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Editor's Comments

Still not got my problems with my computers sorted, in fact it has got worse with the hot weather, so if the quality has suffered a little this month, you will have to forgive me as my technology is struggling and under pressure.

Also I have done my utmost to include everything sent in this month but again having to work between two computers, it is difficult to keep track of where I have saved everything, so again if I have missed anything please excuse me. And if anyone out there can offer me some help in rebuilding my



Village Fete 2006 Saturday August 26th

computer, it would be most appreciated. The deadline for next month will be **Monday 14th August**, although that deadline is more for any hand written material whilst e.mail copy can be up to a week later.

However it is always best to get it in as soon as possible to ensure I still have space as at the moment I am limited to the amount of pages I can use.

It is good to have such excellent weather finally and with holidays coming up hopefully you will all get a good one, plus with so many events taking place at this time of year they should all get well supported.

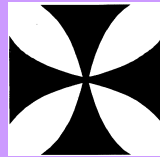
Ann Newman is also looking for more helpers for the fete, so if you can spare a couple of hours please let her know.

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FROM THE HARBOUR MASTERS CHAIR

I write this at the Harbour office on one of the hottest days ever. I look across the river and not a soul to be seen, everybody sheltering from the hot sun. others, of course, taking advantage of the sun and the good light conditions. Photographers from the "Sun" newspaper have been at the river mouth with their "Girls" taking photographs that will no doubt appear under the heading of "Cor. Wot a Schorcher" They have been on location for two days. Other photographers include a group preparing for the "Debenhams" spring catalogue so look out for beach and river scenes next year in the book. Several trips to sea in the Harbour launch taking pictures for our own purposes and we return with a good number of plastic beach "Toys" that have been blown to sea on the offshore wind. We are all aware of the dangers of these "Toys" as the life boat searches for possible lost occupants of them. Great excitement the other Sunday morning. A bus load of big policemen turned up at the Harbour and arrest a yacht importing illegal Russians (men, this time). Some 20 officers apprehended the ring leaders and took them away to detention centres. The boat was taken back to sea by the police, destination, unknown.



There is a second vessel also used in the trade and is presently berthed further up the river. It is possible that those involved, if found guilty, will receive lengthy prison sentences. The very Reverend, Basil O'Ferrill, ex Chaplain to the Fleet, who took a great interest in the Harbour, past away during the month. Although he lived in Winchelsea he was often seen at the harbour office and around the quay. He will be sadly missed. That Hulk of a fishing vessel moored by the bridge at the Strand Quay has now been seized and offered for sale. Main condition of sale is that the boat is moved out of the Strand Quay and onto the main river. There is still time to submit a sealed bid to the harbour office!! The new "Simmons" quay has been officially opened by the local MP Michael Foster. With all the boats decorated with flags and bunting and the quay fitted with lengthy streamers members of the local community with their families attended the opening that included a blessing by the reverend Peter Clarke. The

weather held up to allow a brilliant party in the evening to wet the new "Babies" head. A number of harbour staff were invited to the Lydd ranges, you know, that place where all the noise comes from. Following a "Power Point" talk the team were taken on a trip around the site. It is an interesting fact that some 23 million bullets end up in the sea around the ranges each year! On Sunday 9th July the gates were opened at the Strand Quay to allow Rye churches to gather in prayer for "Sea Sunday" On the following day I took the Reverend Peter Clarke for a trip on the river where he blessed all boats and those that go to sea. The "Winifred May" berthed in Rye broke down off Fairlight. The Range safety boat towed her in as far as the harbour office and we then towed her up to the Strand Quay at Midnight the same day. (I try to avoid night navigation these days) Oh Dear, with these strong easterly winds crossing the river extra care has to be taken when coming up the outer channel. A sailing craft lowered her steel weston wall with the boom crashing one of the navigation lights. Please beware of the cross winds. Don't forget Rye maritime

Harbour Master's Comments Cont.

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festival on the weekend commencing 11th August and

the Raft race later in the month.

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Local Bus Times



Table: Mondays to Saturdays only (excluding Bank Holidays) 315. Lists routes, operators, and times for various locations like Freda Gardham School, Rye (Rail Station), Tilling Green, etc.

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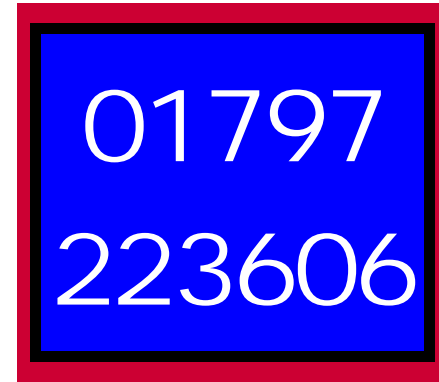
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Theft Rye Harbour Road

On 24th June, The overnight theft of a trailer from their premises on **Rye Harbour Road, Rye**. Scrap metal, comprising of copper, lead and scrap, was also stolen from within the yard. It is believed that the scrap was loaded onto the trailer. The trailer is a 4 wheeled type, one of a kind and is coloured red. There was no sign of forced entry at the scene. Anyone with information is asked to contact police on 0845 60 70 999 quoting serial 604 of 24/06/06 or Crimestoppers, anonymously, on 0800 555 111.

Burglary (As per NHW message 23/06/06)

Between 4.30pm on Wednesday 21st June and 7am on Thursday 22nd June, the locked yard and locked warehouse of Cinque Ports Products Ltd, Harbour Road, Rye has been entered and a black Acer laptop which was fastened to a piece of machinery has been taken.

Between Friday 7th July and Sunday 9th July 2006 Burglary Rye

Harbour Warehouse broken into and safe and laptop taken Between 11.00am on 08/07/06 and 4.00pm on 09/07/06 1297 of 09/07/06

Police are appealing for any information regarding an attempted break in Rye Harbour, 2 males dressed in army style combat trousers and t shirts, driving a old style orange VW transport campervan, it is possible they were after building materials or somewhere to squat, any information regarding this please phone PCSO Dan Bevan at Rye police station on 0845 6070999 quoting serial 1099 28/06/06.

BIKES

During the past month there has been a spate of bike thefts from around the town of Rye. These have occurred mainly during the night time hours although there have been several during the daytime.

Please make sure that your bike is securely fastened and preferably indoors when not in use. Also please ensure that you record your bike's serial number as this is the best way to identify your property if stolen.

If you have any information in relation to this recent spate of thefts, or if you have any idea where the bikes may be being sold to, please contact PS Dave Gill CG232 at Rye Police Station and quote serial 1085 of 08/07/06.

Reminder Holidays

Its holiday time! Don't forget to cancel the milk, newspapers and arrange for someone to collect your post or have it redirected while you are away.

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH Cont...

Message - If your post's visible report it!

Sussex Police are reminding residents that if they find their mail has not been properly posted through their door they should report it to Royal Mail on 08457 740 740. Paul Knight, Priority Crime Reduction Officer, said: "Post left sticking out of letter boxes lets passers by and potential burglars know that the occupants are out. This presents a real lure to the opportunistic burglar.

Message - Anyone can now find out who their local Councillors are and send them an e-mail simply by entering their postcode at

<http://www.councillor.gov.uk/>

This site, developed by the Local Government Association, is a definitive database of Councillors right across the country. It also provides information about local government and democracy generally explaining how councils and councillors work. It is hoped that the site will in the future provide links directly to individual Councillor websites.

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Alternatively the full list of Buy With Confidence Approved Traders can be found on our Buy with confidence web pages. For more information click on <http://www.eastsussex.gov.uk/yourcouncil/pressoffice/pressreleases/2006/06/1008.htm>

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Rother Antisocial Behaviour Co-ordinator: 01424 456160

Rye & District Lions Club Sunday 27th August 2006



Following the resounding success of last year, when some 3,000 spectators attended, the 28th Annual Rye Raft Race is taking place on Sunday 27th August at 1.30pm between the A259 road bridge and the railway bridge, over two laps, which means that spectators will be able to watch the whole race easily. Rafts will launch from 1pm.

In addition to the Raft Race, there will be a Lions Club Fete at The Salts, Rye, from noon and there will be entertainment for children and adults alike, including a huge bouncy castle, quad bikes, coconut shy and many other games, and there will be live music, a bar, ice-creams and a barbecue. An innovation this year is a "luxury" tombola, with many splendid prizes to be won, such as dinner, bed & breakfast at the recently refurbished George Inn, Rye, a digital camera, several meals for two, a ukulele, etc. There is **no** admittance charge to the fete but the Lions will be in evidence with their collecting buckets, raising money for many charities, local, national and international. Programmes for the event are on sale in many shops in Rye and district.

RYE RAFT RACE



Remember that all the money made by the Lions goes directly to charities, including many local ones, with no deductions for admin.

There has been considerable interest from raft entries, but it is still not too late to enter a raft for this event or to ask to have a stall on The Salts. The contact for both raft entry forms and stall space is Mr R J Harvey, Rose Lodge, The Roundel, Old Roar Road, St. Leonards on Sea, E. Sussex TN37 7HE, telephone : 01424 751059.

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Rye & District Age Concern

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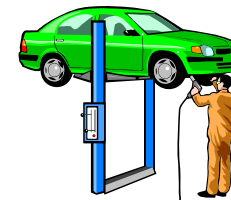
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Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report

Now it's getting near to the end of the breeding season at Rye Harbour, the wardens have been taking stock of our seabird colonies, and all in all it's been a pretty good year on the reserve. At the main colony on Ternery Pool, over 2000 Black-headed Gull, 75 Mediterranean Gull,



departed on the long journey to western Africa where they will spend the winter. However, probably the most exciting nesting seabird at Rye Harbour during 2006 was Common

shrimps, and the odd jelly fish. The early morning moth trapping didn't put everybody off, with a number of families being amazed at the colours and

variety of moths that were seen, and they had fun at identifying a few rarities (see picture). A big thank you to Andy Phillips for filling in at the last minute, whilst Chris was away enjoying married life in Spain.

Many events for the forthcoming summer months can be found on our website www.wildRye.info, but for those without internet access, see below and contact Miriam 01797 227784 for more details:



Gull (above). Despite its name, this species has not bred in Sussex since 1963 (though very large numbers can occur here during the winter months), and it was a very

500 Sandwich Tern and 160 Common Tern bred this year, while on the shore the Little Tern colony numbered roughly 20 pairs, and by mid-July had fledged around 10 youngsters. Already by the middle of this month, adults and youngsters of this species had started to gather on the beach, every so often taking flight and making a circuit out to sea. This is perhaps the Little Tern equivalent of 'itchy feet', and certainly by the time you are reading this article both adults and fledglings will have

pleasant surprise when a pair set up home at Ternery Pool during July.

Now the summer weather is upon us, many events are being held on the reserve to encourage more visitors to get out and learn about the special habitats we are protecting. June and July saw large numbers exploring the seashore for crabs,



Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Report Cont..

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Sat 5th - **Caught in a trap** at 8am at Lime Kiln.
 Fri 11th - **Postcards from the Sea** at 2pm from the Car Park.
 Thurs 17th - **Seashore**

Fri 25th - **Pebbles**
 Everywhere at 11am from the Car Park.
 Sat 26th - **Camber Castle Bug Hunt** and

Mon 28th - **Birds, Bats and Bugs!** At 6.30pm from the Car Park.
 by Barry, Miriam, Chris and Sam

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SAT 5 th	Battle Abbey – Knights trail for children. Information 01424 773721 Smallhythe Place – The building, an illustrated talk describing the structure and early history of the building. Cost £5. Time 2pm, Information 01580 762334. Step Back In Time – Working Bygones held at Hurst Lane, sedge-scombe from 10am. A family day out in the country, food & bar on site. Adults £4 OAP'S £3 - children £2. Free Car Park. Also tomorrow Caught in a Trap – A final chance to inspect the Rye Harbour moth traps. Wheelchair accessible. Toilets with Radar key near start, induction loops. Meet 8am Lime Kiln Information centre, Rye Harbour. Donations appreciated Rye Society of Artists – Held at The Boys Club, Mermaid Street, Rye, from 10am – 5.30pm including Sunday	SUN 13th Smallhythe Place – Truly Yours C. B., starring Alison Neil. Combined dining & event package available in conjunction with Chapel Down Wine Bar & Bistro, dining from 5.30pm with set menu. 01580 762334
SUN 6 th	Orchards & Oasts – Medium distance 5hrs. A circular ride along the roads and bridleways which cross into Kent. The route will contain some off road sections which pass through orchards and a scheduled Ancient monument. Pub stop en route. Pre-booking desirable 01797 226488. Meet at Rye station 10.30am	TUE 15th Battle Abbey – Experience day Junior. Birds of Prey cost £25 from 10am – 12.30pm or 1.30pm – 4pm. Children will learn how to identify different types of bird ect before setting out to fly a bird of prey suitable for children 8-15yrs Pre-booking essential 0870 333 1183 runs till 16th
TUE 8 th	Smallhythe Place – Yuk it's a Duck, Open Wide Theatre Company, present a real story of the Ugly Duckling at 2pm. Adults £6 – Child £4. 01580 762334	MON 21st Pevensey Castle – Children's Dragon trail, runs till 28 th August. Information 0870 3331181
WED 9 th	Smallhythe Place – Fun day theatre, Dressing up, have your photo taken on stage. Time 2pm – 4pm £1.50 per child. Information 01580 762334 Mapp & Lucia Walk – Meet 2pm at the Look out eastern end of High Street (viewing point with the telescope) The walk ends at Lamb House which is only open Thursday & Saturdays from 2pm – 5pm. Adult £4.95	TUE 22nd Smallhythe Place – George & the Dragon. Garlic Theatre Company using rod and glove puppetry, masks and live music from 1pm & 3pm start. Adults £6, Child £4. 01580 762334
		WED 23rd Smallhythe Place – Fun day in the garden, painting pots ect from 2pm – 4pm £1.50 per child. Mapp & Lucia Walk – Meet 2pm at the Look out eastern end of High Street (viewing point with the telescope) The walk ends at Lamb House which is only open Thursday & Saturdays from 2pm – 5pm. Adult £4.95
		FRI 25th Summer Circular – A circular walk from Northiam following an intricate network of field and woodland paths to explore remote countryside in the High Weald. Meet 9.30am Northiam car park, off A28 near church.
		SAT 26th Seashore Discovery – Bring the family to discover the hidden treasures that are washed ashore on our beach. Bring a picnic for lunch on beach (optional). Meet at Rye Harbour car park at 11am. Donations appreciated.
		SUN 27th Mapp & Lucia Walk – Meet 2pm at the Look out eastern end of High Street (viewing point with the telescope) The walk ends at Lamb House which is only open Thursday & Saturdays from 2pm – 5pm. Adult £4.95 Rye Horse & Dog Show & Country Fair – Horse show commences 9am,

held at Salts Farm, Rye. Entries close on August 11th. Late entries £1 extra per class (space permitting)

Smallhythe Place – A Midsummer Nights Dream, performed by the Lord Chamberlains Men. Adults £15, Child £8. Gates open 6pm for picnics. Performance starts at 7pm

Pevensey Castle – Open air theatre, The Importance of being Earnest from 7.30pm – 10pm. Pre-booking essential 0870 3331183

Pestalozzi International Village – Invites you to a flower Fairies & Garden Elves Event. Come and listen to stories about ecological guardians of the garden and make your own fairy wings and elf hats using recycled materials

Meeting outside reception at 2pm. Anyone is welcome. Cost £3 per person, children under 11yrs of age FREE. Information 01424 870444 during office house

Pevensey Castle – Children's Dragon trail, runs till 28th August. Information 0870 3331181

Smallhythe Place – George & the Dragon. Garlic Theatre Company using rod and glove puppetry, masks and live music from 1pm & 3pm start. Adults £6, Child £4. 01580 762334

Smallhythe Place – Fun day History of Smallhythe from 2pm – 4pm. Child £1.50. Information 01580 762334

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Pebbles Pebbles everywhere – Come along to create some artwork out of pebbles found on the beach. Meet at Rye Harbour Care park at 11am. Donations appreciated.

Camber Castle Bug Hunt – A family Picnic in Camber Castle followed by a hunt for creepy crawlies and frogs, leeches and newts in Castle Water. Meet at Brede Lock car park at 12noon. Donations appreciated.

Battle Abbey – Open Air concert. Music on a Summer Evening. Information 0870 3331183

Rye Raft Race – Scotts Float to Rye Salts. Charity stalls, food & drink. Information Bob Harvey 01424 751059

Battle Proms – Details Battle T.I.C. Tickets from the office.

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• WHATS ON - IN YOUR LOCAL AREA •

MON 25 th	Birds Bats & Bugs – An evening stroll to Ternery pool followed by a closer look at some nocturnal creatures with a help of bat detectors and moth traps. Meet at Rye Harbour car park at
WED 30 th	Smallhythe Place – Fun day Treasure Trail. Follow the trail around the garden to claim your reward. 2pm – 4pm £1.50 per child. Information 01580 762334 Mapp & Lucia Walk – Meet 2pm at the Look out eastern end of High Street (viewing point with the telescope) The walk ends at Lamb House which is only open Thursday & Saturdays from 2pm – 5pm. Adult £4.95

Camber Castle open every Week-end from 2pm – 5pm

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Nature Reserve Events

Caught in a trap!! A final chance to inspect the Rye Harbour moth traps. Meet at Lime Kiln Information Centre (TQ946185) at 8am. Wheelchair accessible. Donations appreciated.

Postcards from the Sea. Come down to the beach to explore the strandline during Marine Week, and take home a postcard made from seaweed! Meet at Rye Harbour Car Park at 2pm-3.30pm (1 mile). Donations appreciated.

Seashore Discovery. Bring the family to discover the hidden treasures that are washed ashore on our beach during Marine Week. Bring a picnic for lunch on the beach (optional). Meet at Rye Harbour Car Park at 11am, returning 12.30pm (1 mile). Donations appreciated.

Pebbles Pebbles Everywhere. Come along to create some artwork out of pebbles found on the beach during Marine Week. Meet at Rye Harbour Car Park at 11am-12.30pm (1mile). Wheelchair accessible. Donations appreciated.

Camber Castle Bug Hunt and Picnic. A family picnic in Camber Castle will precede a hunt for several species of creepy crawlies, from frogs, to leeches and newts in Castle Water. Meet at Brede Lock Car Park (TQ919198) at 12noon, returning approx 3pm (2 miles). Donations appreciated.

Birds, Bats and Bugs! An evening stroll to Ternery Pool followed by a closer look at some nocturnal creatures with the help of bat detectors and moth traps. Meet at Rye Harbour Car Park at 6.30pm-dusk (2 miles). Donations appreciated.

Rye Harbour Fete
Saturday 26th August
Featuring
Battle of the Bands



**Bands/musicians wanted to play in
 Battle of the Bands competition
 (cash prize) or just for fun.
 Stalls wanted e.g. fairground, arts &
 crafts, bric a brac, food – all different
 types and unusual things.
 For more information or to enter
 Battle of the bands,
 Contact: Ian on
01797 223258**



Battle of the Bands Competition

Raffle, Fair Ground Stalls,

Cakes, Arts & Crafts,

Face Painting, Plants,

Beer Tent,

Pony Rides, Owls,

Tombola, Bric a Brac.

**Rye Harbour Heritage
 Display in the Church**



LIFEBOAT REPORT



Since my last report the Lifeboat has been out on three shouts, and these are listed below

2 July. While the Lifeboat was on exercise, Coastguard request it to divert to Camber area where two inflatables were experiencing difficulty in returning to shore. The Helmsman agreed to assist and the Lifeboat was on scene at 15.40. The Lifeboat ushered the two inflatables ashore and then returned to Exercise at 16.00hrs.

12 July. At 14:56 Dover Coast guard requested the launch of the Lifeboat to assist in the search of a 7 year old girl missing for one hour at camber sands. The Lifeboat launched at 14:59 and was on scene at 15:05. One crewman was put ashore to assist with the shore line search and the Lifeboat started a

search half a mile off shore from east to west and back. The child was spotted by the Coastguard aeroplane Echo.

November. and was identified as being the missing child by the Coastguard mobile. The Lifeboat was released and returned to station at 15:38. Refuelled and ready for service at 16:00

15 July. Dover Coastguard requested the Lifeboat to launch to reports of a possibly capsized inflatable off of Camber Sands. The Lifeboat launched at 14:13 and was on scene at 14:16. With guidance from the onshore coastguard the Lifeboat was conned to the area where the casualties were last seen. Two objects had been seen in the water and it was thought that they could have been bodies floating face down.

It was established that these were bin liners and once the coastguards were happy that all was well the

lifeboat was released and returned to station at 14:45. The Lifeboat was refuelled and ready for service at 15:07.

Forthcoming event

On Friday the 29th of September the Station is putting on a Late Summer Ball and fund raising evening at the River Haven Hotel. There will be a three course meal, Disco and Blackjack table. Tickets can be obtained from Richard Tollett on 223631 or Natalie and Tony Peters on 229117 at £25.00 each.

That's about it for now but remember you can always visit our web site www.ryeharbourlifeboat.co.uk for up to date info.

Richard Tollett
Lifeboat Operations Manager

HELP WITH VILLAGE FETE

Help still needed for the village fete.

Can you spare a couple of hours on the day?

If so please contact Ann or Steve 225755



FISHING NEWS

ROUND RYE BAY FOR MORE



July has seen the temperature rise and a good spell of settled weather in the south east corner of the country, and with it an increase in the Dover sole catches for the trawlers as well as more of a mixture of the other species found in the bay. Plaice again make up the bulk of the catch, with a nice show of Lemon soles, which have been quite scarce for a while, these alongside some Smooth hounds, Whittings, Flounders and Dabs have made up some good trips. Prices have not reached the high of last month but all fish

have been finding a good market in spite of the hot weather, which can slacken the demand, this in turn leading to a fall in the money fish make. Some netting boats are going further out in the channel to try for the prime fish, such as Turbot, Brill and the Lobsters that can be found on the rough ground. The gear they use differs in the mesh size, being much larger and can target these fish without so much of the smaller fish, that are a lot of hard work to remove from the nets, being caught. Although at risk from bigger beam trawlers and French stern trawlers

towing thru the gear, sometimes the landings have been worth it, with the Turbot and Brill in top condition and always fetching good money. The new fishing quay has been finished with the second section handed over and boats mooring up alongside, starting what is hoped a new era for the Rye fleet. With the publicity and awareness of the quay now being used, it can only be good for the whole town and should be seen as such, even by the doubters.

BOY ASHORE

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Rye will be holding its annual Maritime Festival during the weekend of August 12th and 13th. Commencing on Saturday evening with live music, a BBQ and beer tent and continuing with the main events on Sunday.

The Festival will be held on Strand Quay, Rye and the theme this year will be 'Smugglers' as Rye was a well-known smugglers town in the past. The event will consist of boats of all types moored at Strand Quay, fully dressed, from both Rye Boat Owners Association, and Rye Sailing Club and also hopefully many visiting boats from our friends across the Channel. There will be a competition for the best-dressed boat and also a competition open to all for the best costume with prizes for both adults and children. The Cinque Port volunteers will be bringing a touch of authenticity to the proceedings.

The R.N.L.I. will be giving an inshore demonstration and Pett Level Rescue team will be there with their new boat, as well as East Sussex Fire and Rescue, and the Coastguards. There will be a demonstration by the Hasting Sub Aqua diving club and also by the Cinque Port Lindy Hoppers (Savoy style Lindy Hop) and Dr Syn will be making an appearance. The Farmers market will be represented and many on-going activities will also be taking place.

With beer tent, pig roast, live music, and not forgetting activities for the children it promises to be a real family occasion not to be missed.

AT RYE HARBOUR VILLAGE HALL

PARENT

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TODDLER

Lots of fun things to do!

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For further details contact: Claire on 01797 223894

WANTED URGENTLY. NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY



The village hall management committee does not have a secretary, without one the village hall cannot operate and the charity commission will close and sell the hall.

The job like all others on the committee is voluntary and therefore unpaid.

No experience is necessary as the work is easy. Minute taking, letter writing, organising yearly checks on the electrics and fire safety for the required certificates. Preparing agendas, and various other things that may arise between times.

The work is interesting and varied.

This would suit someone who is retired, someone who is at or works from home, someone in part time work or a student. It would add as work experience to a C.V. There are those on the committee who are always able to help teach the job.

This is a position that requires a certain amount of Confidentiality in some situations.

If you are able to help please contact the chairman Ann Newman telephone: 225755 Thank You.

Rye Harbour Church News

The Church always remembers her past as well as being hopeful for the future. Why the past? Why bother with events and people so long ago? Because in God's eyes, past, present and future are the eternal Now. God who is not confined by time and space gathers up all that is offered to Him from our lives to enrich his Kingdom. Included in that are little-known as well as notable saints. The month of August has a cross-section of such men and women. We thank God on 4th August for Jean-Baptist Vianney, a poor French priest of little learning who in 19th Century became known world-wide for his preaching and spiritual advice. He was but a village clergyman yet was made, after his death in 1859, the Patronal Saints of parish priests. On 9th August, we recall with gratitude the life of Mary Sumner who in 1876 founded the Mothers' Union, from which meeting sprang an international organisation concerned with the family. She was a vicar's wife,



back on philosophy and heresy to become one of the most influential Christian figures in 2000 years. He wrote "Lord, you have made us for yourself, and our hearts are restless until they rest in you".

Veni, Sancte Spiritus

wanting to help young mums in her husband's parish in Hampshire. She died in 1921. On 14th August we remember a courageous Catholic priest, Maximilian Kolbe who lived in Poland. He was arrested by the Nazis and sent to Auschwitz Concentration camp in 1941. When prisoners were due for punishment after a camp break-out, Kolbe offered to take the place of Polish sergeant, a married man with a family. After 2 weeks of starvation, Kolbe was killed with an injection of phenol. The sergeant survived to tell the story. On 27th August, St. Monica is in our thoughts, she who was the mother of the great St. Augustine. Monica who lived in North Africa, a centre of Christianity, in 4th Century, constantly prayed for her brilliant but wayward son. Eventually he turned his

There are many more saints and faithful people remembered in the month of August. Why remember? Because their love, devotion and courage reflected in human lives something of God. Archbishop Michael Ramsey said that "Saints are not made by doing good, rather they have a strange nearness to God which makes God real and near to other people". Another way of putting it is that they are Christ-like. They encourage and inspire us to grow in faith, hope and love.

August Services

Sunday 13th 9.15 a.m.
Holy Communion with hymns

Sunday 27th 10.30 a.m.
Family Service

(No Saturday Club this month)

Hugh Moseley (222430)

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Rye Harbour Parent and Toddler Group

Parent and Toddler has now closed for the summer break and will re-open on Wednesday 13th September. We ended our term with a trip to Lathe Barn near Dymchurch where the children could enjoy farm animals, a picnic lunch and indoor and outdoor play areas. We have several children leaving for school in September so it would be lovely to see some new faces. We have lots of toys and equipment for both babies and toddlers and have healthy snack-time and regular visits from the health visitor on the first Wednesday of the month. The cost is £1 per family which includes refreshments. We meet from 10 until 12 on Wednesdays in the Village Hall. Look forward to seeing you there,



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Family Announcements

BIRTHDAYS

Happy 60th Birthday, on 17th July to Ann, from her cousin.

CONGRATULATIONS

The Baptism took place on 25th June of Dolly Evans Grandson Liam at Rye Harbour Church.

CONDOLENCES

We suffered a sad loss in the Harbour, of Ron Caister recently, our thoughts go to Audrey, Sally, Janice and family.

Joan Smith (Downey), has died at Bexhill where she lived, Joan was a Harbour Duck and lived here most of her life, she lived for many years in Priory Cottage in Tram Road.

SEE THE NEW NATURE RESERVE SITE

<http://www.wildrye.info>

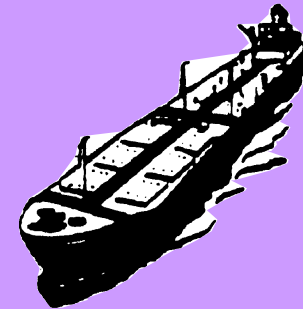
BIBLE STUDIES

Every Wednesday evening at 7.30pm, there is a bible study and house group at my house in Tram Road. We have good free discussions and are forming good friendships. All and any are welcome. Molly Saunders.

The Ploughman's Lunches

Due to the road traffic problems in Rye, it is felt advisable to cancel the Village Hall Ploughman's Lunches for May and June as a considerable number of our patrons either live in Rye or beyond.

We Thank all our supporters for their unflinching help and loyalty and know that we have between us contributed to the well being of the Village Hall and purchase of equipment. However, brighter days lie ahead for the lunches will resume on Monday 11th September at noon. We shall keep you informed.



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