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Peacehaven Town Council



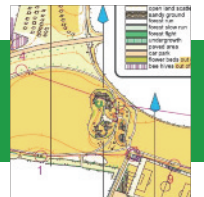
## The Bulk is back

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*Making Peacehaven a better place to live, work and visit*



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## Bon Appetit

A food and drink festival is planned for this summer. Last year's summer fair at Centenary Park was enjoyed by more than 5,000 people and the town council is hoping even more will come along to this year's festival.

The event will be at the park on Saturday, July 15, and the council is asking businesses who want to be a part of it and have a stall to get in touch now.

And there will be a summer parade.

Cllr Rachael Coles said: "The Easter parade last year was such a success, with so many of the community coming together, we have decided to do a summer parade to coincide with our food and drink festival."

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



A feast of fine food in the park



## Snap to it for our calendar

Photographers are being urged to send their scenic pictures of Peacehaven to the town council for a 2018 calendar it is planning.

Please ensure that every picture is captioned with its exact location, the month it was taken and the photographer's contact details.

Email photos to [chloereader@peacehavencouncil.co.uk](mailto:chloereader@peacehavencouncil.co.uk) or take either a high-quality print or pictures on a USB stick to the Information Office at the Meridian Centre.

## SOUND ADVICE

citizens advice Lewes District

Citizens Advice has welcomed a prepayment meter price cap announced by energy regulator Ofgem that will save these customers around £80 a year after it is introduced next month.

CA Chief Executive Gillian Guy said: "This cap should stop households paying over the odds to heat and light their homes.

"For years prepayment meter customers have been paying more for the same gas and electricity as other customers while also receiving a second-class service from their supplier."

While welcoming this saving, CA has called for the Government to cut bills for other customers on standard tariffs.

The Ofgem cap will help millions save money, says CA, but action should not stop there.

It says customers on standard tariffs are paying over the odds for gas and electricity.

The Government could help struggling households by extending the prepayment meter cap to those who are eligible to receive the Warm Homes Discount, helping low-income pensioners and families.

If you are worried about your finances and need some help, drop in to one of CA's local offices or call 03444 111 444.

Further details of the opening times are at [www.lewesdistrict.cab.org.uk](http://www.lewesdistrict.cab.org.uk)



Showing at the town council's cinema at the Meridian Centre

on Wednesday, March 15, at 7.30pm will be award-winning musical *La La Land* (12A). Mia, an aspiring actress, and Sebastian, a dedicated jazz musician, struggle to make ends meet while pursuing their dreams in Los Angeles. Tickets are £5 from the Information Office.

## Who's for bingo?

Cash prize bingo will be at the Meridian Centre on Friday, March 10, at 7pm and Wednesday, March 15, at 2pm. Eight games for £4 plus snowball and flyer.



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## Tag along with The Pitbulls' title chase

The UK Pitbulls, arguably the most sensational tag team in wrestling, are set to invade Peacehaven.

The Pitbulls, who threaten the scales at a combined weight of 58 stone, consist of Mike Waters, aka The Bulk, reputedly Europe's heaviest wrestler, and his partner, Big Joe.

They will top the bill on the biggest grappling spectacular yet staged at the Meridian Centre, on Saturday, April 1.

The current line-up of The Pitbulls is a reincarnation of the original team of brothers Mike and Dave Waters, who retired as the undefeated Premier Wrestling Federation champions and remain the most successful tag team in PWF history.

Barring a couple of disqualifications and a no-contest decision, they were beaten only twice in 28 bouts in Premier Promotions rings between 2003 and 2008.

But it all came to a halt when Dave suffered a crippling knee injury while taking part in a strongman competition and Mike, who is also a drummer in a heavy rock band, hung up his wrestling boots.

Now The Bulk is back, with Big Joe as his partner, aiming to make April fools out of the Meridian opposition as they set out to destroy every tag team in the country en route to recapturing the tag-team title.

Tickets, with more big names to be announced in the run-up to the show, are priced at £12 but fans can book in advance for what is expected to be a sell-out evening for £10. Call 01273 585493. The event is being sponsored by Aquarius Solutions.

### 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.

#### March

- 7 Council
- 14 Planning and Highways
- 21 Leisure and Amenities

#### April

- 4 Planning and Highways
- 25 Audit 7pm
- 25 Policy and Finance

### Chamber boosts its website

Peacehaven and District Chamber of Commerce has launched its new website. Special features include a dedicated page for each member.

Chairman Phil Merry said: "This is a major step forward for us. It means every member can now have constant access to their own page to promote their company with all their contact details, logos and updated

information about themselves."

The chamber, the area's premier business support and networking organisation, is celebrating its tenth anniversary.

Find out more about its popular breakfast club and the new monthly dining club at [www.peacehavenchamber.co.uk](http://www.peacehavenchamber.co.uk) or call 01273 586222.



### FROM THE HOUSE

I have been contacted by many residents about the issue of traffic on the A259. This is something I have been working on for a long time and I have raised constituents' concerns frequently with all our local councils.

It is one of the many issues I always discuss when I meet with the chief executive officers from East Sussex and Brighton and Hove. I met the new CEO of Lewes District Council recently together with the council leader, Cllr Andy Smith, to discuss this important issue. I am told by East Sussex County Council the introduction of

any kind of relief road north of the A259 or a new link to the A27 to relieve congestion on the A259 between Peacehaven and Rottingdean would be challenging to deliver as both would cross the protected landscape of the South Downs National Park.

The county council has said it is working to improve the efficiency of the existing network and to encourage walking, cycling and public transport journeys to help relieve congestion on the A259.

I will continue to call on local councils and work together with local councillors to try to resolve the awful traffic situation across the area and stand up for residents who are tired of sitting in traffic each day.

I would be grateful if you could take a few minutes to complete the following survey: <http://www.smart-survey.co.uk/s/SimonKirbyMPTrafficSurvey/>

*Simon Kirby*

MP for Brighton Kemptown and Peacehaven





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## All mapped out

Maps have been created to make orienteering possible at Centenary Park. Orienteering is an increasingly popular outdoor activity and competitive sport and at the park you can use one of the maps to find your way on foot around a series of permanent marker posts.

You can walk around a course in your own time, enjoying the challenge of map reading while taking some healthy exercise.

Orienteering is suitable for all ages and levels of fitness.

Copies of the maps can be collected from the Gateway Cafe in the park. There are beginners, intermediate and advanced courses to suit all abilities.

The maps are specially surveyed orienteering maps to a scale of 1:4,000 so that one centimetre represents 40 metres on the ground. All the courses start at the cafe.



You can find out more and also download the maps at [www.bigparksproject.org.uk/orienteering/](http://www.bigparksproject.org.uk/orienteering/)

To find out more about orienteering in this area go to [www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk](http://www.southdowns-orienteers.org.uk)

## Rosemary for remembrance

People are being asked to plant rosemary in their front gardens as part of Peacehaven's centenary celebrations and to remember the town's special link to the Australian and New Zealand soldiers who lost their lives at Gallipoli in the First World War.

Peacehaven was originally called New Anzac-on-Sea to honour them but the name was changed 100 years ago.

Rosemary has a long association with helping memory, it grows wild on the Gallipoli peninsula and sprigs are used as a symbol on Remembrance Day in Australia.

At the town's renaming anniversary day ceremony historian Julia Winckler reminded guests the Rosemary Tearoom was the first cafe to open in Peacehaven, named because of the ANZAC connection.

The Peacehaven Pioneer group has launched an initiative to raise funds to buy and propagate seedlings to be sold to raise money for veterans charities.

Julia said: "Our group is keen to engage the local community and



to encourage residents to plant rosemary seedlings as a visible sign of remembrance linking to the past and acknowledging the 100 years commemoration of the Great War and the renaming of the town.

"We are hoping the rosemary will grow for years to come so future generations will have these beautiful well-established shrubs to enjoy and remind them of the first war and the town's history."

At the anniversary day event at Peacehaven Evangelical Church the first rosemary pot was presented to the elder, Jeff Colington.

Guests at the event included the Lord Lieutenant of East Sussex, Peter Field, and the High Sheriff, Michael Foster.

## District councillors

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 councillors on East Sussex County Council: Ian Buchanan, 07754 749372, and Phil Howson, 01273 581612.

▶ Blood donor sessions are usually held at the Meridian Centre every month. Details from the Information Office.

▶ Keep up to date online with Lewes District Council at [www.lewes.gov.uk](http://www.lewes.gov.uk) and with East Sussex County Council at [www.east-sussex.gov.uk](http://www.east-sussex.gov.uk)



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