

# Warninglid Residents' Society Founded in 1959 to preserve & enhance the village Newsletter No. 639 – April 2024



# **Dates for your Diary**

Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March – Easter Egg Hunt on The Street 9am onwards Fri 5<sup>th</sup> April – Coffee Morning & Handcross Pantry Seaforth Hall 10am Tue 9<sup>th</sup> April – WRS Open Meeting 7.30pm, Seaforth Hall. All welcome. Thur 18<sup>th</sup> April – Coffee and Cake Morning at The Half Moon 10 - 12 Thur Yoga Classes – 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup> April Seaforth Hall 10 – 11am Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April – Quiz and Pizza Night at the Seaforth Hall – 6pm Sat 4<sup>th</sup> May – Spring Fair & Plant Sale at Seaforth Hall, 10 – 12

# Easter Egg Hunt, Sun 31<sup>st</sup> March, The Street

Huge thanks to Emilie Webber for organizing the children's Easter Egg Hunt in the village. Participating houses are listed on the poster and happy hunting!



# Quiz and Pizza Night on 26<sup>th</sup> April

The date for the Quiz and Pizza night has now changed to the 26<sup>th</sup> April, and as usual is held in the Seaforth Hall. Book your tickets now!





Quiz Night Friday 26<sup>th</sup> April

At the Seaforth Hall. Doors and Bar open at 6pm. Quiz Starts at 6:30pm

A fun and informal evening with profits donated to Seaforth Hall.

Tickets £10 per person Includes a range of pizzas (including vegetarian options) served with salad.

Teams of four players. Individuals welcome - join a team on the night or come as a four.

For tickets please contact Alison Livesley via WhatsApp or e-mail: livesleyalison@gmail.com

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What else is going on? See the Warninglid Website <u>www.warninglidvillage.co.uk</u> Have you seen the latest additions to the village website? Do check it out and also see what is going on, not just in the village, but in the surrounding area. You will find links to places to visit, where to eat etc. The website is for the whole village and is a joint venture of the **WRS and the Seaforth Hall Trustees**.

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# WRS & Seaforth Hall Joint AGM

The Annual General Meetings of the WRS and the Trustees of the Seaforth Hall was held on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> March. The two Committees have been working together successfully towards greater co-operation and this year's AGM covered all current topics and targets achieved over the last year. The accounts for both committees were presented and showed that working together has been productive in bringing people together as well as projecting future intentions and objectives. The Chairmen of both Committees, Roger Noakes and Nick Barrie, beat all past records in concluding the AGM in one hour and ten minutes so that the social side of the evening could commence. No Minutes were taken beyond then!

# **New WRS Committee Members**

All the current committee members were re-elected (and we thanked them for their continued time and efforts) and after nomination, **Ken Boyle** was co-opted to join the Committee. Ken has great knowledge and experience of the property industry and has been liaising, on behalf of the WRS, with Mid Sussex District Council for the renewal of the lease of the Cricket Pavilion. He will continue to act for the WRS in this capacity. Ken was a previous WRS Chairman and we thank him for stepping up again.

### **Subscriptions and New Members**

As per the Constitution, the recommended deadline for renewed Subscriptions is 31<sup>st</sup> March and the Committee thanks you for supporting the WRS and putting your trust in us. However if you know someone that would like to join, or a new resident in the village, the link is here: <u>WRS 2024 Membership Form</u> (google.com) Just click "open hyperlink". The WRS always supports the whole village in any way it can. We welcome new members **Simon Moisy** on Cuckfield Lane and **Philip Robinson** on Staplefield Lane.

## Q. New Members may ask what the WRS does? The answer is lots! Recent actions:

# **HGV Operating Licence on Cuckfield Lane**

Last month it was noted that an "O Licence" application had been submitted for a property on Cuckfield Lane. An "O Licence" is an application for an HGV (Heavy Goods Vehicle) to operate from a specified property, and that licence can continue to be valid even when the property is sold. This type of application prevents associations such as the WRS from objecting to it, and also, surprisingly, even Slaugham Parish Council. The only people valid to object were direct neighbours. So having drawn up a draft letter of objection stating that Cuckfield Lane is within an Area Of Outstanding Natural Beauty and also on a 7.5 tonne restricted road, one of our Committee members (who is a direct neighbour), contacted all the adjacent neighbours who were then able to object. The end result - the application has been withdrawn.

# Lamp Post No. 26

At the AGM it was noted that various "housekeeping" or maintenance issues in the village had taken some time to be resolved, one particular street sign taking 8 months! But not so for Lamp Post Number 26 on Cuckfield Lane! We called Enerveo (West Sussex CC contractor for electrical emergencies) on the 11<sup>th</sup> March to report a knocked down lamp post and 11 days later, were pleasantly surprised, actually amazed, that a new lamp post had been erected! Enerveo deals with emergencies or defects with street lights, illuminated signs and lit bollards and you can call them on 0800 048 2435. Most lamp posts have an identification number fixed to them so if you can quote that number it will speed up repairs. The speed of repair for this action was exemplary!

# Q. So What do the WRS Subs Pay For?

The generosity of members allows us to function and to hold social events for the whole village. Past events include the Coronation party, annual Christmas party in the Seaforth Hall, Halloween Fireworks & Bonfire Night, Sussex Day in June, sponsoring or covering other events. So what else do we do?

- We pay liability insurance to hold all the village events
- We pay for the hire of the recreation ground, for bar and music licences etc.
- We pay for ground rent & upkeep of the cricket pavilion, upkeep of the bus shelter & toilets.
- We pay the insurance for these buildings as well as the electricity, water and sewage bills.
- The WRS paid for 50% of the excellent village website as well as 50% of the ongoing costs.
- The WRS also donates 20% of any profit made, on any event, to the Seaforth Hall. This is because the WRS in its constitution is committed to "preserving and enhancing" the village of Warninglid and the Seaforth Hall is an important amenity, as well as a registered charity.
- In the last two years the WRS has paid for: new fingerpost signs, new Commemoration benches, a new sound system, repairs to the Speedwatch gun and other minor outgoings.
- This year we will pay for a new path, with disabled access, to the cricket pavilion.

Warninglid would be a very different village today if it were not for the efforts of the WRS since 1959

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# Village Coffee Morning – Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 10am to 12.00 at the Seaforth Hall

Come and enjoy the company of friends and neighbours at the monthly coffee morning. The coffee mornings are held as a social event and although the coffee is free **donations are welcome as they go towards the maintenance of the Seaforth Hall.** The Seaforth Hall Trustees thank Alan and Tricia Robinson and Mark and Carol Pickering for arranging these delightful mornings.

# Handcross Community Pantry at the Coffee Morning

Any donations for the Handcross Community Pantry are gratefully received. They can be brought to the coffee morning (see above) or there are two donation bins, one at Seaforth Hall and another at Jachin Barn, Colwood Lane. This month there are no specific food requests but please, **NO pasta, rice or muesli** required. The Pantry currently supports 26 families in the parish and many thanks are extended.

# The Half Moon Coffee & Cake Morning – Thursday 18<sup>th</sup> April 10am – 12 midday.



Jamie and Penny's first "coffee and cake morning" at The Half Moon was a great success and it will be held once a month at the pub. It was great for residents to meet up and the cakes were much enjoyed!

It costs  $\pounds 4$  for coffee and cake, of which  $\pounds 1$  will be donated to the WRS as fundraising. It will be held on the third Thursday of the month so everyone can have the chance to go to two coffee mornings a month!

# SPRING FAIR & PLANT SALE SATURDAY 4TH MAY 10-12 noon at SEAFORTH HALL

in aid of St Catherine's Hospice

We're preparing lots of plants in readiness, to make it an even bigger success, we need your help, please, because this year sees the return of our



# GARDENALIA STALL



What is 'Gardenalia?', you may well ask - it is our 'umbrella term' for anything <u>that enhances your</u> <u>garden and is NOT a plant!</u> E.G. ceramic pots, planters, ornaments, useable garden tools or furniture, etc - even garden umbrellas!

Please make this the time to sort out your shed, greenhouse or garage and donate suitable items to our fundraiser.

Contact Sue Ball on 07849 405778 or Alison Livesley on 07799 838135, who will also accept your plant donations until April 26th

# We'd also appreciate donations of cakes, scones, preserves, etc for our produce stall. Please Contact Tracey Hill 07763- 359509

# PLEASE NOTE: we are unable to accept plant donations after 26th April

# Warninglid Speedwatch Report for 2023 from Ed Hadfield

The Speed Indicator Device (SID) records vehicle movements and speeds 24/7. Below are the annual figures since it was installed in 2018. These figures represent vehicles travelling in one direction. Covid caused a drop in 2020 & 2021.

Annual traffic figures fron the SID						
	Total Vehicles	Exceeding 30 mph		Exceeding 35 mph (Speedwatch reporting)		
		Number	% of Total	Number	% of Total	
2018 (Apr to Dec)	436,306	199,031	45.6	77,031	17.7	
2019	587,884	386,156	65.7	211,073	35.9	
2020	432,194	297,068	68.7	169,818	39.3	
2021	460,387	262,836	57.1	102,764	22.3	
2022	540,835	308,407	57.0	102,555	19.0	
2023	496,085	281,077	56.7	93,554	18.9	
2024						

This is a summary of the offending drivers we reported to the police.

	Total	Police action		
Year	recoded	Nbr	%	Sessions
2020	885	656	74.12	79
2021	2425	1867	76.99	209
2022	2442	2081	85.22	216
2023	2179	1819	83.48	216

At the beginning of the year there were 17 Speedwatch volunteers working hard to discourage speeding on Cuckfield Lane. Two of the current volunteers have had to step down due to family commitments. We are looking for more volunteers to enable more continuous sessions. The prime times are the morning and evening rush hours and around lunch time. We are a friendly team and if you would like more information, please contact Ed Hadfield at <u>warninglid\_sw@outlook.com</u> or 01444 461069.

# Traffic Calming on Cuckfield Lane – Questionnaire Responses

Thank you to those who responded to the Questionnaire. We have now had 34 responses, 23 voting for traffic calming and 11 voting against. There is still time to respond before it is addressed at the WRS meeting on 9th April. Please make your views known.

# Agenda for the next WRS Meeting on Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> April, Seaforth Hall, 7.30pm

As well as the **Traffic Calming Questionnaire** response mentioned above, the Agenda will include options for the future of **the Bell from St Andrews Church**. The bell was donated by past village resident Lord Inman in 1935 and then removed from the church when it was decommissioned. The bell was stored by David Cherry for the last 17 years. It has been beautifully polished by Jon Carter and was put on display at the Service of Reconciliation. So the question needs to be put to the village whether the village should keep it (can it be housed and put on display or made part of a war memorial) or should the village donate it elsewhere? It is interesting to note that the bell was cast by the Gillett & Johnston Foundry which also cast the bells and installed the clock faces and mechanism for Colwood Court back in 1899. It's amazing that a small village like Warninglid should have several clocks and bells from such a renowned company! Please come to the meeting, have a look at the bell and tell us your views on this piece of village history. Also on the Agenda will be plans for the **Summer Party**. As usual the meeting will be in Seaforth Hall at 7.30pm.

# Seaforth Hall – Your Warninglid Village Hall

Would you like to book the hall for something serious or just to have a party? It's a great facility with everything you need from cutlery to cooker, drop down screen to WiFi. The Seaforth Hall is perfect for meetings, social groups, children's parties etc. and you can use the village website to book. Alternatively book the hall with Alison Livesley, Bookings Admin. Her email is <a href="mailto:seaforthhallbookings@gmail.com">seaforthhallbookings@gmail.com</a>.

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# Yoga Classes - Seaforth Hall on Thursday mornings from 10.00 – 11am

Kate Anderson holds gentle Hatha yoga classes at Seaforth Hall, 10 - 11am every Thursday this month except the 4<sup>th</sup> April. The classes are 60 minutes long and you can drop in or pre-book several classes. The current sessions will be on a drop in basis unless you have prepaid. It is £11 for a single session. Kate: 07786 980119, email: <u>kate@kateandesonyoga.com</u> website: <u>www.kateandersonyoga.com</u>

## **Slaugham - Saint Martin Twinning Association**

Do you know we have a Twinning Association; parlez-vous Français?

#### Vivienne Ley writes:

Slaugham Parish Twinning Association was established in 1974 by Helen and Sid Beard. The Parish covers the four villages of Slaugham, Handcross, Warninglid and Pease Pottage.

Saint Martin des Besaces, a similar size to Slaugham, is a farming community in the Calvados region of Normandie, south of Caen and near Bayeux.

This is a special year for us because we are celebrating our 50<sup>th</sup> Anniversary. We usually visit each other bi-annually, nowadays in September and this is a very social exchange. When we visit Saint Martin, we drive down on a Friday, aiming to arrive in the village square around 6 to 7pm. We are greeted by our host families, wined and dined and put to bed!

Saturday is usually a busy day; we are taken to a French beauty spot, chateau, or place of interest, after which we either lunch together in



a restaurant or picnic somewhere scenic. We are then taken home *Twinning visit to France September 2023* in time to shower and change for our official dinner taking over a restaurant for the evening. Sunday we are entertained by our families and all get together for a shared supper in the local village hall or school hall in the evening. And on Monday morning, after breakfast we set off back home.

Of course, when the French visit us, it is very much a similar scenario. We welcome them into our homes and host and entertain them just as cordially.

This special year, we will be seeing our French friends twice. We have been invited to celebrate the  $80^{th}$  Anniversary of D Day with them for the weekend, from Friday  $31^{st}$  May to Monday  $3^{rd}$  June. We will then be hosting them here in the Parish from  $13^{th}$  to  $16^{th}$  September 2024

If anyone is interested in being part of our celebrations this year, or in the future, or would be willing to host a visitor from Saint Martin please contact Vivienne Ley on 01444 400172 or <u>vivienneley@yahoo.co.uk</u>. Or Lesley Read on 07833 338911 or <u>lesleyread52@gmail.com</u> They are also on Facebook.

### **Cricket Season**

For those staying closer to home, the cricket season is nearly here! Warninglid cricket pitch has been allocated to the Mid Sussex Heathens as their home pitch. They are super excited to be going again for a fourth season after their triumphant league and cup success and state that they hope they are still warmly welcomed! They have sent in their dates for "home" matches as below:

Saturday 4 <sup>th</sup> May v Ifield CC	Saturday 20 <sup>th</sup> July v Palmers CC
Sunday 5th May (Cup fixture)	Saturday 3 <sup>rd</sup> August v Brighton Dome
Saturday 11 <sup>th</sup> May v Staplefield CC	Saturday 10 <sup>th</sup> August v Smallfield
Saturday 25 <sup>th</sup> May v Ditchling CC	Saturday 24 <sup>th</sup> August v Crawley Eagles
Saturday 15 <sup>th</sup> June v Haywards Heath	Saturday 7 <sup>th</sup> September v Hurstpierpoint
Saturday 29 <sup>th</sup> June v Brighton Malayalee	

### Sending "Get Well" Wishes to village residents Yogi Turville and Elaine Foster

Yogi has been in hospital for several weeks now and many residents have been concerned about him. His daughter came down from Cambridge and get well messages were collected for a virtual card to be sent to him. He may have another operation next week and we wish him a speedy recovery and hope to see him back in Warninglid soon. Elaine was also in hospital recently but is now recuperating at Wellington House and we also wish her a speedy recovery and hope to see her home soon.

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And finally the Committee wishes you all a very Happy Easter

- as does the village secret yarn bomber!



# **Useful Numbers for Local Services 2024**

Trade/Service	Name	Phone (all 01444 unless stated)	Email
Agas and Boilers	Martin Wood	07946 271937 / 455951	
Antique Furniture Restoration	Carlos Lopes & Son	01444 243176	151 London Road, Burgess Hill
Auto Electrician	Philip Smith	01293 400597 / 07766 657180	
Skin treatment specialist	Maria Winslow Beauty	07974 427750	Maria@winslowskincare.co.uk www.winslowskincare.co.uk
Bookkeeping	Marianne Butler	07827 913362	thepineloft@hotmail.com
Builder	Craig Woolsey (Handcross)	07956 993122	Craigmw123@hotmail.co.uk
Chimney Sweep	Graham Wick	07773849520 / 414920	grahamthechimneysweep@gmail.com grahamwick70@gmail.com
Chimney Sweep	Jason Snead A1 Sweeps	01273 298528 / 07759 202864	nacs.org.uk/members/jason-snead- a1-sweeps
Doggie Daycare & Home Boarding	Marianne Butler	07827 913362	thepineloft@hotmail.com
Electrician	David Bushby	221496 / 07704852877	dbushbyltd@hotmail.co.uk
Electrician	Phil Lucas	01403 733288 / 07885 081588	info@thepowerman.co.uk
Fresh Fish	Catch of the Day	07974 464724 / 01273 582637	timwoodward@live.co.uk
Gardens	Dave Frewer	416560 / 07984 164534	d7sgs@aol.com
General handyman and woodworking	Mike Billing	461225 / 07790 392410	mbilling@btinternet.com
Gutter cleaning	Andy – "Just Gutters"	647657	
Gas Heating & Plumbing	Heath Heating - Mike Robinson	07723 607241	
Landscapes	Tom Cork	07776 176495 / 461451	Thomas@tcork4.wanadoo.co.uk
Landscaping Services	Mike Blake	07957 989570	<u>m.blaketreeandlandscaping@gmail.co</u> <u>m</u>
Milkman	Milk and More	0345 606 3606	www.milkandmore.co.uk
Oven Cleaning	Sussex Oven Cleaning	07961 845999 / 01273 964550	www.sussexovencleaning.co.uk
PAT Testing and flatpack assembly	Graham Copley	811117 / 07595 622108	pat@turbomachinerycontrols.com
Plasterer	Lee Minter (Handcross)	07876 213650	leeminter06@aol.com
Plumber	Adam Hollingdale	07834 640568	
Swimming - private lessons	Linda Lowe	461051	linda.lowe.1965@gmail.com
Vehicle Transport	Aaron Pullen	07739 212888	
Wasp Man	Southern Pest Control	01403 218955	
Window Cleaner	John Creaghan, Clear Vision	07912 300979	
Window Cleaner	Clermont Window Cleaning	07717 797571	
Woodland, garden & greenwood craft servs	Jake Whitcroft	07592 353845	jawhitcroft@hotmail.com

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