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UPCOMING EVENTS

Fulking Royal Jubilee celebration Saturday June 4, 3 pm, North Town Field. Picnic and optional rounders, see below.

Poynings Country Fete Saturday July 2, 2-4.30pm at The Rectory Garden, Poynings. Pimms, live music, hobby horse gymkhana, shetland pony, cream teas, bottle tombola and lots more fun for all the family. For more details contact Linda Warburton, 07877263276

Fulking Fair Sunday July 24, 12-5pm North Town Field, including fun dog show, children's games, tea and cake, barbecue, bar and a wide variety of stalls. For more details see below.

Pyecombe Flower Festival, Pyecombe Church, 1st weekend in September. More details to follow.

REGULAR EVENTS

Events take place in Fulking Village Hall unless otherwise stated.

Yoga Mondays 6.30-7.30pm in the hall or North Town Field if sunny. Continuing online Mondays 9.30-10.30. Both classes drop in, mixed ability. Contact Tricia Robinson 255

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

Craft and chat First and third Thursday in the month, 2-4pm. Contact Tricia Robinson

Toddlers / family coffee mornings Wednesdays 10.00-11.30 during school terms, in the North Town Field if dry, in the hall if wet. A friendly group for toddlers, older children and carers. Toys, activities, singing, refreshments. £1 donation. Tricia Robinson

Table tennis Twice a month on Fridays from 7.30 pm. Contact Jen Green jengreenuk@yahoo.co.uk or tel 552

Book Nook, Fulking Chapel. 2nd Sunday in the month 11-4pm, or by arrangement with jane warne <lkhenfield@yahoo.co.uk>

Massage Clinics by Calluna Therapies
Mondays 10-1.30pm (Fulking)
Tuesday 2-7pm (Hurstpierpoint)
1st Saturday of the month 10-1pm (Fulking)

Fulking Parish Council News by Mark Hind, Chair of Fulking PC

Below is an update on some hot topics:

Full Fibre Broadband Scheme

The project has been given the go ahead by Openreach following an agreement from Poynings Parish Council to cover any shortfall. Although in the end we were 8 properties over the pledges needed it was 3 under after validation. It will take about 12 months for the project to be delivered and it is important that all who have pledged sign up for their fibre contracts when it is available.

Fulking Village Hall Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO)

As part of the plan to eventually buy the village hall from the Church, the Fulking Village Hall CIO has been set up, which is registered with the Charity Commission. This CIO was set up following advice from the Sussex branch of Action with Communities in Rural England (ACRE) who suggested this would be the best structure to run the hall and secure it as an asset for the community. We are still waiting for final approval from the Church regarding the sale. The current Co-Chairs of the Village Hall Action Group are two of the Trustees of this new charity, and it has been suggested that the current VHAG operation of the hall is moved into this new charity.

Ladybrook Spring

West Sussex County Council undertook temporary repairs to stop the flow of water across the road. A date for the permanent repairs has yet to be advised but we are hopeful this will be some time this year.

Volunteers Required!

We are looking for people who are prepared to occasionally give some time to help with maintenance of the village. This will include jobs such as tree pruning, painting and other minor jobs working with other volunteers. If you are willing to help support the village in this way please email me at mark.hind@fulking.net

EVENTS

Fulking Platinum Jubilee Celebration

Come and join us in the North Town Field on Saturday, June 4 at 3pm for a picnic, and rounders if we get enough people. Bring a picnic, blanket and your running shoes... Young and old, big and small, we'd love to see you. For more

information contact Sally Brownie on 079790 339429

Fulking Fair 2022 by Sally Brownie

Please join us for a great day out for all the family at our village traditional country fair on Sunday July 24 in the North Town Field and other village locations. There will be a fun dog show from the RSPCA, also children's games, tea and homemade cakes, country stalls including art, pottery, tombola, treasure hunt, even a Clive Miller barbecue, Shepherd and Dog Bar too. One of the loveliest days out in Sussex and all proceeds will be in aid of the village hall. We look forward to seeing you.

We're also calling for volunteers to help out at the Fulking Fair, for marshalling and traffic direction, stall relief, teas etc and to make it a fun day for everyone. Help also welcomed from Poynings, and will be reciprocated. To support both villages and pool our community spaces would be our future aim. If available, willing and able I would love to hear from you. Many thanks in advance Sally Brownie, 079790 339429

Tombola donations for Fulking Fair by

Rosemary Donovan

I am collecting donations for the tombola stall at Fulking Fair on July 24. If you have any bottles, jars, cans or anything you think may be useful for the stall, (alcohol, toiletries, in-date foodstuffs etc.) please leave them in the porch of 31 Clappers Lane, BN5 9ND. If you find it difficult to drop items off, I'm happy to collect. Contact me via Community Skill Whatsapp or message me on 07465211527. Thanks for your support.

Cakes needed! by Tricia Robinson

Calling all cake-makers to please bake a cake for the teas in the hall at the Fulking Fair on Sunday July 24. Helpers to serve teas on the day will also be very welcome!

Open Farm in Fulking by David & Angela Ellin

We are holding our first Open Farm on Sunday, June 12 from 11am-3pm. There will be tractor and trailer rides, farm machinery display, sheepdog display, meet our farm beekeeper, forest school activities, BBQ and refreshments. You are welcome to bring a picnic to enjoy in the field. Entry is free but it is a ticketed event so if you could register at <https://www.trybooking.co.uk/BOUZ> that would be really helpful. This is an opportunity for us to showcase how we are working on the farm. We look forward to seeing you there. For more information, please email Angela at hello@footofthedowns.co.uk.

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Parish Events

I understand that only one member of the public

attended the Annual Parish Meeting and can only hope that this might be due to Covid hangover. If it was just apathy I beg you all to get involved in this wonderful village. I have a gut feeling that some villagers have no intention of getting involved in any activities. So be it, but I feel it is very necessary that the Social Committee gets more active input from Parish Councillors, and that villagers make a greater effort to attend and indeed support the Parish Council. It used to be so much better and can be again with a positive approach on both sides.

Fulking Fair

This is going to be a REALLY successful year for Fulking Fair in the North Town Field on Sunday July 24 12-5pm including the RSPCA fun dog show, live music, Shepherd & Dog bar, Clive Miller's BBQ, Rushfield's Pies, Safari pizzas, Indulgent Ice Cream, teas and cakes in the Village Hall, children's games, tombola and all manner of stalls. Do please put this in your diary as it will be THE village event of 2022.

Advert: Massage and Facials from Calluna Therapies

Heather from Calluna Therapies is offering bespoke Massage Therapy and Neal's Yard facials at her home in Fulking. If you'd be interested in treatment or purchasing a gift voucher for someone else please get in touch. Heather is also interested in hearing from any local businesses who may be interested in advertising what she does. Contact 07817236667 or callunatherapies@gmail.com

News from Mid Downland Parish by Jane Warne

We recently held our first APCM since the combining of our four local parishes in Edburton, Poynings, Newtimber and Pyecombe. Rector Tim Harford reported on a successful year with all the churches sharing services and events. If you would like a copy of our report or news of future events email us on MidDownlandParish@gmail.com. Our service at Edburton is always on the first Sunday of the month at 10am and this is followed by coffee and bacon butties at 11am. All welcome. Our future dates include Poynings Fete on Saturday 2nd July and the Pyecombe Flower Festival in early September. We will also be at Fulking Fair selling books and bric-a-brac. Donations are always welcome and we will collect.

And finally: The next edition of Pigeon Post is due out on Sept 1. All contributions welcome, by email please to jengreenuk@yahoo.co.uk – deadline is one week before.