

# September 2015

| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 10:00-11:30 |
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| Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>  | Toddlers/Family Coffee              | The Village Hall        | 10:00-11:30 |
| Thu 3 <sup>rd</sup>  | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Fri 4 <sup>th</sup>  | Fresh fish in Poynings              | Rushfields Car Park     | 10:00-15:00 |
| Sun 6 <sup>th</sup>  | Edburton Church Service             | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 11:00-12:30 |
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>  | Evening Prayer                      | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 18:00-19:30 |
| Wed 9th              | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 10:00-11:30 |
| Wed 9th              | Toddlers/Family Coffee              | The Village Hall        | 10:00-11:30 |
| Thu 10 <sup>th</sup> | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Thu 10 <sup>th</sup> | Craft & Chat - 1st                  | The Village Hall        | 14:00-16:00 |
| Fri 11 <sup>th</sup> | Fresh fish in Poynings              | Rushfields car park     | 10:00-15:00 |
| Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> | Saddlescombe Farm Heritage Open Day | Saddlescombe            | 10:30-15:30 |
| Sun 13 <sup>th</sup> | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 11:00-16:00 |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Mon 14 <sup>th</sup> | Evening Prayer                      | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 18:00-19:30 |
| Wed 16th             | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 10:00-11:30 |
| Wed 16 <sup>th</sup> | Toddlers/Family Coffee              | The Village Hall        | 10:00-11:30 |
| Thu 17 <sup>th</sup> | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Fri 18 <sup>th</sup> | Fresh fish in Poynings              | Rushfields Car Park     | 10:00-15:00 |
| Sun 20th             | Edburton Church Service             | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 11:00-12:30 |
| Mon 21st             | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Mon 21st             | Evening Prayer                      | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 18:00-19:30 |
| Wed 23rd             | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 10:00-11:30 |
| Wed 23rd             | Toddlers/Family Coffee              | The Village Hall        | 10:00-11:30 |
| Thu 24 <sup>th</sup> | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Thu 24 <sup>th</sup> | Craft & Chat - 2nd                  | The Village Hall        | 14:00-16:00 |
| Fri 25 <sup>th</sup> | Fresh fish in Poynings              | Rushfields Car Park     | 10:00-15:00 |
| Sat 26 <sup>th</sup> | LAMBS Yellow Ribbon Ball            | Hickstead Showground    | 19:00-01.00 |
| Mon 28 <sup>th</sup> | Bus to Hassocks                     | Fulking Bus Shelter     | 10:05-12:00 |
| Mon 28th             | Evening Prayer                      | St. Andrew's Edburton   | 18:00-19:30 |
| Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> | Book Nook                           | Chapel of Good Shepherd | 10:00-11:30 |
| Wed 30 <sup>th</sup> | Toddlers/Family Coffee              | The Village Hall        | 10:00-11:30 |

#### **Bramber Culture**

It seems that St Mary's House Bramber is the place to be for intriguing cultural experiences this September.

Saturday 5<sup>th</sup> sees The Man with the Golden Pen & Larry – one man shows on Ian Fleming and Sir Lawrence Olivier. While on Saturday 26<sup>th</sup> there's a Cabaret Evening with "Banned and risqué songs" from the 20's and 30's. Tickets from stmarysbramber.co.uk.

### **Bobservation No. 11 - Call my Bluff**

Call my Bluff started in Fulking when the Henfield branch of the wine merchant, Wine Rack, agreed to put on a Call my Bluff wine quiz in the village hall in 1999. Since then I have presided over many evenings of the same format.

By my reckoning, together with straight wine quizzes, we have raised £5,609 over the years for village funds. The evening has been very ably supported by Toby Peirce of Quaff Ltd who has supplied most of the wines and, in more recent times, by Louise and Jay who have handled the food and raffle so well.

Sadly, old age is catching up with me and I am losing my mind, hearing, mobility and patience (grumpy old man!), which means that the exuberant enjoyment of revellers at the wine quizzes has become problematic.

It would be good to hear from a villager willing to take on the responsibility of continuing to organize this valuable fund raiser. Needless to say it will be a pleasure to pass on any information or assistance I can.

#### **Bovine Encounters**

If you have any unsettling encounters with the cattle on the Fulking Escarpment please let us know by emailing webmaster@fulking.org. We'll add your comment to the new 'Cattle on the Downs' webpage.

The National Trust is keen to hear from residents and suggested that we set up a forum to exchange information – the first comments can be seen at the website on: fulking.net/cattle-on-the-downs.

# Light at the end of the Tunnel

As you pass Clayton in your rush to Hassocks station, have you ever wondered what it's like living in a (castellated) house over the mouth of a tunnel with hundreds of trains rushing underneath every day? Now is your chance to find out. Over the weekend afternoons of 12<sup>th</sup> and 13<sup>th</sup> September, tours are available of Clayton Tunnel North Portal. Details from the Regency Town House website:

rth.org.uk/BHOD15/Clayton\_Tunnel.

# Shepherd & Dog – A community pub

David and Emily's success in enlivening the S&D continues apace, with lots of events and activity.

The recent wedding event was a good test of the noise issue and steps are being taken to further reduce the impact.

Live music from festivals is expected to finish around 9pm and in future there won't be any amplified music (except vocalists) for events in the garden area. This will be explained to future bookers.

Meanwhile, work starts soon on the upstairs restaurant and function area.

### Through a Glass Brightly

Throughout September Pauline Findlay is again running her popular Fused Glass workshops at Broadreeds. Apparently clients range from individuals to family groups and even hen parties. A range of options and prices are available. Contact Pauline at pauline@studioshards.co.uk or ring 07976 405 278

#### **Rare Bird Sighting**

Village stalwart Bob Rowlands, recently reported seeing a rare Wryneck (related to woodpeckers – a.k.a. Jynx) in his garden. This small but rare migrating bird feeds almost exclusively on ants. It gets its name from its ability turn its head almost 180 degrees, like Regan MacNeil in 'The Exorcist'. This behaviour was associated with withcraft and 'jinx'ing people... hence its name. (Source: Wikipedia – it must be true!)

#### North Town Field

John Hazard (957)

It may be a long time in the future but please try to spare some time for the Autumn cleanup on Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> October from 10:15 am.

Bring gardening tools.

