

October 2015

Thu 1 st	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Fri 2 nd	St Andrew's Old Time Music Hall supper	St. Andrew's, Edburton	19:30
Fri 2 nd	Old Time Music Hall Singalong	St. Andrew's, Edburton	19:30-21:30
Sat 3 rd	Autumn North Town Field Clear-up	The North Town Field	10:15-12:15
Sun 4 th	Edburton Church Service	St. Andrew's, Edburton	11:00-12:30
Mon 5 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Mon 5 th	Evening Prayer	St. Andrew's, Edburton	18:00-19:30
Wed 7 th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
Wed 7 th	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Wed 7 th	From the Sussex Ox to the First Tractor	Upper Beeding Village Hall	19:45-21:30
Thu 8 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Thu 8 th	Craft & Chat	Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Thu 8 th	Parish Council Meeting	Village Hall	19:30
Sun 11 th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	11:00-16:00
Mon 12 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Mon 12 th	Evening Prayers	St. Andrew's, Edburton	18:00-19:30
Thu 15 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Sun 18 th	Edburton Church Service	St. Andrew's, Edburton	11:00-12:30
Sun 18 th	Harvest Festival & Picnic	St. Andrew's, Edburton	11:00-14:00
Mon 19 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Mon 19 th	Evening Prayers	St. Andrew's, Edburton	18:00-19:30
Thu 22 nd	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Thu 22 nd	Craft & Chat	Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Mon 26 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Mon 26 th	Evening Prayers	St. Andrew's, Edburton	18:00-19:30
Thu 29 th	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Thu 29 th	Selina of Sussex	Village Hall	14:30-16:30

Bobsonation No. 12 – Newtimber Hill

Owned by the National Trust, Newtimber Hill is a delight for walkers at all times of the year. Access is from a number of points, the best known, and most accessible, is from the farm at Saddlescombe.

Over the year it is possible to see many varieties of wild flowers including bluebell, pyramid spotted and bee orchid, campion, hare bell, thyme and cowslip. The fauna includes roe deer, badger, fox, rabbit, weasel and stoat. Birdlife is abundant, the more interesting include buzzard, red kite, kestrel, swallow, house martin, yellowhammer, wryneck, spotted flycatcher, linnet, skylark, meadow pipit and redstart. Butterflies, including several different blues are often present.

Cattle graze here at certain times of year and walking a dog requires strict observance of the regulations, however, when there are no cattle it is a great joy to see a dog running free across the Downland. The views across the South Downs looking west towards Chanctonbury are some of the finest in Sussex. At times, cloud will envelope the top of the Downs giving a 'tablecloth' effect and if you are lucky enough to be walking above the cloud, it is a memorable sight.

How fortunate we residents of Fulking parish are to have such a treasure so near our village. At the end of your walk the 'Hikers Rest' offers very acceptable food, drinks and ice cream.

The National Trust do a splendid job maintaining this gem and it is up to us to respect and cherish it. One piece of advice, if your dog poops on the hill, either put it in a polybag or leave it to be disbursed by the rain, never leave the polybag on the hill, take it home with you.

Harvest Festival – St Andrews

October 18th - a traditional Harvest Festival Service at 11.00am will be followed by the ever popular harvest picnic -- bundles of harvest/ploughman's food tied up in a knapsack and eaten inside or if fine, in our grounds, allowing us to take a little 'time out' and relax and enjoy our surroundings.

Picnics (£6.50) should be ordered in advance - phone Jane Warne on 07812-465-559.

"Selina of Sussex 1818-1886"

The author Leonard Holder is to visit Fulking on the afternoon of Thursday 29th October and will speak at 2:30pm in the Village Hall about his novel and the local history that underlies it.

The heroine of the book is the eponymous Selina Page from whom the author is descended. Selina was the châtelaine of Perching Manor, and the Page family ran Perching Manor Farm from 1857 until 1920 when the Harris family took over.

Planning & Parish Council Meetings

Last month's planning meeting discussed the contentious issue of the market gardens application – where we learned of the impact on the village of the lack of provision of sites for travellers and gypsies by our regional councils. Representatives of these councils will be at the next Parish Council meeting on Thursday 8th October – why not be there to hear what they have to say...

Puppet Show

Would a village mum like to organize a date to have a puppet show in the village hall later in the year?

Sheila Marshall is available to provide the puppet show but it requires liaising with her to find a suitable time and date and discuss what ages are to be included. It would be a good winter event for the kids. No cost is involved. Bob Rowands is happy to discuss on 271 or email Sheila directly at sheila@oakpoynings.freemove.co.uk

South Downs Songs

St. John the Evangelist Church, Newtimber, will be hosting a concert on Saturday October 17th at 7:00pm entitled Traditional Songs of the Sussex Downs and Coast by Chris Hare and his group of singers. The cost of tickets will be £10 for adults and £5 for children under 18 — this includes a drink during the interval. Tickets can be obtained from: Shirley Murrell in 353, shirleymurrell@btinternet.com or Lucy Dalrymple 01273 832009, lucy@arboreaters.co.uk.

