

April 2016

Sat 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lambing Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:00-15:00
Sun 3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lambing Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:00-15:00
Mon 4 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 6 <sup>th</sup>	Woods Mill Woodies Club	Woods Mill	09:00-16:00
	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
	The Royal Sussex at Gallipoli 1915	Upper Beeding Village Hall	19:45-21:45
Thu 7 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Fri 8 <sup>th</sup>	Games Evening	The Village Hall	19:30-21:30
Sat 9 <sup>th</sup>	Lambing Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:00-15:00
Sun 10 <sup>th</sup>	Lambing Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:00-15:00
	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	11:00-16:00
Mon 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 13 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thu 14 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Mon 18 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 20 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thu 21 <sup>st</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
Sat 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Grand Bric-a-Brac & Book Sale	The Village Hall	10:00-16:00
Sun 24 <sup>th</sup>	Grand Bric-a-Brac & Book Sale	The Village Hall	10:00-16:00
	Saddlescombe Farm Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:30-16:00
Mon 25 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 27 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thu 28 <sup>th</sup>	Bus to Hassocks	Fulking Bus Shelter	10:05-12:00
	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00

## **Bobseration No 18. 1<sup>st</sup> April edition Traffic Problems...**

I understand that because there have been recent occurrences of minor gridlock in the Street and the parking problem has become of more and more concern to villagers. So, the Parish Council, after discussions with Highways at West Sussex County Council, have agreed that the 'backway' will be refurbished, asphalted and form the east to west section of a one-way system in Fulking.

The Street will form the west to east section. This will necessitate the compulsory purchase of land at the southern end of properties that abut the 'backway'.

To obviate the need to negotiate the value of such land it has been mutually agreed that a standard sum in compensation of £50 be paid to the freeholder of each of the properties involved. It is expected that work will commence at the beginning of August and completion is anticipated by January 2017. Due to the Government austerity a programme the cost of the work involved will be shouldered by Council Tax bands D to F over a five-year period\*.

### **... and Bluebells**

On a very different note we expect the bluebells at Furzefield to be good this year and at their best during mid to end of April. All villagers and their families are welcome but please give us a ring on 271 before coming. Regret no dogs and children should be kept under control.

### **Downland Photos Needed!**

Fulking village action group is planning to produce a Downland Village Calendar of photographs for 2017. We need high-quality photos of local landscapes in different seasons and weather, also local wildlife, flora, livestock and scenes of village life / local activities. And we need them now! Please send submissions to [photos@fulking.net](mailto:photos@fulking.net) as soon as possible, and by end May latest. Images taken on a decent digital camera should be fine, but ideally they should be as large as possible with a minimum pixel dimension of 2500 x 1700. Landscape format is preferred.

### **Games Evening**

The next games evening is Friday, 8 April at 7.30. It's usually table-tennis and great fun,

there's also darts and a pool table. We repair to the Shepherd and Dog by around 9.30 for a much needed drink!

### **Bridleway Closure**

Bridleway 5/3F has been temporarily closed for three weeks (from 29<sup>th</sup> March). That's from the Poynings road at West Dean to Preston Nomads and Clappers Lane. The closure is necessary to protect public safety whilst surfacing works are undertaken.

### **Mad March Quiz.**

The Mad March Pub Quiz was held at the Shepherd and Dog on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> March. An impressive £540 was raised for the friends of Sussex Hospices.

Hosted by David and Emily and organised by Geoffrey Bush, quizzers were treated to tapas between rounds. The winning team, whose name even the Argus cannot publish, was made up of Laura Thomas, Neil Hyde, Amy Sheppard, Gareth Davies, Hannah Reilly, Mark Wetjen, Alice Navarro and Ben Hunt.

### **Newtimber Place Gardens**

The gardens at Newtimber Place will be open as part of the NGS (National Gardens Scheme) on Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> April 2pm-5.30pm. The gardens are lovely at this time of year with stunning daffodils and beautiful fritillaries, plus a moat flanked by water plants. Tea and home made cakes are available in aid of the church. Ducks, chickens and guinea fowl wander around so dogs need to be kept on a lead. Admission £4.00, children free.

### **Saddlescombe Farm Open Day Crusades**

In addition to lambing days this month the farm is holding an open day on 24<sup>th</sup> April, 10:30am – 4:00pm. adults £5, children £2, families £13.

The farm was once owned by the Knights Templars. Although there's no swordfighting, there will be demos of traditional work including; hurdle making, shepherding, and carpentry. Tea and home-made cakes are available.



\* May not be true