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VIEWPOINT

The Parish Council is watching very closely the deliberations within the Borough Council about the Tesco supermarket application for Woodsgate Corner. It appears now that 500 spaces are planned for the park-and-ride scheme, leaving a much smaller area – about one acre – for amenity use. So it is even more important that Pembury makes sure it gets exactly what it needs in the community/sports hall building, whether the developer provides just the funds or puts up the actual building. To this end Cllr. Derek Goodwin, the new chairman of the amenities committee, hopes that local people will let him know what their priorities are and what facilities will be of most benefit to the village.

Meanwhile, the saga of the eyesore at the corner of Romford Road continues. Nearby residents have previously complained about rats on the premises; now, the fence bordering the property has been broken giving access to the derelict building. The result, it is alleged, is that the place is being used as a public toilet and graffiti artists have been at work. The Parish Council passed the complaints on to Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, whose environmental health officers claim "there is no evidence of rodent infestation or accumulations of putrescible matter, therefore, there are no contraventions of any legislation."

The Parish Council has now decided to write direct to the owner of the property, informing him of its deterioration and the concern it is causing to neighbouring householders. It is all too easy for absentee landlords to neglect their property and perhaps be unaware of the strength of local feeling provoked by having such a run-down and dilapidated building in their midst.

Editor

PEMBURY

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HOSPITAL BENEFITS FROM FETE FUNDS

Last summer's Pembury Hospital Fete, organised by the League of Friends, raised the magnificent sum of £11,700. This money is buying an anaesthetic machine for the labour ward. The machine is used for Caesarian sections and emergencies which may occur during childbirh, and will add an important facility to the ward.

The League provides many pieces of equipment for the hospital and also improvements to facilities for both patients and staff. In 1991 it contributed £10,000 towards the cost of new public toilets.

Recently, there have been several attacks on members of staff at Pembury

Hospital and the League feels it is important to do everything possible to prevent further incidents. It has, therefore, pledged £34,000 to improve security.

The 1992 Fete will be held on Saturday 29 August and details will appear in the summer issue of this newsletter. Many people were disappointed at the lack of a printed programme for the Fete last year. This has become costly to produce, but the possibility of the League producing its own newsletter to publicise its plans and projects is now being discussed.

If anyone feels able to help at the Fete, or in any other way, please contact Sheila Gibson, the League's PRO, on Pembury 2167.



Headway opens day centre

A new Day Centre for people who have suffered brain damage through accidents is opening in March at Pembury Hospital. It is being run by the Tunbridge Wells branch of Headway, the National Head Injuries Association.

The centre will provide art, exercise and movement, occupational and speech therapy, cards, board games and a cooked lunch, all in a very friendly atmosphere. Initially the centre will be open every Thursday from 10am to

3.30pm, but it is hoped to open for two days a week shortly.

Volunteers are urgently needed for an hour or more in the morning and/or afternoon. No skills are necessary, but if anyone has expertise that can be used, could they contact either Pam or Michael Munro on Tunbridge Wells 541250. They will be very pleased to give more information to anyone who is interested in helping the new venture.

Pembury's French Evening

The Village Hall, transformed with tricouleurs, accordion music and Can-Can dancers, provided an authentic cabaret setting for the Pembury/Ronchin Friend-ship Association's first fund raising event.

Guests of honour were Monsieur and Madame Tonnerre from Ronchin, who arrived with a car load of Beaujolais Nouveau, Camembert, Ronchin beer and numerous autres cadeaux to add finesse to the feast.

French resident, Association Secretary and chanteuse, Brigitte Jenner, provided lively continuity and acted as interpreter. Sandra Toogood and her many helpers served up some delightful French

cuisine on plates aptly obtained from French Collection.

Les Girls from Margaret King's Amberside Dance Studio performed a magnificent Can-Can and to shouts of Encore! did it some more. Their collection for Children in Need raised £50.

Special mercis are due to Derek Goodwin for his son et lumière, which converted a stark Village Hall interior into the Moulin Rouge.

All agreed that Pembury's first tentative soiree was fun and Chairman Dick Miles confessed his relief and delight with the village response. A total of £125 was raised for the next task of forging links for all ages between the two communities.

PARKING COMPLAINTS - AGAIN

Complaints about parking in two areas of the village are being investigated by PC Peter Vaughan. The first is in the High Street, between the Village Hall and the pelican crossing outside Unwins. Recently, a partially sighted villager walked into a vehicle parked here, half on the pavement. Fortunately, the man was not injured.

"Pavements are for pedestrians. There s no excuse for driving on the pavement and no excuses will be accepted," says Peter Vaughan. "Not only do you comnit an offence, but the highway depart-

ment can also sue you for the cost of repairs to the footpath."

The other problem area is outside the village school. Complaints have been made about the way mothers park in the Ridgeway and around its junction onto Lower Green Road near the school.

"I am looking at this problem and, if necessary, will not hesitate to report parents for parking or obstruction offences," warns PC Vaughan. "It is in your child's interest to park leaving this junction clear."

GOUNGILLORS

GOMMENT



I have been a mathematics lecturer at West Kent College, Tonbridge, for the last ten years. Previously, I had been Head of Mathematics in schools in the London Borough of Bromley. We lived in Orpington for 22 years. My wife Sylvia and I, and our daughters Lynne and Sally, took an active part in numerous organisations. I was chairman of our residents association for some years. When the London Borough of Bromley built the Eldred Community Centre in Orpington I was invited to become a member of the steering committee and then became treasurer of the centre for three years.

We moved to Pembury four years ago, and soon settled in and made friends here. There are still one or two people who regard us as 'foreigners', but we are trying to convince them that we do have the best interests of Pembury and its residents at heart.

When I first heard of the proposals

for a new community hall and recreational facilities for Pembury at Woodsgate Corner, as a member of the Amenities Committee I was very enthusiastic. We complain about the increase of vandalism and the crime rate, so we must offer some interesting and enjoyable alternatives. At West Kent College we have virtually no leisure facilities. In Tonbridge there is the Angel Centre and an open air swimming pool. In Tunbridge Wells we have an over-used sports centre with a leaking roof, and an indoor swimming pool where they had to turn people away last summer when the boilers had to be replaced. Surely we can and must do better for our local people.

It seems, unfortunately, that the only way we can get our much needed community hall is by doing a deal with a supermarket chain. Obviously, this will have some effect on the local shopkeepers. However, the majority of us already do our main shopping once a week at a supermarket and use our local shops for day to day items, so I cannot see this pattern changing

in the future.

I also serve on the Highways Committee of the Parish Council. Thanks to local activists in the past Pembury now has two by-passes. However, the planners do not seem to concern themselves with what will happen to the traffic between by-passes. Every rushhour the traffic on the A21 between the Pembury and the Tonbridge by-passes is solid. We are told that we must wait until 1996 for improvements to this road and for the Pembury-Dampiers Corner by-pass.

I was very pleased to be elected chairman of the Pembury Society at their AGM, and I look forward to continued co-operation and good relations between the society and the Parish Council.

Ron Abbott



PC Peter Vaughan

A day in the life of a village policeman

The day shift: 08.00 to 16.00

07.50: Start from home. Telephone Tunbridge Wells Police Station and book 'on' duty. Then leave home and travel to Paddock Wood Police office.

08.00: At Paddock Wood check for any notes left in my tray, look at the Force computer to see what has happened in our local area since I was last on duty.

08.45: Having dealt with several telephone enquiries at the office I set off to start patrol in the village.

09.15: Meet local residents to discuss parking problems. A letter of complaint was sent by them expressing concern about the way people park in their road and the problems that result from this. I have my first cup of coffee of the day and decide to write a traffic management report to Kent County Council Highways on the matter.

10.30: Enquiries at a local garage who have reported a theft. Having taken this report I then begin foot patrol along the High Street and Hastings Road.

12.00: There is an accident on the A21 between the A264 and Kippings Cross. I arrive at the scene. A car towing a caravan has suffered a puncture, the caravan has spun, hit another car, then collided with the crash barrier.

Nobody is injured, but one lane of the A21 is blocked for thirty minutes while a recovery vehicle clears the debris. While I am at this accident another is reported at Lamberhurst. This is a head-on accident at the roadworks between Lamberhurst village and the AA Box.

12.40: Arrive at scene and set up a diversion for traffic travelling south. Motorists are directed towards Goudhurst, then turn right and rejoin A21 at top of School Hill, Several drivers shout abuse at me for this diversion and one later wrote a letter of complaint.

14.00: Arrive home for lunch. During the morning several people have telephoned home and during my lunch break I contact them.

14.45: Resume patrol, calling on local people for a chat and to discover any local problems.

15.20: Return to Pembury Police office. Check for mail and do some report writing.

16.00: Return home and go off duty. During the evening several other residents ring me at home. Some I will deal with there and then, others will wait until I am next on duty.

(This is the first of two special articles by Peter Vaughan)

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IN BRIEF ***

Pembury's 12th century Parish Church will be open on Easter Day, Sunday 19 April, from 3pm to 5pm. From 10 May until 6 September the church will be open to visitors every summer Sunday between 3pm and 5pm.

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Bob Collard, BBC Radio Kent's gardening expert, will be talking to Pembury Horticultural Society at their meeting on Thursday 28 May, and will be answering gardeners' queries. The meeting is in the Village Hall at 8pm and is open to non-members. The entrance fee of 50p includes a cup of tea or coffee.

The annual May Fayre, organised in aid of St Peter's Church, will be held on Saturday, 16 May. Looking further ahead, there will also be an Autumn Fayre on Saturday 14 November.

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The Rev. Jim Brasier reports that permission from the diocese has now been given to proceed with the re-ordering of the Upper Church of St Peter. Many readers will have seen preliminary plans for this project, details of which will be given in our next issue.

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The Spring meeting of the Pembury Society will be held on Wednesday 29 April at 8pm in the Village Hall. Mr Bill Goodwin, special projects officer for Tunbridge Wells BC, will give an illustrated talk on the Royal Victoria Place Development, due to be completed within the next few weeks.

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The Darby and Joan Club have built up a large collection of jig-saw puzzles. They will welcome any non-members who enjoy doing jig-saws to come along to their meeting to make use of the puzzles.

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Pembury Society welcomes new members. Its annual membership fees are: Family £2.50, Individuals £1.50, Senior Citizens £1, two senior citizens in household £1.50. For further information please contact the secretary on Pembury 4489.

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The Pembury Players' pantomime "The Other Mother Goose" fitted in with the general New Year revelry and included all the usual jokes, put across by Steve Murphy and Steve Young, as well as featuring a dance routine "Sam the Clam" by Bob Lindsay. Mother Goose was portrayed with uncanny accuracy by lan Thomas. Thanks are due to Maggie Weaver for holding the show rehearsals together and steering the team in the right direction. Anyone interested in joining the Pembury Players should go along to the Village Hall on any Tuesday evening between 8pm and 10pm.

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SCHOOL CARRIES ON TRADITION OF MAYPOLE DANCING

The tradition of Maypole Dancing by the pupils of Pembury School goes back many years. In the late seventies the Parish Council organised a local May Queen competition and in 1978 the school country dancers were invited to perform. However, the May Queen event was not widely supported by the young ladies of the village, so the school children were asked if they would choose their own "Queen of the May".

In 1981 the School held its first "Queen of the May" ceremony on the Upper Green and since those early years successive teams of maypole dancers have been trained by their Country Dance teacher, Mrs Mary Adams, ably supported by other members of the school staff together with enthusiastic groups of children and parents. The children practise after school once a week throughout the Spring Term and always dance on the Upper Green on the first Saturday in May. They have danced in sleet and showers and occasionally sunshine.

The school maypole has 24 ribbons for plaiting and this demands great concentration and team work by the children who have adapted the dance patterns over the years to suit a variety of taped music. The material for our traditional maroon boleros and flowered skirts which are worn on this occasion, was originally purchased by the Pembury School Association (formerly PTA) and then made up by many kind parents.

Before the Easter Holiday the children vote for one of the team to be May Queen, and the ceremony which then follows in May on the Village Green includes maypole dancing, hoop dancing and crowning the May Queen to the accompaniment of music from the school recorder group and is usually watched by a large audience of appreciative parents and villagers.

Since the opening of the A21 By-Pass in 1988 the traffic noise has been greatly reduced, with the result that our audience has been better able to enjoy both the music as well as the visual display. This year will be our fourteenth appearance, and the school once again invites members of the village community to join us on Saturday 2 May at 10.30 am.

Richard Nisbet

Headteacher

LEISURE TIME - VILLAGE STYLE



This is the second season for Pembury Under 12s football team and at the time of going to press they had won four games, drawn two and lost seven. The team plays fixtures on Sunday mornings in the Recreation Ground and are part of the Crowborough League. There are six junior football teams in Pembury, ranging from under 11s to under 16s and each team has its own manager. The under 12s are managed by Richard Parris, seen here in the centre of the group. Any boys interested in joining the Junior Football Club should contact Laurie Frowde on Pembury 2826.

Easing access to High Weald

The Kent High Weald Project, jointly funded by the Countryside Commission, Kent County Council and Tunbridge Wells Borough Council, is now under way. The area covered by the project roughly follows the boundaries of Tunbridge Wells BC. The object is to encourage and promote conservation, landscaping enhancement and informal recreation opportunities.

The two full-time members of the project are Keith Rennells and Richard

Dealler, based at Flimwell. They would like to hear from any local landowners, parish councillors, schools and residents with ideas for improving the environment in the High Weald. Their immediate programme includes improvement of public access, with stile construction as part of the activity.

Anyone who would like to help with the project, or wants advice, should contact the team on 0580 87298

Improved play area for infants

The new Chairman of the Amenities Committee is Cllr. Derek Goodwin, who has taken over from Mr Arthur Storey who resigned from the Parish Council recently.

Derek Goodwin has two priorities concerning amenities. First, he would like to get some feedback from local residents about the amenity gain to the village linked to the Tesco superstore development, if this goes ahead. A community or sports hall has been suggested, but what form should it take and for which sports and activities?

The second priority is the improvement of the infants play area on the Recreation Ground. The Parish Council is to extend the fenced area, making it larger, and are to put in a new activity centre, including a climbing frame, surrounded by a safety surface. The work will take place during the summer months but will not involve any closure of the play area.

"We want to make sure that the little ones have a safe and agreeable place to play," says Mr Goodwin. For this reason we shall be putting up notices asking dog owners to keep their animals out of the fenced section. I do urge dog owners to respect other people's feelings and to keep their dogs under control."

Vandalism on the "Rec" is another cause for concern, but Derek Goodwin believes most of this is caused by thoughtlessness rather than malicious damage.

"We need to foster a greater sense of community responsibility and pride," he says.

Derek Goodwin has been a Parish Councillor for over five years and has lived in Pembury since 1968.



The Parish Council's new groundsman is 31-year-old lan Noel, who comes from Jersey. After attending Writtle Horticultural College at Chelmsford he worked for Kent County Council with the land and countryside group at Springfield. His wife Charmain, also a Channel Islander and a horticulturist, is a landscape officer with the KCC. The couple live at Five Oak Green.

Bedgebury Visit

Pembury Society plans a half-day visit to Bedgebury Pinetum in May. This is in response to requests made by members after the autumn meeting when there was an excellent illustrated talk by Mr Colin Moran, the curator of the pinetum. The entry fee is £1 for adults and 50p for children and further details will be available to members at the spring meeting.

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LOOK BACK

A visit to the Wells

Pembury cannot escape its proximity to its larger neighbour Tunbridge Wells. This is particularly true when looking back in history, for although Pembury was on the map most people probably journeyed through it on their way to or from the coast, or to Tunbridge Wells itself, and few had cause to stop here - other than for refreshment or to change horses.

Daniel Defoe almost certainly passed this way on his tour of Kent in 1722, when he travelled up from Rye and Hastings to visit the Wells. He arrived at an opportune moment.

"When I came to the wells ... I found a great deal of good company there . . . it happen'd to be at the time when his Royal Highness the Prince of Wales was there with abundance of the nobility, and gentry of the country, who to honour the prince's coming, or to satisfy their own curiosity, throng'd to that place; so that at first I found it very difficult to get a lodging.

"The prince appeared upon the walks, went into the raffling shops, and to every publick place, saw every thing, and let every body see him, and went away, with the Duke of Dorset, and other of his attendance for Portsmouth; so in two or three days, things returned all to their antient chanel, and Tunbridge was just what it used to be."

And what it was, after the serious business of taking the waters was completed, was a place for good company, conversation and amusements and diversions of all kinds, for all manner of visitors.

"As for gaming, sharping, intrieguing; as also fops, fools, beaus, and the like, Tunbridge is as full of these as can be desired, and it takes off much of the diversions of those persons of honour and virtue, who go there to be innocently recreated: However a man of character, and good behaviour cannot be there any time, but he may single out such company as may be suitable to him, and with whom he may be as merry as heart can wish."

Defoe praised the town's good healthy air and the excellence of its provisions - fish from Rye and "in the season of mackarel, they have them here from Hastings, within three hours of their being taken out of the sea, and the difference which that makes in their goodness, I need not mention."

He also lists the abundance of wildfowl, such as pheasant, partridge, woodcock, snipe, quails and duck.

"In a word, Tunbridge wants nothing that can add to the felicities of life, or that can make a man or woman compleatly happy, always povided that they have money; for without money a man is no-body at Tunbridge, any more than at any other place; and when any man finds his pockets low, he has nothing left to think of, but to be gone, for he will have no diversion in staying there any longer."

Alas, Defoe himself temporarily ran out of funds and had to leave the town for the next stage of his travels.

(The extracts are taken from Defoe's "A Tour through the Whole Island of Great Britain".)

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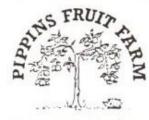
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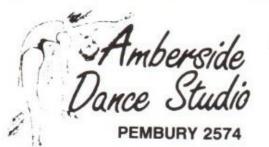
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The Annual General Meeting of the Pembury Parish Council will be held on 18 March 1992 at 8.00pm in the Village Hall. All parishioners are invited to attend and ask questions of the parish councillors and guest speakers.

At the Annual General Meeting I will be submitting a full financial report for the year ending March 1991, but here is a brief summary.

Precept demanded from Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for 1990/1991 £81,954.00 Income from other sources 18.860.69 Loans 36,980.00 Balances b/fwd 1 April 1990 10,632.95 Total Income 148,427.64 Expenditure 89,802.98 Balances c/fwd 31st March 1991 58,624.66

The precept for the year 1991/1992 was 92,813.00
The precept for the year 1992/1993 will be 99,922.00

The new Parish Council Storage Depot has now been completed and is in full use by our groundsmen, Ian Noel and Roy Andrews.

As the weather improves and thoughts turn to keeping fit, remember that there are vacant allotment plots for rent at Woodside Road, and for walkers, there are footpath maps of Pembury available at the Clerks Office. Donations of £1 are requested.

Finally, would tennis players please note that as from 1 April the price of hard tennis court tickets will be £30 for a year, £10 for two months and £6 for one month.

Barbara Russell Clerk to the Council

HOLY WEEK and EASTER at ST. PETER'S

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Palm Sunday - 12 April

Procession of Palms, and Parish Eucharist – leaves Camden Arms Car Park at 9.40am.

Monday - 13 April

Meditation and Compline at 8pm.

Tuesday - 14 April

The Paddock Wood Choral Society sing Stainer's 'Crucifixion' at 8pm

Wednesday - 15 April

Meditation and Compline at 8pm.

Maundy Thursday - 16 April

Eucharist and Footwashing at 8pm.

Good Friday - 17 April

Morning Service at 9.45am.

Meditation on the Cross at 2pm.

Holy Saturday - 18 April

'New Fire' and Renewal of Baptismal Vows at 8pm.

EASTER DAY - 19 April

Holy Communion at 8am. The Parish Eucharist at 9.45am. Holy Communion with Hymns in the

Old Church at 11,30am.

Songs of Praise in the Old Church at 6.30pm.

All the services printed above except the last two on Easter Day will take place in the Upper Church.



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FOR YOUR DIARY

APR 2 Afternoon WI: Birthday Party, Village Hall 2.15pm.

Evening WI: A talk on diamonds and gem stones by Mr David Reich, Village Hall 7.45pm.

4 Pembury Footpath Walkers, walk starting from Bo-Peep Corner at 2.15pm.

6 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

13 Horticultural Society: Floral Art Group, Village Hall 8pm.

14 Darby and Joan Club meeting, Village Hall, 2-4.30pm.

22 Horticultural Society: Illustrated talk "All aspects of fuchsias" by Mr Donald Holmes, Village Hall 8pm.

27 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

28 Darby and Joan Club coffee morning, Village Hall 10-12.

MAY 1 Evening WI: Resolutions, Village Hall 7.45pm.

Pembury Footpath Walkers, walk starting from Stonecourt Lane, 2.15pm.

5 Darby and Joan Club, outing to Stone Cross, Westham, departing Sunhill 1pm.

11 Horticultural Society: Floral Art demonstration by Mrs Renee Fry, Village Hall 8pm.

12 Darby and Joan Club meeting, Village Hall 2-4.30pm.

16 Horticultural Society, outing to Hatfield House. Coach leaves Camden Arms 9am.

18 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

26 Darby and Joan Club AGM, Village Hall 2-4.30pm.

28 Horticultural Society: Talk on general gardening by Bob Collard of BBC Radio Kent, Village Hall 8pm.

JUNE 4 Afternoon WI: "Granny's attic", talk by Mrs Jean Bruce, Village Hall 2.15pm.

5 Evening WI: A talk on aromatherapy by Mr Alan Higson, Village Hall 7.45pm.

6 Pembury Footpath Walkers, walk starting from the Camden Car Park, 2.15pm.

8 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

8 Horticultural Society: Floral Art Group, Village Hall 8pm.

 Darby and Joan Club meeting, Village Hall 2–4.30pm.

23 Darby and Joan Club outing to Eastbourne, leaving Sunhill 10am.

25 Horticultural Society: Evening visit to Iden Croft Herbs, Staplehurst. Coach leaves Camden Arms 6.30pm.

29 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

ST. PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

Upper Church

8.00 a.m. Holy Communion

9.45 a.m. The Parish Eucharist and Junior Church

10.00 a.m. Holy Communion (Wednesdays)

Old Church

11.30 a.m. Matins (except first Sunday, Holy

Communion)

Evening services as advertised on Church noticeboards.

