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Pigeon Post

FAIR PLAY



Less than a month to Fulking's Favourite Summer Extravaganza... Barn Dancing and Wine Quizzing notwithstanding, the Fulking Fair is for all and sundry, and indeed attracts non residents to come and enjoy our sweet village. It also pays for things, as any child or parent who is enjoying the new play equipment in the North Town Field will tell you. **THIS IS WHY WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!!!** A handful of villagers are working their socks off to make it a success, but all you need to give is an hour of your time this fine Sunday 1 August. More is best, but even half an hour is better than a poke in the eye with a burnt stick. We need people to do the GATE & TICKETS; to help with the PONY RIDES; to help stock and run the BRIC-A-BRAC STALL; to look after the BUNJY RUN; to get involved with the DOG SHOW; and to keep THE GLADIATORS in order. If you are able and willing, contact any of these people: JENNY TOOLEY in the Shepherd & Dog, 382; NICK HUGHES, 868; CAROLYN LOVELESS, 280; LINDA COMBER, 253; and BOB or PAM ROWLAND, 271. We are also looking for DONATIONS to the Cake stall and also Bric-a-Brac; 'So far I have only had one donation,' says SHEENA TRIST, 'and that's not going to be enough for a stall.' Contact Sheena on 011. If you want to run a stall, contact LINDA COMBER as above, 253; if you want to PLAY SOME MUSIC, contact AIDAN WALKER, 735; the POSTER, PROMOTIONAL AND PUBLICITY DEPARTMENT needs some help; the list goes on. **GO ON - GET UP AND DO IT!**

Fair do's... what to see, what to do

Stalls, activities and attractions at the Fair, laid out so you can a) plan your day, b) work out where to help, c) tell your friends, d) decide to do a stall or a kids' activity. Accurate at time of going to press, but we need more stalls and activities, and likewise not all of these listed are cast-iron confirmed. It's even fine if you just turn up on the day to help

Alpacas	Lee Holden	316
Animal portraits	Sharon Tong	01903 814643
Barbeque	Tim Stace	532
Bar and drinks x 2	Jenny Tooley	382
Bric a Brac Stall	Sheena Trist	Call 011 to help on The Day
Bunji run	NEED HELP!!!	Call Nick Hughes, 868
Bunting	Lee Holden	
Cakes	Ros Foulds?	TBC: 312. NEED CAKES!
Ceramics & gifts	Lynn Roberts	01444 230054
Childrens board games	Krysia Howe	
Cosmetics	Lynne Keeble	
Cream Teas	Myriam Brenner & Jan	115
Dog show	NEED ONE VOLUNTEER!!	Call Charmayne Diamond, 197
Fairies	Myriam Brenner	TBC 115
Field and car park	Harry Diamond	197
First Aid / St Johns Ambulance	Carolyn Loveless	280
Gates & Tickets	NEED HELP!!!!	Call Jenny 382 or Tony 200
Gifts / baby items	Glenda Thomson	01444 811462
Gladiators inflatable	NEED HELP!!!	Call Nick Hughes, 868
Green roofs	Lee Evans	07775 643 384
Hampers, Jams, Chutneys, Cakes	Jo Hudek	870
Handmade animal soft toys	Michelle Cresswell	
Jewellery	Aine Henson	036
Jewellery	Shona Thomas	
Jewellery & Face painting	Kate Booth	
Knitted garments / jewellery	Linda Wolfe	494485
Music (live)	Aidan Walker	735
Pet sitting & dog walking	Heidi Elcome & Sally	07900 220017
Pony rides	TBC: NEED HELP!	Call Tony Brooks, 200
Photography	Alicia Tolhurst	07882 298810
Site co-ordinators	Carolyn Loveless, Tony Brooks	280, 200
Story teller	Richard Beard	www.storybeard.co.uk
Tombola	Anthony Kenney	171. NEED PRIZES!
Tractor Concours	Kevin Foord	TBC
Treasure Island	Abigail Dooley	
Vegetables (organic)	Phil & Henri	857714

Village Diary

Thursday 8 July, 8pm
PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Village Hall
Paula Hazard, 957

Wednesday 21 July, 7.30pm
FULKING SOCIAL COMMITTEE
MEETING AT
DOWNSIDE MEADOW
To discuss Fair matters.
Everyone Welcome
Jenny, 382

Wednesday 28 July, 7.45pm
GAMES EVENING
Village Hall
Jen Green, 552

Sunday 1 August, 2pm
FULKING VILLAGE FAIR
Stalls: Linda Comber, 253
General: Jenny Tooley, 382

Beetle Battle



From **Chris' Nature Notes** series:
On a warm summer evening in our friend's garden in early June we saw two large stag beetles engaged in what looked a lot like sumo wrestling. These beetles were at least two inches long. Each was trying to force its opponent on to its back. Eventually one gave up, having been upended twice, and beetled off. They were fighting near a dead tree, desirable as a nesting site. Later two more males flew in, probably also to fight for this des res! **Chris Gildersleeve**. Thanks to **Stephie** for the pic.



Village notes and important stuff – read every word – twice!

Wanted! – items for Fulking Fair Book & Bric a Brac stall

Donations of items for the Book and Bric a Brac stall at the Village Fair are urgently needed. If you have any books, DVDs, videos, CDs, vinyl records, cassettes, or small items of Bric-a-Brac that you would like to donate, please drop off at The Perch, Edburton Road or call [Sheena](#) on 011 for collection.

More Fair Help Please!

We still have a couple of stalls that need manning, says [Jenny Tooley](#). The fair is only 2pm till 6pm, so even two hours of help is great. But even more important are prizes (large or small) for tombola (if everyone just looks round their house they must have something they can donate) and can everyone please make or buy biscuits and cakes. We need double the amount of cakes and prizes from last year. All monies go back into our village and isn't the new playground equipment proof of that. Cakes can be taken on the day or if they are freezable they can be dropped off with me beforehand. Prizes too can be taken on the day or I can collect.

We need to motivate everyone into action even if it's only a cake to donate or something small for tombola. Contact if you want to volunteer: [Jenny Tooley](#) 382, [Linda Comber](#) 253, [Nick Hughes](#) 868, [Bob Rowland](#) 271 or [Carolyn Loveless](#) 280.

Mondays are Fundays

Just a quick reminder that Monday play in the park is still on and now even better! [Myriam](#)

Play and Tree Thanks

Judging by the activity in the playground the night of the barn dance, the new equipment (above) is a great success. Praise indeed from my 10 year old grandson, who said it was 'Cool Grandma, the best I've ever been on.' Thanks to all of you who so generously donated £1,835 towards this project.

Special thanks also go to [Jamie Thompson](#), who with his team took down a potentially dangerous tree near Stammers Hill; the cost of £250 is to be given by the PC precept to the playground appeal. Estimates were coming in at around £700, so thanks Jamie, you've saved us all a lot of money. Our next project is to sort out the bark pit! [Pam Rowland](#)

Bouncing emails

We don't as a rule print email addresses in the Pigeon, so it will have to be real names. I am getting 'message failed' bounce-backs for the emails of [Debi Sadka](#), [Dave Marshall](#), and [C.E. Heslop](#). Contact me with your up to date email address please, folks. [The Editor](#); aidan@aidanwalker.co.uk.

Lords of The Wine...

The wine evening on the North Town Field on 18 June was an unqualified success. The object of the exercise was for the one hundred participants to identify eight wines which were introduced by the wine connoisseur and proprietor of Quaff, [Toby Peirce](#), by the elegant *bonne viveur* [Jill Malby](#), and by the Lord Mayor of Fulking, the totally politically incorrect [Bob](#)

[Rowland](#). All three had the ability to lie very convincingly, but only one was telling the truth.

[Bob Rowland](#) told a highly inappropriate and irrelevant story about the reason for so many young men displaying the flag of St George from their motor cars. [Jill Malby](#) remained attractive and refined. [Toby](#) retained an air of sophisticated and tolerant amusement at our fatuous opinions. [Michael Trist](#), with his physics degree, solid integrity and unbribability, kept the score.

We left noisily and convivially with the Fulking reputation for inebriated good behaviour intact. There will be red patches on the grass of the NTF for many years. [Anthony Kenney](#)

... And The Dance

The band Moves Afoot provided another entertaining evening of barn dancing on 19 June. [Tim Stace](#) and [Jim](#) and [Carolyn Sapsted](#) gave us a great BBQ and the new and highly drinkable Ruskin's Ram ale made a notable appearance at the bar, ably served by [Geoff](#) and [Jenny](#) and their staff from the Shepherd and Dog. Reflecting the large increase in young children in the village there were many more kids than usual, which made for a much more fun event. We would otherwise have been a bit thin on the ground, so next time better attendance please! [Bob Rowland](#)

...And The Midsummer Money

The Call my Bluff wine quiz made £640 and the Barn Dance £251 = £891. After deducting £500 for the marquee (great price, thanks to [Ian Muzio](#) of Brighton Marquees) and £82 for the loo

we ended up with a surplus of £309. [Bob Rowland](#), Treasurer, Fulking Social Committee.

Village Traffic Plea

The people of Stammers Hill use the entrance to the North Town Field for turning. This avoids annoying residents of the High Street, so please don't park right up to the Town Field entrance. Thank you. [Jen Green](#)

New Parish Councillor Buried in Jam Jar Avalanche

I've been blessed with many offers of jam jars, says [Jo Hudek](#), but what I was really after was unwanted produce! I have very generously been given a huge amount of rhubarb which has been turned into jam and chutney, but it's produce I want rather than jars!

Fulking Fancies brings you a taste of our toothsome village, made to order and delivered to your door. In our cottage kitchen we make cakes, preserves, biscuits and more by hand in small batches. For more information contact me on 870 or jo.hudek@btconnect.com.

([Jo](#) has been co-opted to the Parish Council. Well done [Jo](#).)

DVD appeal

I am collecting unwanted DVDs to send to a young friend in Kenya who lives in a remote village – I raised the money for a laptop for her last year and she has become a Cinema Paradiso for fellow villagers – they all watch them together on her laptop! Children's and grown-ups' (ahem, 'adult', but we don't mean racy) DVDs gratefully received! [Chris Gildersleeve](#), 552

Amazing deal! Advertise in Pigeon Post for just £7 per issue or £60 for 11 issues. Contact Aidan Walker, details above



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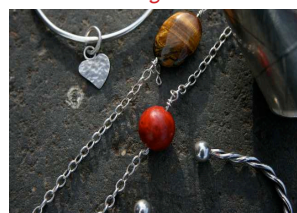
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