

AUTUMN 2025



Beautiful RHS Wisley

website: paghamresidents.org

CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

A warm welcome to the new members who have joined since the summer edition of the Newsletter.

Day trips are now happening at regular intervals, the minibus has recently been to two new summer venues, Stansted Garden Centre near Rowlands Castle, and then along the coast to Southsea and Old Portsmouth. Did you know Portsmouth is the only Island City in the UK?

The Coach trip to the Isle of Wight was once again baked in sunshine as we paid a visit to Alum Bay with its great views of The Needles. On the way back to the ferry we were able to spend a leisurely 90 minutes in Yarmouth enjoying the local cafes and pubs. Our second coach trip of 2025 was spent at the wonderful RHS Wisley Gardens. The day got off to a very damp start, but by the time we arrived in Surrey the sun was out and apart from a couple of small showers the day stayed fine.

The Theatre Bus service to The Chichester Festival & Minerva Theatres is growing all the time, 79 members took advantage of the summer season shows. The uptake has exceeded all expectations, the most popular show being Top Hat. We have now agreed the dates for the winter programme, there will be a further 14 shows to choose from and you will find these shows and their dates in this edition.

I keep being told by those who have used the service that this must be the ultimate door to door minibus service and it is free to members.

Please look at the back page where you will see what we are planning for the rest of 2025 and some dates for 2026. Please remember, these locations are still to be confirmed and you will be able to book them when advertised in the relevant Newsletter.

On behalf of the team at PDRA, may I take this opportunity to wish you and your families a very merry Christmas.

Thank you for your continued support.

John, Chairman.

PAYMENT OPTIONS

We are now able to offer the following methods of payment:

Bank Transfer

Pay to Pagham and District Residents' Association

Account No. 80816280 Sort Code: 20-20-62.

Don't forget to include your name in the reference

Debit or Credit Card

Cheque pay to Pagham and District Residents' Association

Cash in person at a coffee morning

THEATRE BUS

All aboard!



Chichester Festival Theatre have released their Winter Programme, your Residents' Association will take you DOOR to DOOR for FREE.

Currently shows we will be offering free travel to and from are:

November

Emma	Tuesday 4 th	7.30pm
	Saturday 8 th	2.30pm
The Seagull	Friday 14 th	7.30pm
Dear England	Tuesday 25 th	7.30pm

December

Christmas Concert	Wednesday 3 rd	7.30pm
	Saturday 6 th	7.30pm
A Boy Called Christmas	Saturday 20 th	2.00pm

January 2026

Inspector Morse	Thursday 8 th	7.30pm
	Saturday 10 th	2.30pm
The Constant Wife	Tuesday 20 th	7.30pm
Being Mr Wickham	Saturday 24 th	2.15pm
Death on The Nile	Thursday 29 th	7.30pm

March

BFG	Tuesday 17 th	7.00pm
	Friday 27 th	6.00pm

To book contact CFT at box.office@cft.org.uk or

Phone 01243 781312

CHRISTMAS COFFEE MORNINGS



CHRISTMAS CARDS

Thursday 23th October

Help the Aged will be selling Christmas Cards

CHRISTMAS-THEMED TABLE

Thursday 27th November

In aid of St Wilfrid's Hospice, PDRA's 2025 Annual Charity

We would very much appreciate donations of any new items you may have, bearing in mind the Christmas theme, in order to raise funds for our local charity.

Please bring your donated items to our Coffee Morning on 13th November or on the day (27th), whichever is the easiest.

Thanking you in anticipation.

CHRISTMAS BELLS

Thursday 11th December

Not to be missed! Come and enjoy our final PDRA Coffee Morning of 2025 whilst listening to the festive bells provided by **Bognor Regis Handbell Ringers**

CHRISTMAS TEA PARTY



Join us for our annual Christmas Party on

SUNDAY 14TH DECEMBER

3pm to 5pm

in the Village Hall

Food is being supplied by The Little London Tearooms and we are delighted that Dave Harris will be back by popular demand to entertain you during the afternoon.

**Tickets cost just £10 each for members,
£12 for non members**

and can be purchased at our coffee mornings or by phoning

Rita on 262814 (9.00am to 5.00pm please)

Our minibus will be available if required, please remember to book when buying your ticket.

COACH OUTING

BATH CHRISTMAS MARKETS

THURSDAY 4th DECEMBER



A coach outing to the beautiful city of Bath where you can shop at the Christmas Markets which take place in many of the city centre streets.

You could also visit the famous Roman Baths, Bath Abbey, Holburne Museum (Art), Royal Crescent, main shopping area or whatever takes your fancy! Coach drop-off and pick-up will be in the same location.

The cost of this trip will be £35 per person (members only).

**The coach will leave Pagham at 8.30am and
return around 6.30pm**

Booking arrangements: to ensure everyone has received their newsletter and has the opportunity to enjoy this outing, tickets WILL NOT BE ON SALE until

MONDAY 20TH OCTOBER.

Tickets can be booked at our coffee mornings or 'phone LYNNE on 078 5546 4970 (9.00am to 5.00pm only).



PLEASE NOTE CHANGE OF CONTACT DETAILS

MINIBUS OUTINGS

GUNWHARF QUAYS PORTSMOUTH

THURSDAY 30th OCTOBER



Join us for a leisurely day out using our Minibus to take you to Portsmouth's premier shopping centre, enjoy lunch while looking over the busy port of Portsmouth or just browse the numerous shops available.

Pick-ups from 10.00am, Leaving Gunwharf at 2.30pm

HASKINS GARDEN CENTRE and HOBBYCRAFT

SUNDAY 23RD NOVEMBER

Always a Residents' Association's favourite, enjoy the extensive Christmas display and then treat yourself to the carvery.



Pick-ups from 10.00am, Leaving Haskins at 2.00pm

£6 per person for each trip

Residents' Association Members only

To book, phone LYNNE on 078 5546 4970 9.00am to 5.00pm or see her at a coffee morning.



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MINIBUS OUTINGS

STANSTED PARK GARDEN CENTRE

SUNDAY 7th DECEMBER

Always popular with extensive Christmas display, Pavers Shoes and Klass Ladies Fashion Stores, a Large Gift Centre and two Cafés.



Pick-ups from 10.00am, Leaving Stansted at 2.00pm

£6 per person

Residents' Association Members only

To book, phone LYNNE on 078 5546 4970 9.00am to 5.00pm or see her at a coffee morning.



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2026 PAGHAM CALENDAR

Our 2026 fundraising calendar is now available.

Purchase yours from our Coffee Mornings or by phoning Mary on 01243 278359

£5 each
(plus 30p for an envelope)



LADIES' SUPPER EVENINGS



On 17th July, 24 ladies enjoyed delicious food and great service at the local Walnut Tree, Runcton.

After a short break, we resumed our Supper Evenings at the ever-popular Arun View Inn in Littlehampton on 18th September. 24 ladies enjoyed excellent food and service with the added surprise of musical entertainment. Well known guitarist and singer Willie Austen and his band had the ladies singing and dancing with several reluctant to leave the dance floor at the end of such a lively and fun packed evening.

Future Supper Evenings in the coming months will be as follows:

Thursday 16th October - The Anchor, Sidlesham (Carvery)

Thursday 20th November - Bognor Regis Golf Club, Felpham

Thursday 11th December - Restaurant 64, Chichester (3 course Christmas menu with welcome drink and token gift)

The cost of a two-course meal with tea or coffee varies from month to month but is kept as low as is reasonably possible in times of rising prices. The minibus return fare costs £3.50 for door-to-door service, but seats are limited and priority will be given to those who are unable to drive. Car sharing is encouraged.

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

MINIBUS DATES

October 2025 to February 2026

Bookings taken from 9.00am to 5.00pm
Monday to Friday (John 268768)

Bognor Shops (Tuesday)

Oct	7, 14, 21, 28
Nov	4, 11, 18, 25
Dec	2, 9, 16, 23
Jan	6, 13, 20, 27
Feb	3, 10, 17, 24



Lidl/Matalan/

Sainsbury (Thursday)

Oct	2, 16
Nov	6, 20
Dec	4, 18
Jan	15
Feb	5, 19

Marks & Spencer (Wednesday)

Oct	22
Nov	26
Dec	17
Jan	28
Feb	25

Tesco (Friday)

Oct	3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Nov	7, 14, 21, 28
Dec	5, 12, 19,
Jan	2, 9, 16, 23, 30
Feb	6. 13, 20, 27

Coffee Mornings (Thursday)

Oct	9, 23
Nov	13, 27
Dec	11
Jan	8, 22
Feb	12, 26



Swimming (Monday)

Oct	6, 13, 20, 27
Nov	3, 10, 17, 24
Dec	1, 8, 15
Jan	5, 12, 19, 26
Feb	2, 9, 16, 23



COFFEE MORNINGS

Come and meet the team at one of our regular

Coffee Mornings



Coffee Mornings are held on the 2nd and 4th Thursday of each month from 10.00am - 11.30am at the Village Hall in Pagham Road.

Come along and meet friends old and new. Our minibus is available if required (in the designated area). Call John on 268768 to book your place.

Fancy a game of Hoy or maybe Bingo

Regular Craft stalls by invitation.

Raffle

'Free Book and Jigsaw Library'

Large choice of books & puzzles (donations welcome for our 2025 Nominated Charity, St Wilfrid's Hospice)

£1 entry includes tea/coffee and a biscuit

Pagham Parish Council October 2025

Earlier this month Jess Brown-Fuller, our elected MP, held her first surgery in the village hall. For 2 hours on Saturday 6th September she was kept fully occupied listening to residents' comments and questions. Hopefully this will be a regular consultation opportunity.

Last quarter I wrote of the forthcoming reorganisation of local councils and the creation of Unitary authorities across the whole of East and West Sussex. The consultations and implications of the loss of the district level of councils as they are merged with county councils are much debated and the financial and governmental implications calculated.

PPC has had its debates and forwarded the conclusions that councillors came to as they looked at possibilities. The choices of 1 or 2 unitary divisions are the possibilities.

PPC advised that they believed 2 councils of under 500k constituents would serve Sussex best. A single council for almost 1M people would dilute the ability of people to influence decisions too much. There being too few councillors in the single unitary body to service properly the large number of parish councillors and efficiently reflect their views. The intention being for Parishes to have more input in order to genuinely influence decisions with their local knowledge. Merging into a single council would lead to

services being streamlined in order to reduce budgets. The loss of services would be the most likely outcome in a large overburdening single council. It was also felt that splitting county council work loads in two would ensure a more efficient transition.

The local consultations are now closed and the opening of consultation with central government will begin in November.

In the mean time a financial budget has been prepared to identify the likely costs and savings that the potential changes might accrue.

The pond in Pagham is an emotive subject, but despite continued work being ongoing the developer who owns the land has still not come forward with funds to restore it to a proper state. Councillor Jan Behr is hoping to resolve this situation in the future. We all wish her more power to her endeavours.

Cllr Peter Atkins,

Chairman

Pagham Parish Council

Contact details for the Parish Council:

The Clerk at Pagham Village Hall, Pagham Road, PO21 4NJ

Email: clerk@paghamparishcouncil.gov.uk

Tel: 01243 266424

LOVELY LEMON CHEESECAKE

Base

4oz/125g crushed digestive biscuits

1 level dessertspoon sugar

2oz/50g margarine, melted

Grated rind of 1 lemon.

Mix together and press into 8" loose bottom tin. Chill for 30 mins



Filling

1 small tin evaporated milk

½ lemon jelly dissolved in ¼ pint boiling water

Juice of 1 lemon

165gm tub Philadelphia cheese

Whip evaporated milk in bowl and beat in cheese. Whisk in lemon juice then stir in cooled jelly. Pour into base and leave to set.

Other Village Groups.....

ENJOY THE BEAUTIFUL GAME!



Arun Amblers, a friendly walking football group, are looking for some over-60s to join us on Sunday mornings at Arun Sports Arena in Ford.

The games are usually five-a-side and the emphasis is on fun, the benefit of some exercise and the game is not taken too seriously.

We play between 10-11am and the current charge is £5 for the game.

If you are interested in joining us, please contact David Collins on 07552 524920

NYETIMBER SHORT MAT BOWLS

Come along and give it a go!

Bowling is gentle exercise and fun with a great crowd of people. Come along and give it a try, no experience necessary, first 3 sessions are free and we have bowls you can borrow.

Tuesday 2.00pm – 4.00pm, 4.00pm – 6.00pm

Friday 2.00pm – 4.00pm, 4.00pm – 6.00pm



Pagham Village Hall

Phone Linda 07765 300406 for more details

MULBERRIES

2025 Saturday 29 November

2026 Saturday 14 February

Saturday 16 May

Saturday 5 September

Saturday 28 November

Destination Anywhere

Louise and The Street Party Band

The Parlophones

The Minkees

tba

All events are held at The Pagham Village Hall from 7.30pm and finishing around 11.00pm.

Tickets are £9.00 each

**Contact Lesley 07833 971620 or Maria
01243 262833**

Please bring your own food and drink



PAGHAM GARDENING FRIENDS



We meet on the third Monday of most months between 2.15pm and 3.45pm, usually in the Small Village Hall. We hold interesting talks and enjoy outings.

We are a friendly group and will make you most welcome.

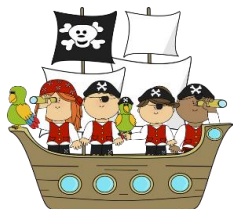
Enthusiasm is more important than experience, so call Jean on 07554 731956 for more information.

PAGHAM PLAYERS

Present

A Swashbuckling Panto ROBINSON CRUSOE

By Kai Bailey



Yo Ho me Hearties!

Pagham Village Hall

**Friday 5th and Saturday 6th
December 7.00pm Doors open
6.15pm**

Adults £12

Kiddywinks £6

Phone for tickets 263622

Ahha Jim Lad! Bring your own drink and nibbles

PAGHAM LUNCHEON CLUB



The Luncheon Club can now announce that from January 2026 our new venue will be ***Pagham Football Club.***

Our many happy years at St Ninians (United Reformed Church) are coming to an end with our last lunch there taking place in November this year. Many, many thanks to the church and to Mandy and Bernie in particular, for their support during our use of the premises. We say farewell to those happy times and look forward to making more special memories going forward.

We number around 36 members now. Occasionally we also have live music or a quiz and we have a raffle each time to help a little with funds. And remember the minibus is provided at no extra cost to the members for those who need the door to door service it offers.

Mick, the driver, joins us for lunch and he could tell you first-hand all about it!

Our lunch dates will continue on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of each month.

We look forward to the future.

For membership enquiries contact Jean Hunt (Secretary) 01243 268818

Sue Miller (Treasurer) 07845 926766 email:

sue.armex@btinternet.com



PAGHAM PHOTOGRAPHERS NEW MEMBERS WELCOME



Come and join us and have a very enjoyable evening. Here's a recent comment from a member:

***"Thanks I really enjoyed the evening,
almost like a therapy session!"***

Pagham Photographers are here to help you achieve your ideal photos, whether on a smartphone or a dedicated camera.

We meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday at 7.15pm for 2 hours in the Pagham Small Village Hall. Your first visit is free. Hopefully see you on the next evening... just turn up.

Contact: info.paghamphotographers@gmail.com

Web: www.paghamphotographers.club

Facebook: [Pagham Photographers](https://www.facebook.com/PaghamPhotographers)

DAY TRIPS 2025/6

This Newsletter

BOOKABLE NOW!

Thursday 30 th October	Gunwharf Quays	<i>Minibus</i>
Sunday 23 rd November	Haskins for Christmas	<i>Minibus</i>
Thursday 4 th December	Bath Xmas Market	Coach
Sunday 7 th December	Stansted Garden Centre	<i>Minibus</i>

Winter Newsletter (February 2026) **NOT YET BOOKABLE**

Saturday 11 th April	Rustington	<i>Minibus</i>
Sunday 10 th May	Canterbury	Coach
Saturday 16 th May	Arundel	<i>Minibus</i>

Spring Newsletter (April 2026) **NOT YET BOOKABLE**

Saturday 13 th June	Stansted Garden Centre	<i>Minibus</i>
Thursday 2 nd July	Salisbury	Coach
Thursday 30 th July	Whiteley Shopping Village	<i>Minibus</i>
Saturday 15 th August	Lee on the Solent	<i>Minibus</i>

Summer Newsletter (July 2026) **NOT YET BOOKABLE**

Wednesday 9 th September	Poole and Harbour Cruise	Coach
Saturday 19 th September	Southsea and Old Portsmouth	<i>Minibus</i>
Thursday 29 th October	Gunwharf Quays	<i>Minibus</i>

Bookings not accepted until the relevant Newsletter is published.

NB. All details subject to change.