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UPCOMING EVENTS

Fulking Social Committee Meeting Thursday
October 17, 19.30, village hall. All welcome.

Village Hall Action Group Meeting Friday,
Sept 13, 18.30. All welcome.

Edburton Harvest Festival and Picnic in the Pews Sunday 6th October 6, 10.00. Come and join us for this annual celebration. Picnics £7 – must be ordered in advance. Email StAndrewsEdburton@yahoo.co.uk or ring 07812-465-559 for more details.

St Andrews Day Annual Quiz: Friday
November 29. Enquiries and bookings welcome. Teams of four at £7.50 per person.

Fulking Christmas Party December 7. A date for your diary!

REGULAR EVENTS

All events take place in Fulking Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Yoga Mondays 9.30-10.30. Drop in, mixed ability. Contact Tricia Robinson 255
Mondays 18.30-19.30. Drop in, mixed ability. Contact Tricia Robinson

Quotations Mondays 10.45. Discussion group reflecting on quotes from the world's faiths. Contact Samantha Leader 07479 458323.

Fulking Foxes Mondays 19.00, North Town Field. Walking / running group. More details below. Contact Samantha Leader.

Evergreens This group for the over 60s meets on the first Monday in the month (second if Bank Holiday) from February to December (not January). Location varies each month. Contact Linda Jones 032 or Betty Powell 215.

Craft and chat Second and fourth Thursday in the month, 14.00-1600. Contact Tricia Robinson

Toddlers / family coffee mornings Wednesdays 10.00-11.30. A friendly group for toddlers, older children and carers. Toys, activities, singing, refreshments. £1 donation. Tricia Robinson

Games evenings Twice a month on Fridays from 19.30 pm. Contact Jen Green jengreenuk@yahoo.co.uk or tel 552

Book Nook, Fulking Chapel. Wednesdays 10.30-11.30 and 2nd Sunday in the month 11.00-16.00

Messy Church Fun activities and supper for children and carers. Third Friday in the month except July 13, 16.30-18.00. Contact Chris 322

SERVICES AND USEFUL CONTACTS

fulking.net Fulking's community website with news and current events, calendar, useful contacts, articles about village life and history and much, much more...

Fulking Parish Council

Chair: Miles Firth. Clerk: Trevor Parsons
Contact parishclerk@fulking.net or tel 846310.

Fulking Village Mailing List alerts villagers of Parish Council news, events and matters that concern the community. To join contact <http://fulking.net/join-the-village-mailing-list/>

Fulking Social Committee

Fulking Social Committee aims to raise money for the social benefit of the village. We help to fund maintenance of the Village Hall, North Town Field and its children's play area. To achieve this we organise social and fundraising activities through the year, including the award-winning Fulking Fair in July. New members welcome, contact Bob Rowland 271

The North Town Field

Fulking's village green, located off The Street, has a children's playground. It is run by the North Town Field Committee, which protects the field from development and organises maintenance including twice-yearly clear-ups of overgrown vegetation. Chair: Tricia Robinson

Fulking Village Hall

To book the hall for a public meeting or private event such as a party, contact Carolyn Loveless 280. The hall is run by the Village Hall Action Group, part of Fulking Social Committee. The group welcomes new members, contact Jen Green jengreenuk@yahoo.co.uk or 857552. Please consider giving a donation or better still, a standing order to help with overheads such as heating and insurance. Just £5 or £10 a month will really make a difference. Contact Jen Green.

Church Services [St. Andrew's Church](#) in Edburton is our local church. Family Communion Services are taken by Revd. Tim Harford on the first Sunday of the month at 10.00. For details of other Sunday services in the benefice see <http://www.downlandchurches.co.uk>.

SUMMER 2019 NEWS

Mayfield Market Town Proposal

Miles Firth, Chair of Fulking Parish Council, draws our attention to the Mayfield Market Town proposal, which is now before Horsham District Council. This proposal is for a town of 7,000 new homes (20,000 people) within half a mile of the Henfield boundary in the Wheatsheaf Road area. After rejection by Mid-Sussex District Council, Horsham District Council are now being targeted, and are under pressure to provide new homes in their region. Should this go ahead, not only will the impact on Henfield be enormous, but also on the surrounding area in terms of stretched resources, increased traffic etc. Fulking Parish Council will note the general sentiment and provide feedback to HDC as an adjoining parish under their Community Involvement Policy.

SUMMER IN FULKING by Chris Gildersleeve

Summer seems to have flown past! We can't really complain about the weather, apart from a wet, windy bit in August, but much of the harvest seemed to be in before that. There has been enough rain to keep our gardens looking good too. Butterflies and other insects have been abundant in our garden, including peacocks, commas, marbled whites and gatekeepers. I haven't personally seen a painted lady but others have. The good news was of course fine weather for our fair, which was a great success. The not-so-good news is that Nick Hughes is leaving the village. He will be much missed for his cheerfulness, many-faceted skills and his generous donation of time to assist the village in so many ways.

ENVIRONMENT MATTERS by Pam

Rowland

The growth of vegetation this summer has been phenomenal! Please be mindful of this and keep your frontage clear, especially if you border a pavement.

The "litter bugs" seem to be out in force at the moment, please keep up the good work of litter picking. Mid-Sussex District Council are very quick to come out if there is fly-tipping that you can't handle. In this hot weather remember the birds and make sure they have fresh drinking / bathing water.

DIY AND GARDENING WORK IN FULKING

Jen Green says: Mark Wagner, who has moved into and renovated no 2, Stammers Hill, is available to do local DIY jobs, such as carpentry, brickwork and plastering, also gardening. His work is excellent! Ring 07970 461414 or email wagner.mark1@gmail.com

FULKING FAIR AND MORE by Bob Rowland

At about 2pm on Sunday 28 July I stood in the middle of the North Town Field and realised that the Fulking Social Committee together with Allsorts Dog Rescue and quite a few helpers had created as near to a perfect village fair as you will find. Perfect weather, exotic dancing, lovely dog show, a great selection of stalls of which those in the Street were much appreciated, tombola and model steam engine, really enjoyable teas and food, exciting tug of war, fun kids games, wonderful music and a highly professional bar were all enjoyed by the many visitors. It was truly memorable. And I nearly forgot! Call my Bluff on the Friday was just as successful. Overall we made a good surplus as did Allsorts. What a wonderful Fulking weekend! It will be quite a challenge to follow this up with a repeat performance next year particularly as we are so short of new helpers on the Fulking Social Committee. PLEASE give me a shout on 271 or email me at bob.pamrowland@btinternet.com if you are at all interested in helping us preserve this village fair. We desperately need your even limited appearances.

FULKING CHRISTMAS PARTY

Please put Saturday 7 December in your diary for the annual village Christmas party and bring the family.

FULKING FAIR CAKE-MAKERS

Angela Iverson says: Many thanks to all villagers who made such splendid cakes for the fair. We have three trays that were left behind in the village hall. Please call Angela on 326 to arrange collection.

PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION 2019

Our photo competition is ongoing. Please send images of local landscapes, wildlife and village life to photos@fulking.net. In December we hope to hold another slideshow with the chance to vote for your favourite picture, so get snapping! Contact Jen Green and Chris Gildersleeve.