

# E-NEWS




## Peacehaven Town Council

# Hello, Mr Mayor

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## Dr Bike's ready with the spanner

Over the last few years the town council has been working hard to provide the leisure facilities that residents want and that will help our community keep fit and well.

The council is now working with a cycling organisation called Cycle



Cycle safely after a Dr Bike check

Seahaven, which focuses on off-road riding and has regular events in and around Peacehaven.

Centenary Park is a great starting point for many off-road trails and the council, in conjunction with East Sussex County Council, is providing facilities for cleaning and basic maintenance.

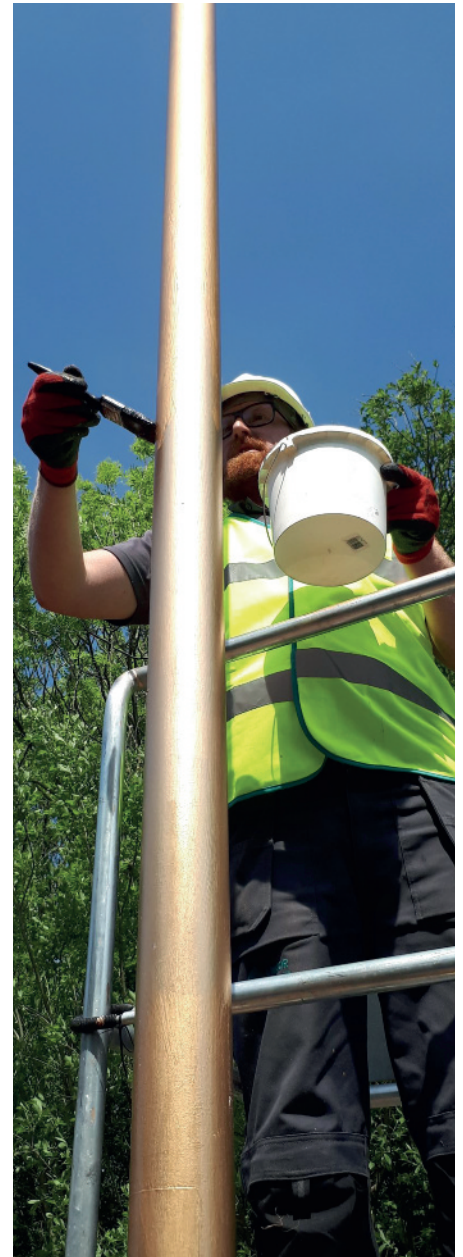
This area is just in front of the Gateway Café and is available to everyone.

Cycling events are starting with health and maintenance checks run by Cycle Seahaven under the name Dr Bike.

At these free events trained technicians will examine bikes and carry out basic maintenance.

The events will be held at the Meridian Centre in front of Community House on Saturday, June 17, Saturday, July 15, Saturday, August 19, and Saturday, September 16.

Please come along and enjoy your cycling with a safe, well-maintained bicycle.



Showing at the town council's cinema at the Meridian Centre on Wednesday, June 21, at 7.30pm will be Hacksaw Ridge (15). American army medic Desmond T Doss was in the Battle of Okinawa in the Second World War but refused to kill the enemy and became the first man in US history to be awarded the Medal of Honor without firing a shot. Tickets are £5 from the Information Office.

### One small golden step between east and west

A golden lamppost? Yes, that's right. One of Peacehaven's street lights has been painted gold to mark not only the town's centenary but also because it sits on the Meridian Line at zero degrees longitude.

The meridian, an imaginary line running from pole to pole, divides the world into two hemispheres.

From the north the line is roughly aligned with Meridian Way and runs across Greenwich Way before heading out to sea and France.

Many events have been held to mark the 100 years since the town was founded and the town council thought it would be a nice touch to highlight the lamppost sitting on the meridian. The council's civil engineering partners EMCOR painted the lamppost free.

Stand by the post in Greenwich Way and you can literally step between eastern and western hemispheres. A small step physically but a huge step geographically.



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## Bowling along nicely

Peacehaven's new Mayor, Brian Gosling, joined in a game at Peacehaven and Telscombe Bowls Club when it hosted a group of Chelsea Pensioners.

Fortunately the rain stopped for club president Alan Wallace and vice-chair Phil Armstrong to welcome the special guests to the green in Piddinghoe Avenue.

Audrey Merton, 86, seen greeting the Mayor on our front page, is one of the 15 women and 288 men of the Chelsea Pensioners.

She was delighted to have been picked to come to Peacehaven and said: "I was really looking forward to my turn at bowling."

A raffle raised money for Help the Heroes.

The bowls club welcomes new players on a Monday at 2pm. This is a start to bowling for beginners and improvers. For details contact Margaret Armstrong on 01273 582588 or email [pamahome@aol.com](mailto:pamahome@aol.com)

The club has 90 members and is

in various leagues for those who wish to play competitive games as well as those who only wish to play socially.

The season runs until the end of September with games four or five times a week, plus in-house competitions and socials once a month in the pavilion.

During the winter short mat bowls is played in the clubhouse on Mondays and Thursdays and there is a social evening on Wednesdays.

## FROM THE MAYOR



I am Cllr Brian Gosling, the newly elected Mayor of Peacehaven. My predecessor, Cllr Jean Farmiloe, was a good ambassador for the town and I hope to be the same.

My first duty was to greet the Chelsea Pensioners bowls team when it came to play at Peacehaven and Telscombe Bowls Club and we all had a great time.

My wife Sandra and I attended the Friends of Sussex Hospices service of thanksgiving at Chichester Cathedral to mark the 50th anniversary of the founding of the modern hospice

movement and to celebrate the work of all 12 Sussex hospice care providers.

I also greeted the RNLI fundraising Welly Walk that is travelling around Britain.

Sandra and I would like to invite residents to a coffee at Brian's Brunch at the Meridian Café at the Meridian Centre on Wednesday, June 7, from 10am to noon to celebrate the start of a new mayoral year.

*Brian Gosling*

Mayor of Peacehaven

## Family fun day

Pitches are still available for the family fun day and food and drink festival at Centenary Park on Saturday, July 15.

To book your place or find out more call 01273 585493 or email [deborah.donovan@peacehavencouncil.co.uk](mailto:deborah.donovan@peacehavencouncil.co.uk)

The event will also feature charities, other markets, a car boot sale and a skate fest. A raffle will raise money for the Mayor's chosen charities.



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## Council meetings

The public may attend any council or committee meeting. Each meeting is normally held at the Meridian Centre and starts at 7.30pm unless stated.

### June

- 6 Council
- 13 Grants (2pm)
- 20 Planning and Highways

### July

- 4 Leisure and Amenities
- 11 Policy and Finance
- 18 Planning and Highways
- 25 Council

## Oyez, oyez!

Jon Borthwick is beginning his eighth year as the Town Crier for Peacehaven.

As one of the youngest criers in the country, Jon has been representing the "Garden City by the Sea" in competitions across the nation, including the National Open in Hastings every October.

Jon said: "Peacehaven has been a focal point of my life for more than 30 years and it is great to be able to tell people from far and



wide all about the history and community of our town – especially about the 100-year celebrations."

Jon is always available to visit schools and to open community events – you can get in touch to let him know how he can help you by calling the town council on 01273 585493



The EMCOR UK team in Peacehaven, which manages schools in Peacehaven and Telscombe Cliffs, is sponsoring residents' allotments in Peacehaven for 2017-18 with a donation of £200 as it relects EMCOR UK's corporate mission – vision and values.



Cash prize bingo will be at the Meridian Centre on Friday, June 9, at 7pm and Wednesday, June 21, at 2pm.



Peacehaven's councillors on Lewes District Council:

**North ward:** Andy Loraine, 01273 580919, and Elayne Merry, 01273 580732.

**East ward:** Nigel Enever, 01273 580399, and Jackie Harrison-Hicks, 01273 589430.

**West ward:** Dave Neave, 01273 586381, and Robert Robertson, 01273 517069. Peacehaven's councillor on East Sussex County Council: Nigel Enever, 01273 580399.



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Because of the General Election campaign there is no column from Peacehaven's MP this month.

## SOUND ADVICE

citizens advice Lewes District

Lewes District Citizens Advice is an independent charity providing free, confidential and impartial advice to anyone living or working within the Lewes District Council area. It values diversity, promotes equality and challenges discrimination.

CA helps people to resolve their problems by providing information and advice on a wide range of topics including debt, benefits, employment, consumer, relationships and housing.

It is also involved in campaigning, locally and nationally, to make sure people have their voices heard so that collectively it can influence policy-makers and affect change.

The most recent example is CA calling for money advice to be offered at key life moments as consumer borrowing rises

Bank of England figures for March show consumer credit increased by 10.2 per cent in the year to March, to £197.4 billion.

Changing life circumstances such as the loss of a job, getting married or starting a family can put pressure on people's finances and mean they should think differently about their income and outgoings.

If you need information about budgeting and the effect of changes you may be experiencing, contact CA on 03444111444.



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## Take a **BOOK** & Share a **BOOK**

A new community miniature library has opened in Peacehaven, filled with books for children and adults. Free to use and open to everyone, there is no need to register, just head over to Headland Way and help yourself to a book from Peacehaven Little Library.

The idea comes from the United States and Peacehaven Little Library has been set up to support literacy, celebrate our community and share good books.

The library is always open and fully accessible at wheelchair height with ramped access.

The library is in Headland Way, BN10 8TF. You can follow it on Facebook at "Peacehaven Little Library" to keep up to date with new additions and book hunts.



### HERE'S HOW IT WORKS

- If you see a book you would like to read, just take it. Look inside to see if a previous reader has left a message.
- Return it to the library or pass it on to a friend. If you loved it, keep it. That's fine too. If you have a book you'd like to share, pop it in the library so it can find its next reader.
- Join in. Look out for the library's travelling books, hidden around Peacehaven for you to find. What kind of books would you like to see in the library? Leave a note in the library or on the Facebook page.



### All fired up

Firefighters from Red Watch at Newhaven Fire Station will be working with Peacehaven Youth Group for the next few weeks to prepare for the youngsters' visit to the fire station.

Anyone aged between 11 and 18 is welcome to come along.

The group meets at the Meridian Centre every Monday from 5pm to 7pm. Come and join in and learn great skills while having fun.

## TASK FORCE

Many of you have been along to the Task Force's new Community Garden in the southern corner at The Oval. Plants and trees have been planted and the garden is open to all to come and help or simply to enjoy.

A special event is coming up at the garden — a Teddy Bears' Picnic on



Friday, June 23, from 3.30pm.

Bring your teddies or other cuddly friends plus a picnic and drinks and join the volunteers for a great afternoon.

The team has also been busy at Howard Park, picking up litter and ensuring this peaceful park looks at its best as the flowers burst into bloom.

To find out more about joining the Task Force call Campbell McBryer at the town council on 01273 585493.



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## Keep up to date

E-News is the online community, non-political magazine produced by Peacehaven Town Council every month.

It carries details about your council, activities in the town and listings of future events.

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