families, communities and individuals.

For sure we can all do something to reduce loneliness even if it means just checking to see if our neighbours are OK by having a chat with them face to face (yes, going back to the times before social media!). In addition, local organisations like Pembury U3A can and do play their part in reducing the sense of isolation and loneliness that many older people may feel. I regularly read the wise advice in "agony uncle" Graham Norton's column for the Daily Telegraph. In a recent response to an elderly reader who wanted to end his suffering of crippling loneliness Graham stated, "It is much easier to get to know people if you are meeting while performing a task or have a common interest". How true! There are lots of interesting activities for our U3A members to enjoy and new members are always welcome – for more information please go to [www.pemburyu3a.org](http://www.pemburyu3a.org).

Roger Gardner  
Chairman, Pembury U3A

## PEMBURY MESSY CHURCH - PEMBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

Pembury Messy Church is a free event for families taking place monthly at one of three locations, Pembury Baptist Church, St. Peter's Upper Church and Pembury School. This event offers a couple of hours of themed craft and activities, a song or two, a talk to pull the theme together and food to enjoy. The next dates and venues are:



Messy Easter - Saturday 24th March at Pembury School from 3pm-5pm

Messy Church - Saturday 12th May at St Peters Upper Church from 3pm-5pm

Messy Church at the Fun Day - Saturday 9th June at Pembury Recreation Ground from 2pm-5pm

Messy Church - Saturday 14th July at Pembury Baptist Church from 11am-1pm

If you would like to attend, you are welcome to just come along but it does help with food provision if you book through [office@pemburychurch.net](mailto:office@pemburychurch.net) or [office@pemburybaptistchurch.org](mailto:office@pemburybaptistchurch.org) or call 01892 825590 or 824761.

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## HOPE FUN DAY

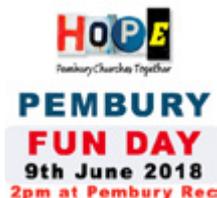
On Saturday 9th June 2018, HOPE Pembury Churches Together are holding their biannual Pembury Fun Day starting at 2pm at Pembury Recreation Ground. There will be the usual 40 or so stalls, dog show, games and bouncy castles, live music, burgers and ice cream, emergency vehicles and more! Entrance is free. Do keep that afternoon free to enjoy this event in the heart of Pembury village. Any surplus is donated to Hospice in the Weald and Pepenbury. See you there!

Would you like to sponsor a bouncy castle or the dog show?

Do you play in a band and would you like to do a set on the Pembury Fun Day stage?

Do you want to hire a stall at Pembury Fun Day?

Contact us on 01892 825590 and speak to Jennifer or Helen as soon as possible or email [office@pemburybaptistchurch.org](mailto:office@pemburybaptistchurch.org).



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## THE PAVILION COMMUNITY COFFEE SHOP

The Pavilion Community Coffee Shop has been open since Monday 8 January after a short break for Christmas and New Year. This photograph was taken at our Christmas raffle coffee morning which was well attended by our lovely customers. Once again, a big thank you to everyone who supports us.



As well as Rodger and Peter who are now part of our growing team, we had three more volunteers join us in February.

We are open every Monday (except bank holidays) from 9.30am until 12 noon where we sell hot drinks and cakes to eat in or take away. When the weather is nice, dog walkers love coming along to sit outside and enjoy their cuppa. Why not join them!

For all enquires please contact Chris Snow on 01892 825428 or Heather Purdy on 01892 824940.

## CHERRY ORCHARD FIASCO

Unfortunately, I have to admit that my wife Moira reaped the benefits of crime when she was eleven years old. Moira and her friend Linda who used to live down Stonecourt Lane decided that they would go and inspect the cherry crop in the orchard that used to belong to the Taylor family who lived in the house at the far end of Redwings Lane and adjoining Periwinkle Lane. They went down through Downingbury Farm and entered Mr Taylor's orchard through a gap in the hedge.

Having selected the tree with the best-looking fruit on Moira climbed the tree and Linda remained on the ground to receive the cherries. Having picked enough to feed the village, on the way down the tree Moira slipped and hurt her leg, badly enough to prevent her walking on it. To avoid being caught by Mr Taylor and his dogs, Moira and Linda took the shortest route out onto Periwinkle

Lane. Unfortunately, because Moira was unable to walk they were at a loss what to do next. Having sat there for some time, not knowing what to do a van came up the hill, Linda waved the van down and luckily, that late in the evening it was Mr Reid who used to own the Greengrocers and Post Office.

There was no room in the front of the van, so he lifted Moira into the back where she and Linda had to sit amongst big round smelly cheeses. He took Moira home to her mum but because her father was still at work, their neighbour Arthur Latter took Moira and her mum to the Hospital where a broken leg was quickly diagnosed. Before Moira was given an anaesthetic, the Doctor asked her if she had had anything to eat. I leave you to guess what the answer was.....! This proves crime does not pay.

Hugh Boorman

## DOG RESCUE

Many years ago, back in the 1950s a group of boys who normally hung about together went up the footpath opposite the Waterworks to what was known as the Moors and was mainly bracken and heather. We used to go up there to climb in the big sand quarry which was just behind Pembury Hospital. When we came back out onto the road by the Waterworks we went round into Redwings Lane and it was then that a movement on the sloping wall that goes directly down into the water, caught my eye. Immediately above the slope is a wall which is 5ft high.



It turned out to be a dog and had it have slipped down into the water it would never have got out. Without warning Graham Chantler was over the wall heading straight for the dog and again,

if Graham had slipped I don't think he would have got out either! He managed to reach the dog and inched him up the slope and manhandled him up the wall on to safe ground. We did not know whose dog it was, but Graham took it up to the Police Station where they asked if Graham would look after him until the next day.

I do not know now how Graham found out, but the dog was one of two owned by Mr Roberts who used to own Downingbury Farm and when Graham took the dog down there Mr Roberts was beside himself with joy and rewarded Graham with money worth several weeks pocket money. All's well that ends well!

On a more serious note Graham had an older brother Brian who was on the Parish Council for many years but also served in the Royal Navy back in the fifties. During that time a submarine of the Royal Navy, HMS Truculent was in collision with a ship in the Thames Estuary and sank very quickly with the crew on board. When it was raised up I believe that Brian was one of those tasked with emptying the vessel of those who had lost their lives.

Hugh Boorman



# Concert for Lifeboats

**Saturday 28 April 2018 at 7-30 pm**  
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Roger: 01892 822945, Peter: 823759, or on the door if still available**  
**Doors and licensed bar open at 7-00 pm**

The artists will be performing free of charge, enabling all proceeds to go to the Royal National Lifeboat Institution (Registered Charity 209603), which is entirely dependent upon voluntary donations & legacies.



The recent survey of the south-west corner of Pembury Village Green which was carried out with metal detectors by the Southborough and High Brooms Amateur Archaeology Society under the auspices of The Pembury Society and with the permission of the Parish Council, who own the land, has now been completed. The 179 artefacts that were found have been cleaned and a very comprehensive report has been written by a member of the SHAAS. So what has this exercise added to our knowledge of past activity on the Green?

A single Roman coin was found, which is interesting in its own right, but is probably not relevant to our understanding of Pembury's past. Given where it was found it was probably dropped by a more recent owner sometime in the last 170 years rather than 1700 years ago.

We knew there was a 'Pill Box' on the Green during WW2 and a few bits of WW2 militaria were found. These amounted to: a fired .303" cartridge case, a fragment of copper driving band, a fuse fragment and a Royal Engineers badge.

The earliest 'modern' coin found was a George II Farthing minted between 1741 and 1754. These dates coincide exactly with when we thought, from available documents, that a wheelwright's business was first established. Three coins from the reign of George III were also found. Two were copper Halfpennies minted between 1770 and 1775 and the other was a Penny from 1806/1807.

Three Victorian coins were found, but as they were all legal tender until 1971, they could have been dropped at any time. The same argument applies to all the 20th century pre-decimal coins found as they could have been lost during public activities on the Green after the buildings were demolished,

particularly as they were found where the buildings had been. Decimal coinage with a face value of £9.78p was found, which must have been dropped since 1971, again probably during public activities such as fetes and the annual picnic.

Then we come to our main focus of interest, the Wheelwright's shop and Blacksmiths. From a trawl through available documents such as maps, parish records, censuses, rate books and old newspapers we know who occupied the properties on the Green, and for what purpose, throughout the 150 years from the assumed beginning in the 1750s to 1901. The final 30 years of the buildings' existence, until they were demolished in 1930, is less certain. We have no documentary evidence for any business before 1754 and the coins found seem to confirm this.

In short, George Langridge, wheelwright, was there from the 1750s until his death in 1791 when he was followed by Benjamin Veness who died in 1827. The business then passed to Benjamin's son, another Benjamin. In 1841, having acquired quite a lot of land in the Lower Green area of Pembury, Benjamin jnr gave up being a wheelwright to become a farmer, although he retained ownership of the premises. The new wheelwright was Thomas Stevenson who was there until his death in 1891, but from the 1871 census onwards he is described as 'wheelwright and blacksmith'. After Thomas' death it is difficult to say exactly what the situation was. Certainly by 1901 a Mrs Carne of 'private means' was living in the house, but there was a wheelwright living on the corner of the High Street who could have been working on the Green. Mrs Carne was still the tenant of the house in 1929, immediately before the demolition, but by then there was no mention of any business activity. Also, in the late 19th and early 20th centuries the village fire engine was housed in a shed on the site.

As for items directly associated with a wheelwrights business, a lot of metallic debris was found, mostly made of iron. An assortment of nails, bolts and nuts of various shapes and sizes were found throughout the site. Some of the most interesting were the hand forged square nails that may well be 18th century. There were also numerous finds that looked as if they may have come from a carriage or cart, bits that looked like they may be suspension springs or axle bolts and a few broken horseshoes. Some of the finds were quite large, such as an iron bar measuring 30mm x 4mm x 440mm long, a disc with diameter 90mm and 15mm thick and a large U-shaped item with pointed 90° terminations probably hand forged.

Some lead items were also found, in particular a large lump of the metal, several pieces of dross and a lead bar. This indicates that, at least at some point, they were working with lead as well as iron.

Items that were not directly related to the business, but are indicative of human activity include a couple of clay pipe stems (but no bowls), a very attractive lead plumb which may be related to the house and a brass stair rod bracket which may have been left after the demolition. There were also some copper bits, including a harness ring, which may or may not be directly associated with the wheelwright's business.

The full SHAAS report can be seen on the Pembury Society web site.

Kathryn Franklin, January 2018

# EASTER SERVICES

## St. Anselms Catholic Church

### Maundy Thursday, 29th March

8pm Mass of the last supper

### Good Friday, 30th March

10am Stations of the cross for children

1.30pm Stations of the cross

3pm The Good Friday liturgy

### Holy Saturday, 31st March

8pm The Easter Vigil Mass

### Easter Day, 1st April

8am Mass of the dawn

10am Mass of the day

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## Pembury Baptist Church

### Good Friday, 30th March

10am Reflective service

11.15am Village Green with HOPE Pembury Churches Together: We welcome everyone to worship with all the Pembury churches

### Easter Sunday, 1st April

10am Rejoicing in the Resurrection

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## St. Peter's

### Palm Sunday, 25th March

8.00am Holy Communion with distribution of Palm Crosses: Upper Church

9.30am Procession from Village Hall to Upper Church with distribution of Palm Crosses

9.45am Reading of Passion Narrative and Holy Communion: Upper Church

11.30am Matins: Old Church

### Holy Monday, 26th March

8.00pm Compline: Upper Church

### Holy Tuesday, 27th March

9.15am Morning Prayer: Upper Church

8.00pm Compline: Upper Church

### Holy Wednesday, 28th March

9.15am Morning Prayer: Upper Church

10.00am Holy Communion: Upper Church

8.00pm Holy Communion (BCP): Old Church

### Maundy Thursday, 29th March

8.00pm The Liturgy of Maundy Thursday, with foot washing: Upper Church

### Good Friday, 30th March

10.15am Veneration of the Cross: Upper Church

11.15am Ecumenical Service on the Green

12.00noon Hour at the Cross: Old Church

### Holy Saturday, 31st March

9.15am Silent Vigil: Upper Church (to 9.45am)

4.00pm Creation of Easter Garden: Upper Church

8.00pm Service of Light and Renewal of Baptism Vows

### Easter Sunday, 1st April

8.00am Holy Communion: Upper Church

9.45am Family Communion with Easter Egg Hunt: Upper Church

11.30am Holy Communion (BCP): Old Church

## Chicken and Veg Stir Fry – Serves 4 – 6



### INGREDIENTS

500g chicken breasts

2 tbsp soy sauce

1 tspn curry powder

Juice of 1 lemon

1 tspn olive oil

1 medium onion (chopped)

3 medium carrots (peeled and cut into strips)

½ medium head of broccoli (cut into florets)

3 garlic cloves (peeled and crushed)

1 red & 1 yellow pepper (cored and diced)

1 bag fresh spinach

Few fresh basil leaves

Salt and pepper

1. Cut the chicken into strips and mix with the soy sauce
2. Mix the curry powder with the lemon juice to make a paste and season with salt and pepper
3. Put the chicken strips into the paste and coat well
4. Heat the oil in a wok or large frying pan and add the onion and chicken and cook. Add the remaining veg except the spinach and fry for 2-3 minutes
5. Add the spinach and turn off the heat. The spinach will wilt down. Sprinkle with the chopped basil
6. Serve with rice or mashed potato

## West Country Apple Cake



### INGREDIENTS

225g (8oz) cooking apples (peeled, cored and chopped)

Juice ½ lemon

225g (8oz) plain flour

1 ½ tspn baking powder

115g (4oz) butter

165g (5½oz) soft light brown sugar

1 egg (beaten)

2-3tbsp milk

½ tspn cinnamon

1. Line an 18cm (7") round cake tin with baking parchment. Preheat oven 180°C/Gas mark 4
2. Toss the apples in the lemon juice
3. Mix flour and baking powder and rub in the butter
4. Stir in 4oz of sugar, the apples and the egg and add enough milk to make a soft dropping consistency and transfer to the prepared tin
5. Mix together the remaining sugar and cinnamon and sprinkle over the cake mix
6. Put into the oven and cook for 45-50 minutes until firm to the touch. Leave to cool in the tin for 10 minutes then transfer to a wire rack to cool.

## DEFIBRILLATORS IN PEMBURY

This article is to make everyone aware that there are four defibrillators in Pembury: one in an external cabinet on the side wall at the Pharmacy; one at the School, one at the Doctors' surgery and one at the Pavilion in the Recreation Ground.

An AED (Automatic External Defibrillator) is a lightweight, portable device that delivers an electric shock through the chest to the heart. The shock can stop an irregular rhythm and allow a normal rhythm to resume in a heart, in Sudden Onset Cardiac Arrest (SOCA), where defibrillation in the first few minutes can increase the chance of survival from 7-10% up to 75%. Untreated SOCA will lead to death within minutes if not treated.

The cabinet at the Pharmacy is bright yellow (to ensure that it is easily identified) and is opened by use of a pin code. The code can be obtained in an emergency from the Pharmacy (during

opening hours) or from the ambulance service if you have dialled 999 and been asked by the emergency operator to go and fetch the AED.

The AED is checked monthly to ensure it is always ready for use. In the event of a member of our community having to use it, the AED will automatically tell you what to do. Once you are at the patient's side and have opened the clear plastic panel on the front, the machine will give you verbal instructions or an operator from the emergency services will instruct you.



## CRIME REPORT

May I wish you all a peaceful New Year. However, I do not wish to be alarmist but the crime figures for the Parish for October, November and December 2017 do not make good reading but, whilst it is no consolation, neither do the figures for some of the surrounding parishes which the Kent Police Analytical Team have given us permission to publish. I have always stated that I would not want to bring politics into the Parish magazine, but it is becoming quite obvious, that nationally the Police are struggling to keep up with the overall increase in crime and I rather suspect it is due to a shortage of front line manpower and unless we feel free to voice our opinions we are not going to see a long-term improvement.

Unfortunately, just before Christmas the village was subject to a blitz of break-ins and damage. Pippins suffered break-ins to two of its buildings and Downingbury Farm was also subject to a break-in with wanton damage. There was also a blitz of eight break-ins to household property. The overall crime figure is the highest that I have ever had to report and what is more distressing is that the figure for Violent Crime is the highest

I have had sent to me. Part of the Violent Crime figures include that of Domestic Crime which sadly has rocketed to 15 and as I have previously stated, help from the authorities is offered to the persons involved. Of the total figure, 5 were malicious communications and 6 Public Order offences. There were also 5 sexual offences.

Pembury, like any Parish, will always be subject to offences from persons outside the village who can move in and out of any community and commit crime before any one is aware that something is amiss.

Please read the figures but please do not be alarmed - just be on your guard. Do not hesitate to report anything suspicious, whether it is your property or someone else's and please let me know of any response from the Police that does not meet the standard you expected.

Do remember though that Pembury is still a safe place to live.

Be careful out there.  
Hugh Boorman.

# RECORDED CRIME IN PEMBURY

If a road name does not appear in the table below, it is because no crimes have been recorded by Kent Police in that road during the specified period.

Crime type by reported month	Total recorded crime									
	Violent Crime	Burglary Residential	Burglary Business & Community	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Theft From Motor Vehicle	Theft Offences (exc vehicle offences)	Criminal Damage Offences	Drug Offences	Other Offences	Total recorded crime
Oct-17	11	3	0	0	1	6	2	0	2	25
Nov-17	15	2	0	1	2	9	6	1	4	40
Dec-17	12	3	3	1	1	8	2	0	4	34
October - December 2017	38	8	3	2	4	23	10	1	10	99

	Pembury	Capel	Goudhurst & Lamberhurst	Brenchley & Horsmonden	Sherwood	Park
Oct-17	25	16	17	20	58	64
Nov-17	40	21	29	17	80	61
Dec-17	34	7	20	11	68	66
Oct-17 to Dec-17	99	44	66	48	206	191

	Violent Crime	Burglary Residential	Burglary Business & Community	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Theft From Motor Vehicle	Theft Offences (exc vehicle offences)	Criminal Damage Offences	Drug Offences	Other Offences	Total recorded crime
BEAGLES WOOD ROAD	0			1	0	0	1	0	0	2
BELLFIELD ROAD	3			0	0	0	0	0	2	5
BRICKFIELDS	2			0	0	0	0	0	0	2
BULLS PLACE	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CANTERBURY ROAD	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
CHALKET LANE	2			0	0	2	0	0	0	4
CHESTNUT WALK	0			0	0	0	1	0	0	1
CHURCH ROAD	0			0	1	0	1	0	0	2
ELMHURST AVENUE	1			0	0	1	1	0	0	3
HASTINGS ROAD	0			1	0	0	0	0	1	2
HENWOOD GREEN ROAD	0			0	1	0	1	0	0	2
HIGH STREET	3			0	1	4	0	0	0	8
KINGS TOLL ROAD	1			0	0	1	0	0	0	2
LOWER GREEN ROAD	0			0	0	0	2	0	0	2
MAIDSTONE ROAD	2			0	0	0	1	0	0	3
MIDDLE FIELD	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
OLD CHURCH ROAD	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
PEMBURY CLOSE	0			0	1	0	0	0	0	1
PEMBURY ROAD	8			0	0	9	1	1	2	21
PENNS YARD	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
RIDGEWAY	0			0	0	1	1	0	0	2
SANDHURST AVENUE	0			0	0	1	0	0	0	1
SNIPE CLOSE	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
THE GROVE	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
TONBRIDGE ROAD	8			0	0	3	0	0	5	16
WESTWAY	1			0	0	0	0	0	0	1
WOODHILL PARK	0			0	0	1	0	0	0	1
TOTAL RECORDED CRIME (EXC BURGLARIES)	38			2	4	23	10	1	10	88

The data above was extracted from Kent Police's LIVE crime recording system GENESIS on 5th January 2018 at 14:53 hrs, and is therefore subject to change.

## **MAKING CHILD ARRANGEMENTS WHEN A RELATIONSHIP ENDS**

If your relationship ends and you have children, you'll need to agree where your children live. You'll also need to decide how much time they spend with each of you. This is called making 'child arrangements'.

Child arrangements are usually an informal agreement - but it can help to write them down.

If for any reason you really can't agree, you may need to go to court for a Child Arrangement Order

### **Child Arrangements Orders**

Child arrangements orders were introduced by the Children and Families Act 2014 and replaced residence and contact orders. A child arrangements order regulates the arrangements about; with whom a child is to live, spend time or otherwise have contact and; when a child is to live, spend time or otherwise have contact with any person.

### **Mediation**

Unless you've experienced domestic violence in your relationship, you must try mediation before you can apply for a child arrangements order. Mediation is cheaper and usually quicker.

Even if your partner is unwilling to attend mediation, you must attend a mediation information and assessment meeting or 'MIAM' before you can go to court.

### **Going to Court**

You will need to make an application using form C100, which can be downloaded from the HMCTS website, together with guidance on how to fill out the form. You will need to pay a fee and send the form to the court.

The court will arrange a directions hearing with both parents if you apply for a court order.

A family court adviser from the Children and Family Court Advisory and Support Service (Cafcass) will send you information before the hearing and will also attend.

The court's decision will be based on what they think is best for the child.

For more information contact the Paddock Wood Community Advice Centre at 64 Commercial Road, Paddock Wood, e-mail [info@pwadvice.org](mailto:info@pwadvice.org) telephone [01892 838619](tel:01892 838619)



PADDOCK WOOD  
COMMUNITY  
ADVICE CENTRE

## FOR YOUR DIARY

Village Market – Village Hall, Tuesday 9am – 11.30am

CAB – Pembury Library – alternate Tuesdays 9.30am – 11.30am

Community Coffee Shop – Pembury Pavilion, Recreation Ground – Mondays 9.30-12noon

'The Shed' Youth Café - at Pembury Baptist Church – Fridays 6 – 8pm (school yrs 7-13) term time only

MAR			
5 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm	Parish Council Office
6 <sup>th</sup>	U3A	2pm	Village Hall – British Wireless for the Blind. Simon Parsons
8 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Thursday Club	2pm	Village Hall meeting room
19 <sup>th</sup>	Annual Parish Meeting	8pm	Village Hall – all welcome
24 <sup>th</sup>	Pembury Gardeners' Spring Show	2pm	Pembury Baptist Church Hall
24 <sup>th</sup>	Handel's Messiah	7.30pm	St. Peter's Upper Church Box Office - events@pemburychurch.net / 824327
APR			
3 <sup>rd</sup>	U3A	2pm	Village Hall – Pigs, Potholes & Paradise. Penny Harris
6 <sup>th</sup>	Evening Women's Institute	7.45pm	Village Hall – Mat Reilly's Experience - Great British Bake Off
9 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm	Parish Council Office
12 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Thursday Club	2pm	Village Hall meeting room
18 <sup>th</sup>	Pembury Society Spring Meeting	7.45pm	St. Peter's Upper Church – Pembury's Natural History
28 <sup>th</sup>	Concert for Lifeboats	7.30pm	St. Peter's Upper Church Maritime Songs, Sea Shanties and Folk Singing Audience participation. All proceeds to RNLI. Details 01892 822945 or 823759
MAY			
1 <sup>st</sup>	U3A	2pm	Concorde: Supersonic Cover Up – Guy Bartlett
4 <sup>th</sup>	Evening WI	7.45pm	Village Hall. Annual Meeting and Resolutions
10 <sup>th</sup>	Ladies Thursday Club	2pm	Village Hall meeting room
14 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm	Parish Council Office
17 <sup>th</sup> /18 <sup>th</sup>	Pembury Players	8pm	Village Hall - 'According to Rumour'
19 <sup>th</sup>	Pembury Players	8pm	Village Hall – 'According to Rumour'
25 <sup>th</sup>	Out and About Club	11am-6pm	Brick Lane Music Hall – contact Sue Giles 823318
26 <sup>th</sup>	Donna's Garden Sale	10am / 4pm	7 Elmhurst Avenue, Pembury. Details: 823783
JUNE			
1 <sup>st</sup>	Evening WI	7.45pm	Pembury Village Hall
5 <sup>th</sup>	U3A	2pm	Historical Interpretation. Simon Waterfield
5 <sup>th</sup>	Parish Council Meeting	7.45pm	Parish Council Office
9 <sup>th</sup>	HOPE Churches Together		Fun Day – Recreation Ground

Richard Snow is responsible for updating the Village Diary, which can be viewed at [www.pembury.org](http://www.pembury.org).

The diary serves two purposes. Firstly, to enable event organisers to check the diary before arranging an event to avoid clashes.

Secondly to enable everyone to know what is happening in the village. It is important that information is sent to Richard at [events@pembury.org](mailto:events@pembury.org) with date, times, venue and contact details.

Please note that to view the calendar you must be using a recent version of Firefox, Google Chrome or Internet Explorer (IE11 or later). Computers running Windows XP will only be able to view the calendar using Firefox or Google Chrome.

Organisations – please contact me with your dates for inclusion in the next edition of the magazine:

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