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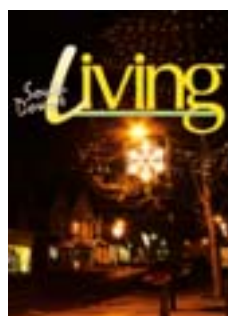
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Editor's Comment

It's a pleasure to receive interesting articles and news from local residents and groups. This month we received more than ever.

If you own a pet, you'll enjoy 'The benefits of pet ownership'. Also in this issue, Sarah Trayler from Ditchling writes about her skiing challenge to raise funds for the RSPCA.

One of my favourite articles has to be 'Waiting for a chance'. All about sponsoring a child in Africa, it will pull at your heart strings. A wonderful article with a happy ending and an unexpected discovery linking Africa to Hurstpierpoint.

'From London to Hassocks' is an interesting account of why a local man gave up his successful career in London and moved to Hassocks. If any of our readers have such an interesting or unusual story to tell, please do write to us.

Three teenagers, through the Beacon Centre drop-in sessions at Downlands Schools, have composed a great centre-spread on Valentine's Day. Not forgetting our new 'Sport' section about a talented 16-year-old swimmer from Hurstpierpoint.

Finally, in January we had to say 'Farewell' to three local traders – Carol and Seamus Barnes at *The Greyhound*, Keymer, and Sue Bishop at *The Corner Café*, Hassocks. They've all done so much for the community and will be greatly missed by all of their customers.

Once again, thank you to all of our advertisers – without them we would not be able to produce this magazine.

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Connie Booth