

# Rustington

## Parish Council Newsletter

### South and South East in Bloom



**Councillor Sue Lines, Chris Collins (Blue Peter Gardener) and Peter Ingram (In Bloom Committee)**

At the Annual Awards Ceremony for this year's South and South East in Bloom Competition, the Village was presented with not only a Gold Award in the Inter-Regional Champion of Champions (between South and South East in Bloom and Anglia in Bloom) Category, but also the Category's Overall Winner Award.

The Village was also presented with a Gold Award in the Town Category, and the Judges' Special Floral Display Discretionary Award.

In the 'It's Your Neighbourhood' Category, three 'developing' awards were received by the Cudlow Garden Residents' Association, Herne and Orchard Gardens Garage Compound and the Overstrand West Estate.

## Chairman's Message

It has been my second summer as Chairman of the Council. I am continually surprised and delighted at the variety of events that I am invited to attend both within Rustington and the surrounding area. So many people all doing great things in their community.

Rustington has again achieved great success in the South and South East In-Bloom Competition. My thanks go to all those involved. Congratulations!

I was delighted recently to have been asked to formally open "The Community Garden", which is located behind the Museum and is a fantastic addition to the area. This has been a Lottery Funded Project with no cost to the rate payers. Please visit when you are passing and enjoy both the planting and landscaping and maybe

In addition, Georgian Gardens again excelled in the School Grounds Competition, winning a Gold Award.

What a great achievement, the Village has again attained a similar level of success in the Competition to that achieved in 2009.

Certificates of Excellence were awarded to many Groups and Individuals for their most important contributions towards the success of the Rustington entry.

The Members of the In-Bloom Committee, in partnership with the Parish Council, organised the 2010 Campaign with the support of the Arun District Council Cleansing and Parks Departments, West Sussex County Council Highways

combine it with a visit to The Garden Café. For those keen to sit outside, blankets are provided for chilly days, just like being in Paris!

Christmas will soon be upon us and all that there is to do. There will be both the Shopping Event and the 'Switching on of the Lights' on 27 November. Please remember again this year, the usual free Community Carol Concert at The Woodlands Centre on 18 December which, for many years, has been such a wonderful success.

My very best wishes to you all for the Festive Season and 2011, but as always, please spare a thought for those who will be on their own.

*Happy Christmas!*

**Councillor Sue Lines**

Department, and individual Officers from the District Council.

As is always the case, special thanks and appreciation must go to Ferring Nurseries, without whose outstanding service, expertise and dedication, this remarkable success would most certainly not have been attained.

To ensure that the high standard attained is maintained, it is even more important for as many local Groups, Clubs, Businesses, Residents' Associations and individual members of the local community to become involved. So, please, if you have some spare time and would like to play a part in the Village's continuing success, contact the Council's Offices.

# Rustington Museum

Now that Autumn is here and children are back at school, the Museum has several Events coming up that will involve the local Schools and families in the community. The 'Flying Books' Project is a collaborative sketchbook Project for young people and adults. Little notebooks will be filled with drawings, words, objects and images as they are passed from person to person from communities across Sussex. The idea of this Project is to create a lasting visual legacy of individual thoughts, feelings and hopes during the build up to the 2012 Olympic Games. Georgian Gardens Community Primary School has hosted this Project, and the 'Flying Books' will arrive in a suitcase as part of a temporary display at the Museum in November.

As part of the annual Christmas Shopping Event on 27 November, there will be Punch and Judy Shows during the day. There will also be an opportunity for everyone to have a look at the puppets and ask questions after each show.

As space is limited in the Museum, FREE tickets for the shows will be available at the Museum from early November.

Jessica Petit - Curator

## The Garden Café

The Autumn Season is upon us and the Garden Café is now offering homemade wholesome hearty soups. Nothing can be better than gazing out of the Café window looking at the changes of nature in the Community Garden whilst being warmed to the marrow with our soup, served with either crusty French bread or a freshly made cheese scone.

On Saturday 27 November the Garden Café will be holding its Christmas Event to coincide with Rustington's Christmas Shopping Event. We will be holding a Charity Table Top Sale, and

*Christmas Shopping Event  
at the Museum & Garden Café*

**10.00 am - 1.00 pm  
Charity Fund Raising Stalls**

**11.00 am - 12.00 noon  
Georgian Gardens Community  
Primary School Choir**

**11.30 am and 3.30 pm  
Punch & Judy Shows**



**1.00 pm  
Grand Raffle**

**2.00 pm - 3.00 pm  
Edwin James Choir  
(Christmas Melodies Around the  
Christmas Tree)**

**3.00 pm - 4.00 pm  
Mulled Wine & Homemade  
Mince Pies**

the Georgian Gardens Community Primary School Choir will be providing entertainment. There will also be children's activities throughout the day, Festive Carols from the Edwin James Choir, PLUS a Grand Raffle.

At 3.00 pm, we will be warming everyone up with homemade mince pies and hot mulled wine. It will be an Event not to be missed.

Make a date to check out the Garden Café and use this voucher to enjoy a hot drink at 50% OFF!

Diane Tyler - Manager

### The Garden Café, The Street, Rustington

*Bring this voucher and receive*  
**50% OFF a hot drink**  
**Valid until 1 December 2010**

**One per customer, not to be used in conjunction  
with any other offer**

## Christmas Treats for All

**Saturday 27 November**

The Chamber of Trade and Commerce, with the assistance of the Littlehampton District Lions and the Parish Council, is proud to be holding its Christmas Shopping Event on Saturday 27 November from 12.00 noon to 6.00 pm.

For the children there will be a Santa's Grotto in Churchill Court, and other entertainment including music, choirs and roundabouts.

There will also be a German Style Christmas Market and many shops will be staging special events. The programme of activities will be available in the shops during November.

The shops will provide dressed windows in a 'Christmas Carol' theme, with shop staff participating in fancy dress! The Christmas lighting will again be provided as a result of a three way partnership between the Chamber of Trade and Commerce, Store Property Investments Limited and the Parish Council.

So, make sure you don't miss what promises to be a most impressive Seasonal Afternoon, which will ensure that Rustington gets off to a great start to the Festive Season.

See you there!

## Community Carol Concert



The Parish Council will, once again, be hosting an evening of festive music and jollity at the Community Carol Concert in the Village Memorial Hall at The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue, on Saturday 18 December commencing at 7.30 pm. Entry is FREE, as are the Refreshments and Grand Christmas Raffle.

An exciting evening is being arranged with performances by the Littlehampton Concert Band, the Sussex West Guide Choir and the Friendship Singers, not forgetting the always popular Community Carol Singing.

As many of you will be aware, this Concert is a very popular event, and entry will be strictly on a first come first served basis.

**(Doors Open at 7.00 pm).**

## Annual Civic Thanksgiving Service

The Parish Council's Annual Thanksgiving Service was held on Sunday 19 September at Rustington Methodist Church. The Service was conducted by Reverend Richard Barley.

Following the Service, a Reception and Awards Ceremony was held at The Woodlands Centre, when presentations were made to various members of the community, both for outstanding flower displays in private front gardens and business premises and also for excellently cultivated allotment plots.

One of the highlights of the afternoon was the presentation of the

Parishioners' Awards. This year, the recipient of the Group Award was the Voice of Progress, in recognition of its outstanding commitment and support for visually impaired members of the local community for 35 years.

Mrs Jane Eastwood received the award on behalf of the volunteers at the Voice of Progress.

Mr Dennis Wakeling received the Individual Award, in recognition of his dedication and commitment to voluntary groups and organisations in the Parish of Rustington for the benefit of the local community.



## Rustington Community Partnership

*And the sun shone too...*

The Rustington Community Garden was officially opened by the Chairman of the Parish Council, Councillor Sue Lines, on Wednesday 6 October on a glorious sunny afternoon.

Austen Beard, Chairman of the Partnership, welcomed the invited guests, including representatives from many local Groups and Organisations, the three Village Primary Schools, and members of the Parish Council. He introduced the members of the Partnership who were responsible for the Garden Project, namely Julie Armstrong, the original Project Manager, who was initially responsible for approaching the Parish Council to request the use of the land and for applying for the first stage of the Lottery

Grant, and Don Rogers who took over the Project and applied for stage two of the Grant, which eventually culminated in £23,000 being awarded to construct the Garden.

The design was put out to tender and the Contract was awarded to Designer Landscapes of Rustington. Work commenced in April and was completed in June, when the commemorative Water Feature was installed.

Councillor Mrs Lines thanked the Partnership for its dedication and hard work in producing a beautiful Garden, of which the Village could be proud, that could be used by all members of the community.

Three children from each of the Village's Primary Schools planted the first bulbs in the beds, in anticipation of next year's Spring. Further planting will be undertaken by volunteers from the various Organisations that have signed up to help maintain the Garden.

The afternoon ended with a wonderful Cream Tea, provided by Mrs Diane Tyler and her staff at The Garden Café, and a champagne toast to the future of the Garden.

More volunteers are needed. So if you would like to help, please contact Julie Armstrong via the Parish Council Offices.

## Rustington Youth Centre

The Youth Centre is open for youth/children's activities as follows:-

<b>Tuesday</b>	5.30 pm - 7.30 pm - Amateur Wrestling Club (Under 15's) 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Amateur Wrestling Club (Over 15's)
<b>Wednesday</b>	5.30 pm - 7.00 pm - Youth Club for Young People with Learning Difficulties 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Girls Only Club
<b>Thursday</b>	7.00 pm - 9.00 pm - Senior Youth Club (14 to 17 years)
<b>Friday</b>	5.30 pm - 7.30 pm - Junior Club (Under 9's) 7.30 pm - 9.00 pm - Junior Club (Under 13's)

If you would like more information in respect of facilities available for hire, please contact the Council's Offices.





# Meetings

Parish Council Meetings are held on the fourth Monday of each month (apart from August and December) commencing at 7.00 pm in the Roger Montgomeri Room, The Woodlands Centre, Woodlands Avenue (via the Council Offices' entrance).

## Councillors' Surgeries

The Council is continuing to hold its Bi-monthly Surgeries, to enable members of the local community to have the opportunity to meet with a Councillor to air their views in respect of the way in which the Parish is managed, maintained and enhanced, as well as any other issues of interest or concern.

The Surgeries are held at the Village Information Centre in the Churchill Car Park from 10.30 am to 12.30 pm, and the dates for the remainder of the current Council Term are:-

**Saturday 11 December 2010**

**Saturday 26 February 2011**

**Saturday 23 April 2011**

## 'Meet Me in Person' Police Surgeries

The Police Community Support Officers (PCSO's) will be holding a 'Meet Me in Person' Surgery at the Village Information Centre, in the Churchill Car Park from 2.00 pm - 3.00 pm on **Thursday 25 November**.

Details regarding dates of future Surgeries will be advertised on the Parish Notice Boards around the Village and on the Council's website.

## Citizens' Advice Bureau

The Council provides a facility at the Village Information Centre for the Citizens' Advice Bureau to visit on a Tuesday morning. Appointments must be made in advance through the Littlehampton Citizens' Advice Bureau office (Tel: 08444 771 171).

## Blood Donor Sessions

Regular Donor Sessions are held at the Village Memorial Hall and posters are displayed on Council Notice Boards. Please come along and support this worthwhile cause.

## Council and Committee Meeting Dates December 2010 - March 2011

Mon 6 Dec	Planning	Mon 7 Feb	Planning
Mon 6 Dec	Allotments	Mon 7 Feb	Allotments
Mon 20 Dec	Finance & General Purposes	Thur 10 Feb	Lighting & Amenities
Mon 20 Dec	Planning	Mon 28 Feb	Finance & General Purposes
		Mon 28 Feb	COUNCIL
Mon 10 Jan	Finance & General Purposes	Mon 28 Feb	Planning
Mon 10 Jan	Planning		
Mon 24 Jan	Finance & General Purposes	Mon 7 Mar	Planning
Mon 24 Jan	COUNCIL	Thur 10 Mar	Leisure & Recreation
Mon 24 Jan	Planning	Mon 28 Mar	Finance & General Purposes
		Mon 28 Mar	COUNCIL
		Mon 28 Mar	Planning

## Your Councillors

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## Youth Centre Management Committee Vacancies

Two Community Representative vacancies have arisen on the Management Committee of the Youth Centre.

If you are interested in helping to develop and manage the Centre, and would like to become involved on a voluntary basis, involving approximately 6 evening Meetings per year, please apply in writing, with details of your personal history and any other relevant information to the Secretary of the Management Committee at the Parish Council Offices.