

POYNINGS NEWS



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DIARY DATES

- **EVERGREENS Mon 7th DEC**
- **YE OLDE VILLAGERS' XMAS Supper Wed 16th**
- **AI's HAPPY QUIZMAS Thurs 17th Dec**
- **CHILDREN'S XMAS PARTY Fri 18th DEC**
- **CAROL SERVICE Saturday 19th Dec**
- **CHRISTINGLE Thurs 24th DEC**
- **PARISH COUNCIL Tues 12th Jan**
- **BURNS NIGHT Sun 24h Jan**
- **SLOE GIN NIGHT Mon 1st Feb**

YE OLDE VILLAGERS' CHRISTMAS SUPPER

This year's prestigious event will be on :

Wednesday 16th December at The Royal Oak Poynings. Drinks at the bar from 6.30 for a 7.00 pm sit down.

It's that festive time of the year again and the invitations have already gone out. This is a lovely evening at the Royal Oak and has been going for over

24 years now. It was originally set up for those, aged 60 or over, from the Parishes of Poynings and Newtimber (including Saddlescombe). Like Santa, I have a great team of helpers who will wait on you with a drink at the bar, then serve you a delicious traditional Christmas dinner with wine, followed by a scrumptious sweet. (Any extra help is always appreciated so let me know). Raffle tickets are for sale on the night (with great prizes) and the grand draw



takes place after pudding.

The night is put together by myself and a great team and funded by takings on the night, generous donations from both the Poynings Parish Council and the Poynings Golf Society – thank you - as well as from fund raising during the year. The latter includes food and drink sales at Bonfire Night, where food was supplied by Mid Sussex Hog Roast www.midsussexhogroast.co.uk, supported by friends and family. Thanks to all who helped with the 'Bonfire Bar'

- Helen, Malc, Ella, Joanne, Amber and more besides. Thanks also to Rushfields for the loan of their marquee. **PLEASE** don't be shy, let me know if I have any new guests to be invited this year—just turned 60, just moved into the parishes... I should also like to thank Jan and Steve of the Royal Oak for allowing us to carry on with this festive event and for (along with Paul and Lewis) donating wine. With anticipation, Helen 01273 857216 sussex4wd@btconnect.com

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PARTY

The date for your diary is **Friday 18th DECEMBER 4-6 pm.**

This year a huge thanks goes to the Poynings Golf Society who have very kindly raised money for this event. This year, as in so many before the party will be very kindly hosted by the Royal Oak, and its new owners Jan and Steve. Due to the expanding young population of the village it is invitation only, if you have children under the age of 10 and have recently moved into either Poynings or Newtimber (inc Saddlescombe) please call me to make sure you get your invite! Invites will be delivered by Santa's little helpers very soon – so keep a look out! The bar will of course be open for you to get a glass of whatever you may need! Hot food is on the menu along with entertainment and of course Father Christmas himself! Laura 07970729096 or lauranixonthornton@gmail.com.



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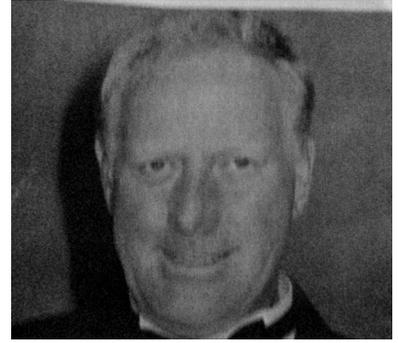
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01273 857024

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If you do not have a bus pass and would like to apply for a subsidised Senior Rail Card phone Colin 01273 857024

GOODBYE**David Terry (1946 — 2015)**

David Terry was born in Poynings, first living in Dyke Cottages. He then moved with his seven brothers and sisters to the new family home at 8 Mill Close, where he lived until he married Jo in 1967. They made their first home in Brighton where Antony was



born. David, however, was a country boy at heart and when there was an opportunity to move back to Poynings he didn't hesitate. In 1969 David, Jo and Antony moved into Grange Cottage where Marcus was born and remained there for 45 years. David was a hard working, shy man with extremely large hands, who always had a smile on his face. David will be missed terribly, not only by Jo & the boys but also by anyone who was privileged to have called David 'My Friend'. Rhonda

Zena 21st June 1933 - July 20th 2015

Zena, her parents and brother had originally lived in Fulking before she moved to Poynings, where she became a well known village character. She was always out and about, night or day, either with her dog on a very long lead or with many bags of shopping. She died in July this year, aged 81.

Maurice Revel

Sadly Maurice died quite suddenly this autumn. Condolences to Carol Revel and to the Lee and Revel families.

**EVERGREENS**

Twenty-three years ago Tony and Margaret Cutress held their first tea party for the over 60s and here we are still having a get together on the first Monday of every month.

Sadly Tony, Margaret and many of the original members are no longer here but plenty of new faces have joined us; plus we have a team of willing hands, many under 60, who not only give up their time each month but provide us with delicious homemade cakes.

Once again a big thank you to all our hosts for kindly inviting us into their homes. We really do appreciate your hospitality.

We will be with Ian and Nikki at Pangdean on December 7th, please contact me if you are over 60 and would like to come along.

Betty Powell
(01273857215)

A Public Access Defibrillator For Poynings

is to be installed at the Sussex 4 Wheel Drive Garage. Helen has agreed that the old telephone kiosk can house the equipment. We are acquiring the defibrillator from the Henfield Area Response Team (HART). It will be available 24/7 and training made available.

A presentation will be given by HART to explain more about how defibrillators save lives. If you wish to attend one of the training sessions let me know and I'll add you to a list. Mike Airey.
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BEST GARDEN COMPETITION



Judge John Murrell again awarded June Nunne the 'Pots and Hanging Baskets' Cup for her amazing display at Mill Court. Nigs Digby was awarded the 'Flower Cup' once more for best flower garden and Sue Brooks won the 'Vegetable Cup' again for her Poynings allotment. The Parish Council thanked John Murrell at the September meeting for all his help with this competition.

Thank you
To the Crowther family, Keith Jennings and Rushfields for all their help lending equipment and donating goods to various village events.

Races -These were cancelled this year as was the rest of the **FUN DAY** because of the wet weather and not because I wanted to hold on to my title of Poynings Fastest Man. I'll try to re-arrange a date for a race..Mike Airey

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Alan Kelly's Golf Day (Poynings Golf Society)
Adam Virgo won the tournament trophy and donations were given to both 'Ye Oldies' & the Children's Christmas parties. A good time was had by all!



Sloe Gin Competition
Monday February 1st 2016
Royal Oak
Don't forget to save some of this year's sloe gin or other liqueur back!
We now have two sections, one for neighbouring villages.

ALERT! 1937 Burgess Hill Water Act
In the 1930's the Burgess Hill Water Company began abstracting water from the natural chalk downs aquifer in Poynings, pumping millions of gallons from boreholes and sending water to the rapidly expanding town of Burgess Hill. The result was that the water table dropped and many farms and other properties in the area found that their wells and springs which had provided water for centuries dried up. The Crown Estates successfully promoted an Act of Parliament which required the Burgess Hill Water Company (and its successors) to provide piped water to the affected properties. Each property was allocated an annual "allowance", roughly equal to the volume of water previously obtained from wells and springs. Over and above the water allowance the water used was to be charged for. Since 1992 the water in the South East is supplied by South East Water, an Australian and Canadian owned Investment Trust Company, which has progressively taken over several local water undertakings. South East Water is now seeking to renege on its legal obligations to provide an allowance of water without charge. If your property is subject to the above Act you could see your water bill massively increase over the next year or so. My property's annual water bill is set to rise from a few hundreds of pounds to over £10,000. I am not surprisingly contesting this. I strongly suggest that if your property is affected that you contact me with a view to taking concerted action.
Michael Crowther: Poynings Grange Farm, Henfield Road, Poynings BN45 7AW 07802 201 854 mcrowther@crowtherassociates.co.uk

HURSTPIERPOINT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

In the Summer Show John Murrell had 12 firsts and nearly as many seconds. Sue Brooks had 6 firsts in this as well as in the Autumn Show & nearly as many seconds. In the summer John won the vegetable cup and Sue the fruit cup. Very well done both! In the Autumn Show Sue won a medal for most points in all 3 shows. Sheila created 'an oddity' using a doll's supermarket trolley and some misshapen vegetables. A number of Poynings folk have now joined the society which has interesting talks and demonstrations, various reductions on seeds/plants and all for just a fiver a year!

Apple Day

A small group of us finally bit the bullet and bought an apple scrapper and press because we couldn't bear the waste of apples any more. The whole thing had been a good few years in the coming and Apple Day was all part of it. Both on and before the day we must have pressed over 100 gallons of apple juice. There were 15 entries for the Apple Cake competition and judges Matt, Vicky and Wendy judged Sue Lee first, Chris Airey second and Emilia Miarkowska third. Well done all and thanks to everyone who entered. Henry Crowther won the Apple Bobbing, getting fifteen apples! Sue Lee and Toby Crowther won the 'Guess the number of apples' at Dawn Leppard's 'Breast Cancer Care' stall where she raised £40.00. Deborah Miarkowska raised £50 for refugees with her cake stall and Liz Bubez raised £25.00 with her ploughman's lunches for MSF. Helen & Ella raised money for 'Ye Oldies Night' with a Pimms stall. Henri & Phil had a stall selling their tasty vegetables. Next year there will be an Apple Chutney competition (any apples will do and this improves with age!). Thanks to Tina & Kev's 'Sold As Seen' for their great music!



CHURCH NEWS

Christmas Services

2015

In addition to the normal Sunday Benefice services held on Sunday mornings in December
Sunday 13th December 6pm

Carol Service at Pyecombe with the Mid Sussex Brass Band and refreshments

Saturday 19th December 6pm
 Carol Service at Holy Trinity, Poynings—followed by mulled wine and mince pies.



Sunday 20th December

2.30 pm Carol Service at St John's, Newtimber - followed by tea in church – for all ages
6pm Carol Service at St Andrew's, Edburton—followed by mulled wine and mince pies.

Christmas Eve Thursday 24th December 3.30pm at Poynings

Christingle Service for children of all ages + oranges and sweets.

Thursday 24th Dec 11.30pm at Edburton and Pyecombe

Midnight services of Holy Communion

Christmas Day Friday 25th Dec

8am Short quiet service of Holy Communion at Poynings

10am Holy Communion for Christmas Day at Newtimber

You and your family welcome

A Christmas Message From The Rectory

A baby and a star – both familiar elements of the Christmas story, and both symbols of the event that we celebrate each year.

For Christmas is about a new beginning, about something – or rather someone – who was born and whose life has made and can continue to make an amazing difference to the world, and to us.

And it is about light. Light in the darkness, at first just a pin-prick like a distant star, but light that can bring hope to our darkest places, personally and as nations. As God knows, we need it.

We celebrate Christmas at so many different levels – as a community time, a family time, or simply a festival that brings some cheer in the middle of a cold winter. And for some it is just a time of expense and false jollity that is best when it is over. Yet at its heart lies a message of hope and joy that is timeless. Whatever you will be doing this Christmas, I do hope that it will be a good time for you, and that perhaps you will hush the noise (even the chink of glasses and the noise of celebration) for just long enough to hear the angels sing, to catch a glimpse of the star, and to ponder what its light might mean for you once the trappings of Christmas have been packed away.

Hope to see you at one of our services over Christmas

Caroline

Village Garden Fete



We were lucky once again with a fabulously fine day for our annual Village Fete. Word went out around the county and we had the best turn out anyone can remember. Not sure whether it was the exciting Murder Mystery which grabbed their attention, the anticipation of cavorting around the Maypole, or drifting off with a Pimms in hand to the melodious tones of 'Sold As Seen' but whatever it was, the Fete Committee were thrilled with the turn out and the Church coffers swelled by a fabulous £2529.

Huge thanks to everyone who worked so hard on stalls, setting up, setting down, serving ice creams, cakes, teas, plants, running games, acting, singing, dancing, puppeteering, mowing, washing, drying, or simply came along to enjoy. It was a marvellous effort by all. Thank you all and well done! Any new ideas and enthusiastic helpers are welcome for next year! Nigs

Happy Hookers

is a place for any of you who like (or would like) to crochet, knit or generally craft! We used to meet one evening a month, but due to various things, the meetings are on hold at present, although I am always happy to start them up again if there is enough interest. Meanwhile, you can find our Facebook group under Happy Hookers (Poynings), and would love to see you and your projects and ideas there. You can also contact me, Helen, 857425. **Happy hooking!**

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PARISH COUNCIL

Next Meeting

Tues 12th January

As you probably know Mark Lee (Chair) and Nicky Cutress (Clerk) have left the council after 24 years hard work. They were presented with gifts at the AGM and Peter Griffiths gave a letter of thanks to Mark from the Chairman of WSCC. Nicky and Mark were later nominated by the Parish Council to receive the MSDC community awards. Colin Warburton left the Parish Council, after eight years service—many thanks - to be

chosen as Clerk. Remaining councillors, Sheila Marshall and Mike Airey, were re-elected, tying with joint most votes (very closely followed by Jake Richards). John Digby and Matthew Cutress were also successful candidates. The Parish Council elected Mike Airey as Chairman (the Vice Chair position being dissolved).

Parish Council dates 2016

Village Hall Tuesdays 7.00

January 12th

March 8th

May 10th

July 5th

September 6th

November 8th



Parish Council Members

Mike Airey (Chairman)

Sheila Marshall

Jake Richards

John Digby

Matthew Cutress

Got something to put on the agenda? Contact Colin on 01273 857024 colin@thefinancehouse.co.uk

BONFIRE NIGHT

Amazing bonfire, fireworks, procession and refreshments - thanks to all who helped or came along to enjoy! This year we had Steve Morley and crew with their fabulous drumming and Helen Woodhams and crew with their excellent food and drink in aid of 'Ye Oldies' Christmas Night'. Special thanks to Mark and crew for working hard to prepare the bonfire for lighting in such bad weather conditions - whatever they did it worked a treat! The fireworks were the best ever, thanks to Jim and crew! Mikey's 19th Guy and its carriers and Colin's torches & bearers were great too, never mind Nicky's crew on the gate & Mike's traffic & safety crew! Thanks to Matt for organizing the field!



CHAIRMAN'S UPDATE

The Parish Council has been looking at traffic calming and footpaths, resolving flooding issues, renewing public waste bins, supporting improvements at the church and arranging for the upkeep of the roundabout.

Previously the Parish Council had received a payment from WSCC 'Watershed' fund, to deal with surface water problems and a full survey was carried out and various gullies cleared. Recently the ditch near Downmere has been dug out so water can flow into the stream and WSCC have done repairs near the roundabout and Grange Farm Cottages. We hope to arrange for roads to be swept and drains to be cleared more regularly. The Parish Council is also in the process of applying for a grant to improve the footpath from the Village Hall to the Church.

Quite separately, WSCC have re-surfaced the Dyke Lane bridleway. It is now safer for horses, their riders and pedestrians. The lower end should not flood as run-off areas have been placed at the side.

In January a traffic speed monitor will be placed at the west end of the village followed by one at the north end, with a view to installing traffic calming measures. The work of removing the old village rubbish bins & installing the new ones was carried out by Colin Warburton & Caius Sheppard. Thanks go to them both for the time they put in for this & for working with Dave Brown clear the 'Downmere ditch'. Mike

Poynings Cricket Club

2015 was a successful year for Poynings Cricket Club. The club, now sponsored by the Royal Oak, successfully gained promotion back to Division 1 at the first attempt by winning Division 2. The club managed to win 15 out of 18 league games and were successfully led to the title by club captain Joe Cutress who did a fantastic job on and off the pitch.

There was also further success during 2015 with our ever growing junior club. During 2015 our junior club increased to 44 members meaning we were able to run teams in 3 age groups - U10, U11 & U12. These teams competed in the South Area League, each age group managed to win at least 1 game and all players showed huge signs of improvement. Our U12 side enjoyed the most success finishing 3rd in their league, winning 6 out of 9 games and narrowly missing out on promotion. As we look ahead to 2016, the 1st XI will compete in the Mid Sussex Cricket League Division 1 and enter various cup competitions. 2016 will also see us run 4 junior sides - U10s, U11s, U12s and U13s and they will all enter the South Area Leagues. As usual we are always looking for new players to join our senior or junior sides. Anyone interested in joining this fantastic club please feel free to contact Gary on gary.wallis-taylor@sussexcricket.co.uk On behalf of all the players and members of the club we would like to thank the Royal Oak for sponsoring us during 2015 and we look forward to a successful 2016 season!

Mid Sussex District Council Community Awards

Tara Stenning, Nicky Cutress and Mark Lee were nominated by the Parish Council for considerable services to the local community. Nicky and Tara attended the award ceremony.

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NEWSLETTER**
December, Christmas & New Year
2015–2016



Village Night - "Sixes and Threes"
Each Monday Evening

Monday is "Village Night". Each Monday evening from 6pm we offer a home-made Soup for £3, a Main Course for just £6 and a Pudding for £3. The menu, which changes weekly, is posted on our website during the weekend immediately preceding. We hope to see many of our friends from Poynings and the surrounding villages but EVERYONE is welcome, so feel free to bring your families and friends.

Al's "Happy Quizmas"
Thursday 17 December 7.30pm

Get together a team of up to 4 players, the entry fee is £2 per player & the winning team takes all! Chef will be offering a hearty **"Steak & Chips" supper for just £10.** Optional of course and available to all, whether joining the quiz or not. Call us to register your team and reserve a table - or just come along on the night.

Poynings Carol Service
Saturday December 19th 6pm

Join us at our beautiful medieval Church for the Carol Service. After the service, the candle-lit theme continues at the Royal Oak with more carols, festive tunes, warm mince pies and maybe a mulled wine or two.

'Christmas Village Night'
Monday 21 December from 6pm

Join us for a menu with a Christmas twist. £6.00 main course, soup and pudding £3.00

Christmas Eve
Thursday 24 December

The bar will be open from 12 noon 'til late and we'll be taking table reservations from 12 noon until 9.30pm. There will be complimentary nibbles later in the evening.

Christmas Day
Friday 25 December

The bar will be open from 12 noon until 2pm. There will be mulled wine, complimentary nibbles and EVERYONE will be welcome.

Boxing Day (& beyond)
Saturday 26 December
to Wednesday 30 December

The bar will be open from 12 noon 'til late and we'll be taking table reservations from 12 noon 'til 9.30pm.

New Year's Eve
Thursday 31 December

We will be taking reservations for lunch and supper from 12 noon 'til 9.30pm. Expect Lounge Music until about 10pm possibly followed by something a bit livelier until late! For those of you not wishing to dine, EVERYONE will be welcome to join us for a glass or three - the bar will be open from 12 noon until late.

New Years' Weekend
Friday 1 January
to Sunday 3 January 2016

The bar will be open from 12 noon 'til late. We'll be taking reservations for lunch and supper from 12 noon 'til 9.30pm.

**WHEN TO VISIT US
OVER THE FESTIVE SEASON
2015-2016**

Monday 14 December to Thursday 17 December

Bar 11am to 11pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Friday 18 December & Saturday 19 December

Bar 11am to 12 midnight

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Sunday 20 December

Bar 12 noon to 10.30pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Monday 21 December & Tuesday 22 December

Bar 12 noon to 11pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Thursday 24 December

Bar 12 noon to 12 midnight

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Friday 25 December

Bar 12 noon to 2pm

Kitchen CLOSED

Saturday 26 December

Bar 12 noon to late

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Sunday 27 December

Bar 12 noon to 10.30pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Monday 28 December - Wednesday 30 December

Bar 12 noon to 11pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Thursday 31 December

Bar 12 noon 'til late

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Lounge Music 'til 10pm, something more lively 'til late !

Friday 1 January 2016

Bar 12 noon 'til late

Kitchen 12 noon 'til 9.30 pm

Saturday 2 January

Bar 11am 'til late

Kitchen 12.00-9.30pm

Sunday 3 January

Bar 12 noon to 10.30pm

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

Monday 4 January onwards....

BUSINESS AS USUAL !

Bar 11am to 11pm

(12 noon to 10.30pm Sunday)

Kitchen 12 noon to 9.30pm

....and finally, some "DIARY DATES" for January 2016 and beyond!

Armando's Quiz Night

Tuesday 12th January

Burns Night

Sunday 24th January

Sloe Gin Night

Monday 1st February

Chinese New Year

Mon 8th February

Valentine's Weekend

Sunday 14th February

Armando's Quiz Night

Tues 16th February

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Belated CONGRATULATIONS TO Angie , Neville, Natasha and family on the birth of Evie, to Andrea and Hannah on the birth of Millie May in September 2013 and to Simon and Ellie Gaul on the birth of their daughter.



GOODBYE AND GOOD LUCK TO Ella & David (Ella came to Poynings from Canada in 1961 when she was six years old & left when she got married in 1973, moved back in 1981 with David & the boys who were nearly two yrs old - in total 46years), to Ian & Ernie, to Mick , Louise & Nicolas, to Dawn, Laurie, Jenson & Healey (look forward to your return!), to Judy (after 33 years), to Louise, to Eds & to Andy & to Kelly, Jack, Cayden & Cercei .

WELCOME TO THE VILLAGE TO Claudia and Andrew, to Andy, to Leigh and Alan, to Janet, Luke and family, to the two ladies at Manor Farm Cottage, to Emma and Jan and **belatedly** to Andrea, Hannah and Millie May and to Simon and Ellie Gaul and family.



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POYNINGS NEWS
Thanks to Mike & Chris for delivering this newsletter
For the March newsletter contact Sheila
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sheila@oakpoynings.freeserve.co.uk

Poynings Youth Club
 A group of us are in the process of setting up a youth club for 10—15 year olds from Poynings, Fulking and Newtimber. So far we have agreed to meet weekly on a Friday at 6.30. We seek second hand techie/games equipment – Phone Niki 857900. Any adults with suitable skills willing to teach a one off session or on a more regular basis contact Sheila 857482. We also hope to get a grant for an outdoor Ping Pong table.

 **Thanks to the Royal Oak for sponsoring the printing of this newsletter** 