

## August 2017

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Wed 2 <sup>nd</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Mon 7 <sup>th</sup>	Yoga Drop-in Session	The Village Hall	09:30-10:30
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 9 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thurs 10 <sup>th</sup>	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Fri 11 <sup>th</sup>	Pigeon Post Meeting	The Village Hall	19:00-20:00
Sun 13 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	11:00-16:00
Mon 14 <sup>th</sup>	Yoga Drop-in Session	The Village Hall	09:30-10:30
	Yoga	The Village Hall	18:30-19:30
Wed 16 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Fri 18 <sup>th</sup>	Messy Church	The Village Hall	16:30-18:00
Sat 19 <sup>th</sup>	Heavy Horse & Craft Day	Tottington Wood	11:00-16:00
Wed 23 <sup>rd</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30
Thurs 24 <sup>th</sup>	Craft & Chat	The Village Hall	14:00-16:00
Fri 25 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Beer Festival	Shepherd & Dog	18:00-20:00
Sat 26 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Beer Festival	Shepherd & Dog	14:00-20:00
Sun 27 <sup>th</sup>	Summer Beer Festival	Shepherd & Dog	14:00-20:00
	Hymns & Pimms	St. Andrew's, Edburton	18:00-19:00
Wed 30 <sup>th</sup>	Book Nook	Fulking Chapel	10:00-11:30
	Toddlers/Family Coffee	The Village Hall	10:00-11:30

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

### **Bobseration No 34: Fulking Fair 2017**

Well! with your help, if you did, and without it, if you didn't, we had a couple of very successful and enjoyable events with the Call my Bluff on Friday 28<sup>th</sup> July and the Fair on Sunday 30<sup>th</sup> July. Fortunately, the weather was kind. Financially both events resulted in a good surplus (details will follow). Regarding the Fair, it is interesting that 'the best laid plans....' inasmuch as the scheduled Punjabi Street Food was nominated for the final of the British street food competition on the same day as the fair, the pony lady decided that the available space was not for her, the music guys had a wobble over insurance, Bubble Pop was booked elsewhere and Sussex Wildlife were understaffed and could not come.

It is a great learning curve that something as simple as a village fair requires so much input by quite a few dedicated people to make it successful. Heaven knows what it must be like organising the Chelsea Flower Show. I take my hat off to them! Having said all that, the team put together what was possibly the best Fair we have ever had.

Many thanks to all involved, you were terrific! Great Teas (and cake donations - over £500 raised!), BBQ, Bar, Food, Music, Stalls, Tombola, Parking, Tug-of-War, Kids Games, Puppets, Steam engine and anything I have left out.

### **Clappers Lane Excavations**

Residents may have noticed BT's somewhat relaxed attitude to the mystery digging in Clappers Lane recently – let's hope its broadband!

Your Parish Council hopes to do better: So please note that work on "Operation Watershed" starts 25<sup>th</sup> Sept to 13<sup>th</sup> Oct. This will again involve closure of the lane. This project and funds provided by WSCC were agreed some time ago. It is aimed at improvements at several points in the Lane to reduce flooding. However, before you ask, it doesn't cover flooding at the corner by Lower Kents, or run-off from the Downs on the Poynings or Edburton roads – they'll have to be for future Watershed schemes (and funding).

### **Church Times Change**

With Caroline & Alan leaving the benefice in September, the annual "Hymns &

Pimms" service on 27<sup>th</sup> August at 6pm will be the last with Caroline. They're holding a farewell party and informal concert on 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept (more details on [fulking.net](http://fulking.net)).

Also look out for the Old Time Music Hall on 29<sup>th</sup> September at St Andrews, Edburton. (more details on the website soon)

### **Wine Bluff Called**

Wine buffs bluffed, risqué limericks were recited and the wind blew. Yes, it was the 2017 Call My Bluff Wine Quiz, held on the Friday before the Fair. Over £300 was raised by the raffle alone (thanks to Louise). Many thanks to David & Emily from The Shepherd & Dog – who coped with a last-minute change of wine supplier. Thanks also to Bob and the Rowlands crew, especially Tania whose brilliant (very knowledgeable) descriptions were outstanding.

### **Parking, Parking, Parking**

The well attended Clappers Lane parking meeting produced several interesting ideas which will be investigated further. Overflow parking schemes offer the most potential, but are expensive and complex to implement.

Meanwhile our new WSCC representative Joy Dennis will be reviewing all the parking issues that we have in the village – her support and understanding will be vital at any funding stage.

### **The Last Post**

This will be the last Pigeon Post in this format for a while, or at least until a new editor is found. Please come along to a meeting on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> August in The Village Hall at 7:30pm where we will review all things PP and decide which direction to go in next. ...or if you're keen to edit a village newsletter, email [pigeon.post@fulking.net](mailto:pigeon.post@fulking.net) beforehand. Meanwhile don't forget to send information about future events with images (smartphones are good for this!) to [webmaster@fulking.net](mailto:webmaster@fulking.net)

### **Larry! Oops!**

Apologies for the error about the day of the show, which was noticed too late to be corrected in print. Rumour has it that the spontaneous replacement event was just as entertaining

