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#### **EDITORIAL**

#### By David Tingley, Editor

Now, dear reader, I do need you to sit down while I tell you that this month's magazine is a staggering 80 pages! This really is a testimony



to my excellent team who put this together with me, the amazing contributors who regularly write for us and our advertisers who continue to want to reach out to Lindfield residents. As well as giving you plenty to read there is an added benefit for you if you need a doorstop (after you've read it, of course)!

There is a running theme on our pages with the 'Run for Romania' team from Lindfield who valiantly took on a Half Marathon recently (see page 16) and Roger Lawrence who will be running in the Brighton Marathon later this month (page 42).

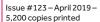
Bob Campen takes to the bus on page 45, Blackthorns School shows off a musical visitor of some regal presence on page 19 and Jacqui Smith tells us about a fundraising workshop she will be running next month on page 8.

Richard Bryant provides us with yet another fascinating glance back into Lindfield History on page 26. This month he's dispelling the myth that building on fields is a modern phenomenon – as we examine the last 100 years of growth in the village.

Claire Cooper shares the story of Village People candidate Tunde Pala who is a jet ski champion turned chauffeur! Read all about her life on page 40.

We have the Lindfield Parish Council newsletter taking its usual quarterly spot starting on page 46. On page 34 Caroline Young shares some recipes which are linked to Saint George. And on page 51 we have a competition where you could win a family ticket to see England's Lionesses play football at the Amex.

I hope you enjoy this issue and do always keep in touch!



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Clare Ozkan Exercise for dog and daughter on the Common







We love to hear from groups, organisations and individuals about what's happening locally. Include a photo if you can. Email your stories to editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk

#### New Conservation and Design Awards for Lindfield

On Wednesday 17th April a Conservation and Design Award scheme will be launched by Lindfield Preservation Society. The scheme will acknowledge the efforts of individual residents and businesses undertaking building work using design and materials which enhance their property and retain the character of the area within the two Parish Councils.

Small projects, including conservation, restoration and repair, are eligible for consideration as well as larger projects such as new builds and extensions. The scheme is not confined to Conservation Areas. The awards are not about interior design, although interior aspects of restoration may be acknowledged. The building works must be visible to the public from the roads and pathways.

Each autumn the management committee of the Society will consider eligible properties where work has been completed with a view to awarding certificates at the AGM in the following April. Owners of the properties will be notified and asked whether they wish to associate their builders and architects with the award. This year three very different properties have been granted an award, and their owners, builders and architects have accepted to attend the award ceremony after the Society's AGM. The AGM begins at 2.30pm on 17th April in the King Edward Hall, and Society members as well as other interested residents are invited. For more information see www.lindfieldsociety.org.uk





#### John (the donkey) leads the way...

Parishioners from St Augustine's Church in Scaynes Hill will be welcoming a very special four legged visitor to the village on Palm Sunday.

John the donkey will arrive in the village to lead a procession from the school to the church on 14th April.



John is one of seven donkeys who live at East Clayton Farm near Washington, home of the Lorica Trust. The Trust primarily works with disadvantaged young people and through land based activities helps to build self-confidence, self-esteem and self-belief-all of which improve engagement with school, college or the work place.

Jean from the Trust explained how the donkeys help to enrich the lives of everyone who works with them. "Caring for and spending time with the donkeys and other farm animals helps our young people develop a sense of responsibility and ownership, taking pride in their work and feeling

valued. It's a positive experience for those who visit the farm and our many volunteers who support our work."

Canon Lisa Barnett from St Augustine's said: "We are so excited that John the donkey will be leading our Palm Sunday procession, reminding us of Jesus riding into Jerusalem on a donkey, and creating a very special and memorable experience for everyone."

The procession will leave St Augustine's School at 10am, travelling through the village to St Augustine's Church for a special Palm Sunday celebration followed by a community lunch for all in the church annexe.

All are very welcome to join the procession, the celebration service or the lunch, or to just come and say hello to the donkey!

St Augustine's will be welcoming many more animals into the church at a special pet service at 10am on Sunday 5th May.

"The last time we held a pet service we welcomed 24 dogs, a tortoise, some guinea pigs and a rabbit so we're looking forward to seeing who walks, hops, or crawls through the door this year!" said Lisa. She added that visitors are invited to bring along photos of much loved pets, past or present, for a prayer of blessing and thanksgiving.

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#### Delicious brownies by Caroline

Lindfield resident Caroline Ford has been commercially baking for some years supplying local cafes, including Lindfield Coffee Works and Field & Forest. However now she's branching out on something new: Brownies direct to your door!

"I have been perfecting my brownie recipe until I came up with what I use today, which seems to go down jolly well with anyone who eats it!" Caroline explained. "The thing about a brownie is they are easily transportable - unlike an iced cake - and make an excellent alternative present to flowers or chocolates – thus, The Lindfield Brownie Company was born!"

Caroline describes herself as a Lindfielder born and bred, having lived here all her life. She even used to serve cake at Durrants – the village café which was situated where Mansell McTaggart now is. "I feel cake and Lindfield run through my veins," she commented.

"I love baking. It's so satisfying creating something that others love to eat. I can't believe it's my actual job to stay holed up in my lovely, warm kitchen with the smells of cakes floating through the air and fogging up the windows whilst I beaver away creating deliciousness - nothing makes me happier!"

You can see more of Caroline's brownies on Facebook and Instagram by searching for The Lindfield Brownie Company.









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### Help on hand from interiors guru

Lindfield based interior designer Jacqui Smith from HomeSmiths will be holding two interior design workshops at Lindfield United Reformed Church to raise money for the charity Romans 1:11.

Jacqui and team are hoping to raise funds to help build a dining room for the children at the Ssanje Modern School in Kibaale, Uganda. The interior workshops are being held on 8th and 15th May and will look at basic design principles and how to create your own scheme. The workshops, which take place between 9.30am and 1pm, will cost £100 per session with every penny going to Romans 1:11.

Also, during Dementia Action Week in May, Jacqui will be giving a talk at the church about how to make your home more supportive of someone living with dementia. There is no ticket price for this event (on 23rd May) but Jacqui is asking for donations to the same charity.

To book for either please email: iacqui@homesmiths.co.uk.



### Lindfield Run open for bookings now...

Lindfield Village Run – this year sponsored again by Lindfield businesses: Potential Personal Training and Six Physio – is open for bookings now, via the website.

The traditional cross country run takes place on Bank Holiday Monday 27th May - and starts, as ever, from Hickmans Lane Playing Fields.

The run is organised by a team of volunteers on behalf of registered charity King Edward Hall. New this year will be a special award for the family of runners with the fastest average time to encourage family group entrants.

The event features two routes - a 5k and 10k - with pre-booked runners needing to check in at 8.30am on the day. You can find more information about the event and book online at: www.kingedwardhall.org.uk



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#### NEWS IN BRIEF LINDFIELD ARTS FESTIVAL

#### By Ayesha Gilani

#### Make Art Not War

Peter Levenspeil returns to Lindfield Arts Festival (16th – 22nd September) this autumn to run his popular cyanotype printing workshop. Cyanotype is a photographic printing process that produces an attractive cyan-blue print or 'blue-print'. You'll learn how to create your own unique work of art using anything from everyday household objects to pressed flowers and leaves. Date and time of workshop TBC.

#### Strictly Come Ping Pong!

Curious? So are we! Come and watch as table tennis playing dancers spin and slide in this playful pop-up performance that smashes expectations of dance and advocates the importance of safe, positive and accessible public spaces. It's interactive too. Once you've watched the show, you'll be able to grab a bat and join in!

#### Game for a LAF?

Could you help run a comedy night for Lindfield Arts Festival? We're looking for comedians and a compere. If you think you've got what it takes, we'd love to hear from you! Contact: enquiries@lindfieldartsfestival.com

#### Lindfield Arts Festival – The Movie

Calling all local film-makers. We'd love to create a film that highlights LAF and showcases our village in all its creative glory. Can you help? Please contact us via enquiries@lindfieldartsfestival.com.

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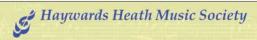
If you're a local artist or craftsperson, why not exhibit and sell your work at Lindfield Arts Festival? We're looking for varied visual arts and handmade crafts to showcase all our local talent. Spaces are filling up, so to be considered, please sign up via https://2019.lindfieldartsfestival.com/applications-are-open

#### Last Call for LAF Bursary!

Don't miss the opportunity to apply for our amazing £1,000 LAF bursary. The award is open to all villagers aged seven to 100 and you can apply via: https://2019. lindfieldartsfestival.com/be-involved. Judges will be looking for the applicant who demonstrates a clear desire to start or continue an arts discipline. Deadline for applications is Wednesday 1st May. Good Luck!

#### And finally...

Keep up to date with the all latest news from LAF via our website: https://2019.lindfieldartsfestival.com. You can register to receive our monthly newsletter too.



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#### **Gardeners Forum open for questions...**

The Society last held a forum two years ago and it was an unqualified success. Following a similar formula to the BBC's long-running Gardener's Question Time, a panel of experts will take questions from the audience on all things horticultural, whether it be flowers and shrubs, vegetables and fruit or top gardening tips during the meeting next month at King Edward Hall. The evening is both informative and entertaining and the ticket price includes a free glass

The 2019 Panel of experts are:

JEAN GRIFFIN: Regular presenter on Radio Sussex & Surrey's Dig It and Judge of Britain in Bloom

DAVID FITTON: Garden advisor to Tates Garden Centres and plant doctor

VANESSA JONES: National Vegetable Society

PAUL SEABORNE: Nurseryman and expert on hardy herbaceous plants

Tickets, priced at £5 for members and £6 for visitors, include a glass of wine or beverage. Tickets on sale now from Pat Whetstone (01444 483236) and at LHS Spring Show on 6th April, at the next LHS Talk on 10th April and on the door on 8th May. Please bring a question for the panel. Doors open 7.30pm.













#### MP's Surgery open

#### By Claire Fussell

Sometimes life does not run as smoothly as we would

like and problems occur. Some can be sorted fairly quickly and simply, others are more complex and need greater assistance. Ward Councillors and Citizens Advice Bureau, along with other organisations, can be contacted for advice and guidance to resolve them.



Sadly not all problems can be resolved this way and further help is needed. Your MP could be the person to turn to.

Sir Nicholas Soames MP regularly holds surgeries in Mid Sussex on Friday evenings. The surgeries rotate between East Grinstead, Haywards Heath and Burgess Hill, including villages. His constituents are able to make appointments to discuss issues and ask for advice or help on a wider range of matters (Housing, Social Care, Immigration and Benefits).

A surgery will be held in Lindfield on Saturday 6th April at the King Edward Hall between 10.30am and 12.30pm.

If you wish to make an appointment to see Sir Nicholas please contact his Constituency Office on 01444 452590.

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With over 16 years' experience in the wedding and events industry, local Lindfield resident Jo Chellingworth began working at nearby Wakehurst, Kew's Wild Botanic Garden, in January. Having spent much of her working life in London, Jo says: "I'm really enjoying working at such an incredibly special place and so close to home!"

The catering and events contract at Kew's Wakehurst in Ardingly was taken over by Graysons at the beginning of the year. Graysons look after over 40 sites around the UK, including Christchurch Spitalfields and The British Library. Head of Sales & Marketing Rebecca Hawkes explains: "Since taking over at Wakehurst, we have been delighted to introduce a number of new initiatives to rejuvenate the catering offering." Using the ethos of 'from farm to fork' Graysons works closely with Slow Foods; a company dedicated to protecting products which are in danger of extinction with a particular focus on products from the Sussex area. "Developing a strategy like this nicely mirrors the amazing work of the team at the Millennium Seed Bank on site," Rebecca goes on.

Wakehurst has three unique spaces available for a range of events, including social dining such as birthday parties and anniversaries, corporate functions and, of course, weddings.

Firstly, there is the Mansion. This classic Elizabethan Grade I listed building dates from the 16th century and is highly recognisable locally. The rooms inside feature beautiful sculpted ceilings, ornate fireplaces and wood panelled walls – making you feel positively aristocratic for your big day! The Mansion can seat up to 80 guests, or host standing receptions for up to 180. You can also benefit from having your wedding day all under one roof, as the Mansion is licenced for civil ceremonies and civil partnerships also.

Maybe you would prefer to be outside on the Croquet Lawn? This beautifully manicured garden can take a marquee housing up to 200 seated guests for your event. Overlooking the Mansion and lily pond, it provides a natural photo opportunity, whilst guests can mingle and spill out into the delightful walled garden.

By contrast to the previous two, Wakehurst also boasts a cutting-edge contemporary space in the form of the Millennium Seed Bank, which can comfortably hold up to 200 guests for a standing drinks reception and is perfect as the venue for a corporate event.



Whichever space you choose to host your event, you will be able to take advantage of over 500 acres of wild botanic garden, with stunning photo opportunities ranging from the picturesque English Walled Garden, temperate woodlands of the world or magical reflections on the lakes. When hosting an event at Wakehurst you will also benefit from free use of the designated events car park.

Making a booking at Wakehurst will also give you access to Jo, who will act as your bespoke coordinator for your event. "All events, especially weddings, are as unique as the people that book them," she explains. "I love my job, and the part where I meet the wedding couple and talk through the vision for their big day is very exciting." After the initial enquiry and being shown round the venue, Jo gets to work planning a bespoke package which brings in the couple's own personalities – including tasting sessions with the Chef.

"Over the years I've had some pretty unusual requests," Jo reveals, "including arriving on an elephant, bringing sand in to create a beach theme and hundreds of pounds spent on snow machines only to have it actually snow on the day!"

"My role is simply to make it perfect and create a day they will remember for the rest of their lives."

If you'd like to find out more about the facilities at Wakehurst then head over to their website www.kew. org/venue-hire where you can see images of the spaces and information regarding packages. Alternatively, call Jo on 01444 894024 or email wakehursthire@ graysonsvenues.com and she can discuss your plans and arrange a viewing so you can see the stunning spaces for yourself!







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#### Ladies running team smashing fundraising goal

#### By Katie Spensley

After months of training, injuries and goals achieved, we woke on Sunday 24th February to a dry, sunny day for which we were so grateful! Training over the cold winter months around hilly Haywards Heath was good preparation and, although we had some wobbles, most of us arrived excited to get started on the 13 miles.

Our team consisted of Chris Clarke, Katie Spensley, Amy Beecroft, Amy Mee, Helen Tuddenham, Joanna Head, Tamsin Hoyles, Stephanie Sayers, Sarah Hale, Claire Lucas and Lindfield Life's own Emily Billson.

We queued up in our starting pens – trying to keep warm and reduce nerves, then suddenly we were off! The starter for the race this year was Matt Rees – the Welsh runner who is famous for helping a fellow distressed runner across the finish line at the London Marathon in 2017 – so we felt we were in safe hands!

The group of us ran at different paces so were spread over the course, but we were easily spotted in our Run for Romania vests so wonderfully designed by Lindfield resident and artist Olly Brown and sponsored by Lindfield Life.

The warm conditions became a challenge in terms of keeping up water intake and trying to run whilst taking off layers but it all helped create a fun atmosphere with crowds out to support and live music playing along the route.

Thoughts of post-race rewards spurred us on – these varied from hot baths followed by curry, roast dinners and, for some, fish and chips whilst watching football!

We ran for Caminul Felix a charity in Romania who support and build homes for families and abandoned children in Romania. We have been overwhelmed by the generosity of family, friends, colleagues and the village in donating as we raised a magnificent total exceeding £12,000 - thank you so much – it made it all worthwhile!







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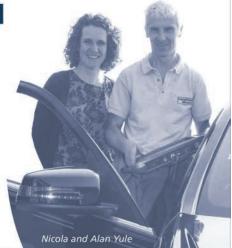
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Young musicians from Blackthorns School received the 'Royal seal of approval' following a visit from Judith Weir, composer and Master of the Queen's Music, to the school.

Pupils and staff welcomed Judith to the school earlier this year, following an invitation from music teacher Helen Moffatt who runs the weekly singing club with professional soprano Elin Manahan-Thomas.

"Due to Elin's royal connections, we were honoured to welcome Judith Weir, composer and Master of the Queen's Music, to Blackthorns at the end of January," said head teacher Marianne Brand. "In the weeks leading up to the visit, the children had all been working on their very own musical compositions, entitled 'Born Unique', which they performed for Judith."

Marianne added that the performances involved song, dance and the use of many musical instruments, including home-made instruments played by children in the Reception class and a euphonium played by Rebecca in Year 6!

Judith was clearly impressed by the performance. "This was one of the most energising school visits I can recall," she said in a blog written after the visit. "Helen Moffatt has been doing a day's music a week with all the school's classes for many years. For this music day she had created a template for a performance which ingeniously included possibilities for singing, playing, dancing and for expressing personal identity, fears and favourite things.

"The fascinating part was that each year group had created their own version in class, greatly helped by their everyday teachers who had thoroughly owned the project. Seeing groups of 4-year olds and then 9-year olds attempting roughly the same things was extraordinary!

"Many students brought along instruments they were learning, and felt quite happy about playing to the whole school, who listened with gracious attention.

"We finished the day with a performance by Elin's numerous singing club; made even more numerous when once again the whole school felt it just had to join in. How infectious and irresistible music seems under these circumstances; and how indispensible!"



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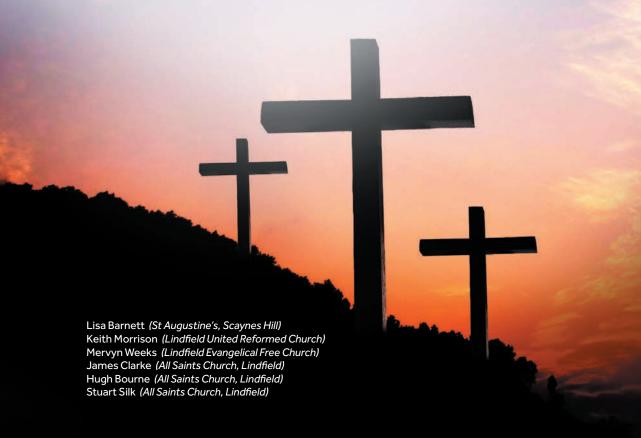
#### Will you be surprised this Easter?

While out shopping recently I fancied a treat and somehow found myself looking at the packets of small cakes. There was a wide variety, and something I had not seen before – Hot Cross Slices. As I looked at the packaging, which featured a bunny, an egg, and the picture of the cake, I noticed something - or more accurately I should say there was something I could not see – there was no cross. The cake simply has a drizzle of icing as its top decoration.

I wonder if, like the cake I saw, the cross is missing from your Easter? The cross is a sign of God's love for the world. On Good Friday we will remember how Jesus, the Son of God, carried a cross through Jerusalem and out to Calvary, where he was unjustly crucified. His death on the cross pays the price for the sin we have committed. If we turn from what is wrong and choose to follow Jesus, we will be forgiven by God and receive the promise of an eternal life, a life that goes beyond the grave.

We see the promise of new life to be true on Easter morning. Jesus, who had died, was no longer in his tomb. Jesus is alive! Over 500 people saw the risen Jesus. He encouraged them to share the Easter hope of new life; living with a heart full of the love of God, which is sacrificial.

May this Easter be for you not simply a holiday and a time of yummy treats, but a time to remember God's love and how he longs for you to follow Jesus.



#### Easter Church Services in Lindfield & Scaynes Hill

#### St Augustine's, Scaynes Hill

Canon Lisa Barnett - 01444 831827, Jenny Walker - 01444 831696

14th April Palm Sunday

10am - Celebration, with a visiting DONKEY!

6pm - Quiet Holy Communion

17th April 10.30am-12.30pm – Children's Easter Fun morning

18th April Maundy Thursday

7pm - Supper and reflective service

19th April Good Friday

10am - An hour at the cross

10am - Children's Good Friday activities

21st April Easter Sunday

8am - Quiet Holy Communion 10am - All Age Easter Celebration!

#### Lindfield URC www.lindfieldurc.org.uk

Rev Keith Morrison, Minister 01444 484791 - Danny Goodall, Youth Pastor 07443 438970

14th April Palm Sunday

10am - This service will include the dedication of our tree for remembering loss

and seeking hope

15th-18th April Holy Week

12.30pm-1.30pm - Holy week prayers

The church will be open, with a different prayer guide for each day

19th April Good Friday

9.30am at Lindfield Common we join with friends from the other Lindfield

churches for a walk of witness to All Saints Church

21st April Easter Day

10am - Rejoicing that Christ is risen

#### Lindfield Evangelical Free Church www.lefc.co.uk

19th April Good Friday

9-30am - Walk of Witness

10am - Combined service at All Saints

21st April Easter Sunday

10.30am - Easter Celebration Service

6-30pm - Easter Praise

#### All Saints Church www.allsaintslindfield.org – (allsaints@lindfield.info, 01444 482405)

19 April Good Friday

9.30am - Walk of Witness with the 3 Lindfield churches

setting off car park at bottom of School Lane

10am - All-age service for Good Friday

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12noon - Meditation on the passion of The Christ

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7.30pm - 'Saviour of the World'

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21 April Easter Sunday

8am - Book of Common Prayer (BCP) Holy Communion

9.30am – All-age Easter celebration

11.15am - Easter Sunday Holy Communion

6pm for 6.30pm – **Cornerstone - Easter Celebration** 

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### Biz seminar at Coffee Works

Business owners in Lindfield can take advantage of an opportunity to learn some of the secrets behind the success of technology giants IBM and Netflix, while supporting a local fundraising campaign.

James Gairdner and Paul Seymour are organising a 'Design Thinking Masterclass' workshop at Lindfield Coffee Works on 2nd May to help raise funds for Duchenne UK and boost sponsorship for their charity bike ride.

The pair are among the 'Lindfield Warriors' team of cyclists who will be taking part in a 24 hour bike ride to Paris in June this year. Duchenne Muscular Dystrophy is the most common killer of children worldwide.

"This is an opportunity for local business owners and their teams to spend an evening learning the tricks that have made the likes of Apple the household name that it is today," said James.

"In this fast paced workshop we'll debunk the myths of Design Thinking, share a framework that will enhance business owners' innovation and resilience and provide an opportunity to network with fellow entrepreneurs."

The event will run from 5.30pm to 9pm and places cost £100. To book your place and find out more email: vivian@jamesgairdnerassociates.co.uk.



#### Swing returns to URC

The Perdido Players Swing Band will be holding its annual concert at Lindfield URC on Saturday 27th April at 3pm.

This year's programme features a great variety of music played and written by Duke Ellington which the band has enjoyed over many years. Included will be several of his popular numbers, including Caravan and Take the A Train.

The saxophone quartet, also known as 'In The Pink', will play showtime music and Dawn Walters will sing songs from the shows, plus a beautiful song – Where or When.

As in previous years, there is no charge for entry but any donations received will be passed to St Peter and St James Hospice.

For further information contact Peter Swann 01444 450335 or the band's website: www.perdidoplayers.co.uk or the band's Facebook page.





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#### Rex is LDC president

Rex Cooper, who has retired as chairman of Lindfield Dramatic Club after 18 years, has been named as the club's new president.

Rex stood down as chairman last month at the club's AGM, where his successor, Ron Skinner, announced the new appointment and joined with



club members in thanking his predecessor for his important contribution – as chairman and director – whilst in office.

Eighteen of the club's last 22 major productions were directed by Rex during his time as chairman of what is believed to be the oldest amateur theatre group in West Sussex. A framed list of the productions was presented to him.

He becomes the latest in only a very small handful of presidents since the club was founded in 1936 as a youth theatrical group by John Gordon Ash.

LDC's spring production will be a comedy double bill – Curses Foiled Again, by Evelyn Hood, and Poor Yorick, by Phil Mansell, at the King Edward Hall on Friday 24th May (8pm) and Saturday 25th May (2.30pm and 8pm).



#### Verdict on Easter

After the success of the 'Taste and See' events last October, All Saints Church is hosting another such evening on the 17th April.

Having outgrown Lindfield Coffee Works, the church will be transformed into a cafe, complete with live music and still serving the best coffee in Lindfield.

The Hon. Mr Justice Dingemans (James to his friends) will be sharing his story of a life in the law and giving his verdict on the evidence for Easter.

The free event starts at 7.45pm at All Saints Church on Wednesday 17th April.



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### The growth of Lindfield

#### LINDFIELD HISTORY

By Richard Bryant, Lindfield History Project Group Two residents on meeting in the High Street were overheard discussing all the new housing being built in Lindfield and whether facilities could cope and the character change. The conversation didn't take place recently but in 1901.

For many centuries Lindfield village comprised little more than the High Street. Through roads such as today's Lewes Road, Denmans Lane, Hickmans Lane, Sunte Avenue, West Common and Summerhill Lane existed as little more than tracks with the occasional isolated cottage and all bordered by fields.

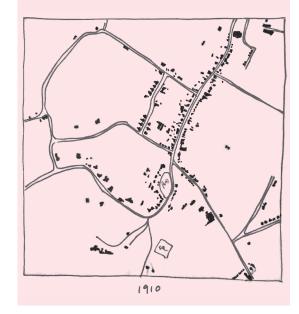
The prosperity of the Victorian era and the coming of the London to Brighton railway line created the need for new housing, especially for working class families. Lindfield started to grow with short rows of cottages appearing around the village. The more affluent built villas on Black Hill.

By the last years of Queen Victoria's reign and the early Edwardian years, new roads were being constructed, most notably Eastern Road, Luxford Road (originally called Western Road) and Compton Road. Leading local businessmen, and those with money to invest, either commissioned houses to be built on these roads or purchased houses constructed speculatively by builders. All were participating in 'Buy to Rent', as most people could not afford to buy. The tradesmen and shopkeepers recognised that an increased population meant more business. It was at this time the Haywards Heath and District Building Society, established in 1890, started to prosper (merging with the Yorkshire in 1992).

Housing commenced along Lewes Road, and in 1906 local businessmen Charles Wood and Frederick Beeny (the great-grandfather of TV property developer Sarah Beeny) started the West View development. Originally planned for 30 houses but, beset by problems mainly relating to drainage, only 17 were built, including a corner shop. On completion it was nicknamed White City.

In little more than half a century the number of dwellings in Lindfield village more than doubled. However this growth came to an abrupt stop with the Great War. The coming of peace brought a mood to create a 'Land fit for Heroes'. Lindfield Women's Institute made representations to the local authority that many new houses were needed for working families, but disappointingly only six were subsequently built. The country being impoverished by the war, together with the economic depression, resulted in few new houses during the 1920s.

The next decade saw housebuilding start again, with the 1937 Ordnance Survey map showing 'infill' housing in Luxford Road, Eastern Road and elsewhere. Most new



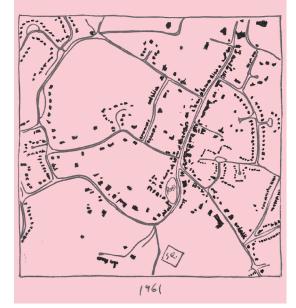
properties were developed plot by plot along existing roads, on the Haywards Heath side of the village, such as Backwoods Lane, West Common, Summerhill Lane, Sunte Avenue plus the new Denmans Close and Oak Bank, Brook Lane and Roundwood Lane. These roads comprised mainly detached houses, with many designed by the respected architect Harold Turner. He undertook a wide range of commercial commissions across Britain and abroad but is best known locally for his high quality domestic architecture with 'arts and crafts' period features. The late 1930s saw the infrastructure put in place ready for housebuilding in Chestnuts Close, Summerhill Drive and Meadow Lane. However, the Second World War delayed completion of these schemes. The building during this pre-war period added around 270 houses.

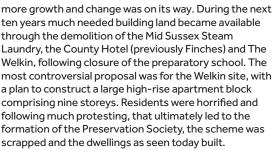
Again war impoverished the country and building was slow to recommence apart from a few houses. Most notably in Hickmans Lane were the 12 semi-detached St Johns Cottages on land given by Maud Savill to the District Council for demobbed servicemen and their families. It was in the early 1950s that the local authority acquired the land of Box's Nursery and erected housing in Chaloner Road and the first sections of Newton Road.

The next ten years saw larger scale private housing developments start on new roads such as Dukes Road (also built on Box's Nursery land), West Common Drive, Appledore Gardens, Pelham Road, Beckworth Lane and Close, Oakfield Close, Finches Park Road and the first section of Savill Road. Collectively, in the 20 years up to 1965, some 400 houses were built in the village

In Lindfield's rural area to the west of the village, a few houses existed along Gravelye Lane. However, during this period significant housebuilding commenced in this area, with the construction of William Allen Lane and adjacent roads south of Gravelye Lane. These residential schemes, all completed by the mid-1960s added a further 100 houses.

The map of Lindfield had changed dramatically and

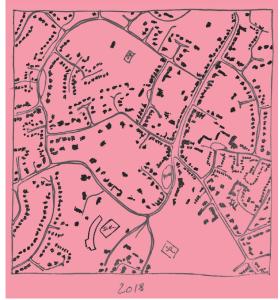




The land previously occupied by the other demolished buildings, and land that became available, resulted in the completion by the mid-1970s of the Meadow Drive development, second parts of Savill and Finches Park roads, By Sunte, Finches Gardens, Blackthorns, Shenstone, Brookway, Fieldway, Pickers Green plus others totalling well over 650 houses.

Around this time national housebuilders such as CALA Homes were looking covetously at the farmland between Gravelye

Lane, Scamps Hill and Lyoth Lane. Following the earlier successful Welkin protests, campaigning started again. Local newspaper articles liberally used the word 'battle' and the campaign took the style of 'The Battle to Save Lindfield'. Victory was again achieved and development plans were put on hold for another day. Effectively, a 'red line' drawn down Gravelye Lane made land to the south and other pockets of land the only possible potential developments. Developers were quick to acquire and build on the land south of Gravelye Lane resulting in Westlands Road, The Hollow and nearby roads with about 150 houses being completed by the beginning of the 1980s.



The demise of Lindfield Nursery, better known locally as 'the mushroom factory', provided land for the Noahs Ark Lane development. Two more nurseries went the same way, resulting in Harvest Close and Linden Grove. These totalled 150 new homes.

During the 1980s and 1990s, the scarcity of available land resulted in a reduction in housebuilding, the main developments being Summerhill Grange, on land that had been part of Tavistock and Summerhill School, and Portsmouth Wood Close. These totalled nearly 60 new detached houses.

An ever increasing demand

for housing in the new century



Attention then turned once more to the Gravelye Lane, Scamps Hill and Lyoth Lane triangle that had been vociferously fought over in the 1970s. This time planning permission was granted for the Heathwood Park development, with construction continuing today towards 230 dwellings on completion. Last year saw ground being broken, further down Gravelye Lane, for 130 homes at the ironically named Lindfield Meadows.

There will no doubt be more building in the future. But it certainly isn't new phenomenon!

Contact Lindfield History Project Group on 01444 482136 or visit www.lindfieldhistory.org.uk

















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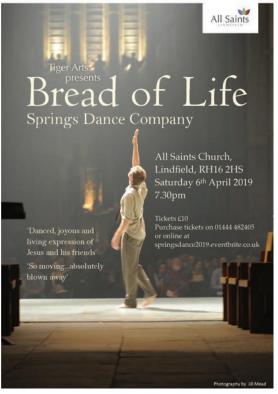


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#### LINDFIELD PRIMARY

As the spring term draws to a close, we are looking forward to the Easter break but more so the summer term and all the fun that will bring.

Our children have been taking part in a whole host of different inter-school sporting events across the region recently, all organised by Mid Sussex Active, a local organisation that supports provision of sport for schools. Activities have included: boccia and new age kurling at the Triangle; gymnastics at St Paul's Catholic College; basketball at Warden Park Academy; hockey at Downlands School; badminton and cricket at the Triangle. Our children are so lucky to have these opportunities and thoroughly enjoy trying new sports and learning new skills.

We love dressing up at Lindfield Primary, and this term we have had two opportunities to do so. We dressed up as Super Heroes for a day, as part of our first ever 'Equality Week', to raise awareness of diabetes.

Generous donations from families raised over £300 for the Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation Ltd – a children's diabetic charity.

Then on 7th March we joined in the 'World Book Day' celebrations by dressing up as our favourite book characters, which inspired some great costumes. A whole array of book-based activities took place throughout the week.





The academy hosted approximately 200 teachers from 18 locality schools, both primary and secondary, for a recent INSET training day. The subject was 'The Art of Being Brilliant' led by Andy Cope, a soughtafter keynote speaker and authority on happiness, well-being and human flourishing. It was a thought provoking and educational morning for all.



The mental health of students, of all ages, features in the press all the time, and with the exam season approaching many students are feeling the pressure to perform well and to live up to expectations. This pressure to achieve and do well in exams can result in significant and prolonged stress for all students whether they excel in the classroom or not. The physiological effects of this exam-related pressure is the same as the stress-response we call 'burn out' in employees which, if left unchecked, results in symptoms of exhaustion and depression.

There are many ways to reduce the effects of exam stress and you can find two e-books on my website to understand what measures you can take. For now let's just consider the biology of how the brain responds to the pressure of exams. The amygdala in the brain floods the body with the 'Flight-Fight-Freeze' hormone transmitters - adrenaline and cortisol. This chemical mix, or 'brain juice', gets the body ready to react to the threat, with heart rate, breathing, blood pressure all increasing, with muscles tense and readied for combat. Importantly, oxygen-rich blood is automatically diverted away from the prefrontal cortex, the area of the brain concerned with concentration, recall and decision making. The shutdown of the prefrontal cortex results in difficulties in thinking logically, rationally and remembering detailed information. Obviously this is not conducive to revising effectively and performing well in exams!

However, from a biological standpoint, this is a normal stress response and a little bit of stress can be a great enabler; but the effects of prolonged periods of mental and emotional stress have been well proven to negatively impact health and mental well-being. Since the body is ready for flight and fight, students can suffer an inability to sleep, they can feel isolated and lonely, be irritable, irrational and short-tempered, overeat or not eat enough. Prolonged exposure to this type of stress can cause a student to withdraw completely, perhaps self-harm, even suffer with anxiety and depression.

It's important that students understand a bit of the

science behind their symptoms. This 'normalises' their experience. Knowing that the pre-frontal cortex can be shutdown by prolonged stress will help students understand the need for mini-breaks from their revision, to help them relax, laugh and reset their 'brain juice'. This reset brings the prefrontal cortex back 'online' and has a major impact on a student's ability to plan, revise and study effectively and efficiently.

Being able to help the student to rebalance the hormones and neurotransmitters in their brains and create a mix of dopamine and serotonin\*\* (far better brain juice) will facilitate their ability to study. As a parent or teacher, here are just a few things to consider:

- Let them understand the neuroscience...it will make sense of distressing symptoms
- Encourage them to make mini-goals for their revision...this will boost their dopamine levels when they tick them off
- Encourage them to take exercise and do something fun...this will boost their serotonin and will re-balance their 'brain juice'
- Ensure they are hydrated and sleeping... it will help their brain function
- Keep things in perspective for them...
   and don't add to the pressure

Lindsey at the NineDot Partnership commented: "Students often need help to see the 'wood for the trees'. Giving them the tools and techniques to manage their exam stress will greatly facilitate their resilience and enable their studies and exam success."

Lindsey is running a workshop on 11th April on 'Managing Exam Stress' in Lindfield Coffee Works, Lindfield at 6.30pm. £25 per student and £15 per parent.

To book contact Lindsey on: Lindsey@ninedotpartnership.com. www.ninedotpartnership.com

 $<sup>\ ^{**}</sup>$  Dopamine is the chemical in the brain associated with the 'highs' of life and is linked closely with motivation; Serotonin is a neurotransmitter which helps us to sleep, recharge, relax and is associated with better memory.



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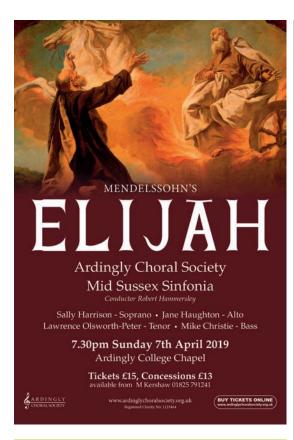
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By Isabella Mortimer

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Straws - YOU DON'T NEED THEM but if you really like straws you can buy paper straws. SWALK sells them.

Micro beads - these beads are getting into the ocean's food chain as their size means they are too small to be filtered out. A ban is going to be put in place soon but you could start now by using natural products that are also better for your skin.

There are lots of other organisations out there that are helping to reduce plastic in our environment.

**GETTING INVOLVED...** and help make a change... There are lots of local beach clean-ups. Find one local to you at www.mcsuk.org/beachwatch

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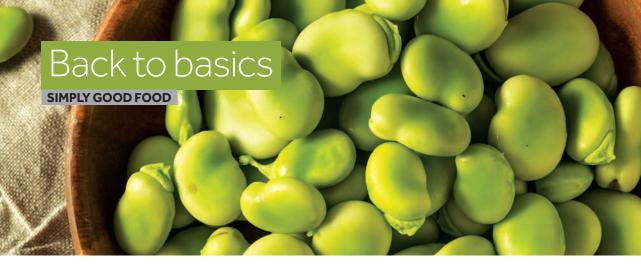
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#### Glazed baby new

potatoes (Serves 4)

Using a large frypan or wok, cook 450g baby English new potatoes in 150ml vegetable stock, shaking the pan frequently. When the potatoes are cooked, the stock will have evaporated and the potatoes will be shiny with the glaze. Serve sprinkled with chopped mint or chives.



#### By Caroline Young

Our national saint, St. George, was thought to be a late 3rd century Roman Christian from Asia Minor. Celebrated for saving a Libyan princess from certain death in the jaws of a dragon, George was declared our patron saint on 23rd April in 1348. Maybe we should mark his 'day' by eating our traditional dish – roast beef. Or perhaps, less expensive but just as tasty – Beef Crumble – a delicious combination of beef and Cheddar cheese. Soon our new season's home-grown broad beans and new potatoes will be appearing in our shops. They would go well with the Crumble. This versatile Carrot and Coconut Cake was a hit with my cookery group. If baked in a 23cm cold for tea. Made in the shallower baking tin it is thinner and more like a chewy granola bar.



#### Broad beans with bacon and

#### cream (Serves 4)

Gently fry 3 chopped streaky bacon rashers until just crisp then remove from the pan with a slotted spoon. Add a small thinly sliced onion to the bacon fat and cook until soft. Add 450g freshly shelled English broad beans and 50 ml water. Cover and cook until the beans are just tender. Uncover and cook until the water has evaporated. Return the bacon to the pan plus 4tbs double cream. Heat, stirring, until bubbling hot. Season and serve.

#### Carrot and coconut bars

Preheat oven 180°C. Butter and line a 22x30cm oblong or 20cm square baking tin. In a large bowl combine 250g plain flour with 2tsp cinnamon, the finely grated rind of 1 large orange, 300g Demerara sugar, 100g each of dessicated coconut, sultanas (or dried cranberries), 150g coarsely grated raw carrots and 75g broken walnuts. In a small bowl melt 100g butter (M/W MED 1 min). Whisk in 1tsp vanilla extract, 100ml rapeseed oil and 2 large eggs. Add to the flour mixture and stir thoroughly. Pour into the tin, level the top and bake for 35-40 min until golden brown and firm. Combine the juice of the orange with 50g granulated sugar and pour over the slightly cooled cake. Cool in the tin for 15 min then turn out on to a cooling rack. Serve warm as a dessert or cool completely before cutting into bars.

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## Events 'Behind the Hedge'

#### By John Bartlett

As spring is forcing its way upon us there is considerable excitement at the top of the Common as the members of Lindfield Bowling Club anticipate the onset of the 2019 season's frolics behind the hedge!

The 2018 season was very successful with triumphs at County and National level; 27 new members; a home win in the Lindfield Jubilee Triples Competition; and a varied and joyous social programme.

#### Honours in 2018

Bowls England Tony Allcock Trophy: National Finalists Margaret Atkins, Carol Watson, Peter Gacsall, Ian Watson, Roger Willmott, Carolyn Worth, Sue Willmott and Roger Green. Also: Keith Holman, Janet Hawkins, Tom Palmer

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The Lindfield Green gets a bit of a bashing with 140+ members trundling bowls up and down, and advancing years can cause a loss of pliability in some participants.

This inhibits their ability to bend when releasing their woods, thus causing a divot – or in

extreme cases a crater! This results in The Green taking on a fairly battered appearance by the end of the Season, but we start 2019 with a pristine surface thanks to the support of Mid Sussex District Council and the excellent work of their contractors – Shaun and Phil of IDVerde.

The new season was launched completely on 26th February when 70 members enjoyed a pre-season lunch at Tamasha organised by retiring President Ron Langridge - it should be stressed that 'retiring' relates to his Presidency and not his personality! Mike Streeter has assumed the Presidential Crown.

So woods have been polished, loins girded and we are poised, ready for the new season. If any Lindfield Life readers would care to give bowls a try, or just observe the tribal rituals of bowls, our gate is never locked and you are always welcome, just come in and ask.

The Ladies' section pre-season meeting is in the Clubhouse at 7.30pm on 4th April, and the Men's at 7.30pm on 9th April. For further information visit: www.lindfieldbowlsclub.co.uk

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A water sports world champion who swapped her jet ski for a taxi and now chauffeurs passengers all over the country is the driving force behind Lindfield's newest art gallery.

Tunde Pala's feet have hardly touched the ground since she moved into the village two years ago. When she's not behind the wheel she's teaching high energy dance classes in leisure centres and halls, or planning her latest venture – family friendly arts and crafts workshops.

Tunde explained how her life has changed since becoming the first ever female jet ski world champion – how she left behind a law career in Hungary to travel to Britain, spent time delivering pizzas in Brighton and finally followed her heart to Lindfield.

#### By Claire Cooper

Tunde grew up in Budapest. "My childhood ambition was to become a lawyer but after practising for three years I decided it was not for me," she said. "I'm a bit of a revolutionary, fighting for justice sort of person. I soon realised I was far too emotional to be a lawyer!"

Describing herself as a 'total petrol head', Tunde was introduced to jet-skiing after writing articles for a motorcycle racer. "One of my friends worked for Extreme Radio, and invited me to try jet-skiing," she recalled.

"But when we arrived we found that the event was an amateur championship. I had never driven a jet ski, and was worried that they wouldn't let me join in, so I told them I had experience." She went on to clock up one of the fastest lap times, skimming across the water at around 80mph!

"I was in my element!" said Tunde. "I've always loved water. My grandfather used to tell me I was probably a fish in a previous life!"

Tunde was hooked and by the end of the year she had finished in second place in an amateur jet ski championship. "When I heard that the first ever women's jet ski world championship was being planned I knew I had to enter."

Encouraged by the President of the Jet Ski Federation, Tunde borrowed a jet ski, began training and triumphed at the World Championships.

"I was so excited to become the first ever women's World Champion, particularly as everything was borrowed – even my helmet!" said Tunde.

After treating herself to her own jet ski, Tunde went on to win two European championships before retiring.

After leaving her job as lawyer Tunde travelled to England, staying with friends in Brighton. "I wanted a job without much responsibility, to follow my heart and decide what I wanted to do with my life, so I became a pizza delivery driver!

"But I never really settled in Brighton – it wasn't my town. I'm a village person and love the countryside."

It was while training as a taxi driver that Tunde discovered Mid Sussex. "I had to learn all about the area to pass my exams, and that's when I came across Lindfield! I just fell in love with the village," she said.

 $\label{lem:condition} After qualifying \ \ Tunde\ began house-hunting\ for\ rental properties\ in\ the\ Haywards\ Heath\ area.$ 

But finding somewhere to accept her dog, 14 year old Hungarian Vizsla 'Fani', was tricky. "After spending a day visiting all the estate agents in Haywards Heath we ended up with just two properties to view - one on Lindfield High Street.

"As soon as I walked into the Lindfield property, I felt an energy and knew it was the house for me!"

After moving into the village Tunde started her own taxi business. "Royal Cars Lindfield is just me and my lovely Peugeot 508 estate car," she said. "Passengers



love the full sun roof and the four zone digital airconditioning. It's also very family friendly – I have a whole range of child car seats!"

Tunde takes personal bookings, driving all over the country from Bristol to Birmingham, Manchester to London and lots of airport runs. Many clients have now become friends. "Some bring along music so we can sing along together!"

Tunde became involved with Lindfield Arts Festival two years ago and began by displaying her mother's art work. "My mum is a really talented artist but has always been too shy to display her work," said Tunde. "So I exhibited her work in the Lindfield Primary Academy Hall."

Last year she opened her High Street home as an Open House and Art Gallery displaying work by her mother and fellow Hungarian artists, Gergo Kapas and Judit Ivanyosi Szabo.

The art still hangs on Tunde's walls as she finalises plans to launch her new venture - a series of monthly art and craft workshops. "We are starting with basketwork led by Judit who is really talented," said Tunde. "My plan is to open the gallery for different workshops every month. There will be lots of activities for children so that their parents can take part in the workshops.

"I'd love to hear from local artists who are interested in holding workshops here and displaying their work," she added. "My vision is to have a range of different artists and themes." For details search Facebook for Ppearl Gallery.

Tunde is looking forward to joining in too! "I love any sort of art and craft, but I particularly enjoy photography and restoring and painting old furniture when I get the time," she said.

But Tunde's first love was dance. She took her first ballet steps when she was three years old. "The class was ballet combined with rhythmic gymnastics," she recalled.

At 14, Tunde was introduced to ballroom dancing, which changed her world. "I started learning classical dances like the waltz, jive and Latin," she said. "When I wasn't dancing I would spend hours watching dance

competitions on the television - it was my way of relaxing.

"I remember going to monthly school dance, when students were invited to perform. I'll never forget the first song and dance routine I choreographed and performed to 'I love your smile' by Shanice!"

Tunde later joined a Hungarian dance company. "I'd been going to their classes for a while when they asked if I was interested in training to become a teacher. My first thought was 'am I really that good?', and secondly 'wow, people will be paying me rather than me paying for a class!"

Since then Tunde has gone on to teach thousands of dancers and currently runs dance-fitness and Zumba classes at the King Edward Hall as well as the Dolphin, Kings and Triangle leisure centres through her business the 'Unique Dance Fit Company.'

"The Lindfield classes are great fun and a mother and daughter latin (mainly salsa and bachata) fusion dance class has become really popular," she said.

"I like to incorporate dances from all over the world in my Zumba classes," added Tunde, who also runs HITT (High Intensity Tempo Training) groups.

Players from Burgess Hill Football Club will soon be joining Tunde as her HITT classes become part of their training routine. "I'm really excited as I've been looking for a team to train for some time," she said. "I think they may be surprised at how hard I'll make them work!"

With two businesses and a mini art gallery, it's no surprise that Tunde feels she has found fulfilment in Lindfield. "I'm a dance and fitness instructor, taxi driver and have my own art gallery and workshops – they are my three loves, and they all complement each other," she said.

"I love it here, particularly the High Street which is super pretty. You can walk into the village and get everything you need and there are so many lovely places to meet friends, have coffee and eat out. It feels like I'm on holiday all the time!

"All the things I love about Britain are here in the village - from the historical houses to the tea rooms and gardens. I even love the weather – it never gets too hot or too cold! Why would anyone want to leave?"

### Roger's run for charity

#### By Claire Cooper

A Lindfield actor is preparing for one of the biggest performances of his life as he takes to the stage at this year's Brighton Marathon.

Roger Lawrence, from Meadow Lane, has been training for the event since Christmas Eve and is running to raise money for a charity close to his heart - Scene and Heard. The London based charity mentors inner city children, encouraging them to write plays.

Roger has been involved with the charity for several years. "It's a brilliant charity that does wonderful work, running workshops, introducing kids to directors and actors and helping them to write short plays," he said.

He added that the plays are performed by volunteer professional actors. "I have appeared in several plays and it's been a fantastic experience all round," said Roger. "The effect it has on the kids' self-confidence is staggering – they come out wide eyed and can see so many possibilities ahead.

"I wanted to do something special to support the charity during its 20th anniversary year, and the Brighton Marathon was something I could fit in around my work."

Roger, whose professional name is Roger May, is no stranger to our TV screens and radio stations, with parts ranging from a clinical psychologist in Doctors to James Bellamy in The Archers.

Recent work has included the first episode of the new series of Endeavour, and he will shortly be appearing in Casualty and a drama based on the Hillsborough disaster.

He's also the voice behind hundreds of audio books.

Unusual working hours has made marathon training challenging, with Roger running alone and often at odd times. "But the nicest thing about the training is that it's time to myself, which I really like," he said. "Sometimes I need music to get me round, sometimes it's podcasts, and sometimes I just like to run in quiet, take in the sights and smells around. It's amazing how much more of the surrounding area you really take in.

"Also I've been very lucky with the weather so far. I've only encountered rain twice so far and neither of those were downpours." He added that his osteopath Adam Fiske and staff at Six Physio have been helping to keep him 'road-fit'!

Roger ran the London Marathon nine years ago. "It's long enough for me to have forgotten how much it hurt - so, obviously I don't know, but maybe it's a bit like childbirth!" he laughed.

He's looking forward to his first Brighton experience. "I turned my ankle twice during the London Marathon after slipping on discarded plastic bottles, so I was really pleased to hear that in Brighton they give out plastic cups and no bottles," he said. "I'm really looking forward to running along the seafront too."

He'll be joined on the starting line by his nephew AJ who is running with a group of friends, and cheered on by his wife and daughters.

donations can be made via his fundraising page: http://uk.virginmoneygiving.com/RogerMay

Roger is aiming to raise £1,000 for the charity and









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## A day out on the buses

#### By Bob Campen

If, like me, it is a pleasure for you to travel by bus and watch the world (and the people) go by, I'd like to suggest an itinerary that would give you a day out when the weather, we hope, improves and the days lengthen. This is, of course, primarily intended for those of you who enjoy free bus travel with your national bus pass.

The first step is to be at the Lindfield High Street bus stop in time for the no. 30 bus, departing 0930, and take it to Perrymount Road, arriving 0939. There may just be time to buy a sandwich in Waitrose but you need to be back at the same stop to catch bus 31 at 0949. Take it all the way to its terminus at Uckfield bus station, due 1031.

If you live in the Lewes Road area, you may prefer to skip the first step by the 30, and walk to the stop in Gravelye Lane near the corner of Meadow Drive, where you can hail the 31 just after 1000.

You may wish to linger a while in Uckfield for a coffee, but you can leave from the bus station as early as 1046 by the 29 bus that will take you to Tunbridge Wells, arriving Monson Road 1135. The 29 runs every 30 minutes, so there is a bus at 16 and 46 minutes past each hour.

There's time for lunch, a walk round the shops at Royal Victoria Place, or The Pantiles at the southern end of the town.

It's possible to return home by the same route, using these schedules:

Bus 29 at 1520 from Royal Victoria Place to Uckfield Bus Station

Bus 31 at 1650 from Uckfield Bus Station to Haywards Heath (Waitrose)

Bus 270 at 1736, or bus 30 at 1754, from Waitrose to Lindfield

What I recommend is an alternative route home, which would be a lovely run through the country in the spring. From Royal Victoria Place, get the 291 bus, which is heading for Crawley, and alight at the Three Crowns in Ashurst Wood, which is on a convenient side road which the bus takes after a brief run on the A22 from Forest Row. The 291 continues towards East Grinstead. So you then need to cross to the stop on the other side of the road, to catch the 270 as it comes from East Grinstead en route for Lindfield and Haywards Heath. This gives more flexibility over return times. Three possible schedules are shown below.

Tunbridge Wells, Royal Victoria Place	dep.	1548	1640	1740
Ashurst Wood, Three Crowns	arr.	1633	1726	1827
Ashurst Wood, Three Crowns	dep.	1637	1740	1845
Lindfield High Street	arr.	1711	1814	1918



The transition from the 291 to the 270 can instead be made in Forest Row once the 291 has driven on to the A22. You may prefer this if leaving Tunbridge Wells at 1548, as there are but four minutes between the scheduled times for the changeover in Ashurst Wood.

Bon voyage!

Please note that these travel details apply on Mondays to Fridays. Times on Saturdays may be different, and there is no service on route 31 on Sundays. Bus routes and times are changed every so often, so if the magazine you are reading is 'old' by a few months, you should not rely on these schedules without checking. www.traveline.info is a useful website.





### Lindfield Parish Council

**APRIL 2019** 

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# BUDGET AND PRECEPT 2019/20

The Parish Council has agreed a budget of £238,000 for the financial year 2019/20 and a precept of £156,000. This is equivalent on a band D property of £54.90 per annum.

# VILLAGE DIRECTORY AND YEAR BOOK

Thank you to everyone who completed the Village Directory and Year Book feedback form. This data will help us shape the future of the product. The full results of the Village Directory and Year Book feedback are available on our website. The following is a summary of the results:

#### How do you use the Village Directory and Yearbook?

	Total	%
As a directory	74	20.00%
As a diary	45	12.16%
As a directory and diary	168	45.40%
I do not use it	83	22.43%

#### When I receive the Village Directory and Yearbook:

	Total	%
l put it in my bag/pocket	123	33.24%
I store it for reference	136	36.75%
l donate it to charity	14	3.78%
l dispose of it	37	10.00%
Other	60	16.21%

# VEHICLE ACTIVATED SPEED SIGNS

In January Lindfield Parish Council started deploying its two speed indicator devices in the village. The devices are deployed in various locations. Normally the devices will be installed for a two-week period and then be moved to a different location. Each device is fitted with a data collection unit. This allows volume and



speed of traffic to be recorded. Once this data has been collected from the devices we will publish the results on our website. The Parish Council is keen to identify issues relating to traffic concerns across the parish and escalate these to the appropriate authorities; usually WSCC Highways which is responsible for all adopted roads across the county. In addition to collecting data, the devices tend to act as a calming influence on speed. This effect, however, is reduced when the device is left in the same location for an extended period, as drivers become aware of them.

Further information on the speed indicator devices can be found at; http://www.lindfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk/Speed\_Indicator\_Devices\_24992.aspx

WSCC Highways have asked that any queries, or concerns, relating to roads be reported to them directly using the following contact details:

Tel: **01243 642105** 

Love West Sussex:

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Online enquiry form: www.westsussex.gov.uk

Members of Lindfield Parish Council:

Members can all be contacted, in the first instance, via the Parish Office, or b

Cllr. William Blunden (Chairman) Cllr. Valerie Upton (Vice Chairman) Cllr. Mike Allen Cllr. Judy Durrant Cllr. Stephen Henton Cllr. Margaret Hersey Lindfield Parish Council Office is open on Tuesdays 1pm to 4pm, Thursdays and Fridays 10am to 1pm – when members of the public are welcome to come along to look at planning applications for Lindfield, obtain the codes for obtaining concessionary railcards, or simply seek advice on issues of concern. However, if you do need to speak with someone outside our normal opening hours, then please contact the Clerk who will be happy to make alternative arrangements with you.

Parish Clerk: Mr Andrew Funnell Deputy Clerk: Mr David Parsons Responsible Financial Officer: Mrs Tracy Ely Village Orderly: Mr. John Cunningham

## VILLAGE SPRING CLEAN – 27th APRIL 2019

Why not come and join us for our annual Spring Clean around the Village on the morning of Saturday 27th April? The Parish Council has organised a Spring Clean every year since 1999, when it started as an initiative of the Tidy Britain Group, and helpers find it to be a rewarding and worthwhile few hours. Volunteers meet in the King Edward Hall and are given tasks such as collecting litter from the areas in



the village not covered by the normal street cleaning agencies. Street furniture, such as the posts around the Pond and the Common, always benefits from a wash down after the winter, and cutting back vegetation in the footpaths is another job that can be tackled. The Spring Clean will take place between 9.30am and 1pm. Any children taking part must be supervised by parents or adult group leaders if they are in groups from schools or youth organisations. Suggestions for areas in the village that might benefit from a little 'TLC' are always appreciated, particularly if you could let us know in advance to help with the planning. If there is a task you particularly want to tackle please let us know beforehand and we'll save that job for you. Litter pickers and bags. buckets, detergent and cloths will be provided but you are asked to bring your own gloves - and wheelbarrows can be very useful for bringing back sacks full of litter.

# RESIGNATION OF COUNCILLOR MATT DAMSELL

In January Matt Damsell stood down as a councillor. The council thanks him for his service.

# MOBILE CIVIC AMENITY COLLECTIONS

The refuse freighters will next be in the Tollgate car park on Sunday 12th May, between the hours of 10am and 12noon, for the collection of household and garden waste. Please do not leave rubbish in the absence of the refuse freighter.

Future collection dates at the Tollgate car park are as follows:

Sunday 14th July 2019

Sunday 15th September 2019

Sunday 17th November 2019

Sunday 12th January 2020

Sunday 15th March 2020

All of the above collection are between the hours of 10am and 12noon.

Please note that a number of items cannot be disposed of through the Mobile Waste Collection: electrical items, tyres, rubble and hardcore (eg paving stones, gravel, concrete, bricks and tiles), items such as ceramic baths and shower trays, toilet pans and sinks, gas canisters and paint pots with any contents. These need to be taken to the Waste and Recycling Site and charges apply to certain items. There is a list of the chargeable items on www.recycleforwestsussex.org/recycling-sites

y reference to page 12 of the Lindfield Village Directory and Year Book, which contains Councillors' addresses and phone numbers.

Cllr. Roger Cllr. Ron Cllr. Sarah Cllr. Christopher Cllr. Ian Vacancy
Pickett Plass Richmond Snowling Wilson

## Lindfield Parish Council

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# LOCAL ELECTIONS – 2ND MAY 2019

Local elections take place on Thursday 2nd May. Mid Sussex District Council is taking part in the Governments 2019 Local Elections Voter ID Pilot. There are a number of local authorities taking part in the Pilot, each with a different aspect of Voter Identification to trial. In the Mid Sussex Pilot voters will need to bring their poll card with them as identification when they vote at polling stations on 2nd May.

Key dates in the election timetable are as follows:

Monday 18th March

Notice of Election will be Published

Tuesday 19th March

Candidate Nominations Open

Wednesday 3rd April

Candidate Nominations Close at 4pm

Friday 12th April

**Electoral Registration Deadline** 

Monday 15th April

Postal Vote Application Deadline (5pm)

Wednesday 24th April

Proxy Vote Application Deadline (5pm)

Thursday 2nd May

Polling day

For more information including nomination packs please visit: www.midsussex.gov.uk/elections-voting/upcoming-elections/

If you would like more information on starting as a candidate for Lindfield Parish Council please do not he sitate to contact us.

## PARISH MEETING – 28TH MAY 2019

The Parish Meeting (which, it must be stressed, is NOT a meeting of the Parish Council) is a forum for local government electors to discuss parish affairs and to pass resolutions on them, although such resolutions are not binding on the Parish Council. As this Parish has a Parish Council, it is the Council's Chairman who must convene the meeting and, if present, chair it.

This year's Parish Meeting will be held on Thursday 28th May at 8pm in the King Edward Hall. The Agenda will be on the Parish Council's notice board in Denmans Lane nearer the time, as well as on our website (www.lindfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk).

### CIVIC SERVICE – 19TH MAY

Our annual Civic Service this year will be held on Sunday 19th May at 11.15am at All Saints Church, Lindfield. As well as the invited representatives of neighbouring councils and local organisations, all our residents who would like to attend will be made very welcome.

#### PAUL FROST

The council are sad to hear of the passing of the former village orderly, Paul Frost. Paul's work was greatly valued by the council and residents.

## Parish Council meetings

#### APR - JUL 2019

Thursday	4th April	<b>Environment and Amenities Committee</b>	8pm
Tuesday	23rd April	Planning and Traffic Committee (Plans only)	8pm
Thursday	16th May	Annual Meeting of Full Council	8pm
Thursday	23rd May	Planning and Traffic Committee (Full)	8pm
Tuesday	28th May	Parish Meeting (Not a meeting of Council)	8pm
Thursday	30th May	Finance and General Purposes Committee	8pm
Wednesday	5th June	Planning and Traffic Committee (Plans only)	8pm
Thursday	13th June	<b>Environment and Amenities Committee</b>	8pm
Tuesday	25th June	Planning and Traffic Committee (Plans only)	8pm
Thursday	4th July	Finance and General Purposes Committee	8pm
Thursday	11th July	Full Council	8pm
Tuesday	16th July	Planning and Traffic Committee (Full)	8pm

All meetings are held in the King Edward Hall, unless shown otherwise. Please check our website or the noticeboard in Denmans Lane for any additional meetings that may be called. All meetings are open to the public and there is a period set aside at the beginning of each meeting for public questions/comments, except at 'plans only' Planning and Traffic Committee meetings. At all meetings of the Planning and Traffic Committee, up to two people for and two against each planning application are allowed to speak, for a maximum of two minutes each, at the invitation of the Chairman.

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# Kids go free at Spring Live! 2019

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This year's Spring Live! - organised by the South of England Agricultural Society - will be held over the May Day Bank Holiday weekend (5th/6th May) and promises a jam-packed programme of interactive activities to keep everyone entertained.

Whilst the family can still enjoy the traditional elements of a country show with maypole dancing, the mini-sheep show and animal barn, this year's event will see an exciting twist on the activities. Traditional wood spindling becomes a magical wand making workshop, knights and princesses can be wowed by medieval games and try their hand at axe throwing, animal lovers can get up close to creepy crawlies and reptiles, and wannabe drivers can test their skills on the exhilarating Segway or mini monster truck courses.

It's not all for the kids though. Parents and grandparents alike can explore the shopping area, get a few tips at the Garden Theatre, savour the



delights of the artisan food hall or simply soak up the atmosphere at the live music stage featuring an array of fantastic local talented performers.

Even better, because the South of England Showground is blessed with so many barns and indoor event spaces, there's no need to worry about wet weather - most attractions can go ahead or be moved undercover, allowing guests to enjoy Spring Live! come rain or shine.

A bumper number of visitors is expected at the show, and all profits will be used to help fund the Society's charitable projects that support agricultural education and countryside learning.

Tickets for Spring Live! 2019 are available from www.seas.org.uk and can be bought online in advance for a 10% discount. Tickets cost £12 for adults, £10 for senior citizens/students and under 16s go free with a paying adult\*.

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Football fans across Sussex have a unique opportunity to see the England Lionesses in action in Brighton & Hove before they leave for the 2019 FIFA Women's World Cup this summer.

The Amex Stadium, home of Premier League Club Brighton & Hove Albion, will be hosting the England Women's game against fellow World Cup hopefuls New Zealand on 1st June.

Tickets are already selling fast for the home international, at just £1 for children and concessions and £10 for adults, but one lucky Lindfield Life reader can win a set of four tickets in our exclusive competition.

The Brighton & Hove match is the final game in the 'Road to France Series' which sees Phil Neville's squad playing at four different venues across the country.

Brighton & Hove Albion Women's manager Hope Powell said: "To have a preparation game for England at the Amex is fantastic and as a club and as an FA we will be working hard to raise awareness that the game is on.

"It's a great stadium and I'm sure that for both England and New Zealand it will be a privilege to play here."

Sussex County FA chief executive Ken Benham added: "We're privileged to have the Lionesses playing their last match before they head off to France for the World Cup right here in Sussex.

"It is a great opportunity for Sussex football fans to see their England heroes up close, and a packed out Amex Stadium would give the players the best possible send off!"

#### The Road to France Series comprises:

- Friday 5th April: England v Canada Academy Stadium, Manchester City FC
- Tuesday 9th April: England v Spain –
   The Energy Check County Ground, Swindon Town FC
- Saturday 25th May: England v Denmark Banks's Stadium, Walsall FC
- Saturday 1st June: England v New Zealand American Express Community Stadium, Brighton & Hove Albion FC

Albion chief executive and deputy chairman Paul Barber said: "We are absolutely delighted to be hosting another England international at our stadium.

"After hosting the World Cup qualifier against Montenegro almost five years ago, we saw the tremendous boost it had in helping to raise the profile of the women's game across our region.

"We now have a proven track record of hosting England internationals at the stadium, having also welcomed the under-19s and under-21 teams.

"Hopefully we can attract as many fans from across the country as possible, and make it another occasion to remember."

England Team manager Phil Neville said the Road to France matches would ensure that the players 'hit the ground running' when they arrive in France.

"This is a huge year for my players and staff, and we are going to France with the aim of making the country proud."

## The Lionesses' group stage schedule at the World Cup is:

- Sunday 9th June (5pm BST): England v Scotland Stade de Nice
- Friday 14th June (8pm BST): England v Argentina Stade Océane, Le Havre
- Wednesday 19th June (8pm BST): Japan v England Stade de Nice

To be in with a chance of winning tickets just answer the following question: Who is the current manager of the England Lionesses?

Email your answer, along with your name, address and contact telephone number to competition@ lindfieldlife.co.uk. One winner will be randomly selected from the list of correct entries. The closing date for entries is 9th April.

## Mary is set to trek

Lindfield resident and local business woman Mary Collins, of Kell & Collins on High Street, is donning her hiking boots this summer to trek across the remote highlands of Iceland in support of St Peters & St James Hospice.

Full of myths and legends, Iceland is a country defined by a dramatic landscape of volcanoes, geysers, glaciers, rivers and lava fields, all of which will be navigated during the trek, which takes place in July.

Joining a group of other charity walkers, and starting in the stunning region of Lanmannalaugar 600m above sea level, Mary will traverse 55km of challenging terrain before arriving in the stunning nature reserve of Pórsmörk, known as the Valley of Thor. The adventure ends in Reykjavik and a well-earned soak in The Blue Lagoon.

Mary said of the trek: "I wanted to challenge myself personally this year with something new and exciting, and the very afternoon I decided to say 'yes' to any interesting invites that came my way I received an email from the hospice looking for volunteers for the trek. I had no hesitation saying 'yes', and signed up without even reading the small print! I am really looking forward the adventure; seeing stunning scenery, meeting new people and, in the process, raising lots of money for such a great cause."

Now she knows exactly what the trek actually entails, Mary is undertaking a proper training regime and is out and about, mainly in the Ashdown Forest, walking over different terrains and in all weather conditions with her faithful canine pal Cromarty. Many of her dog walking pals are joining her for some of the longer yomps over the coming months.

Mary, who has been given invaluable advice and support by The Outdoor Shop in Lewes, would also like to thank all those individuals who have sponsored her: "The response has been phenomenal so far. People have already generously pledged monies, but, as I have set myself a rather ambitious target, there is a lot more to raise!"

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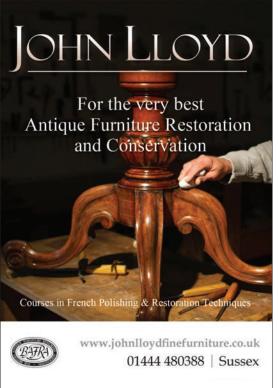


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# Kids' playtime extends to care home

#### By Claire Cooper

Children from Scaynes Hill Nursery have been bringing playtime to Walstead Place Care Home proving that age is no barrier to having fun!

Since October the children, aged two, three and four, have been weekly visitors at the home and look forward to spending time with their 'older friends'.

"It's been really successful," said Sarah Cornford, who opened the Kiddie Capers Nursery last September with co-owner Naomi Maxted-Brennan.

"It's been lovely to see the children really getting to know the residents, through playing games, reading stories, singing songs and taking part in activities.

"Their first job is to find Freddie The Frog which the residents take it in turns to hide!"

"At Christmas we all made baubles for the tree and we are currently planning an Easter Egg Hunt. And, of course, we always celebrate birthdays."

Over the weeks the children have become familiar with the home and formed bonds with the residents, climbing on laps and giving hugs.

"During the week the children will chat about their 'older friends' and some have their particular favourites," said Sarah. "It's been such a positive experience and is really helping the children to develop their communication skills and sense of community too."

Lyn Gilbert, activities co-ordinator at Walstead Place, said: "The residents so look forward to our Thursday mornings when the children, our friends, visit. They bring such joy and put smiles on so many faces.

"We have been very active, planting cress seeds and seeing it grow, having horse races, colouring and one resident has knitted mittens for the children to wear when they go on their woodland walks."













#### Family fun at gardens this Easter time

Families are invited to enjoy fun and nature-filled discoveries at Borde Hill Garden this Easter.

Activities, from Saturday 6th to Monday 22nd April, include crafts, a photo competition, an Easter Trail around the garden and a chance to meet Borde Hill's Bertram Bunny!

Hetty the Hen has laid ten golden eggs, which Bertram Bunny has hidden from Felix the Fox. Visitors are challenged to solve some puzzles, find the golden eggs and receive a chocolate treat.

During the trail families can enjoy a game of crazy golf, or an egg and spoon race on the lawn, while children can let off steam in the new Adventure Playground, complete with thrilling zip wire.

Daily crafts provide an opportunity for children to create an Easter-themed masterpiece to take home. There's also an Easter photo booth for that all important family 'selfie'.

Budding photographers can enter the #bordehilleaster photo competition with a chance to win a family membership.

The Gardeners' Retreat Café offers Easter themed treats, while the new Coffee Cabin, beside the adventure playground, will be selling drinks and ice creams.

Spring is a magical time to explore Borde Hill's Garden and Woodland, with an abundance of flowering magnolias, camellias, hellebores, daffodils and rhododendrons. Picnics and dogs on leads are welcome.



For more information and admission prices visit: www.bordehill.co.uk/events or call 01444 450326.



# Tea to remind you of home

#### By Claire Cooper

When resident and Lindfield Life reader Richard Painter got in touch to tell us how he stumbled across the Lindfield Maison de The, in Dinard in France, we had to find out more!

Several emails later we can bring you the story of former residents Jean-Bernard and Claudine Renaudineau. Since leaving the village, the pair have built up an exclusive business importing and supplying high quality teas all over France, but admit that their hearts remain firmly back in the village.

Jean-Bernard and Claudine lived on Pondcroft Road until 1996. "In those days, I was working in Crawley as a financial controller and my wife Claudine was Head of French at Tavistock and Summerhill prep school," said Jean-Bernard.

For personal reasons, the pair left Lindfield for Dinard in Brittany, but, keen to retain their Mid Sussex ties, set up

Lindfield & Co Ltd, the first tea business outside Paris, with its warehouse/sourcing company based in Horsted Keynes.

"We chose to name it Lindfield after the village we loved so much and where we left our hearts!" Jean-Bernard explained.

"At the time there was no tea import/export business in Brittany, so we thought it would be a good idea to create the first tea company based outside Paris.

"We had a very deep knowledge of the tea industry in the world and numerous worldwide contacts with tea exporters, importers, brokers and estates, so it was the perfect project for us."

He added that previous experience training in a coffee roasting company in San Francisco meant coffee was soon added to the business.

Jean-Bernard explained how tea consumption and



production has changed since the 50s. "Tea in the UK had a radical change after the loss of India and the introduction of African teas," he said. "The introduction of tea bags has also reduced the quality, the choice and standardized the taste.

"We offer high quality specialist teas, made almost exclusively for the French market, including the Darjeeling Estate tea that was drunk at Buckingham Palace until 1950!"

The couple have two tea shops; one in Dinard with offices and warehouse nearby and a second in Rennes, the main city in Brittany.

"We also have a shop online, mainly for our French customers at the moment (a few British, German, Swiss, Italian as well) but we are in the process of developing this to a wider market very soon," added Jean-Bernard.

"We would love to find a retailer in Lindfield but our teas are expensive when compared to average

English tea prices, although in France we are well known for offering the best quality for the price!"



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Lindfield Coffee Works owner Kris Whelan took his love for speciality coffee to new heights when he visited Colombia's renowned coffee growing region. Lindfield Life caught up with him on his return to find out more.

#### By Ayesha Gilani

There is a bold and beautifully illustrated mural inside Lindfield Coffee Works. You'll see it on the left-hand wall of the premises as you walk in. It depicts the fascinating journey from coffee cherry to coffee cup and highlights the heart of Kris' speciality coffee mission.

The 39-year-old intrepid retailer got to connect with this coffee process first-hand when he visited the small farming town of San Roque last month. The town is situated 1,475m above sea level and nestles in the lush green mountainous province of Antioquia - known as the birthplace of coffee in Colombia. The region is just north of the country's second biggest city, Medellin.

The purpose of his trip was to meet the producers, learn more about the farming process and identify how he can help improve the livelihoods of the farmers and their communities. Kris said: "The farmers were so welcoming and really looked after us during our stay. They lead simple lives and work every day in tough conditions, often for little money. They are very appreciative of our involvement. To be part of a project like this is not only exciting but humbling."

Kris has been buying coffee direct from this farm – or finca - for more than a year and so far has bought more than two tonnes of coffee through them. He said: "The journey from Medellin to the farm was quite a trek. It took around six hours in total but was through



the most beautiful landscape. They are very remote, and part of the journey had to be made by mule which was an experience! When we finally arrived at 'Finca La Conejera' the owner Gregorio Gallego and his wife gave us the warmest welcome. As we arrived their son had just returned from school which is a brisk 60 minute walk away!"

This was Kris' first trip to the farm and he was joined by Lindfield-based photographer Dale Ruebin.

Kris said: "Gregorio took us through the whole process of farming coffee, starting with hand-picking the ripe cherries from the trees. Once picked we took the cherries back to the farm to be de-pulped. This removes the skin and the coffee bean. After fermentation the coffee beans are washed and spread out on large raised beds to be dried under the sun for about 15-21 days. Each stage of this process is critical and there are many

factors which can spoil the coffee so real attention must be paid to ensure this doesn't happen."

Kris visited three farms on the site which are undergoing registration for Organic status. He hopes it will be granted later in the year. He said: "We were shown how no pesticides or chemicals are used in producing the coffee. All fertilizer is a mix of manure, coffee cherries and other animal waste. This is important to maintain the bio-diversity around the farms."



In addition to supporting ethical and sustainable farming practices, Kris is passionate about pushing forward the specialty coffee trend.

Specialty coffee refers to the whole process from farmer to cup using single origin coffee. It's about producing coffee beans with the best flavour grown under the best possible conditions. The trend is seeing a rapid expansion in the UK, and across the globe, as independent roasters and coffee shops seek out the best tasting coffee for their customers. Speciality coffee is the top 5% of quality coffee sold around the world. It's often likened to fine wines due to its distinctive characteristics and complexity of flavours that can only be achieved under certain growing conditions. This lies in contrast to commodity coffee, which is the term used to describe coffees that are not traded on their quality but are considered a generic product designed to appeal to a wide-ranging market.

Kris explained that although achieving optimum flavour is a vital element in his speciality coffee mission, it must go hand-in-hand with traceability and social responsibility. He believes this results in quality tasting coffee because of the direct partnership between farmer and retailer. "Traceability is very important to me. It means that the coffee I serve in Lindfield can be traced back to every stage of the process. Right back to its origin and even to the exact farm where the coffee was grown. It gives me, and my customers, greater confidence that the coffee has been well farmed and that the premium paid for the coffee reaches the farmer."

According to The British Coffee Association we drink 95 million cups of coffee each day in the UK, with 'millennials' driving the demand for quality tasting, ethical and sustainable coffee. With this in mind it seems the trend for speciality coffee will show no sign of relenting any time soon. Kris said: "If you want

confidence that you're purchasing speciality coffee you can tell a lot from the label. If it does not state at least the country of origin, region or variety of coffee then chances are it's not speciality!"

Kris said his journey to San Roque also gave him the chance to give something back to the farmers who have provided his business with a fantastic product. He said: "We have agreed to pay an extra 50p per kilo we purchase through them to be invested directly back into the farms to improve their processes. We donated a sample coffee roaster to be shared between the farms, which will be stored at a lab that was created to use for quality control. The farmers had never tasted their own coffee before, so it was a real highlight to be able to roast and serve them their own coffee. We had a lot of fun showing them the different brewing methods. This is another advantage of being in direct contact with our producers. We can give open and honest feedback on the quality of the coffee and work together to identify which equipment needs investment so that the coffee will continually improve."



Lindfield Coffee Works will be showcasing coffee from Finca La Conejera over the coming months. It will be trialled as their house coffee, giving customers a chance to sample the flavours before buying in-store. Kris said: "We are very excited to highlight this project with the people of Lindfield and our wholesale customers. We're keen for everyone to get involved in helping the farms too, and we will be communicating ways of doing this through our social media channels."



#### By Seren Billson

After months of anticipation, half-term finally arrived and we set off for our skiing holiday in Austria. We had to endure 26 hours on a coach, but it was worth it when we arrived at our accommodation. We collected our skis and boots and sat down to a delicious traditional Austrian meal of schnitzel and chips.

We slept well after our journey and were up bright and early (at least, some of us were) to begin our week of skiing. After catching the gondola up the mountain, we donned our skis, helmets and our yellow hats with smiley faces on them that our teachers had provided for us. They made us look like a group of Oathall minions!

We then met our ski instructors who started teaching us the basics and after lunch took us down our first slope. We all made it down safely, but the run was not without its falls! As well as skiing, we also enjoyed a variety of activities in the evenings, including bowling, ice skating, games evening and some traditional

Austrian entertainment. This involved us learning some Austrian games and dances, and even the teachers got involved.

All too soon it was the last day of our trip. Before setting off for Calais that evening, we had one last session of skiing, which turned out to be a very different experience to the previous days. During the week we had had fabulous warm weather without a cloud in sight, but that day we found ourselves in a snowstorm. Instead of us splitting up into groups for our lessons, we all stayed together to make our way slowly down the mountain. It became increasingly hard to ski as we were sinking in to the deep snow that was rapidly falling around us. Through teamwork and perseverance, the whole group made it down the mountain, where we then took the chair lift to the café to enjoy some well-deserved hot chocolate.

Overall the trip was a complete success, everyone had a fabulous time and it was definitely worth the wait.

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# From bowling ball to Egghead

When members of Lindfield Bowling Club travelled to Glasgow to take part in the popular Eggheads quiz they made sure to pack their copy of Lindfield Life!

The team: Peter Gacsall, Jennie Sandford, Roger Green, Martin Pelosi and Peter Colbourne, and reserve, Christine McFarlin (wife of our recycling guru Colin), took on the Eggheads back in January 2018 and, until recently, the result was the club's best kept secret.

But all was revealed on 11th March when the programme was screened.

Despite a valiant effort, including Martin and Peter Colbourne getting the better of their Egghead opponents in their individual rounds, the team was 'bowled out' in the final round.

"We have spent the last 13 months being asked when will we be on the television, and how we fared," said team member Roger Green. "Such is the price of fame."

Roger explained how the team applied to take part in the quiz back in 2017. "We had to prepare and send a short video about ourselves and the team and were individually contacted by telephone and asked a few quiz questions," he recalled.

"Not all applicants are selected, but we made the cut and were asked to travel to Scotland last January (2018) to record the programme.



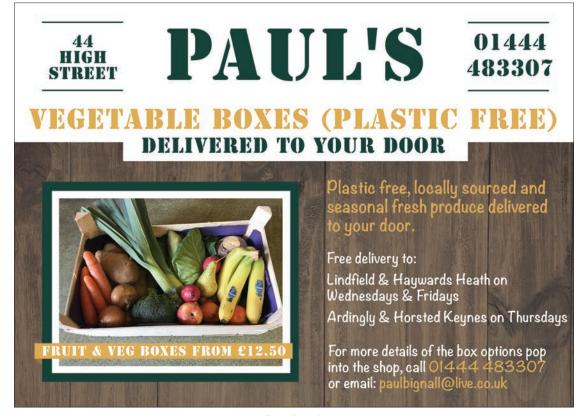
Front row: Peter Gacsall, Jennie Sandford, Roger Green holding his copy of Lindfield Life and Martin Pelosi. Back row: Peter Colbourne and Christine McFarlin

"We were flown up to Glasgow and stayed overnight, at the BBC's expense, and were looked after really well."

And how did they find their formidable opponents?

"The Eggies were very friendly and all came over to shake hands with each of us," said Roger. "It was a very relaxed affair and no time pressure is put upon you when answering either individually or as a team."

The picture shows the team looking relaxed in the Green Room of BBC before the recording – with their copy of Lindfield Life, of course!



# Holiday snaps

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# Community gardening

#### LINDFIELD IN BLOOM

#### By Christine Clark, Committee Member

Following on from our successful silver award last year, we will be entering the 'In Your Neighbourhood' category of South and South East in Bloom this year.

Members of Lindfield in Bloom have been working through the winter, one morning a month, clearing and preparing the borders in the Tollgate car park. As spring progresses we will be restocking where appropriate bringing the borders back to life.

We are a very small group but are hoping to grow each year and are looking for volunteers to help with our community gardening or if you are good on the computer we would appreciate help with publicity,

posters, leaflets and letters. Many hands make light work. So if you are a local organisation or an individual who would like to help with our ongoing projects please contact Heather Martin on 07738 323082. Or join us at our next meeting on Monday 15th April at 7.30 pm in the Bent Arms or at our next gardening session on Saturday 13th April at the Medical Centre by the Tollgate car park at 10am. We look forward to meeting you.

As the weather warms up and the days get longer we will all be getting out in our own gardens. We can all help the environment by recycling some of our kitchen waste as fertilizer. Banana skins and dried coffee grounds can both be a benefit to plants. Eggshells can also be added to a mulch around plants and are also useful as a natural slug barrier.

Leonardslee Gardens near Horsham is opening to the public in April after refurbishment of both the gardens and facilities. This is an extensive estate with Grade 1 listed gardens. The Rhododendrons and Azaleas are magnificent.

Wakehurst Place has an exhibition Surviving or Thriving, Plants and Us which opened on

22nd March. Both of these are worth a visit.

Another date for your diaries – Lindfield Gardens Trail Sunday 23rd June in aid of St Peter & St James Hospice.





## Lindfield celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight

On Saturday 9th March, Fairtrade Lindfield celebrated Fairtrade Fortnight by holding a 'Fairer World Brunch' at King Edward Hall with 120 people attending. Peter Desmond, Fairtrade Lindfield Steering Group member, highlighted the interest in the event: "People came from Lindfield and the local area as they wanted to know more about Fairtrade and local food production, as well as be inspired to take personal action towards reducing their environmental impact."

People enjoyed tea, coffee, sugar, bananas and chocolate provided by Fairtrade producers in developing countries. The food served was supplied by shops in Lindfield High Street and local producers of meat, cheese, bread and vegetables, including: Paul's the Greengrocer, Cottenhams Butchers and Co-op Food.

Those attending also heard from speakers on Fairtrade, sustainability, waste and practical action. Peter Desmond explained that the Brunch was inspired by Tearfund, a Christian International Development Charity.

Next, Jeremy Burdett, of Cockhaise Farm, talked about the challenges of being a sustainable organic dairy farm. Jeremy explained: "True sustainability implies an enterprise which naturally renews itself while operating; not a perpetual motion machine but something that has a balance between inputs and outputs."

Colin McFarlin, West Sussex Volunteer Waste Prevention Advisor, gave a talk on the history of plastic since its invention in 1862 and its importance as a packaging material since then. Yet its durability is now causing major problems, as seen in the BBC documentary Blue Planet II. Colin provided a guidance on how our recycling can generate income for West Sussex.



Finally, Chris Lee of Fairtrade Lindfield concluded the talks by offering practical tips on what personal action we can take to make a positive contribution to reducing our environment impact. Examples included: switching from cling film to wax wraps, moving from bottled shampoo to a bar and changing to a 'green' energy provider.

Feedback from the event emphasised how relevant these subjects were to local people and that they were happy to pledge their support for improving livelihoods locally and globally as well as reducing their environmental impact. Tours are to be arranged of Cockhaise Farm and the recycling facility in Arundel, so people can see for themselves what a difference they can make.

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# Car wash raises record total

The team at Scaynes Hill Service Station are delighted to have reached their fundraising target for Cancer Research UK when they held their annual 'free' car wash event in February.

"We had a great year with more customers than ever on the day," explained A-Mani Maran, who worked an extra long shift to cope with demand. With over 250 washes sold, the automatic



car wash was working constantly. "We did have some times of queuing but many customers buy the ticket with a donation on the day, and then come back over the next few days," A-Mani said, "as each ticket is valid for 30 days."

In addition to the car wash donations, the staff also sold 1,430 raffle tickets. Local resident and regular customer Martin Barton-Smith drew the two winning tickets the next day. The holders of those tickets won a £50 hamper, which they could choose from the shop.

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# Pond Island Discs

By Ayesha Gilani.
Mum's the word on Pond
Island this month but we're
not going to keep quiet
for long! With Mother's
Day just around the corner
it's time to raise a toast
to all fabulous mamas,
past and present. Here we
have another sensational
castaway crew - each one
bringing ashore the track
they associate with that
special lady they call mum.



Shirley Noyes and mum Mabel Delilah by Tom Jones "This is Stoke City F.C's song and we both used to have it as our ringtone! Mum was the oldest travelling Stoke City fan at 93 years of age. She was famous for going to all home and away matches, including trips to Tel Aviv, Thun in Switzerland and Valencia. She started following them in the 1940s. She took me to my first match when I was 9-years-old and I took my daughter, Poppy, when she was just a week old! Mum was such a special person - I could talk to her about anything. I discovered at her funeral in 2013, and many times since, how much she was loved by so many. However, she will always be loved best as my one and only mum, Mabe."



by The Animals
"Growing up, my mun's musical taste
couldn't be more different from mine.
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insisted we listen to heavy rock music
- until one day, when The House of
the Rising Sun played. She told me
how The Animals record was the first
she ever bought as a girl. Finally, a
song we agreed on!"

The House of the Rising Sun



Carrie Brouder and mum Wendy
Twist and Shout by The Beatles
"This song (and any other 60s song)
is the soundtrack to my childhood.
My happiest memories are of my
mum dancing around the kitchen to
this song whilst cooking the family
Sunday roast. This picture is taken at
Buckingham Palace the day my mum
received an MBE for all her charity
work. I am so proud of her!"



Rich Peck and mum Dee
The Fields of Athenry
"I connected with mum's roots
growing up due to having friends
with partial or full Irish parentage.
I'd sing her Irish folk songs, including
Danny Boy and Four Green Fields,
when we were with friends or family
often with a drink or two to wet
the vocal cords! Mum and I share
fond memories of a family reunion in
Ireland and countless evenings post
rugby matches."



Wild Mountain Thyme
"This beautiful folk song always
makes me think of my lovely mum.
Her father used to sing it to her, she
used to sing it to my siblings and me
and now we sing it to our children.
Mum is a very special lady who I
have the deepest love and respect
for. Her care and support is utterly
unwavering and she will always be one
of my best friends."



Daniel Smith and mum Yvonne In the Mood by Glenn Miller "This big-band track is one I associate with my mum. It links her childhood to mine which is important and, as it's an instrumental piece, I think we hummed along to it before I could talk! For me, its power lies in the memories it brings me of the great relationship I have with mum."

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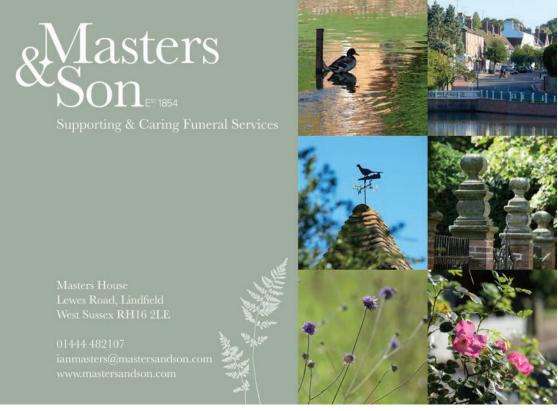
#### **Butcher: One of top three!**

Congratulations to Cottenham's of Lindfield for their well-deserved success in once again becoming a Grand Finalist in the Sussex Food and Drink Awards 2019. Now in their 13th year, these prestigious awards were created to boost Sussex farmers, local food and drink producers and encourage healthy questioning of what we are eating and where it has come from and how it has been produced. Cottenham's customers enjoy high quality food of good provenance and so voted them into the top ten.

The butcher was then awarded Grand Finalist Top 3 status by the judges who visited the Cottenham's shop and heard of their passion for their craft, their links with local farmers and sourcing of slowly grown, naturally produced animals and their love of game and eating local wild food.

The winners will be revealed at the Awards Banquet on 15th May at the Amex Stadium where a sumptuous seven course feast will be served showcasing the local delights! Good luck John, Nicky, Luke and Josh!







# 'Fantastic' harpist visited Royal British Legion

#### By Val Upton, Chairman Lindfield RBL

Last month the Lindfield branch of the Royal British Legion hosted a recital by the talented Harpist Margaret Watson at King Edward Hall. An appreciative audience was treated to an afternoon of enjoyable and varied music and anecdotes by this entertaining musician and her resplendent costume. After the recital afternoon tea was served. This was another fundraising event for the Royal British Legion.

#### Tree of Loss service



#### By Jacquie Odell

Would you like to hang a ribbon on the Tree of Loss to remember a loved one or to acknowledge a loss in your life? The ribbons are available to hang on the tree in Lindfield United Reformed Church on Monday and Friday afternoons 2-3pm, Tuesday and Sunday mornings during April.

The loss you have experienced may be the bereavement of a loved one, a child, or a friend. We can all experience during our life time many different types of loss including the loss of health, job, relationship, home, loss of a pet and many more.

On Sunday 14th April at 10am during the church service, the losses represented by the ribbons will be dedicated to God for his care, healing and peace for those suffering hurt and sadness due to loss. All will be welcome to remember together all the people whose names are hung on the tree and to give opportunities to reflect for all suffering loss of any kind.

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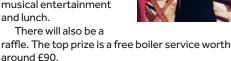
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# PCC Katie to talk | Are you a at Clair Hall

Mid Sussex Older People's Council (MSOPC) is delighted to have Katie Bourne, Police Crime Commissioner, speaking at its annual conference and public address at Clair Hall in Haywards Heath on Thursday 25th April.

A free event for the over 60s, there will be news from Katie Bourne and a chance to ask her questions, as well as news from MSOPC, followed by musical entertainment and lunch.



Tea, coffee and biscuits on arrival at 10am for a 10.30am start. The event will close at 2pm. Please book your place by Thursday 18th April on 01444 242760 or email: Nicola6@msopc.org.uk.



# retired businessman?

#### By Doug Durrant

Cuckfield and Lindfield Probus Club is a very friendly and sociable group of men who hold regular monthly meetings, with lunch and interesting guest speakers. We currently have over 50 members and we meet on the third Thursday of each month at Lindfield Golf Club. There is plenty of time to socialise at these meetings.

If you are a retired or semi-retired man who held a responsible job during your working life you would be very welcome to join us. Our members come from a wide range of occupations. Why not come along as a guest, without commitment, to meet us and enjoy the camaraderie?

The Club also arranges outings from time to time and a short holiday away in the spring, which include members' wives or partners and widows of deceased members. Twice a year they also join the members at the summer and Christmas Ladies' Lunches.

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#### **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



Thank you for all your individual enquiries about your recycling. By the time you read this I will have replied individually to all your emails to the editor on recycling. Keep the questions coming...



Having a good spring clean and discovered a drawer or box of old mobile phones and chargers? Also found old MP3, iPods, tablets or Kindles?

Let me share with you how you can recycle all of these, and there could be money in it for you.

First of all, make sure all of your data is removed.

Your phone could have a value. It does not depend on the age of the phone but on the value of the components! 30% of a phone is recyclable.

Sell your old mobile phone?

Try www.o2.co.uk – free postage. For example, an old HTC OneX phone is worth £3. Paid by bank transfer or Paypal to you.

Or try www.Envirofone.com – they take damaged phones as well. Also freepost.

Or try Tesco online – they pay you in Clubcard points. Or recycle at shops that sell them. My old one went

Or recycle at shops that sell them. My old one went back to the Vodafone shop in Haywards Heath.

Want to raise money for your favourite charity? Get all the old phones, MP3, iPods, tablets and Kindles from your group and have some fun selling them. I would love to hear your success stories.

And finally, chargers. Basically no one wants them because they have no materials in them that can be recycled. Do not put them into your blue top recycling bin and do not put them into your black top rubbish bin. Do take them to your Household Waste Recycling site (The Tip to you and I), and place them into the Small Electrical items bay.

So, even if you cannot recycle them, do make sure you dispose of them correctly.

Now what can I put in that empty drawer ....

Would you like me to give a talk to your local group on recycling?

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Looking forward to hearing from you.

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## Middle England by Jonathan Coe

**BOOK REVIEW** 

#### **Bv Cavan Wood**

Jonathan Coe's novel is a perceptive state of the nation tale, set between April 2010 and September 2018. The characters reflect the interests and the effect of political decisions of that period.

We look on as readers with more knowledge than they have, but only just. Coe captures and tries to explain the mood that led to Brexit through his characters, with only a fairly minimal author's voice assessing what is

This period was a time of paradox and confusion, which the story demonstrates. Among the characters are a novelist, the former factory worker, the lecturer, the frustrated office worker – all are explored, showing how the personal and the political are closely connected.

Highly recommended.

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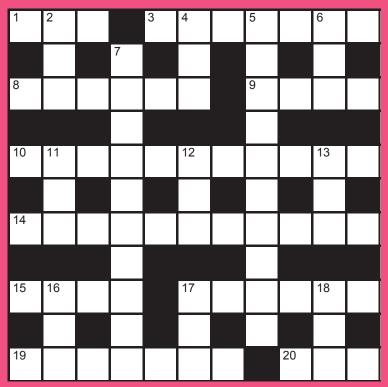
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# Family crossword



Got 20 mins spare? Have a go at this crossword - which should be varied enough for all ages to answer some clues. Answers listed on p.79

#### **Across**

- 1 Inquire of (3)
- 3 Frog larva (7)
- 8 Clean dishes (4,2)
- 9 Near (4)
- 10 Decent (11)
- 14 Clipped style of speech (11)
- 15 Vessel (4)
- 17 Wide street (6)
- 19 Jaunt (7)
- 20 Besides (3)

#### Down

- 2 Ocean (3)
- 4 High mountain (3)
- 5 Tropical fruit (10)
- 6 Fall behind (3)
- 7 Retailer (10)
- 11 Female sheep (3)
- 12 Automobile (3)
- 13 Wreath of flowers (3)
- 16 Sutton ---, ancient burial site (3)
- 17 Tot up (3)
- 18 Vase (3)



## Sudoku #33

2	1	3			7			4
								2
9					6	5	7	
	6							
		4	9			3		
3				1	5	9		
			4			1	3	9
			6		9			7

Find the solution to #33 in next month's magazine

Courtesy of http://andrews-sudoku.blogspot.co.uk

#### #32 Solution

9	3	7	1	4	6	2	8	5
6	8	2	3	5	7	1	4	9
1	5	4	9	8	2	7	3	6
3	4	1	6	9	5	8	2	7
8	6	9	7	2	1	3	5	4
7	2	5	4	3	8	6	9	1
4	9	6	2	7	3	5	1	8
5	7	3	8	1	9	4	6	2
2	1	8	5	6	4	9	7	3

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# What's on in April

#### AT KING EDWARD HALL

#### April

- 6th Lindfield Horticultural Society –
  Annual Spring Show (Pat Whetstone 01444 483236)
- 6th Sir Nicholas Soames MP Surgery 10.30am Closes at 12.30pm (01444 452590)
- 10th Lindfield Horticultural Society 8pm
  'Spring Colour at Rapkyns' a talk by Steven
  Moore. Steven will be exploring the wide variety
  of colours which appear in the spring garden.
  Plant sale. (All welcome, £3 visitors)
- 12th Comber's Trust Afternoon Tea Party for Elderly Residents of Lindfield Village (Caroline Brann 01444 417443)
- 17th Lindfield Preservation Society 2.30pm
  AGM followed by presentation of the first
  Lindfield Conservation and Design Awards and an
  Illustrated Talk on 'Art Nouveau Architecture' by
  Ian Gledhill. (All welcome, entry free)
- 23rd Lindfield Flower Club 2.30pm Speaker will be Lucia Dean Taylor and her talk will be 'April showers on flowerdrifts'
- 25th **Green Book 12A** 7.30pm Film Show (£6 tickets from Tufnells)
- 26th Bollywood Dinner Dance –
  In support of Cancer Research UK offer a night of Bollywood glamour with dinner and live entertainment (www.bdduk.com)
- 27th Annual Village Spring Clean 9.30am 1pm Run by Lindfield Parish Council (Andrew Funnel 01444 484115)

Please refer to the King Edward Hall notice board for additional information regarding the above events.

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#### **AND ELSEWHERE**

#### April

- 6th Mid Sussex Choir 7.30pm St Paul's College, Burgess Hill - 'Around the world in 80 minutes' concert (£12 Ticket Source)
- 10th Tiger Arts Lunchtime Concert 1pm
  All Saints Church with Jon Rattenbury and Brian
  Ashworth, classical guitar duo (light lunches
  served in The Tiger from 12noon)
- 10th Mid Sussex Franco-British Society 8pm Clair Hall, Haywards Heath - An illustrated talk in French by Bernard Masson about the history of corkscrews from the 18th century to the present day. (Barbara Stevens 01444 452385)
- 11th Haywards Heath Ceramics Group 10am Clair Hall, Haywards Heath - Charles Dawson will give a talk on 'Worcester Flight and Barr Porcelain' (Tickets £8. Call 01444 483372)
- 11th Mid Sussex National Trust 2.30pm Clair Hall, Haywards Heath – TALK: 'The Medieval Art of Love and Life' by Patricia Wright
- 11th Managing Exam Stress 6.30pm Lindfield Coffee Works - Workshop for Yr 11+ students/parents (£25/£15 - see p.70)
- 13th Chailey Repair Café 10am-1pm Chailey Village Hall – Repair old goods by team of volunteers
- 16th Spring Quiz Night TBC

Stand Up Inn, Lindfield – Charity quiz organised by Chailey Tractor Club supporting St Peter & St James Hospice. Teams of six, raffle and nibbles supplied (£5 per person, Howard Venters 07971 792449)

- 17th The Arts Society Mid Sussex 10am
  Clair Hall, Haywards Heath 'She died too soon:
  A Study of Joan Eardly' by Amanda Herries (Nonmembers welcome £7 on the door)
- 17th **Verdict on Easter** 7.45pm All Saints Church, Lindfield (free)
- 25th Borde Hill Talk TBC
  Borde Hill Gardens 'Shrubs for Seasonality' talk
  and tour with Jim Gardiner, Vice President of the
  RHS. Booking essential. (www.bordehill.co.uk)
- 27th Tunes & Tea Concert 3pm
  Lindfield United Reformed Church PERDIDO
  PLAYERS SWING BAND in aid of St Peter and
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- 27th Haywards Heath Music Society 7.30pm St Wilfrid's Church - Painist Samson Tsoy

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