

Pagham & District Residents' Association
Supporting Our Community

Spring 2022

SPECIAL PLATINUM JUBILEE EDITION



CHAIRMAN'S REPORT SPRING 2022

A warm welcome to your spring edition, especially those new members who are receiving their first newsletter.

A personal apology to those who were unable to book a place on the Isle of Wight trip, the volume of interest really took us by surprise and by the time the newsletter reached you, we were sold out. We managed to book a larger coach but this was still not large enough to accommodate all those who wanted to book. We will be making changes for the next trip.

In September we are planning to travel to Basingstoke to enjoy the unique experience of the Milestone Museum. The museum houses all the artefacts that have been collected by Hampshire County Council for over 100 years and have now been brought together for a unique experience of life in the past. On the way home we will plan to stop at the Whiteley Shopping village.

We will be announcing a launch date in the next edition ensuring that all members have an equal chance of securing a place on the coach. We will also be launching a new phone line. This way we can offer a better opportunity to book and we will not be advertising elsewhere until the newsletter has been distributed to the Road Stewards.

Regular visitors to our coffee mornings are now enjoying some new features. We now have a free library and have introduced the ever-popular game of Hoy, Bingo and a quiz. We will also be inviting local craft stalls to attend, who will be displaying and selling their wares.

Please enjoy the read.

John Horn

Chairman

COFFEE MORNINGS

Come and meet the team at one of our regular Coffee Mornings

The coffee mornings are held on the 2nd & 4th Thursdays of each month between 10.00 - 11.30am at the Village Hall in Paghham Road.

Come along and meet friends old and new. Your minibus is available if required (in the designated area).

Fancy a game of Hoy or maybe Bingo? Enjoy a game of cards with friends, plus a regular quiz just for fun. Regular craft stalls by invitation. Free Library - large choice of books!

MEMBERSHIP 2022-23

Due to the increase in our general costs which are outside of our control, it is with much regret we have had to make the difficult decision to increase the membership charge to £5.00. The last increase of the membership fee was in 2015. We hope you understand our reason for the increase.

John Horn, Chairman

WEBSITE

Please visit our website for all the up-to-date information.

All our activities are located on the site.

www.paghamresidents.org

OUR MINIBUS

Our Minibus is a regular sight on the streets of Pagham and Nyetimber, have you ever wondered where it is going? The table below shows are activities;

Day	Destination
Monday	Swimming at Felpham Leisure Centre
Tuesday	Bognor shops, eg; Morrisons, Weekly Market, Banks, Coffee shops and much more
Wednesday - Once a month	Marks & Spencer, Havant
Thursday - 1st & 3rd of the month	Aldi, Lidl, Matalan and The Food Warehouse (Iceland)
Thursday - 2nd & 4th of the month	Coffee morning
Friday	Tesco, Shripney Road

Please join us, see the full list of dates on the next page

MINIBUS DATES MAY - AUGUST 2022

The Minibus can be booked from 9.00 - 17.00

Contact John on 268768

Bognor Shops

May 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
 June 7, 14, 21, 28
 July 5, 12, 19, 26
 Aug 2, 9, 16, 23, 30



	Lidl/ Matalan	Marks & Spencer	Tesco
May	5, 19	25	6, 13, 20, 27
June	2*, 16	22	3*, 10, 17, 24
July	7, 21	27	1, 8, 15, 22, 29
Aug	4, 18	24	5, 12, 19, 26

*Jubilee Bank holidays June 2nd / 3rd

Coffee

Mornings

May 12, 26
 June 9, 23
 July 14, 28
 Aug 11, 25

Swimming

9, 16, 23
 6, 13, 20, 27
 4, 11, 18



HM the Queen's PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATION PARTY

You will be entertained with songs of the 50's and 60's by

DEBBIE COBBETT



Saturday, 4 June, 3pm - 5pm
Pagham Village Hall

Join us for a celebratory tea to mark HM the Queen's Platinum Jubilee and enjoy the wonderful voice of Debbie Cobbett as she takes us back to the day of the Queen's Coronation

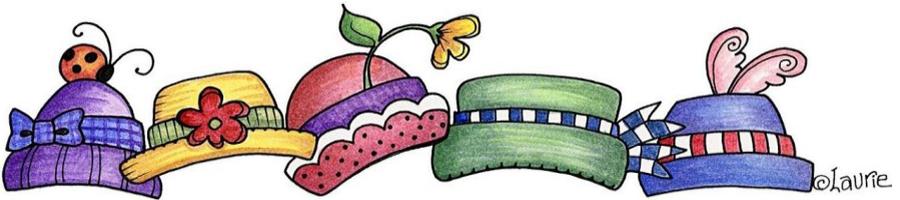
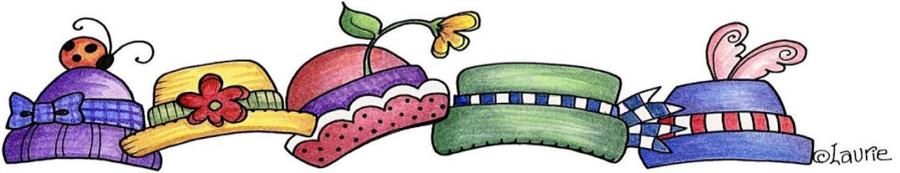
Residents Association Members	£5
Non-Members	£7

Tickets available at our Coffee Mornings held on the second and fourth Thursdays of the month or telephone Rita on 262814

When you join us for the Queen's Jubilee celebrations, why not have your photograph taken with our 'Special Guest' as a lasting memento of the occasion.

Admission by ticket only - in advance
Minibus transport available at time of booking

Unearth those hidden talents and make a hat fit for a Queen



Have some creative fun and enter the Competition

at our Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

in the Village Hall

on Saturday 4 June 2022

**NEWS FROM PAGHAM PARISH COUNCIL
SPRING 2022
PETER ATKINS,
CHAIRMAN PAGHAM PARISH COUNCIL**

I am pleased to see the daffodils look fantastic all along the Pagham Road again this Spring. As I mentioned in our previous newsletter, the Council has spent additional amounts sensitively mowing the verges to ensure we can benefit from this beautiful display again this year. Our work also helps keep the ditches clear along Pagham Road, reducing the risk of flooding. Our grass cutting programme to complement WSCC's rota is about to start in earnest. We also have a small amount of money to spend on overgrown brambles and other vegetation where problems are serious and aren't being addressed by WSCC. Contact the office with details.

The Parish Council decided to remove the Leylandii trees at the front of the Village Hall to improve the appearance of the boundary and allow more people to be aware of the Hall. As new residents move into the village it is important that they are aware of this valuable community resource. Removing the Leylandii will allow the other native trees to flourish. We also plan to plant more trees in celebration of the Platinum Jubilee. Councillors are keen to increase the number of trees in Pagham generally and are looking at ways we might provide free trees to residents if there is interest. If you would like to plant one in your garden please let us know. We are lucky to have two very knowledgeable Councillors who are happy to give advice and guidance on suitability and maintenance.

We receive lots of comments about speeding in and around Pagham. The best way for us to tackle this problem is through the Community Speedwatch programme. Full training and equipment is provided to local volunteers. Registered keepers of vehicles exceeding the speed limit are contacted - initially with a letter explaining

the potential risks and consequences of their dangerous behaviour. Repeat offenders will receive a visit from the local police. Beyond these friendly gestures, focused enforcement and criminal prosecution follow based on the collated evidence. The evidence is also helpful for any Community Traffic Regulation Order applications, where the Parish Council or individuals in the community can request a change to the speed limit. If you are interested in joining a Community Speedwatch team, please let us know.

The Parish Council members are all volunteers, coming together to improve the amenities and appearance of Pagham. We currently have a vacancy for a Councillor, and the prospect of elections for all seats next year. If you'd like to hear more about what we do, why not come to a meeting? You don't need to participate, you are welcome to just observe. Details are on the website and in the noticeboards around the village.

We also have our Annual Parish Meeting coming up (24th May 2022), where we review progress in the year and speak about our plans for the future. We would love to see you there!

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01243 266424



PAGHAM PHOTOGRAPHERS

Are you interested in taking better pictures? Would you like to meet similarly minded people? Would you like to enjoy improving your photography in a friendly light-hearted environment?

If so, Pagham Photographers is for you! We meet every first and third Tuesday of the month between March and July at 7.45 pm in the Small Village Hall and then start again in September 2022 through to June 2023. We are looking for new members who have limited skills but would like to improve.

Our evenings are split into talks and practicals with visiting guest speakers and when the weather gets warmer, we will be going on outings to have practical sessions in the countryside.

We hope that we have interested you. If you would like to know more please phone **Barry** on **263267** or contact our Secretary, Bev Page pagegirl10@gmail.com.

PAGHAM GARDENING FRIENDS

Pagham Gardening Friends meet on the third Monday afternoon of most months between 2.15pm and 3.00pm, usually in the Small Village Hall. We hold interesting talks and enjoy outings. We are a friendly group and will make you most welcome.

Future Meetings

16 May	Plant sale & quiz
20 June	Visit to Apuldram Roses
18 July	Member's Garden
15 Aug	City Animal Safari
19 Sept	Opening for the NGS
17 Oct	Autumn Colour at Harbourside
21 Nov	Christmas Party
16 Jan	Garden & Greenhouse Pests & how to deal with them
20 Feb	Growing Vegetables in Containers
20 Mar	AGM

Enthusiasm is more important than experience, so call Gill on 262687 to find out more.

LADIES SUPPER EVENINGS

The first Supper Evening of 2022 began at The Walnut Tree, Runcton on 17th February, where 31 ladies enjoyed a delicious meal amid lots of chatter and much laughter. In March, our 9th Birthday, 32 ladies enjoyed a most convivial evening with a superb meal and excellent service at 47 Mussel Row in Littlehampton. In April, we could be found at The Spotted Cow in Hunston

We have also welcomed 5 new ladies to our happy group this year, together with previous members re-joining us after a break.

Our next Supper Evenings will be as follows:

Thursday 16 June - The Fox, Felpham

Thursday 21 July - The Nag's Head, Chichester

Currently the cost of a two-course meal with tea or coffee is £22 per head but this may have to go up as food prices increase. An optional minibus fare is £3 per person (14 seats only).

If you would like to book or require further details, please telephone Janet on 697593.



PAGHAM PLAYERS



Present Three One Act Plays

*The Iceberg (comedy)
by Dawn Cairns*



*Blood on Canvas (thriller)
by Richard James*



*Fidelity Farce (cheeky)
by Gary Diamond*

7.30pm, Fri, June 17th and Sat, June 18th

Pagham Village Hall

Tickets £10.00

Ring Judy 264622

Not suitable for children

BRIGHTON COACH TRIP - DECEMBER 2021 UPDATE FOR PASSENGERS

As you know, I (and probably most of you) was extremely disappointed with the Brighton Christmas Market last year and wrote, on your behalf, a strong letter of complaint to Brighton & Hove City Council.

The reply I received advised that the Christmas Market was licensed to an events company to run. Eventually I received a personal response from the CEO of the events company who fully explained the many difficulties his company faced in staging the Christmas Market, which I fully understood and accepted.

He agreed that the event fell short of expectations, particularly the market stall section, and offered his sincere apologies to you all, with an assurance that more emphasis would be put the Christmas Market this year instead of the entertainment.

Janet

THE MULBERRIES

17 September Smileys Road Show - local Top of the Pops 60's, 70's
and 80's Band

19 November The Minkees - 60's Tribute Band

That's it for this year.

Tickets still £8 with bring your own food and drink

TIM'S GARDENING NOTES

My garden has been playing the same old spring trick on me. It does it every year. It makes me doubt myself, doubt the gardener within. But the winter beds and borders that had been looking so lifeless and barren can maintain the charade for only so long. Because suddenly there it is. The first sign of greenery poking through the soil and ... hallelujah! It's spring. The garden is awake once more. Hello old friend. Glad you could make it. I particularly love the re-emergence of the perennials, or the seedlings from seeds sown by my own fair hand. But ones so young and tasty are music to the rasping mouths of my nemesis.

We've done battle over the years and although I am hugely outnumbered, my many tactics are winning not only the daily war but the annual battle. I am, of course, talking about the slimy, slow-moving but sinister, slug. First of all, ditch the chemical pellets - not only do they leave a chemical residue in the ground but those nice predators that eat slugs will be sick or worse if their dinner is riddled with Metaldehyde. No wonder they're being banned.

Instead, try these tactics.

1. *Phasmarhabditis hermaphrodita* - otherwise known as the slug-killing organic nematode. Readily available, these microscopic worms are watered into the ground and will hunt down and eliminate slugs in the ground.
2. Beer traps - like many of us, a slug loves a beer at night - but if you lace said beer with salt, it'll be their last tippie. Traps can be bought from any nursery but you can also make them yourself.
3. Copper barriers - an intrepid slug will get a nasty shock from a copper barrier and turn back. Be it a stick-on tape around a pot, or the more sustainable copper ring around a seedling.

TIM'S GARDENING NOTES contd....

4. Nighttime rounds - venture out after dark with a torch and jar of salt water, plucking the little blighters off the most vulnerable of plants. In particular, my lupins and dahlias are party-central.
5. Friends with benefits - there are natural predators who like a slug or two, namely the hedgehog. Leaving areas of your garden to go wild, or building a sheltered area, can encourage the prickly pears into the garden.
6. Help from within - if you come across a leopard slug, leave it be! They will not eat your new plants, rather other slugs. It's like having a spy within the slug community!

This is not an exhaustive list, there are many old wives tales that have been passed down the line, some may work, some may not.

My old mentor swore by laying tuppence pieces around seedlings - I tried it with 1p and 2p pieces, only to find slugs partying on them the next night!

But whatever method I use, I always leave one slug to slither off and give a message to his friends - "Enter Tim's garden at your own risk."

