# Brede and Broad Oak Community Newsletter

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#### **NEXT Newsletter**

The next newsletter will be March 2024. Please ensure all submissions are sent to the clerk, Tracy Dixon (clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk) by **Friday 12th January 2024.** 

## Brede Parish Council

## Notes from the Chair

There is no better way to start this Newsletter than to pay tribute to my predecessor, Les Nottage. Les has deep roots in this community and has worked tirelessly for it over many years. As a councillor for over 20 years and Chairman for nine of them, he developed a great knowledge of council work and an extensive range of contacts. He was a hard-working Chairman, who was as effective talking to the police, as chairing meetings, or planting trees.

He led meetings well, keeping a firm control, and always encouraged members of the public to participate. New councillors were guided as necessary but respected for their views. Many people in the community will have appreciated his friendly style and informal advice. With a strongly practical background, Les often volunteered himself for practical Council jobs, from installing bins and benches, to planting trees for the Jubilee in 2022.

Cllr Rhiannon Oliver, who has alongside Les for many more years than me, has added some memories later in this Newsletter.

When there is a problem, people often a say 'Why doesn't somebody <u>do</u> something?' Les is a fine example of somebody who has willingly and consistently been prepared to 'do something', across a wide range of activities and over many years. So, thank you Les. You have made a difference to this Parish, both to the environment and to those who are lucky enough live here. We will miss you on the Council, but you have left behind a well motivate and thankfully apolitical team, who will do all they can to take the Parish forward. We look forward to working with you in other ways.

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At the September meeting, I was elected as Chair and Cllr Martin Griffiths as Vice Chair. There are currently three spaces on the Parish Council, which can now be filled by co-option. If you are interested in joining the Council, please do look at page 7 for details of eligibility and how to apply.

Also in September, Councillors welcomed a speaker, Dr Lucie Bolton, the Environment Strategy Officer from Rother District Council. Dr Bolton spoke about changes Brede Council and residents could make to reduce CO<sub>2</sub> emissions: - see page 10 for some details from the talk.

Stephen Hampson Chair

## Tribute to Les Nottage

I have known Les for many years, since he moved into the village and his young boys enrolled at Brede School. Very quickly Les involved himself by joining the Parents and Teachers Association and soon after became a 1<sup>st</sup> Brede Cub leader and later a 1<sup>st</sup> Brede Scout Leader. Les was also involved with the youth club that was in the hut on the recreation ground. Nothing ever seemed too much for him to do. Often you would see him building or repairing something, or painting in and around the Parish. It was inevitable that Les became a Parish Councillor. At first doing the routine work that all Councillors do, then after Carol Kynvin had resigned as long term Chairman, taking on the Chairman's role. There was no doubt it should be Les, dependable, impartial, cheerful, truthful and trustworthy gentleman - it was unanimous.

Many of you will know him and his dog Misty, who accompanies him for walks around Broad Oak. Or you may have met him at the Farmers Market in Brede, or at a council event. We wish him well in his retirement from the Council.

#### **Cllr Rhiannon Oliver**

## **Telephone Box in Cackle Street**

The red telephone box in Cackle Street is now beginning to look quite sad. Following the successful redecoration and conversion by a volunteer group, of the box by the Village Green to a 'Books and Bits' exchange, the Parish Council are looking for another group to take on looking after the on near the AAA garage. Perhaps another books and bits exchange, or what about a toy or seed exchange?

If you are interested in volunteering and helping to preserve this iconic parish asset, please do get in touch with the clerk. Paint and parts can be purchased, it is time that is needed, to restore the box to its former style.

For details contact the clerk Tracy Dixon at clerk@brede-pc.gov.uk.



## Update on recent Council works and projects

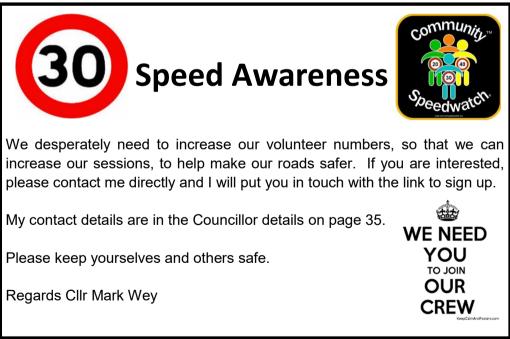
#### **Recreation Ground Play Equipment**

The basket swing has been temporarily removed. During a routine safety inspection, it was noticed that the bolts supporting the swing were pulling through a split in the top beam. The basket was therefore removed for safety reasons and the supplier has raised a manufacturer's repair request under the warranty for a new top beam. It is due to be replaced as this newsletter goes to print.

#### Graffiti on the Play Equipment

The Parish Council became aware via a Facebook post, that there was a problem with graffiti on the play equipment over the summer holidays. Councillors went to check the equipment, but all graffiti had been removed by the time they arrived.

They would like to express their thanks to whoever cleaned this up so quickly, it was very much appreciated. Do please report any events like this to the Clerk, who can ensure that the PCSO's are updated, in case it becomes a regular problem. The Parish Council has a supply of graffiti wipes should there ever be a problem with removing it.



## **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 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 2024	Trinity Methodist Church Hall	
Tuesday 23rd April 2024	Village Hall, Committee Room	
Tuesday 28th May 2024	Trinity Methodist Church Hall	
Planning Meetings and Extraordinary Meetings will be		

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.

## 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.

# **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 three 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.

## **Brede Garden and Shield Awards**

On Saturday 29th July a presentation afternoon was held to announce the winners of the Brede Garden and Shield awards. All those whose gardens had been nominated were invited to attend. As well as the following winners there were 16 Highly Commended Gardens and 23 Commended. Well done to everyone.

## **Shield Winners**

#### Brede Shield: Brede Wi

For their regular programme of meetings, clubs and events, providing a wide range of activities to enjoy within the parish.

Community Spirit Award: Brede Friendly Circle

For their Community Spirit providing afternoon tea for residents of the parish during the celebrations of the coronation of King Charles III

## **Garden Competition Awards**

**Best Large Garden** 1<sup>st</sup> Príze – Three Gables, Pond Close 2<sup>nd</sup> Príze – Tillings, Udimore Road 3<sup>rd</sup> Príze – Old Thatch, Chitcombe Road

## Best Small Garden

1<sup>st</sup> Príze – Waysíde, Cackle Street 2<sup>nd</sup> Príze – 12 The Martletts 3<sup>rd</sup> Príze – 16 Reedswood Road

## Best Hanging Baskets/Containers

1<sup>st</sup> Príze - Maídlands, Udimore Road 2<sup>nd</sup> Príze - The Old Forge, Kíngwood Hill 3<sup>rd</sup> Príze - 25 Fieldway



Winner: Best Hanging Baskets/Containers



Winners: Brede Shield - Brede WI

## **Climate and Ecological Emergency Presentation**

At the September Parish Council meeting, Dr Lucie Bolton, the Environment Strategy Officer at Rother District Council, spoke to the Council about the Climate and Ecological Emergency, recommending actions the Council could take to lower emissions and enhance biodiversity across the Parish.

Rother District Council is currently updating its Climate Strategy and Lucie presented the latest emissions data for the District, along with the five key action areas of the refreshed strategy. These five areas are:

Buildings and Energy Efficiency Trasport Resource Consumption and Waste Biodiversity and Land use Energy Generation

Examples of the actions Rother District Council is taking in each of these areas were discussed along with actions Brede Parish Council, and the residents of Brede could take.

Eight Parish or Town Councils across Rother have declared a Climate and Ecological Emergency and created a climate action plan for their area. Lucie presented the carbon footprint of Brede and suggested the Parish Council could declare an emergency and work with residents to focus on specific climate-related projects. Should the Parish Council make the declaration, Lucie offered to support the Council with their action plan.

Examples of local projects in other parishes include:

Develop and promote green transport plans, including safe routes to school, car clubs, EV charging points, cycling etc Home energy efficiency education Community food growing schemes Community composting Repair hubs and library of things Reusable nappy library Food waste reduction Climate education Parish litter reduction Plastic and packaging reduction Manage green spaces for wildlife

#### What Matters To You: new adult social care strategy for East Sussex

'What Matters To You: care, support and independence for adults in East Sussex' is the brand new adult social care strategy for the county.

The title reflects the approach taken to developing the strategy: asking people who need care and support, their carers and families, what was important to them.

Mark Stainton, Director of Adult Social Care in East Sussex, said: "We wanted this plan to be driven by what people told us were their priorities, rather than what professionals might think people need."

Around 700 local people responded to surveys or came along to focus groups and interviews to share their opinions. Using this feedback, and with the help of East Sussex County Council's Citizens' Panel, six priorities were agreed. They are:

- 1. Right support, right place, right time
- 2. Information and communication about care and support
- 3. Cost of living and cost of care, now and in the future
- 4. A suitable home
- 5. Personal connections with others
- 6. Group activities, hobbies and volunteering.

Adult Social Care & Health staff, the NHS, district and borough councils, the private sector, and voluntary, community and social enterprise sector were all involved in working on the strategy.

The next step is to build an action plan based around the 15 'we will' statements that set out the strategic response to the six priorities in 'What Matters To You'.

Mark Stainton commented: "What Matters To You is specific to the county, puts local people at the centre of our plans and gives direction for colleagues who work within or alongside adult social care. It will help everyone know what to expect from adult social care and what our strategic priorities are."

To read 'What Matters To You', please visit: <u>www.eastsussex.gov.uk/ASCstrategy</u> To watch a film about 'What Matters To You': <u>www.eastsussex.gov.uk/asc-strategy-film</u>

For a paper copy or alternative formats, please email: <u>ASCPersonalisation@eastsussex.gov.uk</u> Phone: 01273 481565

Write: Adult Social Care strategy, FREEPOST, ESCC, Public Health, County Hall, Lewes BN7 1UE

## **Brede Village Hall**



## An opportunity to support Brede Village and your community, and be paid for it!

The present Brede Village Hall Bookings Clerk and Treasurer wish to retire following several years of loyal service.

Online systems are already set up and operational, and it is opportune for these roles to be combined. Input each month approximately 20 hours.

For more information and to talk through what is involved,

please make contact as follows: Rod Came, Chairman Brede Village Hall Management Committee <u>chair@bredevillagehall.org.uk</u>

or

Jacqui Armstrong, Vice Chair Brede Village Hall Management Committee 'Phone number: 01424 883091

# **Brede School**



It's been a summer of activity at Brede Primary School in readiness for an exciting and transformative year ahead. Exam results were strong yet again, with progress being one of the highest in the county despite the disruption of lockdown.

This year's 'big' project is a makeover of how we use the school and its beautiful outside areas. The library renovations are almost complete, having recreated Evie's competition-winning underwater design. This includes yellow submarine and octopus seating and a giant friendly jellyfish suspended from the ceiling. Our sincere thanks go to the generosity of Carrie and Richard Disney, the Brede School PTFA and Rotary Club, who helped fund the developments, and the team at Brede for giving up their spare time over the summer holidays.

Our Reception and Key Stage 1 Classes have been dressed in new furnishings. Please keep your eyes peeled as their new outside classroom at the front of the school begins to take shape over the coming months.

If you have a child starting school in September 2024, or know a family who has, please direct them to our school website or ask them to call us. We have several open morning events throughout November where they can learn more about the school, meet the Early Years Team and tour our facilities.

Finally, a date for your diary. Weather permitting, we hope to host our annual community Starlight Concert on the school playground on Wednesday, 13<sup>th</sup> December. There will be Christmas carols and songs, hot drinks and refreshments. We hope to see you there.

Mrs Julie Knock Headteacher







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### St George's Brede



We offer everyone a warm welcome to our Christmas services this year and pray that it will be a time of peace and joy to everyone in our communities.

#### The Benefice Choir

From the combined churches of St. George's, Brede, St. Mary's, Udimore, All Saints, Beckley and St. Peter and St. Paul's, Peasmarsh.

- Thursday evenings from 6-7pm, at Beckley church, leading up to services. (Not a regular commitment.)
- We perform at four benefice services a year, perform one evensong a year, as well as the Christmas carol service.
- All welcome; no experience needed. Please contact Anna Edwards for more information.

info@stgeorgesbrede.org.uk or 01424 882201

#### Christmas Lessons and Carols led by our Benefice Choir

St. Mary's Church, Udimore December 17th at 3pm

#### **Christmas Eve**

Christingle Service St. George's Church December 24th, 4pm Midnight Mass St. Mary's Church, Udimore 9pm St. George's Church, Brede, 11:30pm

#### **Christmas Day**

Family Mass, St. George's, Brede, 9:30am Family Communion, St. Mary's, Udimore, 11:15am

Yours in Christ, Fr. Owen & Anna Edwards St. George's, Brede





Greetings from the congregation of Trinity Methodist Church, Broad Oak.

Autumn seems to have set in now as I write this in the middle of September, wind and rain after a lovely few weeks of sunshine.

We recently had a Macmillan Coffee Morning and thank you to those of you who came to support us. Over £250 was raised for this worthwhile charity.

Tuesdays@Trinity continues every week from 2.30 till 3.30. There have been a few weeks when the Postmaster has been unable to attend, but hopefully that will only be a rare occasion. We have decided the first Tuesday of the month will be a painting session, other times there will be board games, knitting/crochet or other activities. Items for the

Hastings Food Bank can be dropped off at the same time and there will always be tea/coffee, cakes and biscuits.

Looking ahead we shall be holding a series of Bible studies with Philip, our Minister leading up to Christmas. Our Carols by Candlelight service is on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> December at 3.30 pm. Everyone is welcome and there will be seasonal refreshments afterwards.

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

www.trinitybroadoak.org.uk.

Angela Pepper 01424 753295 / 07950 790339

## Tuesdays@Trinity Every week 2-4pm

A warm welcome awaits you.

- Post Office, (2.30 to 3.30)
- 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

USEFUL CONTACT NUMBERS					
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			
	Schools				
Brede Prim	ary School	01424 882393			
Rye C	ollege	01797 222545			
Robertsbrid	lge College	01580 840669			
	Transport				
Rye & District (	Community Bus	01797 227722			
Rye Dia	I a Ride	01797 227722			
	Churches in the P	arish			
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			
Useful Magazines & Newspapers					
Rye & Battle Observer/weekly Oliver		01424 882037/07375957244			
Brede Parish Church Magazine/monthly	Sue Rowan	01424 882681			
Brede Parish Newsletter	Tracy Dixon	clerk@brede-pc.org.uk			
Rye Fixtures monthly	Pick up in shops				

Groups in the Village	Contact	Phone number	Venue	When	Time
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	Tues- days	2-4pm
Brede & Udimore Luncheon Club	Fran Parnham	01424 882007		4 <sup>th</sup> Tues	12.30pm
Farmers Market Email farmersmark	Ruth Burge ket@brede villaç		Village Hall	Every Friday	10am - noon
Brede Friendly Circle	Carol Baxter	01424 883262		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

Groups Continued	Contact	Phone number	Venue	When	Time
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	2.30– 3.30pm
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 Sturmey	01424 882037 01424 882544	St George's Church Room	2 <sup>nd</sup> Thurs of month	2pm
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			288660 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 Membership 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 an **Outing** to Polesden Lacey, a fascinating house, full of treasures and with beautiful gardens. In October we had an **Outing** to Knole - an amazing building, full of many treasures – a fascinating conservation studio - a medieval deer park to explore – and of course a café!

**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! In October it's Goudhurst area, in November, Sandhurst, and in December, Battle.

**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 started in October with a talk on **The History of the Orangery in Britain**. (Using the orangery at Knole as an example). The speaker was Rowena Willard-Wright, who described how they developed into some of the most ornate Baroque garden rooms in Europe.

On 16<sup>th</sup> November, the talk is: **Sextant to Sat Nav, 45 Years in Aviation (with a fear of heights).** Our speaker Peter Griffiths started flying in 1967 for BOAC. His talks include a rich fund of stories, both humorous and serious, about the days of flying before the cockpits became so automated, and the foibles of the rich and infamous on their private jets

Then on 7th December Alan Haines will entertain us with **The Baby Boomer Nostalgia Show.** This is an amusing celebration of being born between 1946 and 1964. Memories of the 1950s, 60s and 70s are dredged up in this hilarious reminiscence. The show features comedy, audience participation, magic and some audio reminders of the time.

On 18<sup>th</sup> January, Ian Everest talks to us about: **The Commonwealth War Graves Commission.** He will reflect on the origins of the Commission and how it manages to inspire new generations to honour those who fell for their country. An extraordinary organisation created by extraordinary people – all blessed with extraordinary vision.

**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 was at Scotney Castle in September. Members of the House management team and the Head Gardener talked about their latest plans and we formally presented a cheque for £2000 for the renovation and presentation of a painting in the Main Hall.

**Quiz Night:** Also in October we held our popular annual Quiz Night – a fun evening with supper included - sausage mash & onions! If you missed it, come and join us next year!.

**Theatre Trip:** We plan to have a theatre trip, late autumn or early in 2024. 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. First we have the previously mentioned '**Baby Boomer Nostalgia Show'**, which will then be 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, <u>membershipryenationaltrust@gmail.com</u>, 07760-115413, or Louise Hull, 07791-383323.

#### 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**

Mother's Union was founded by Mary Sumner in 1886 when she saw how unsupported even the most diligent mothers could feel when faced with the sole responsibility of bringing up children and how families found difficulties with housing, clothing and feeding themselves. Many face the same challenges today. Mothers' Union aims to alleviate some of this, not only in this country but also around the world.

We meet on the 1st Monday of the month in Brede Church Room at 1.30pm and help carry on the work of our founder as best we can. Men and women, married, unmarried or divorced, it does not matter, can join our Branch. The worth of each of us in relationship is at the core of Mothers' Union values, God loves everyone. We do not mind your denomination; you will be most welcome to join us. Our programme is varied, we have talks, do fundraising, and have outings.

In August we took our Little Giants mother and toddler group to the Rare Breeds farm along with families from Family Support Work. We arrived about 11am and after receiving the tickets we investigated the site. Many went to find the animals that you could stroke or pick up, or explore the butterfly house and the play park. Some of the children helped to wash the pigs and found this great fun. Most of us went on the tractor ride, which allowed us to see the rest of the grounds. After lunch and some more playing we rejoined as a group to have an ice lolly provided by Brede MU. By 2.30pm the children were looking as tired as their parents, especially as the sun was particularly hot. A lovely day was had by all.

Hellingly MU welcomed everyone to their Mary Sumner Day on August 9<sup>th</sup>. It was especially lovely to see all the banners being paraded along the aisles.

In September we had a talk in St George's Church from the Reverend Sue Foster on Modern Day Slavery. The Parish were invited to come along as were other MU Branches and it concluded with tea and home-made cake.

On November 1<sup>st</sup> we will have an All Hallows morning for children with stories, games and ending with a very short service.

#### AFIA (Away From It All)

We have two caravans, one at Selsey and one at Winchelsea Beach, that offer free holiday accommodation to families going through difficult times. These remain very popular and book up quickly. During the early summer a new veranda was built on the side of the caravan, so it is big enough to put a table and chairs on it. This was possible by a legacy from Doris Henly left to Brede MU (a former member), a grant from Wellington Lodge and a private contributor. A plaque has been put on the side of the caravan in memory of our member. Do contact Brenda Snashall 07533 951249 if you or you know someone in difficulties who may benefit from a holiday and she will try and help.

During December we will set up Follow the Star in St George's and it will open on Saturday 2 December at 10.30am and there will be some stalls and soup and a roll at lunch time and mulled wine and a mince pie later. January and February will be Branch Meetings probably in the Rectory at 1.30pm

There is more information on our notice board in St George's Church Brede or please call our Branch Contact & Secretary Rosemary Crouch on 01424 882567 or Branch Leader Rhiannon Oliver 01424 882037

## Brede Angling Club

Brede Angling Club is a small village club with 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 Salehurst.

The club has a steady membership base, but please continue to recommend us to friends as new members are always welcome. We operate a reduced membership for those members joining from October onwards to reflect the reduced number of months left in the season.

Membership rates are very reasonable. 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. Attention is drawn to the Club's rules which must be adhered to by all members. To reduce the instance of non-member fishing, this year's membership cards clearly state that members can request to see another angler's membership if they are not known to them, to ensure only members benefit from use of the waters. The rules also stipulate no night fishing. Use of boilies and ground bait is also prohibited. These measures ensure Club waters and in particular the Kingswood Pond remain healthy, with a good fish stock and enjoyable to everyone.

For further information please contact Kim Smith by email at rhousenow@hotmail.com or call 01424 883427

## **1st Brede Scouts**



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

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

#### Group Scout Leader

Cherry McCleery 07761 730956 gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com

#### Cub Scout Leader (8-10½ yrs)

Peter Clark 07702 407725 famclark@hotmail.com

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

Cherry McCleary 07761 730956 gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com

Scout Leader (10½ to 14½ yrs) Luciano Frige 07818 070807



# **Brede Friendly Circle**

Brede Friendly Circle have had a wonderful year so far. Our July garden party in Phyllis's beautiful garden was blessed with warm weather and delicious food.

In September we to Miss Moletts in Appledore for coffee and her wonderful cakes and then in October the ladies went to Lime Warf in Northiam.

On Wednesday 15th November we will either be going by coach to the South Downs Garden and Centre and asking you to join us or we will be joining the Hastings Unison Group also going to the same destination. Final details will be circulated.

For December we will go out for a meal: a date and place will be decided soon and details circulated.

Wednesday 17th January there will be coffee in a member's home.

Wednesday 21st February Coffee in Merriments at 10.30am.

The Brede Farmers Market Tea Ladies will have raised a further  $\pm 500$  towards a wet weather path for the recreation ground. We hope to provide a further  $\pm 500$  by Christmas so that the full  $\pm 1500$  might be matched funded if possible.

After Christmas we will decide on a local charity that needs our help.

## **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 <u>anniecootes@icloud.com</u>.

## **Brede WI**

the Inspiring women

It was a delightful surprise that Brede WI was awarded the Parish Council Community Shield for 2023. The presentation took place at the end of July and it was heartening to be supported by fellow members and testament to the

wonderful sense of fellowship that permeates our WI.

The Summer Picnic, generously hosted by Maggie Sandra, has become a popular occasion in our summer calendar, having started as a permitted open air event during Lockdown. Many members appreciate the opportunity to meet informally on a lovely summer day with time to chat and an excuse to play some garden games.

The Croquet Tournament for the 2023 season took place in early September in a temperature that reached the late 20s. However, this did not diminish the participants' competitive spirit, combined with camaraderie and fun. The result was certainly no foregone conclusion and tested the skills of all the players. The new champion this year is Pat Shippey, with Maggie Wharton and Elaine Heasman runners up. They all played magnificently! We are grateful to Marion Brunt and Sue McGavin for kindly hosting Croquet Club sessions throughout the summer and ensuring that the course is fit for play.

At the time of writing, in addition to the September monthly meeting, the next event members will be looking forward to is the Harvest Lunch, which will take place at Udimore Hall in late September, when Gill Potterton will be catering for us.

The autumn and winter programme will bring the usual mix of speakers at our monthly meetings and the opportunity to attend the wide variety of clubs on offer -Creative Writing, Play Reading Group, Book Club, Games Group, Lunch Club, Film Club, Walking Netball, and Croquet for as long as weather permits.

Planning the programme for 2024 is well in hand, so 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 of friends choosing to visit the site. During the summer months more of our visitors are new to this area of the country, many from abroad. Everyone is very interested in the story of the Giants and amazed to see them running.

In August we were visited by two different Scout groups. They were staying at the camp site in Brede village and walked down the lane to see the Giants. It was quite a sight to see all the children and young people dressed in their "high-viz" jackets walking down the lane! Hopefully some of them would tell their families when they returned home and we might benefit from even more visitors in the future.

We have also opened privately for some groups of rather older individuals - U3A groups and ex-Oxford University graduates. Young and old alike, everyone comes to enjoy watching the Giants in motion and learning something of their history.

I was recently asked if I could step in at short notice to give a talk about The Giants to the Brede WI group. Their planned speaker was unable to be there. I just hope that the ladies were not too disappointed to hear about the History of the Waterworks Site when they were expecting a talk from a Court Artist! Quite a difference in subject matter!

#### POWER HOUSE

Those of you who have visited recently will have seen the huge steel framing that has been erected to form the new Power House. We are now awaiting quotations for building the walls and roof structures. We are hopeful that work will begin in the near future. Once completed, part of this building will house the compressors that provide the compressed air to run all our machines; at present they are inside a small cabin which can become very hot in summer. The rest of the space will soon be filled with even more examples of water pumping machinery.



Worthington-Simpson Engine 1939

We would like to thank everyone who has contributed to our fundraising efforts to enable this major project to become a

reality. Do come down to see how we are progressing.



We continue to open on the first Saturday of every month and Bank Holiday Mondays from 10am to 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 running.

The village of Brede is very fortunate to have such a wonderful Heritage site within its boundary. If you haven't already seen the "Giants" it is well worth popping in for a quick look - it doesn't have to cost you anything and you may be amazed! We look forward to welcoming you all!

Tangye Engine 1904

## 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

	Design With Flowers		
Table	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.		
6th November 6th December January 2024	Using a big candle in a design Christmas floral design No meeting, as it would normally be on the 1st. Do have a lovely day with family.		
5th February	Making boards to go under arrangements. If time, this will include making an arrangement of your choice for the board.		
New members are welcome to join us.			
Rhiannon Oliver or Sue Sturmey	01424 882037 email: r.oliver641@btinternet.com 01424 882544 email: susan.sturmey@btinternet.com		

#### Little Acorns. Children's Page

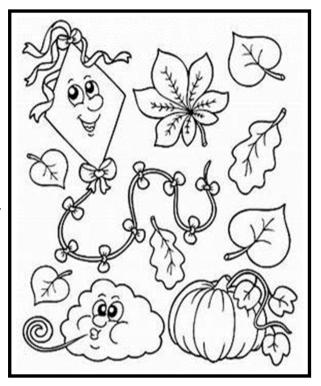
## <u>Colouring</u>

You may enlarge and photocopy this picture to make your own card.

Or to enter our competition.

### Enter the competition by:

sending your pictures to Cllr Rhiannon Oliver 2 Bellhurst Cottages, Chitcombe Road, Broad Oak TN31 6EU with your name, age and telephone number by 12th January 2024



Prizes will be awarded for the best in age group.

## Dot to Dot

Follow the numbers with a pencil to find what they reveal.

Then colour it in.

Why not put one picture on the front and one on the back and send it in to win a prize?





<u>Brede Village</u> <u>Hall</u>

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Brede Village Hall: Scout Hut: Brede Church Room: Trinity Methodist Church: Lesley Bannister 07764 847234 Cherry McCleery 07761 730956 Wardens 01424 882037 Stephen Hampson 01424 882690

## Brede Village Hall

Brede Village Hall offers a bright modern building with central heating and a well fitted kitchen, an extendable stage and disabled facilities. Seating is available for up to 120 people. There are tables, chairs, crockery and cutlery for over 100 people. There is plenty of off-road parking. What more could you want?

Booking Clerk Mrs Lesley Bannister 07764847234

For more information go to www.bredevillagehall.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.bredevillagehall.org.uk or ring the booking clerk.

### Brede Scout Hut

Cherry McCleery 07761 730956 gsl1stbrede@hotmail.com

The perfect venue if you require a smaller hall, with a large, grassed outdoor area, big enough for a marquee and a small patio area. Ideal for weddings, parties and small groups. Small parking area for roughly 15 cars. Good sized kitchen with dishwasher, range cooker and fridge-freezer. Toilets, including disabled toilet and a shower.

Charges; £6 per hour plus a £50 deposit, refundable if premises left as found.

Overnight camping £10 plus £3 per person.

Some evenings not available due to Scout Groups meeting but, please text or call for more information.

#### Trinity Methodist Church and Hall

Trinity has recently been re-furbished and the hall, a small meeting room or the whole building are now available for hire. The Church, which has a good sound system, seats about 75 and the hall about 35 depending on the layout. The premises are fully accessible with ramps to the front and side, an accessible toilet and a hearing loop in the church. There is a modern, well-equipped kitchen and modern heating and lighting throughout the building. Further information is available on our website www.trinitybroadoak.org.uk, or visit us to look around.

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