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improvement from previous

In my quest last month to find new advertising, I was told by someone that although they thought the newsletter was very good, it was the same people contributing all the time, making it, they felt, very clique. I explained that I was you have a good one. sorry if they felt this way as I have always made it quite clear that I welcome copy from anyone

ell we're into everyone, providing it is not the Newslet- libellous or total rubbish, so if you or anyone else would vear and my like to have your say, then idea of not having an exhibi- get writing and drop it in the post box in Rye Harbour Stores and maybe you'll just. The transition has been make the difference. I hasten to add the person who said their right.



Halloween is on it's way, although I haven't seen any parties going on, still hope Copy deadline for November will be Friday 17th October and this month I thank you yet again for being so prompt, it really does make a big difference and I really do appreciate it. Thank you.



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a problem that our 'fix-it' team may be able to solve then please give us a shout. Contact either Allan Goffee at 3 Mary Stanford Green (225560) or Jane Babington, 5 Stoneworks Cottages (224197) and hopefully someone will be with you as soon as is possible. If on the other hand you are handy and are prepared to do the odd job (on a rota basis) then please give either Allan or Jane a ring.

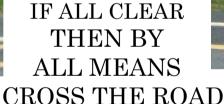
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FROM THE HARBOUR MASTERS CHAIR

was invited to Calais during August to visit the limestone quarry that will be providing stone for Brett who anticipate importing this commodity into Rye Wharf commencing later this vear.

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Together with the Wharf Owner (Rod Chapman) and others from Brett, we were provided with the spectacle of an explosion. Some 30.000 tons of rock was dislodged in a massive controlled explosion using 3,700k of industrial explosive. The resultant rock is to be crushed, to order, and exported to the U.K.

will both benefit from this new contract that should last many years ensuring the future of the port as a commercial entity.

The emergency exercise was a success although the fire service had a reduced presence as a result of a major fire on the Lydd Firing range. However the television companies of the rescue of persons from the burning ship and charter vessel. Much was learnt and the harbour emergency plan will be updated including changes resulting from the exercise. many being returned. Last



The leisure season is almost at an end with few arrivals from the continent. It has been a fairly quiet summer, most visitors preferring the safety and comfort on marina's. Those that do arrive at Rve always enjoy the tranquillity of the town and the friendly reception by locals. Most of our trade are "Repeats" from previous years. The Excelsior is due at the end The Wharf and the harbour of the month and will pose a few difficulties in berthing at the Strand Ouay. New moorings are being built adjacent the Strand slipway in the very location at which the vessel Reports of theft and is turned. We shall see how it goes as the vessel weighs in at a healthy 125 tons (Not to get stuck across the channel!). Charter fishing is proving showed some good footage as popular as ever with two boats fully engaged in taking (Mainly men) customers to sea. There has been a definite recognition of conservation with fewer fish landed,

vear one of the vessels caught and returned (alive) 1360 conger eels weighing as much as 70 pounds. This is good practice. There are plans for these boat owners to join "Tagging" schemes in order to monitor fish stocks.

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There is much debate in Rye about the seagulls. I. personally, do not object to the noise but stop at feeding them. They are wild creatures and clear up putrefying detritus. That is useful and natural. But hand feeding them should be discouraged. (Have I opened up a debate here?) The public users slipway adjacent the RNLI station has been very busy with "Henk" providing a useful service in launching craft for owners. This has speeded up the process permitting boat owners to get into the water that much quicker. vandalism continue to be received concerning craft on the river and in compounds at the sailing club. This is a dreadful curse on the society and I hear heart breaking stories from boat owners of the hurt and costs involved when their property is damaged. Please continue to be vigilant and report all "Odd" happening to the police and myself at the harbour office.

Carl Bagnell **Harbour Master**



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Local Art Report



he somewhere to shelter exhibition has been open since May and has been well received by both local people and tourists. The original sculpture walk has changed since May due to vandalism and theft but many of the original pieces are still in place and have weathered and become an integral part of this very special environment. The latest exhibit on words to the poem, written on beach show has been made by a group of people stones the words will reflect the feelings from the Respite Care Centre in Rye under the guidance of Kathy Pope, also a local artist. Impressed clay slates with images of fossilised remnants collected in you've got till its gone'. Entry forms for the Nature Reserve are hung together in a frame encrusted with shells. As the wind blows so the pieces clang together, warning of the fragility of life and of the environment which we inhabit, this is a very special and brave piece of work. By putting more art works into the environment we risk the vandals and the

elements, but life like art has a way of returning us all to our creative beginnings.

We are also making a 'coastal poem' which has begun today with the installation of this work on the Reserve. Over the next few months we would like visitors to the reserve to add their own of those who visit and who live here and co-insides with the photographic competition called 'you don't know what the competition are available from Lime kiln cottage on the Reserve and the local Harbour village stores. The competition is open to all non professional photographers and photographs must be taken during September. Further details can be found on the www.coastalcurrents.org.uk

Sue Ouatermass







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& Rye Harbour Artists' Studios

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Open Studios

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Rye Harbour Artists - Greenhalf & Pollard (photography), Jill Stott (paintings), Mike Stott (etchings), & Ruth Praill (jewellery) will have their studios open each weekend. Pick up a detail schedule & map at Harbour Point or the Festival office

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The hall can be hired for £4 per hour for Village residents and £7 per hour for non-Village residents, commercial bookings and organisations; these rates include: heating, lighting, kitchen facilities etc..

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Ashdown House			1041	1241		1632	
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Price Comparison										
	Harbour Stores	<u>Budgens</u>	<u>Safeways</u>							
Spinach	£1.98 per kg	£1.89 per kg	£3.96 per kg							
Pointed cabbage	60p each	89p each	99p each							
Cos lettuce	30p each	Not available	99p each							
Marrow	60p each	Not available	£1.49 each							
Carrots	65p per bunch	£1.09 per bunch	99p per bunch							
New potatoes	45p per kg	63p per kg	55p per kg							
Cauliflower	60p	66p (small)	£1.65 (large)							

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Due to the increase in demand, Age Concern East Sussex require more self employed gardeners to include in their gardeners register for many parts of Rother. The gardeners agree to work for no more than £7.00 per hour for the current year. They are also required to supply two references and evidence of insurance.

If you are interested or know someone who might be, please contact the co-ordinator Age Concern East Sussex, the Almonry, High Street, Battle TN33 0EA or ring 01424 775721.



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RELATE

RELATE IN RYE

Following the article in the September Newsletter, Relate are delighted that the relationship counselling service in Rye is now up and running. The service, which is at the CVS Offices at 25 Cinque Port Street Rye on Wednesdays,

between 4.30 p.m. and 7.30 p.m., started on 26 September and is already being well used.

Funded by the Rye Regeneration Partnership, the service will help couples and individuals deal with their relationship problems in a constructive and positive way. Talking with a Relate Counsellor can help people identify the cause of their problem and then decide what they want to do about it. Relate's is there to help the individual or couple resolve their difficulties in the right way for them. This means that the solutions will be different for everyone, because people are different. For some couples this, sadly, may be separation. Then Relate can try to help to make the separation less painful by enabling the couple to understand the changes that are taking place and how their future relationship will be different. This is important when there are children, because it allows both parents to continue being involved in their children's future.

Anyone who feels that an appointment with the Relate Counsellor in Rye would help them can arrange an appointment by telephoning the Central Admin Office on 01323 410001. The Appointment Secretary will take your name, address and telephone number and then make an appointment for you. Because the service is being subsidised by the Rye Regeneration Partnership, clients will only be asked to pay what they can afford, up to a maximum of £5.00 per session.

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You will find information about 7,000 organisations based in East Sussex and Brighton & Hove, covering areas such as; Voluntary clubs, charities and trusts, Mother and toddler groups, Places of worship, Education and training, Sports clubs and facilities, Counselling, Advice and Support groups, Health clinics, doctors and dentists. Leisure clubs and societies. Places to visit, Local authorities, and so much more. The information is also printed out into hard-copy directories called 'Help in Hand'. These can be found free at your local library or purchased by contacting us for an order form.

Councillor Meg Stroude, Lead Cabinet Member for Libraries said: "This is an extremely useful service, providing a vast amount of community information for all of us. I would advise any organisation or group that hasn't already added their details to the website to do so-they will only benefit!"

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For further information contact:

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FISHING NEWS

ROUND RYE BAY FOR MORE



he fine and settled spell of weather has continued with the fishing holding up pretty good. Catches of Dover Sole and Plaice have been the main landings with a good spread of all sizes and both species are in the best of condition, keeping prices fair, although demand on this

side of the channel is limited and once again the bulk of the fish going abroad.

Spider crabs are causing problems for the trawlers with some hauls being

stopped short resulting on a hour or two being spent getting them clear of the trawls, not just filling the cod ends but backing half way up the nets, causing tears and chaff damage to the gear. The crabs have been patchy and as usual there has been a bit of fish where they lay making it tempting to try your luck, sometimes paying off but most times the words "I wish we had kept clear of that lot", comes across the VHF radio.

Closer to shore the netters have been doing alright with the grounds nearly

clear of Spiders and near the end of this month some boats have started to leave gear fishing overnight as opposed to quick shooting as in previous weeks. Reports from East and West of Rye Bay have also been of fairly good fishing with both trawl and set nets, and with Belgium beam trawlers towing out in the channel, coming into the six mile limit in greater numbers than have been seen for a few years, perhaps proving at least, this fishing is healthy.

Boy Ashore

Youth Club

which hasn't been happening recently, hopefully will start again next Thursday the 9th October and we shall transporting you to Animate in Rye for the two hour session, due to so many difficulties down

Youth Club for the 12 years and upwards here in the Harbour at present. However the younger ones will remain in the Village Hall on Tuesdays at the regular time 4pm to 6pm. **Marcus Whitaker**

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The service aims to help older people, their families, friends and carers. Callers can drop in during the opening hours mentioned above or telephone on 01797 225466

<u>ĿĿĿŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖŖ</u> RYE HARBOUR IN **BLOOM - 2004**

Is there anyone out there who would like to participate in **Rye Harbour in Bloom.**I know that it is rather early to be thinking of 2004 but I am just interested in numbers of residents who would like to be involved in Rye Harbour in Bloom. If you would like to take part then please let me have your name so that I can get numbers of people interested. You can contact me on 01797 223631, e-mail me at in-bloom@virtualwizards.co.uk or pop a note through my door "7 Main Road" (the one with the BIG dog!).

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Rye Harbour **Nature Reserve**

Report

eptember and and 1 Bar-headed October are months to enjoy our wildlife. The influx of summer people has declined and the weather is still good enough to get out often.

- Did you collect the abundant blackberries from the bushes - some have the webs of the Brown-tailed Moth caterpillars that hatch now and then over winter in the shelter of the webs.
 - see the departing swallows and martins gathering on the wires through the village, they will all soon be in Africa for the winter.
 - see the huge flock of geese feeding on the stubble of Rye Harbour farm, with up to 488 Canada, 296 Greylag, 3 Barnacle, 2 Snow

Goose. BUT none of these are truly the help of man.

- see the large flock of House Sparrows and the huge flock of Linnets all feeding on the weed seeds in the field near lime Kiln Cottage.
- The number and and moths continue to be excellent, with nest on. most people seeing the amazing Moths and few lucky ones spotting the huge Convolvulus Hawk Moth. There were regular sightings of butterflies.

noted a Wryneck (a brown woodpecker), a Spotted



settling down it will become a





wild all arrived with Ternery Pool it all seems very to keep down the brambles, so variety of butterflies that next year the gulls and A strange event today was the Hummingbird Hawk amongst the vegetable patch in Ted's garden! It must have the Clouded Yellow site where it could run into the Among the migrating birds we Over at Castle Water the

Rye Harbour Nature Reserve Cont.

Our new booklet provides a colour guide to the nature reserve and surrounding area for visitors and local people. You should find free copies in reserve in Lincolnshire. He the Harbour Stores, or down at Lime Kiln Cottage.

Another departing visitor recently was our warden, Paul encouraged many people to Troake, who has gone to pastures new at a nature had been with us for five and half years and added greatly to Lime Kiln Cottage. our knowledge of the area's

wildlife and helped and appreciate and understand it more. His place has been taken for a while by Andy Mayo who is busy settling in to

With the summer holidays coming to an end, the number of visitors to the reserve soon declined. However schools are now returning to the reserve to hunt for hidden treasures, and identify some of our migrating birds. Freda Gardhams have had a successful visit, with 90 kids exploring the shingle habitat and building sea monsters.

Below are a some memories of a visit to the reserve by children from Playden school last July:



Sculptures

There are sculptures everywhere. A fishermans float that had newspaper boats inside it, a net a rough, bumpy net with holes in it. It had real star fish stuck to the net. The starfish were yellow and spotty.

The ladder had a piece of wood behind it. It was damp, dark brown and the ladder was grey.

The wood sculpture was tall one side, short the other side. It had carvings inside and it told us when the ship sank.

Cahrlotte

Toothbrush white, bumpy, bittern by a dog

A feather, white, smooth, fluff, it tickles your fingers Wood bumpy, sharp, scratchy and brown Ilona

Forthcoming events for October:

Sat 18th: Scavenger Hunt – come down to the beach to find all the hidden treasures that are washed ashore. Bring a picnic. 10-1pm. Meet at Rye Harbour Car Park.

Sat 25th: Winter Lecture 'Chalk Downland' by Melvin Smith. 7.30pm, Winchelsea Beach Community Hall.

By Barry, Miriam (Wardens etc...)

lot of this you may have already seen, on television, in the local Observer but there are probably a lot of people who have not seen a thing.

Anyway the scenario was as follows, a commercial fishing boat collides with a cargo ship docked at Rye Wharf, both catch alight, two crew from the fishing boat go overboard and the cargo ship is carrying toxic chemicals.





the Rye Harbour web site, www.ryeharbour.org you will appreciate even the shot of the fishing boat on fire taken from the roof of the Wharf and thanks to Rod for landing me safely. In the event everything



In the mean time I was perched on the roof for

a touch of vertigo. However it was well worth it as I

got 135 of the best

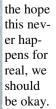


photographs with two cameras on



went well, so I'm told and everybody learnt a great deal, so in

the go. These pictures are all in colour, so if go to









NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH



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Sunday, I was working at the till of the Etchingham Community Shop, as I normally am on a Sunday morning.

I was by myself in the shop at about 12-15pm, there were five or six customers in the shop, some I knew others I did not.

While I was occupied serving a customer I became aware of someone reaching behind me, I heard a clink of bottles and a bottle flashed past my vision and two young men ran towards the door.

By the time I had realised what had happened, and tried to pursue them, they had already got into a waiting car which sped off towards Hurst Green.

An inspection of the spirits shelf revealed that a bottle of whiskey had gone. A witness outside the shop could only say that the car was black with CVC at the end of the registration.

The description of the people is a bit vague, because of the speed at which the ncident happened, and could fit probably 50% of young males, one with a black top and trousers and one with a blue top, one with close cropped hair the other with a baseball cap.

The Police attended within half an hour and took a statement, hopefully there will be something useful on the shop video tape.

This happened so fast that it was obviously planned and likely well rehearsed from previous occasions.

They will probably try again elsewhere, a small shop on a Sunday morning is an I deal target, because it is highly likely that there will only be one member of staff on duty.

If you have a similar small shop near you, please remind them of the likelihood of this type of incident occurring. Also if you use this type of shop regularly, keep your eyes open, especially if the shop is busy and only one staff on duty, and there are strangers that you do not recognise in the shop.

you may see something that would be useful if an incident occurs, or even prevent it happening.

The serial number for this incident is 737 of 14/09/03.

The Police contact is PC Godden.

Colin Boylett

Etchingham, Hurst Green, Mountfield & Brightling Neighbourhood Watch E-mail co-ordinator

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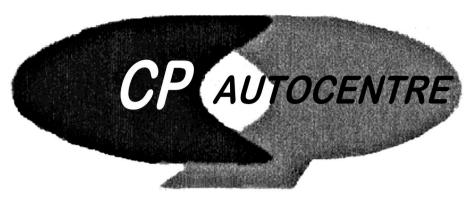
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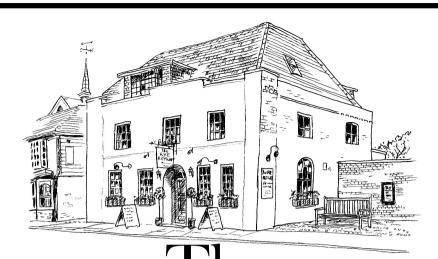








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Characters Of Rye Harbour

lford is an old West Country Grandfather was a Cornish/Devon man who came to Rye Harbour working Navy his way along the coast with H.M. Coastguards and lived in the coastguard cottages. When he retired he took a smallholding in Udimore and had a milk round down here and in Rve. Smallholders had a hard time with many of the big landowners and existed under the Smallholders and Allotments Act of 1908.Graham and Cyril Saunders started in this way with one or two others in the area. Michael continues his enthusiasm and support for the allotment movement to this day. Michael and the late Douglas Turner of

Winchelsea were instrumental in setting up the allotments in Rve Harbour, getting the local Parish Council to buy them. He believes everyone has the right to a plot of land to grow their own vegetables, flowers, and keep geese and hens as well.

Michaels mother was born in Rye Harbour in 1894, one of 7 sisters, in Prospect Cottage which was situated where? Answers please in the next newsletter! The roof was made of an upturned boat and the cottage was taken down and burnt in honour of the Queens Coronation in 1953. Mothers name was Head and the eldest of the family was Bert who was drowned in the Lifeboat Disaster.

Mother married George Edward Alford at the end of the First World was in the in

Mediterranean as a Stoker First Class. He survived the war and was given land as a gift from the country he served. They had Michaels sister and ten years later Michael. He was born in Udimore in 1931. Father was killed in a road accident when Michael was six years old by a car that slipped out of control on the mud from the dredging of the river. If it had not been for the British Legion mother would not have had a penny of compensation. Michael went to Udimore School and was made painfully aware of the hierarchies which would destine him and other boys and girls to working on farms and domestic service.

Michael went to the Senior School in Rve where there was a headmaster - Mr. War, Father Blackman who was a really good man and a leader who encouraged everyone to achieve their maximum potential. Michael went on to Hall and Co. gravel pit as a Trainee in Ouarry Engineering which was a help when he went into the RAF as an Airframe Mechanic. He went as high as he could but did not want to sign on for another 12 years and signed on with the RAFVR until 1956. The best thing that ever

happened to Michael was

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meeting Sylvia and still is. They met on Hastings Pier at a Saturday night hop, marrying in 1957 living in Rye Harbour ever since. In the late '40's and '50's Rye Harbour went through a very bad patch with the Battle Rural District and East Sussex County Council. Jack Saunders, Cyrils father, was on the Parish Council and was a staunch supporter of the village and got the Coronation Field by jumping in and paid for it with cash, the village repaying him later. Jack got tired over the caravan site fiasco and retired. Michael then joined forces with the late Jack Hancock, Rosemary in the shop's father, joined the Parish Council to do battle with Battle for the village and eventually forged ahead. A Rye Council member said Rye Harbour people lived in chick-

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(Continued from page 28) en houses (have times changed?) The owners of the cravan site wanted to put chalets on the car park and wanted to extend through to the allotments. Parish Council fought this and managed to retain them for the village, backed by Jack Saunders. In the mid 1960's in an enlightened moment, East Sussex County Council a Nature Reserve which prevented the whole area becoming a holiday camp such as Butlins. Michael fully supports the work of the Nature Reserve and does the locking and unlocking of the Information centre and has worked to conserve the many varieties of wild flowers in the etary in Rye and made friends churchyard balancing this with the needs and wishes of the village as a whole. This was a considerable leap from

of churchyards persuasion!? Michael is a Roman Catholic by birth but has long felt the importance of the Church in Rve Harbour and can be seen cycling back from mass at St. Anthony's and attending the Church of the Holy Spirit. He has been much involved in widening the work of the Church enabling it to be used for many different purposes proposed the establishment of for the people of Rye Harbour and the wider community. Ron Banwell's Bequest has provided a new floor and chairs.

Michael helped make Castle Water with Carters working the tugboat and dredger. He has also worked with Rother District Council in the Cemwith the foxes and birds. He worked and still works as a bearer with Ellis Brothers as a bearer and finds great satisfac-

being originally of the shaving tion in helping people at such a difficult time. He finds Ellis a particularly caring firm. Michael retired from the Parish Council this year after 45 years. He was very involved in getting the recreation ground and the new housing for Rye Harbour. This was very difficult and hard work because of the uncaring attitude of the RDC and CC at that time. Things are much better now. Michael reads widely and has a lot of knowledge of Local History which he has written about and published. Michael is hopeful for the future of Rye Harbour and is glad it has maintained its sense of community and life. Thank you Michael for all that you have done and still do above all for being yourself.

Jill Halpin



Rye Harbour **Sailing Club News**



he sun has shone brilliantly throughout this summer. Sailors require one further ingredient wind. We cannot sail directly into the wind so we have to tack (zig-zag). This can be uncomfortable and slow so if time is no problem it is preferable to sail off the wind. If it is behind us it is then known as a soldiers wind.

On 31st august we had a dinghy--cruiser race. This was followed by a spit roast at the clubhouse. John Bailey, our commodore, organised the cooking of two lambs on the spit for about five

hours. The stalwarts who did this were partly cooked too. The result was succulent and delicious lamb.

Ken Halpin



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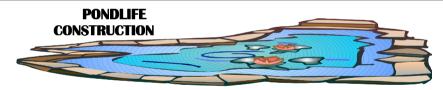
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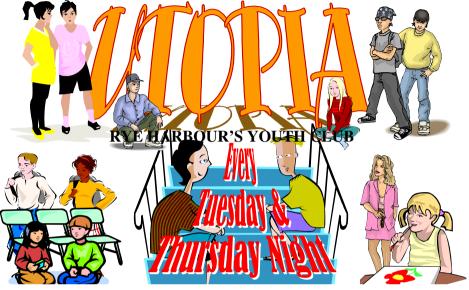
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QUIZ NITE 2003 NEW SEASON

FIRST OF THE SEASON... 3RD October 2003 **Rve Harbour Social Club** 19:30 for 20:00 Start



Halloween

31st October 2003 **Rye Harbour Social Club** 19:30 for 20:00 Start



Max of 6 per Team. £1 entry fee per person

There will also be a Raffle and Buffet

All monies raised for Rye Harbour Village Hall

No team? Then come and join another team.



Rye Harbour Church News

e shall be keeping Harvest Thanks giving at The Church of the Holy Spirit on Sunday 12th October at 9.15 a.m. The Hebrews thanked God for the fruits of the earth in their services, 1,000 years before Christ, with a Spring offering of the first fruits, then the Feast of Weeks and finally the Ingathering at the end of the year. Many ancient peoples recognised the vital importance of the earth's productivity, for they lived closer to the soil informally by contributing than we do. For most of us to a scheme for the needy. in developed countries, food is purchased from supermarkets and shops, thereby diminishing our understanding of the process of growth and the production of the finished article. Is it only those



and allotments who retain any sense of the wonder of nature's richness and respond in gratitude for what sustains us each day?

One way to reinforce such gratitude is to say a simple grace before starting a meal, which is also an instructive way of helping children to appreciate what they are eating. Another way is to share food with others, either formally around a meal table or

A farmer in my last parish told me that few people realised how dependent our population is on relatively few food- producers to keep us alive. Climate change seems to be having who cultivate their gardens a significant effect on soil

and crops, with a poor cereal harvest reported this year around the world and with droughts devastating the attempts of farmers to grow food.

We have many reasons to be grateful for food while much of the world starves or is short of sustenance. Perhaps religious decline has led to uncertainty as to whom we should thank! But the Church will continue to offer praise to God for everyone, once "all is safely gathered in", in the belief that He alone is the source of life. growth and fruitfulness.

"Praise, O praise, our God and King

Hymns of adoration sing".

Hugh Moseley

Congratulations to all those who contributed to the Church's Flower Festival "God's Rainbow People" which we enjoyed on the August Bank Holiday weekend. We thank in particular Stella Parsons and Janet Pollard for organising and supervising the event. £500 was sent

to UNICEF following many generous donations. We were taken by the differing displays which presented and interpreted peoples and cultures from many parts of the world. Well done everyone.

Hugh Moseley

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Rye Harbour Parent and Toddler Group



lovely it was to see all the little ones after the summer holiday! All with happy smiling faces, ready to play.

Thank you mums for supporting the group and all helping to put away, we seem to do it in record time now. Welcome Joshua, a new comer.

Anyone willing to come along, you would be most welcome. Every Wednesday 10 - 12 am. With a health visitor visiting every first wednesday of the month to weigh babies.

If anyone has any new ideas we are hap-

py to hear from vou.

See you all Wednesday.



Ann Satchell

WHAT DO YOUNG PEOPLE GET UP TO THESE DAYS P

Just look at what they can get up to

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Family Announcements

Congratulations BIRTHDAYS



any Happy returns of the day to Leanne, who will be twenty one in a few days. She is a very nice young lady, always wearing a smile.



WEDDINGS



ongratulations to Clair and Paul on their marriage, it was a very pretty wedding and we danced the night away in the evening.



GET WELL SOON



olin James is home again after his serious illness in hospital. From all reports, he is a very lucky man to still be with us.

oyce Tugwell is poorly at the moment and is confined to her settee, which doesn't go down well, I am sure.

Hurry up and get better Joyce.

Reports were written By Nanny Pat



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