

Peasmarsh Periodical

DECEMBER 2016



A 1940's Christmas Tea Party

Saturday 3rd from 3pm to 5pm - Sing for Fun and Peasmarsh Hall Committee invite you to a 1940's themed tea party at the hall with music, memories, Christmas songs and Carols - Free entry, festive afternoon tea and grand raffle. All welcome.

At Peasmarsh Memorial Hall in December

Hall of Crafts

Sunday 4th from 10am to 4pm - Last chance to get that unique Christmas present

New and previous exhibitors will be there - Free entry plus the usual snack bar with home cooked food, cakes and sweets

Doctors Surgery

Tuesday 6th at 11.30am - to book an appointment contact Rye Medical Centre on 01797 223333

Parish Council Meeting

Tuesday 6th at 7.30pm - Peasmarsh residents are invited to attend

Flower Arranging Group

Wednesday 7th at Brede from 10 am - This meeting will link with Brede for Christmas festivities at Brede Village Hall

Contact Deirdre Bull on 01797 230208 for more details

Film Club

Friday 9th at 7.30pm - Film is Hail Caesar

New members always welcome - Contact Hilary on 01797 230205 for more details

Attic and Collectors Fair

Sunday 11th from 10am to 2pm - Free entry and snack bar with home cooked food and cakes

Contact Trevor on 01797 230568 for more details

Regular hall activities

Brownies Only

Mondays at 6.30pm in term time

Sing for Fun

Wednesdays at 2pm

YOGA Classes

Wednesdays at 7.30pm

Mothers and Toddlers

Thursdays at 9.30am in term time

Zumba

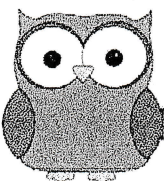
Thursdays at 7.30pm

Christmas and New Year

The hall will be closed
from 22nd December to
3rd January inclusive.

Peasmarsh Memorial Hall Hire

The cost of hiring the hall has remained at £7 per hour for the last 3 years and is probably the least expensive in the area and almost certainly the best - So why not think about booking the hall for that family or children's party or other event ? More details can be found by visiting peasmarshmh.btck.co.uk or emailing bookings.peasmarshmh@btconnect.com



Fancy being a Brown Owl ?

The thriving Brownie Pack in Peasmarsh is desperately seeking a new Leader. Brownies meet on Monday evenings (during term time) at the Memorial Hall.

If you would like to find out more about helping to keep this valuable activity for our local youngsters, please contact Pam Hanwell 01797 224739.

Poppies.

Fay Curd has asked that we publish a big thank you to all the volunteers who came to sell poppies last month. Your response was amazing ! The total collected was also amazing - £3,884.99 !

Peasmarch & District Ladies' Choir.

**Your local "ladies' choir" is giving an
ADVENT CAROLS CONCERT
At All Saints' Church, Beckley
On Friday, December 9th at 7.30pm
Tickets £10 (which includes a glass of wine)
available from Diane Marsh (260596)
or Jenny Als (230324)
or pay at the door.**



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MORE CAROLS

Come and sing carols, enjoy the beauty of our candlelit church and share our Service of Lessons and Carols at the Parish Church on Sunday, December 18th at 6.30pm.

OTHER CHRISTMAS SERVICES

Sunday, Dec 11th at 4pm
Christingle Service at Beckley

Saturday Dec 24th at 11.30pm
Midnight Communion Service at Beckley

Sunday, Dec 25th at 10.00am
Holy Eucharist at Peasmarch.

BOUNDARY REVIEWS

For as long as many of us have been voting locally (1977 ?) Peasmarch has been in the District of Rother, the County of East Sussex, and the Westminster Parliamentary Constituency of Bexhill & Battle. Periodically the boundaries of these areas of government are reviewed (the main criteria of these reviews seems to be to make the numbers match !)

Did you know that new District and County Boundaries were finalised this summer ?

You may be surprised to learn that we shall no longer be part of a "Rother Levels" ward with Beckley and Northiam. No, we are to be part of "Eastern Rother", along with Iden, Camber and Rye Harbour – all wards within Hastings and Rye Constituency !

However, when we come to County Council Divisions, which will all be up for election next May, we are back in Northern Rother Division with Beckley, Northiam and Robertsbridge and other Parishes within Bexhill and Battle Constituency.

Confused ? It gets worse!

The Boundary Commission appears to have started its current review of the South Eastern Parliamentary Constituencies somewhere west of London, and worked its way round anti-clockwise and along the south coast. Many of our westerly neighbours seem fairly satisfied with what is proposed for them. But when they got to Bexhill & Battle and added a fair chunk of Wealden to it (apparently doing away with the rest of Wealden) there were a lot of bits and pieces left – remnants with nothing in common, large unrelated areas of land in the counties of both Kent and East Sussex, stretching from Crowborough to Cranbrook and from Burwash to Tenterden, and covering no less than 4 local authorities.

This is our new "High Weald" Constituency.

With the best will in the world in terms of administration it is an unworkable disaster. In terms of the electorate it reduces our "voice" in local government to a whisper.

You can view this mish-mash at <https://www.bce2018.org.uk/node/6488>

There is just time to make the Commission think again, but **this first 12-week consultation period finishes on December 5th**

We need everyone in Peasmarch to "have their say" before this date, and tell the Commission this new constituency **cannot work** and they should show some respect and consideration for the electors who live in this area.

If you are unable to do this online ! can let you have the address and other details. I assure you there is nothing political about this article except the wish to see our village treated fairly.. J.Als 230324.