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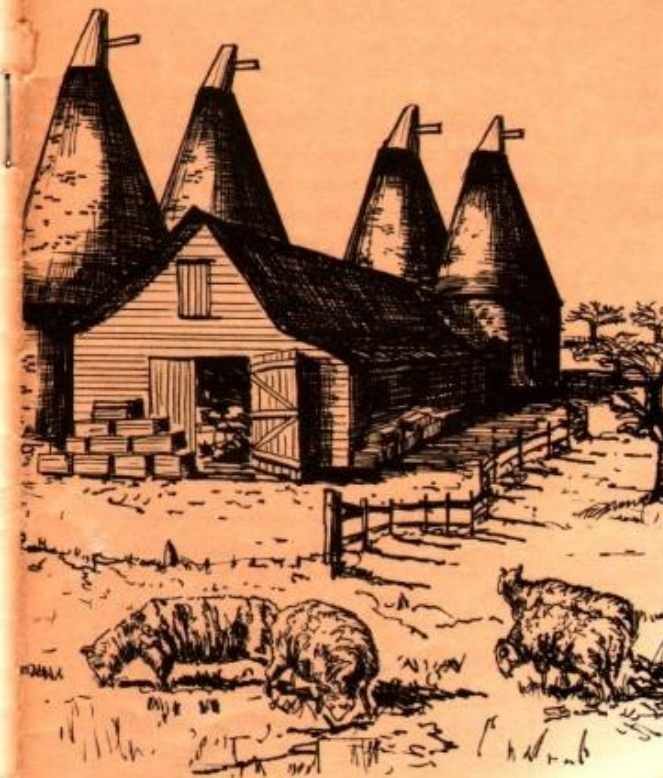
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# Viewpoint

It's been pleasant this summer to see the Village Green looking so trim and well tended and the old chestnut tree gradually regaining its shape. The Village Green, bordered by its sturdy Victorian houses and overlooked by the Camden Arms, makes an agreeable focal point for the community and creates a good impression for newcomers and visitors. What a pity, then, that other areas of Pembury present a different image.

Take Lower Green Road down beyond the Green, much used by pedestrians, especially children. It is quite a hazardous road, despite the reduced traffic flow since the opening of the A228 by-pass, because for much of its middle section there is a pavement on only one side. And when that pavement is heavily overhung with hedges and brambles causing walkers to step out into the road, then *that* is hazardous. Even if one manages to pass by on the path there is the annoyance of a new hairdo being disarranged or the possibility of a child's face being scratched.

As Barbara Russell warns in her Clerk's Report, householders who allow their trees or hedges to overhang pavements and become a nuisance may find themselves presented with a bill from the highway authority for trimming them back.

I am not the only one either to deplore the state of the grass verges in Lower Green Road, particularly at the corners of Ridgeway and Knight's Close. These

become overgrown, unsavoury and unsightly plots, where one hesitates to put one's feet. The Kent County Council is responsible for the upkeep of the roads, paths and verges in this part of the village and employs contractors to do the grass mowing – in the case of Lower Green Road only four or five times a year. This is quite inadequate in the summer months when the grass grows so quickly. Moreover the contractors literally only mow the grass, leaving swathes of cuttings behind together with all the crisp bags, cola tins, sweet papers and other junk lurking in the depths of the grass.

The County Council is too remote an authority to keep an eye on these minor matters, but they're matters that concern and annoy local residents. The Parish Council is aware of the problem and is considering possible alternatives involving their own groundsmen. This would be a sensible solution as more localised and closer monitoring does seem to be necessary.

## Editor

### PEMBURY VILLAGE NEWS

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## Librarian retires

After 16 years as librarian at Pembury Library, Rachel Crosland retired in July.

She started work there in 1978 when the library was first opened. She recalls that there was then a permanent staff of four, issuing around 500 books a day. It is not nearly so busy now, with an average of only 200 books taken out daily.

Rachel spent her childhood in Bournemouth, but in 1957 went to Greece where she lived for 12 years. She was married out there and her three sons were born there. The family returned to England in 1970.

After settling in Pembury Rachel worked for a while as a dinner lady at the primary school, where her youngest son Simon was a pupil.

Rachel says she was overwhelmed by the number of cards and gifts she received on her retirement.



"I really enjoyed working in the library and will miss everyone terribly. I hope to see my regular readers in the village as I go about and want to thank everyone for their kindness and good wishes."

Rachel and her husband Richard intend to stay in Pembury and, now they have the time, to take part more fully in village activities.

## A Country Tale

Recently during a mild still June evening the suckler cows were contentedly chewing the cud before having their final feed of the day; their calves were becoming restless, getting up on their feet and nudging their mums: it was feed and play time before bed.

At the other end of the field a fawn appeared, looking rather surprised and lost. The calves soon spotted the trespasser on the private domain and rushed off to investigate, surrounding the fawn, who by this time was prancing off all four feet, trying to appear much larger and braver than it actually was.

The examination of the calves and fawn was short lived, the calves soon decided the fawn was an intruder on their property and chased it to the hedge. The fawn with one easy jump returned to the woods after giving one final toss of its head to the calves.

The cows throughout this spell of excitement had remained quietly chewing the cud. They had seen it all before and five more minutes peace before the calves began their hard hitting attack on Mum's udders was worth all the time in the world.

**A. Farmer**



## PARISH CHURCH APPEAL

An appeal has been launched by the Friends of Pembury Parish Church to raise £40,000 needed to carry out essential repairs to the old church.

This fine old 12th century building is still in regular use as a place of worship, both as a parish church and for the pupils of nearby Kent College. But now timber preservation work on the tower is a matter of urgency, while the stonework to the south east buttresses and round the windows also need attention and this involves re-glazing.

Every house in the village will be receiving a leaflet which gives the background to the restoration work to be done and suggestions on ways how to make a donation.



Friends of the Parish Church also hope to make personal visits.

## RECORD ENTRY OF SWEET PEAS

The Pembury Horticultural Society held another successful summer show on 9 July. In addition to the many other exhibits there were no fewer than 70 vases of sweet peas, which were highly praised by the judge.

The trophy and medal winners were as follows:

**Sweet Peas:** C. Armitage Cup, National Sweet Pea Medal and Doug Stewart Cup all won by Derek Parks.

**Roses:** John Baggeson Rose Bowl and

National Rose Society Bronze Medal won by Peter Parfitt.

**Fruit and Vegetables:** R. W. Smeal Cup won jointly by Simon Nicholl and Tim Record.

**Floral Art:** Helen Reeve Trophy won by Sheila Green.

**Handicraft:** Mary Standen Cup won by Heather Gorringe.

**Cookery:** Miss Harthan Cup won by Daphne Purton.

**Juniors:** Maurice Mephram Cup won by Mark Penfold.

## Councillors Comment

I moved to Pembury fourteen years ago from Tonbridge. I am a registered childminder and have five children of my own with ages ranging from three to eighteen.

I have seen the village growing in population with more housing, but we do not seem to have gained much in the way of amenities. Whilst the younger children seem well catered for in the way of clubs and societies, I have found very little for teenagers to do. It is fine if they are interested in sport or the YMCA, otherwise I find myself taxi driving to Tunbridge Wells in the evenings where there are amenities but not at a reasonable price.

Ideally, I would like to see a new community hall with perhaps a council office included. The hall would be used for both young and elderly alike with a place to congregate for a chat and coffee. Maybe pool tables and even a small gymnasium could be included.

My children enjoy riding mountain bikes and I sometimes wonder if we could make more use of a small part of a woodland so that children could ride in safety whilst enjoying a sport without using main roads. The children themselves may assist in the development of such a project.

I feel it is important for Pembury to retain its identity as a village and not to become a suburb of Tunbridge Wells. We are very fortunate in Pembury to have such



beautiful countryside with lovely walks and while I realise there is a need for a hospice in the community I would hate the green belt land to be used for yet more housing.

I am not in favour of a large superstore with a park and ride scheme, however I would like to see a large shop in the village. Without seeming disrespectful to local traders, who provide a grand service, I cannot afford a weekly shop for a family of seven nor can I find all the commodities I need. Such a shop would be staffed by local people.

Community life is very important and events that bring everyone together, such as fetes and other celebrations, should be encouraged. Pembury is fortunate in having both a local primary school and a hospital which have such events and bring the village together. Finally, as the newest member of the Parish Council I am looking forward to working with my colleagues to improve the village amenities in Pembury.

**Gill Matthews**



## Police Update In Pembury

Most of you will have heard about the Parish Special Constable scheme which has been introduced in Kent and is now operating in your village. We would like to introduce ourselves, being two members of the team.

### Christine Cooper

I have been a resident in Pembury for 14 years. I am married with two children aged 11 and 14 years. I work part-time for a local business in the village.

### Liz Caple

I have lived in Pembury for 23 years. I am married and have three children aged nine, 17 and 20 years. I work at the local hospital.

We volunteered to be special constables for Pembury because we both have an active interest in the village and we felt we would like to take some part in helping to reduce local crime and vandalism.

You may have seen us at the school and village fetes and also on the 'beat' in Pembury. Any non-urgent messages or worries you may have can always be posted through the door of our office, situated between numbers 8 and 9 Amberleaze Drive.

We gave an informal talk to the children at the Catholic Hall Playgroup about not talking to strangers. We will be contacting other playgroup leaders to offer this

service. A five-a-side Specials football team enjoyed a match with the local YMCA and hopefully more activities will follow later in the year.

Anyone interested in becoming a member of our team should contact Inspector Trevor Hall on Tunbridge Wells 511055 - he'll be pleased to hear from you.

**WSC Chris Cooper**  
**WSC Liz Caple**

## Pembury 'Specials' in WW1

*(An extract from "Just One Village"  
by E. J. Standen)*

"At the very start of hostilities a force of Special Constables was formed . . . . In the first place they had no idea what they would be called upon to do, but it was not long before the Zeppelins started to raid our country, and it was realised that something would have to be done about lights. This kept the Specials busy seeing that all and sundry were observing the new blackout regulations. All windows had to be covered, motor cars and bicycles at this time mostly used oil or gas . . . . Oil lamps were allowed to go uncovered, but gas ones had to have the glass blacked out except for a half-inch circle in the middle."

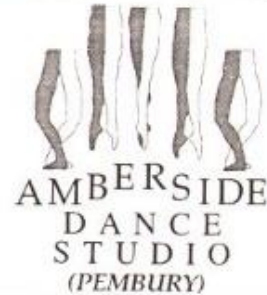
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## Profile

### Johnnie Johnson

Johnnie Johnson is truly one of the "Elder Statesman" of Pembury, and one of the most interesting people I have ever met. I am astonished at his breadth of knowledge, his varied interests and his concern for others. He was born in Liverpool in 1902, his father was a policeman, the family having originated from the Island of Yell in the Shetlands.

In 1926 he began his long career as a Welfare Officer. He worked in Liverpool's most deprived areas throughout the 20's and 30's, dedicating himself to the poor and needy. He helped to run summer camps for the "Echo Boys" - Liverpool's poor newspaper boys.

Johnnie feels that there is still much to be done to make our society more equal, the gap between rich and poor remains wide and it concerns him that the State now has so many elderly people to look after. He is proud to have worked with the famous reformers Sidney and Beatrice Webb, Aneurin Bevan and William Beveridge, when they were drafting their plans for the new Social Security and Health Services.

Johnnie's great passion in life has been music; he started to play the piano at the age of six, and later became an expert at the organ. He loved singing, despite periodic chest problems, which prevented him taking up a career in music. He met his dear wife Amy, who lived just across the street in Liverpool, through their common interest in music. For many years



Johnnie was the organist at the Pembury Hospital Chapel. He and Amy were stalwart members of the Tunbridge Wells Choral Society, he is now their honorary Life President.

At the outbreak of World War 2 Johnnie organised the evacuation of disabled patients from Birmingham hospitals to the Cotswolds, and then in 1941 he was sent to Tunbridge Wells. He decided to settle here, and was responsible for social security in West Kent.

Johnnie and Amy founded the Pembury Darby & Joan Club 43 years ago. He is now the Club's Life President, and remembers with pleasure the club meetings and other activities like the Dramatic Society productions and the fashion shows, which took place in the Village Institute in Lower Green Road - now the Library. He says that it is important that the Club holds on to its original ideals, that of providing companionship especially for those who feel isolated.

**Sylvia Abbott**



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*This disabled man cannot use his hands, so he is taught at the Compaid Centre to operate the computer keyboard with a mouth rod. See page 12*

## IN BRIEF

FROM Monday 24 to Friday 28 October inclusive the West Kent YMCA at Pembury Woodside Playing Fields (off Henwood Mount) will be holding an Activity Week, including competitions, art, crafts, video and a trip to Thorpe Park on the Thursday. If interested please book as soon as possible by phoning YMCA Head Office on 0892 542209 for a booking form.

SAFETY surfaces and a car park extension have recently been provided by the Parish Council in the Lower Green Recreation Ground. The safety surfaces have been laid under the swings and slide which are used normally by the older children. The car park extension has been provided in an effort to reduce some of the parking problems experienced by users of the recreation ground.

THE Pembury Footpath Walkers would like to invite anyone who is interested to come and hear Jim Flegg give an illustrated talk 'Familiar country, less familiar ways' at their Annual General Meeting on Monday 21 November at 8pm in the Village Hall. Mr Flegg is well known as the presenter of the popular Meridian television programme 'Country Ways' and as he lives near Maidstone he is familiar with this part of Kent. Coffee will be served after the short business meeting and before the talk.

THE Pembury Society organised a very successful Madrigal Concert on 26 June in the Organ Room at Kent College. The Elizabethan Madrigal Singers from the University of Wales, Aberystwyth, gave a

delightful performance of sacred and secular music and over £400 was raised for the Appeal Fund for the restoration of Pembury's 12th century parish church.

ST PETER'S Church recently ran a Barn Dance which raised over £380 for church funds. It was held at Pippins Farm and the social committee would like to extend a big thank you to David Knight for providing the Barn as the venue.

PEMBURY'S Annual Village Fete run by the Scouts and Guides in July was a big success this year, raising almost £2,500. The parade was led in by the Crowborough Scouts Marching Band and the fete was opened by the Brothers in Blue. Arena events included the Royal Sapphire Majorettes, a tent erecting competition and a pram race.

THE AGM of the Pembury Society will be held on Monday 24 October at 8pm in the Village Hall. After the business part of the evening there will be a talk and slide show by Dr Robert Baxter, of the Council for the Protection of Rural England (Kent Branch). He will talk about the threats to the Kent countryside and the CPRE approach to meeting the challenge. Tea or coffee will be provided in the interval and cassette tapes of the madrigal concert will be on sale for those who were unable to attend the event.

THE annual Village Quiz Night, organised by the Parish Council, will be held on Wednesday 26 October at 8pm in the Village Hall. Entry costs £5 a team. Space is limited so get your entry forms in early. This year the first prize will be 60 per cent of the profit, second prize 40 per cent, both amounts of money being donated to charities of the winners' choice.



# COMPAID TRUST OFFERS A UNIQUE SERVICE

The COMPAID Trust, which provides computer aid and transport facilities for disabled adults and young people, was founded in Pembury in 1986. The founder was Mrs Lorna Ridgway who died early this year.

Although the COMPAID minibuses are a familiar sight in and around Pembury – they move more than 100 people a day and operate seven days a week – the primary and perhaps less known function of the Trust is training in computer skills to improve the quality of life for the disabled.

Based in Pembury Hospital Grounds the Computer Centre opens every weekday from 9am to 5pm, for 50 weeks a year. Clients come from a wide area in West Kent and East Sussex and currently range in age from 16 to 80. They have varying degrees of disability – for instance, they may suffer from cerebral palsy or multiple sclerosis, be recovering from head or other injuries, or strokes, or have speech or learning problems.

Most clients attend for one day a week and all have access to the centre's computers, either BBC Masters or a range of IBM compatibles. With the appropriate software, and specialised input devices where necessary, these cover most users' needs. The COMPAID Trust has a large bank of discs, containing some 700 programmes, from games such as space invaders, chess or scrabble, to more artistic graphics programmes, educational

software and memory exercises. Caroline Frawley, the Advice Centre Manager, says: "Physical handicap need not be a barrier to computer use. The technology is impressive and improving all the time. All sorts of equipment is now available to enable control, whatever the physical problem."

For many, the weekly visit to the centre makes a welcome break from their usual routine – they make new friends, learn new skills or just relax with a game of bridge, patience or trivial pursuit. But more volunteers to help the regular staff are needed – men and women with conversational ability, warmth and a sympathetic ear, willing to come in for a few hours every week. Computer skills are not required initially.

Despite their disabilities, a number of those attending the centre have become proficient in word-processing, databases, spreadsheets and graphics, and have expressed a wish for 'real work'. As a result, the Office Bureau was formed, where work for outside customers can be produced to order, bringing in a welcome source of income: in 1993 the Bureau earned £5000, for 1994 the estimated income is £8000.

A volunteer who has been at the COMPAID Centre for two years and learnt her computer skills there is Pam Myers, who is now involved in the Bureau's work, particularly the production



*The Pembury-based COMPAID Trust has a fleet of 14 vehicles most of which are fitted with tail lifts to enable wheelchair passengers to be taken on. A door-to-door shopper service is available for disabled and elderly people unable to visit Tunbridge Wells town centre by other means, as well as transport to hospital and clinic appointments, to Day Centres and for outings.*

of birthday cards, notelets, certificates, leaflets and small posters. Her priority at the moment is the COMPAID Christmas card range and if anyone is interested in looking at the designs available and placing an order, they should contact Pam Myers on Mondays or Fridays on 824060/823865.

The COMPAID Trust operates a responsive transport service, accepting requests from social workers, community nurses, the Health Authority, Kent Ambulance and from individuals. People in wheelchairs or with special needs, living at home, are included. Again, volunteers

are needed, but because manoeuvring wheelchairs and helping disabled people on and off vehicles involves physical strength, helpers must be fit. Contact the transport department on 823488 if you have time to spare for this work.

The COMPAID Trust is a registered charity depending very much on voluntary funding and support. It has 19 skilled full-time and part-time staff, five of whom have disabilities, and the overall administration is in the hands of Betty Howell. The Trust urgently needs to buy more specialised equipment and to provide a separate office for the transport section.





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## Your Clerk Reports...

The summer months have seen much activity in the Recreation Ground. The Stool Ball Club, in its second season, plays regularly and the hard tennis courts have been in great demand this year with, at one point, all the keys leased out. If you do lease a key, could you please be sure to return it to the office at the end of your time as other people may be waiting. The football World Cup has also generated much interest amongst the young and fit and many impromptu matches have been played.

The ongoing programme of improvements has continued in the Recreation Ground with the installation of safety surfaces under the junior swings and the large slide. A goal post has also been erected for informal play. This was asked for by a group of youngsters who claimed they had nothing to use as a goal post except the pavilion or the fence. Hopefully, the goal post will go some way towards reducing the damage within the area and that the youngsters realise that the Parish Council do listen and take action if possible.

There have been many complaints throughout the summer regarding overhanging hedges and trees. These are the responsibility of the owner, but if they are not cut back Kent County Council will cut them and send the

owner a bill. You have been warned!

Enclosed in your newsletter is a leaflet entitled "who does what". It is hoped that this will help you to contact the correct council with any problems or complaints. The three tiers we have at present (Kent County Council, Tunbridge Wells Borough Council and Pembury Parish Council) can cause confusion, but perhaps if you keep the leaflet by the telephone it will be a handy reference. However, the Parish Council is here to help so feel free to call the office or the Councillors for assistance.

One of the lesser known services the Parish Council offers is the reservation of burial plots in the Burial Ground attached to the Upper Church of St. Peter. The cost of an exclusive right of a plot for 100 years (single or double) is £105.00. Please contact me if you would like further details.

Finally, this is our village and we should be proud of it. The groundsmen work hard to keep the Parish's areas clean and well tended, could we, as householders and businessmen, keep the areas outside our properties clean and tidy and free from dangers?

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Secretary: Mr Bob Greatrex. Tel: 822669

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**VENTURE SCOUTS**  
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Tim Cole, Pembury YMCA. Tel: 823330

## FOR YOUR DIARY

- OCT**
- 1 Pembury Footpath Walkers: walk starting from Bo-Peep Corner at 2.15pm.
  - 6 Afternoon WI: Mrs Margaret Cliff to talk about 'Ideas for Christmas', Village Hall 2.15pm.
  - 7 Evening WI: 'Tunbridge Wells Soup Kitchen' talk and a competition for home-made rolls, Village Hall 7.45pm.
  - 10 Horticultural Society: Floral Art meeting, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 11 Darby and Joan Club: meeting Village Hall 2-4.30pm.
  - 17 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 25 Darby and Joan Club: Sale of Work, Village Hall 2-4.30pm.
  - 26 Village Quiz Night, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 27 Horticultural Society: illustrated talk on 'Herbaceous and Perennial Plants and Borders' by Mr D. Lavender, Village Hall 8pm.
- NOV**
- 3 Afternoon WI: AGM, Village Hall 2.15pm.
  - 4 Evening WI: AGM, Village Hall 7.45pm.
  - 5 Pembury Footpath Walkers: walk starting from Stonecourt Lane 2.15pm.
  - 7 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 8 Darby and Joan Club: meeting Village Hall 2-4.30pm.
  - 14 Horticultural Society: Floral Art meeting, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 21 Pembury Footpath Walkers: AGM Village Hall 8pm.
  - 22 Darby and Joan Club: meeting Village Hall 2-4.30pm.
  - 24 Horticultural Society: illustrated talk 'The Plantsman's Year' by Mr Brian Doe, Village Hall 8pm.
  - 28 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.
- DEC**
- 1 Afternoon WI: Christmas Party, Village Hall 2.15pm.
  - 2 Evening WI: 'Upstairs, Downstairs at Penshurst Place', Village Hall 7.45pm.
  - 3 Pembury Footpath Walkers: walk starting from the Camden Car Park 2.15pm.
  - 6 Darby and Joan Club: Christmas Party, Village Hall 2pm.
  - 19 Parish Council Meeting, Village Hall 8pm.

### ST. PETER'S CHURCH SERVICES

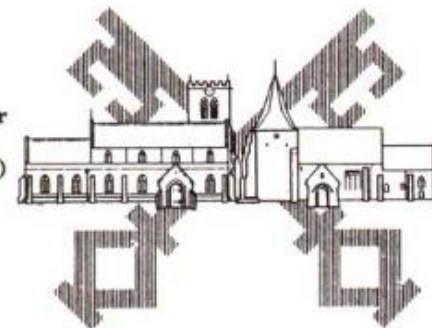
**Upper Church**

- 8.00am Holy Communion
- 9.45am The Parish Eucharist and Junior Church
- 10.00am Holy Communion (Wednesdays)

**Old Church**

- 11.30am Matins (except first Sunday, Holy Communion)

**Evening services as advertised on Church noticeboards.**



Every Friday - Pembury Village Market - Village Hall 9.45-11.15am

Every Monday - Pembury Sequence Dance Club - Catholic Hall 7.45-10.15pm