

# Rustington

## Parish Council Newsletter

### Chairman's Message

Well I am delighted to have been re-elected as the Chairman of the Parish Council and thank my fellow Councillors for, once again, placing their trust in me for another Civic Year.

This year, Rustington celebrates 50 years of the Rustington Residents Association and this certainly is a success story to be proud of. In wishing the Association a Happy Birthday, we also hope that it will continue to go from strength to strength for many years to come.

All of our community groups together make our Village a very special place in which to live and work.

The floral displays throughout the Village are currently at their peak and the new addition of the 'Cake' for Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday, has filled out and it all looks quite stunning. I wish the In-Bloom Committee good luck for the Village Centre's entry

in the South & South East in Bloom Competition.

The new Manor Retail Park on the A259 is still taking shape, with the Chandlers BMW Unit due to open in September. This will result in the vacation of the Mini Showroom Building in the Village, which we hear will now be developed into a family friendly Café and Bar, ensuring our Commercial Centre stays vibrant and attractive to visitors.

Finances are still a key issue for the Council, with both the County and District Councils undergoing money saving exercises. However, the Parish Council will continue to be committed to ensuring that its Parishioners always get the best deal possible in these changing times.

The 7th September marks the 70th Anniversary of the World Air Speed Record, and the Heritage Association is hosting a Celebratory Event in the

Village Memorial Hall at The Woodlands Centre on the day, which starts at 2.00 pm. Tickets are £3.00 and are on sale at the Museum, Village Information Centre and Council Offices.

That's all for now, but hopefully the news for the Village will continue to be positive, which can only improve its already enviable reputation amongst many!

**Councillor Mrs Alison Cooper  
Chairman**



### Rustington Street Fayre

On Saturday 18 June the Littlehampton District Lions Club and the Rustington Chamber of Trade and Commerce jointly organised the second Annual Street Fayre in the Village Centre. Churchill Parade was closed and around 25 local Charities had stalls to raise funds for their respective causes. There was also a stage set up in the Methodist Church Garden where local Musicians, Groups and a Magician performed and entertained the Public. Churchill Court also hosted a Choir and other Entertainers. In the Methodist Church Hall there was a free Arts and Crafts Event. Children's 'Dressing Up' was held

in the Community Garden at the rear of the Museum, and there was also a Children's Funfair.

The Lions Club would like to thank everyone that came along and supported this Event. This year's beneficiaries were "Cancer United", a local Group supporting cancer patients' aftercare and "Worthing First Responders" who cover the Village. Each of these very worthwhile causes will shortly be presented with a cheque for £650.00 from the proceeds raised on the day.

This Event would not have been possible without the support of its sponsors,



namely the Parish Council, Store Property Investments Limited and Holt Publishing, to whom the Lions Club and the Chamber of Trade and Commerce are very grateful.

If you have any ideas, suggestions or questions for next year's Event, or any other comments, please email [rustingtonstreetfayre@gmail.com](mailto:rustingtonstreetfayre@gmail.com)

# Rustington-In-Bloom

It seems incredible that another judging day for South & South East in Bloom has come and gone. Everyone involved was delighted that once again our Village looked beautiful with all the glorious floral displays. We always hope for a lovely Summer's day when the judges arrive, but this year it was not to be. However, the judges, Mick Gore, on his second visit, and Brian Jeffries a newcomer to the Village, both seemed duly impressed as they walked through the Village Centre. Of course, it will not be until mid-September, when we attend the Awards' Ceremony, that we shall know what they really felt.

In-Bloom gives the opportunity to both Celebrate and Commemorate Events. The theme this year was one of Celebration, with the floral displays reflecting the 90th Birthday of Her Majesty the Queen. The 'Flower Birthday Cake' creates a talking point, as does the Sculptured Wooden Soldier standing in a beautiful flower bed. The Soldier was sited in 2014 to commemorate the 100 Year Anniversary of the start of the First World War. Perhaps this year he is a more poignant reminder of the 'day Sussex died' as the Royal Sussex Regiment lost over 350 men at the Battle of Boar's Head, which was on the eve of the start of The Battle of the Somme.

The Village Contractors, Ferring Nurseries, used the theme 'Celebration' to influence their planting with soft pastel colours, reflecting the dignity and dedication of the Queen's life. Although at her Birthday Celebrations she did wear a rather bright neon green outfit!

Kathleen Tidbury and I went to Georgian Gardens School to present

prizes to the winners of the Committee's Art Competition titled 'The 150th Birthday of Beatrix Potter' and Beach Sculptures. The Committee was very impressed with the quality and creativity of the pupils' work. The work forms part of their Arts' Award organised by Trinity College London.

The Committee is also delighted that there are now five groups who enter the South & South East in Bloom 'It's Your Neighbourhood' Competition. In future years, it would be encouraging if other Neighbourhoods in the Village would decide to develop a small area to enhance that environment, not only for their pleasure but for others too. Those Neighbourhoods already involved find that there is a reduction in litter and graffiti, with respect for the area and for those who are involved in the work.



Our Village is looking beautiful with an amazing array of flowers giving pleasure to not only those of us who live here, but to visitors too. A radio commentator who lives in Worthing, I am told, frequently refers on his programme to the wonderful floral displays in Rustington. Yes, we are truly fortunate to live here.

**Valerie Narayanaswamy**  
Chairman - In-Bloom Committee



Romping through the second half of 2016, I am pleased to report that the Museum remains buoyant, with many new Exhibitions, and more proposed until the end of the year, and beyond.

There will be plenty to do in the coming Autumn. Once a month we will have a 'Mini Museum Explorers Club' for parents, carers and pre-school children. There will also be a drop-in 'Museum Explorers After-School Club' where school-children can come and take part in Museum activities, create their own mini-Museums and, if there's any homework we can help you with? Parents and carers will need to accompany their children to these sessions.

Coming soon are three more Exhibitions. Having had such a good response to our Land Army memorabilia request, we will be showcasing these very brave women who 'got stuck in' on the land, providing much needed fresh meat, fruit and vegetables. There will be a Southdown Bus Display in the Studies Room and a Celebratory Exhibition commemorating Three Anniversaries of the Air Speed Records set by Squadron Leader Neville Duke and Group Captain Edward Donaldson.

To find out more, drop into the Museum and pick up a Museum Events Leaflet, or leave us your email and you can join the Rustington Museum e-Newsletter to keep up to date with information.

I hope you continue to enjoy your local community Museum.

**Jessica Petit - Curator**



## The Garden Room



The Village's newest community facility, formerly The Garden Café, is now available to hire and will provide an excellent venue for Community Groups, Clubs, Associations, Businesses and Individuals for Seminars, Training Courses, Meetings, Celebratory Events and many other functions.

**For further information, please contact**

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# Gardens and Allotments Competitions

Following the judging of this year's Gardens Competition entries by the Chairman of Arun District Council, Councillor Stephen Haymes, Mr Roger Martin of the East Preston and Kingston Horticultural Society, Mr John Goulding of Angmering-In-Bloom and Mr Michael Harwood of Ferring Nurseries, the results are declared as follows:-

## Class 1 - Window Boxes, Balconies and Patio Tubs etc. (Residential)

Winner - 6 Tennyson Avenue  
 Runner-Up - 9 Goodwood Close

## Class 2 - Window Boxes, Balconies and Patio Tubs etc. (Commercial)

Winner - The Lamb Public House

## Class 3 - Front Gardens of Any Size (Residential)

Winner - 24 Evelyn Avenue  
 Runner-Up - 25 Dingley Road

## Class 4 - Front Gardens of Any Size (Commercial)

Winner - Rustington House (Hargreaves)  
 Runner-Up - Princess Marina House

## Class 5 - Schools' Competition

Winner - Georgian Gardens Community Primary School  
 Runner-Up - Summerlea Community Primary School

## Class 6 - Community Gardens

Winner - The Hidden Twitten (Herne Gdns/Orchard Gdns Garage Compound)  
 Runner-Up - Rustington Methodist Church Garden

The Judging of the Council's **Allotments Competition** took place in July and the following results were declared:-

**Overall Winner** (Una Maywood Cup) - Penfold Lane - Plot 21 - Mr M Kempson

**Site Winner** (Eddie Leonard Cup) - Penfold Lane - Plot 21 - Mr M Kempson

**Site Winner** (Fred Lee Cup) - Conbar Avenue - Plot 7A - Mr D Bellew

**Site Winners** (Eric Ilett Cup) - Worthing Road - Plot 14 - The Oak Community Project

The **Cliff Pryor Cup** was awarded to Mr & Mrs J Donovan, in recognition of their unceasing support for other plot holders, particularly during periods of indisposition.

The **Owen Electrical 'Best Newcomer' Trophy** was awarded to Mr P Milham for Plot 11 on the Penfold Lane Site.

Certificates of Commendation were also awarded to deserving plots on each Site.



Class 1 - Winner



Class 3 - Winner



Allotments Competition - Overall Winner

## Rustington Youth Club

We've had such a great time at the Club over the past six months! As well as our Weekly Activities (Consoles, Table Tennis, Pool, Air Hockey and Table Football), we've really made the most of the sunny weather, with other activities such as BBQs, Ice-Poles, Football, Ultimate Frisbee, Basketball and Rounders.

From September, we are going to be running some activities that we haven't done before... There's potential for Wrestling, Graffiti Workshops, Street-Dance Coaching, Water Games and even a Trip in the October half-term. We'll also have our Tuck Shop refilled and a range of food available each week.

The Club is open from 6.00 pm to 8.00 pm every Thursday evening for

anyone aged from 11 to 18 during term time, and we'd love to see you there. First time entry is FREE! Sessions then cost £1.00, unless you are an ACCELERATE Member, membership costs just £1.00, and includes a wristband, with Members paying 50p per session. If you bring someone new along, you both get free admission that week.

**Ben Young - Youth Worker**



## New Bus Shelter

A new Bus Shelter has recently been installed in front of the Westcourt Medical Centre in The Street. The cost of the Shelter and its installation was funded on a 50/50 basis by the Parish Council and the West Sussex County Council. This was achieved with the kind agreement of the Medical Centre to site the Shelter on its land, with the Parish Council, as the owner, responsible for its ongoing maintenance and well-being.

It is hoped that the Shelter will be used and appreciated by the many patients of the Centre, together with members of the local community and visitors alike.



## Meetings

Meetings are held monthly on the fourth Monday (apart from August and December) commencing at 7.15 pm in the Roger Montgomery Room, The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue. Members of the public are welcome to attend these Meetings and time is set aside before each Council and Committee Meeting commences at 7.00 pm for members of the public to pose questions.

## Councillors' Surgeries

The Council holds its Quarterly Surgeries to give members of the local community the opportunity to meet with a Councillor to air their views in respect of the way in which the Parish is managed, maintained and enhanced, and to raise any other issues of interest or concern.

The next Surgery is being held in Rustington Library (Claigmar Road) from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm on **Saturday 22 October**.

## Council and Committee Meeting Dates September - December 2016

Mon 5 Sep	Planning
Mon 26 Sep	Finance & General Purposes
Mon 26 Sep	COUNCIL
Mon 26 Sep	Planning
Mon 10 Oct	Allotments
Mon 10 Oct	Planning
Mon 24 Oct	Finance & General Purposes
Mon 24 Oct	COUNCIL
Mon 24 Oct	Planning
Mon 7 Nov	Planning
Thur 17 Nov	Leisure & Amenities
Mon 28 Nov	Finance & General Purposes
Mon 28 Nov	COUNCIL
Mon 28 Nov	Planning
Mon 5 Dec	Planning
Mon 19 Dec	Finance & General Purposes
Mon 19 Dec	Planning



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