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For Your Diary .....

## VIEWPOINT

1988

What a marvellous job the contractors did for the B2015 By-Pass.

As many trees as possible were saved and the environmental aspects were always one of the main considerations during, and as a legacy for later, after construction. When the A21 is completed I am sure we will be able to make similar comments.

What a shame the hurricane undid some of this thoughtful work. Perhaps even a larger pity is that some members of our community found the hurricane an excuse to cut down perfectly healthy trees.

The countryside Commission might contribute a substantial percentage of replanting costs on both public and private land. If you know of a fallen giant then please contact the Parish Council's tree person, Kit Kelly.

A direct result of our By-Passes is a rise in the value of property in the village coupled with new natural barriers. Most people assume that Pembury will become a village again but moves among property speculators will need to be watched closely. A trip to Crawley is suggested for those who wish to see the results of over intensification of houses.

Your Parish Council makes recommendations regarding planning applications to the Borough Council but they take the decisions. Sometimes a plan is not considered suitable by the Parish but gets subsequent approval. On one recent occasion a plan was passed by Tunbridge Wells for a block of "Sheltered Homes" adjacent to the Conservation Area in Pembury High Street. This was against the advice of the Borough Council's own officers, the views of the Kent County Planning Officer, the County Surveyor, your Parish Council, the Pembury Society and the local Borough Councillors. On the 29th September Pembury Borough Councillor Bob Brown argued eloquently on your behalf at the full council meeting which was covered in the press. Unfortunately, a major factor in the granting of this application, quite properly, was the lack of letters of complaint from members of the public. When this development is in place there will be complaints. Too late.

It is a sad blow to Pembury that Sarah Clarke and Geoff Burdge have resigned from the Parish Council. Sarah has been chairperson since 1979 and her contribution to the community has been enormous, even though she has a young family and busy career.

Sarah steered the Parish Council with tact, charm and determination through what has been a most difficult time in Pembury's history.

Likewise Geoff Burdge. Geoff, apart from many other things handled the Parish accounts.

The Parish Council is sure that all Pembury residents will join them in thanking Sarah and Geoff for their service.

This leaves 2 vacancies on the Parish Council. The Parish notice boards will keep you posted on developments.

Obviously the hurricane created havoc around the Parish, no telephones, no electricity, trees down and roads blocked. We are sure you will agree that the interested parties did a marvellous job in getting life back to normal. It is worth considering that some of these people worked on our behalf before repairing their own damage at home.



Beneficiaries of the Royal Oak's money raising activities include Muscular Dystrophy Research £582, Hardwick School For Mentally Handicapped Children £972, Scanner Appeal £145 plus £100 to other local charities.

This incredible amount was made up by £682 collected in a Bell's Whisky bottle on the bar and a sponsored walk around Bewl. The Football Club raised £375 through their Sunday Raffles. Well done Jim.

On the subject of sport the Royal Oak won the Tunbridge Wells area Cribbage League as well as their Darts League, however, in order to prove that the regulars at the Royal Oak have not misspent their youth playing darts and cards, the quiz team came third in the Tunbridge Wells area at their first attempt and are currently near the top of the League.



#### **MOTHER & TODDLER CLUB**

This club has existed in Pembury for many years and some wonderful work has been done by past organizers in keeping the club open.

Many faces have been seen and good friendships formed over a cup of tea and no doubt the new management will continue to run the club as smoothly as in the past.

Open every Tuesday afternoon during the school term between 1.45 pm and 3.30 pm new or old faces would be very welcome at the Free Church Hall. Tea is served along with orange and biscuits for the children. A small charge of 50p is made per session irrespective of the number of children you bring, to cover costs.

Handicapped children are very welcome so if you have a handicapped child, do not be nervous as the Mother and Toddler Club would love to have you along.

So to all Mums new to the area, or those who have not got round to it yet, do pop in. A cup of tea and a chat await you.

For further details contact Trudy 4515, Rosemary 4659, Janet 4783.

#### PEMBURY CRICKET CLUB

The 1987 Season went very well for the club despite the weather with some notable performances including centuries by Pete Saunders, Jamie Lovell (2) and Ray Kemp.

Two Pembury players were selected for the Mid-Kent League representative side to play in the Club Cricket Conference inter-league competition. This was for Dennis Cole, the club's wicket keeper, his eighth selection. All-rounder Bill Hayward made his first showing.

Having obtained planning permission to fill in the land adjoining the pavilion the club hope to start work soon and complete the task when the Scouts move to their new headquarters. The area will be levelled to provide parking off Chalkit Lane. This work will bring the facilities at Pembury Cricket Club to the standard the club's committee has been seeking for many years.

The cost of re-seeding and maintenance to the square was over £650 last winter and the average running expenses of the club are over £2,000 per annum, all raised voluntarily. It is heartening for the club to have so many hard working members.

### STREET LIGHTING IMPROVEMENTS

In order to save as much as possible in energy costs with regard to its Public Lighting, the Parish Council has over the last two years been converting parts of its Parish Lighting to a standard so that it can be taken over by the Kent County Council and it is this work that has gone a long way to helping the Parish Council being able to reduce its part of your rates bill.

However these changes have brought their own problems especially with regard to unlit lamps as, in the changeover, the responsibility for faults for the first year of the conversion remains with the Parish Council's Contractors unless of course the fault is in the actual supply of electricity to the particular standard and this has brought, quite naturally, a lot of confusion to Parishioners.

In order to help Parishioners as to whom they should contact in the future when they want to report any faults in Lamp Standards, they should in the first instance report it to the local Seeboard Office in Tunbridge Wells (Tel: TW 26131 — ask for the Street Lighting Department) and if action is not taken by the Board within say 10 to 14 days then you should refer the matter to the Tunbridge Wells Borough Council (Tel: TW 26121 — as agents for the Kent County Council) in respect of all roads in the Parish with the exception of the following roads which are in the ownership of the Pembury Parish Council:

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This list will change in the future as it is the intention of the Parish Council over the next two years for the lamp standards in the roads shown in CAPITAL LETTERS to be converted to Kent County Council standards so that they too can eventually be taken over by that Authority.

If, after all your efforts, Seeboard and/or The Borough Council still haven't rectified the faults within a reasonable time, please do not hesitate to contact the Clerk to the Council on Pembury 3459 and pass your problem on to him to sort out.

### AGE CONCERN

At a meeting of Pembury Age Concern held on 1st July it was with reluctance that the committee decided to disband as there was no hope in the foreseeable future of obtaining funds from Kent County Council for a Day Care Centre, the main object for which the committee was formed.

The £100,000 allocated in April 1986 was withdrawn on the 2nd December 1986 as, despite all the efforts made, it proved impossible to get agreement on the type of building to be erected on the Royal Oak site. The money was intended for a single storey building for the elderly (as one would expect for non ambulant people). Unfortunately agencies outside the committee continued to demand an impossibly expensive two storey building leading to the loss of the last opportunity for a much needed facility in Pembury.

It is particularly sad that Age Concern revealed for the first time in April 1986 that they did not support a scheme for Pembury even though they had been involved in all the discussions over the last 4 years. Effectively the committee had been wasting its time as Kent County Council will not fund Day Care Centres without the support of Age Concern Kent. The £100,000 could not be allocated for a project in Pembury due to a scheme elsewhere being behind schedule. Regrettably this "one-off" opportunity was frustrated by all the outside agitation for a two storey building.

All the funds collected in Pembury for a centre, totalling some £600, are being passed to the Tunbridge Wells Day Care Centre and earmarked for the use of the elderly of Pembury.

Mrs Margaret Harris is the organiser for the Tunbridge Wells area and can be contacted on TW 22591.

#### VILLAGE APPRAISAL

In 1976, Pembury was one of the first rural communities to produce a village appraisal as a means of defence against uncontrolled development. This document was called "Pembury 2000". In the absence of a formal plan for the village, this became a key weapon in slowing down Pembury's march towards becoming a suburb of Tunbridge Wells.

Time, however, moves on and "Pembury 2000" is now very much out of date.

In fact, some of the assumptions made in 1976 are now being used by unscrupulous developers to justify building blocks of flats in Pembury!

Pembury Parish Council has, therefore, urgently joined together with the Pembury Society to update the village appraisal into a NEW DOCUMENT – "PEMBURY 2000 PLUS". This will sharpen up the village plan to meet today's needs – and attacks. Working Party Chairman is Sarah Clarke.

The Village has to move quickly to produce the new document and to rebuild its defences. As it must be the genuine view of villagers, a house to house survey is being organised.

The Parish Council is appealing for volunteers to assist in the survey. Would anyone living in Pembury, who is interested in helping to defend the village against unwanted development please contact the Parish Council (Brian Chantler, 3339; David Coleman, 3402 or the Pembury Society – R. Saunders, 3254) and volunteer.

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### YOUR CLERK REPORTS ......

In May of this year Parish Councillors commenced their new four year term of office. Unfortunately only 12 nominations were received for the 13 vacant seats on the Parish Council so again there was no Parish Council election. However, with the co-option of the thirteenth member on the 8th June 1987, there were in fact six new members on the Parish Council which gave a good blend of experience and new ideas to future Meetings. Since that time, two Councillors have resigned and their places have now been taken by two more new Councillors—The Parish Council is now very much dependent on the five experienced Members and the enthusiasm of all the new Members.

The start of a new term of Office is usually the time to plan any future projects for the benefit of the Parish – I'll keep you in touch with the Parish Council's plans and ideas for the next financial year in future Newsletters but I was wondering for future years, whether you, personally, would have any ideas about projects that could be included in, say, a three to five year programme for Pembury – to make life in the Village that much better. Is there anything that you think could be obtained for you and the rest of the community which could be considered at a Parish Council meeting?

I'd love to hear from you – either ring or drop me a line and I'll put all your suggestions forward for Council's consideration.

Before ending this report, I would like belatedly to place on record the Parish Council's thanks to all those Members who did not seek re-election for this new term – Councillors John Brownsden, Gus Good, Ken Haizelden, Bernie Reeve, Brian Sands and to Geoff Burdge and Sarah Clarke, who both recently resigned, for the effort and valuable time that they all gave to the Parish in trying to make Pembury a better place in which to live.

H. S. J. PLANT Clerk to the Council

### YOUTH CLUB says"WE NEED YOUR HELP"

For four years the Junior Youth Club met on Friday evenings from 7.00 p.m. until 8.30 p.m. For four years the Youth Club at Woodside vibrated with the activity and laughter of dozens of 8-13 year old youngsters. They played table tennis and snooker, they played football and rounders and 'it'. They made clay models and kites. They went to the pantomime, the theatre, swimming and ice skating. They drank coke and ate crisps. They fell out and they made friends and they came. For four years a small group of volunteers organised the games, the trips, the coke and the crisps.

Over the years things changed for the volunteers. Some got jobs, some had children who became too old for the Junior Youth Club and some got 'tired'. One by one they slipped away and then there were none. They had done their share. They looked around for new volunteers to organise the games, the trips, the coke and the crisps. Nobody. The Friday evenings are still there – the children are not.

THEY NEED YOU. Who wants to help to organise a new junior youth club on Fridays? Who has got children with nothing to do on Fridays? IT'S **YOU** THEY WANT. Don't leave it for somebody else, because 'somebody else' is not there.

Come along to the Youth Club on Friday 8th January 1988 at 8.00 p.m. if you can help.

Any queries please ring Pembury 4327.

### XMAS FESTIVITIES 1987

Carols on the Village Green -Thursday, 17th December

Pembury Free Church, St. Peter's and the Catholic Church will all be gathering together on the village green on the evening of Thursday, 17th December, to sing Christmas Carols.

Everybody is welcome to join them in what will be a happy village celebration.

The carol singing will start at 7.00 p.m., so do come early, wrap up warm and bring a torch!

#### Christmas Services

Pembury Free Church

Christmas Morning Service 10.00 am

Catholic Church

Christmas Eve Mass with carols 7.30 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass 10.30 a.m.

St Peters (Upper) Church

Christmas Eve Blessing of the Crib 3.30 p.m.

Midnight Communion 11.30 p.m.

Christmas Day Holy Communion 8.00 a.m.

Parish Communion with Junior Church

9.45 a.m.

St Peters (Parish) Church

Holy Communion 11.30 a.m. Christmas Day



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### ROBERT ALLEN

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APPRECIATION

BY

JOHN HAWKER





Each of us will have our own fond memory of Robert Allen, late editor of this newsletter. For some who drive past the Village Green to work, it will be the sight of him striding jauntily with his favourite newspaper tucked firmly under his arm. For many of our older citizens it will be the kindnesses and consideration shown, together with his cheerful punctuality with hot meals. For others who chanced upon him at his favourite watering hole; it was his convivial sociability and encyclopaedic local knowledge.

Parish Councillors will doubtless recall with a smile his obsession with accuracy, (if at times his hearing played tricks with him). The wordsmith could always conjure the exact word and lay bare its meaning and origin. Who else would have known the obscure Arabic derivation of a local house name? Truth and responsibility however, were not for him dictionary items, but practical down to earth commitment, inlaid with the common sense of a Citizens Advice Bureau counsellor and the kaleidoscopic experience of a local journalist.

The pipe had a lot to do with it. Whilst seemingly and sometimes maddeningly preoccupied with it, he could think and of course listen, two of the nobler arts. A love of sport went hand in hand and he could recall with absolute clarity the feats of the Bothams of yesteryear. For him cricket was not just a game, more a way of life, to be played fairly whether you were performing or patiently waiting in the pavilion.

Through it all ran a gentle strand of dry humour, saving his outbursts of indignation for the injustices and intemperate acts wherever they occurred. The green fingered gardener applied the same skills to the cultivation of the elusive spirit of community Pembury so often lacks, yet he foresaw could be born again when the By-passes are completed.

For his lifelong partner Phyl and their sons, Richard and Mike, his loss is acute and irreplaceable. For the community of Pembury, Robert Allen's passing is the end of an immeasurable offering of selfless service. In the true spirit of the man he would accurately observe that no one is indispensable – but some leave a chasm.

The Worldly Hope men set their hearts upon Turns Ashes – or it prospers; and anon Like Snow upon the Deserts' dusty Face Lighting a little Hour or two – is gone

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### KENT STRUCTURE PLAN

The Kent Structure Plan sets the overall planning 'rules' for Kent and in many crucial areas such as Green Belt, environmental and rural issues, roads and transportation, etc., the policies in this document have to be followed by the Local Planning Authorities.

In an area such as Pembury, under constant development attack, the importance of these policies is obvious.

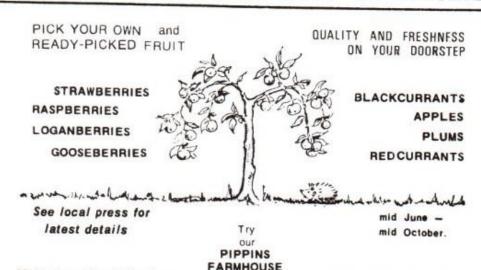
Knowing that the County Council were to review the Structure Plan and that there is every indication that they would make proposals we would not like, Pembury Parish Council were quick off the mark. In 1986, they persuaded the Tunbridge Wells Area Committee of Parish Councils to make recommendations to the County-Wide Association that all the local Councils in Kent should get together and tell the County Council what ordinary people in Kent wanted. The County-Wide Association (260 Parish Councils) agreed and set up a Working Group linked to all the districts in Kent ready to deal swiftly with the County's proposals when they came.

This July, the County unveiled proposals which are so wide-sweeping that they are almost a new Structure Plan. And they lived up to our worst fears – everything including the Green Belt will be sacrificed to encouraging development. Nevertheless, this time the Parishes were ready and as well as submitting their individual views to the County, a Kent-Wide response was given – and the County Council were persuaded to extend their consultation period (originally just the summer holidays) into the Autumn!

In very brief summary, Kent's proposals and the Parishes' responses are set out below. We have taken some little space with this as the matter is of vital importance to all of us who wish to see our children and their children continuing to enjoy a green and beautiful county:—

(i) Economic Development – The county has changed the Structure Plan so that instead of being a document to protect the countryside and the environment, it becomes a vehicle for encouraging development throughout the county. Unfortunately, not only in the run-down urban areas, but for the first time it would allow 'prestigious' (whatever that means) commercial developments in the Green Belt.

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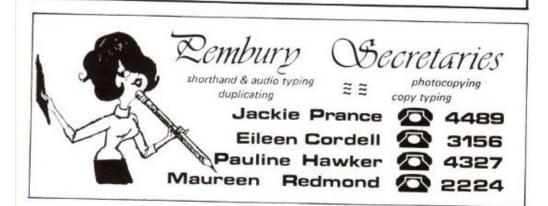
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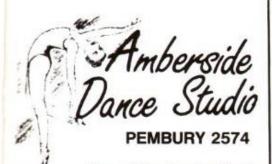
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(ii) Housing – The Kent County Council proposals are for "new free-standing communities" (new towns and villages) and they have produced frightening statistics as to the housing build demands that should be accommodated.

The Parishes have stated that these are unjustified and will lead to unnecessary "green field" development. They object to the concept of freestanding communities because of the unnecessary land this will take and wish to see the existing urban environment improved so as to meet housing needs within existing towns. The Parishes also believe that greater attention should be paid by the County to "local needs' housing" in villages and rural communities where local people are being driven out because they cannot afford housing prices.

(iii) Environmental Issues – The County Council proposes to allow development within the Green Belt for the first time, weakening the general prescription against developments in the countryside.

The Parishes wish to see further protection of the Green Belt and object to the policies to allow development in it. They wish to see a strategic policy to create "green areas" around existing towns—that is, increasing the Green Belt, not diminishing it. They also wish to see under-used urban land, particularly the derelict land in the middle of towns and along the Thames, being used before any green field sites are considered.

(iv) Infrastructure – The County is once again proposing a piecemeal approach to infrastructure with developments being built and then followed (as and when the economic situation allows it) by roads, sewers, schools, health and community facilities, etc.

The Parishes want to see a unified approach to the infrastructure clearly set out in the Structure Plan. They also wish to see community services being given much more weight.

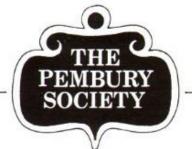


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(v) Rural Settlements and Villages – While the County on one hand states support for the retention of rural settlement policies in keeping the countryside, they have proposed a very disturbing revolutionary change. That is, that within the Structure Plan there should be lists of the villages in Kent where substantial developments could take place!

The Parishes, however, strongly disagree with the principles of this. It is agreed that villages wish to know their future, but it should be done locally in consultation with District Councils. The County should set out policies which delegate to District Councils (in local plans) the identification of local policies.

Pembury Parish Councillor David Coleman, who is Chairman of the Kent-Wide Parish Councils Structure Plan Working Party, commented that for the first time, the over 260 local communities throughout Kent have got together and provided a united front to strongly represent to the County what ordinary people wish to see happen to their environment over the next few years.

It is now up to Kent to decide what notice they are going to take of the representations that have been made – and the indications are that they will water down at least some of the more outrageous proposals.

The "new" Structure Plan will then be considered by the Secretary of State for the Environment and, hopefully, a Public Inquiry will take place in the summer of 1988. The battle will continue up to that time with Pembury Parish Council joining together with its colleagues across Kent in representing your views. If you, as an individual parishioner, have any comments you wish to make, please write to the Parish Council who will be happy to pass them to the County.



### VILLAGE ORGANIZATIONS

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Afternoon: Mrs. B. Barker, 12 Highfield Close.

Evening: Mrs. V. Ballantine, 6 Maidstone Road.

Mrs. H. Swinden, 6 Church Road, Tel: 3378

## FOR YOUR DIARY

| DEC. | 17               | Carols on the Green. 7 p.m.  |
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|      | 18               | Catholic Church Carol Service. 8 p.m.  |
|      | 20               | Eroochurch Carol Service, 6:30 p.m.  |
|      | 20               | St Peters Carol Service (Upper Church), 6.30 p.m.  |
|      | 31               | Pembury Cricket Club NEW YEARS EVE PARTY - Clubriouse. o p.m.  |
| JAN. | 2                | Pembury Footpath Walkers - Walk starting from Bo-Peep at 2.15 p.m.   |
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|      | 7                | Darby & Joan Club, Village Hall at 2,30 p.m. Afternoon W.I. Yoga for the Elderly by Mrs. Ann Crowther, Village Hall at 2,30 p.m. Afternoon W.I. Yoga for the Elderly by Mrs. Ann Crowther, Village Hall at 2,30 p.m.   |
|      | 8                | Afternoon W.I. Yoga for the Elderly by Mrs. Ann Crownier, Village Hovening W.I. Talk on Old Postcards by Mr. J. Simon (husbands welcome from 8.15 p.m.) Village H  |
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|      | 16               | Pembury Players Pantomime – The Revenge of the Ugly Sisters'. Village Hall at 8 p.m. Matinee<br>Pembury Players Pantomime – The Revenge of the Ugly Sisters'. Village Hall at 8 p.m. Matinee   |
|      | 10               | at 3 n m   |
|      | 19               | Door R. Jose Club Village Hall at 2 p.m.   |
|      | 23               | Pembury Cricket Club JUMBLE SALE, Village hall at 2 p.m.   |
|      | 23               | Parish Council (Question Time 8.30) - Management Group, Village Hall at 8 p.m.   |
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|      | 5                | Evening W.I. – 30 years farming in Periodic by Sylvin Stonecourt Lane bus stop 2.15 p.m. Pembury Footpath Walkers – Walk starting from Stonecourt Lane bus stop 2.15 p.m.  |
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|      | 16               | Parish Council (Question time 8.30 p.m.) – Environmental Group, Village Hall 8 p.m.  |
|      | 22               | Horticultural Society AGM (Buffet & Wine). Village Hall 7.45 p.m.  |
|      | 25               | Horticultural Society Adm I Sales & Manual M |
| MAR  | 1                | Ladies' Social Group - Land of Milk & Honey by Mrs. Wyatt.   |
|      |                  | 31 The Coppice at 8 p.m.   |
|      | 1                | Darby & Joan Club. Village Hall at 2 p.m.  |
|      | 3                | Afternoon W.I. – Small Antiques by Mrs. M. Goodridge.  |
|      |                  | Utiliana Hall 2 20 a m   |
|      | 4                | Evening W.I. – Talk on Women & The Law by Mr. Lee.   |
|      |                  | Village Hall 7.45 p.m.   |

Pembury Footpath Walkers – Walk starting from The Camden car park at 2.15 p.m.
 Parish Council (Question time 8.30 p.m.) – Management Group. Village Hall 8 p.m.
 Darby & Joan Club – Talk on the History of Pembury by Mrs. Irene Plant. Village Hall at 2 p.m.

16 Parish Council – Annual Parish Meeting. Village Hall 8 p.m.

25 Pembury Cricket Club AGM. Clubhouse at

7.30 p.m. 29 Darby & Joan Club. Village Hall at 2 p.m.

31 Horticultural Society – Beyond the Tamar by Mrs. Phyllis Bartlett. Village Hall at 8 p.m.

#### ST. PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

Upper Church

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion 9.45 a.m. Parish Communion

11.30 a.m. Junior Church (except last Sunday)

6.30 p.m. Evensong

Parish Church

11.30 a.m. Mattins

12.10 p.m. Holy Communion (first Sunday)

Every Friday – Pembury Village Market – V. Hall 9.45–11.15 a.m. Every Monday – Pembury Sequence Dance Club – Catholic Hall 7.45–10.15 p.m.