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EDITORIAL

By David Tingley, Editor
After months of talking about
Lindfield Arts Festival, September
is finally here. I'm sure the organisers
feel the same! We have numerous
articles related to LAF on our pages this month.



Claire Cooper has been to meet a collection of local artists who are all taking part in Leesa Le May's Open Studio for the weekend – read about that on page 36. On page 5 there's a brief news round-up of what's to come across the weekend (21st-23rd September). Award-winning perfumer Amanda Beadle will have a stall at the event too – read about her accolade on page 7. And finally, LAF legends Merv Huggett and Pete Browne have created a 'new machine' which will be on display over the weekend too – you can find out more first on page 34.

Elsewhere in the magazine, I would like to point you to this quarter's **Lindfield Rural Parish newsletter** on **page 66**. This contains the items of note that this specific parish council is working on. Its remit relates to the geographic area which wraps around the north and east of the central core of Lindfield, including Scaynes Hill and Walstead.

On page 56 Chris Gurr brings us the report from Lindfield Horticultural Society's Summer Show in July, as well as pointing us towards the Autumn Show which takes place this month!

Richard Bryant finds time to pen another brilliant **history feature** for us on **page 50**, this month looking at the role of women in the First World War – thanks Richard.

On page 28 Scaynes Hill resident Geoffrey Main tells Claire why he wants to start a new school. Page 30 shows Hereward Kaye taking a charitable dare! And page 32 shows a very happy Carol Rieley enjoy the new benches on the Common. Plus, we have a bumper crop of Holiday Snaps from page 46.

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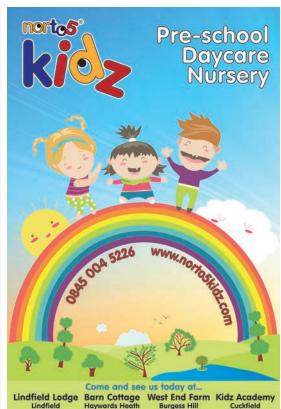
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Rory takes U13s title

Talented young golfer Rory Dalgliesh is celebrating after winning the Sussex U13s Championships.

Rory, 12, who lives in the village and is a member of Haywards Heath Golf Club, took the title after a tough competition at Lindfield Golf Club.

Following an early morning thunderstorm and heavy rain, blue skies and sunshine greeted the 18 young golfers who battled for the coveted title and trophy.

It was the first big win for Rory, a pupil at Ardingly College, who also enjoys playing football and cricket and is a member of the cross country and athletics teams. He described his win as 'great'!

Rory was introduced to the sport by his family five years ago and is following in the footsteps of his older half-brother, Ali, a former Sussex Amateur Champion who went on to become a tournament pro golfer and currently plays on the Europro Tour.

Rory now has his sights set on the Sussex U14s Championships later this month.



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It is bigger and better than ever! The 9th Lindfield Arts Festival showcases both new and upcoming local performing and fine artists whilst encouraging the community to celebrate the unique spirit of Mid Sussex's culture. On Saturday 22nd September there will be fresh food stalls and plenty of seating in the High Street to watch, listen and meet friends and family whilst enjoying performances by local musicians, dance and drama students and a wealth of entertainment all day long.

Amongst the full programme of events there will be an amazing Art Trail, including open studios and an exhibition at Lindfield Primary Academy, a craft show and an extraordinary cake display - being filmed by Channel 4 for their Extreme Cake Makers programme. Come and watch live art on cellograff in the High Street, some meaningful drama productions addressing memory and culinary delights respectively as well as a unique display of magnificent interactive structures on the Common for families to explore.

The vibrant pink Literary Tent will host a programme for young and old – come and meet and listen to the published authors and be inspired to start writing. There will be a Strictly Lindfield Tea Dance, with Ballroom and Latin workshops to give



you confidence. The two 'must go to' performances at the King Edward Hall on Friday and Saturday evenings are: Rockaoke (you can sing and dance along) and FoxiVox! which will lift your spirits as you relax and enjoy their jazz interpretations.

Visit the Lindfield Arts Festival information point on the High Street for last minute festival details and to collect your Scarecrow Trail marking sheet; you will also be able to buy raffle tickets and enter the Porsche spectacular silent auction. A walking tour of the village will allow you to check out the different art studios, events on the Common and the activities in the King Edward Hall and Tamasha courtyard. Returning to the High Street you can enjoy the buzz of the live performances on the main stage, the classic cars and the brilliant community orchard display by most of Lindfield's local associations and clubs in the United Reformed Church.

There are many workshops for you and your family to join, many of which are free of charge. Places may be limited, so advance booking is recommended. For full programme information and reservations see www.lindfieldartsfestival.com



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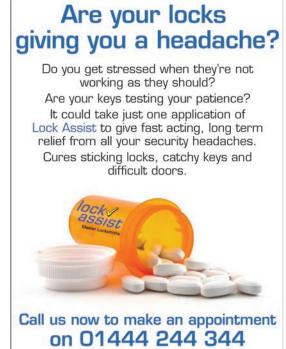
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The sweet smell of success for Amanda

A Lindfield perfumer has won the prestigious international Art & Olfaction Award 2018 for her first artisan perfume, Chienoir, created in her home studio in Compton Road.

Amanda Beadle was commissioned by the Nolan family at Black Dog Hill Vineyard to make a scent that would represent the essence of an English vineyard - its mossy woodland, green vines, white flowers and chalky terroir. "I was surprised enough to be nominated, let alone win!" says Amanda, who worked in finance for her whole career and only trained as a perfumer once her children were nearly grown up. "At the awards ceremony my two sons (and their dad) nearly fell off their chairs!"

An artist/perfumer, who sees scents visually, Amanda first painted the Black Dog vineyard landscape, then returned with her impressions to the studio to mix neroli, sweet orange, pink pepper, tobacco, juniper berry, oak moss, patchouli, bergamot and musk into a winning formula.

"I think the judges found the fragrance original," she says, "and they liked the creative intention - an artisan perfume handmade for the independent winemaker. It's a community story."

One of Amanda's favourite perfume materials is Linden blossom, which is appropriate as Lindfield - the Saxon Lindefeldia meaning 'open field with limes' - was named after the linden (lime) tree. "I am experimenting all the time and, who knows, maybe I'll find Linden



blossom works in my next perfume."

Meet Amanda Beadle at the Lindfield Arts Festival on 22nd September. Her bespoke perfume company, Bedeaux, will be there with a stall.





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As the new school year starts, many mums find themselves thinking... 'what next?'. Many studied long and hard, worked their way up in organisations prechildren, and then gave it up for the most important job of all - raising kids. These are mums who now want to start something new: earn money, be part of a team again or go it alone professionally.

This is why local mums and businesswomen Emily Lomax and Jo Bryant have set up Mum Direction, a local workshop and network that helps mums repackage their skills from a previous career – and motherhood – for a new role, context or path.

"Too often we hear the same story: a career break has left them feeling stuck, confused, under-confident and frustrated on how to relaunch their careers and balance life with kids." Emily explains, "Mums often settle for less because they can't find career satisfaction without jeopardising precious family time. We believe that these mums shouldn't have to choose – it is possible to do both!"

The first workshop is on Sunday 30th September at Lindfield Coffee Works. Jo and Emily will coach, motivate and equip local mums with the skills they need to gain confidence, identify transferrable skills, set goals, develop a new personal brand, boost networking skills, and articulate a career break in a positive way. Attendees



also become members of the Mum Direction Club, a network for ongoing support, and exclusive access to events and meet-ups.

Emily's and Jo's unique skillsets enable them to bring specialised and focussed coaching to the Mum Direction workshops. Emily is a qualified executive career coach and facilitator with 15 years' cross-sector leadership experience. She is a mum of two small girls and runs her own local coaching business in Lindfield. Jo Bryant specialises in developing communication, networking, soft skills and social confidence, and is an expert in contemporary British etiquette. She runs her own consultancy, lives in Haywards Heath and has two young children.

Mum Direction workshop is on Sunday 30th September at Lindfield Coffee Works from 9.30-5pm (£150). Refreshments, lunch, and a starter pack are all included in the fee. To book your place, visit www.mumdirection.eventbrite.com





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New Parish Councillor for Lindfield

Lindfield Parish Council will have a new member, following an uncontested election which will take place on 13th September.

Following the resignation of Councillor Simon Hodgson, a request was made by at least ten voters in the Lindfield Parish, and so a By Election was called. However, as only one candidate stood they are elected without contest in a process run by Mid Sussex District Council.



lan Wilson, who is 68 and has lived in Lindfield for 25 years, describes himself as the type of person who 'volunteers for everything' and is also a Lollipop Man in the village, so many will recognise him.

Speaking after the announcement of the uncontested election lan said: "Being on the Parish Council is a great opportunity for me to give something back to the community."

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By Jenny Walker

St Augustine's Church in Scaynes Hill has received a children's Discovery Trail created by two members of the Arts Society Mid Sussex.

Anthea Hills and Sheila Cox happened to visit St Augustine's some while ago and were very impressed with the beautiful interior, particularly the magnificent Jubilee Tapestry, and the special atmosphere of the church. They approached the vicar, the Rev Lisa Barnett, about producing an Arts Society Discovery Trail for children. This initiative by the Arts Society aims to encourage 8-12 year olds and their families to engage with the architecture, history and furnishings of a church and inspire them to visit and enjoy other places of worship and historical buildings.

After further visits to St Augustine's and much detailed research, Anthea and Sheila recently completed the project. Last month they presented the trail to the church at the end of the morning service. Lisa thanked the Arts Society volunteers for their work and said that the interactive trail, which consists of a question sheet that guides children and accompanying adults round the church, along with answers and information notes for adults, would be a wonderful resource. She anticipated that the trail would be particularly useful when children from St Augustine's School visit the church.

St Augustine's Church is open between approximately 9am and 6pm each day, so all are welcome to pop in and enjoy the architecture and tapestry, as well as taking some time to be guiet and to pray.



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By Sue Waller

This year's Harvest Festival at Lindfield United Reformed Church, on the High Street, will be celebrated over three days, with a programme for all ages.

'Messy Church' will take place on Friday 24th September (4pm-6pm). With a strong harvest theme, including making Tractor Tubes, a Harvest Basket and Corn Craft, Messy Church, in addition to crafts, will feature Bible stories and dinner. No booking or fee required. Under 14s must, however, bring an adult. For more information call Danny Goodall 07443 438970.

On Saturday 29th September the church will host an All Age Games Night from 5pm. Following last year's successful fun and 'not too challenging' games, 2018 will

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see a return of our 'Games Masters' Danny Goodall & Richard Walters. Harvest Supper will be served for which a free ticket is required to assist in planning. For tickets call Sue Waller on 01444 455047 or email: waller.s@sky.com.

Lastly there will be Harvest Festival on Sunday 30th September at 10am in the church. The all age service is a time to celebrate and express our thanks for the harvest. There will be opportunity to bring your 'Harvest Gift' to add to the display inside the church. All gifts will later be distributed to the Brighton and Hove City Mission, along with those from the Evangelical Free Church who will be joining us on the Sunday evening at 6.30pm for a service of Harvest Praise and Worship, to which all are invited.

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Year 6 Area Sports Winners

By James Smyth & Sarah Olive

Lindfield Primary Academy's Year 6s capped off a fantastic year for sport at the school with victory at the Year 6 Haywards Heath Area Sports at the end of July, adding yet another trophy to their long list of achievements in 2017-18. It has been a fantastic sporting year for the school, particularly the Year 6 teams, with victories in a wide range of sports.

Back in November the Academy's girls football team were crowned Mid Sussex Champion with a 100% record and went on to represent the region at the County Finals in Lancing where the team finished in the top five in Sussex. As previously reported in Lindfield Life, our indoor athletics and tag-rugby teams also had fantastic success early in 2018 with the athletics team being crowned Mid Sussex and County Champions for the first time and the rugby team coming first AND second in Mid Sussex!

March brought the culmination of the Haywards Heath netball league with Lindfield going the entire season unbeaten and winning the league for the first time in five years. With the girls playing a 14 match season, this was quite an achievement! Both the A and B squads also performed admirably in the end of season Mid Sussex finals.

The Summer term brought even more success for the academy, with the gymnastics, hockey and QuadKids athletics teams all being crowned Mid Sussex Champions and qualifying for the prestigious Sussex School Games. Both the gymnasts and athletes were

dominant in their qualification with some very strong performances. Members of the hockey team, however, had to hold their nerve in an extended golden goal extra time period that lasted longer than the original match! Lindfield finally scored the decisive goal and defeated Harlands 1-0.

Before the prestigious Sussex finals at K2, there was still time for Lindfield to be crowned Mid Sussex champions in two more sports. An excited and enthusiastic lacrosse team won the title in early June, whilst later that month our Year 6 softball cricket team was crowned joint Mid Sussex champions and went on to finish third at the County Final at Blackstone.

The Sussex School Games is the culmination in school sport across the county with children aged 7 to 18 representing their school and localities. Lindfield were the first school in the whole of Sussex to have four different teams qualify for the School Games in one year (indoor athletics, gymnastics, QuadKids athletics and hockey) and over 40 children from the academy took part. On the finals day itself, the QuadKids team came in fourth place and won the determination award, the hockey team managed some fantastic performances and came home with the bronze medal, however, the gymnastics team, which had won the silver medal last year, went one better and was crowned Sussex Champions for the first time!

The year ended with Lindfield continuing its dominance in athletics this year by being crowned Haywards Heath Athletics Champions for the first time.



Gymnastics County Champions



 ${\sf Hockey\,Mid\text{-}Sussex\,Champions\,\&\,3rd\,Place\,at\,County\,Final}$

A team of 20 Year 6s ran, jumped and threw their way to success. Special mention must go to the relay teams who ran particularly well.

To complement the competitive success, over 80% of the children in Year 6 represented their school in an inter-school sporting event this year across a range of sports. Many thanks must go to Mid Sussex Active which helps support sport and fitness across schools in our area, along with all the teachers and adults whose hard work and time facilitate this success.

To celebrate an incredible sporting year Lindfield Primary Academy was awarded the 'Competitive Edge' award from Mid Sussex Active for enabling so many opportunities for the children to take part in a range of sporting competitions. The academy was then awarded the Gold School Games Mark, showing the positive work happening within the school. Lindfield has provided over 100 children the opportunity to lead in a sporting environment, taken part in over 30 inter-school competitions over 15 different sports and also provided opportunities for children to develop their own personal challenges!



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Planning concerns on golf course

By Sarah Munday and Liz Evans
We, along with a growing number
of local residents, are concerned
about a proposal to develop the
countryside at Haywards Heath
Golf Club on High Beech Lane in
Lindfield. To this end we have set
up a website and Facebook page
to keep locals updated.

Local developer, Fairfax, proposes to acquire 100 acres of land comprising Haywards Heath Golf Course, and relocate the Golf Club to an extended and improved Lindfield Golf Club.

Whilst a planning application has yet to be submitted, it is understood that Fairfax proposes building 1,100 new homes on the site.

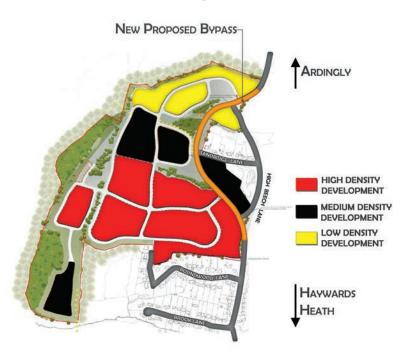
Fairfax have already started the initial planning preparation work by submitting a Scoping Opinion to confirm the contents of an Environmental Statement that is required for an Outline planning application. See Mid Sussex

Online Planning register and search using the reference: DM/18/0992.

We understand Fairfax is planning to submit an Outline Planning Application during the next six months and could have consent by Spring 2019.

As Lindfield residents we have a number of serious concerns with a development of this size, as it will have a huge impact on the local area. We are particularly concerned at the loss of beautiful Lindfield countryside and fear this would set a dangerous precedent that developers could exploit leading to further losses of greenfield land in the future.

This development is similar in scale to that of Bolnore Village, which we believe is too large for Lindfield and will change the nature and feel of our village. It will lead to

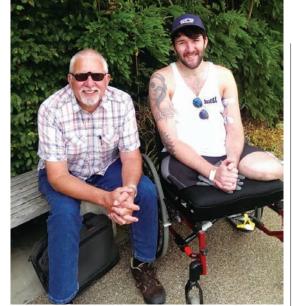


increased pressure on local services, which are already stretched. Whilst developers usually make financial contributions to the provision of new services, it is rarely sufficient to meet the new increases in demand (and that is before one considers the difficulty of securing a seat on the train or a parking space at the station for commuters).

We are also concerned about the impact the development will have on highways. High Beech Lane and the surrounding roads appear to lack the capacity to deal with such an increased volume of traffic, and it will certainly transform the character and environment of Lindfield and its surrounds.

Find out more at the following website: www.stophaywardsheathgolfclubdevelopment.co.uk





Will with his dad Geoff

Support for Will

The family of Will Bennett, former Lindfield solider who lost both lower legs following an horrific climbing accident, say they are overwhelmed by support from residents in the village.

The Bennetts, who lived in Noah's Ark Lane for many years, say the messages of support, cards and donations to Will's fund have been a huge comfort during a difficult time.

"I'd like to say a massive thank you to my good friend Julie Reason for instigating the write-up in Lindfield Life, to Blackthorns residents for their fundraising, members of Lindfield Bowling Club and to all



Will reading the card from Lindfield supporters

the individual residents who have contributed - you are all kind, amazing people," said Will's mum, Anne.

"Words can't describe how grateful we are to everyone who has donated. The support and well wishes are overwhelming. Lindfield will always remain a special place in our hearts and we are so lucky to have such good friends there so that we will always remain connected."

Despite recent and worrying setbacks which have included an infection in one leg and DVT in the other, which resulted in a pulmonary embolism, Will is now back in his wheelchair for most of the day but remains periodically on bed rest in the spinal unit. He has one final procedure before he can begin his rehabilitation.

"The next few weeks are crucial with his rehabilitation, as we will find out if he is able to transfer himself, through balance, from wheelchair to bed etc," said Anne. "He has a lot of challenges to overcome being a double amputee and a paraplegic from the waist down, not to mention his back is crooked, but he is determined to do it and, as we say, where there's a Will there's a way!"

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LBS Badge Night

Lindfield Bonfire Society (LBS) will hold its annual Badge Night on Tuesday 4th September.

Badge Night marks the start of Lindfield Bonfire Society's 2018 season, and once again Skull Drummery will be part of the celebrations to give a thunderous performance of their drumming.



At the event LBS will be confirming details of its activities visiting other Sussex Bonfires and that of its own night on 5th November here in Lindfield.

This year's badge (shown) features a tree and a swan. Badge Night starts from 6.30pm at The Stand Up Inn on the High Street, on 4th September.

Here we go again...

Registered charity King Edward Hall will begin its new season of Film Shows later this month with family box office hit Mamma Mia – Here We Go Again.

Film shows have been taking place at the hall for the last 17 years, with Lindfield resident Jennie Powell having organised them since 2012. "It's all part of the community spirit of the village; I love it!" she explained. "I get to see a number of regular cinemagoers each time



and have a very supportive band of cake makers and helpers; which I'm very grateful for." Last year film shows contributed over £1,000 to the village hall's income.

Viewers at a KEH Film Show are always treated to tea/coffee and cake in the interval.

Mamma Mia - Here We Go Again is rated PG and the doors open at 7.30pm on Thursday 27th September. Tickets can be purchased (£6) at Tufnells from 29th August.

Remaining 2018 show dates are: 18th October and 22nd November.



By Claire Cooper

Plans to open a new free secondary school at the Haywards Heath Sixth Form College site are gathering support.

The proposal, being put forward by a group of local parents, teachers and lecturers, would meet the growing need for more school places, see the empty buildings brought back into use and provide an education based on Christian values.

If the proposal is approved, the Hugh Latimer Free School could take its first pupils by September 2020.

Free schools were introduced by the government back in 2010 as a way of raising standards. Groups of parents, teachers, existing schools, businesses and charities were given the opportunity to create a different type of school. Free schools are funded by the government at the same level as other state schools but are not controlled by local authorities.

So far 300 schools have been opened across England, and the next round of applications will be considered in November this year.

The proposal for the Hugh Latimer Free School is being submitted in partnership with the successful Fulham Boys Free School which opened four years ago. "Earlier this year we visited the school and were very "The school would have a strong work ethic, modelled on private schools and would specialise in STEM subjects."

impressed with the Christian ethos and high standards," said Geoffrey Main, a teacher from Scaynes Hill and a member of the founding group.

"The school is in a working class area surrounded by high rise social housing, with 20% of pupils eligible for free school meals and yet the standards at the school are first class and on par with independent schools. There are now six applicants for every place.

"We came away thinking 'this is excellence in education – we'd like to do it too!"

The visits coincided with a government announcement inviting submissions for the next round of free school applications (Wave 13). "The criteria is that the proposals have to fill a need for places and be different to anything else on offer locally," Geoffrey

explained. "We believe our proposal, partnership with Fulham Boys School and our Christian ethos meets that criteria."

The proposal also has the advantage of a 'readvmade' location for the school. "The Haywards Heath College site provides two large empty buildings which are currently serving no purpose," said Geoffrey. "One is the new build, the other the old school at the back which was to have been demolished before CSC ran out of money. We'd like to bring one or the other back into use as a first class school for the local community."

Supported by the New School Network and Fulham Boys School, the group has created a business plan ready to submit to the government in November.

The aim of the new school is to be 'outstanding in all aspects and nurture students of every background to fulfil their potential'. Every pupil would learn about Christian values, and students of all faiths, and none, would be welcome. A longer school day would provide opportunities for a variety of sporting, academic and practical co-curricular activities.

"The school would have a strong work ethic, modelled on private schools, and would specialise in STEM subjects," said Geoffrey. "Everyone would be expected to buy into the high expectations of behaviour, dress and commitment."

The Hugh Latimer School would follow the GCSE and A Level curriculums and provide secondary and sixth

form education to students living in Crawley, Lewes and Mid Sussex Districts.

"We would look to be part of the community and encourage parents, grandparents and other volunteers to share their knowledge and skills and be part of the school community," Geoffrey added. "There's a huge pool of talent out there which we would like to harness."

The founding group members have been sharing their proposals with representatives from local churches. "We have been delighted with the warmth of interest for what we are trying to achieve and 20 churches have expressed support," said Geoffrey.

They have also been talking to local councillors and MPs. "At the start of next term we will be contacting teachers and governors of primary schools but several schools have already expressed support for our plans," he added.

If the plans submitted in November are approved in principle, the group will be called for an interview in the New Year and a decision made by Spring 2019. If successful, the school would expect to open in September 2020 with 120 Year 7 students and gradually grow with each intake year, offering A Levels by 2025. Other local students could then sign up at 16+ if they were willing to buy into the ethos and standards of the school.

For more information about the proposals and to sign up for newsletters visit: www.hughlatimerschool.org.uk

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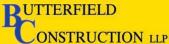








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Herry flies through the air

By Claire Cooper

Former Flying Picket Hereward Kaye took to the skies last month to raise funds for a charity close to his heart.

The daredevil musician and songwriter, who runs Rok Skool in Haywards Heath, braved the world's longest, fastest city centre zip wire in a bid to buy a vehicle for transporting abandoned dogs in Europe.

Hereward's wife Pat runs the charity Small Dog Rescue which rescues and rehomes dogs from Bosnia, Romania, Portugal, Spain and other European countries. From a laptop in her living room in Lindfield, Pat has rescued over

500 little dogs from death row and transported them to foster carers in the UK before finding permanent adopters to love and look after them for the rest of their lives.

She launched the fundraising appeal after five rescue dogs died in Bosnia while being transported in an unlicensed overheated vehicle.

"Pat is hell-bent on changing this situation and raising



the necessary funds to buy a type 2 air-conditioned van, legally registered, for the use of any Bosnian rescuer who needs it," said Hereward.

"People think Small Dog Rescue is some huge enterprise - it isn't; it's just my lovely lady and her steely determination."

Joined by fellow fundraisers Estelle Maxwell and Vanya Kizmaz, and watched by Pat and a group of friends, Herry launched from 35 metres (the height of nine double decker buses), braving the 225 metre zip wire, reaching speeds of up to 50km/h as he flew across London's South Bank.

"The publicity for the ride says great views over London - but you don't notice any of that, you've got far too much on your immediate plate to deal with, to take in the sights!" he said.

"I trusted the zip wire, the harness, the people running the thing - all I had to do was hang there, so I was fine with it," he said. "But Estelle was battling chronic vertigo - if you'd seen her legs buckling as we walked up the 200 steps to the top of the tower, and to then be clipped to a wire and hurtled into thin air - that took real guts."

Hereward's aim was to raise £500 towards the £7,000 cost of the van. "I now find, through this zip wire lark over London, I have raised £3,340 and counting! There are a lot of people out there with really good hearts beating in them. That's a feeling more euphoric than the zip wire ride," he said. "I'd like to thank my many friends who have donated so that the air-conditioned van to transport stray dogs from death row in Bosnia to new adoptive homes in the UK is moving closer and closer."

So what's next for the man described by one newspaper as a Daredevil Pensioner? "Well, I now have a new reputation to attend to, so I'd better swap my Sauvignon Blanc for Sanatogen and start jumping out of aeroplanes!" he laughed.

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Holiday from Hell?

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By Martyn Gooch, partner Rohan Solicitors Question: How can I claim compensation for a delayed flight?

Answer: The holiday season is well underway, and when things don't go to plan, such as delays and cancelled flights, the good news is that compensation may be available to those impacted.

The right to compensation is currently provided under an EU regulation which seeks to protect the rights of passengers in the case of cancellations, rerouting, delays and denied boarding. It was introduced to help compensate passengers for the loss of time and the inconvenience suffered. The regulation applies to all passengers (regardless of nationality) whose flight departs from an airport based in the EU or whose flight lands in an EU country and is operated by an EU airline.

Currently an affected holidaymaker is entitled to monetary compensation for delays to their flights of over three hours (or flight cancellations) as long as the cause of the problem does not fall within the regulation's definition of an 'extraordinary circumstance' (these include industrial action, security issues and adverse weather conditions). In recent court cases airlines have tried to suggest that 'technical faults' fall within this definition, but this argument has been rejected by the courts.

The level of compensation available under the regulation is modest and is dependent on the length of the delay and the distance of the flight. Approximately £500 is available to those passengers that have suffered over four hours delay to a flight of over 3,500km. Additionally, the airline must offer you meals, refreshments and, potentially, hotel accommodation while you are waiting for your rearranged flight.

If you believe you are entitled to compensation you should first write a letter to the airline setting out your claim and the reasons why you consider you qualify for compensation. The airline is obliged to respond within a reasonable timeframe (usually 30 days) with its decision. Some airlines may offer vouchers as compensation to use against subsequent flights but there is no obligation for you to accept them and you may insist on a cash settlement. If you are unhappy with the airline's decision you may wish to escalate your claim to the Civil Aviation Authority. If you remain unsatisfied with the outcome you may consider making a claim in the small claims court.

You should also check your travel insurance policy as this too may provide additional compensation.

Brexit will end British holidaymakers' entitlement to compensation under EU law. However, it is likely that the government will preserve the rights currently provided to disappointed holidaymakers by converting the terms of the regulation into domestic law. Furthermore, the government has indicated that it may compel airlines to inform passengers affected by disruption of their legal rights and that they might be entitled to compensation.

Martyn can be contacted by email on mgooch@ rohansolicitors.co.uk or by telephone 01444 450901.



What a lot of new benches!

When Lindfield grandmother Carol Rieley asked councillors for a new bench on the Common she didn't expect her request to be granted several times over!

But to Carol's delight, visitors to the Common now have a great choice of places to sit and relax.

Carole explained how she met with Will
Blunden and some of the parish and district
councillors last April. "I asked whether it was
possible to have a bench outside the children's
playground as, although there were seats within
the play area, there were none outside for
Grannies like me to sit with the dog and rest up
whilst the youngsters had fun on the swings," she said.

"Last month, there was not just the one I had suggested but all the extra seats all the way along the boundary of the Common!

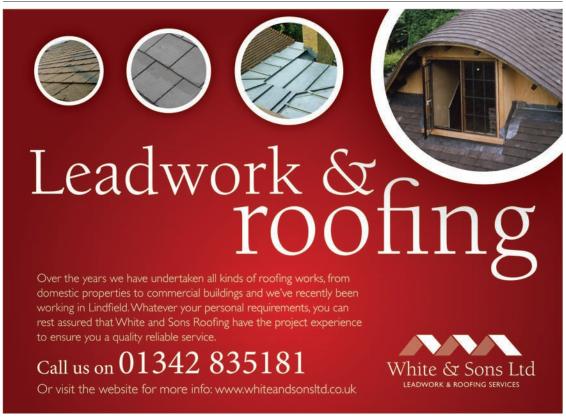
"I want to say a huge thank you to both the parish and district councils. The seats are being well utilised and one rather elderly lady commented: 'I can walk all the way round the Common as there are plenty of places to rest now.'"

Andrew Funnell, Clerk at Lindfield Parish Council, commented: "We welcome the additional benches installed by Mid Sussex District Council on Lindfield



Common. The benches were installed following dialogue between representatives of both councils. The newly installed benches benefit from hardstandings and have a higher seat allowing for easier access. The Parish Council understands that S106 funds (contributions from housing developers) were utilised to help fund the project.

"In addition to the benches, work has been undertaken by MSDC on some of the footpaths on the Common. This includes the footpath at the bottom of Old School Court which has been widened. The Parish Council wishes to thank MSDC and Councillor Gary Marsh."





By Jacqui Smith, interior designer

'But who is wurs shod than the shoemaker's wife, with shops full of newe shapen shoes all hir lyfe'.

No that's not a load of typos but the oldest version I could find of this oh so appropriate proverb. After nine years of living in a sea of inherited clashing blues, David and I are finally getting a new kitchen. A new and extended kitchen without (and this is unusual for us) any predefined elements which we have to work around. It's been a source of amusement to friends and reps that come to the house on HomeSmiths business and expect to find the 'ta-da' of a gorgeous kitchen. Some years ago it proved quite a shock to a glossy magazine photographer, who had assumed that the piece he was shooting for about a Sussex based interior designer would include a stunning kitchen. I had previously explained to the editor that the piece could not include our kitchen, detailing the rooms he could shoot. This message had seemingly not reached the photographer. I shall never forget him confidently striding to our kitchen door with the words 'How about the kitch...', but the 'en' of kitchen being rapidly replaced with 'oh'. Poor chap; he tried to style it out but all he could do was smile awkwardly and head off to another room.

So we have our own building project and with it all the dust and upheaval which we normally put our clients through! David has been in his element managing it all, and, of course, all the trades we are using are familiar and trusted faces, having worked on many other projects for us. As I write this we are still mid heatwave so have had a really smooth run on site without rain stopping play even once.

The design process itself has been different from 14 years ago when we designed the kitchen in our last house. Then, heavily pregnant with Piers (what is it with building projects before a baby arrives? Nesting instinct? Yes, but that was nuts!), the design was simply what

David and I felt we wanted from the space and how it was going to work with a growing family. Cameron, then aged two and a half, was only interested in how long Scoop and Muck would be in the garden and why our builder, Keith, was not called Bob. This time round it could not be more different. Both boys have been following the design and build process with interest, helping out with the lugging of building materials and chucking rubbish into the skip, but also genuinely interested in the look of the new kitchen and, sensibly, how the new extended space is going to work for us all as a family. Cameron had a view on the style of the kitchen cabinets (fortunately the same as mine;)) and needs to take full credit for the dining table which he picked out at the Grand Designs Show earlier in the year – bang on brief.

We are currently nearing peak pain when the up until now untouched part of the old kitchen comes out and that part of the house really becomes a no go zone. I say peak pain though it could have been worse. We have managed to avoid the washing up in the bath scenario, as David refitted the utility room before the building work started, so we have had the use of a sink and space for a kettle. With the builders working perfectly to schedule we have timed this all well with escaping to France for a couple of weeks leaving the office team to hold the dusty fort. We should come back to a room that's ready for the actual kitchen to be fitted. A job that David has happily taken on, ably assisted by Cameron who when it comes to hands on practical stuff is just like his cabinet maker father. It's exciting seeing the space transform but for me the best bit is FILLING THE CUPBOARDS, and that's very much a Jax job!

And finally, to our lovely neighbours Pauline, Ken, Ceri, Brian and Sue – thank you for your patience!

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By Claire Cooper

Dynamic duo Merv Huggett and Pete Browne, two of the wackiest inventors in the country, have taken the traditional charity collecting tin to a whole new level with their latest creation!

Aunty Mabel's Mobile Tea Service is hitting the streets of Lindfield next month and is set to delight visitors to the Arts Festival.

Sitting proudly on her tea-making tricycle, complete with tea urn, teapots and basket of supplies, and accompanied by her faithful ginger cat, suffragette Mabel springs into action in return for a donation to St Peter and St James Hospice.

When coins are dropped into the collection box, lights flicker, a butterfly mobile turns and Mabel begins to pedal while handing out a cup of tea and saying: 'Thank you, dear!' (The voice of Aunty Mabel may be familiar to many villagers as local resident Sheila Argent stepped up to the role.)

Other quirky additions include a globe to help Mabel find her way and a little mouse attempting to catch the cat's tail with a fishing rod! There's also a sneaky bottle of wine tucked away, which may explain Mabel's flushed cheeks!

The machine has been built in Pete's workshop at his home in Highbrook and took only three months to make.

"Once we had our initial 'on the back of an envelope' sketch, we just used our imagination and let Mabel's machine evolve," said Pete, who is responsible for the mechanics and started by making the basic tricycle shape using two bicycles.

Merv, from Lindfield, who is responsible for the electronics, added: "We collect junk all year round, so we often just pick something out and see if we can incorporate it on the machine. We just keep going, playing



about and having fun until we are happy with the result."

One of the first people to meet Mabel was local artist Brett Hudson who visited the studio to produce a painting of the inventors and their latest creation.

"I wanted to capture these two crazy guys building something amazing," said Brett. "As a child I always loved Heath Robinson and would gravitate towards those drawings, so this was right up my street! I like my pictures to tell a story – and this is one great story!"

Mabel's first outing was at the STEM Sussex Big Bang Festival, but she will be greeting the public from a garden off Lindfield High Street during the Festival in September. After that she will be helping to promote the Hospice's vintage china hire service.

Meanwhile Merv and Pete are busy with their next project - building working moving minions for the Highbrook Plant Pot Festival followed by an appearance at Lindfield Arts Festival.



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By Claire Cooper

Seven local artists are preparing to exhibit at Lindfield Arts Festival's newest venue.

Artist and Festival founder Leesa Le May is transforming her garden studio into an art gallery for the duration of the Festival, treating visitors to a stunning and eclectic art exhibition.

"I'm so excited to be opening my Studio for the Festival weekend and working with a great group of talented artists with a wide range of work," said Leesa. "I am really looking forward to welcoming the local community into our little art hub."

The artists, who include one sculptor, will display and sell their work at the studio, and will be on hand to meet visitors.

Families are welcome and children can enjoy taking part in a quiz, giving parents a chance to browse the art at leisure!

Following a premiere on the Friday night, Leesa will open the studio (which is accessed from the car park on West View) on Saturday and Sunday from 10am-5pm.

Leesa recalled how in 2010, along with friend Claire Fuller, she founded the first ever Lindfield Arts Festival.

"Brighton and Ditchling both had art festivals, so we wanted to create one for Lindfield," she said. "We knew there was lots of local talent, it was just a matter of harnessing that talent and creating an event. We started off with just $\pounds 1$ – but by the end of the first year there was £18,000 in the bank!"

The success of the first Festival generated support throughout the village and beyond, and the event, now a registered charity, has become one of the most popular fixtures on the village calendar.

"Each year the organisers have brought something new and exciting to the event," said Leesa. "This year, after a break, I've got involved again to help organisers Lynn Tulip and Hilary Knight bring art back to the heart of the festival."

She added that other art venues will include Lindfield

Primary Academy hall and Upstairs at Masters, where members of the Martlets Art Group from Burgess Hill will be displaying their work.

The artists exhibiting at Leesa's studio are:

Leesa Le May a Contemporary Artist and Printmaker working from her Sussex Studio in Lindfield. For many years Leesa has been teaching within local schools, colleges, artist groups and from Lindfield Art Studio. Drawing and sketchbooks play an important role in creating Leesa's compositions, which can range from figurative to urban contemporary lino cuts, etches, acrylic paintings, charcoal and ink work. www.leesalemay.co.uk

Trained illustrator and graphic designer, **Georgina Moir** has been working as a professional artist for three years, producing striking contemporary watercolours of birds and animals. Creating a painting that attracts the viewer's attention and portrays the character is an essential aspect of her work. "The eyes in my paintings are the most important part," she said. "Once I've captured them the rest falls into place."

Georgina has completed numerous commissions nationwide, from a robin to celebrate a 70th, a christening duck and pink flamingoes to brighten up a Lake District sitting-room. "I adore painting birds - they're so full of character, bright and flamboyant that they make wonderful paintings."

Alongside birds Georgina loves to paint other animals, from cats to dogs, donkeys to goats.

She's thrilled to be exhibiting a variety of works at the Lindfield Art Studio and to be part of the festival for her third year running. www.artistsandillustrators.co.uk/Georgina-Moir

Beth Mercer is a Lindfield based photographer with her own natural and distinctive style. She is passionate about travel and landscape photography and has a real eye for seeing and capturing the beauty in people and places.

She's a branding photographer for businesses,

producing creative headshots, product, premises and event images. As a portrait photographer, she's known locally for her on location family photoshoots specialising in natural outdoor images. She's also a documentary style photographer of events such as parties and



weddings - always happy to join in a celebration!

Lindfield based Artist/Illustrator **Brett Hudson** works in many different styles and media. Brett trained as an illustrator and over the years has worked on many different children's books.

He has produced a series of humorous paintings in pen and ink with watercolour, of Lindfield residents going about their business in the village, called 'Lindfield Life'.

Alongside his illustration work, Brett paints realistic subjects such as animals and landscapes which he sells locally in The Witch, Lindfield and The Talbot, Cuckfield.

Brett undertakes numerous commissions of people's pets in acrylic, and humorous paintings of people's homes and family members. www.bretthudsonart.com

In celebration of her time spent here in Lindfield, professional artist **Sara Abbott** is creating new works based on the Linden trees that give the village its name, 'exploring our places in the stream of time in comparison to the ancient trees that live alongside us'.

Sara is widely respected as one of the UK's top animal portrait artists, having residencies at Harrods and creating works for the Kennel Club. There will be examples of this work on show, but her love of the natural world is demanding more of her time and in between the studio work she is to be found in the wild places, painting 'en plein air.' www.sara-abbott.com

Mary Grant is a landscape painter working in oils and is mainly known for her atmospheric paintings of roads, lakes and skies. "I build layer upon layer of colours and glaze into the surface using a palette knife and build up texture and atmosphere," she said. "Within the process of painting there is an element of abandonment as I have to keep moving the painting back and forth across the surface. Sometimes one has to be prepared to 'lose' an area to gain extra depth and magic within the piece."

Mary has enjoyed residencies at Cill Rialaig Art Project, Ballinskelligs, Kerry and Great Fosters, Egham, Surrey.

She was also a Wild Card Contestant on Sky Arts Landscape Artist of the Year 2017.

Paul Badham has been a self-employed sculptor in metal for over 25 years since leaving Middlesex University. It all began with a stall on Camden Market until commissions started rolling in, such as the BBC's Newsnight Globe back in the early 90s. His most recent work has been creating copper palm tree chandeliers for a well-known make-up brand, spreading out as far as the Middle East and Asia. "In between contracts I focus on my more personal sculptures which mainly consist of animals, birds and insects on a commission basis,



ranging from hand held pieces to full size horses," said Paul. "One of my larger pieces of work was gained from the first Lindfield Arts Festival where I was introduced to Barratt Homes and commissioned to create a pair of three metre swans for The Limes." Paul also runs sculptures courses from his workshop in Haywards Heath. www.paulbadham.co.uk

For artist **Irene Burns**, inspiration comes from a variety of sources. "I particularly love the seascapes of Sussex, Scotland and Greece, and in my paintings I try to create an evocative and dramatic atmosphere rather than photographic realism," she said. "I paint with a mixture of acrylic paint, ink and pastel on both canvas and Fabriano paper and I love the freedom mixed media allows. All my work is original - I don't make copies or prints."

Irene has lived in Lindfield for thirty years, bringing up her daughter and son whilst teaching Design & Technology at Warden Park Academy in Cuckfield. "Now retired I can finally concentrate on my own artwork," she said. www.ireneburnsartworks.uk





Carrot and pineapple bars

Preheat the oven 180°. Butter a 23x33cm shallow pan. Combine 225g coarsely grated raw carrots, a well drained 432g can crushed pineapple and 75g chopped walnuts or pecans. Measure 225ml vegetable oil (I use English flaxseed oil), 275g soft brown sugar into a large bowl and add 4 eggs. Whisk to blend. Through a sieve add 150g plain flour, 150g wholemeal flour, 2tsp bicarbonate of soda and 2 tsp cinnamon. Add any bran (from the wholemeal flour) left in the sieve, beat to a smooth batter, then stir in the carrot mixture. Pour into the pan, level the top and bake for about 45 min until golden brown and firm. Cool in the pan before cutting into portions.

This is delicious served as is or, while still hot, add a lemony glaze or, when cold, this cream cheese frosting – beat together 225g cream cheese, 1tbs soft butter, dash vanilla extract and 225g sifted icing sugar.

Ham and nectarine couscous

For each serving prepare 75g wholegrain couscous to packet directions. While still hot stir through 1-2 tbs oil, lemon juice and seasoning to taste. When just cool stir in flaked ham (from a ham hock would be perfect), chopped chives and a stoned and chopped fresh nectarine. Best eaten freshly made and at room temperature.





Cooking should be fun and sometimes I like to combine unlikely ingredients together just to see how they turn out. It isn't always successful but delicious when it does! These are some of my successes!



Parsnip and pear gratin (Serves 2)

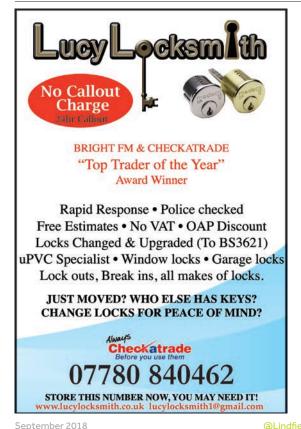
Preheat oven 180° and lightly butter a shallow baking dish. Melt a good knob of butter then add half to a handful of fresh breadcrumbs. Stir in some chopped parsley. To the remaining butter add a thinly sliced onion and 1tsp sugar. Cook, stirring, until golden. Thinly slice 375g slim peeled parsnips and 115g Mozzarella cheese. Peel, core and slice 2 large dessert pears. Layer the parsnips, pears, onion and half the cheese in the dish, ending with a parsnip layer. Pour over 75milk or single cream. Cover and cook for about 30 min or until soft throughout when pierced with a fork. Uncover, top with remaining cheese and then the breadcrumbs. Return to the oven until golden brown.

Orange and red onion salad

Simply thinly slice peeled oranges and red onion. Arrange on individual plates, top with a small handful of rocket or pea shoots, spoon over a little French dressing and serve immediately.

Gratin of squash and apples

Preheat oven 200°. Gently cook a thinly sliced onion in a little butter until soft but not browned. Halve and peel a small butternut squash, remove the stringy centre and cut into thin slices. Peel, core and slice a Bramley apple then toss with 2tsp plain flour. Layer the squash and apple in a shallow buttered dish, spoon the onion on top and pour over 50ml vegetable stock. Cover and cook 20 min. Meanwhile, in the onion pan melt a small knob of butter and stir in a generous handful each of fresh breadcrumbs and grated Cheddar cheese. Sprinkle on top of the dish and continue to cook, uncovered, until golden brown and soft throughout.



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When it comes to getting your roof repaired many people will immediately hear the title music of Crimewatch ringing in their ears, as they fear being ripped off by a 'cowboy builder', Mark White, from



White & Sons Ltd, hears those stories all the time: "Yes, unfortunately there are a few rogue traders who have given this industry a bad name – our approach is totally different." One example of this is the cards they deliver to neighbours while they are working on a property, apologising for any disturbance they may be causing.

Mark's first job was as an apprentice roofer in Guildford – and he's been doing it ever since! "You get some spectacular views from the rooftop," he comments. "Even more so in areas like Lindfield with some beautiful scenery around."

He started his own company in 1986 carrying out a variety of roofing projects, including some very notable buildings along the way. "We worked at Hever Castle and were asked to match an original Tudor lead hopper – that was a brilliant challenge to be given." Mark has also worked at the London Docks when they were being developed, Anne of Cleves house in Lewes and they also used to regularly work at the Ideal Home Exhibition building brand new show homes from scratch inside Earls Court. Mark even appeared alongside Mr Motivator doing his warmup on live TV!

But, whilst Mark's speciality is leadwork, he and his team can complete all aspects of roofing work.

"We say we do just about everything from the gutter upwards," he explains. This includes chimney stacks, Velux windows, light tunnels, flat and tiled/slate roofs. Anything from replacing one or two broken tiles, fixing a leaky chimney to a whole roof replacement – they can even just clean out gutters full of winter debris.

Mark's experience in the industry gives him an encyclopaedic knowledge of all things 'roof'. "We know that a number of, so-called, roofing contractors give bad advice, or no advice!" Mark explains. For instance, when replacing a roof you must obtain Building Regulations approval, and you must upgrade the insulation at the same time. "While working on one roof, I was called round to the neighbours property after the owners had been discussing both of their recent works to their houses," Mark said. "His contractor had said it won't need Building Regs and so hadn't applied for it. My customer's neighbour was furious when he realised that his roofer had given incorrect advice."

White & Sons Ltd is registered with the National Federation of Roofing Contractors, Trust Mark, Checkatrade and is part of the Competent Roofers scheme. The latter insists that most jobs are registered on the system with a start and end date, and spot checks are then carried out independently by an NFRC assessor. Plus, at their level, it also means they can self-verify Building Control regulations saving customers over £200.

Of course getting the right finish is imperative for homeowners, and that's why Mark is always committed to getting the right tile for the job. "Showing a tile on the floor in the lounge is one thing," Mark says, "but we like to take a few tiles up on to the roof for the customer to





see it in situ – all before we place any order for the rest. It is that attention to detail and reassurance that customers need."

White & Sons Ltd is a true family business. Mark's

wife Gill joined the business seventeen years ago and all three of their sons are also on the team. They have worked on a number of roofs in the village, and Mark would be delighted to hear from you if you have



a concern about your own roof or would simply like some advice.

Call 01444 810510 to talk to someone, or see the website – www.whiteandsonsltd.co.uk – for more information and to view their projects in more detail.



Mark's Roof Top Tips

To assess your roof, the best place to start is indoors.

- First look at the ceilings and look for any damp patches, dark marks or bubbling.
- Next check the loft area, ideally during sunlight. Missing tiles, holes in the roofing felt etc, can be seen more easily during sunlight, and will appear as bright spots. It is also important to check the timber work whilst in the loft. White water trails/marks can appear on rafters. Also notice if any of the timbers are starting to sag or have darker spots on them.

After checking the interior, you can then check the exterior.

- Look for any missing, slipped, or broken tiles.
 Tiles can slide into the gutter, so looking along the gutter line is an easy way to quickly check for obvious missing tiles.
- Tiles and slates start to flake and disintegrate, particularly during cold weather. Water enters small cracks in the surface of the tile before it freezes and expands. This is seen by small orange flakes scattering the roof.
- Freezing water can also cause the mortar to crack and disintegrate. Check all mortar work (such as ridges and hips) to make sure that the cement hasn't disintegrated away from the tiles. This can result in a loose ridge tile which can cause damage to the rest of the roof in strong winds.
- It is also important to regularly check and clean the gutters. Leaves, dirt, debris and even tennis balls can all end up in a gutter, causing it to block. A blocked gutter can cause a leak due to the overflow of water needing somewhere to go.
- Moss can also cause a problem to your roof.
 Moss has the tendency to cling on to tiles and work roots through the tile. Moss also holds a vast amount of water. This then adds to the probability of a tile splitting.

Whilst looking at the roof, it is also important to check the leadwork.

- The lead must be sealed properly in a brick chase. Missing mortar, or sealant, is a sign that it is not sealed sufficiently. The lead flashing will also start to slip or pull away from the brickwork.
- If possible, check to make sure that the lead has not started to crack and/or tear. This can happen as lead expands and contracts over time due to temperature changes. If lead is used in a long piece, this movement can cause the lead to split.



During 2018, and to commemorate the 100th anniversary of the end of the First World War, we will provide details of the tragic deaths of 64 men with a connection to Lindfield, who are remembered on various War Memorials (original research by Chris Comber).

Ernest Richard Townshend

Private 86. 16th Battalion, Australian Infantry. Killed in action, aged 36, at Gallipoli on 2nd May 1915.

Commemorated at The Lone Pine Australian Memorial, Gallipoli MR6.

Survived by his parents of Beckworth Lodge, Lindfield.

Guy Kemble Twiss

Lieutenant. HMS Tartar. Killed on 17 June 1917, aged 28, when his ship hit a mine in the Straits of Dover. Buried Walstead Cemetery.

Survived by his parents, Vice Admiral and Mrs Guy Ouchterlony Twiss, of Lindfield House, Lindfield.

William Venn

Private 7441. 4th (Royal Irish) Dragoon Guards. Killed in action, aged 37, on 13th May 1915 during the second battle of Ypres. Commemorated on The Menin Gate Memorial, Ypres MR 29.

Survived by his parents of 3 Pond Croft Cottages, Lindfield.

Reginald Rodolph Waller

Guardsman 20913. Coldstream Guards. Killed in action aged 20 during an attack on the Hindenburg Line on 27th August 1918. Buried Mory Street Military Cemetery F615.

Survived by his parents of Fountain Cottages, Ardingly Road, Lindfield.

Thomas Weatherby

Captain. 9th Battalion, Duke of Wellington's Regiment. Died of spotted fever at Alexandra Military Hospital, Cosham, Hampshire on 8th May 1915, aged 20. Buried Walstead Cemetery.

Survived by his mother of Barrington House, Lindfield.

Joseph Albert Whall

Private TF 1665. 1/4th Battalion, Royal Sussex Regiment. Killed in action, aged 19, at Suvla Bay, Gallipoli on 26th August 1915. Buried Green Hill Cemetery, Suvla Bay Cemetery GI 5.

Survived by his parents of Poplars, High Street, Lindfield.

RECYCLE THIS...

WSCC Recycling Ambassador Colin McFarlin sheds some light on what can and can't be recycled in our domestic blue bins. If you have a question for him, email: editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk

What a full mail bag this month. Do keep the questions coming... Plastic is still the hot topic.

The thin film plastic you cannot recycle?



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None of the above can be accepted in your blue top bin.

By taking stretchy plastic from your black top bin you should be able to slim your bin even further! It's easy to store too – just pop it all in a carrier bag then put it all in the recycling bin next time you visit the store.

Toothpaste and Moisturiser tubes

This type of plastic CANNOT be accepted in your blue top bin. Whilst it is plastic it will have to go into your black top rubbish bin, along with the tops, and will be turned into Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF). More on this another time!

Thank you for sending in your specific questions on recycling. Keep them coming ...



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Dementia Cafes for support

Know Dementia is a Sussex based charity providing advice and support to people living with dementia and their family members/carers. The charity also builds links with the local community to enable a better understanding of the disease.

The support the charity provides enables people living with dementia and their family members/carers to have quality time together, to nurture relationships, build new relationships with others in a similar situation and engage in meaningful activities. This is achieved through tools like the Memory Moments Café.

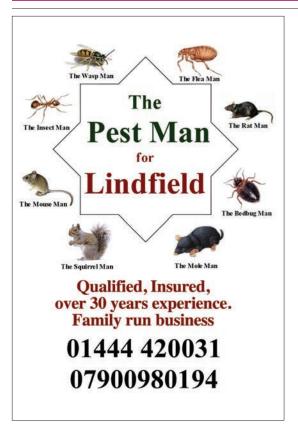
Know Dementia currently operates 12 cafes, a Sporting Moments session and five choirs, all in Sussex. Two of the cafes are in Haywards Heath: one is held at the Town Hall on the first Saturday of every month (2-4pm) and the other is held, usually on the 3rd Tuesday of the month, in conjunction with St Richards Church at St Richards Church Hall (2.30-4.30pm).

Jacqui Smith, regular Lindfield Life columnist, has recently joined Haywards Heath Dementia Action Alliance (HHDAA) as a volunteer. "I have been looking for a way to share some of my experience in dementia-enabling design with my local community," Jacqui commented. "Joining HHDAA has allowed



me to do this and I plan to volunteer at one of the Memory Moments Cafes."

People with dementia and their carers are invited to join us at the cafés for tea, coffee and cake, a little fun and laughter with games, talks, music and dance. For more information telephone 01273 494300 or see the website: www.knowdementia.co.uk







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Residents and staff at Compton House Christian Nursing Home are over the moon after being recognised as one of the best in the country.

The home, in Compton Road, has been given an 'Outstanding' rating by the Care Quality Commission – putting it among the top 2% in the country.

"We are absolutely delighted," said manager Paula Craen. "We are always striving to improve our service and the quality of life for our residents, so it's wonderful that our work has been recognised in this way."

The rating followed a rigorous, unannounced inspection back in May. "Two inspectors visited and spent the whole day observing life at Compton House and talking to residents, relatives and staff, before interviewing myself and my deputy Susan Jones," said Paula. "When they left we were hopeful, but we also knew how difficult it is to get outstanding, so we were delighted to receive the notification from CQC confirming our Outstanding rating several weeks later."

All care homes are inspected every two years and inspectors follow a strict criteria.

Compton House has been rated overall Outstanding and to achieve that is exceptional. "You have to prove that what you do has an impact on the lives of the people living here," Paula explained. "The inspectors spent a lot of time talking to residents and staff and observing the interaction between them. Even when they were reading reports and documents, the inspectors sat in communal areas."

Inspectors commented that residents had an 'exceptional quality of life' and that 'staff went the

extra mile to ensure that people's needs, wishes and aspirations were at the forefront of everything they did'.

The report went on: 'Without exception people told us that the staff were kind and caring. People were actively involved in decisions about their care and in the running of the home. It was evident that their wishes and aspirations drove practice'.

"Our aim is to make life here the best it can possibly be, and that means different things for different people, so all our care is personalised to the individual's needs," said Paula.

"We are always trying to improve our service and have monthly meetings with residents to talk about what it's like to live at Compton House and to hear any ideas or suggestions to make life better. We then write a report from each meeting which is published for all residents to read and we do our very best to make sure their ideas and suggestions happen."

One successful idea has seen mealtimes transformed. "At lunchtime we encourage residents to sit in the dining room, and each table includes a member of staff who can instigate conversation and get residents chatting. This has made mealtimes into real social occasions and the atmosphere in the dining room is now buzzing with chatter."

While staff are clearly delighted at being rated outstanding, they are not resting on their laurels. "We are already thinking about what else we can do to continue to improve our service to ensure the people who live here have the best possible experience," said Paula.

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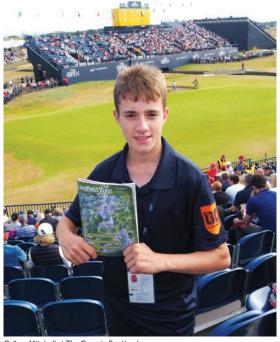
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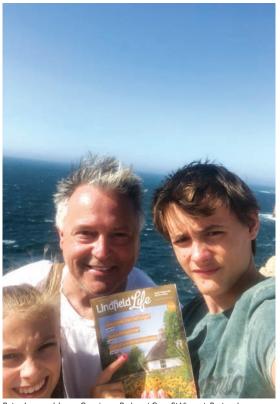
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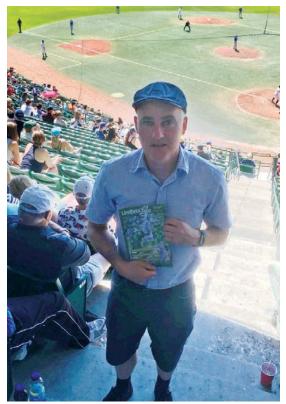


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By Richard Bryant, Lindfield History Project Group

During the nation's four year centennial of remembrance of the Great War, much attention has rightly focused on the men who served and especially those who died for their country. As this period of reflection draws to a close it would be timely to look at the contribution of women to the victory. The role played by Lindfield women was typical of those in rural communities across the country.

In addition to raising their children alone, the country's future lifeblood, many women undertook vital voluntary duties, charitable works, fundraising and employment replacing men. Most importantly women played an invisible role in providing social cohesion and the moral backbone resulting in the avoidance of civil unrest despite the difficult circumstances that prevailed.

The most visible contribution by Lindfield women to the war effort was their role at the Lindfield Auxiliary Hospital located in the King Edward Hall; one of some 3,000 administered by the Red Cross. The hospital opened its doors on 3rd November 1914 and received an initial intake of 20 Belgian wounded soldiers. Under the leadership of Mrs Florence Hooper, of Firs Cottage, local women volunteers undertook much of the nursing. For example, Faith Humphrey clocked up 3,592 hours between 3rd November 1914 and 16th December 1918, giving up all her recreation and spare time to nurse in the evenings after working all day in her parent's bakery

shop. They also filled the support roles necessary to ensure the efficient running of a hospital from Statistics Clerk to cook, a role fulfilled two or three times a week by Mrs Frances Lee of Beckworth Cottages in addition to her work as a dairy woman.

As the war progressed the nationality of wounded soldiers changed from Belgian to British, and with the coming of peace the hospital closed after having treated 877 patients.

With so many hospitals being established at the outbreak of war there was a shortage of pillows, and a countrywide appeal to poultry keepers for feathers was made. Mrs Prideaux of Spring Cottage volunteered as the local collector and received over three hundredweight (about 150 kilos) by the end of September 1914.

Also hospitals across the country and overseas were in desperate need of surgical supplies such as bandages and slings plus clothing for the wounded. In August 1914, the Red Cross appealed for women to help meet this need. Mrs Dudley Sampson of Buxshalls rallied the women of Lindfield and arranged for work to be given out twice a week and established a productive working centre. In October 1915 this became the Lindfield War Hospital Sub-Supply Depot.

The Depot, under the chairmanship of Mrs Blanche Cumberlege of Walstead Place, had a work room at Old Place. During the first six months over 400 items were produced, ranging from vests, pyjamas and limb pillows to casualty bags. The materials for these items were purchased with money given by the women themselves and residents or from fundraising events.

As voluntary work became increasingly important, in late 1915 a national network of organisations approved by the War Office was set up to coordinate the making of supplies, enabling women to make a structured contribution to the war effort. The Mid Sussex Volunteer Work Association was formed, with 12 depots in local towns and villages, resulting in the Lindfield Voluntary Work Organisation (LVWO) being formed as a registered charity. Its depot was opened at the Bent Arms on 12th January 1916, with Mrs Cumberlege in charge and Miss Masters as secretary. Shortly after, the Hospital Supply Depot amalgamated with the new organisation and Mrs Sturdy provided this enlarged operation with a base and workrooms at Fardels in the High Street. Local women undertook work there three days a week; it was also the hub for homeworkers.

Items were made to order using specifications and patterns provided by the national organisation. Later in the war, LVWO specialised in surgical dressings. Some included sphagnum moss collected from local woods. The moss was mildly antiseptic and could help dry a wound. Over 2,000 dressings and many garments were made each month until February 1919. Many Lindfield women undertook this vital work and received the Government's Voluntary Works Badge.

Despite the importance of such work, funds for the purchase of materials had to be raised by the women either through requesting donations or organising fundraising events. They became one of the largest fundraisers in the village. Events organised ranged from musical and dramatic entertainments and grand fetes held at the major houses to whist drives in the Reading Room and jumble sales at the Bent Arms.

Britain's unpreparedness to support a lengthy major war can also be seen in the constant need for charitable assistance to provide money and goods for the war effort. Socially active ladies rallied to the calls and 'did their bit'. Hardly a week passed without an appeal, ranging from flag days to cricket bats for soldiers on the Western Front or funds for Christmas puddings and presents. A few specific examples are:

In September 1914, Mrs Lambert and Mrs Knowles responded to a call from the Royal Sussex Regiment at Shoreham and collected 150 blankets from Lindfield residents in a matter of days.

Mrs Eycott-Martin, the Misses Catt and Mrs Twiss sought subscriptions and help in making sand bags for the front in June 1915. After seven weeks £14 19s 6d and 500 sand bags were dispatched.

Mrs Prideaux organised a collection of cut throat razors for soldiers, with 427 being collected in six months during 1915.

A whist drive in August 1916 organised by Mrs Howden at Criplands Court on behalf of the British Prisoners of War Fund raised £111. Throughout the war, Mrs Strachan Davidson was involved in collecting money for the RSPCA to assist the Army Veterinary Corps provide care for wounded and sick horses and mules in France.

Perhaps the highlight of the ladies' fundraising was their involvement in the annual Red Cross 'Our Day' which comprised a week long programme of social and community events raising considerable sums of money.

Lindfield Women's Institute was established in June 1917 and quickly gained a large membership. Activities included instruction in cooking, food economy, growing food crops, sewing and renovating old clothes, cobbling, health issues and making soft toys to replace previously imported toys.

The Mid Sussex Times in fulfilling its patriotic duty, and mindful of censorship, regularly reported the good news of women's contribution. For example in November 1917 it reported 'no matter to which social class they belong they (Lindfield women) readily give according to their means whenever an appeal goes forth for a worthy cause'.

Rarely was any comment made regarding the most important contribution by all women across the country, especially the poor. Their stoic acceptance of hardship with fortitude and resourcefulness helped maintain the social cohesion so essential to the nation's ability to continue the fight. Widespread civil unrest could have resulted in our surrender.

Lindfield women, with their menfolk away fighting, had to endure the constant fear of receiving bad news. Holding the family together and caring for their children added to this anxiety, especially for those women in the lower classes living in poor housing and being solely reliant on the Government's Separation Allowance. This Allowance often did not cover family needs. Rising prices and shortages of food and coal made life difficult. During a Parish Council debate on food shortages and the need for restraint by villagers, a Councillor commented that 'many of them existed on bread and a scrape of margarine and a dab of jam'.

Their continuing patriotic support received little recognition. However, at the Lindfield Welcome Home dinner Major Willett in his speech paying tribute to their 'womenfolk at home' said: 'There was a saying: Keep the home fires burning. The women had done that and more than that. It had been simply splendid the way women had carried on throughout the war'.

Tributes should also be paid to the few Lindfield women who signed up with the military or undertook duties abroad. Particularly worthy of mention are Minnie Anscombe who served with the Queen Alexandra's Imperial Military Nursing Service in Mesopotamia and India. Likewise, Ruby Wearn undertook arduous and courageous nursing duties abroad with the French Flag Nursing Corps and the Scottish Women's Hospital. Perhaps a separate article is required!

Contact Lindfield History Project Group on 01444 482136 for more information on this or any other historical matter.



A History of Britain in 21 Women by Jenni Murray

BOOK REVIEW

By Cavan Wood

Jenni Murray has produced a thoughtful book which examines the lives of women who have shaped our history. From Jane Austen to Barbara Castle, from Margaret Thatcher to Mary Quant, this very personal selection of lives is told in loving detail.

You can argue with her selection – there may be many other women who have helped to shape the country, as she acknowledges, but as the subtitle of the book acknowledges, this is 'a personal selection'. It is an important corrective to many histories which ignore the contribution of what Chairman Mao called 'one half of the sky'.

One obvious lack is women involved in popular music or acting, who have had a great influence on developing perceptions of aspiration and achievement.





Ladies: Get swimming and get fit

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Dolphin Ladies Swimming Club has classes for all abilities with members encouraged at every level. The club runs 30 minute classes in term time in Haywards Heath and Ardingly, and members will join a small friendly class suitable to their ability.

Sue Ladd, from Lindfield, who joined as a member in 1981 and qualified as a teacher in 1984, explained: "It gives me great satisfaction when I see ladies swimming who have been nervous of the water and sure they will never take their feet off the bottom. It's

sure they will never take their feet off the bottom. It's an important part of my week and I've made many great friends during the time I've been involved with the club."

Another Lindfield member Lorna Towner says: "I was a 'holiday swimmer' until I joined the Dolphin Ladies. Now I look forward to my class each week. It has made a huge difference to the way I swim. The teachers are



really patient, and with their help I've finally managed to master front craw!"

Some of the advanced swimmers go on to compete in triathlons and open water swimming. There is something for everyone.

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Watch out, Scarecrows about!

LINDFIELD IN BLOOM

By Heather Martin

I hope you've all been making the most of the warm weather this summer to spend some time outdoors. It's been lovely seeing 'hot' summer borders come into flower in gardens around the village with their hues of red and orange. There's plenty to keep us occupied in September too.

If you entered into our Sunflower Competition, now's the time to measure the height of the plants and the diameter of the flower head. Email your measurements to heather@heathermartin.co.uk by 3rd September and our team will remeasure the five highest/largest, with the winners to be revealed next month.

Saturday 8th September sees the Lindfield Horticultural Society's Autumn Show at the King Edward Hall - always an afternoon of horticultural delights on show, from cut flowers to the vegetable harvest, handicrafts to home baking and brewing, as well as delicious home-made cake on offer for you to sample in the cafe.

Towards the end of the month, watch out for our Scarecrow Trail at the Lindfield Arts Festival. Pick up a map of the scarecrow locations from the information booth on Lindfield High Street on Saturday



22nd September and place a vote for your favourite scarecrow.

If you would like any information, have suggestions for projects, would like to join the committee or donate funds to allow our community projects to continue, please contact Heather Martin, Chair of Lindfield in Bloom, on 07738 323082.



Rose talk next month

By Chris Gurr

In 1988, Rose Hardy and her husband, having just married, started growing plants for sale at local car boot sales. This year their nursery (Hardy's Cottage Garden Plants), created from this small beginning and still run as a popular and successful family business, won its 23rd Gold Medal at the Chelsea Flower Show.

The Lindfield Horticultural Society has been fortunate to have been able to arrange for Rosy to give us a Talk in the evening on 10th October in the King Edward Hall about the attributes of a selection of autumn flowering perennials; how best to grow them; creating planting combinations and avoiding common pitfalls.

Rosy (seen here holding a summer flowering perennial, bred in her nursery) will be bringing plants for sale, and the evening will no doubt be an inspiration to everyone there.

Doors open at 7.30pm (£2, Non-LHS members £5).

Behind the Hedge



By John Bartlett

Every year Lindfield Bowling Club holds separate Men's and Ladies' Captain's Days to raise funds for the charity of the current Captain's choice.

On 21st July Captain Peter Elford's choice was Dementia UK and £1,000 was raised with a bowls contest, raffles and auctions involving teams from Lindfield and guest teams representing Brighton, St. Francis, Rottingdean, Buxted Park, and Peacehaven and Telscombe.

Some teams chose to brighten the day with informal attire as the picture shows!



By Chris Gurr

For many years the Lindfield Horticultural Society has been arranging Flower and Produce shows in the King Edward Hall, and this year's Summer Show took place in the Newcombe Hall on 14th July. Despite other attractions - Wimbledon tennis, the football World Cup and 'beach' weather - there was an excellent turnout, which was greatly appreciated.



As usual the colours of the flowers on display were spectacular and the quality of the fruit and vegetables was excellent as were the craft exhibits. The mouthwatering home-made cakes, jam etc. on display gave those who attended this traditional event the appetite to enjoy the drinks and tasty home-made cakes available in the Jubilee Room, where there was also a good turnover of quality plants on sale.

The prize winners were:Savill Cup - Ian Cooper
President's Cup - Ian Cooper
Don Booker Fuchsia Cup - Michael Elliott
Gilbert Cup - Gill Jones
Thornbery Trophy - Sue Stockwell
Askew Cup - Michael Elliott
RHS Banksian Medal - Jim Stockwell
Filmer Cup - Jeff Essen
Fruit Cup - Jim Stockwell
Lemmey Cup - Andrew Harding
Fuchsia Society Blue Riband - Michael Elliott

The 'Best in Show' awards were: Vegetable - Richard Hilson Pot Plant - Wendy Dumbleton Cookery - John Robinson Handicraft - Jeff Essen Floral Art - Jeff Essen Best Display in a Trug - Andrea Fall.

Thanks to the many exhibitors, volunteers, judges and all those who attended this long-standing Lindfield event, the show was very successful. Do come along for the next event by the Society in the KEH, which is the Autumn Flower and Produce Show on 8th September.





Get snap happy in Sussex

One of Sussex's leading, and last remaining, independently run bus and coach companies is delighted to announce the launch of its new 'Splendid Summer in Sussex' photography competition.

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Community grants available

Organisations across Sussex are being invited to bid for funding from the county's Police & Crime Commissioner Katy Bourne.

Grants of up to £5,000 are available for groups that provide a positive and lasting impact on the local community in Sussex.

"Since launching the Safer in Sussex funding scheme in December 2013, I have allocated nearly £1.5 million from the Community Safety Fund to support nearly 300 crime reduction and community safety initiatives," says Mrs Bourne.

"It is making a real difference to local people and neighbourhoods. The high numbers that apply each time shows organisations and community groups care about, and are committed to, keeping Sussex a safe place in which to live."

To qualify, projects should demonstrate how they will increase or promote community safety within the local community and have a positive long-term impact. They should also be able to offer evidence to support the need for the project and show how it helps to prevent offending and reduce reoffending.

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Celebration curry

Curry fans and animal lovers are invited to a celebration meal to mark the 40th anniversary of the RSPCA Sussex North Branch.

Tamasha Indian restaurant in Lindfield is hosting the celebration on 10th September at 7.30pm, which also includes a chance to meet the RSPCA Chief Inspector and find out more about the work of the branch.

The meal costs £16 (not including drinks) with 50% of the proceeds donated to helping animals and their owners in the local community.

Guests are invited to bring along toys, food, litter or beds to help rescued pets, and enjoy a slice of anniversary cake!

The celebration also includes a competition, with a chance to visit an RSPCA animal centre with an inspector and meet the animals and staff.

For a chance to win, just 'like and share' the branch's 40th anniversary celebration posts on social media.

To book your place at the celebrations, call 01444 484818. Don't forget to mention RSPCA Sussex North when booking!

Bonfire fundraiser Tea Room at Arts Festival weekend

Lindfield Bonfire Society (LBS) will once again be supporting LAF and raising funds for 5th November event by running a Tea Room next to the main hall in Lindfield Primary Academy from 10am-3pm on both days (Saturday 22nd and Sunday 23rd September).

The team will be serving home-made cakes as well as savoury filled rolls, crisps, tea, coffee and squash. Anyone wishing to donate cakes or help out on either day is welcome to call Sarah Tampion-Lacey on 01444 487470.

All funds raised will go towards the cost of this year's Bonfire Night which will be around £14,000. If you're a shopper at Waitrose you can also support LBS by depositing your 'green tokens' in the Lindfield Bonfire Society box in the Haywards Heath store during September. The Society will receive a share of £1,000 from the supermarket.



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to identify where it was
taken, until he found
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John has since discovered that the photo was taken around 1910 (the inn closed in 1916). He wanted to share it here with the people of Lindfield so they could enjoy it too! Thanks John.



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Plant Fairs Roadshow to visit Borde Hill

The team behind the Plant Fairs Roadshow, which numbers a select group of intrepid plant explorers and nurserymen, are gearing up for their first ever visit to Borde Hill Garden, just outside Lindfield, on 16th September.

Borde Hill is celebrating its 125th anniversary this year with a series of events to honour the links the garden has with the great plant hunters of the Edwardian age. The Roadshow's visit is particularly pertinent as the exhibitors offer rare and unusual plants, which would have appealled to the Edwardian collectors such as Colonel R Stephenson Clarke who bought Borde Hill 125 years ago this summer and sponsored famous plant hunters, including EH Wilson and George Forrest.

2018 has proved to be the biggest year yet for the Plant Fairs Roadshow with successful shows at Arundel Castle, Sussex Prairie Garden, Hall Place and Laver Marney Tower to date this year.

Members of the Plant Fairs Roadshow include multiple Chelsea winners and Exhibitors: Hardy's Plants, Graham Blunt's Plantbase, Pineview Plants, Blue Leaf Plants, Pheonix Plants, Charles Hurst Farm, Forgetmenot Plants, Jo Grows, Southon Plants and many more.

Colin Moat, Chair and events coordinator, says: "We are really looking forward to our event at Borde Hill Garden. The history and legacy of the plant hunters is intriguing and stimulating to exhibitors and visitors alike.



We are pleased to be able to help the garden celebrate its 125th milestone and hope that the exciting selection of plants on sale will do justice to the garden's legacy."



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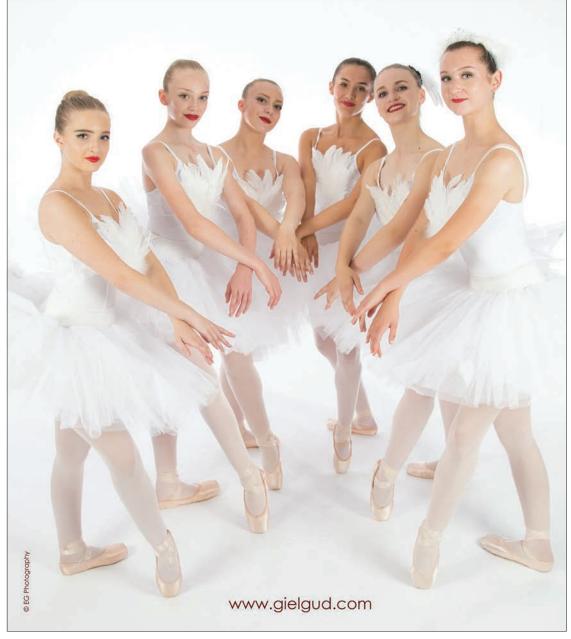
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Proposed housing in our parish

HAYWARDS HEATH GOLF COURSE (GC)

Residents may have heard that it is proposed to build up to 1,100 homes of medium/high density in the area of the GC together with a bypass of High Beech Lane through the development and around Sandridge Lane. The developer's intention is that the GC will join an enlarged Lindfield GC if the developer can obtain planning consent from Mid Sussex District Council.

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Preparatory work is now taking place and the Parish Council (as per normal) has been discussing logistics with representatives of Taylor Wimpey. Should residents have any particular questions please contact the Parish Office or their local Parish Councillor.

Defibrillator

Some two years ago it was agreed to install an AED in the forecourt in the petrol station in Scaynes Hill but this was postponed due to certain difficulties. Residents have now reminded Council of its agreement and Council has agreed to provide the facility, providing an acceptable form of maintenance can be achieved.

Burial ground – Walstead

Provision of a second footpath was rejected by Council some months ago and was again rejected on an appeal from a village petition on the following basis.

The only two appropriate locations for the footpath were over an area that could contain burials. At present, there is no definitive way of verifying whether there were burials at those locations. Council is still striving to achieve that ambition by considering alternative solutions in order to space plan the cemetery accordingly.

Introducing New Councillors

We welcome new councillors Keith Head, Sol Mead and Trevor Webster to the Parish Council, who bring a wealth of experience in local government and support for local charities.

Allotments available

The Parish Council is pleased to inform that the waiting list for allotments is now open at its sites in Gravelye Lane, Lindfield and Clearwater Lane, Scaynes Hill. Applications are welcome from both within and outside the parish. Please contact the Parish Office (831499) if you are interested.

Cycle route

Lindfield Rural Parish Council has joined forces with neighbouring parishes and West Sussex County Council to consider the provision of cycle routes. A number of options are being considered, the first being a cycle route between Scaynes Hill and Lindfield.

There are many steps to go through: feasibility, consultancy, funding and delivery.

Our community has shown a desire to have this path. However, if the above is satisfied, it will take time to deliver.

Your Parish Councillors

John Dumbleton (Chair)	lel: 482633	Keith Martin	Tel: 831431
Ray Jones (Vice Chair)	Tel: 453868	Sol Mead	Tel: 484981
Brian Bunt	Tel: 484661	Trevor Webster	Tel: 482282
Keith Head	Tel: 483975	Parish Clerk: Vacant	
Chris Hersey	Tel: 482270	Assistant: Irene Nicholas	Tel: 831499
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Sunday 16th September 2018

Sunday 4th November 2018

Sunday 20th January 2019

Between 10am and 12noon at the North End, Scaynes Hill Common.

No trade or builders' waste will be accepted. Please do not leave rubbish in the absence of the refuse freighter. Thank you.

Lindfield Rural Parish Council Parish Clerk 15 Hours per week

Lindfield Rural Parish Council is seeking to appoint a Parish Clerk with the drive, determination, professionalism and the organisational skills to carry out a full and varied workload.

The ideal candidate will have outstanding administrative ability, including strong IT and communication skills. Local Government experience would be an advantage. The job is part-time working 15 hours per week plus attendance at evening

meetings. Starting salary from £27,358 (scale LC2-30) per annum pro rata, depending on skills and experience. The closing date for applications is 18th September 2018.

Further information and application pack can be obtained from the Parish Office, Scaynes Hill Village Centre, Lewes Road, Scaynes Hill, RH17 7PG

Council meetings in 2018/19

2018

Monday 3rd September St. Augustine's Church Annex, Scaynes Hill

Monday 29th October King Edward Hall, Lindfield

Monday 26th November St. Augustine's Church Annex, Scaynes Hill

2019

Monday 14th January King Edward Hall, Lindfield

Monday 18th February St. Augustine's Church Annex, Scaynes Hill

Monday 8th April King Edward Hall, Lindfield

Monday 29th April Annual Parish Meeting, Meeting of Electorates, Scaynes Hill Millennium Village Centre

Monday 13th May Annual Meeting of the Council, King Edward Hall, Lindfield

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Find the solution to #26 in next month's magazine

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#25 Solution

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What's on in September

AT KING EDWARD HALL

September

- 1st Teak Garden Furniture Sale
- 5th Lindfield Preservation Society 8pm
 'What to see in a Sussex Church' by Kevin
 Gordon. Kevin enjoys visiting churches and
 has toured Sussex photographing some of the
 quirky aspects of the buildings. The talk is well
 illustrated with details of the churches and some
 of the traditions associated with our country
 churches such as beating the bounds and church
 clipping. All welcome, entry free (John Chapman
 01444 484470)
- 6th Lindfield Country Market 10-11am (Sheila Hobbs 01444 483396)
- 8th LHS Autumn Show 2pm Lindfield Horticultural Society – Vegetables, flowers and produce. Teas, coffee and refreshments. All welcome (£1 entry)
- 13th Lindfield Country Market 10-11am
- 20th Lindfield Country Market 10-11am
- 21st Rockaoke 7.30pm
 Event as part of Lindfield Arts Festival including licenced bar (www.lindfieldartsfestival.com)
- 22nd Lindfield Arts Festival 10-10.15pm

 Various events taking place during the day culminating with FoxiVox! a 3-piece jazz group in the evening (www.lindfieldartsfestival.com)
- 25th **Lindfield Flower Club** 2.15pm Top of the Pops with Angie Hyde
- 26th Macmillan Coffee Morning 10am-12noon Organised by Mid Sussex Older People's Council (Valerie Upton 07771 916584)
- 27th Lindfield Country Market 10-11am
- 27th Mamma Mia: Here We Go Again PG 7.30pm Film show – tickets £6 from Tufnells. Film starts at 7.45pm
- 29th Adur Concert Band 7.30pm
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Please refer to the King Edward Hall notice board for additional information regarding the above events.

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AND ELSEWHERE

September

- 1st Scaynes Hill Flower Show 2-4pm Millennium Village Centre - 40th Anniversary Show (Dianne Elliott 831676 or Angela Hicks 831599)
- 2nd 1918 Lloyd George Garden Party 2-6pm Danny House, Hurstpierpoint - Fun fair and orchestra to dance to. Come dressed in period costume (Tickets £5 www.hurstfestival.org)
- 4th NHS Retirement Fellowship 10.15am
 Franklands Village Hall Monthly branch meeting
 with speaker Anita Van der Colff (Action For
 Deafness). New members welcome.
- 4th **LBS Badge Night** from 6.30pm The Stand Up Inn, High Street
- 8th **Haywards Heath Town Day** 12-4.30pm Victoria Park, Haywards Heath
- 8th Cuckfield Village Show 2-5pm Cuckfield Baptist Church, Polestub Lane Cups, prizes, refreshments (Entry £1.50)
- 10th RSPCA Anniversary Curry 7.30pm Tamasha, High Street, Lindfield
- 13th Haywards Heath Ceramics Group 10am Clair Hall, Haywards Heath - Lecture on 'The Development of the Drinking Glass' by Jane Gardiner (Tickets £8, 01444 483372)
- 16th Mobile Civic Amenity Collection 10am-12noon Scaynes Hill Common
- 19th The Arts Society Mid Sussex 10.40am
 Clair Hall, Haywards Heath 'Why is Thomas
 Chippendale so Famous? A Tercentenary
 Appraisal Lecturer' by Janusz KarczewskiSlowikowski. This special 75min lecture starts at
 10.40am prompt
- 19th Mid-Sussex Franco-British Society 8pm Clair Hall, Haywards Heath - Retrouvailles, the first meeting of the 2018-2019 (01444 452385)
- 22nd **Haywards Heath Music Society** 7.30pm St Wilfrid's Church - Ryan Drucker (piano)
- 21st- Lindfield Arts Festival
- 23rd Various events see programme and website: www.lindfieldartsfestival.com
- 23rd **Weddings Open Day** 12-5pm Woodfords is a new location, hidden within a private woodland in Ansty.
- 30th Mum Direction Workshop 9.30-5pm Lindfield Coffee Works, Alma Road

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