

## Stonepillow News and Events

Our Restore Project are moving to a new warehouse in Chichester, to celebrate this we are holding a Launch Party on Saturday 11 June. We are looking for volunteers that can help with setting up before hand, assist the caterers with the food, beverages and clearing away afterwards. This will be a very important day for Stonepillow as it will be showcasing what we are about as a charity and how we help our clients move on.

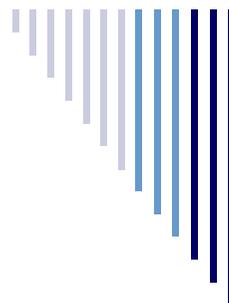
Our Restore Project are also opening a temporary shop/information centre in Rustington between 17 April – 14 May, we are looking for shop volunteers to help out with sorting through clothes/bric a brac, selling items and talking to customers about what the charity does.

Please see below for upcoming events:

- Authors Night on 5 May at Woodies Wine Bar, Chichester,
- Fish 'n' Quiz Night on 18 May at LA Fish, Chichester
- Street Collection on 28 May at The Cross, Chichester
- Chichester Challenge, sponsored walk, run, bike ride, 10 July
- Big Sleep Out at Chichester Cathedral on 29 October

Ongoing monthly Celebrating Local event at Woodies Wine Bar.

Many thanks for supporting Stonepillow, we are pleased to say that our Newsletter is now ready, please contact us on 01243 537934 or [admin@stonepillow.org.uk](mailto:admin@stonepillow.org.uk) if you would like to receive a copy.



**BMW Group**

# Views from Three Villages

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**The biggest physical mark the Romans left on Sussex is Stane Street – the great, straight road from Chichester to London, passing through Westhampnett.**



Have you any old photographs or negatives of the area that we could include in future?



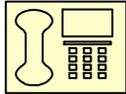
**If you wish to include anything in the next edition, at [claire.mcleish@fiscali.co.uk](mailto:claire.mcleish@fiscali.co.uk).**

**Thanks to Rolls Royce for printing this issue.**

**For up-to-date news on all information in the area, visit our new website:-**

<http://westhampnettpc.co.uk>

## Useful contacts



Please remember that members of the Parish Council can always be contacted on the telephone if there is anything going on in the Parish that gives you concern:

Henry Adams	01243 773513
Guy Knight	01243 773897
Ken Franklin	01243 786109
Peggy Wood	01243 782596
Mark Porter	01243 789773
Bob Holman	01243 774381
Claire McLeish	01243 779553

Clerk

Erika Adams 01243 823520



The Revd. Ann Waizeneker 01243 536280

**Neighbourhood Watch** 0116 2710052 [www.neighbourhoodwatch.net](http://www.neighbourhoodwatch.net)

**Chichester District Council** 01243 785166/[www.chichester.gov.uk](http://www.chichester.gov.uk)

**West Sussex County Council** 01243 777100/[www.westsussex.gov.uk](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk)

**PCSO Carly Churchill-Wright** 0845 6070999 ext: 27942

email: [carly.churchillwright@sussex.pnn.police.uk](mailto:carly.churchillwright@sussex.pnn.police.uk)

[www.cdnwa.org.uk](http://www.cdnwa.org.uk) - Chichester & District Neighbourhood Watch Association

[www.chichester.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=5282](http://www.chichester.gov.uk/index.cfm?articleid=5282) - Chichester

Careline & Keepsafe 01243 778688

[www.crimestoppers-uk.org/](http://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/) - Crimestoppers 0800 555 111

[www.westsussex.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/trading-standards/](http://www.westsussex.gov.uk/ccm/navigation/trading-standards/) Trading Standards 01243 777100

## Zero tolerance on dog mess

Dog owners are and bin their £75 on the spot “We know that owners are re-up after their who don’t, need will not tolerate Heather Caird,



being warned to bag dog’s mess or face a fine. the majority of dog sponisible and clear pets. However, those to be warned that we dog mess,” said Cllr Deputy Leader and Portfolio Holder for Health at Chichester District Council.

“I am a dog owner myself, and part of that responsibility is to make sure I clean up after my dogs. Leaving dog mess around is a risk to the health of both children and adults besides being very unpleasant - and that is just not acceptable.”

Dog fouling is a major concern to the public and generates many complaints. It can also be linked to health risks including 'toxocara canis'.

Roundworm eggs are found in dog mess, which can easily be picked up by young children. This causes stomach upsets, sore throats, asthma and in rare cases blindness. The eggs can remain active in the soil for many years, long after the dog mess has weathered away.

The council is encouraging residents to inform it if: they have witnessed people leaving dog mess and they know who they are. Any information is protected under the Data Protection Act.

they are aware of a hotspot where people consistently offend. We need information we can act on, such as times offenders walk, a description of them, their dog or a vehicle. Our dog wardens will then target this area.

Residents should call 01243 534604 to report problems with dog mess. The council’s Customer Care Centre also sells biodegradable dog bags. These can be purchased for £1.70 for 30 bags.

Amazing how far this newsletter travels! After reading an article on British Scouting last issue, we have been sent an alternative from the USA!



### Letter from America

Hello my name is Christopher Gamble, I am Bob and Josie Holman's grandson and I am a member of Boy Scout Troop 505 in Naperville, Illinois, USA. There are different levels of scouting in the Boy Scouts of America (BSA). These are; Scout, Tender Foot, Second Class, First Class, Star, Life and finally Eagle. By the time you read this, I will be Life. Only 1 in 5 scouts make it to Eagle.

There are roughly 100 active members in my troop. We are divided up into patrols of about 9 scouts each. Each patrol is lead by a Patrol Leader. We are a "scout lead troop" meaning the troop elects 4 experienced scouts who plan just about every thing through the Patrol Leaders Council (PLC).

We go on camp-outs to local state parks or scout reserves once a month. Normally we sleep in tents but every December we have a "survival camp-out" where we have to build our own shelter. If it is below freezing (as it has been the last 3 years), we receive the "Polar Bear Award". Once a year we have a "big deal" camp-out where we travel further afield by coach and sleep in cabins. This year we visited the Lincoln Museum in Springfield, the Gateway Arch in St Louis and the Cahokia Mounds Historic Site (a native American city over 2,000 years old).

The picture was taken at Camp Ransburg scout reservation last summer. I am in the front row, second from the left.



The last Parish Council meeting was held in January. We were told of Government cut backs and we discussed play areas. Currently, the only area where children can kick a football about in the Parish is at Westerton. Now with the Bellway development, the centre of the population of the parish will undoubtedly become Westhampnett. So because of this, I was commissioned to approach Goodwood to see if the Estate could make land available at Westhampnett for a playing field in conjunction with the proposed community hall.



Mark and Gary will be dealing with the community hall later in this newsletter. I am pleased to say that at long last, some progress is being made. I have now had two meetings with Alun Rees, the agent to the Goodwood estate, about a possible playing field at Westhampnett. I sincerely hope that we can achieve our objective of helping the children of Westhampnett.

What a wonderful spell of weather we enjoyed through March and continuing into April. A word of warning though, the total rainfall in the autumn (Oct/Nov/Dec) of 2009 was 20 inches and the total in the Spring quarter (Jan/Feb/March) of 2010 was 12 1/2 inches, giving a total of 32 1/2 inches. Autumn 2010, 10 inches, Spring 2011 8 1/2 inches, total 18 1/2 inches, a shortfall of 14 inches on the year. With this, one or two 'oldies' are surprised that the Lavant is flowing as well as it is but for how much longer?! Are we in for a dry summer?

Finally just a short word about the Community hall, being the optimist that I am, I am sure that something will happen this year. Heaven forbid that we lose the development money (£130,000 approximately) which happened at the Canal Basin as recently reported in the Chichester Observer, when the money had to be repaid to the developer because the scheme ran out of time.

Henry Adams

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# Westhampnett Community Hall

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Work is progressing with the plans for the Community Hall.

Negotiations and discussions have been held with Chichester

District Council and Goodwood Estate. Chichester District Council have indicated they are happy in principle so submission

of the application is not expected to be far away.

Adjacent to this are a couple of plans that may be of interest.

They indicate the sort of proposal being considered and the location in Claypit Lane.

Watch this space as we will need your support in the coming months!

If you have any ideas, comments or would like to become part of our team, shaping the development of the community hall, please contact one of the parish councillors.

### **Business Broadband: West Sussex County Council needs your help**

We are asking businesses in the County to help us to understand which geographical

areas are affected by poor Internet connections. By completing a questionnaire on

behalf of your business, you can provide the information that will help the County

Council to persuade network operators and Internet Service Providers (ISPs) to

invest in badly needed improvements to the Broadband infrastructure. We are keen

to gain as many responses as possible so that local businesses and the local

economy can prosper from the opportunities a fast Broadband connection can bring.

As superfast Broadband is being rolled out across the UK, there is a risk that less

commercially viable areas will be left behind, creating a "digital divide" which could

damage businesses that are left on the "wrong side".

Please take this opportunity to complete the questionnaire – it will only take about

10 minutes and the information you provide will be used as a basis for both lobbying

for improvements and as the basis for bids for funding that could help to bring

improved quality Broadband to your area.

- For those who have access to the Internet, an online questionnaire is

available at: <http://westsussex.gov.uk/broadband>.

- Printed copies of the questionnaire are available from your nearest library or

call 01243 642119 and a copy will be sent to you.

## News from the WI



.We started the New Year with a talk on my work as a racecourse nurse, a lot more than just patching up jockeys when they fall!

February was a birthday meeting when we learnt the A Chemical Romance of Poisons.

In March we were shown slides of the work undertaken by the Manhood and Wildlife Heritage group.

As always, new members are always welcome. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at the March School at 7.30pm

Pat Adams.



## Your Parish Church!

One of the great joys of the past 12 months has been in having St Peter's church open all day, every day. Our visitors' book shows how much people from all over the UK and abroad (even Australia!) have appreciated being able to come in and enjoy the church in all sorts of ways.

It is right that we do this - church buildings are there for so much more than an hour or two of worship on a Sunday. People come in for all sorts of reasons: to pray quietly, for reflection, to learn about St Peter's history, (the church dates from Saxon times), to enjoy its beauty and simplicity, to search for answers to questions about faith, to soak up the peace and holiness of the place, to remember loved ones buried in the churchyard, to recall childhood memories of being taken to this church.

That is just a snapshot of why this church, at the heart of our community, should be open every day, accessible to all, whatever their belief or background. Sadly, the trust we rely on in leaving the church open has been abused once or twice in small thefts from the church, so we would ask you to make a point of popping into the church if you are passing - the more of us there are around the less likely we are to be targets for petty crime.

I hope you join with me in appreciating this lovely parish church and the role it plays in our community - and if you haven't visited, why not drop in some time?

The Reverend Ann Waizeneker

*If you have any questions or would like to know more about St Peter's or church life, please contact Ann on 01243 536280. E mail*

[ann@stpeterswesthampnett.org](mailto:ann@stpeterswesthampnett.org)

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## EASTER SERVICES

### Holy Week Services:

**Palm Sunday - 17th April 8.00am Holy Communion**

**9.45am Parish Eucharist**

**Maundy Thursday – 21<sup>st</sup> April, 6pm Family Eucharist  
with Washing of Feet.**

**Good Friday – 22<sup>nd</sup> April, 6pm Readings and Meditation  
before the Cross.**

**Holy Saturday – 23<sup>rd</sup> April, 8pm Easter Vigil**

**Easter Day – 24<sup>th</sup> April, 9.45am Family Eucharist and  
Easter Egg Hunt for the children! Bishop John will  
confirm members of our congregation at the dawn  
service (5.30am) at St Paul's on Easter Day. Do  
come and support them.**

**18<sup>th</sup>, 19<sup>th</sup>, 20<sup>th</sup> April, 7.30pm.** There is an evening service at  
St Paul's on these 3 days in Holy Week.