

# PEMBURY VILLAGE NEWS

A close-up photograph of two yellow daffodils with bright orange centers. The flowers are in full bloom, with their petals spread out. The background is a clear, vibrant blue sky. The lighting is bright, highlighting the texture of the petals and the color of the centers. The overall composition is simple and elegant, typical of a community newsletter cover.

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## REPORTING VANDALISM AND NUISANCE BEHAVIOUR – A Safer Pembury

*‘The world is a dangerous place, not because of those who do evil, but because of those who look on and do nothing.’*  
*Albert Einstein*

THERE HAVE been incidents of vandalism and criminal damage in Pembury over the last few months, including damage to and demolition of at least four walls and fences. This type of behaviour only serves to demoralise the community in which we live especially if we feel we are unable to do anything about it.

The Pembury Contacts List card was enclosed in the last edition of the Pembury Village News. It is hoped that villagers will use those numbers to call the right people to report the mindless damage occurring sporadically at present and, importantly, give specific



details of who is doing what, when and where. If every time a person or a group of people are seen behaving anti-socially or causing criminal damage witnesses report what or who they have seen, even if no further action is possible immediately, these reports can form the basis of a future case and the various authorities may be able to use this information for other methods of control, should they become necessary.

Inevitably, if crime or nuisance behaviour is not reported, nothing can be resolved. The resources available to the police and other local authorities are such that they have to be focussed in the areas with the highest reported crime rates. Whilst we do not want Pembury to have the authorities camped here, at least if we report what we see, a fairer picture will be given of what is happening in the village and what can be done about it. It will also help those who are suffering damage or nuisance because they will not feel so alone and isolated in their own community.

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## REPORTING VANDALISM *continued*

Pembury now has a Community Warden, Tom Younger, who has a mobile number (07813 694138) and also holds a fortnightly surgery at Camden Court where villagers can discuss these issues with him; please call him for more details. He is able to pass on your concerns and information to the right quarters. We need to make use of the services he offers particularly when there are legitimate concerns like vandalism or nuisance behaviour in Pembury that the Community Warden is able to handle.

In addition, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council has an Anti Social Behaviour Department where it is possible to report people who are causing disturbance and acting anti-socially around the village. Terry Hughes, TWBC's Anti-social Behaviour Co-ordinator and the police will be speaking (and answering questions) at the Annual Parish Meeting on 20 March 2006 on what is being done about anti-social behaviour and what we should do to help. Come long to the Village Hall and hear what they have to say.

No-one wants to live in a place where they are fearful of going out or of having their property or local amenities damaged. We want to go out and about in our own community in peace knowing that most people feel the same way and, if there are problems, that everyone knows who to report to and what will or can be done about it. You might feel that you are only one person and your report will not count but each person who takes responsibility makes a difference to the community as a whole.

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## YOUTH SPREADING CHRISTMAS GOODWILL IN PEMBURY

**I**N DECEMBER a group of young people from The Mix Youth Club, which is held at Pembury Baptist Church, joined up with County Councillor Kevin Lynes, KCC youth workers and me to deliver chocolates and Christmas cards to village residents. We made our way through the village on a Santa sleigh and gave out pressies to residents at Camden Court, village shops in the High Street, Sunhill Court and The Ridgeway. This was a great success and the young people loved doing an act of kindness for local residents.



*"I loved giving out chocolates – especially to the elderly at Camden Court, you could tell they really appreciated it."* (Liam, 16)

Thank you to James and Carol from The Camden Arms for donating the chocolates and look out for us next year!

**Jemma Alexander**, Pembury Baptist Church

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## SPEED WATCH

**M**ANY VILLAGES and small towns have a problem with vehicles that fail to reduce speed. On country routes, a 60mph zone may regularly become a 30mph zone as it passes through small communities. Yet many drivers don't reduce their speed until they are well past the speed limit sign.

Furthermore, many only slow down by a small amount – not enough to be within the speed limit.

These drivers risk the safety of local residents and pedestrians – especially children.

### What is the Speed Watch scheme?

Speed Watch is a scheme that gives parish councils around the county a chance to record the speed of vehicles travelling through their area.

A speed indication display (SID) is set up to measure how fast vehicles are moving within the lower speed limit. This is a sign that shows the driver their speed – but only if the vehicle is over the speed limit. The registration numbers of vehicles found to be speeding are then logged.

If a driver is found to be speeding twice within a twelve-month period, the registered owner receives a warning letter from the police. If the same vehicle is caught three times, there is a further warning, and possibly follow-up action by police officers.

### What is the aim of the scheme?

The scheme has two aims:

- to educate drivers about the consequences of speeding, and to make them more aware of their own driving habits
- to allow residents to help improve road safety in villages where speeding is a constant problem.



### Who runs the scheme?

The Speed Watch scheme is run by Kent Police in partnership with Kent County Council and Pembury Parish Council.

### What is happening in Pembury?

David Hanes, local Speedwatch co-ordinator, and Steve Morton, Vice-Chairman of Pembury Parish Council, went out on a snowy 28 January to give the Speed Indication Display its first trial.

Steve reports to have been very surprised by drivers' reaction to the SID; it did have the desired effect, and fairly immediately!

They set the sign up close to the Catholic Hall initially and let the sign gather data for nearly an hour (14.08 to 15.03). During this period only three vehicles exceeded 35mph. There were a lot of vehicles that did slow down when they saw the sign light up with their speed (above 30mph).

They then moved to the High Street (between 15.10 to 16.24) where average speeds usually seem higher.

At first, the sign was just past the entrance to Cornford Park monitoring vehicles travelling towards Woodsgate and at about 15.45 they moved it to the entrance to The Mews, to monitor vehicles entering the village as there appeared to be more cars travelling in that direction. One thing they noticed was that having triggered the sign to light up, drivers slowed down and then seemed to keep their speed down. It seems, therefore, that once they've been made aware, they then make the effort to stay at the correct speed.

Interested in helping? Do contact David Hanes, Pembury Speedwatch Co-ordinator on 823174 or email him on [dhanes@nildram.co.uk](mailto:dhanes@nildram.co.uk)



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## VISIT BY PEMBURY COMMUNITY WARDEN TO 2ND PEMBURY RAINBOWS

**2**ND PEMBURY RAINBOWS recently invited Tom Younger, the Community Warden for Pembury, along to one of their meetings.

Tom talked to the Rainbows about his role within the Community which was received by the girls with great interest. Enthusiasm was clearly demonstrated by the number of questions raised!

Stickers and leaflets were handed out to the girls at the end of the visit detailing lots of useful information.

Thank you to Tom for a very enjoyable and informative visit to our unit.

**Lynn Humphrey,**  
Rainbow Guider



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## HOW CAN WE HELP?

**P**EMBURY COMMUNITY ACTION, the community development work at PBC has developed two new projects to support people from the local community.



### **Frontline – Good Neighbour Scheme**

Volunteers are linked with local residents who request help. Help is free and covers a variety of tasks e.g. gardening, shopping, housework, decorating etc. Do you know someone who needs a little extra help? Please contact us!

### **Community Larder**

The community larder is a store of non-perishable food and drink and is available to anyone in the community who needs these vital items. We also store baby products such as baby food, powder and cream. If you need any of these items please do not hesitate to contact us and arrange a time for you to pick up some goods.

If you would like any of the above assistance or know of someone who does, please contact **Jemma Alexander**, Community Projects Leader on 825590.



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## PEMBURY FOOTPATH WALKERS – A SPRING FESTIVAL OF WALKS

**T**O HELP US celebrate our Silver Jubilee this year we invite you to join us on any or all of the ten springtime walks we have planned between St George's Day and the first Saturday in June, when we have our annual all-day walk away from Pembury. The mostly local walks are of varying lengths, lasting between two and a half and four hours, and will be walked at a comfortable pace. We suggest that you wear sturdy footwear and bring clothing appropriate for the weather. You may want to bring a drink and perhaps a snack.

### Details

Sunday, 23 April	Meet at the Recreation Ground Pavilion. 'A Bird Walk'. No dogs.
Thursday, 27 April	Meet at the Church Road/Rowley Hill Barrier. 'Towards Chapel'.
Monday, 1 May	Meet at Stone Court Lane Bus Stop. 'Spring Colours'.
Saturday, 6 May	Meet at Bo-Peep Corner at 2.15 pm. 'Elmhurst Farm Circular'.
Thursday, 11 May	Meet at St Peter's Old Church. 'Three Churches Walk'.
Sunday, 14 May	Meet outside Pembury School. 'Bits and Pieces'.
Thursday, 18 May	Meet outside the Public Library. 'Cinderhill Circular'.
Thursday, 25 May	Meet at the top of the Village Green. 'Towards Hawkenbury'.
Monday, 29 May	Meet at Bo-Peep Corner. 'Matfield Circular'.
Saturday, 3 June	All Day Walk. Details nearer the time.

Please remember to respect the countryside and leave things as you find them. No dogs, please, on the 23 April walk because we visit the bird sanctuary, and on other walks they must be on a short lead. All walks start at 10am unless otherwise stated.

For further details contact **Neil and Kathryn Franklin** tel. 823212.



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## PADDOCK WOOD AND DISTRICT COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN

**P**ADDOCK WOOD is launching a review of the town to identify what the people who live, work and play in Paddock Wood and its surrounding areas feel would enhance and improve life in the community at large. The project is part of the Kent Small Rural Towns Programme. Four key topics are being addressed: environment, economy, social and community provision and transport and accessibility.

The project's formal launch is intended to take place at Paddock Wood Day Centre in Commercial Road on Wednesday 22nd March (5-7pm) and Saturday 25 March (11am-2pm). Anyone who is interested in learning more should come to one of these launch events. If you are interested and would like to be involved please contact Peter Nicholls (Tel: 01892 835773, or e-mail [pesa@nichollspw1.wanadoo.co.uk](mailto:pesa@nichollspw1.wanadoo.co.uk)).



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## THE LONG AND WINDING ROAD

**M**ANY OF YOU will now be aware that the improvement of the recreation ground in Pembury is about to become a reality. A phased scheme is proposed that should eventually provide much needed facilities for our community. The Amenities Working Group of the Parish Council has made excellent progress in driving this project towards completion. This will also involve considerable endeavour by many of us in supporting this initiative by seeking sufficient monies to make our dream manifest. For my part, and by celebrating the 400th birthday of Royal Tunbridge Wells, I will be cycling from our German twin town of Wiesbaden to the Pantiles during June 2006. In keeping with 'all the fours', I aim to cycle 400 miles in four days.

The Twinning Association of Tunbridge Wells, chaired by Professor Michael Holman, has been incredibly supportive of this adventure. Having attended several of their meetings we have agreed some formative plans with our German friends. The ride will begin at Wiesbaden Town Hall with a police escort with the Oberbürgermeister giving the starting signal. Along with press and TV it is anticipated that seventeen German cyclists will be joining me on a journey through Hunsrück/Eifel, Ghent and Ostend before winding our way back to Blighty. Upon arriving at The Pantiles we will meet both the Mayors of Wiesbaden and Royal Tunbridge Wells and we will enjoy a concert by the Wiesbaden Symphonic Brass Ensemble. This will hopefully be followed by a 'thank you' event at The Camden Arms for all of the participants.



Both I and the German contingent are hoping to raise a considerable sum of money through the sponsorship of this ride and I have been deeply touched by some fine residents already pledging their support. I would ask that through this adventure all of you, individuals or local businesses, might follow this example and help us create the facilities that all of us in Pembury need and deserve.

**Paul Barrington-King**

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## PEMBURY SCHOOL NEWS

**A**FTER MANY years of planning and consultation, Pembury School is very excited to be looking forward to the construction of a brand new building within the grounds to replace the current Horsa Hut building. This wartime building will finally be demolished this summer with a projected completion date of November 2006 – weather permitting! The design of the new building is aesthetically pleasing and will accommodate pupils from years three and four. There will be disabled facilities and also additional space for a resource centre and music practise room.



**Sue Duckworth, Business Manager, Pembury School**

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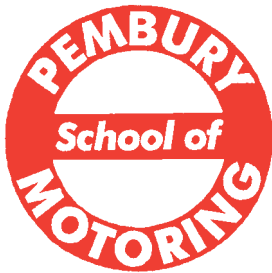
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## PEMBURY LIBRARY NEWS

**P**EMBURY LIBRARY has a 'Baby Bounce and Rhyme' session for babies from seven months to two years every second Tuesday of the month, from March through to July. The sessions include rhymes, puppets and musical instruments for babies and their parents/carers to enjoy.

There are new Bookstart bags for children 18 months plus which contain lovely books and information about reading with your child. They are available from your local mother and toddler groups, health visitors or the local library.

There is also a wonderful 'Treasure Chest' of books, paper and crayons available for children who start Playgroup and they will be available through your playgroup or the local library.

For further information please contact Pembury Library 822278

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## PEMBURY TENNIS CLUB

**O**UR NEW SEASON will be starting in the middle of April. We are a small, friendly club and are always looking for new members.

Club times are Wednesday and Friday evenings and Sunday morning.

If you can play tennis (even if you have not played for some time) why not come and give us a try.

For more information call **Barbara Ballantine** on 822156 or **Sheila Smith** on 822405.

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## PEMBURY CRICKET CLUB

**A**T THE CRICKET CLUB we are looking forward to year of continued growth in 2006. We are keen to open our doors to an increased level of participation and hope to attract more players, both adult and junior, more volunteers to be involved in the running of the Club and coaching activities and more social members to enjoy the benefits of our facilities.

Last season saw the 1st team consolidate its position in the 1st Division of the Mid Kent League and proved that we have nothing to fear of playing at this higher level of cricket. Indeed we were one of only a handful of clubs whose talent was drawn solely from local sources, without the aid of overseas players. We have a rich vein of talent in the village at both adult and junior levels and it is key to the long term health of Pembury CC. As I am sure it is with many local clubs and societies, we are only as strong as the flow of youth coming in to the club and the volunteers who give up time to develop the talent to be the league players and social members of tomorrow.

I am delighted then that our junior teams and junior coaching continues to flourish and we hope this year to expand this section of the club yet further by using additional space at the Recreation Ground. The club has also successfully sought financial contributions from local bodies this winter. This has helped us to improve our coaching equipment to support our aim to offer cricket to a wider cross section and as a result become better integrated into the community.

English cricket received a major fillip with the success of the national side in 2005 and all signs are – and our hope is – that this will increase the demand for participation even further in 2006.

If you are interested in playing, volunteering or just watching your village Cricket Club this summer we'd be delighted to hear from you.

**Andy Dawes**, Secretary Pembury Cricket Club tel. 822862

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## SNIPPETS

### **ANNUAL PARISH MEETING MONDAY 20 MARCH 2006**

The 2006 Annual Parish Meeting will take place in the Village Hall on Monday 20 March at 8pm. This is a public meeting open to all who live in the Parish and it is a chance for residents of Pembury to learn about what has been happening in the village over the past year and to put questions to Parish, Borough and County Councillors. The councillors want to hear your views and your ideas about the future of the village. This is the place where you live – take part in its life.

Our guest speaker will be Terry Hughes from the Tunbridge Wells Safety Partnership who will update us on addressing anti-social behaviour.

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### **Any Questions**

Yes, the popular BBC Radio 4 live political question and answer show is coming to Pembury on 14 April (Good Friday). Your Parish Council is organising the event with the BBC and handling ticket distribution. Please write or email (no telephone or personal callers, please) to the Parish Office for free tickets (contact details on page 37).

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### **Quiztime!**

The Pembury Village Quiz will be held in the Village Hall, High Street, Pembury on Friday 12 May 2006. The quiz is open to all organizations to enter teams of six people at £15 per table. There will be a bar and raffle; any donations for prizes will be gratefully accepted. The Quizmaster will be Keith Merrin, and we hope you all enjoy the evening.

Tables available by advance booking (by 29 April latest) prompt start at 8pm. The winning team will receive the Parish Council Cup and a cash prize to donate to the charity of their choice. More information from Janet Ditchett on 822586

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### **Plastic Fantastic – some feedback**

A Ridgeway resident emailed us in late January: “Thought you’d appreciate some feedback on the plastic recycling. It’s apparently become

so popular that they cannot take any more households until. Impact is having to find more premises to cope with the volume they are taking in. I think that’s fantastic.

I’ve started keeping plastic to recycle as and when they can include my house and it is amazing how little cannot be recycled. I hadn’t looked before, as the opportunity to recycle hadn’t been made as available.”

**Stop Press:** The company that has been collecting from Pembury (Impact Recycling) has (perhaps due to the overwhelming response to the article on plastic in the Winter 2005 News) run out of wheelie bins to give to residents. They now have over 20 regular subscribers in Pembury with 40 on the waiting list. Impact was due to move to bigger premises in March because of growing demand from their customers throughout Kent.

As at early February, Impact was asking residents to register with them and put their CLEAN plastic for collection in black bin bags. Residents should then contact Impact (01634 710707) to arrange collection on any Thursday. Impact will collect any number of bags from any one location for a fee of £3. Please contact them for the latest position.

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### **Farmers market discontinued**

We understand that the market, held on the first Saturday of the month will no longer run. There have not been enough stalls to make it viable or attractive to a significant number of potential shoppers. Thanks should go to James Cunningham of The Camden Arms for all his work in trying to set this up.

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### **New Kent & Sussex reporter for Pembury**

“I’m Jenna Pudelek, a new Tunbridge Wells journalist at the Kent and Sussex Courier, and I have the job of covering Pembury as part of my patch. If you have any issues that cause you concern in the village or if someone you know has some good news to share I would love to hear from you. My number at the paper is 01892 686930 and my email is [twreporters@courier.co.uk](mailto:twreporters@courier.co.uk)”



### **Pembury School Term dates**

School dates for the next few months are as follows:

Term 4 Start Monday 20 February

Finish Friday 31 March

Inset Day Friday 31 March

Term 5 Start Wednesday 19 April

Finish Friday 26 May

Term 6 Start Monday 5 June

Finish Tuesday 25 July

Up-to-date information is on the school website at <http://www.pembury.kent.sch.uk/dates.htm> or telephone the school on 822259

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### **Multi-Sports in the Recreation Ground**

As usual, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council is organising sports and games in the Lower Green Recreation Ground during the Easter holidays for children and young people of school age. Monday 10 April to Thursday 13 April 9.45am to 12.15pm. Equipment is provided; just turn up and play! More information from Elise Rendall at TWBC 01892 526121

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### **Parking in Pembury High Street**

A perennial problem which could be solved by a little thoughtfulness . . .

If you are going to a function at the Village Hall, please think about some of the following:

1. Do I really need to take up one of the spaces by the Hall itself or can I leave it for a less able person or for somebody bringing heavy boxes/bulky equipment for a function?
2. Am I parking opposite a car parked on the other side of the road and so blocking access for other road users, particularly public transport or emergency vehicles?
3. Am I really not able to walk 20-30 metres along the road to the Hall and so park on the wide part of the High Street on the way to Tunbridge Wells?

Think about it!

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### **'Tricksters'**

Tunbridge Wells Community Safety Partnership is putting on an energetic and entertaining musical play about how to deal

with rogue traders and conmen. Particularly aimed at older members of the community, the performances are at 11am and 2.30pm on Tuesday 28 March at Pembury Baptist Church. Tickets and details from Liz Jarvis on 01892 554112 or email her at [liz.jarvis@tunbridgewells.go.uk](mailto:liz.jarvis@tunbridgewells.go.uk)

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### **Friends of Pembury Parish Church**

There is to be a Flower Festival in the Old Church over the weekend of June 24/25 with setting up on the Friday. Anyone interested in taking part should contact Sarah Clarke at home on 823932 or e-mail [sarahjuddclarke@aol.com](mailto:sarahjuddclarke@aol.com).

On the Saturday of that same weekend (24 June) there is also to be a Barn Dance at Pippins, starting at 7.30pm in aid of the Old Church and the Friends would be delighted for any volunteer helpers. Barn Dance tickets will be £10 including food. Contact details are the same as above.

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### **Pembury Scouts and Guides**

We are trying to raise £15,000 the total cost of re-fencing the headquarters building. at the far end of the recreation ground. We are running a Grand Raffle (First Prize £100) to be drawn on Saturday 29th April 2006 which will be an open day at the headquarters and the whole village is invited to come and see the work of all the youth groups who use this facility. Displays, Stalls, Activities, cakes and a cup of tea will be available. Doors open at 2pm – Raffle drawn at 3pm. Please come and join us – you are all welcome.

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### **Kent Wildlife Trust**

KWF are holding an information session Pembury Market and Coffee Shop in the Village Hall on Tuesday 21 March 9.30am to 12 noon. There will be information about events and sale of Trust goods to promote the start of the 2006 season at the Kent Wildlife Trust's Bough Beech Visitors Centre. For more details of events and to help to raise funds for the Bough Beech Visitors Centre please come and join us in the Village Hall Kent Wildlife Trust, Tyland Barn, Sandling Maidstone, Kent ME14 3DB. Tel: 01622 662012 [www.kentwildlife.org.uk](http://www.kentwildlife.org.uk)

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## ERNEST (CHUCK) BALDOCK – 1933-2005

**S**ADLY, CHUCK BALDOCK died in Maidstone Hospital in December 2005 after a long, courageous battle against cancer. He leaves behind his wife Margaret, son Glyn, daughter Denise and seven grandchildren, who all miss him dearly. I don't know how many of you knew Chuck but I bet you never saw him miserable, even when he was ill.

Chuck was born in Staplehurst and moved from there to Rose Cottage, Pounds Bridge Farm, Penshurst when he was two years old. He grew up on the farm with two sisters and four brothers and when he left school worked on the farm with his brothers. He became what they call, in hop-picking terms, the poke boy, in charge of filling the big sacks – pokes – with hops. He was also the last person on that farm to drive the carthorses; quite a responsibility, when you think he left the farm at seventeen to join the RAF.



Chuck served in the RAF until he was 22 spending part of that time in Aden. On his visits home from the RAF, it transpires that both Margaret and her sister were after his affections but neither made a move! Then he disappeared for two weeks without telling anyone, only to reappear to say he had been demobbed.

That Christmas he came and met Margaret's parents at Downingbury and never went back home. Margaret and Chuck were married at the Old Church in 1958 moving first to Tunbridge Wells and Five Oak Green before settling in Pembury.

His main loves in life, apart from his family, were shooting and walking with his dogs. After leaving the RAF, Chuck had a variety of jobs including the fire service and lorry and coach driving. He then set up his own window cleaning business which ran for about nineteen years until his illness.

Those who knew him know that he loved to chat and tell stories. In fact, as the old saying goes, he could talk the hind leg off a donkey. The name of Chuck is short for 'chuckles' which evidently the name suggested when he was a child because he was always laughing. He became notorious for playing practical jokes on anyone, some of which rebounded on him by spending excessive time in the headmaster's office and getting the slipper on the backside for confessing that he had never received it.

He even gave Margaret Christmas presents that were full of holly or a paper cut-out cardigan instead of the real thing. Such was his humour that one day he stopped me outside the paper shop and told me he had been a silly boy and I immediately thought he had got a speeding ticket or something similar. That's when he told me he had cancer. He was almost embarrassed about it and even up to his last days he was very laid back and positive about it all.

One saying in life that would always make Chuck snort was when someone said goodbye: "I do not say goodbye, it's cheerio!" so "Cheerio Chuck, it was great to know you."

**Hugh Boorman**



## I'M CINDERELLA . . . GET ME OUT OF HERE!

PEMBURY PLAYERS produced a real treat for their audience at their Winter panto: wonderfully dreadful jokes plus energy, colour, songs and fun. For the packed hall on Friday 13 January, which included a large, excited contingent of Southborough Brownies and Guides in the audience, Cinderella will never be the same.



Penned by an anonymous(!) member of Pembury Players, the play mostly followed the usual story. The modern twist was that Zip, the 'boy about the house' got the girl. Instead of the handsome, sensitive Disney prince yearning for a beautiful bride to complete his happiness, Julian Maple gave a beautiful turn as a self-centred playboy prince being pressured into marriage by a mother desperate for the royal line to have an heir. Cinderella also wasn't very keen (she was in love with Zip) and only agreed

eventually in order to help her impoverished father. Only when Zip was revealed to be the lost prince was everything resolved satisfactorily.

Pantomime is all about high energy fun not emotional depth, but to be really satisfying you've got to care about the characters as you would in any play. Ruth Sparks was naive and pretty as Cinderella, with Chris Tampsett and Andrew Hawker as the desperately appalling Lucinda and Lavinia Brassic-Lint sisters (known as Loo and Lav!) in a delightful partnership that had more than the youngsters joining in. Caroline Mazzey played the pouting, flirting and worried single-parent Queen with warm good humour and Karene



Bloxham kept us all in order as the Fairy Godmother with a touch of Miriam Margolyes.



Jamie Boxall and Arthur Mazzey delighted us all as the good-natured but dim, bumbling palace guards, inevitably causing confusion to the main characters' lives. Peter Bloxham looked suitably worried as the hard-up Baron Brassic-Lint saddled with two impossible step-daughters, but clearly enjoyed being comforted by the Queen!

But it was Rachel Bennett's tirelessly energetic Zip that shone. Her appeals to the audience





won an enthusiastic, often very excited response and she dominated the scene with warmth, humour and great timing.

Singing and dancing mice, angels in waiting, a teenage apprentice fairy, a determinedly cheerful but devious devil in disguise, the MC with gravitas, dancers, St Peter, a ghost and a priest

were brought to life by other members of the company.

Directed by Maggie Weaver and supported by a very able production and technical crew and an excellent band, Pembury Players can take pride in this latest production.

A whole-hearted evening of good old-fashioned fun

**Alison Morton**

*PS They had also done it the day before and did it again on the next day – twice!*

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## PEMBURY OUTDOOR BOWLS CLUB

**I**T BEGAN TWO summers ago when I was walking around the recreation ground, I happened to stop by the bowling green to watch some people playing bowls. “Come and have a go,” someone said, “Maybe tomorrow”, I replied, “when I haven’t got the dog with me”. And so the following day, wearing a pair of trainers, I ventured onto the green for the very first time. The players there were friendly and helpful, explaining the game and showing me how to hold and deliver the bowls.



Monday and Friday afternoons would see me and the other rookies being coached by players and taking part in “points” games. Within a couple of weeks I was hooked and decided to become a member of Pembury Bowls Club. What is so good about Monday and Friday afternoon roll ups is that there is no need for white or grey skirts or trousers, jeans and a tee-shirt are fine plus a pair of flat shoes.

After a couple of months I was encouraged to join in a ‘friendly’ match; was I really good enough? It’s the way to gain experience and meet members from other clubs and, of course there is the tea half way through! I still have a long way to go before I have any chance of winning a Ladies Single – I should have started playing years ago!

Pembury Bowls Club I have found to be an extremely welcoming club and I have made new friends, many from the village. The Club is always looking for more players so why not give it a go; you may be surprised just how much you enjoy it and it’s a lovely way to spend a summer’s afternoon.

Our new season starts at the beginning of May. Why not come to our **Open Day – 2pm Monday 29 May 2006**. Anyone between 14 and 94 is welcome, just bring flat shoes.

Further information can be obtained from me, **Barbara Scholten** on 823445, or **Brian Aylard** on 823162 or chat to anyone over the bowling green fence!

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## HOSPICE NEWS

**O**UR PLANT & COUNTRY FAYRE is being held on Saturday 20 May, 10am-4pm. Last year, the Fayre was extremely successful with many plants and shrubs being donated by plant centres. We raised nearly £5,000 from the Fayre due to the vast array of colour and the

many and varied types of plants and shrubs. We hope to better this amount this year and look to all our local residents for support on the day.

Should you require further information please contact Fiona Parry, Events Organiser at the Hospice on 820508.

## PEMBURY IN THE PAST

### Pembury – As I remember it

*Mike Crouch, now living in the West Country, contacted us with some memories of Pembury in his youth. Here we publish the first of a series.*

I was born in London on the 18 November 1942 and adopted by Chloe and George William Henry Crouch (GWH), who brought me back to live at 22 Elmhurst Avenue. Now 63 and recently retired, I found the pembury.org website and some of the old photographs provoked some childhood memories.



My earliest recollection of Infants School is sour milk, furniture polish and wood being sawn. I believe my mother worked in the school because I always seemed to be there after all my mates had gone home. Across the valley towards the Hospital the pine woods were being harvested and portable circular saws were busy at work. Whenever I hear Katachurian's Sabre dance, the musical slurs always seem to imitate the saw biting into the logs on those warm and still summer evenings. Friday and the end of the school week was always concluded with a spelling bee and the polishing of desks. Paper strips were handed out and the words agonised over. The girls always got their friends to mark their slips but boys could never be trusted and Miss White collected them in and reallocated them – I usually got somebody who I didn't like much! Then, the joy as the big tin of polish and the box of rags came out. Each rag was ceremonially swiped across the yellow polish and handed over. "Make sure you do the sides and the back as well!" The polishing rags were almost as encrusted as

at the time! These aeroplanes became the source of a friendship during my early days at Pembury School. Whenever we were asked to draw, the boys invariably set out war or battle scenes. Keith Moffat could draw Spitfires and Lancaster bombers to perfection and was universally admired for his artistic and technical drawing skill. It was a tragic day when he was knocked down and killed near his home close to Sturgeons coal yard in Henwood Green Road. Keith and I were not the brightest in the class neither were we real trouble makers, but we used to sit in the middle of the class and seek amusement from all those around us. Keith was sadly missed.





the polish applying ones but we all knew the next event was the bell to go home. I was not so fortunate. I had to wait around for my mother to do her cleaning. The teacher often used to find a couple of bottles of milk not drunk during mid morning play time. "Michael will drink this!" In the summer they had been outside the class room all day and were now beginning to curdle. To this day I cannot drink raw milk and can just about tolerate it in tea.

I cannot remember much until 1947 and the severe winter that gripped Kent for several weeks. We were waiting outside a shop in Camden Road, Tunbridge Wells. Snow was piled high on the edge of the pavement and I stood with my father, patiently, in one of the gaps that allowed you to cross from one side to the other. Suddenly I heard a roar and somebody pulled me violently against the shop window as tons of ice and snow crashed where I had been standing. I thought this was the most exciting part of the day and it was the topic of conversation on the No 86 bus home!



Every village has its characters and one that remains in my memory was Black Annie. A diminutive old lady dressed from head to toe in black, a black belted raincoat even in the height of summer, black lisle stockings, highly polished black boots. She seemed to walk from Pembury into Tunbridge Wells every day. She never spoke directly to you nor smiled. Winter and summer, rain and snow, she could be seen in the Lower Green Road and from the bus windows into town. She always walked at very high speed and we youngsters could never keep up with her nor did we want to for, if the truth be known, the rumour and mystery that surrounded her terrified us all.



On the opposite side of the road from the primary school was a narrow strip of wood that bordered a field. There was no footpath and grown ups would never risk walking to the bus stop or the Royal Oak on that side of the road. This was an ideal playground for us children. A path in the wood ran the entire length and you could not be seen from the road. Early liaisons were made and broken in the sanctuary of private places in this wood. Our spluttering attempts at smoking must have been visible from the road but we always assumed we were invisible in there!

My adopted father, GWH as he became known, joined Toc H and they met in the room above the garage in The Glebe next to the school. I was taken to meetings on several occasions and given the job of making the tea. There were about a dozen members and I can remember Jack Jarman, who lived in the Maidstone Road, was always brought in the car by Frank Roberts from Downingbury Farm. Another jovial character was Johnny Johnson who lived in Heskett Park off Romford Road. The Vicar used to attend but was always late, blaming parish business, and I suppose it was this connection that got me singing in the Old Church choir. Practice was at Mr Roberts farm house and his wife, Queenie, always made cakes and cold drinks for us youngsters at the end. I hated the cassock and surplice but I thought the ruff was the business! I even got to ring the four bells at times.

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## PEMBURY PAST

Do you remember Pembury like I do  
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When everybody knew you  
And called you by your Christian name

The shopkeepers willing to serve you  
The picnics and fun down the Broom  
The Woodsgate Hotel and lido  
Which they say had haunted bedrooms

The days when kids could play safely  
The coachroad and woods were a dream  
Building their camps in the sandpit  
Simple, but fun it would seem

And of course the village bobby  
A man who filled you with fear  
There was no crime in those days  
Cos he'd give you a clip side the ear.

Let's take a look at the High Street  
And then wander down Hastings Road  
The Square Deal café has long gone  
A stop for the knights of the road

Acotts bakery where Barnes is  
Raiswell grocers where they'd mix you  
some tea  
And on the corner of Penn's Yard  
Was the Heartsease Café for cakes and  
coffee.

Then there was old Mr Walker  
An outfitter of great reputation  
Who sold everything from a hankie  
To shoes, and a new three piece suit.

Fred Battell the local barber  
George Rideout's grocery store  
And in Hastings Road was a baker's  
And three village grocery stores.

But sadly they've all gone now  
Much to most people's dismay  
And have become a fish and chip shop  
Or some foreign take-away.

What about the real village characters  
Who sadly today aren't about  
Cos nobody walks or talks anymore  
They just jump in the car and go out.

Firstly, I recall Sue Hyland  
London to Brighton was her nickname  
She would walk to all stations around her  
They say, to meet her husband from a train

But sadly they say he was killed  
Something she could not accept  
So she'd walk and hope to meet him  
Off every train that she met.

Stubby Read who drove stock to market  
He'd walk with his dogs for miles  
But when he was paid for his journey  
He'd put on the broadest smiles.

For on his walk back from Tonbridge  
He'd drink at every pub  
When he got drunk he'd lay down and  
sober  
Then on his next pint of grog.

There were so many others  
You could sit down and write a book  
But sadly it's all in the past now  
So the memory is all that we've got.

*Ray Pennells – born and spent a  
lifetime in Pembury who sadly died in  
October 2005*

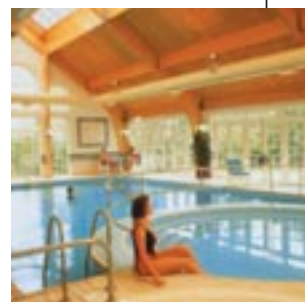




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## MY PLOT

**M**Y PLOTS have been transformed since last year. They are now obviously neat and well cared for – though I have to say, that is how they usually look in January because I've spent all winter gradually weeding and tidying. It's easy when it's too cold for the weeds to grow! This always lulls me into a false sense of security until 'Wham!' over the Whitsun holiday week everything comes back in an instant.

Last winter I made great use of plastic sheeting to smother the weeds. It is the kind of stuff that could have been the sides of a lorry trailer (perhaps it was?) so the plots looked like a haulage yard, but it was a fairly effortless way to clear the ground. Well, I say effortless – as long as I have a large quantity of muscle power from my husband, because they are surprisingly heavy.

Also, I've got some rubber pathways between my fruit bushes that used to be conveyor belts at a gravel extraction site. I'm hoping they won't get too slippery but there's no way my suckering raspberries will come up through it and I don't think my blackberry will be able to root itself onto it either.

Allotmenters are often to be found recycling old rubbish! Witness the use of old guttering to blanch leeks and bits of carpet for mulching. There are also clusters of up-ended plastic bottles on sticks which look quite artistic. These seem to be dual purpose; firstly they stop you poking your eye out on the canes that mark the ends of your rows, and secondly they rattle in the wind which disturbs the pigeons (you hope!). There are also all manner of compost heap constructions from tatty old metal drums and wooden pallets strung together, to posh, purpose-made kits in subtle green, and of course plenty of random piles . . .

The other welcome improvement to my ground is the arrival of two loads of stable manure. It has been distributed very generously around the place, with enough left over to make a pile for my courgettes next summer. Although I have five, 'official' compost heaps (plus several 'satellite' piles) it has been so dry these last few summers, the stuff hasn't rotted down as fast as it should. I realise now that I will have to water them with a hosepipe\* occasionally. Or encourage passers by to wee on them!

**Caroline Mazzezy**

*\*It should be noted that there is still a hosepipe ban as we go to press - Editor*

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## A SNIP AT KENT COLLEGE

**N**EIL AND HIS colleague from Bladerunners Hairdressers in Pembury visited Kent College Preparatory School on Friday 18 November to give a hair demonstration on two of our pupils as part of Crazy Hair Day. All of the pupils came to school with some wacky hairdos and paid a £1 which generated over £150 for Children in Need.

Neil and his colleague used two pupils as models, Polly Kingham and Isabel Denman, whose hair looked more beautiful than crazy when they had finished. We wish to thank Bladerunners who also kindly donated a free haircut and blow dry to our Christmas Fair raffle.



## THE VOICE OF SPRING

See the yellow catkins cover  
All the slender willows over;  
And on banks of mossy green  
Star-like primroses are seen;  
And their clustering leaves below,  
White and purple violets blow.

Hark! the new-born lambs are bleating,  
And the cawing rooks are meeting  
In the elms – a noisy crowd;  
All the birds are singing loud;  
And the first white butterfly  
In the sunshine dances by.

*Mary Howitt (1799-1888)*



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## JAN'S GARDEN VIEWS

**T**HIS IS A WONDERFUL season of the year after our long winter – a time of renewal and hope with plump green buds bursting into life. The garden is alive with a hub of activity going on below ground and all for our benefit. Plenty of activity for us too, as spring is a busy time for gardeners.

We need to start with the right tool for the job. Your gardening efforts will be much more rewarding if you have a freshly sharpened hoe, shears, secateurs and of course a spade and fork together with a serviced mower. You will need clean pots, labels and twine. A garden knife is convenient and versatile for minor pruning jobs, taking cuttings and tying-in-plants; one with a straight blade is easier to keep sharpened. When buying a new tool consider if it feels comfortable to work with. The best digging tools are made from stainless steel but buy the best you can afford and, looked after, they should last a lifetime.

I hope you are enjoying the performance of your spring bulbs; dead head them as they finish blooming and leave foliage to die back naturally for at least six weeks before cutting down. It is really not a good idea to tie their leaves together as they help to replenish the bulb. Feed them with Growmore or Fish, Blood and Bone to guarantee a good display next year.

Work can begin on established lawns in March as they now start to grow. Choose a dry day to brush off worm casts and any leaves, and then rake out any dead growth. If moss is a problem eradicate it by using a combined fertiliser/moss killer. After two weeks rake out the dead moss, then spike the lawn to improve drainage. Any bare patches will need re-seeding. New lawns can be sown from the end of the month. Turf can still be laid providing the ground is free of frost. Any proposed site will need good preparation and



most important is adequate drainage. Clear the site of weeds and level the surface. For a seedbed the soil should be raked to a fine tilth.

Few flowers give such a prolific return in so short a time as the hardy annuals. Easily raised from seed, most of them can be sown from March to May in the open ground where they are to flower. Later sowings will ensure blooms well into autumn. However, with the event of a really cold spring, delay sowings until April when the soil is beginning to warm up to improve germination. Before the seeds are sown, the soil must be well dug

and broken down by forking, hoeing and raking, with rotted manure or compost incorporated, then levelled off and stones removed. Sow seeds thinly, either broadcast or in drills 4" to 6" apart and cover lightly with sifted soil.

Did you know that bees are the gardener's best friend? Without them, yields of crops would suffer and many plants would struggle for survival without pollination. There are many species natural to the UK and we can easily encourage them into our gardens, either with purpose-designed nest boxes (available from garden centres) or by growing plants they find attractive. There are many of these but especially aromatic one such as Lavender, Rosemary and Thyme, also tubular blooms such as Foxgloves and Penstemons.

Some main jobs for March: Roses should be pruned and heather clipped that has finished flowering. Half-hardy flowers can be sown under glass. In April apply a good general fertiliser round perennials and summer flowering shrubs. May is the month we should safely be able to plant up bedding schemes, hanging baskets and tubs for a brilliant summer show.

Happy gardening!

**Jan Davies**

# CHURCH SERVICES AT EASTER 2006

## St Peter's

9 April Palm Sunday	8am	Holy Communion – Upper Church
	9.30am	Parish Eucharist with Palm Sunday Procession starting by the Village Pharmacy
	11.30am	BCP Matins – Old Church
	6.30pm	Taize Service – Upper Church
10 April Monday	8pm	Evening Prayer
11 April Tuesday	8pm	Lent Groups
		Eucharist
	8pm	Compline
13 April Maundy Thursday	8pm	Eucharist of the Lord's Supper with the keeping of the watch until midnight – Upper Church
14 April Good Friday	10am	A Crown of Thorns – Upper Church
	11.15am	An Act of Witness on the Village Green
	12 noon	'An Hour at the Cross' – Old Church
15 April Holy Saturday	8pm	Easter Vigil – Old Church
16 April Easter Day	8am	Holy Communion – Upper Church
	9.45am	Parish Eucharist – Upper Church
	11.30am	BCP Holy Communion – Old Church



## St Justus and St Anselm's

9 April Palm Sunday	10.30am	Mass of the Passion	Pembury
13 April Maundy Thursday	8pm	Mass of the Lord's Supper	Paddock Wood
14 April Good Friday	12noon	Stations of the Cross for Children	Pembury
15 April Holy Saturday	8pm	Easter Vigil Mass	Paddock Wood
16 April Easter Day	10.30am	Mass	Pembury

## Pembury Baptist Church

2 April	10am	Easter in the world today – Love Triumphs.
	6.30pm	God is closer than you think – Café church.
9 April	10am	Easter in the world today – Love and freedom.
	6.30pm	God is closer than you think – Café church.
14 April Good Friday	10amg	Easter reflection.
16 April Easter Sunday	10am	Family celebration
	6.30pm	God is closer than you think – Café church.
23 April	10am	Easter in the world today – Fully alive
	6.30pm	God is closer than you think – Café church.
30 April	10am	Easter in the world today – Is that all you've got
	6.30pm	God is closer than you think – Café church.



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## YOUR COUNCIL REPORTS . . .

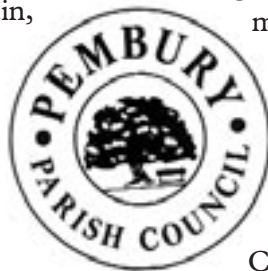
**A**S THE ACCOMPANYING Annual Parish Council Report contains a full summary of events and issues, the following is a bit briefer than usual.

**Anti Social Behaviour** – Because this is a matter of great local concern once again, Kent Police and Tunbridge Wells Borough (who have responsibility for ‘community safety’) have been invited to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting on Monday, 20 March at 8pm in the Village Hall. This will enable residents to listen to, and question, the police, the Borough Council’s Community Safety Manager and your local Borough Councillors on this vital issue.

**Speedwatch** – Speeding traffic is one of the major concerns of residents. The parish signed up some time ago to the Kent ‘Speedwatch’ scheme, which equips communities to get out on the street to monitor and warn speeding motorists (and even report persistent offenders) using a mobile ‘speed flasher’. After countywide delays the scheme is now working in Pembury operated by David Hanes and Steve Morton, and their full report is elsewhere in this issue.

**Bob Wilkes** – Sadly, Bob who was a parish councillor and the Village Tree Warden for many years died in January. He had many roles, including working tirelessly in planning to combat unsuitable development, organising the first parish risk assessment plans and assisting in many environmental projects. It was however, as Tree Warden that Bob

would wish to be remembered. There must be hundreds of new trees in and around Pembury that are his most lasting memorials together with the large trees on the Village Green, which after the great storm of 1987, he almost single-handedly saved. Bob will be greatly missed.



**Parish Council Vacancies** – There are still two vacancies on the Parish Council and it is a sad reflection on local democracy that these still remain unfilled. Pembury Parish Council provides a surprising number of local services as well as representing the interests of Pembury (for example, as a ‘statutory consultee’ on planning matters). It also increasingly works in partnership with other more powerful local bodies to try and protect our quality of life on issues such as speeding traffic, improving services or addressing anti social behaviour. Are you interested in playing a more active role in the village? If so, please contact Barbara Russell, the Parish Clerk, on 823402 and get details.

**Planning** – It is worth stressing again that as a statutory consultee the Parish Council tries to respond to the planning applications received with an understanding of all parties views as well the requirements of Local Plan policies. If you have comments on any application do let the Parish Council know as quickly as possible – you may have information we (and the Borough Council planners) need to know.

**David Coleman**  
Chairman, Pembury Parish Council

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## TOTALLY, TOTALLY BANNED!

**T**HE HOSEPIPE BAN is still in force, even (or especially) for cleaning your car. Water levels are desperately low and it needs each and everyone of us to do something: no running taps when washing hands or cleaning veg (use the plug!), full loads in the washing machine/dishwasher, short showers instead of baths. A family of four can save a bathful of water each day by not running the tap when brushing their teeth . . .

Restraint or standpipes – you decide.

## ROSIE'S RECIPES

**S**PRING HAS arrived and time to think about warmer days ahead. With Easter also approaching I have selected a menu that would impress family or friends for that special weekend. Enjoy.

### Melon with Port

#### Ingredients for

##### 4 people

1 ripe honeydew melon,  
peeled and chopped  
pared rind of 1 lemon  
squeeze of lemon juice  
4 tbsp orange juice  
4 tbsp port  
freshly ground white  
pepper



#### Preparation

Put melon pieces into a serving dish and place in the refrigerator. Cut the lemon rind into very fine julienne strips and put into a small saucepan. Cover with cold water and boil for 1 minute. Drain and rinse under cold running water. Dry on kitchen paper. Mix the lemon and orange juices with the port. Pour over the melon and refrigerate. Serve sprinkled with the lemon julienne strips and freshly ground white pepper. Good served with Crusty French bread or rolls.

**Tip:** for a pretty presentation, use a melon baller to make small balls out of the melon. Take the melon out of the refrigerator 30 mins before serving, so that it is only lightly chilled.

### Beef in Puff Pastry

Ingredients for 6 people  
700g (1½lb) fillet of  
beef

50g (1oz) butter  
salt and pepper, to taste  
4 tbsp whisky or brandy  
3 97g (13oz) packet  
frozen puff pastry,  
thawed  
225g (8oz) smooth garlic  
liver pâté  
beaten egg, to glaze  
150ml (5fl oz) single cream  
fresh herbs, to garnish



#### Preparation

Heat oven to 190°C (375°F/Gas 5). Place beef in roasting pan, dot with butter, season and roast

for 15 mins. Pour half the whisky or brandy over meat, baste with pan juices and roast for 25 mins more, basting frequently. Let cool. Increase oven temperature to 230°C (450°F/Gas 8). Roll out pastry large enough to enclose beef. Spread pâté over meat, place on pastry, brush edges with beaten egg and fold around meat, sealing ends firmly. Decorate with rolled out trimmings and brush with beaten egg. Place on oiled baking tray and bake 30 mins. Transfer to a serving dish. Add remaining whisky or brandy to pan juices and stir well. Add cream and heat sauce gently, stirring. Season and serve with garnished beef.

**Note:** times given are for medium-rare beef, for well-done beef, cook meat 10 mins more. Serve with all your favourite veggies.

### Choc-Orange Cheesecake Boxes

#### Ingredients for 8 servings

65g (2½oz) butter  
150g (5oz) orange  
sultana cookies, crushed  
2 oranges, grated rind  
and juice  
275g (10oz) curd cheese  
150ml (⅓pt) double  
cream, whipped to soft  
peaks  
2 eggs, separated  
25g (1oz) caster  
11g (10½oz) sachet gelatine  
2 tbsp lemon juice  
150g (5oz) dark chocolate thins  
298 g (10½oz) can mandarin oranges in natural  
juice, drained, to decorate



#### Preparation

Base line a 15cm (6in) square loose-bottomed cake tin with greaseproof paper. Melt butter and stir in biscuit crumbs. Press over base of tin and chill to set. Place orange rind, juice, curd cheese, cream, egg yolks and sugar in a bowl and mix together thoroughly. Sprinkle gelatine into a small bowl containing lemon juice and 1 tbsp water. Place in a pan of hot water and stir until dissolved. Whisk egg whites until stiff. Beat gelatine into cheesecake mix, fold in egg whites and pour into tin. Chill until set. Cut into 16 4cm (1½in) squares. Plain chocolate thins around sides and decorate tops with mandarin oranges. Serve.

**Rosie Bass**

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## FOR YOUR DIARY

Village Coffee Morning – Village Hall Tuesdays 9.30am to 12 noon, full market last Tuesday of the month. WRVS Lunch Club – every Wednesday at 11.45am in Pembury Village Hall during the school term time.

### March

- 20 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING – Village Hall – 8pm
- 22 Kent College: Play 'Jane Eyre' – Kent College – 7pm Tickets and information 822006
- 25 Gardeners Spring Show – Village Hall – 2.30pm

### April

- 1 Pembury Footpath Walkers – Stonecourt Lane – 2.15pm
- 3 Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall – 8pm
- 5 St Peter's Mothers' Union: Desert Island Discs – Upper Church Meeting Room – 8pm
- 6 Pembury Afternoon WI: Birthday Party – Village Hall – 2 pm
- 6 Pembury Society Spring Meeting – Main Hall, Village Hall – 7.45 for 8pm
- 7 Pembury Evening WI – Village Hall – 7.45pm
- 10-13 Multi-Sports: for children & young people – Recreation Ground – 9.45am to 12.15pm
- 10 St Peter's Photographic Club: Members' Holidays – Upper Church Meeting Room – 8pm
- 14 BBC 'Any Questions' live broadcast – Village Hall – 8pm. By advance tickets only see page 16 for more details
- 24 Pembury Footpath Walkers: AGM – Village Hall – 8pm
- 24 St Peter's Photographic Club – Upper Church Meeting Room – 8pm
- 29 Scouts & Guides Open Day – Scout & Guide HQ, Recreation Ground – 2pm

### May

- 3 St Peter's Mothers' Union: A Supermarket with a Difference – Upper Church Meeting Room – 8 pm
- 4 Local elections – all day
- 4 Pembury Afternoon WI: Resolutions – Village Hall – 2pm
- 4 Pembury Gardeners: Talk 'Pelargoniums and Geraniums' – Catholic Hall – 7.45 for 8pm
- 5 Pembury Evening WI: – Village Hall – 7.45pm
- 6 Pembury Footpath Walkers – Bo Peep Corner – 2.15p.m.
- 6 Pembury School: Maypole Dancing on the Green – Village Green – 10am
- 6 RNLI May Fayre – Catholic Hall – 10am to 12 noon
- 8 Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall – 8pm
- 12 Pembury Village Quiz – Village Hall – 7.45 for 8pm Details from 822586
- 20 Pepenbury Open Day – Pepenbury, Cornford Lane – 1pm to 4.30pm
- 20 Pembury Gardeners: Plant Sale – Village Green – 8.30 am
- 20 Hospice in the Weald Plant and Country Fayre – 10.00am to 2.30pm

### June

- 1 Pembury Afternoon WI: 'Gardens Far and Wide' – Village Hall – 2pm
- 2 Pembury Evening WI – Village Hall – 7.45pm
- 3 Pembury Footpath Walkers: All day walk – details from 823212
- Parish Council Meeting – Village Hall – 8pm
- 7 St Peter's Mothers' Union: A Visit to Tanzania – Upper Church Meeting Room – 8pm
- 10 Musical Picnic on the Village Green – 6pm
- 24 Barn Dance – Pippins Farm Barn – 7.30pm – details from 822030 and 824327
- 24/25 Flower Festival – Pembury Old Church – open late morning and afternoons

## CRIME IN PEMBURY

**H**APPY NEW YEAR to everyone. We can start with a small glimmer of good news with a minor reduction, 6.7%, in the recorded crime figures for the quarter of October, November and December against the previous quarter, down from 59 to 55. Unfortunately, criminal damage is still the biggest problem followed by theft. Thankfully assaults dropped by 50%, from nine to six and burglary from dwellings from three to one.

Over the New Year period there were some what I would call severe attacks on people's private property and on public amenities; the depressing report in the Courier of £1,000 worth of damage to a parishioner's car and both the telephone box and the bus shelter by the Royal Oak having panels smashed.

I try with difficulty to imagine what ideas (success, triumph and satisfaction?) that must flow through the heads of such

offenders. Perhaps they dream of the same sort of public recognition that people with brains sometimes get. Empty dreams!

We must all get to know our community support officers and wardens so we know who to turn to; if it means reporting a neighbour's relatives, then so be it. The Parish Council provided you all with an information card in the last issue of the magazine so please keep it by the phone and make use of it. If there is a poor response, let me know and should you have any ideas where we, as a community, can reduce the crime and get closer to the police, call me. Don't let Pembury be just another upward statistic, set the trend and force the crime rate down.

As they say on 'Celebrity Fit Club' – your target crime loss for this quarter is 15% – down to 46.75%!

Good Luck!

**Hugh Boorman**

MONTH	Assault	Burglary Dwelling	Burglary Other	Criminal Damage	Fraud and Deception	Drugs	Theft from Motor Vehicle	Theft of Motor Vehicle	Theft Offences	Other Offences	TOTAL
<b>October 2005</b>	1	1		6	3	1		2	6		<b>20</b>
<b>November 2005</b>	2		1	11	2		3	1	2	1	<b>23</b>
<b>December 2005</b>	3			1	1		1		6		<b>12</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>55</b>
<b>ROAD</b>											
Beagles Wood Road										1	<b>1</b>
Bellfield Road									1		<b>1</b>
Bulls Place				2							<b>2</b>
Church Road				2							<b>2</b>
Elmhurst Avenue				3							<b>3</b>
Hastings Road	1			2				1	1		<b>5</b>
Henwood Green Road				2			1	1			<b>4</b>
Henwoods Mount	1										<b>1</b>
Highfield Close				1							<b>1</b>
High Street	2	1		2	6	1			1		<b>13</b>
Kings Toll Road			1								<b>1</b>
Knights Close	1										<b>1</b>
Lower Green Road				4					2		<b>6</b>
Maidstone Road									1		<b>1</b>
Old Church Road								1	1		<b>2</b>
Tonbridge Road	1						2		7		<b>10</b>
Woodhill Park							1				<b>1</b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>55</b>



## SILVER JUBILEE YEAR 2006

**T**HIS YEAR the Catholic parish of St Justus (Paddock Wood) and St Anselm (Pembury) will be 25 years old. The Parish is therefore celebrating its Silver Jubilee. The celebrations begin on Tuesday February 28 2006 with a Parish mass at Paddock Wood by The Most Reverend Kevin McDonald, Archbishop of Southwark, to which all former clergy and parishioners of the parish are invited. Then on July 16 there will be (weather permitting) an open air mass at Pembury for us all to celebrate followed by a Barbeque and Strawberry Lunch.

We shall also be holding a Buffet Dance in the hall in Pembury to raise funds for all the events.

The Parish are putting together a display of Photographs covering the history of the church over the 25 years during which time we have been served by Fr Hartley, Fr Tim Buckley, Fr Joseph Levins, Fr Geoffrey Pointer and lastly Fr Liam Gallagher.



*Father Liam Gallagher.*

## CHURCH TIMES

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

#### Upper Church

8am Holy Communion  
9.45am The Parish  
Eucharist  
and Junior Church  
10am Holy Communion  
(Wednesdays)

#### Old Church

11.30am Matins (except  
first Sunday, Holy  
Communion)  
Evening services as  
advertised on Church  
noticeboards

### CATHOLIC CHAPEL OF ST. ANSELM – PEMBURY

Sunday Mass 10.30am  
Holy Days – Vigil Mass  
7.30pm  
Confessions:  
Sunday 10.15am

Weekday Service:  
Wednesday – Mass 7pm

### PEMBURY BAPTIST CHURCH

We praise God and hear  
his word on Sunday at  
10am. Children's and  
young peoples' group  
meet as well. Evening  
services as advertised.

We have many activities  
during the week for  
mums, toddlers, young  
people and senior citizens.  
Ring the church office  
825590 for details.

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## YOUR REPRESENTATIVES

### COUNTY COUNCIL

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David Mills, 125 Ridgeway, TN2 4ET. Tel: 825577

Tom Symondson, 50 Henwood Green Road, TN2 4LH. Tel: 07985 142965

### PARISH COUNCIL



Cllr David Coleman  
22 Ridgeway TN2 4ER  
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**Chairman of Parish Council**



Cllr Steve Morton  
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**Vice Chairman of Parish Council**  
*Chairman of Planning & Highways  
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Cllr Jennifer Ayres  
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Cllr June Crowhurst,  
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*Chairman, Amenities, Christmas  
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*Chairman, Allotments, Burials,  
Environemt & Environmental  
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# VILLAGE ORGANISATIONS

## AGE CONCERN

Mrs Sandra Springett. Tel.: 522591

## ALZHEIMERS DISEASE SOCIETY

Simon Rooksby, Pineview Day Hospital  
Pembury Hospital. Tel: 823535, Ext 3515

## BLACK & WHITE MARCHING MILITAIRE

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## BOWLS CLUB

Len Birnie. Tel: 01892 681222

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

Deacon Bill Eason. Tel: 824133

## COMPAID TRUST

Computer Aid for Disabled People. Tel: 824060  
Transport for Special Needs. Tel: 823488

## CONSERVATIVE PARTY

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Hon. Secretary: Andy Dawes, 17 Cornford Park, Pembury.  
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## FRIENDS OF PEMBURY PARISH CHURCH

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## NATIONAL CHILDBIRTH TRUST

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Secretary: Mrs Marion Warren. Tel: 547617

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Secretary: Mike Raper. Tel: 01892 520171

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Mike Cartwright, 16 Cornford Park, Pembury.  
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## ST. PETER'S MOTHERS' UNION

Secretary: Mrs M. Adams. Tel: 822769

## ST. PETER'S PHOTOGRAPHIC CLUB

Events Secretary, Carol Wakeford. Tel: 822030

## TABLE TENNIS CLUB.

John Burleton. Tel: 823250

## TREE WARDEN.

Caroline Mazzey Tel: 822493

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Gill Pavely Tel: 822605

## TUNBRIDGE WELLS & DISTRICT VICTIM SUPPORT

SCHEME. Tel: 513969

## VILLAGE HALL

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Tel: 822837

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Evening: Mrs Elizabeth Bellchamber. Tel. 824969

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