Chailey News

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December 2025

The Church of St Peter Parish of Chailey

WEEKDAYS

Monday 8pm Bell Ringing Practice

Thursday 6.30pm Choir Practice New ringers and choir members always welcome.

Transport to services can be arranged: please contact

the churchwardens. The Church is open during daylight hours.

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ROMAN CATHOLIC MASS

Herons Ghyll: Wednesday 9.30am Sunday 11.30am Holy Days 12 noon

Haywards Heath: Sunday 8.30am 10.30am 5pm

Uckfield: Saturday 5.30pm Sunday 9.30am
Lewes: Sunday 9am 10.30am

For further information about Roman Catholic services and activities, please contact Mrs Mary Butterfield, 01825 724003

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DECEMBER SERVICES 2025

Sunday 7th December *The second Sunday of Advent* 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Morning Worship



Sunday 14th December *The third Sunday of Advent* 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion

Friday 19th December 6pm Carol Service

Sunday 21st December The fourth Sunday of Advent 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10.00am Parish Communion

Sunday 24th December CHRISTMAS EVE 3pm Crib service 11pm Midnight Communion

Sunday 25th December CHRISTMAS DAY 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion

Sunday 28th December The first Sunday of Christmas 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion

Sunday 4th January *The second Sunday of Christmas* 8am Holy Communion (BCP) 10am Parish Communion

BCP is the Book of Common Prayer (1662). All other Eucharistic Services are from Common Worship: Order One. We welcome everyone warmly and families and children are always welcome at all our services.

Rector's Ramble

"And his name is called Wonderful Counsellor, Mighty God, Everlasting Father, Prince of Peace." Isaiah 9

Dear friends.

Welcome to the December edition of the *St Peter's Chailey's Church & Community Magazine for 2025*. It has been an incredible year and I'd like to take this opportunity to thank you all for your love, support and prayers. Yes, there have been tough times, but we have faced them together and the sense of love and community is breath-taking, using the gifts we have been given to help and support each other along the way. And now we begin our journey through Advent looking forward to the joy and hope of Christmas.

Christmas truly is the gift that keeps on giving, a season that shimmers with joy, warmth, and hope. At its heart lies a gift so perfect, so radiant, that no earthly wrapping could ever contain its wonder, its awe, or its joy. This holiest of seasons invites us to look again at the depth of God's generosity and the beauty of the light He brings into our world.

As our two parishes of St Peter's Chailey and St Mary's Newick join together once again in fellowship and celebration, we are reminded that the Christmas story is not only about God's great love for the world, but also about the ways that love draws communities closer. Whether in our shared Christmas tree lightings, our Advent and Christmas services, our Carols by Candlelight, the Christmas Tree Festival, our Nativities, or the prayers we offer day by day, we see reflected, brightly and beautifully, the unity that Christ himself came to bring.

In John's Gospel, we are reminded: "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God, and the Word was God." In these familiar words God reveals himself as the generous giver, the one who pours out mercy, love, and grace in extraordinary measure. Nowhere is this generosity more radiant than in the gift of his Son, our Saviour Jesus Christ.

At Christmas we rejoice in the child born in Bethlehem, God's perfect gift to a weary world. As we sing in one of our beloved carols, he is the one who brings "light and life to all." He is the one "born to give us a second birth."

Unlike so many gifts exchanged at Christmas, some forgotten, some unneeded, and some that fade with time, the gift God offers cannot be misplaced, outgrown, or replaced. It is the gift that continues giving, the gift we cannot live without the gift of hope, salvation, and eternal joy.

And yet we know that for many, Christmas is not always an easy season. In our churches and villages there will be those who feel the strain of rising costs, those struggling with illness, those caring faithfully for loved ones, and those carrying quiet burdens of grief or anxiety. Some will feel uncertain about the future, their work, their families, or simply about themselves. Christmas can magnify both joy and sorrow.

But into every circumstance, joyful or heavy, Christ comes. The message of Christmas is that God steps into the world not when it is tidy and settled, but precisely when it most

needs light. "When the time had fully come," writes the apostle Paul, "God sent his Son." The world needed him then; we need him now. And the promise remains that when we place our trust in him, he walks with us, through celebration and sorrow, through laughter and longing, always as Emmanuel, "God with us."

This gift of Christ is not only eternal, but transformative. When we receive him with open hearts, something wondrous begins to take place within us. His love reshapes our priorities, softens our hard hearts, and inspires us to give in ways that echo his grace. These gifts cannot be measured in pounds or wrapped in ribbons. They are gifts of the heart: mending a friendship strained by misunderstanding; offering forgiveness where hurt has lingered; speaking gently instead of harshly; visiting someone who is lonely; giving quietly and anonymously; or offering an apology freely and sincerely.

As our two communities gather this Christmas, in worship, in song, in fellowship, hospitality, and love, we embody the very message we celebrate: a hope for our world and a light shining in the darkness.

Christ's light does not belong to one community alone, but shines across our villages, across households, and across every heart that welcomes him. We are called to share that light, whether, like Kiera and Joe, that's by offering "Nan's turkey pie," meeting with friends and family, or supporting a local charity. This Christmas, let your light shine brightly.

Together at St Mary's and St Peter's, all are welcome. We stand side by side as a joyful witness to the unity Christ brings and to the love this season calls us to share.

So, this Christmas, let us open once more the greatest gift of all. Let us cherish it, hold it close, and allow it to fill every corner of our lives. And let us not forget that Advent is our season of getting ready—ready to understand the true meaning of Christmas, ready to welcome Jesus into our hearts, and ready for the day when he will come again.

May the Babe of Bethlehem be yours to tend, May the boy of Nazareth be your friend, May the man of Galilee his healing send, May the Crucified Jesus his courage lend, May the risen Lord Jesus be with you to the end.

Wishing you all a blessed, peace-filled Advent and a joyful Christmas. *Rev Paul*

God of Mission
Who alone brings growth to your Church,
Send your Holy Spirit to give Vision to our planning, Wisdom to our actions,
And power to our witness.
Help our church to grow in numbers,
In spiritual commitment to you,
And in service to our local community,
Through Jesus Christ our Lord.

Amen



December Diary

Thursday 4th - Craft & Chat 6.30pm-8.30pm

Join us for our monthly meet-up at the church.

Bring along a craft you are working on or join in with our 'craft of the month'. All are welcome but under 18s must be accompanied by an adult.

Monday 8th - Messy Church 4.30pm-6.30pm

For the whole family (children must be accompanied by an adult) Crafts, games and activities, singing and stories. Finishes with a meal together. Suggested donation £2 per family.

Sunday 14th - Family Christmas Service 4.30pm

Followed by a Christmas tea. All welcome. No morning service today.

Sunday 21st - Carols by Candlelight 4.30pm

No morning service today.

Thursday 25th ~ Christmas Day Service - 10.30am

Wednesdays ~ Open Doors 11am-3pm.

Come along for chat, cake and a cuppa! All ages welcome.

Sundays ~ We meet at 10.30am for a time of worship and we warmly invite you to join us.

Chailey Free Church, South Chailey, BN8 4AN
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Roger on 01273 890114
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Pastoral Care Fund

St Peter's church has set up a specific fund to help families in Chailey who are suffering from hardship and difficult circumstances. Help is available to anyone in the village, not just to church members. If you know of anyone who needs financial or material help and who would benefit from access to this fund, please contact Rev'd Paul Mundy, one of the Church Wardens, or email 'stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk'. This fund is ongoing and if you feel you can contribute, however little, it would be very much appreciated.

Donations can be made at any time to the Treasurer or directly to the bank. (Chailey P C C, Sort Code 09-01-55 Account 06923088. Please state 'Pastoral Care Fund'). Cheques can be posted in the letterbox outside St Peter's bell tower or handed to a Church Warden.

If you are able to gift aid your donation, please include a note with your name, address and postcode, or you can email a note to the Treasurer via: 'stpeterschurch12@hotmail.co.uk'.

From the Parish Leaflet December 1937

Christmas Fair. On Saturday December 17th we held our Christmas Fair. The Parish Room was gaily decorated and a large Christmas tree stood in the centre laden with presents and coloured lights. The stalls around the rooms were all bright with attractive gifts, flowers, cakes, sweets, toys, cards, calendars and Christmas hampers. An excellent tea was provided and during the afternoon a very clever little comedy written and staged by Mrs Temple called 'Miss Appleby's Dream' caused great amusement and was enjoyed by all present. The proceeds of the Fair, amounting to £35. 0s. 6d will be given to Church Funds.

Sadly I can find no record of Mrs Temple's play, I am sure it must have been great fun.

Happy Christmas everyone! annette@shelford.net

Chailey Litter Pickers

The Chailey Litter Pickers are a friendly and enthusiastic group of people who do their best to keep Chailey as clean and tidy as possible. We have been very busy this year! Our November group pick focussed on the area around St Peter's Church and green, in preparation for the annual Remembrance Service.

You may have seen us in our high-vis jackets doing our regular monthly picks along the roads and verges. Please encourage everyone to help us by taking their litter home with them or using one of the many bins in the area!

The picks take place on different days of the week to enable as many people as possible to take part. In addition, some of the group pick their own areas as and when they are able to. The December group pick will be Wednesday 10 December at 10.00am starting from the Free Church in South Chailey. We welcome new people to the group who are interested in helping to keep Chailey as clean and tidy as possible. Bin liners will be provided, as well as high-vis vests, gloves, grabbers, and hoops for those that need them. The more the merrier! Children over the age of 11 years are also welcome, but need to have an adult with them.

More information about the Chailey Litter Pickers and future dates can be found on www.facebook.com/chaileylitterpickers

Sarah Droscher



Get Ready For Christmas At Chailey Repair Cafe

It happens every year, doesn't it? You get the carving knife out to serve the turkey and it's blunt. You get the Christmas tree lights out and they don't light up. You put your favourite music on your vintage CD/vinyl player and it doesn't work. Fear not – we are open on 8th November and 13th December to help you get things going again. Don't forget that we also can help with computers and printers which are playing up, as well as repairing wooden items, ceramics, clothing, cycles and repairing/sharpening those garden tools! We are now getting seriously busy, with over 100 visitors bringing us nearly 60 repairs to October's Repair Café, all of which we tackled in 3 hours. That included a ride on Unicorn and a remarkable tablecloth autographed by stars of the 1940s and 50s...!! But please don't arrive at 1250hrs with a really complicated repair....

Portable domestic items only please – and, sorry, but no fridges or microwaves. We will try to repair your item while you wait and watch what we do, so you'll be able to fix it yourself next time!! We do not charge for the service, but invite you to make a donation to support our running costs. There is no need to book – just turn up and we will see you as soon as we can.

You'll find us at St Peter's Church, Chailey on the A275 at Chailey Green on the second Saturday of each month (i.e. 8th Nov, 13th Dec) between 1000hrs and 1300hrs where we'll have a full Café service including our legendary cakes. Not sure if we can fix your item? Email us at chaileyrc@gmail.com and we'll see what we can do to help.

See you soon!!

Bryan McAlley and the Chailey Repair Café team

A Remarkable Story From The Repair Cafe

Fiona St Denis recently brought this very unusual tablecloth to us at Chailey Repair Café as the hem needing attention. She told us that the tablecloth had belonged to Fiona's late mother-in-law, Beryl Melville, who was part of an acrobatic act and toured the world appearing at music hall venues including the London Palladium. As she travelled, she collected signatures from famous people of the day who she came across in the course of her work.

The tablecloth dates from around the late 1940s to the early 1950s. There is a date and motif in the middle saying "South Africa '51 – '52". Some of the celebrities who signed the cloth are still well-known today – Frankie Howerd, Jack Warner, Michael Bentine, Josef Locke, Sophie Tucker to name but a few. Others would have been fellow novelty acts Beryl met on her travels

When the tablecloth arrived at Chailey Repair Café, it was in very poor condition. There were about 10 motifs which had been expertly pencilled in by Beryl in readiness

for embroidery. If the cloth had been washed all this prepared artwork would have been lost. Fiona asked our expert fabrics team how she should go about washing it and they gave her the name of an excellent soap-free cleanser that the team use on antique teddy bears when they arrive in a grubby condition. She also asked if there was anyone at the Repair Café who might be able to complete the embroidery. As it happened Marilyn, one of the team, was about to go into hospital for a replacement knee operation and would be out of action for a few months. She very kindly volunteered to finish the work started by Beryl Melville so many years ago.

Marilyn really enjoyed embroidering the remaining motifs and kept in touch with Fiona as to what some of the sketches meant and how to tackle them. She also volunteered to clean the tablecloth as soon as it was finished. As a surprise, she embroidered "CREATED BY BERYL MELVILLE" along one of the hems so that future generations might like to know who came up with the fun idea of a Memory Tablecloth. Fiona is planning to frame the work so it can be displayed in her home, where it will become something of a family heirloom and provide a lasting memory of a remarkable lady and the famous folks she encountered on her travels around the world.

Do you have a family heirloom which needs the Repair Café treatment? Contact us at chaileyrc@gmail.com and we will see what we can do!

Chailey Horticultual Society

2026 is going to bring great changes to the horticultural society. I am stepping down from being chair and show secretary and will become president. Howard Venters has kindly agreed to become chair with Tom Stovold as vice chair. Phillipe Vesey - Holt becomes show secretary and Sarah Tillard has agreed to take on the role of treasurer. Social media and publicity are going to be in the very capable hands of Yasmin Tomlinson. With these changes we hope to bring in fresh ideas and momentum to ensure that the society remains a pivotal institution in the village. Hopefully our 2026 schedule will be ready by the New Year.

The relevant dates are:Spring show - Saturday 21st March.
Plant sale - Saturday 23rd May, village hall car park 10am to 12.
Summer show - Saturday 25th July
Autumn show - Saturday 12th September.
So let's hope for a dynamic and successful 2026.

Now to gardening matters. Prune apple, pears and quinces in late December and January. Remove dead, dying, damaged and diseased growth - the three Ds! Open up the centre of the tree and keep it to a manageable size. If removing thick growth do so in a frost free period and if necessary use a sealant. When the leaves have fallen from grape vines cut the side shoots back to four buds from the main stem. Much the same goes for the pruning of Wisteria.

Autumn fruiting raspberries should be cut down to ground level and a layer of compost applied. Apply grease bands to apples, pears and quinces as soon as possible to prevent the larvae of various moths climbing the tree. If allowed

they settle around the fruit buds and will infect the developing fruit next year. Keep an eye on brassicas and remove yellowing and dying leaves Dig parsnips after the first frost to ensure maximum sweetness. I grow a carrot called Eskimo which will survive in the ground all winter with minimal protection and I strongly recommend it. Keep checking stored potatoes, onions, garlic and shallots. Outside overwintering onions, garlic, broad beans and peas should be kept weed free. Now is also a good time for a general clean up. In the greenhouse all the staging, floor and glass should be sterilised using Jeyes fluid. It is particularly important to keep the glass clean to ensure maximum light penetration during the winter months. All pots, trays and tools should also be cleaned using Jeyes fluid. When all is spick and span sit down and review the passing year with particular thoughts on what worked and what didn't and why. With the catalogues for next year start planning and remember always try something new!

Good Gardening Peter Estcourt pge44@icloud.com

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Chailey Evening WI

Chailey Evening WI meet on Tuesday December 2, at 7.30pm, at the village hall, and Ian Dowding will be the speaker on the subject 'Banoffi Pie and other Adventures'. Ian has worked in the restaurant trade for over forty years and was the original head chef of The Hungry Monk when it opened in 1968. He went on to open his own restaurant, Quincys in Seaford, in 1988. Whilst at the Hungry Monk, in 1972, he was partly responsible for the creation of the dessert called Banoffi Pie. By a process that was mainly chance this became popular around the UK and eventually world famous.

In 2000 Ian became a freelance chef offering his skills and services where required. This led to various interesting jobs including teaching, TV and radio, demonstrations at food festivals, creating food for magazine photography, a talk on taste for the testing panel of a major food company and writing articles for The Restaurant Business, The Guardian, The Oldie and Aspect County. Ian has a deep interest not only in the cooking of food but in its history, science, folklore and social influence. His talks are full of interesting facts, fascinating detail and amusing anecdotes so the evening is sure to be an entertaining one. All welcome, the first meeting is free and this includes refreshments.

Members of Chailey Evening WI hope to see you at this meeting or a meeting in 2026 (the group meet at the village hall at 7.30pm on the first Tuesday of every month apart from August when there's an outing instead). For now Chailey Evening WI wish everyone a very happy Christmas and New Year.

For more information visit the group's Facebook page or call Mandy on 07546 592739.

Chailey Parish Council

First of all I would like to welcome our new Parish Councillor Patrick Murphy who has recently joined us.

We do still have one further vacancy and are looking for enthusiastic and dedicated individuals to help shape the future of the village. You would be involved with making decisions that affect your own community, representing residents' interests and working with other local organisations. No formal qualifications are required but a passion for the community and good communication skills are essential and we can offer full training. For further information please contact our clerk at clerk@chaileyparishcouncil.gov.uk.

There has unfortunately been an increase in graffiti around the village again. We have removed the paint from the two bus shelters near North Chailey crossroads and are awaiting the installation of two new shelters in South Chailey by the builders of The Cygnets (the land near the former Swan pub). We have asked them to install wooden shelters with glass windows which should be easier to maintain. They have also undertaken to install Real Time Passenger Information in the shelters which we hope can eventually be replicated at other bus stops in the village.

Lastly the Parish Council would like to wish everyone a very Happy Christmas and a Peaceful New Year.

Cllr Elizabeth Berry Chair of Chailey Parish Council

Citizens Advice Drop In

Citizens Advice offer a monthly Drop In advice session at Chailey St Peter's Church. The next session will be on Friday 5th December 10am - 1pm. A similar drop in session will be held in the Community Centre in Newick on Wednesday 17th December 12.00 - 3.00pm High quality, impartial and professional advice, support and referrals given on a huge range of topics, including welfare benefits, housing issues, food and energy poverty, debt and much more.

This is a great opportunity to get easy access to advice locally without having to travel long distances for appointments.

Local transport can be provided by Newick Good Neighbours Service from Chailey, Newick and Fletching please ring 07933096033.

Further information about rural out reach can be found at Rural Outreach/Lewes District CA

www.Lewesdistrictca.org.uk

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Chailey Commons Society

Once again, we are having unseasonal warm and damp autumnal weather and the rainfall has been light with most of the heavy rain by-passing our corner of England. My local rain recording showed a total rainfall of 5.24 in in October giving a year total so far of 24.67 in. compared with 36.62 in. at the same point in 2024.

During October and part of November the Exmoor ponies have been grazing the fields next to the commons in order to keep them away from the very abundant crop of acorns on the heathland this mast year. We are very grateful for the continued support of our neighbours, and everyone involved. We are awaiting advice from the conservation grazing experts from the Moorland Mousie Trust who own the ponies, about when to release them back onto the common. You may see them grazing inside an electric fenced enclosure on Red House Common with minimal oak trees as the next stage before their release.

Our November talk was on the Dragonflies of Sussex by Simon Linington. Other activities this Autumn included our annual Fungus Walk with Martin Allison and the final bird walk with Adrian. We spotted some seasonal passing birds such as Canada Geese, Greylag Geese and Egyptian Geese and a Little Egret and a Cormorant. We also enjoyed a talk by Barney Tremaine, Farm Manager at the Cowdray Estate Midhurst, who told us about the Regenerative Farming on the estate and how it includes all aspects of the local flora and fauna and care of the soil.

There is no meeting in December.

Forthcoming Events in 2026

- Thursday January 8th 2026. Talk by Sasha Turnbull, a commons neighbour, who
 will tell us about how she enjoys the commons and will illustrate with paintings
 and images. Chailey Village Hall 7.30pm. Visitors welcome.
- Saturday January 11th Birch Harvesting on Red House Common for besom brooms: 9.30 am – 1 pm with snack break. Further details to follow. If you would like to buy our sustainably produced besom brooms, please contact 01444 831098.

If you would like to take part in the birch cutting, please contact us using the email (mail@chaileycommons.org.uk) in advance so that we can get you registered as a volunteer.

We always welcome new members so please come and join us. It's now easy to join online through our website.

For further information, visit our website – www.chaileycommons.org.uk or our Facebook page www.facebook.com/chaileycommons/ or friendsofmarkstakescommon.weebly.com.

The Society wishes you a very Happy Christmas.

William Coleman - 01444 831098

Chailey Bonfire Society

As bonfire season comes to an end, we welcome the senior residents of the village to our annual Christmas event, a chance to catch up with old friends and enjoy a lovely two course Christmas lunch and an afternoon of entertainment.

As we welcome 2026, we will endeavour to hold all our fundraising and village events despite no response to our request for help. Dates for your diary:

21 st	February	Quiz Night at Chailey Village Hall
7^{th}	March	Jumble Sale
25^{th}	April	St Georges Village Fete
5 th	September	Jumble Sale
7^{th}	November	Bonfire Celebrations
5 th	December	Christmas Event

All dates/events are subject to change and/or cancellation depending on available help.

If you feel that you can help us and/or would be interested in joining our committee or event team, please do not hesitate to contact us for further details. You can contact us on Facebook (search for Chailey Bonfire Society) or by email secretarychaileybonfire@gmail.com.

A very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year from Chailey Bonfire Society

OTHER LOCAL NEWS

Lewes District Citizens Advice

www.lewesdistrictca.org.uk

Contact: Sophie Hoffman 01273 007556

Planning Ahead with a Lasting Power of Attorney:

A lasting power of attorney (LPA) ensures that someone you trust can step in to manage your affairs if you become unable to make decisions for yourself.

The first thing to know is that anyone can make an LPA, whatever your age. An LPA lets you appoint a trusted friend or relative to act on your behalf and manage your finances, care, or medical treatment if you ever lose mental capacity. This could happen due to illness, injury, or the side-effects of treatment, impacting your ability to make decisions. Setting up an LPA doesn't mean you expect something to happen - it's just planning ahead.

There are two types: property and financial affairs, and health and welfare. You don't need to make both at once, but you must do it while you still have the mental capacity. Choose who manages your affairs carefully. A property and financial affairs LPA covers things like bank accounts and property, fully or partially. A health and welfare LPA covers care, daily living, and medical decisions - but it can only be used once you lose capacity.

Uckfield Lewes and Newick Arts Society

December 3rd 2.30 in the Civic Hall Uckfield Lecturer Dr Graham Griffiths

Joy and Energy in Unique Music of the Latin American Baroque.

We always try and do something really special for the Christmas lecture, and this will be no exception. I am sure you will remember the film 'The Mission' starring Robert de Niro. By invitation of UNECO Dr Griffiths held concerts in Bolivia and went to many of the Jesuit communities portrayed in the film. It was in these communities that the real music of the Latin Baroque was born. Solemnity religiosity somehow combined with popular South American beat.

Dr Griffiths is a lecturer, pianist, composer, conductor and writer. Through his research and visiting Boliva he uncovered truths not depicted in the film. He contributes to musical broadcasts in Britain, Denmark and worldwide. He is also a member of our society. Enough said!

Guests are always welcome at our lectures, £8 on the door but do think about joining us. Bookings are now being taken for our Christmas Lunch at the Picture House Restaurant in Uckfield, but of course this is for members only.

Do contact me for membership details. Happy Christmas!

Annette Shelford - annette@shelford.net

Play Badminton!

Newick Badminton Club play every Tuesday evening at Newick Village Hall. We are a friendly club and welcome players of all abilities including beginners. You can drop in anytime between 7.45pm and 10.00pm to try us out. Racquets can be provided and your first session is free! If you are interested in coming along, please call *07801079334* or email secretary@newickbadmintonclub.co.uk."

Kind regards,

Sara Lawrence

Newick Amateur Dramatic Society

A laugh out loud comedy – just what we all need before the mad rush of Christmas preparations. NADS December 2025 Production.

Sir Arthur Conan Doyle's most celebrated Sherlock Holmes story gets a gloriously funny makeover. *Nick Hern Books*

"The Hound of the Baskervilles"

by Sir Arthur Conan Doyle adapted for the stage by Steven Canny & John Nicholson

Directed by Allison Potter-Drake

Wednesday 3rd - Saturday 6th December 2025 Tickets £10

NEWICK VILLAGE HALLCurtain up 8.00 pm - Doors open 7.15 pm Box Office : *01825* 722985 or 722359 or Email : info@newickdrama.org or at the door

An amateur production by arrangement with Nick Hern Books

The Bevern Trust - It's the countdown to Christmas!

We're bringing the festive spirit to life throughout our home. Our residents are thrilled about the festivities coming up and eager to celebrate alongside you!

Our Big Give Christmas Challenge is launching on Giving Tuesday, 2nd December! This is your chance to double your impact, as every donation made during the campaign will be matched, meaning your generosity will go twice as far in supporting our vital work. Set a reminder now and help us make double the difference! Visit beverntrust.org to find out more.

Win a Festive Christmas Hamper! Help us spread some festive cheer this season! Our wonderful Christmas hamper is packed with delicious treats for you to enjoy this Christmas time. Tickets are available at beverntrust.org or in person at Bevern View. The raffle closes on 22nd December - don't miss your chance to win!

This Christmas, why not try something different? Send Bevern Online Christmas cards to your friends and family! Visit our website to find how to send a card!

And finally, we warmly invite you to join us on Friday 19th December for a special celebration - Christingle Afternoon Tea. Join us at 3.30pm at Bevern View, The Willows, Barcombe. All welcome - we look forward to seeing you there!

We're also looking forward to the new year! In 2026, we will continue our fundraising efforts and begin our Space to Thrive building project which will revolutionise daily life for our residents, their families, and our dedicated care team.

Mark your diaries for our Annual Dinner & Auction on Friday 6th March 2026!

The Bevern Trust is a disability charity based in Barcombe and Bevern View is its residential home, providing lifelong care for 11 young adults with profound disabilities.

Donate: www.beverntrust.org Email: info@beverntrust.org Follow us on social media: @thebeverntrust. Thank you for your support!

Newick Cinema

Dear Cinema goers,

Just a reminder that as usual there will be no film in December, but we look forward to welcoming you back in the new year.

Details of January's film will be on posters and in the parish magazines in good time for the screening.

Thank you for all your support in coming to the cinema during the year—thanks also for the help given in getting chairs set out and put away, also to the refreshment and bar team for making sure we don't go hungry or thirsty!

We wish you a very Happy Christmas and New Year and look forward to seeing you in 2026.

David and Bev

Due to Christmas closure, the January 2026 edition has an early submission deadline:

DEADLINE:

Tuesday 9th December

Chailey News - January Issue

The deadline for the January 2026 issue of Chailey News is 9th December . To avoid problems due to the necessity to filter e-mails for spam please:

- Send items to chaileynews@chec.co.uk
- 2. Include "Chailey News" in Subject section of the e mail.
- 3. If a new subscriber or sending from an e mail address for the first time please phone us on 01825 724376 so we are aware and able to look out for it.

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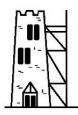


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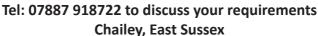
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