

September 2016

Sat 3 rd	Steyning Food Festival (start)	Steyning & environs	All Sept
Sun 4 th	Dragon Boat Festival	Tilgate Park, Crawley	10:00-16:00
Mon 5 th	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 7 th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thu 8 th	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00
	Golf & Thai	The Royal Oak, Poynings	All day
Sun 11 th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	11:00-16:00
	Walk, Tea, Cake!	Balcombe start:	09:00-10:30
	Heritage Open Day	Saddlescombe Farm	10:30-15:30
Mon 12 th	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Tue 13 th	Clayton Railway Tunnel	Free Church Hall, Henfield	20:00
Wed 14th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Fri 16 th	Octoberfeast (start), to Oct 10 th	Lewes	All day
Sun 18 th	Family Raceday	Plumpton Racecourse	All day
Mon 19 th	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Thu 22 nd	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Mon 26 th	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 28th	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30

Bus to Hassocks: Every Monday and Thursday 10:05 -12:00

Bobservation No 23. FSC & FF&FD

The Fulking Social Committee has over the years raised quite a considerable amount for village facilities and social events. Indeed, we have just given £1,500 each to the North Town Field and the Village Hall Action Group. This has been done by a small number of very willing volunteers, but due principally to villagers moving away, the size of the Committee has reduced and we need some new blood. Indeed, two of us are getting pretty aged!

The Committee is a very mixed bunch so, whoever you are, you will not feel out of place and will be welcomed by all of us. Meetings are held on weekday evenings in the village hall about five times a year.

There are two main and regular annual events; the Fulking Fair and the Christmas party. In addition, we hold occasional other social events such as wine quizzes, lectures, slide shows and music by the younger villagers. New ideas are always welcomed. For more information, give me call on 271 or email bob.pamrowland@btinternet.com.

A very big thank you to all the villagers, their families and friends who made the 2016 Fulking Fair and Fun Day such a success. We raised £636 and the Shepherd & Dog very kindly gave a donation of £600 from their Call my Bluff evening. It is always dangerous to select specific items at the risk of disappointing others but here goes; I particularly want to thank the tea and cake ladies, their helpers, those who generously donated cakes, the road and car park marshals, the Street stallholders, the guys who laid out the stall places, the villagers who lent us the car parks and tractors and by no means least, the childrens' games organizers.

Although it seems a long way ahead, please put Sunday 30th July 2017 in your diary for the next Fair. We have learnt a lot from the change of venue. To this end there's Village Fair meeting in the Village Hall on Weds October 19th at 8pm. Your ideas are important if we are to get back our award of The Argus Community Event of the year.

Too Cool for School

West Sussex County Council have asked us to remind parents of children born between September 2012 and the end of August 2013 to apply for school places for 2017. This is because they no longer contact parents automatically. Applications open on 3rd October 2016 and close on January 15th 2017. More on *www.fulking.net*.

Saddlescombe Farm Heritage Open Day

Sunday 11th September sees tours of the 17th century Threshing Barn, Tudor Scullery and Donkey Wheel at Saddlescombe Farm. You can also venture further afield for tours on surrounding Newtimber Hill. Refreshments at the Hiker's Rest cafe. Children and dogs welcome. Parking £2 - follow signposts near Devil's Dyke on the day. 10:30am-3:30pm, free admission.

Anorak Cottage...

So says the *Daily Express*, so it must be true. Find out more about life above Clayton Railway Tunnel at a talk by David Porter to Henfield History Group. It's at 8:00pm on Tuesday 13th September 2016 in the Free Church Hall, Coopers Way, Henfield.

More at www.claytontunnel.com.

Have you 'village-subscibed' yet?

Just send an email to: village-subscribe@fulking.net with no subject or contents – it's as easy as that to keep up with the latest fast moving events in the village.

Walk, Tea, Cake!

Renowned for its tasty teas and scrummy cakes, the annual Balcombe Walk will put on its famous spread again this year - on Sunday 11th September. And you can have some.

The one small proviso is that you first of all enjoy a wonderful country walk and raise sponsorship or make a donation to support

St. Catherine's Hospice, Crawley. You can take on the challenge of the full 12.5 mile circular route or you may set yourself a gentler target of 4, 6 or 9 miles. Sign up today at

www.stch.org.uk/balcombewalk or call the Events Team on 01293 447355. You can also sign up on the day itself.