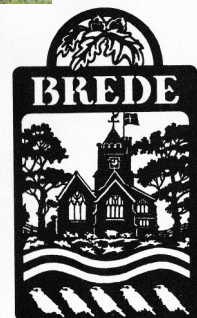


# Brede and Broad Oak Community Newsletter

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### **NEXT Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be November. Please ensure all submissions are sent to the clerk, Tracy Dixon (clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk) by **Friday 29th September 2023**.

# Brede Parish Council

## Chair's Report

Following the parish elections on May 4th, seven Councillors returned to office (uncontested election) for the next four years. We have said goodbye to Cllr Chris Apps, and thank him for his work for the Council over the past 4 years. There are still two vacancies on the Parish Council so if you are interested in becoming a Councillor, you can find details of how to apply on page 6.

At the Annual Meeting, the Council resolved to alternate meetings between the Village Hall and Trinity Methodist Church Hall, to ensure all residents of the Parish have a chance to attend a meeting more easily. A full list of the dates and meeting places for the next year is on the next page.

I had the pleasure of attending Brede Primary School with Cllr Oliver on the 5th May, to see them enjoying the Coronation Celebrations. The children were all dressed up in red, white and blue, and there were various Coronation activities taking place. The Council purchased a commemorative mug for each of the children and Cllr Oliver and I presented the first few. The Council have a few more mugs available for primary aged children in the parish who do not go to Brede School. There are still a few left, and you can request one by contacting the clerk ([clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk)). For pictures and a write up of all the Coronation Celebrations in the parish, please go to pages 9-11.

Your Council continues to work hard to maintain the parish and try to introduce improvements. A meeting was held in May with Highways with many areas of concern highlighted. A summary can be found on page 7. Further improvements to the play areas are being considered, including an all-weather path to it. These things take time though, so please be patient and we will do our best.

Les Nottage  
Chair, Brede Parish Council

## Parish Council Notices

### Forthcoming Parish Council Meetings

**Parish Council meetings are held on the 4th Tuesday of the month, starting at 7.30pm.**

**They will alternate between the Village Hall Committee Room and the Trinity Methodist Church Hall**

Tuesday 25th July 2023	Trinity Methodist Church Hall
August	No Meeting
Tuesday 26th September 2023	Village Hall, Committee Room
Tuesday 24th October 2023	Trinity Methodist Church Hall
Tuesday 28th November 2023	Village Hall, Committee Room
December	No Meeting
Tuesday 23rd January 2024	Trinity Methodist Church Hall
Tuesday 27th February 2024	Village Hall, Committee Room
Tuesday 26th March	Trinity Methodist Church Hall
Tuesday 23rd April	Village Hall, Committee Room
Tuesday 28th May	Trinity Methodist Church Hall

Planning Meetings and Extraordinary Meetings will be called as required.

All meetings are advertised on Notice Boards and the Council website.

All residents of the parish are welcome to attend meetings.

## **Brede Parish Community Awards 2023**

**LAST CALL FOR NOMINATIONS BY 10TH JULY**

Send in your nominations to Tracy Dixon the Clerk,  
email: [clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk) or phone 07540 562345

### **Shield Awards 2023**

#### **Community Spirit Award.**

Awarded to someone who brings a Community Spirit to the Parish.

#### **Young Person of The Year Award.**

In recognition of a young person doing or achieving something amazing.

#### **Brede Shield.**

Awarded to a person(s)/group who contribute to enhance the community.



**Presentation of awards  
Saturday 29th July at 2pm  
in the Village Hall**

## **Garden Competition 2023**

The garden competitions are open to all those living in the Parish. There is no need to enter, just make your front garden as attractive as possible.

**The judges will be walking around the parish in early July.**

**Presentations will be on  
Saturday 29th July at 2pm  
in the Village Hall.**



# MAKE A CHANGE

## BECOME A LOCAL COUNCILLOR

If you care about where you live and are passionate about the community, then think about applying to become a Councillor.

The Parish Council has two vacancies to fill. You need to be able to attend monthly meetings on a Tuesday.

Please contact the clerk for further information.

### Eligibility

To become a Brede Parish Councillor **you must:**

- Be a Commonwealth citizen (which includes a British subject), or a citizen of a member state of the European Union and be over 18.

**In addition, you must meet one of the following four qualifications:**

- You are, and will continue to be, registered as a local government elector for the parish from the day of your co-option, **OR**

During the whole of the 12 months preceding co-option, you:

- Have resided in the parish, or within 3 miles of it, **OR**
- Had your principle place of work in the parish **OR**
- Occupied as owner or tenant any land or premises in the parish.

### Disqualifications:

You **may not** become a Brede Parish Councillor if:

- You hold a paid office or other place of profit in the gift of Brede Parish Council.
- You have been declared bankrupt in the past 5 years and not repaid the debts.
- You have been convicted of a criminal offence and sentenced to not less than 3 months imprisonment (including suspended sentences) within the past 5 years.
- You have been disqualified under the Representation of the Peoples Act 1983
- You are subject to the notification requirement of or under Part 2 of the Sexual Offences Act 2003.

## **Update on recent Council works and projects**

### **Benches**

The benches in Kingwood Hill and Furnace Lane were finally fitted in April and are now in use. Repairs to the other benches and the bus stop in Northiam Road have now been carried out.

### **Grass Cutting**

Unfortunately the grass was cut in May along the section near the Village Hall and also the corner of Oakhill Drive. The intention had been to leave these areas to see what wildflowers developed. The contractors were told and have apologised.

The Council may consider doing 'no mow May' next year to allow the bluebells time to finish flowering. A decision will be made in the autumn.

### **Recreation Ground**

An onsite meeting was held with the architect about plans for a new pavilion, at which the position and layout were considered, along with the requirements to protect the large Oak Tree, both during any building works and long term. Plans are still in the early stages and will be brought to the Parish for consideration once further developed.

### **Highways**

A meeting with highways was held at the end of May. The Parish Council were updated on the new contract with Balfour Beatty, and advised that the contact centre had now been bought in-house to improve response times. Among the many items discussed were:

- Kingwood Hill, the drains, the poor state of the footpath, and slippage of the bank narrowing the road and the overhanging trees.
- A grit bin for the crossroads
- Loose kerbstones in Reedswood
- Parking at the shop
- Road surface condition from Oakhill Drive to the Crossroads
- Collapsed drains in Chitcombe Road

The Parish Council will continue to work with highways about the areas of concern in the Parish.

### **Message From the Police**

If you see a crime, or potential crime, taking place, please ring 999 and report it straight away, so that the police can attend immediately if they are already in the area. For less urgent crime reports please ring 101.

## **New Play Equipment**

Finally in March, the new play equipment arrived and was installed in the Recreation Ground.

Delays were due to the excessively wet weather and, even on delivery day, the ground was still so soft the lorry got stuck trying to get across the field. Many thanks to Julian for towing him off!

An official opening was held on 2nd March just after school finishing time and, as soon as the official ribbon was cut by the Chair of Brede Parish Council, Cllr Les Nottage and Rother District Councillor Neil Gordon, there was an excited scramble to be first on the equipment. Comments from watching parents were very positive, with general approval of the piece chosen. Hopefully it will give lots of children plenty to do over the summer months.

Brede Parish Council would like to thank Rother District Council Community Grants who supported this project with a grant of £11,000, which was 50% of the costs.





## Coronation Celebrations

Several events were held in the Parish to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III

On Friday 7th May, children of Brede Primary School were presented with mugs to commemorate Coronation Day. Cllrs Nottage and Oliver went along to see the children enjoying their 'red white and blue' dressing up day and other activities.



There are still a few mugs available; please contact the clerk ([clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk)) if you would like one.

Or pop along to the Friday Farmers Market and see Cllr Nottage in July.

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On the bank holiday Monday, St George's Church hosted a children's Coronation Crafts event, which was well attended. Children enjoyed listening to the story of 'The Kings Hats', playing games, doing colouring and crafts and finishing with coronation themed buns. The church was decorated with red, white and blue flowers to enhance the theme.



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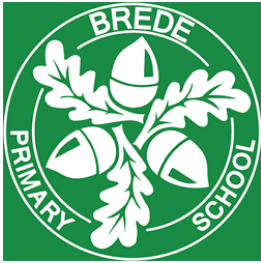
In the afternoon a Coronation afternoon tea was held in the Village Hall

It was well supported by different age groups from the parish. Organised by Cllr Oliver with help from the ladies of Brede Friendly Circle, dainty sandwiches, fresh cream jam scones and cakes were enjoyed by all, with barely a crumb leftover. The room was filled with happy chatter and a lovely afternoon was enjoyed by all attending.

In the evening a Kings and Queens Disco was held from 7pm. Due to school the next day numbers were lower than expected, but those that did come enjoyed themselves.

Cards and messages of thanks have been received for all the events and Brede Parish Council would like to thank Rother District Council for a Coronation Grant to cover half the costs.





## **Brede School**

As we head into the last term of the academic year, things are looking busy at Brede Primary School. Sports Day, and a host of tournaments, including basketball, Kwik cricket, and Quad athletics, are firm favourites. In addition, we recently hosted a party fit for a king to celebrate the coronation of King Charles III. The children enjoyed a royal-themed day with a picnic lunch and were presented with commemorative mugs by Cllr Nottage and Cllr Oliver from the Parish Council.

Improvement work at the school remains ongoing, with the relandscaping of our outdoor areas and, with the help of our Parents Teacher and Friends Association (PTFA), we are initiating a year-long project to revamp the school library. The children have also enjoyed getting out and about in the community, visiting the Bright Foundation in Westfield, St George's Church and the Trinity Methodist Church, to name but a few.

Finally, we are saying farewell to our wonderful Year 6 children at the end of July. Having navigated national lockdowns due to COVID-19 and Key Stage 2 SATS, we have watched them show remarkable resilience and determination during their time with us, developing strengths and skills that we know will help them enormously to succeed at their respective secondary schools in September. We wish them well and look forward to hearing about their achievements in the years to come.

Mrs Julie Knock      Headteacher

# **SCHOOL CROSSING PATROL**



**URGENTLY  
REQUIRED**

**LOCAL HEROES**



We are urgently seeking to provide a School Crossing Patrol for Brede Primary School on Udimore Road

We are looking for either one person, or two to job-share who are over 18 years of age and who will be trained and equipped by the County Council to help the children cross the road safely. Working hours are 08:25 to 09:00 in the mornings and 3:00 to 3:30 in the afternoons. Term time only.

There must be someone in the community that is able to help with this very important task, parents, grandparents or other family members or friends. Please consider this important community safety task even if you can only do mornings or afternoons.

## **CAN YOU HELP?**

If you are interested or know of anyone who would be suitable for this position, please contact Peter Hooper, Area Supervisor, on 07786 171462 or

email: [peter.hooper@eastsussex.gov.uk](mailto:peter.hooper@eastsussex.gov.uk).



Friends Altogether in Rother (FAiR) - is a new befriending service being developed in 2023 for people of all ages. Currently, May 23 - we are going through registration with the Charity Commission.

### **Our Vision and Mission.**

Encouraging people to develop Friendship, Fellowship and Fun through Social interaction within our Rother community.

### **How will we do this:**

To improve the wellbeing of people aged 60+ who are in need, (in particular, but not exclusively, those who are lonely and isolated) in Rother District and the surrounding areas, by the provision of support services, including a befriending service and other leisure time occupations.

Our initial services, to be provided by trained volunteers, will have Telephone Service and Face to Face options. Potential clients will be buddied with a volunteer, after discussion with both, to ensure compatibility

Experience has shown me that many clients end up becoming Volunteer befrienders. It is extremely rewarding.

Once established, we intend to collaborate with existing local community organisations to provide a wider variety of opportunities for our clients, all with the intention of improving people's wellbeing.

A quote from an attendee at one my consultation events last year was:  
'Older people have brains - they are intelligent. We want something to engage us, stimulate us.'

So, we would like to know what interests you, please.

Some suggestions made:

A Murder Mystery Lunch, outings to the Cinema, Theatre, Visits to Eastbourne, i360 in Brighton, Museums, National Trust Houses and Gardens, Wine Tastings, Demonstration Dancing, Walking Parties.

Our first collaboration will be with St Michael's Hospice to host their successful 'Saturday Social', most likely initially at Camber Village Hall.

This will provide an opportunity to meet people but also to receive advice from various organisations based in East Sussex.

Fresh coffee and tea (made from leaves) will be offered with pastries and cakes - either home-made or provided by one of our local bakers in the Rye area.

We look forward to welcoming our first 'Friends' in 2023.

Chris Pollard.      01797 458832



## St George's Brede

St. George's church has been very active over the last few months.

We have our new successful, 'Little Giants Baby & Toddler' group every Thursday in term time from 9:30-10:30. We have a good number of regulars that come every week, and we always see new faces as well.

Our children's corner in the church has been renovated, and includes lots of toys for all ages. Please feel free to bring your little ones any day and have a play!

We recently hosted the children's event for the parish council's coronation events in Brede which was very successful. We had lots of crafts, games, a coronation story and fairy cakes and fruit.

Our benefice choir is doing lots of singing in the next few months. We are singing at a wedding in June, singing at the benefice service on July 30th, and also performing an Evensong service in Beckley on July 9th, in memory of Peasmarsh musician Jenny Als who passed away this past year.

Our annual flower festival will be on the August bank holiday weekend. We look forward to seeing you there!

Please join us for a sung mass every Sunday at 9:30, and a weekly book of common prayer mass every Wednesday at 10:30, followed by refreshments at the rectory.

And if you traverse the world of Facebook, please follow us on Facebook, at 'The Parish Churches of St. George, Brede and St. Mary, Udimore' as well as the 'Little Giants Baby & Toddler Group' on Facebook! We have also recently updated our website, and post events and groups on there as well at: [stgeorgesbrede.org.uk](http://stgeorgesbrede.org.uk)

Yours in Christ,  
Fr. Owen & Anna Edwards

St. George's, Brede

### Little Giants Baby & Toddler Group



Join us for music,  
story time, play &  
refreshments

Thursdays in  
Term Time  
9:30am

Starting on Thursday,  
February 23rd!

Donations Welcome



**TRINITY METHODIST CHURCH**  
B R O A D O A K

Spring seemed a long time coming this year, but it has been so good to see the flowers and blossom and the trees coming into their greenery. We have even had some warm sunny days. Our Wildlife Garden is looking good.

At Trinity we have had to have the floorboards up in the chapel as there was an infestation of death watch beetle and woodworm there and in the gallery (used as a storage area) Soon there will be new carpeting in the church.

Our Tuesdays@Trinity continues every week 2-4pm. We enjoy various crafts, play games, exchange books, have a good chat over tea and cake. The Post Office outreach service is a very useful for local people. If there is ever a Tuesday when the Post Master is unable to attend, it will be announced on the local Facebook Pages, on our website and with notices in the bus shelters. Please remember you can also drop off items for the Hastings Food Bank. Everyone welcome.

Our rooms are available for hire and we have a fully fitted modern kitchen. You are welcome to come into our grounds and walk round anytime.

You are very welcome to attend our services, Sunday mornings at 10.30.

There is an up-to-date calendar of events on our website

[www.trinitybroadoak.org.uk](http://www.trinitybroadoak.org.uk)

Angela Pepper, Senior Church Steward  
01424 753295 / 07950790339

**Tuesdays@Trinity**  
**Every week 2-4pm**

A warm welcome awaits you.

- Post Office
- Bookswap
- Games
- Crafts
- Foodbank drop-off

Keep warm, make new friends, enjoy tea and cakes

*For transport from Broad Oak or Brede, call 01424 882690*



Trinity Methodist Church  
Udimore Road Broad



<b>USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS</b>		
Conquest Hospital		0300 131 4500
Responders		01424 883473
Rye Memorial Care Hospital	No A&E	01797 224499
Northiam Surgery	Dr Parnell	01797 252140
Brede Village Hall Surgery	Rye Medical Centre	01797 223333
Reedswood Road Surgery	Dr Richard Albardiaz	01424 882394
Police	Non emergency	101
<b>Schools</b>		
Brede Primary School		01424 882393
Rye College		01797 222545
Robertsbridge College		01580 840669
<b>Transport</b>		
Rye & District Community Bus		01797 227722
Rye Dial a Ride		01797 227722
<b>Churches in the Parish</b>		
St George's Church Brede	Rev'd Dr Owen Edwards	01424 882201
Trinity Methodist Church	Rev'd Philip Wagstaff	01424 755699
St Theresa's Catholic Church	Father Richard	01424 773125
<b>Useful Magazines &amp; Newspapers</b>		
Rye & Battle Observer/weekly	Brede Column Rhiannon Oliver	01424 882037/07375957244
Brede Parish Magazine/monthly	Sue Rowan	01424 882681
Brede Parish Newsletter	Tracy Dixon	clerk@brede-pc.org.uk
Rye Fixtures monthly	Pick up in shops	

<b>Groups in the Village</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone number</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Time</b>
1 <sup>st</sup> Brede Scout Group/Beavers & Cubs	Cherry McCleery	07761 730956	Scout Hut	Mondays & Tues	
Bookswap	Stephen Hampson	01424 882690	Trinity Methodist Church	Tuesdays	2-4pm
Brede & Udimore Luncheon Club	Fran Parnham	01424 882007	Village Hall	4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	12.30pm
Farmers Market Email farmersmarket@brede.villagehall.org.uk	Ruth Burgess		Village Hall	Every Friday	10am - noon
Brede Friendly Circle	Carol Baxter	01424 883262	Village Hall	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wed of month	2pm
Friends of Brede School		01424 882393			
Mothers' Union	Rhiannon Oliver	01424 882037	St George's Church Room	1 <sup>st</sup> Wed of month	2pm
Tuesdays @Trinity	Angela Pepper	01424 753295	Trinity Methodist Church	Every Tuesday	2-4pm
Beginners Yoga	Jodie Creaser	07583 469584	Village Hall	Tues Wed	7.30-8.30pm 9.30-10.30am
Pilates	Geraldine Bennett	07811 141873	Village Hall	Thurs	6.30pm
Adult Ballet Barre Class	Aysha Jamie	01424 883238	Village Hall	Thurs	11am
Little Giants Baby and Toddler Group	Contact via Facebook Little Giants Baby & Toddler Group		St George's Church	Thurs (term time)	9.30am to 10.30am

<b>Groups Continued</b>	<b>Contact</b>	<b>Phone number</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>When</b>	<b>Time</b>
Bell Ringers			St George's Church	Every Sunday	8.30am
Brede Crafters	Jacqui Armstrong	01424 883091	Village Hall	Last Wed of month	2- 4pm
Post Office	Angela Pepper	01424 753295	Trinity Methodist Church	Tuesdays	2-4pm
Women's Institute	Beryl Jenkins	01424 883475	Village Hall	2nd Wed of month	2-4pm
Brede Steam Engine Society	Barbara Adkinson		Brede Water-works	1 <sup>st</sup> Sat of month	10am – 4pm
BSARS	m0nuc.bsars@gmail.com		Scout Hut	Tues & 1 <sup>st</sup> Sat	
Design with Flowers	Rhiannon Oliver & Sue Sturmeay	01424 882037 01424 882544	St George's Church Room	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs of month	2pm
Craft Group	Margaret Law	01424 882788	Trinity Methodist Church	Tuesdays	2-4pm
Painting for Pleasure	Margaret Sandra	01424 883149	Village Hall	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tue of month	9.30am
Angling Club	Kim Smith	01424 883427			
Cricket Club	Graeme Dining	079412288660 01424 852413			
Short Mat Bowls Club	Lynne Bramley/ Sue McGavin	01424 882252/ 01424 883566	Village Hall	Fridays	7.30pm
Rye and District Nations Trust	Keith Sellens	07940 777250	Village Hall	3rd Thursday	2pm



The Rye & District Association of the National Trust has an active membership drawn from Rye and the surrounding area, in particular Beckley, Brede and Northiam, but extending out to Tenterden and Hawkhurst in the north, New Romney in the east and Hastings and Bexhill to the west.

We are a friendly social group with membership open to all - you don't have to be a member of the National Trust! Our objectives are to provide interesting and enjoyable activities and events for our members, whilst raising funds for the support of the National Trust. The committee is keen to expand – we do need more volunteers to help organise our events. So, anyone interested, please step forward and contact our secretary! (*see below*)

**Events:** We have Walks, Talks, Outings, Theatre Trips, Quizzes and much more! In May, 30 of us enjoyed a superb annual Spring Lunch, this year at Brickwall Hotel Sedlescombe. In June a coach load of us took a day trip to Polesden Lacey, a fascinating house, full of treasures and with beautiful gardens.

**Monthly Walks:** (September to June) They are on a Tuesday or Thursday, start at 10am at the chosen venue, are approx 5 to 6 miles, but followed by a long lunch at a suitable inn!

**Monthly Talks:** (October to May) They are on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at 2 pm in Brede Village Hall. Our 2023-24 programme is currently being finalised. Information will be available in due course in our Newsletter and also local Parish Magazines.

**Annual Golf Day:** This year we return once more to Tenterden Golf Club, where we have previously held very successful competitions. It will be on **Friday 1st September**, with play followed by an excellent lunch in the Club House. If you play golf, do book your place and join us!





**Annual Meet & Greet:** Each year we have a free social event with refreshments and guided tour, at a National Trust property, usually to give a donation to a project. This year it is at Scotney Castle on **Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> September**. It is an excellent opportunity to meet and hear from the management.

**Outing to Knole:** This is on **Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> September**. There's lots to see in this amazing building, full of many treasures – a fascinating conservation studio - a medieval deer park to explore – and of course a café!



**Quiz Night:** This is on **Saturday October 21<sup>st</sup>** – a fun night with supper included (food yet to be decided, but may well be sausage mash & onions!)

**Theatre Trip:** We plan to have a theatre trip in the autumn. Information will be available in due course in our Newsletter and also Parish Magazines.

**Christmas Party:** On **Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> December** we round off 2023 with our usual Talk & Party. This year we plan the 'talk' to be a seasonal entertainment, followed by a tasty buffet – a wide selection of food, washed down with mulled wine!

**If you wish to join our association or just come along, contact Dee Williams, Membership Secretary, [membershipyrenationaltrust@gmail.com](mailto:membershipyrenationaltrust@gmail.com), 07760-115413, or Louise Hull, 07791-383323.**

*John Wright*

### **Short Mat Bowls**

What exactly is short mat bowls? Come and find out on Friday evenings in Brede Village Hall - 7pm to 9pm. We are a friendly group of all ages and abilities who play for fun. Bowls available for a try out and help and instruction gladly given. Go on, give it a try.

More information from Sue McGavin on 01424 883566 or 07752 853850  
Lynne Bramley on 01424 882252 or 07795 202733

## Brede Mothers' Union

Held on the 1st Wednesday of the month  
1.30pm in Winter months and 2pm in summer.

Wednesday 7th June. We have a Branch meeting at the Rectory.

Wednesday 5th July. We will have our garden party (garden to be decided).

Wednesday 9 August . Mary Summer Day (venue to be announced).

Wednesday 6 October. Everyone who is interested is invited to a talk at 2pm in St George's Brede from Rev Sue Foster about the Clewer Initiative - Anti Slavery. Sadly this still goes on today.

Saturday 7 October. The Autumn Council will be in Haywards Heath

Wednesday 1 November. Branch meeting may have to be moved to Thursday, as The All Souls service will possibly be the same time as our meeting - 1.30pm in the Rectory

We still make up toiletry bags for the hospital. These are well received and, when required we will make up more. It costs about £6-£7 pounds for each bag. We try to send 10 ladies and 10 men's toiletry bags each time. We bulk buy to try and save on costs.

If you would like to join us, or have more information, then please contact either:

Rhiannon Oliver, Branch Leader on 01424 882037 or the  
Branch Secretary Rosemary Crouch on 01424 882567.

## Brede Angling Club



Brede Angling Club is a small village club with the sole fishing rights to the Kingswood Pond, which is situated in the fields to the left just before the village hall. We are affiliated to the Rother Fishery Association (RFA), which gives access to further waters at Newenden, Bodiam and parts of the Military Canal.

Membership rates are currently £20 a year for adults and £7 for juniors (over 5yrs old, under 5's - free). Children must be accompanied by a responsible adult to ensure adherence to club rules and safety around open waters. Day tickets are also available from the Best One shop at £5. Membership runs from June to June each year. We follow the closed season on RFA waters, but the Kingswood Pond remains open all year round.

We are now accepting requests to renew existing memberships for the coming season, and we welcome new members. We will now only accept payment by bank transfer. Requests to renew can be sent by email or post to the Club Secretary and membership cards will be sent out by post. Please do not turn up in person to buy a membership. Please contact the Club Secretary for more information. Contact details are below. Memberships will only be issued Monday – Friday and please allow 5 days to receive your membership card from making payment.

For further information please contact Kim Smith by email at [rhousesnow@hotmail.com](mailto:rhousesnow@hotmail.com) or call 01424 883427.

## 1st Brede Scouts



Brede Scout Hut, Stubb Lane', Brede TN31 6EG

**Mondays 5–6pm Beavers 6 to 8½**

**Monday 6.30—8pm Cubs 8½ - 10½**

**Tuesday 7—9 pm Scouts 10½ to 14½**

1st Brede Scouts still have vacancies in all sections.

We still need a new Beaver Leader; why not come and help and go on from there.

Contact Cherry for information

07761 730956

[gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com](mailto:gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com)

### **Group Scout Leader**

Cherry McCleery

07761 730956

[gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com](mailto:gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com)

### **Beaver Scout Leader (6-8 yrs)**

Cherry McCleery

07761 730956

[gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com](mailto:gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com)

### **Cub Scout Leader (8-10½ yrs)**

Peter Clark 07702 407725

[famclark@hotmail.com](mailto:famclark@hotmail.com)

### **Scout Leader (10½ to 14½ yrs)**

Luciano Frige 07818 070807



## Brede Friendly Circle

Our group meet on the third Wednesday of the month.

We have enjoyed our winter programme and the trips where we have been out for coffee. Now we embark on our summer and autumn programme.

Wednesday 19th July: we have been invited to a garden party from Phyllis at Corylus Chitcombe Road.

Wednesday 20th September: we travel to Appledore to Miss Molletts

Wednesday 18th October: Lime Warf Newenden.

We go out with the aim of enjoying ourselves. If you wish to join us please contact Carol Baxter 01424 883262

## Brede and Udimore Luncheon Club

The Luncheon Club meets on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 12.30.p.m. This year, 2023, we will be at a new venue- the 'Red Lion', in Brede. Here, members will be served a two-course meal, prepared and cooked by chef, Gary Skipsy. Drinks to accompany the meal are available to purchase.

The Brede and Udimore Luncheon Club was founded in 1979 and Brede Village Hall has always been our meeting place. Over the years, our friendly Club has provided a variety of in-house activities at our lunches, and we hope to re-introduce some of them in the near future, once we're established at our new venue. The raffle, however, will be held each month!

For information about the Lunch Club please contact:  
Frances Parnham Tel:01424 882007

## Brede Painting for Pleasure.

Painting for Pleasure is a friendly art group that continues to meet at Brede Village Hall on Tuesday mornings 9.30-12.30. We do our own thing, but help each other when needed. We have a few spaces available at the moment. The fees are £10 per annum membership fee plus £3 per week payable only on attendance (tea, coffee and biscuits included). We hold an exhibition of our work for sale every August bank holiday. If you wish to join, please contact Ann Cootes on [anniecootes@icloud.com](mailto:anniecootes@icloud.com).





## Brede WI

At the time of writing a report for the previous edition of this Parish Council Newsletter, the Brede WI pantomime had not taken place. It was eventually performed in February, having been postponed due to wintry weather before Christmas. From feedback it seemed to be well received and fulfilled its objective of providing a fun and entertaining afternoon for the audience. Yes, another pantomime is being planned for February 2024 and the script is already being written for a cast of willing thespians, so watch this space!

Our programme of monthly speakers has progressed as planned and this month (May) we were treated to an engaging presentation demonstrating how to apply make-up to enhance our appearance. Another May event was our Spring themed lunch in Udimore, when Gill Potterton catered for us, another successful and much enjoyed occasion.

At the end of May many members will be joining the boat trip planned on the Chichester Canal, with lunch on board. A visit to Hastings True Crime Museum is also organised for this summer, as well as a summer picnic and games afternoon in a member's garden.

Our clubs are open to all members and take place regularly throughout the year - Creative Writing, Play Reading Group, Book Club, Games Group, Lunch Club, Film Club and Walking Netball. In addition, Croquet Club has re-commenced for the Summer season, with a tournament planned for September. With such wide-ranging activities available, we hope all members can find a group that appeals to them, in between attending the Monthly Meetings at Brede Villlage Hall.

If you are interested in finding out more about the WI in Brede, Beryl Jenkins (01424 883475) would be pleased to help.

*Beryl Jenkins     President, Brede WI*

## **BREDE STEAM GIANTS**

Our Open Days continue to be very busy with many families and groups choosing to visit our site. We get visitors from all over the world, and everyone is always very interested to hear the story of the "Giants". Our volunteers enjoy showing visitors around the site and answering their questions.

We also enjoy hearing memories from the "local folk" about family members who were involved in building or running the Waterworks in the past; some of your stories are amazing!

Recently the Weald of Kent Stationary Engine Group brought their small engines to our site, setting their engines up outside around the Tangye Engine House. It made an even more interesting surprise for our visitors. They intend to return next spring.

On July 1<sup>st</sup> we are hosting a visit from a Vintage Car Club. We anticipate that the site will be busy and hope that the weather will be kind to us. On that same date is the Open Gardens for Charity in the village so there will be plenty for everyone to look forward to.

### **POWER HOUSE**

The steel girders have been assembled and we can now see the sheer size of our new Power House! We have been fund-raising for many years to enable this build to take place and feel really happy that we have finally started to make it happen! There is still a lot of work to be done in order to complete the building, but at least we have started!

Ultimately, part of the building will house the compressors that provide compressed air to power the engines but there will also be extra space for us to display even more interesting water pumping machinery. We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to enable this major project to become a reality, do come and see how we are progressing.

We continue to open on the first Saturday of every month and Bank Holiday Mondays from 10am - 4pm. We have a small cafe serving hot and cold drinks and homemade cakes. Entry and guided tours are free. Donations are always welcome to help us to keep these wonderful engines operating.

The village of Brede is really fortunate to have such a wonderful heritage site within its boundary. If you haven't seen the "Giants" already, it is well worth popping in for a quick look - it won't cost anything and you may be amazed!

We look forward to welcoming you all!"

## 4 Charities

Previously known as the Brede and Udimore Overseas Group, 4Charities was founded some 60 years ago by Iris Laker of Udimore who, during a visit to Tanzania, was horrified to see so many deaf children. On her return home she held coffee mornings to raise money for The Deaf in Tanzania and this was the origins of 4Charities.

Three other charities have been added over the years, meeting our objective of providing assistance overseas to smaller charities (except for Sightsavers - that have grown hugely), so our donations could go further and provide a greater benefit to those they are supporting.

Funds are raised by holding regular **Soup, Scrabble and Get Together** on the first Friday of each month in the St. Mary's Community Hall at 12 noon and other events arranged throughout the year.

Even if Scrabble is not your 'thing' you are welcome to come and just enjoy a bowl of soup, a chat and meet others, followed by tea and coffee. All funds raised are distributed annually to the four charities, we have no administration costs as the team's time is free.

All the four charities are UK registered and are:

**Deaf in Tanzania** is a UK charity dedicated to helping deaf people in Tanzania where deafness can lead to ostracization.

**Freedom from Fistula** helps women and girls who are injured following obstructed childbirth.

**PNGCP** which is a collaboration between seven Christian denominations and AUS Aid to introduce peace and health activities in Papua New Guinea.

**Sightsavers** who work worldwide to combat blindness in developing countries.

Liz Turgoose on 01424 882657 would be happy to talk to anyone who would like to know more about the group; otherwise, why not make a note of the dates and come along?

More information is available by visiting our website - [www.4charities.net](http://www.4charities.net)



## Design With Flowers

We meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2pm in Brede Church Room.

Help is given to all group members with their design.

20th June

In an English Country Garden

Members are invited to 2 Bellhurst Cottages  
Chitcombe Road Broad Oak Brede TN31 6EU

18th July

A demonstration of Leaf Design then do your own

8th August

Flower Festival meeting. Design of choice

26th-28th August

Flower Festival

19th September

A Mirror Image

17th October

A Bonfire Design

New members are welcome to join us.

Rhiannon Oliver

01424 882037 email: [r.oliver641@btinternet.com](mailto:r.oliver641@btinternet.com)

or Sue Sturmey

01424 882544 email: [susan.sturmey@btinternet.com](mailto:susan.sturmey@btinternet.com)

## Little Acorns, Children's Page

### Colouring

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telephone number by 15th  
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Trinity Methodist Church:	Stephen Hampson 01424 882690

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Booking Clerk Mrs Lesley Bannister 07764847234

For more information go to [www.bredvillagehall.org.uk](http://www.bredvillagehall.org.uk) and you will find details of the hall facilities, a schedule showing when it is available for hire and contact details. If you would like to have a look at the hall before booking to see if it is suitable for your purpose, that can easily be arranged.

For hiring charges please visit the website: [www.bredvillagehall.org.uk](http://www.bredvillagehall.org.uk) or ring the booking clerk.

## **Brede Scout Hut**

Cherry McCleery 07761 730956 [gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com](mailto:gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com)

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## **Trinity Methodist Church and Hall**

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