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Electors in Chichester District will now need to bring photo ID to vote at a polling station in May's local elections

For the first time, residents in Chichester District will need to show photographic ID when they turn out to vote at this year's local elections in May when voting at a polling station.

Residents are being urged to make sure they are ready to vote by checking they have an accepted form of identification.

Accepted forms of ID include a:

UK, European Economic Area (EEA) or Commonwealth passport; a UK or EEA drivers' licence; and,

some concessionary travel passes, such as an older person's bus pass or an Oyster 60+ card.

Voters will be able to use expired ID if they are still recognisable from the photo.

Anyone who does not have one of the accepted forms of ID will be able to apply for free ID online at

voter-authority-certificate.service.gov.uk/ or by completing a paper form.

Those that are not able to apply online can request an application form from the Elections Team at Chichester District Council by emailing <u>elections@chichester.gov.uk</u> or calling 01243 521010.

Before sending this in, the individual will need to supply a hard copy or electronic photo to accompany their application. Alternatively, if they are unable to supply their own photo or need further help applying, they can contact the Elections Team for assistance.

The full list of accepted ID is available on the Electoral Commission's website, along with more information about the new requirement and details of how to apply for the free ID at <u>electoralcommission.org.uk/voterID</u>

The new requirements have been introduced by the Government as a way of reducing voter fraud.

Ailsa Irvine, Director of Electoral Administration and Guidance, says: "Anyone voting at a polling station in England this May will need to show photo ID before they can be given their ballot paper. It's important that everyone understands what types of ID they can use, and how to apply for free ID if they need it. You can find information about the new requirement and what to expect at the polling station on the Electoral Commission's website."

Diane Shepherd, Returning Officer at Chichester District, said: "With elections taking place across the whole of our district on 4 May 2023, it is important that those who want to vote make sure they have an accepted form of ID. It might seem early but checking now means you will be ready to vote in May.

"Residents who do not have one of the accepted forms of ID can apply for free ID either online or by completing a paper application form and sending this to our electoral services team. If you need any help with applying for the free ID or want to request an application form, contact them by emailing <u>elections@chichester.gov.uk</u> or calling 01243 521010."

Anyone who wants to have their say in the elections this May must also be registered to vote. If you are not registered, it only takes five minutes to do online at <u>www.gov.uk/register-to-vote</u>. Voters wishing to apply to their council for free ID should first make sure they are registered to vote.

The requirement to show photo ID at the polling station, is a new requirement, introduced by the UK Government's Elections Act which was passed last year and comes into effect for the first time this May.



Join 4Sight Vision Support for a Fundraising Quiz Night

4Sight Vision Support (4SVS) is inviting everyone to get those little grey cells in action and take part in a fun fundraising Quiz Night to help raise funds for its work supporting blind and sight impaired residents of all ages across West Sussex.

The charity is holding the Quiz Night on Friday 17th March at Arun District Indoor Bowling Club, Nyewood Lane, Bognor Regis. There will be a fun-filled evening of quizzing and a two course meal included in the ticket price of £15 per person. There will also be a raffle with locally sourced prizes and a club bar. Entries are invited for teams of up to eight people. Doors open at 6.30pm, for a 7pm start.

Deadline for entries is 8 March. Further details of how to take part can be found on the 4SVS website:

www.4sight.org.uk/quiz-night-23 or please call the Fundraising Team on 01243 828555 or email <u>fundraising@4sight.org.uk</u>

SELSEY SHANTYMEN

Once upon a time the Shantymen, pre-Covid, sang as a group. then along came Covid and Lockdown. No more meetings and singing together, we were banished to our computers and laptops and were introduced to the wonders of Zoom on the internet. We very soon realised that although we could see and speak to one another, Zoom could not cope with more than one voice at a time.

SHOCK! HORROR! We had to learn to sing solo's.

Once restrictions were relaxed we adapted to our present format.

Looking back, if it had not been for Covid, would we have been as confident as we are now, I doubt it. At least something good, however small, came out of the epidemic.

In the run up to Christmas we sang at three venues The first in November when the illuminations at East Beach shops were turned on. In December we met up at the Sidlesham Carols and Shanty Sing along and finally we toured a number of wards at St Richards Hospital singing for many patients who would be in hospital over the holiday.

The picture shows three of The Selsey Shantymen's finest crew sporting their new jackets at the East Beach Christmas lights turn on and in advance of the oversea's tour to Belgium in June. The Jackets were kindly sponsored by a local company "The Thrive Team" who are an Executive Search and Organisational Wellbeing company.

Once again our main Charity

this coming season will be the RNLI along with the Selsey First Responders. We thank you for your continued support and look forward to meeting up again on the Lifeboat Apron before long.

1) Which Tom is the author of Bonfire of the Vanities?

editorial

Hello, and a big welcome to the March issue of the Selsey Life.

I trust you were all able to get your February copy okay? You may have seen my sister and I walking them round the village on the Friday and the Saturday - it was a bit of an adventure for us. I would like to take this opportunity to thank the two readers who very kindly had offered to assist me with delivering the February issue after reading the December editorial. It was very kind of you both. (I might yet call on you to do me a favour - a bit like the Godfather - or have I got that the wrong way round?)

We have two new advertisers this month, thank you to both of them, please help support them as you do our other advertisers.

We have received two generous donations towards the magazine, one from the Selsey Gardening Club (see their advert on page 22) and the other from Margaret Everest of St. Peter's Church (see their exciting events calendar on page 8). Thank you to them both.

Next month I will be an hour earlier with this because of the clock change, I don't like losing the hour sleep, how about you?

We also have another entry in the travels of the Selsey Life magazine. It will soon be like that credit card, recognised worldwide.

I hope you are still enjoying the magazine, but as always I welcome any feedback you may have.

Do you have a club or an upcoming event that you would like to advertise in the Selsey Life? Please email <u>selseylife@btinternet.com</u> with the details.

Enjoy March, hopefully the weather will start picking up, and I look forward to boring you silly again in the April issue, due 7th April (I have just realised it is the Bank Holiday weekend so it may be Saturday 8th).

Would you like to sponsor the Selsey Life magazine? If not the full magazine, how about sponsoring a page for a month for £20.00? We may not be able to guarantee what page, it would be on a first come basis, but we would try to match you if possible. Is this of interest? Please email the Selsey Life in the usual way, selseylife@btinternet.com.

We offer a six month subscription for the magazine for £18.00, including postage. Is it something you would like?

Please, wherever possible, do your best to support any of the local shops and venues that you can - you will miss them all when they are gone, and please mention Selsey Life when responding to anything in the magazine.

Thank you to all of you who are purchasing and reading the magazine, we are always happy to receive feedback. As always, if you have just picked the magazine up whilst in a queue or something and are not going to take it, please still consider a donation in the yellow pots, thank you

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Our 5% offer for anybody who gets us new advertisers still stands.

We are happy to receive any feedback, good or bad, along with any articles and/or photos for inclusion. Tell us what you want to see.

As ever, thank you to all of our contributors and advertisers in these difficult times, and our printers for always producing a good magazine for us.

2) In which jail was Oscar Wilde imprisoned?3) What is the name of George Smiley's wife?

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Selsey Folk & Music Club presents



Cajun, Blues, Country, Folk At The Selsey Club. Coxes Rd, Selsey PO20 9AN Friday 28th April 7pm for 7.30pm start

Julian and John are delighted to welcome our friends 'The Jigs' back to Selsey for an 'intimate concert'. This will be their third trip down the B2145 there are limited tickets for this one and they will go fast!

What others say...

"What an amazing band. What a fantastic time was had by all ... no wonder the place was packed out. What an absolutely brilliant master-class in entertainment. The whole gambit of musical styles in a one stop shop. Try and see them somewhere they are definitely worth it. We were all blown away by the band and what made it so special was the warmth and energy that came from everyone. Not only are the Jigantics all very talented musicians but really lovely genuine people"

Tickets £12.00 p/p from Julian Lindsey Clark 07721 532711 or email julian.lindseyclark@gmail.com

Another great Selsey Folk & Music Club Event



For this month's prize we have the new book by Hunston based author Rebecca Skinner: *Minor Perception : Summer Class* (See page 7 for the review).

To be in with a chance to win, you only have to find the Selsey Seagull who is hidden somewhere in this magazine, (as always, NOT this page,) and then complete the coupon below.



Completed coupons are to be posted in one of the two competition boxes, either at Raycrafts, 119 High Street, or Pretty's Newsagents at 4 Orchard Parade. One entry per coupon, copies not accepted.

Competition closes Thursday 30th March at 10am. (We regret this prize cannot be posted). You can enter the competiton multiple times, but you will need a seperate coupon for each entry.

Good luck with your entries, and thank you to Olympia Publishers for the prize.

Last month, the seagull was on page 12 in the Twister joke, and the winner of the Victory in Europe bookazine was Hilary Wright, drawn by Tina Mason. We hope Hilary enjoys it

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Contact phone number and full address:
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Selsey Schools

National Storytelling Week

Medmerry Primary School celebrated National Story Telling Week with some special visitors

Scooter the Surf Therapy Dog

Scooter the Surf Therapy Dog and his owner Kirstie returned to share a special story with the whole school in assembly. Scooter decided to read 'The Koala Who Could', this funny rhyming story spoke about how to deal with change and overcome worries, something Scooter is very passionate about! Children then had a 'Q & A' with Kirstie and Scooter, one popular question was how did Scooter learn to surf? Well, this actually started in his back garden, Scooter learnt to stand on a surf board and gained his balance and confidence before progressing to surfing in the sea. Kirstie did mention that Scooter is a little worried by the sea so this encourages him to focus on his surfing and staying on the board! Following this, some children were lucky enough to meet with Scooter where they got to design a book cover that included Scooter.







Author visit - Simon James Green

Award-winning author Simon James Green visited Medmerry all the way from London! Simon shared a hilarious and memorable assembly with each key stage as part of celebrating National Storytelling Week.

Simon shared his popular book 'Llama Glamarama' with Reception. Years 1 and 2. This wonderfully funny book includes a llama called Larry with a big secret... Late at night, when no one is watching, he loves to DANCE. The interactive assembly included some glamour and some grooving with the children dressing up and role playing as Larry. Many smiles were shared!



Years 3, 4, 5 and 6 were treated to extracts from 'Sleepover Takeover' where self-proclaimed dorky Otis wakes from a sleepover with his friends to a scene of carnage and mayhem: there's a donkey drinking at the chocolate fountain, a huge inflatable helium sausage looms above and doves are everywhere! Otis then has to solve the mystery of the mayhem! Simon created many laughs and giggles amongst the children with some fancy dress and role play and inspired many to start creating their own mystery novel.



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Staffing - As delighted as we are to be welcoming Miss Reeve back from her maternity leave after half term, it is with some regret that we say farewell to Mrs Byrne. I would like to take this opportunity to thank Mrs Byrne for all her hard work supporting our students in Art and wish her a very enjoyable, well-deserved, retirement.

YEAR 9 OPTIONS

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Year 9 Options will 'go live' on Monday 6th March with an Options booklet and bespoke website. This will kick off Options week, as part of National Careers Week.

Students, Parents and Carers will have the opportunity to discuss Level 2 qualifications at Parents Evening on Thursday 9th March. Bookings went live on Monday 27th February.

During the week, subjects not taught prior to GCSE were presented to students in assembly. Option choices will need to be in by Friday 17th March 2023.

Please find further information on our Options Website -

//sites.google.com/tas-tkat.org/y9options

HEADTEACHER'S COMMENDATIONS

This term we recognised two groups of students

- Top 10 students in each year group. based on reward points over the last half term.
- Students who consistently demonstrated exemplary attitudes to their learning across all of their subjects, achieving an average of a Grade 1 'Outstanding Attitude to their Learning' in recent reports.

Both groups were invited to have a Hot Chocolate with the Headteacher in the final week to celebrate their achievements.

Year 7

Top 10

Top 10

Jessica Thompson, Summer Breeze, Toby Pitham, Gary Butlin, Faith Morris, Anika Hastings, Daniel Bosworth, Alex Prochazka, Frankie Jenkins and Nick Allison.

Outstanding Attitude to Learning

Jessica Thompson, Summer Breeze, Toby Pitham, Gary Butlin, Daniel Bosworth, Alex Prochazka, Bodhi Orell, Ellie Jenkins, Phoebe Pledger, Lucas Mears, Clara Prochazka, Lucie Greenwood-Hewitt



Jack Taylor, Bea Avila, Colby Horsecroft,

Selsey Schools

Becci Muller, Torryn Whitfield, Tilly Benham, Conor Clarke, Alfie Lee, Lily-Marie Lysaght, Oliver Bow, Jai Pavlou, Max Ashley, Matty Mavers

Outstanding Attitude to Learning

Zoe-Ann Davey, Ryan Muller, Emily Rey-Jack Taylor, Bea Avila, Becci Muller, Barreiro, Helen Kirazyan, Conor Clarke, Alfie Torryn Whitfield, Oliver Bow, Jai Pavlou, Max Lee, Katelyn Hagel, Scarlett Riddle-Powell, Ashley, Matty Mavers, Chloe Parker, Julia Henrick Briggs, Ben Andrews, Leah Gould, Stefanska, Darcey Ford, Coby Hammersley, Wynter Thorley, Joe Mace, Oscar Lee, Holly Lou Harriott, Sandra Woszcyk Sharp.



Year 9

Top 10

Alex Vasiliauskas, Jack Hyde, Darcey Hishelwood, Billy Vantomme, Isla Lucas-Day, Oscar Wood, Mia Pickett, Kristyna Prochazka, William Stanbridge, Jake Morris, Matilda Rey-Barreiro.

Outstanding Attitude to Learning

Jack Hyde, Isla Lucas-Day, Oscar Wood, Jake Morris, Matilda Rey-Barreiro, Max Game, Naomi Urraco-Spencer, Gabby Mears, Bradley Harper, Alina Korolova, Filip Nowacki, Indgio Chady.



Year 10

Top 10

Kian Lysaght, Lilly Fauguel, Sophie Rowland, Jasmin Bridger, Stasiia Kuchmenko, Tania Buriman, Isabelle Faulkner, Faith Littlechild, Joshua Bailey, Max Oliver.

Outstanding Attitude to Learning

Lilly Fauguel, Sophie Rowland, Jasmin Bridger, Joshua Bailey, Max Oliver, Cara Pocock, Frank Hamer, Stanley Bottomley, Martha Dewey, Joe Taylor, Ellie Watman, Connie Beare, Holly McKean, Emma Ovens, Emily Snow, Rayna Doherty-Morgan



Year 11

Top 10

Zoe-Ann Davey, Ryan Muller, Emily Rey-Barreiro, Joshua Morey, Helen Kirazyan,

Danai Parr, Tom Ford, Brooke Hall

Outstanding Attitude to Learning



YEAR 10 GO GLOBAL WITH THE UNIVERSITY OF SOUTHAMPTON

Year 10 took on the Global Challenge with The University of Southampton. They embraced the debates and produced a fantastic academic presentation to a panel of judges. It



was an honour to watch them excel in this way; they were a credit to the school.

THE ACADEMY ARE WINNERS

The Academy Selsey was one of 5 teams to reach the final for this year's Apprentice Vs Dragons Den final which was held on Thursday 9th February.



The 5 shortlisted teams pitched the projects to a panel of Dragons. The event is a school engagement initiative, aiming to raise awareness and promote the value of apprenticeships amongst school children.

GCSE DRAMA TRIP

GCSE Drama students went to see My Fair Lady at the Mayflower Theatre, Southampton. For the student's Component 3 written exam in GCSE Drama, they are required to complete a live theatre evaluation, therefore a trip to the theatre is a must (and very much enjoyed!).

SCHOOL MUSICAL - MATILDA

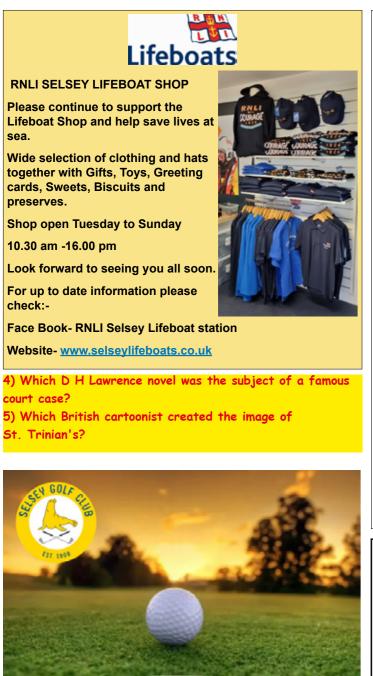
The end of March performances are fast approaching.

The Academy, Selsey are proud

to be supporting ArtsDream and our own Mr Williams in bringing an award winning Luca Silvestrini version of The Little Prince to our main hall. (See the ArtsDream advert further on in the magazine).

Key Dates Yr 9 Options start - 6th March Parents Forum - 7th March Year 11 Photo - 8th March Yr 9 Options Evening - 9th March



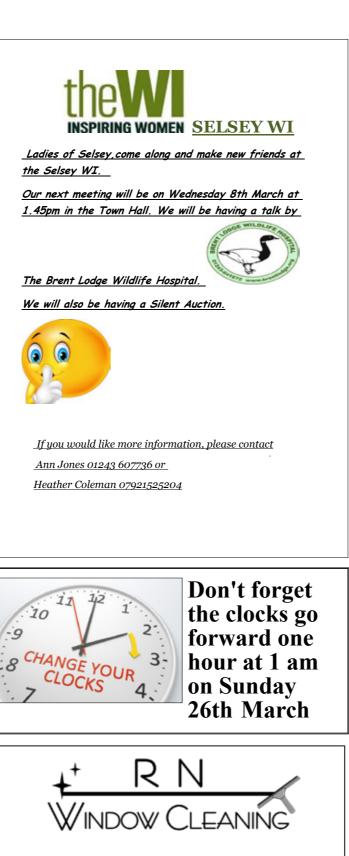


Give Golf A Go! Open Day Saturday 25th March 10AM-12NOON All ages and abilities welcome!

Come along and check out our 9/18 hole Golf Course Have a go at putting! Meet the Ladies for a chat and coffee Special Event Offer - 20% Discount for New Members joining on the Day for this Years Annual Membership! Lunch will be available from our Restaurant

Selsey Golf Club has lots to Offer!

For further information, please contact the Golf Secretary on 01243602165 or send an email to secretary@selseygolfclub.co.uk



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MINOR PERCEPTION: SUMMER CLASS

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ABOUT THE AUTHOR

Rebecca is the sole parent to three

awesome children, two of whom are

now adults. She lives in West Sussex

with her voungest daughter and the family dog. Having spent many years

working with children in schools and

sadly witnessing the daily struggles

that these young people endure.

Rebecca is amazed at what they take

in their stride. Although working from

home during the pandemic. Rebecca

was inspired to use the opportunity

to write Minor Perception in her

snatches of free time.

ABOUT THE BOOK

Do you remember what it was like to be a child in an adult's world? It's September 2019 and the beginning of a new year at Mimosa Primary School.

Holly, Louise, Otterlie and Bertie are looking forward to being in Year Five, Summer Class, with its charismatic voung teaching assistant. Mr George. None of them vet having ever heard of coronavirus.

As the year unfolds, each of them must face their own personal challenges. Dysfunctional families, gangs of local predators and the usual school bullying all take their toll. Suddenly, come the spring, everybody must face an unprecedented threat.

Narrated from four different viewpoints, this portrayal of everyday life for modern children is a timely reminder of how precarious childhood really can be and what a struggle it is to keep it protected.

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6) In which century did Geoffrey Chaucer write The Canterbury Tales? 7) Which US writer created Yoknapatawpha County?

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St. Peter's Church News

The roof restoration project is now well underway. People who care about the future of St Peter's and its extensive and highly visible roof are invited to come up with ideas for fund-raising events and/ or to help to run them. The events organiser is Sue Ripley, at marsupials@blueyonder.co.uk and she has thought of some examples; "Could you organise and run a stall at a boot sale? Could you organise, publicise and run a coffee morning and bake sale? Could you organise an Easter egg hunt with children's activities?" or something else ...? As a small way of starting to support such activities you are invited to the church hall for a light lunch of soup and a sandwich on Fridays throughout Lent (from 24th February to 31st March.) Food will be served between 12.30 and 2pm, and all donations will go to the roof and window fund. Please let Sue know if you would like to come. Next month we will receive the report of our architect's survey, and then the roofing project will go out to tender.

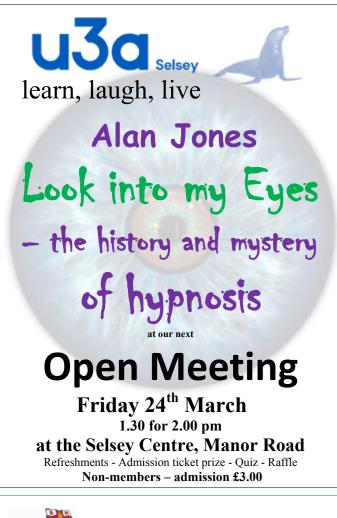
By the time you read this, members from all the Selsey churches will have gathered on 3rd March at St Peter's to celebrate the annual World Day of Prayer, which takes place annually in over 170 countries on the first Friday in March. Each year women of a different country develop and resource an ecumenical service on a different theme. This year the country was Taiwan and the theme "I have heard about your faith." The motto of WPD is "informed prayer and prayerful action", and you can find out about its year-round activities on https://www.wwpd.org.uk

We now have dates for our summer events: Monday 29th May our Spring Fair, Saturday August 12th ABBA tribute concert at the Selsey Centre, and Monday 28th August our Summer Fair, so although they are a few months ahead maybe it's not too early to note them your diary.

8) What is "Just William's" surname? 9) The Alchemist is by which 17th-century dramatist? 10) In E M Forster's novel of the same name, what is Howard's End?

11) How did US poet E E Cummings usually display his name?

12) Who created Paddington Bear?





RNLI Selsey Lifeboat Station

Selsey Lifeboats Fundraising Team is seeking more volunteers

Selsey RNLI branch is urgently seeking people to join their small but dedicated team of volunteer fundraisers.

We need general/*ad hoc* volunteers to help with marshalling and stewarding at various events; carrying out bucket and Street collections; distributing flyers and other promotional material to homes and businesses on the Manhood Peninsula. Minimum commitment to this role could be as little as 1 hour dependent upon the event.

Additionally, we need people to take on some more intensive roles requiring greater time commitments as set out below:

PR/Media Assistant – to assist with creating, producing and distributing advertising and promotional material for fundraising events, including signage, posters, flyers, social media and local press/radio for pre- and post-event publicity.

Community Event Co-ordinator – to assist with planning and organising various events throughout the year including a Sponsored Walk, Fish & Chip Supper and all aspects of Lifeboat Week.

Logistics/Transport Manager – to take charge of sourcing and managing suitable people, materials and services necessary to facilitate all planned events, ensuring that all equipment and materials are in the right place at the right time and meet all health & safety guidelines.

If you are interested in joining our fundraising team, please call Elaine on 07946 176480 or email <u>ediyb.rnliselsey@outlook.com</u>

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13) Name the American painter, John Singer ...14) Who wrote The Eye of the Needle?

AIR AMBULANCE CHARITY KENT SURREY SUSSEX (KSS) NEEDS MORE VOLUNTEERS

Air Ambulance Charity Kent Surrey Sussex (KSS) needs your support! Having just announced that 2022 was the busiest year in its 33-year history – the life-saving charity responded to 3,224 incidents last year, with 947 call outs in Sussex - KSS is urgently seeking to recruit more volunteers in order to help with more events and activities in the coming year.

The charity, which provides world-leading pre-hospital emergency care 24/7, currently has over 150 volunteers who help with a wide range of activities including managing collection boxes, marshalling at events, speaking at community events, office tasks and more. Volunteers offer a few hours on an occasional basis or regular hours each month.

Bridget Pepper, from the KSS Volunteer Development Team said, "Our volunteers are highly valued members of Team KSS, and we are incredibly grateful to everyone who donates their time to support us. Over the last year, KSS has benefited from over 4,000 hours of support from volunteers and our volunteers were involved with raising or collecting over £250,000 on our behalf."

"This year, with demand for our service at an all-time high and the need to raise even more funds due to the increased costs of operating our service, we need to recruit more volunteers and we have lots of opportunities available to suit people of all ages and abilities."

"Alongside providing our charity with critical support, volunteers enjoy many benefits from working with us, including meeting new people, attending events and feeling a sense of pride in supporting an incredible charity in their local community."

"We hope people from across the communities we serve will get in touch with us and find out more about how they can get involved. We really appreciate all the support we receive."

KSS is an independent charity. It costs £16.6M a year or £45K per day to operate its world leading, life-saving service. This is a significant increase from the £15.2M required in 2022. 87% of KSS's total income is raised through the incredible generosity of its supporters and 10% through NHS commissioning funds. If you are interested in finding out more about being a KSS volunteer, please contact volunteering@aakss.org.uk or visit www.aakss.org.uk



St. Peter's Church Forthcoming Events

Some Dates for your Diary: SPRING FAIR - MONDAY 29TH MAY 12-3pm 'ABBA' - SATURDAY 12th AUGUST to be held at Selsey Centre

SUMMER FAIR - MONDAY 28th AUGUST 12-3pm

'QUEEN' TRIBUTE - SATURDAY 7th OCTOBER to be held at Selsey Centre

XMAS FAIR - SATURDAY 25th NOVEMBER

More Details of these and other Events will follow

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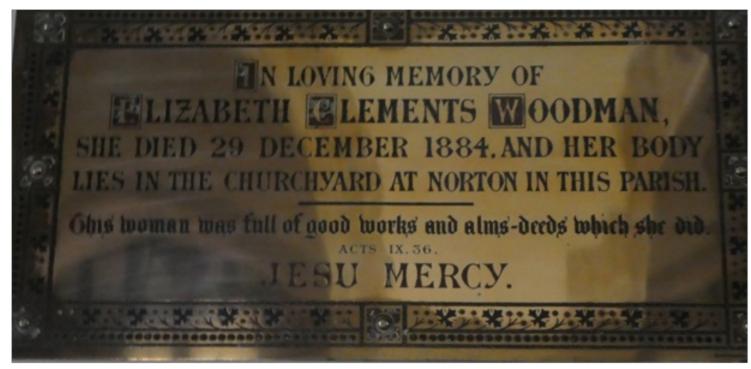
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ELIZABETH CLEMENTS WOODMAN

1808 - 1884

While I was in St Peter's Church recently, I spotted this commemorative plaque on the east facing wall of the church. I was struck by the quotation from Acts IX. Verse 36.

'This woman was full of good works and alms'-deeds' which she did.



The guotation is the King James version of the Bible and, not having been around in 1611 when it was compiled. I decided to see if I could find out more about 'alms-deeds'. After researching several versions of the New Testament I opted for the Moffatt Translation of the New Testament dated 1953 which I acquired from my Methodist Grandmother (Grandfather was a Methodist lay- preacher).

'At Joppa there was a disciple called Tabitha (which may be translated Dorcas or 'Gazelle', a woman whose life was full of good actions and of charitable practices.'

Another verse states that she made shirts for the poor. When St Peter visited Joppa he was called to her bedside and he raised her from the dead.

Elizabeth was born on 27 July 1808 and baptised by Rev. Cornelius Green on 29 July 1808 at Church Norton. She was the daughter of William Woodman and Elizabeth Lambert Woodman née Float(e) who were married in Selsey on 5 June 1804.

The 1841 census shows William aged 70, a farmer, Elizabeth aged 55 (his wife), and Elizabeth aged 30, George Frederick Woodman (born 1821), Charles Marten Woodman (born 1826), It would seem from this that Elizabeth junior was born in 1811. By 1851 the family had grown somewhat with William being 81, Elizabeth L being 68 and Elizabeth C being 35. Mary Ann was born 1819 (although in 1841 she was born ca 1821 and George Frederick. As the census was taken once every 10 years, it is obvious that no-one of the time was doing the maths and this continues through all the census records. Therefore, should I, at any time, have got hold of the 'wrong' Elizabeth, I can only apologise. However, it is reasonably certain that William was a farmer employing 10 labourers in the High Street, Selsev.

Other members of the household in later years were George Frederick Lambert Woodman and William Cousens/Cozens Woodman. The farm grew apace as by 1861 William was a farmer of 168 acres (customary). Customary rights are rights which have their origins in feudal times and are enjoyed by all or some of the inhabitants of a particular locality.

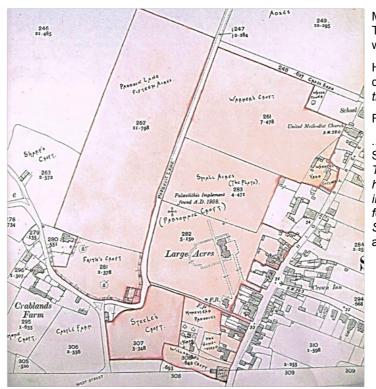
The household consisted of William (who died 15 May 1863), Elizabeth Lambert Woodman who was buried on 12 June 1861 and Eliza Lambert Woodman, a daughter, who was baptised on 4 September 1805 and who died on 25 May 1872. In addition we have Amelia Hale (who was a daughter but who was the only girl who married - more of her later). Then Elizabeth Clements, Mary Ann, Francis Hale (more of him later also) and, in 1881, both parents having died, Elizabeth was a farmer employing 6 men and 1 boy on 200 acres. The farm then passed down to each sibling who was still at home in turn until their deaths. In 1881 the domestic servants were Sarah Fidler and Elizabeth Hart. As both of these are Selsey names, perhaps any remaining relatives would get in touch if they have any information about them. I would be pleased to hear from them.

Elizabeth Clements Woodman died on 29 December 1884 and was buried on 1 January 1885 at Norton. Probate was granted to Mary Ann in 1886. Elizabeth's personal estate was £271. 19s. 0d - a considerable amount - as £100 in 1885 is worth £16,440.36 today.

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Having fought my way through the undergrowth so to speak I would like to turn my attention to Edward Heron-Allen's Selsey Bill 1911 where we find A H Woodman. J S Woodman. Messrs Woodman and W Woodman. He also stated 'The part called 'Small Acres' contained the farmhouse, now known as Hale Farm and in the occupation of the Messrs. Woodman'.

The road running east-west at an angle at the top of the map is Cross Lane, later known as School Lane. The road running north south, again at an angle is Paddock Lane. The first plot bordering Paddock Lane and Cross Road is Warner's Croft, behind the United







This picture is more modern but illustrates rather nicely the herringbone pattern. It comes from the Peter Ogden Collection which I have.

Methodist Church, the plot below is Small Acres, also known as The Plats, while the plot below that is both Large Acres, part of which was Parsonage Croft.

Heron-Allen also describes lintel stones with inscribed initials and dates – 'such a stone may be seen under the gable roof fronting the High Streetat Hale Farm (A H Woodman's) inscribed: TS1699.

Frances Mee's History of Selsey elaborates further:

.. it had lime washed walls of stone and flint with brick dressings'. She also says that the inscribed stone proclaimed 'the builder as Thomas Sheppard of Sidlesham. The house has a distinctive herringbone pattern of roof tiling. By 1937 it had been converted into a Boarding House, but in the 1940:s part of it was pulled down for road widening and the last part was demolished in 1962. A Shell Garage now occupies the site.' It is my belief that in 2023 it is a car wash business but I'm sure I will be 'told' if I am not right.

> This postcard from the Tim Floyd Collection is dated 1905 so perhaps the boarding house phase started earlier than Frances Mee thought. That is pure speculation on my part however.

past times

But now we take a look at Amelia Woodman who was baptised on 28 October 1806. On 16 September 1852 she married Francis Hale, Esg. RN, late of HMS Daphne. According to the Cornish Weekly news of 1st October 1852, Amelia is the second daughter of William Woodman, Esg. of Selsey House, Nr. Chichester but I can find her only at Home Farm, or Hales Farm, Selsey. She was 44 years old when she married Francis - he was two years younger. In the 1861 census Francis was staying with his wife's family in Selsey but his marital home was at Portsea. Amelia continued living with her family until Francis' retirement.

Francis was born in Falmouth, Cornwall on 6 August 1808, son of Francis Hale and Ann Braily. In 1828 he enrolled in the Royal Navy and was a Master's Assistant between 7 July 1828 and 19 February 1832. He passed for Master on 26 February 1836. 'HMS Daphne' was the 5th ship on which he served. By the end of his career he had served on a further 11 ships.. As the Royal Navy has a disconcerting habit of changing or duplicating the names of their ships, I intend to avoid this minefield. Francis Hale's service record is available from National Archives, ref. ADM 96/21/53, but the online images are not very clear.

While serving on 'HMS Tribune' between 9 June 1853 and 24 August 1854 Francis gualified for '? Line of Battle ships' and while serving on 'HMS Hawke' he was Staff Commander from 11 June 1863.

Francis was removed to the Reserved List as at 26 July 1865 and he retired as a Commander on 12 October 1867. His record shows that he died on 4 August 1880 and his widow was awarded a pension of £80 from 5 August 1880. He left a personal estate of under £300 and was buried on 10 August 1880 at Norton with Henry Foster officiating.

The 1881 census shows Amelia back at Hales Farm, aged 75 and she died on 27 November 1885 at Selsey. Her Personal Estate was £209, 11s 5d

While researching this article I came across a different branch of the Woodman family who all farmed at Norton. Both families are related if you go back far enough and, again, they duplicate many of their family names.

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Selsey Bill 1911 by Edward Heron-Allen, pages 312 and 375. My source in the USA says this is what he does in the absence of anything more official.

Rev. Andrew Wilkes for allowing me to photograph the commemorative plague and for assisting me with the biblical references

Special Thanks

I would also like to thank the people of Selsey and beyond for the kindness and care I have received since John's death. It is much appreciated.

Selsey Fire Brigade for providing a guard of honour at Chichester Crematorium.

SELSEY WINE INTEREST GROUP - (S. W. I. G.)

For our second meeting of the year we embarked on our European Wine Tour, starting in Italy.

First up was a 2021 Canaletto Pinot Grigio (13%) from the Venezie region of Italy. This well known elegant dry white wine is derived from the French pinot gris grape. It's distinctive sharpness and slightly citrus notes make it an excellent appetiser to be enjoyed on its own or with creamy pasta sauces, fish and seafood dishes and white meats.

This was followed by a mystery white wine which was a delightful 2020 Viognier ("Reserve Pierre", 13%) from the Loire Valley of France. The old terraced vineyards of clay and limestone soils combine with the warm and sunny climate to produce apricot and peachy flavours and notes of beautiful white flowers. With its round feel on the palate and its golden colour, this wine goes well with duck, chicken or a fruit dessert. Not so well known perhaps, this blind tasting defeated the skills of all the members present !

We went on to a 2020 Pillastro Primitivo (13.5%) from the famous Puglia region of Italy. This smooth red wine is blended by a 'growers union' of nearly 1,000 farmers in this very popular wine growing area. With exhilarating flavours of blackberry and raspberry, the early ripening primitivo grape is very similar to California's Zinfandel grape.

Although our second mystery red wine was also not Italian, it was quickly quessed on a blind tasting by half our members, including all three ladies. It was a 2021 Australian Shiraz (14.7%) from a single Vineyard, the well known Tait Hamilton Vineyard in Heathcote, Victoria. This signature wine has a deep red colour and a lovely brightness of flavour of blackberries and cherries, and also a sweet spice note. There is also a slight chocolate characteristic which is partly a trait of Heathcote grapes, and partly from the time spent maturing in new oak barrels. The tannins feel plush and supple in this full bodied Shiraz.

And finally, the star of the show was a powerful, deep ruby 2017 Valpolicella from the very famous Amarone denomination. Regarded as the Veneto's leading red, at 16%, - mature and memorable, this is considered one of the greatest, but most unusual red wines in the world. When at their most ripe, the Valpolicella grapes are picked then hung up indoors to dry and shrivel. Then the wine is fermented very slowly to 16%, making it just about the strongest natural wine possible. This high quality red from near Verona was a delight to drink. It was not surprisingly voted unanimously, with maximum points, our wine of the month !

Next month we intend to vineously visit Spain. If you would like to join us, please email me at lunn.peter@gmail.com.



an enchanting story of love and friendship

for children and grown-ups aliko



'THE LITTLE PRINCE'

A first for Selsey!

We need minibus drivers. Training will be given. All you need is to be a confident driver, have a ready smile and the patience to help your passengers on and off the bus. With category D on Arts dream is delighted to collaborate with the Academy Selsey on your licence, you can drive our smaller buses and you will be bringing the Professional Dance Company Protein to undertake a even more welcome if you already hold a category D1 licence for production in the Academy. A fantastic treat for everyone! driving the larger bus.

As one of the most distinctive voices in British dance theatre, Luca Silvestrini has been using a blend of original choreography, spoken word, humour and music to entertain and provoke audiences since 1997. Connecting people and everyday life through dance, Protein has carved out a reputation for high quality, innovative work in both professional and community settings blurring the boundary between watching and participating.

Thanks to Applause Rural touring Protein are coming to Selsey! Wow!

The Little Prince is a story of love and friendship for children and grown-ups alike. The production is suitable for everyone, but we suggest 5 years and above, although siblings and 'babes in arms' are to be welcomed

Why don't worms have balls? Because they can't dance.

The authorities were called to a housing estate after a man was shot in a row over a carpet. Police suspect it was rug related.

A man went to the doctore, saying he kept dreaming he wrote Lord of the Rings. The doctor diagnosed he'd been Tolkein in his sleep.

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Selsey Venture Club

Selsey is well known as a retirement destination 🚈 with its level ground, bright skies and sea air delivered at Force 7. Over the years it has developed a network of support organisations, particularly for those who are well into their retirement years. One of the oldest of these is Selsey Venture Club which started in 1967, fundraising out of a caravan in Elm Grove, in order purchase a minibus to provide transport for less mobile residents. It has continued to develop over the years and currently has a fleet of 3 buses, with tail lifts, that can be seen regularly around the town.

For a modest membership fee, a phone call to the volunteers who man the office will result in a doorstep pick-up for one of the regular trips, be it to the shops, to church or to one of the local activity groups, including those run through the Care Shop. The club building itself provides a social hub serving



refreshments after shopping trips and other events.

The membership renewal time for the Club is upon us and membership is open to anyone over 60 and anyone with a disability - most of our clients are well over 60! If you are interested, please phone the office, see below for details.



If you talk to people living in other areas, they are amazed at how much is provided in this community and we are very lucky. We are very fortunate to have people who will volunteer their time, but we always need more.

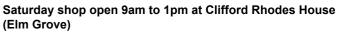
Do you have some time to spare perhaps you are newly retired, between jobs, working part-time or free during school-time and able to help?

The buses are kept on the road by constant fundraising with the Saturday morning sale of good second-hand clothing and bric-a-brac from the Club's buildings, just off the High Street, next to the smaller Co-op store. Saturday staff are also needed.

Please consider helping this charity – one day you may need its services!

Office hours Mon - Sat 9.30 to 11.30 am Phone: 01243 605115

email: ventureclubselsev@gmail.com



Selsey Royal British Legion -Fishing Club

New Members Welcome.

For details ring Brendon oarsefishing 01243 601009



community news

Update from the Chichester Neighbourhood Policing Team **Rural Vehicle Crime**

We have received an increase in the number of reports of thieves targeting vehicles parked in rural carparks, local beauty spots and laybys across West Sussex to steal valuables. Whilst your vehicle is parked, ensure you do not have any valuables on display and leave any high-value items at home before setting off on your journey.

Having your car broken into and losing your possessions to thieves can be very upsetting. Wherever your car is parked - on your driveway, on the street, a car park or in the middle of the countryside, follow these simple steps to keep your vehicle and vour belongings safe:

- 1) Always lock it even if you're only away from it for a moment.
- Ensure windows and the sunroof are closed when you leave the vehicle to prevent "fishing". Don't give thieves any opportunity to access your vehicle.
- 3) Secure your number plates with tamper-resistant screws to make it harder for thieves.
- Fit locking, anti-tamper wheel nuts to secure alloy wheels. 4)
- 5) Secure anything on the outside of your vehicle.
- Remove your belongings mobile phones, coins, 6) sunglasses, bags, purses and wallets can earn an opportunist thief quick cash.
- Never leave Sat Navs, cables or devices of any sort on view - preferably remove them from the vehicle.
- Vans are often targeted for the tools stored inside. Please 8) don't leave them in your van overnight. If you have to then please consider a lockable cabinet or property marking system

Should you witness anyone acting suspiciously around a vehicle or a crime in progress then please dial 999 straight away.

Front office opening hours Chichester:

Chichester Police Station, Kingsham Road, Chichester, PO19 8AD Open: Monday - Saturday 9am -8pm. You can contact your local team in the following ways: Call us: on 101 to report a crime or 999 if it's an emergency. Email: Chichester@sussex.police.uk

Midhurst:

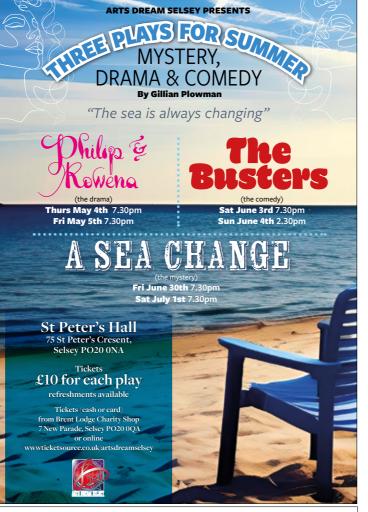
Midhurst Police Station, Bepton Road, Midhurst, GU29 9NB. Open: Monday - Friday 10am - 2pm. You can contact your local team in the following ways: Call us: on 101 to report a crime or 999 if it's an emergency. Email: Arun@sussex.police.uk

QUIZ NIGHT

A quiz night is being held to raise money for the First Responders in Selsey. The date is Friday March 24th and the venue the Selsey Private Club. Doors open 6 30 for 7 30pm start.

Entry fee £5 per person max of 6 people to a team. Prizes for the winning teams and there will be a Raffle with prizes donated by Selsey people and businesses.

If you want to take part in the quiz please phone or visit the Selsey Private Club (01243 606015) or email kinoble60@yahoo.co.uk.



ORSU By Gillian Plowman

Following the success of One Last Adventure, written during lockdown and performed to masked and distanced audiences, it seemed that we had discovered a new genre of theatre. We could not get together to rehearse, and we were not allowed to move onstage, but a radio play does not need lines learnt or movement directed. It needs skilled actors who can make a story bounce off the page. So we're doing this again. Three more hour-long radio plays for this summer with original music written and played by the inspirational pianist Sylvia Rota. Come along and watch and listen.



Philip and Rowena meet in the hospice and form an immediate alliance, making plans to wine and dine and travel through Europe together. Through the power of visualisation, they enjoy themselves dancing the can can in Paris, shopping at the leather market and promenading at the opera in Florence. It is never too late to fall in love!

Busters

George and Duncan have been persuaded to go to The Busters well-being and weight loss class where they meet and band together to brave the odds! The evening takes a dramatic turn as secrets, revelations and conflicts bubble to the surface, and new horizons appear for both men.

A SEA CHANGE

Marie and Peter are on holiday with their friends in a twohundred-year old cottage in Cornwall. Marie hears strange disturbing voices in a language she doesn't understand. A violent storm springs up with tragic consequences. Is it the same storm that wrecked so many Cornish fishing boats a long, long time ado?

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The Write Zone with Tara Lennon



What on earth has happened to the quality of train travel lately? No more, 'let the train take the strain'. Each time I step onboard a train to London, I feel like I'm plunging headlong into delays and uncertainty. Week after week

delayed by a

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there's one issue after another. Slow trains, trains with faults, discover that the train signalling faults, stretches of faulty track. And if the infrastructure had a food service. For isn't the issue, it's the crew or, specifically, shortage of crew. If not just ten pence (yes, crew shortages, mysterious 'operational issues.' If not 'operational that's 10p, not a issues', trains that are subject to sudden changes of destination typographical error) I and are terminated early, far short of their original destination. purchased a delicious Overlay this with uncomfortable seating, depressing lighting and fresh samosa as large as my fist, and a cup of sweet milky chai for abysmal toilets and you have, ladies and gentlemen, a national rail an astounding one penny. The fare for this entire five-hour journey service to be less than proud of and, for which, we pay exorbitant was the princely sum of £3.75. And five hours later my train arrived fares. The reason that all of this moaning springs forth is that I'm according to its timetable and, in spite of rattling through the desert writing this squashed into a window seat on an overcrowded train for nearly two hours, did not run slow or suffer any kind of carriage on my way to London, carrying with me and mechanical mishap. simultaneously resenting the strongest expectation that something Meanwhile, when my train will go wrong.

Compare this to a train journey I made in India about five years ago. The station was no less busy than Chichester at peak time, and made all the more interesting by the colourful array of travellers and the fact that quite a number of pigs were wandering about. Oh, and monkeys. If you've ever travelled by train in India you may know that each arrival and departure announcement is finished in a colourful flourish by a little blast on a trumpet. Wouldn't

it be lovely to have National Rail announcements that are just as endearing? I had been warned that Indian trains run to strict timetables and not to be late. And so I had already had plenty of time to spare when my train, a great dusty mouth-breather of a locomotive, clanked



into the station. Unlike the UK, when you buy a train ticket in India, you are guaranteed a seat. Your passage is allocated not just by seat number, but by carriage number, and the carriage numbers on this train seemed not to be sequential. I fought through the

8 February 2023

Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat launched on service twice in 4.5hrs

The first call came when the UK Coastguards requested the attendance of the inshore lifeboat (ILB) at a Sussex Police led incident at Elmer Rock Islands. The ILB launched at 10.19am and was released at 11.03am to return to station.

At 2.33pm the ILB launched once again at the request of UK Coastguard after they received a call from a member of the public saying a swimmer appeared to be struggling on the west side of Selsey Bill. The ILB made best speed to the area and on arrival

15) How was the photographer Emmanuel Rudnitsky better 16) Which James Joyce novel has the name of a (nown?

human life spilling from the guts of the machine onto the platform, and eventually spotted my carriage with a high measure of relief. I climbed aboard, located my seat, stowed my bag and settled back. I was surprised at how spacious the seating was, more akin to an airplane than a train. Even though the upholstery had seen better days, there was generous leg room, enough to stretch out properly without kicking the person sitting in front of me. And the seat reclined too. I can't remember ever travelling anywhere on a British train in standard class where the seats reclined. There was even a footrest and a little net pocket to stow my things. With deep creak of iron, the train departed. I checked my watch. Departure was precise, and this was the way it always was with Indian trains,

so I was told. We rattled into open countryside and I was delighted to

stopped at Three Bridges I pulled myself back to the present and realised that. so far. nothing had gone

wrong. In a forgiving state of mind, I got to wondering if I had exaggerated the degree of National Rail's unreliability. Perhaps, I told myself, I had simply been unlucky. In fact, it didn't take me too long to convince myself that I had barely a scrap of a complaint to write and, rather than bore you with my train woes. I'd be better off scrapping this article and writing something completely different. Just as I was mulling this over, it occurred to me that my train had been waiting at Three Bridges for much longer than usual. Its engine had fallen silent, and it wasn't long before myself and my fellow passengers started looking around guestioningly. I cursed inwardly, bracing myself for an announcement that the train had broken down. But then, with something that sounded like an apologetic clearing of the throat, the guard announced an issue new to me that I can now add to my catalogue of complaints: the driver had gone AWO AWOL.

I rest my case. And that being so, that's why you're reading this. 7ara

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were informed the swimmer had made it safely ashore. Selsey and Littlehampton Coastguard Rescue Teams were also tasked to this incident. The weather on scene for both incidents was calm conditions in sunshine.

The crews today were first incident Helmsman Harry Emmence, Andy Lee, Neil Martin.

Second incident Helmsman Rob Archibald, Craig Sergeant, Max Wiseman.

If you do get into difficulty while swimming remember the RNLI advice Float to live.

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Common Frog

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

My friend Alf passed away a few years back. He loved Sussex and he loved wildlife but Alf's real passion was amphibians: newts, frogs and toads. Alf loved them so much his funeral service ended with that Paul McCartney Frog Chorus song. That's commitment for you. I spent the rest of the week with that annoying 'bom-bom-bom-aye-e-aye' tune rolling 'round my head. I'm sure Alf was laughing

somewhere. While I was helping Alf's family clear his house I was honoured to be I given one of his prized possessions: a clock that chimes each hour by playing a variety of frog croaks. Long ago Alf's wife Iris had made him take the batteries out because it was unbearable.

But there was no silencing Alf's pond each spring. Each year it would come alive with the sound of a real frog chorus. Alf was proud of his pond. Creating a garden pond, no matter what size, is one of the best things you can do to help wildlife in your garden. If you're lucky, in March it will turn into a hotbed of activity as Common Frogs return to mate and lay their eggs. After spending the winter hidden away in the garden, it's time to go a-courting.

Approach the pond quietly with a torch and you can observe the mating frogs. Look closely and you may be able to identify the male frog (darker with a bluish tinge to his throat) and the female (white granulations on her flanks). But if you can't notice



Frogs spawning c Derek Middleton Sussex Wildlife Trust

these features then the males are on top and the females Sussex Wildlife Trust are on the bottom. The lustful male will hop on the female and grasp her as tight as he can. He even develops special extra-grip pads on his forearms and he'll use those powerful back legs to boot off any rival males who try to muscle in. In theory, the males with the longest and loudest croaks are the most attractive. but with females sometimes outnumbered ten to one by males the pond party can get loud, chaotic and confusing. Amorous male frogs will grasp anything: a log, a fish, even another male (males have a special croaking signal which politely informs other males there has been a misunderstanding). Female Common Frogs can lay up to 4,000 eggs, although 1,000-2,000 is more normal. These are fertilised by the male as they emerge and form into those familiar clouds of iellv spawn.

So, in tribute to Alf I decide to restore his croaking clock to full working order. I re-installed the batteries and nailed it proudly on my office wall. After two hours I turned it off. That croaking was unbearable! I'm still sure Alf was laughing somewhere.

Sussex Wildlife Trust is an independent charity caring for wildlife and habitats throughout Sussex. Founded in 1961, we have worked with local people for over half a century to make Sussex richer in wildlife

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage. Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, Wildlife magazine and our Sussex guide book, Discovering Wildlife. It's easy to join online at sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join

SUSSEX WILDLIFE TRUST March 2023

No events in the Chichester area planned for March



17) I Married a Communist is by which author?

18) What does ECG stand for?

19) Which nation first gave women the right to vote?

Chichester Natural History Society April 2023

CHICHESTER

Wednesday 5 April

Illustrated Talk by Dr Erica McAlisterof the Natural History Museum on 'The Secret Life of Flies' to the Chichester Natural History Society at The Pallant Suite, Masonic Hall, South Pallant, Chichester, PO19 1SY at 7.15 pm. Open to all

Entrance members free/visitors £3 wheelchair access

rspb	giving nature a home	RSPB Events for March 2023
СНІСНЕ	STER	Thursday 30 March
Illustrate	d Talk by Stua	rt Malcolm on "Birds of Wisconsin" to the

Chichester Local Group at The Pallant Suite, Masonic Hall, South Pallant, Chichester, PO19 1SY at 7.30 pm.

Entrance members £2-50/visitors £5 07545 376074 wheelchair access



The First Flutter of the Butterfly

Alice McDougall

Surely, a butterfly is one of the most enchanting sights of Spring - that flicker of colour, the delicate guivering wings - and then, in a flash, it's gone, moving on to the next flower to extract its sugary nectar. This month look out for early arrivals: the bright yellow of the Brimstone, the Orange Tip, the Peacock, the silvery Holly Blue or the jagged wings of the Comma.

But how do they make this journey to being a beautiful fluttering butterflies? We all know about the very hungry caterpillar, but what happens next?

During its relentless leafy feast, the caterpillar (larvae) will go through a sequence of skin moults stimulated by a hormone called ecdysone, eventually spinning itself into a chrysalis to hang from the underside of a leaf or rock. The body will then release enzymes called caspases which dissolve most of the cells and reduce the caterpillar's body down to a mushy, soupy slush. The cells which survive this process are called imaginal discs and they do the work in forming the body parts of the butterfly - the wings, the eyes, the legs.

You might ask - how do we know all this? The groundwork for understanding metamorphosis started over three hundred years ago, and the person who pioneered this research may surprise you.

Maria Sibylla Merian, born in Germany in 1647, was a superbly talented naturalist and illustrator. In 1699, aged fifty-two, she defied all convention and set off on a two-month sea voyage to the South American country of Suriname.

This in itself is fascinating for a woman of her generation, but her expedition didn't stop there. Merian trekked into the depths of the dark, tangled undergrowth of the rainforests, under the high canopies of the treetops, and immersed herself in the sheer abundance of Suriname's flora and fauna. She meticulously observed, sketched and documented the process of metamorphosis in butterflies and moths, completing an important and influential catalogue of work.

So if you find yourself at Pagham Harbour or Medmerry admiring the ephemeral beauty of a butterfly, consider not only the incredible transformation it's made, but also the intrepid journey Maria Sibylla Merian made in order for us to understand it.

Why not join us on one or our guided walks this month to look for signs of spring, including the first butterflies of the year? Find out more by visiting our website https://events.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour or call 01243 641508.

TRANSCENDENCE

BEETHOVEN TCHAIKOVSKY ELGAR PINK FLOYD four momentous minds in exquisite flawless balance four composers seven musical notes one aim - the quest for

perfection THE FIFTH SYMPHONY. THE 1812 OVERTURE. THE ENIGMA VARIATIONS. THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON.

Four inextricably linked works 165 years apart one outcome - eternal critical acclaim The arrangement of musical notes in sequences impervious to hindsight The abstract works of unshackled unfettered minds, minds decoupled from reality The purest water filtered down through hardest rock over centuries The very pinnacles of the highest most slender spires never before or again conquered

Four composers whose emergence from the inescapable maze confounded its constructor



Explanatory Note: Pink Floyd's masterpiece eighth album The Dark Side of the Moon was released way back in the vinyl age on 1st March 1973. Although now 50 years ago, time has not and will not blunt its relevance its majesty or its genius. Syd Barrett the band's founder departed 4 years before its writing/recording due to mental health problems. Quite simply had the band not experienced his leaving, this immense piece of work would not exist. Perhaps Pink Floyd might have been short lived had he been well and remained, perhaps it might have produced even greater things under him. As it is, this timeless gem - sounding as fresh today as it did upon release - will go on to outlive us all, just as Beethoven Tchaikovsky and Elgar are continuing to do.



Comon Frog c Mark Hamblin 2020Vision



The brilliant yellow-green Brimstone is one of the first butterflies to emerge and be seen flying, basking and feeding on nectar on flowering plants in March. [Credit: Katie Nethercoat (rspb-images.com)]

WATERS GILMOUR MASON WRIGHT Four men in occasional agreement Four musicians seven musical notes one aim - the quest for absolute recognition

Bringers of other-worldliness to the seemingly mundane Discoverers of a fourth Prime colour Builders of height to shadow Trespassers of secret caves before their formation Walkers of the air beside the tightrope Finders of a heartbeat where there was none Players of an eighth musical note Excluders of indigo from their prism refraction Travellers surpassing the speed of light Visitors to the very ends of the deepest the blackest caverns of the human mind Discoverers of an impossible mathematical flaw Attainers of the unattainable, to go where no mind can ever follow

Four musicians who ensnared, mentally digested and then liberated

THE DARK SIDE OF THE MOON

JOHN BYRNE 2022 ARTWORK JASON BETON

deliberations

DONNA'S DELIBERATIONS

Well, hello and welcome to March my fellow Selsonians! I trust this Apparently, for something to be considered 'vintage' it should be finds you in fine fettle now that, technically at least, we have turned the proverbial corner into Spring. I don't know about you, but I think that was a long old haul through autumn and winter, this time round. The Johnson household has been plagued with 'lurghis' of various sorts for the last few weeks, so I'm relieved that we have landed, safely, in the rather more clement month of March! Hopefully, it won't disappoint us!

Given that Mr J is a teacher, he tends to refer to our years in the academic sense, so this part of the year, the Spring Term, he considers to be practically the end of the year, as his students are preparing for their GCSEs and A levels in May/June - after that he starts the whole process again with the next group of students. Occasionally, I will catch a few seconds of a conversation with a parent, when he is holding a 'virtual' Open Evening, and I am reminded of just how stressful it can be when our children reach 'exam season'.

There seems to be so much pressure on our young people these days - far more than when I was at school. The world was a far simpler place, when I left school for University in 1978. (Work it out!!) That doesn't, of course, mean that it was 'better' - we still had a Grammar system back then and I 'lost' friends when, at just 11, some of us went to the Girls' Grammar School and other the local Secondary Modern. I remain convinced that determining a child's academic future on the basis of a score in a so-called

Intelligence Test', taken when many children were just 10, is just wrong - it can't be an accurate predictor of their future achievements and it's incredibly divisive. Anyway, don't let me go down that road! Anyone who knows me will be aware that it's a particular grumble of mine!

One thing Mr J did mention to me, while he was sitting at his computer preparing various all singing and dancing little videos

for his students, was that March 2nd is actually 'National Old Stuff Day' - I know, I can anticipate the quizzical look on your face, I had it as well! It's one of those 'days' which originated in the States, and which has been exported over here. It was traditionally the day when, stateside, people cleared out their 'closets' (wardrobes to us) and generally 'tidied up' for spring. It's evolved somewhat



and on our side of the pond, it is a day when 'old stuff' is actually appreciated. Who knows, a rummage around the loft or in the back of a drawer may uncover something which is really interesting, from March brings with it the beginnings of new life again. Plants are days gone by. Mr J is using it as a lesson for the 'repair, repurpose or reuse' slogan which many people use when referring to 'recycling'. We have become very much the 'throwaway' society and it's true that, in many cases, it's more expensive to have something repaired than to simply throw it away and buy new. Seems ridiculous, but that's just how it is, these days.

It's very easy to just let things gather dust, isn't it? If we don't use something everyday, it's easy to just push it to the back of the cupboard and there it will stay; technology and the speed of its advance is partly responsible. Having said that, it's likely that 'old' technology has provided the foundations for what we use today. I think 'National Old stuff Day' can mean different things to different people; it may be that we remember the things we left behind - 'things' which help us cherish a moment which was particularly significant to us - perhaps a book we've had since childhood, (I still have Mandy and Bunty annuals my parents bought me every Christmas!) or a family heirloom which has survived the generations.

Mind you, whenever we talk about 'old', the question has to be, what makes something 'old?' Well, that's pretty subjective, isn't it? at least 30 years old and for something to be labelled antique, it needs to be at least a century old - but, we don't seem to have an accepted definition of the word 'old!' The fact is, we shouldn't stop appreciating things just because we consider them old (whatever that may mean!) We should appreciate the value that age can bring to things -wine matures and improves, 'retro' furniture becomes guite sought after, and those stamps still stuck to the envelopes of important letters, can be worth a pretty penny. More importantly, though, 'old' things can connect us to different times of our lives, - and time, as we all know, is priceless. My children grew up in a period when technology moved forward at a rapid pace -

many of our family photos reside on a 'cloud' somewhere in cyberspace, books tend to be 'downloaded' then deleted. letters are now emails. often also 'deleted' so as to save 'memory', and family games invariably require a computer rather than a dice! All this is to be embraced, of course, we can't, and shouldn't try to impede progress, but in 20 years time, when my children are clearing out that drawer or cupboard somewhere, just what will remain to remind them of previously cherished moments? I suspect very little. As Bill Gates once famously said: 'The advance of technology is based on making it fit in, so you don't really even notice it - it's part of everyday life'. That's exactly what has happened - we are no longer a society of 'things', of the tangible, but a society which largely functions via the invisible. It's stealthily crept up upon us. Unfortunately, I'm not sure how much longer 'Old Stuff' Day will be able to continue.

March, however, is an important month for things other than this 'Awareness Day' - it was named after the Roman God of War. but I think it's actually one of the more positive months of the year. The flowers are beginning to bud, there are copious amounts of chocolate in the shops ready for Easter, and the days begin to get noticeably longer. What I didn't realise was that on the nights of March 6th and 7th, we will have the 'Worm Moon'. "What is that?" I hear you ask? Frankly, until I started to do a bit of research, I had

no idea either! Apparently, there is something called The Old Farmers' Almanac, and in the 1930s it began publishing the names of the full moons (didn't know they had names, but there you go...) Native American Tribes referred to the full moon in March as the 'Worm Moon' because it was thought that, as the ground



began to thaw after the winter, the earthworms would begin to appear again; symbolically, the Worm Moon is a reminder that 'harbingers' of spring, bringing with them hope for this new life which is beginning to awaken, and as the worms begin to move their way through the soil, they transform waste into vital nutrients which the plants then go onto use. Change is often happening even though we can't actually see it. I will never look at March's full moon in the same way again!

So to all you gardeners out there, I wish you well during this month. Our gardens will be awakening from their winter slumbers and in next to no time, the weeds will be running everyone ragged again! Remember though... 'A weed is just a flower growing in the wrong place' - a saying attributed to a lady called Cecelia Ahern and 'The only difference between a flower and a weed is judgement.' (Wayne Dyer)

Take care everyone. Donna donnajohnson279@gmail.com

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We are pleased to include a further entry in our series showing the travels of the Selsey Life:

"Dear Selsey Life,

I'm enclosing a photo taken this month (February) when on a Line Dance break at the fabulous HYDRO Hotel in Eastbourne. The dancers are Jean Ward, Josette Coulston, Liz and Mick Cottrell and myself, Hilary Wright, proudly holding the Selsey Life."



Would you like your picture in the Selsey Life showing our magazine on a journey or holiday with you? It does not have to be an exotic location, (although they are nice). Just email a picture into us at selseylife@btinternet.com with a brief bit of info and we will be more than happy to include it.

The Selsey Private Club, Coxes Road

PO20 9AN 01243 606015 New members welcome.



Come and join the Selsey Club and enjoy some of the finest beers, wines and spirits in our warm and friendly lounge bar areas, where you can sit and relax, watch TV, play darts or cards or have a frame of snooker or billiards.



You will also find a wonderful function room where there is entertainment most weekends and where Sunday Lunch is served, the Best Roast On The Coast.

There is a weekly Bar Menu with specials on food and drinks, please enquire as below.

The Selsey Private Club Ltd is a family run Club and is the perfect venue for all your parties and celebrations. Please call 01243 606015 for all enquiries..

Old, New and Current members always welcome. Just call in we will show you around ...

Keep an eye on our Facebook page The Selsey Private Club Ltd for updates.

We are host to the RNA and the Selsey Lions

Lots going on - check us out on Facebook The Selsey Private Club Ltd

ARE YOU RECENTLY RETIRED? LOOKING FOR A NEW CHALLENGE? **DO YOU ENJOY DRIVING?** WANT TO HELP THE PEOPLE OF SELSEY? ARE YOU ABLE TO SPARE A FEW HOURS A WEEK?



You will have seen the popular Selsey Shuttle Bus driving round the village. If you think you might like to volunteer to drive it yourself, helping people who otherwise would not be able to get out and about, then please contact us on 07925 580443 to discuss it further.

This volunteer driver role is very fulfilling and training is free. What are you waiting for?



What's on for March

Saturday 4th. The fabulous Tania Honey (Change to last month's advert)



Friday 10th. Bobby Barnes Covering songs from accross the decades

Saturday 11th. Members party

Friday 17th. DJ Panda St. Patrick's Irish theme night



Saturday 18th. DJ Tubbs 70s Fancy Dress Party Nite - Let's stir some memories/ Best fancy dress wins a prize.





Friday 24th. First Responders Charity Quiz Nightt with Kevin Noble

Saturday 25th. The Vincents Band - From Rock to Pop



Friday 31st Tubb's Ska, Motown, Reggae, Northern Soul Feel the love tonite



Don't forget to book Mothers Day Lunch Special for Sunday 19th March

ALL THE ABOVE BOOKING ONLY

1st Wednesday in month Selsey Gramaphone Society 2.30pm and Jamming at 7pm all welcome Every Sunday Music Club in the bar 4pm to 7pm Sing along. Folk and Music Club 3rd Wednesday of the month 7pm (fee) Every Wednesday Julie's Art Club 3pm Every Wednesday Bar Billiards League Evenings Every Monday Darts League Every Friday Snooker League Every Tuesday Bingo Bonanza Every Thursday Quiz is the Biz

Please enquire Most of the above are free to club members

community news



The Selsey Photo Archive website is a community driven site, run by volunteers. Its purpose is to make images of Selsey's past available to a wide audience and encourage people to celebrate and engage with Selsey's unique history. Hundreds of photos of Selsey can be found at: https://www.selseyphotoarchive.co.uk

We welcome new volunteers to scan and catalogue photos - training will be given. If you, or someone you know, have photos or postcards of Selsey and are willing to lend them to us to be scanned for the website, please let us know. Alternatively, photographs can be donated for scanning and then they will be deposited at the West Sussex Record Office in Chichester. Contact Joe Savill at the Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group for more information: jsavill@mwhg.org.uk

This is one of the photos on the website, along with a modern view



Ref: SPP/1/1/44



Selsey High Street looking south from Lewis Road. The picture was taken about 1914, the year after The Pavilion was built.

The buildings on the left are still there, but a number of those on the right have been knocked down and replaced.

Lewis Maidment owned the cycle shop in the foreground. He was a saddler and a cycle agent who moved to Selsey in 1903.

In the mid 1920s Lewis was an automobile engineer and ran a garage here, with additional premises in Lewis Road. He installed petrol pumps in front of the shop.

Maidment's garage was still advertising in 1970 and the petrol pumps were still there until the late 1970s.

If you can provide more information relating to this postcard, please leave a comment under the photo on the website.

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St Wilfrid's Hospice Making a difference to local lives

The Moonlight Walk

Could you be a star for your local community? The Moonlight

Walk returns for 2023 on June 17th and starts at our exciting event village at Chichester College and takes participants on a 5 or 10-mile memory walk around Chichester from 8pm. The walk includes a special stop at Guildhall in Priory Park,



where there is an in-memory archway to remember your loved ones

Book your tickets now: stwh.co.uk/moonlight

*The Moonlight Walk is proudly sponsored by Henry Adams

Are you planning a wedding?

We have a wide collection of wedding and bridesmaid dresses, as well as accessories, suits and table decorations at our Terminus Road outlet in Chichester! Just as you would with a wedding dress shop, you can book an appointment and you can come and browse and try on our pre-loved dresses. It's a wonderful way to keep to your wedding budget, and give these dresses and accessories another chance to shine!



Meet Louise, one of our Clinical Nurse Specialists!

In our latest edition of St Wilfrid's News, we spoke to Louise all about her job and why she loves being a nurse in the local community. You can read Louise's story, and our Spring hospice newsletter on our website: stwh.co.uk/louises-story



Give and play in our Spring Raffle

The St Wilfrid's Spring Raffle has launched and we've got some exciting prizes to be won! Our top prize is £2000, 2nd prize is a £500 Marshalls Furniture voucher and our 3rd prize is a £250 Lazy Susan Furniture voucher. Play from only £1 and buy tickets from our website: stwh.co.uk/raffle, or scan the QR Code.



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Need some Mother's Day gift inspiration?

Our 12 local charity shops are full of wonderful hidden gems and treasures waiting to be found!

We have plenty of affordable, unique, pre-loved items that you can buy for Mum this Mother's Day. Not only can you find the perfect present, but it will be a sustainable one too. Pop in to your local shop and have a browse! Find your local shop: Stwh.co.uk/shop

Are you interested in taking part in the Great South Run? Why not get active and join #TeamStWilf this year?

We have a number of places available for the Great South Run on the 14th-15th October 2023. These exclusive spaces are available at a discounted rate of £25, with a suggested minimum fundraising target of £200.

To find out more, please email fundraising@stwh.co.uk or call 01243 755184.

20) Which household item is made from naphthalene?

- 21) Which instrument did Lionel Hampton play?
- 22) Complete this US football team's name: Arizona ...
- 23) What was once called brimstone?
- 24) How many sides are there in a pair of nonagons?
- 25) What colour is carmine?

Friends of Selsey Medical Centre (FSMC) Charity No: 1013645



INTRODUCING NEW SELSEY MEDICAL SERVICES

At this time of year the Friends of Selsey Medical Practice are reminded to renew their membership for the coming year.

The Friends are a group of Selsey and Sidlesham residents who collect and give funds to enable the Selsey Medical Practice to purchase equipment and services not normally provided by the NHS.

Just recently the Friends have donated £35,000 to fund a new Care Shop staff member, who will assist any local individual with non-medical issues such as debt, employment, form-filling and other general advice. They will be available at Selsey Medical Practice every Thursday with or without an appointment.

The Friends have also just committed the sum of £3,000 to contribute towards an initial 6-month trial, offering a private car service to take patients in need of assistance from their homes to Selsey Medical Practice and back. This service will also extend to hospital appointments at St Richards, Worthing Hospital and Queen Alexandra in Portsmouth. It is known that similar services elsewhere directly help the NHS by reducing the number of patients who are unable to get to their appointments (DNAs). To enquire about using this service please contact the Care Shop in Selsey High Street (next to Raycrafts), telephone 01243 201616.

The Friends find it tremendously rewarding to contribute towards these valuable services for the people of Selsey. Anyone can become a Friend of the Selsey Medical Centre for a minimum donation of as little as £5 per year. Some people give more if they can. Or they may decide to remember the Selsev Medical Centre via the Friends with a gift in their will.

If every one of the 12,500 patients who can use the services of the Selsey Medical Practice were to donate £5 per annum, the Friends would raise £62,500. Sadly over the years the number of Members has reduced to fewer than 300. This equates to 2.4% of the Selsey patient base. Of course many people have different priorities, but we're sure many more would like to become a Friend of Selsey Medical Practice when they know the importance of the work we are supporting and how few people are supporters at the moment!

To become a Friend of Selsey Medical Centre please phone 01243 607869 and talk to our Membership Secretary, who will welcome your call!

TLH/3/23

Is your piano no longer singing in tune with you?



Serving the Selsey Community

Lyn Tarver

Certified piano tuner with over 20 years experience

Text requests/inquiries to 07398410502

the Garden our monthly guide to gardening - In memory of Giles Peare Jobs for March Tender young shoots of perennials will now start pushing up from below soil level once the weather warms up so get ready to protect from slugs and snails. Surround with barriers and apply organic wildlife friendly products. Apply salt to paths, drives and gravel areas before weeds start developing. This is safer than using weedkiller. Prune bush roses (Hybrid Teas & Floribundas), remove all damaged or diseased stems, cut away any thin or spindly growth, and cut back weak shoots hard. Towards the end of the month - remove old flower heads from Hydrangeas and cut back each stem above a strong pair of buds to the required height. Clean up any decaying vegetation in ponds, part drain and refill. Give fish an occasional feed and a regular feeding next month. Check and start water pumps. Plant out Narcissi, Daffodil and Hyacinths that have finished flowering indoors and apply 'Maxicrop' or tomato fertilizer. Continuously dead head Narcissi and Daffodils to lengthen flowering periods and keep strength in bulbs. Tip Top Tips Plant Gladioli corms at fortnightly intervals from the middle of the month Deadhead Pansies. Violas and Primroses. Use clear plastic egg boxes as mini propagators for seeds - put in compost and seeds and keep moist pierce lids and oped later to harden off. Put in a teaspoon of camphor or a lump of charcoal in a vase of water for Narcissi and Daffodils, they will last a lot longer.

Never leave your linseed bottle empty - garden tools will complain.

- Hoe weeds regularly now, it will pay great dividends later on.
- For the best crop of onions sow on what was St Gregory's Day (March 12th).
- Chew a sprig of parsley after eating garlic or curry, it will freshen your breath and get rid of the aroma.
- People in Ireland sow peas on St Patrick's Day may be it would work over here !
- Give a posy of wild scented Primroses and Violets for Mother's Day and enjoy Simmel Cake

29 November 2022

Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat launched, after reports of two people cut off by the tide.

The D class inshore lifeboat was launched at 10.52am on Tuesday 29 November after a member of the public approached the station mechanic saying he had seen two people cut off by the tide on the Kirk Arrow shingle bank.

The Coxswain phoned the UK Coastguard and reported it to them who requested the launch of the D class. The inshore lifeboat was on scene at 10.55am but with nothing visual they approached the beach where some members of the public walking. These people saw what appeared to be people on the shingle bank but Selsey's 5th Seed & Plant Swap Walk Swap Walk Sunday 5th March - 11 - 3 pm at The Bridge Support Centre behind Selsey Library, PO20 9 EH Share your spare seeds and plants, look for exciting new ideas for 2023!

Contact Paul on 07815790770 Organised by Selsey Community Forum

Selsey Gardening Club

Our meeting this month will be our AGM. Friday 10th March

> St Peters Church Hall St Peters Crescent, Selsey 7.30pm start

Subs will be due for renewal at £10 per person for the coming year.

Cash or Cheque payable to Selsey Horticultural Society. If you should wish to pay your subs online please ask for account details



Raffle, Tea & Coffee available

For any further information regarding the club please contact Amanda (Chair) on 604634 or Tony (Vice Chair) 07546 491353

disappeared when they looked again so assumed it was birds.

This was reported to the Coastguards who were happy to stand the lifeboat down to return to station after a search around the bank. The weather on scene was wind force 3-4 NNE with a smooth sea in overcast sky. The inshore lifeboat returned to station at 11.07am and was recovered straight away. The incident was logged as a false alarm with good intent. The crews today were ILB, Helmsman James Albrey, Dan Langford, and Max Wiseman. Shore crew, Driver Chris Bowling Head launcher Simon Hutt.

The Importance of Daffodils: The National Garden Scheme and Marie Curie.

Visiting a National Garden Scheme open garden is an affordable and enjoyable way to spend a morning or afternoon. Walking around a beautiful garden whether it is big or small can raise the spirits and create a sense of wellbeing.



However, visitors often don't realise that gardens owners and the people that support them are all volunteers and that every penny raised is donated to health and nursing beneficiaries.

One of the charities that the National Garden Scheme supports is the end-of-life charity, Marie Curie. In the 27 years the National Garden Scheme has supported Marie

In the 27 years the National Garden Scheme has supported Marie Curie we've donated over 10 million to help Marie Curie provide its end-of-life community nursing service, supporting their nine hospices and funding their information and support service helpline.



Marie Curie services touch many of us and our loved ones, its nurses bringing support and companionship to many in a time of crisis. It's a charity that also stands out from the crowd because of the bright, daffodil symbol that is

now synonymous with Marie Curie.

"Daffodils in bloom are one of the first signs of spring. They're strong, resilient flowers that pop up year after year and they're a symbol of new beginnings. Their bright yellow colour brings hope for brighter days ahead," says Michelle Martin, Director of Development and Communities at Marie Curie. "The Marie Curie daffodil unites us in our wish for better end of life care for all.

Read more at

https://ngs.org.uk/my-daffodil-is-for-better-end-of-life-care/



Kate Harrison, West Sussex Publicity Officer, for the National Garden Scheme suggests three West Sussex National Garden Scheme gardens featuring glorious displays of daffodils opening in April.

Newtimber Place

Newtimber BN6 9BU

Beautiful C17 moated house (not open). Gardens and woods full of bulbs and wild flowers in spring. Herbaceous border and lawns.



Fred had been drinking in the pub all night. When he stands up to leave ha falls flat on his face. After trying again with no success he figures he'll crawl outside to get some fresh air to see if that helped, but he had the same result. He decided to crawl the four streets to his house. When he got there he tried to stand up to open the door but as it opened he again fell flat on his face. He crawled upstairs to the bedroom and pulled himself up by the bed, but straight away falls onto it. As he is so drunk he falls off to sleep right away.

He wakes the next morning to find his wife standing next to the bed shouting that he'd been drinking again. Trying to look innocent, he says "What makes you think that?" to which she answers, "The pub called, you've left your wheelchair there again!"



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Moat flanked by water plants. Mature trees, wild garden, ducks, and fish. Open for the National Garden Scheme Sun 16 Apr 2pm - 5.30pm . Admission £6, children free. Book online at <u>https://ngs.org.uk</u> or pay on the day.

Bignor Park

Pulborough RH20 1HG

11 acres of peaceful garden to explore with magnificent views of the South Downs. Interesting trees, shrubs, wildflower areas with swathes of daffodils in spring. The

The Manor of Dean

Tillington Petworth GU289AP

The Manor of Dean is a traditional English garden of approximately 3 acres with extensive views of the South Downs. Herbaceous borders, early spring bulbs, bluebell woodland walk, walled kitchen



garden with fruit, vegetables and cutting flowers. NB under long term programme of restoration, some parts of the garden may be affected. Open for the National Garden Scheme on Tue 21 Mar (10.30-12.30); Sun 23 Apr (2-5); Tue 16 May (10.30-12.30). Admission £5, children free. Home-made teas. Book your tickets in advance on the National Garden Scheme website https://ngs.org.uk or pay on the day.

Other gardens opening in Spring 2023 are **The Old Vicarage** Washington, **Champs Hill** Pulborough, **Cookscroft** Earnley, **Denmans Garden** Fontwell, **54 Elmleigh** Midhurst, **Fittleworth House** Pulborough, **Foxglove Cottage** Horsham, **Hammerwood House** Iping, **The Hidden Garden** a Community Garden in Selsey, **Highdown Gardens** Worthing, **Knepp Castle** West Grinstead, **Peelers Retreat** Arundel, **1 Pest Cottage** Midhurst, **Stanley Farm** Liphook, **Terwick House** Petersfield and **Warnham Park** Horsham. Please visit the National Garden Scheme Website for details <u>https://ngs.org.uk</u>.

Enjoy an exclusive garden visit with our wonderful By Arrangement option

For West Sussex NGS gardens opening by arrangement with the garden owners visit <u>https://ngs.org.uk</u>.

March's Update

This is our second month where we are running a 'Focus On' which will highlight the work each of our staff do and last month it was our pleasure to bring to you Karen Halford, our Community Support Manager (if you missed it you will find the February edition available on the Selsey Life website).

This month the spotlight is on Sarah Palmer.

Sarah joined Selsey Community Forum in 2022 as our Strategic Lead, and bought a wealth of knowledge from her work with IBM,



improving many of our back of office IT needs. Her heart though was with sharing her skills as a trained yoga practitioner and gualified counsellor.

Sarah quickly became involved in the Together lunch at the Methodist Church on

a Thursday (10am -3pm). These days guest numbers have grown from 10 to 20 to 32 people attending.

Sarah attends all day herself and runs two sessions

called 'Mebilising Mindfully' - gentle seated exercise at a pace for people with a range of health care needs, mobility issues and cognitive impairments. People can attend individually or with their carer.



The feedback has been incredible - 90-year-olds saying they can now stand up safely without their stick, bend over and touch toes, or generally feeling exhilarated after a session!

The daughter of a gentleman living with dementia who attends, said that her father sang

one of the songs, on the drive home. She said "He LOVES this song, even if he forgets the words - and loves you, too!! He remembered the moves!'



We know that through regular sessions people will experience the increased flexibility, bend, twist and stretch moving more freely, develop additional strength and balance and of course through the breathing improve pain management, and cognitive function. It's a win-win!

Yoga is mentally and emotionally positive. There are studies that indicate yoga can reduce stress,

anxiety, and depression, and even make those who use it more hopeful. Sarah uses her 20 years of experience of yoga practice to bring this into the mobility mindfulness classes tailoring these sessions to be fully inclusive for people of all ages. As well as practising mindfulness in daily life, it can be helpful to set aside time for a more formal mindfulness practice this class is aimed at teaching you the skills you need and take the concepts home. This enables people to bring mindfulness, gratitude and movement into their daily routines. Sarah says: "Living a fulfilled life and bringing love light and joy to the forefront of all those I meet is my only mission in life. "Be Happy Be Healthy Be Strong" "

Sarah will also be running the sessions over the next few months at The Rookery every other Tuesday from 14th February 2023. Booking is required for all the above activities, and this can be made through the Selsey Care Shop.

Other aspects of Sarah's role with the charity include the

Counselling Services. As a Qualified Clinical Psychotherapist Sarah can provide space for people to work through their emotional and mental health issues. She coordinates a team of Qualified Counsellors to provide support, guidance, and techniques to get through challenging and complex times. Sarah sits on the WSCC/NHS and Voluntary Sector Mental Health and Wellbeing Board, keeping us involved in the wider framework, policy and networking. She is supporting a number of



families within Selsey helping with issues around behaviour, bedtime routines, nutrition, and that all important Mindfulness helping with practical hands-on advice and support. Sarah connects and works in partnership with the new Public Health England funded school nurses for parents to seek advice and other MH and WB services in West Sussex enabling positive and fruitful links with parents and families.

Some quotes from Sarah

"The most beautiful moments in life are moments of when you are expressing it not seeking it" "Remember the Sunshine is always Time, a full day of a variety of activities including just behind the clouds" "A fear is just a thought and thought can be changed"

SPONSOR ~ DONATE ~ LEGACY

The Selsey Community Forum provides a range of services for all ages living in Selsey and neighbouring parishes. The scope of the work has increased rapidly since the pandemic and the SCF will continue to respond to local need. It relies on grant funding to enable the excellent work it provides, and the reputation is renowned throughout West Sussex and beyond. The Voluntary and Community Services (VCS's) fill the gaps that the statutory agencies are unable to fill. Commissioning of services tends to go to the larger charities. SCF will always work in partnership with other agencies if the end goal is to "respond to local need". However, SCF requires ongoing funding to do so. We are grateful that we receive regular donations of funds, time and money from individuals and businesses in Selsey. If you would like to sponsor an activity for perhaps a month or a year, then please talk to us. Equally, it may be that you have seen, or perhaps directly experienced, the support that SCF offers and may be interested in leaving a legacy to SCF, then we would love to discuss this with you or your family.

There is a great opportunity coming up where you can meet many of our staff, volunteers, and partner organisations at the Selsey Community Event on Tuesday 21st March from 10am-1pm at Selsey Town Hall. The event is FREE to pop in. Refreshments available courtesy of UK Harvest.



Come along to our FREE Community Event which brings together a host of organisations here to help, all under one roof at the same time for your convenience.

- be inspired
- find opportunities to connect
- · gain support for you and your family
- maybe even identify volunteering roles that may enable you to find a special place within the beautiful community here in Selsey.



Working in partnership and collaboration with these organisations has enabled Selsey to become the

Amongst the growing number of organisations so far signed up to exhibit, we have:

- Friends of Selsey Medical Grow Selsey Selsey Wellbeing Services Practice Selsey Money Support • U3A Selsey Employment Services
 Selsey Arts Dream Selsey Befriending Support
 Selsey Lions Good Morning Selsey Calls Youth Dream Selsey • My Future Care Handbook Selsey Carers Support Manhood Wildlife · Selsey Care Shop West Sussex Fire and Rescue
 Say Aphasia UK Harvest Teams from Business Continuity/Resilience St Wilfrid's Hospice and Safe and Well Service Selsey Churches WSCC Selsey Library Mulberry Divers · Cove Communities Alzheimer's Society
- Carers Support West Sussex · CDC Community Warden

If you want to know more of the work of Selsey Community Forum in the community or are interested to join us as a volunteer bringing your skills to help develop the groups, or simply donate to our community organisation that we will no doubt all benefit from in the future, if not now, then please contact us at The Care Shop.

Selsey Community Forum

Telephone: 01243 201616

Email: mail@selsevcommunitvforum.uk Website: www.selseycommunityforum.uk Address: Selsey Care Shop, 121 High Street, Selsey, PO20 0QB

Opening Hours: Mon – Fri: 9am – 4pm Sat: 9am – 1pm Sun: 10am – 1pm

Forum Supporters, please pop in or check the website www.selseycommunityforum.uk

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Selsey Methodist Church

As you read this Shrove Tuesday and that mound of pancakes is probably a distant memory and we'll be well into the season we call Lent. A lot of people give things up for these few weeks – as children we used to give up chocolate and our Mum would give us so



much per day to put into the charity pot that we used to try and fill before handing it in and starting all over again.

I haven't given up chocolate this year or anything else. In fact, as a Church, we're thinking about getting something more more fruit. Maybe not the kind of fruit you're used to buying from the supermarket or greengrocer though. We're thinking about 6Ms of fruit and, no, not mango, mandarin, melon, mamoncillo, macadamia and marionberry since you ask.

Our six Ms are:

- Modelling good (for us godly) character 1.
- Making good work 2.
- 3. Ministering grace and love
- Moulding culture 4.
- 5. Mouthpieces for truth and justice
- 6. Messengers of good news

We're trying to be the kind of people that we believe we - and all people – are called to be. We want to try and do the right thing and make a difference. And we want to share the good news that we can all have hope and encourage others. Now, we know that we don't always get it right but that won't stop us trying.

If you'd like to explore more about this do come along to our Wednesday Church Fellowship discussions on a Wednesday afternoon at 2.30pm from 22nd February and on through Lent. Otherwise, join us or any of the other Churches in Selsey on a Sunday morning. Our services at the Methodist Church start at 10.30am - other Churches may have a time or venue to suit you.

Even if you don't join us, I would encourage you to think about how you can be a 6M person – the more of us who sign up, the better place this world will be.

With all good wishes

Tim 🛈 Tim Cooper Local Lay Pastor, Selsey Methodist Church





cold during January and February and not so much golf has been played due to the course being so wet. The grounds staff have been working in all weathers and the course will be in its usual pristine condition very soon.

So as there is not very much golfing news, the ladies play a roll up on a Monday when they can, it seems an appropriate time to write a short history of the early years of the Golf Club. This has been written before but there are a lot of new folk now living in Selsey who may not know much about the origins of the club.

The weather has been very wet and

Around about 1903, a Mr William Ford Lewis, a banker from Thanet and keen golfer who had achieved a high standard in the game, came to Selsey to live. His son, John Withercombe Lewis, was 17 and had sustained a serious head injury at Harrow School which left his sight seriously impaired. However being the son of a golfer, John, known to his family and friends as Jack, was also a very good golfer and at the age of 17 played off scratch or better. With his sight impaired he was still able to play to his handicap, it is written that he could see the ball to tee off and seemed to know where he had hit it to and as he apparently landed his second shot near the hole on the greens so could putt out easily. Jack had learnt his skill at the Mid Surrey, now the Royal Mid-Surrey, Golf Club course, and the professional at the time was John Henry Taylor one of the best golfers of the time. There was no golf course first Mens Captain to go on the board in 1927. The first 'Hole in near Selsey so William Lewis secured the rights to the land that the golf course stands on today. John Taylor, a close friend of William's, designed the 18 hole course and the first nine holes were ready in 1908. Unfortunately it was a long time before the second 9 holes were completed due to the interruption of WW1. Whilst the proposals for a golf course in Selsey were being finalised and put into place, Jack went to Agricultural College in Ashford Kent to learn about land management. Jack then became the groundsman for the club. The second 9 holes that had been still under construction were left to nature and wartime agriculture. During WW1 Jack remained working at the club and managed to keep the first 9 holes going, although there was no help as so many men had gone to war. Jack married and had 3 children but sadly lost his life in 1918 whilst cycling home from the course. Jack's brother-inlaw. Dick Jewell, took over the running of the golf course and the Club continued to grow and thrive.

In 1897 a tramway was opened from Chichester to Selsey and remained the main source of transport until 1935. Plans had been produced in 1907 to make Selsey into a super seaside resort, apparently with 3 piers and wide promenades. The tram would play a vital part in transporting visitors to the resort. Also, of course, it would allow golfers from the surrounding area to travel to the golf club and a Halt was built on the course in 1908. The tramway passed along the right-hand side of the course. Membership of the club rose to 100. On the August Bank Holiday of 1908, 400 passengers crushed into the train for the last journey of the day back to Chichester around 7 pm but the driver left the guard behind and had to return to Selsey to pick him up!

By 1923 the second 9 holes had been completed and Selsey Golf Club was now a well established 18 hole golf course. Unfortunately in September of that year the train left the rails on the

journey past the golf course and plunged into to the pond on the right of the 1st tee.The fireman sadly lost his life. Much disruption was caused to the first hole. Unfortunately this was not the only disaster to befall the





Club. In February 1934 the clubhouse was destroyed by fire and had to be rebuilt. This was done very quickly and later that year was open for the members. In 1941 the Germans dropped a bomb on the course by the 7th hole causing a large crater which was left to become a pond.

In 1949 the Club was sold to Max Faulkner and

his father. Max Faulkner was British Open Champion in 1951. The Faulkners sold the course to the Wickens Brothers who took the second 9 hole course and built a holiday complex. Thus Selsey was once again a 9 hole course.

Across the honours Boards in the clubhouse so many names can been seen from those early days, the Jewells, Pugh-Cooks (Jack's wife's maiden name), Carpenters, Harveys, Potters and Hares and they were soon joined by the Keeps, the Buxton-Knights, the McGlashans, the King-Farlows, Simpsons. the Greville-Williamsons Many of these men and women went on to be the captains of their sections and in 1945/46 Mrs Buxton-Knight of Redhatch, Vincent Road, became Lady Captain for the second time, having first been Lady Captain in 1935/36 alongside her husband who was the Men's Captain. A lot of the cups and trophies were donated by the people named above and are on the boards around the Club House and some of the boards date back to 1921. Apart from the years of WW11, 1940 to 1945, these competitions have been played every year since 1921/22. Mr. G Beldam was the One' that was recorded was in 1927 and that was achieved by Mr. T. Keep The lady Captain's board dates back to 1927 and the first lady Captain was Mrs F Potter in 1927/28.

In the days after WW11 a lot of women were able to play golf and at one time the membership is reported to have been around 80. Women having worked through the war were no longer needed as the men were able to take over in a very many cases.

Today most women work as well as looking after their homes and families which leaves very little time for an absorbing sport such as golf. However the ladies section is growing and there is an opportunity for ladies to play a 9 hole competition or an 18 hole competition on a Monday, Ladies Club Day, and at the weekends

On the 25th March at the Golf Club at 10.am Selsey Ladies are going to hold an Open Day, where ladies can come along and try their hand at golf, swing a club, do some putting and have a chat over a cup of coffee. Ladies will be there to help any lady who would like to have a go,. There will be a Discount of 20% on the membership fee for anyone who would like to join on the day.

Lunch will be available from the Club Restaurant (to book in for lunch and to ask any questions regarding the Open Day, please contact the Golf Secretary, Alison Weller, on 01243 602165 or by email to <u>secretary@selseygolfclub.co.uk</u>.)

So come along and see what the Selsey Ladies Golf Club is all about.



In recent years, I know that residents of Selsey have raised serious concerns over the impact of inappropriate development on Selsey Road, Pagham Harbour and our coasts. It's a complex and challenging area - one I know that the community feel very strongly on - and I've been working closely with the Council on a number of options to get us in a better place. Now, thanks to some major milestones over past weeks, I'm glad to say we've been able to make some real ground on this.

Following a vote from the Council earlier in the year, a new and improved Local Plan was advanced to its final stages, a high-level blueprint setting out where, and how much housing can be built over the coming 15-year period. We've seen some concerns raised over the levels that have been set for Chichester recently - specifically, whether we have the infrastructure available to support the housing numbers suggested - and I've personally pressed these with my colleague in the Levelling Up Department. Michael Gove.

I'm pleased to say that as part of the new proposed Local Plan, large-scale developments will be put on pause for areas like the Manhood Peninsula, where I know flood risks have been high on the agenda. Across the board targets will also be kept 10% below previous levels, which means we'll build only when we are ready and have the capacity. This is a real milestone, and one I know will be welcomed by many in the community. We're now only a couple of weeks away from the 17th March consultation deadline, however, so if you have any last-minute views you want to share on the final plans, you should make sure to share them on the Council's website in the next couple of weeks: https://chichester.oc2.uk/

We need practical, common-sense approaches to our housing plans to ensure that they work for Chichester's communities - to create houses for the next generation whilst preserving the best of the place we call home - and after all of these years making the case. I'm so pleased to see that finally taking shape.

Whilst this latest news is a step in the right direction, it's clear there is further to go. Looking to the months and years ahead, I will continue to do absolutely everything I can to fight for more of these common-sense solutions for Selsey - when it comes to housing and elsewhere.

Gillian Keegan MP

28) Ben Lomond and Baldwin are types of which fruit? 29) What did Jerry's Guide to the World Wide Web pecome?



Gillian Keegan MP



30) Who wrote A Portrait of the Artist as a Young Man? 31) What became illegal on the London Underground in 984?



Crablands Short Mat

January 15th Avocet Wings v East Preston Blue Avocet Wings were at away to East

Preston Blue in the Triples League.

There was no friendly mat. Avocets were unfortunate not to get any team who continue to have an unbeaten record this winter league. league points. Sunday 5th February 2023 home against West Worthing 4th team

January 21st Avocet Wings v Arundel

Avocet Wings were at home to Arundel in the Triples League, Arundel were unable to bring a friendly mat and Avocets won on one mat and were beaten by one point on the last end on the other. They won overall so took 4 league points.

BLANDS BOW

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January 22nd Chairmans Cup 2nd Day

The semi-finals of the Chairmans Cup were played in the morning and in close fought matches Elaine Sadler/Paul Holland and Cheryl Brown/Peter Blackman went through to play in the final later in the season.

January 27th Bitterns v Bognor Spitfires

Bitterns played Bognor Spitfires away in the Triples League. They were beaten on both rinks and did not gain any league points.

January 28th Avocets v East Preston Green

Avocets were at home to East Preston Green in the Rinks League. Avocets won on both mats and overall, so took all 6 league points. Unfortunately, East Preston were unable to bring a friendly team so the Crablands friendly played a game of Australian pairs between themselves.

January 29th Cormorants v Fittleworth Swans

Cormorants were away to Fittleworth Swans in the Triples League. They took two league teams and a friendly. There was a win on one league mat and the other lost but did not get enough points to take the overall game so gained 2 league points. The friendly team were unlucky not to win.

February 5th Avocets v East Preston Green Away

Avocets travelled to East Preston where the mats beat them and they were unfortunate not to gain any league points. There was no friendly.

February 11th Avocets v Lavant

Avocets took two league teams and a friendly to Lavant to play in the Rinks League. Both league teams won by considerable margins but the friendly was up against a very experienced side. Avocets took 6 league points.

February 15th Crablands v Fittleworth Skylarks

Crablands travelled to Fittleworth to play their Skylarks team in the 3rd round of the KO Cup. Crablands won on one mat but did not on the other, or overall, so Fittleworth go throught to the semi-finals.

32) Who in 1991 became France's first woman prime minister?

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Sunday 10am -11.30am Wednesday & Thursday evenings 7pm until 8.30pm

We are a very friendly club & welcome new members, all equipment is provided.

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Contact Annette on 606227 or Karen on 607169

email: info@selseycarpetbowls.co.uk

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Result 4:0 win to Crablands Team: Dan Cobden, Michael Ackerman, Andy Gilmour, Carl Spencer

Sunday 29th January 2023 home against Grasshoppers Result 4:0 win to Crablands Team: Dan Cobden, Michael Ackerman, Andy Gilmour, Carl Spencer



Please check our crowdfunding page https://www.crowdfunder. co.uk/p/crablands-tennis Lots more rewards have been

added - we are making good progress at getting to our target - any support would be very welcome - we are determined to improve our facilities and make them more accessible to the wider community.

Socials

The January social was a Quiz night with a filled baked potato held on Friday 21st. A table made up of players from the tennis section won and shared a box of chocolates.

Thanks to those who ran the guiz and organised the food.



The next social was Curling with a Ploughman's on February 17th.

33) In which film did Meryl Streep make her big screen debut?

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Happy 25th Birthday Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group

The Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group [MWHG] is 25 years old by volunteers! this year! Founded by Joe Savill and Jill Sutcliffe , the group held its first meeting in 1998. The group has been dedicated over the last 25 years to preserving the unique character of the Manhood Peninsula, and inspiring local people to care for our local heritage and wildlife. Not a small job! The group works throughout the 11 parishes on the peninsula and you may have seen our trusty bands of volunteers working on sites along the roads into Chichester, restoring and maintaining ponds and ditches. Or you may have come to one of our exhibitions of photos of Selsey through the ages, or been on a walk to discover the history of the Railway Carriage houses on East Beach. In Witterings you may have seen the work we have done with the Woodger Trust on enhancing the environment and maintaining the water courses.

The group grew out of the preparation of the millennium maps for each parish, copies of the Selsey Parish millennium map are still on volunteers!! At the sale in Raycrafts, if you would like one! The mapping and collecting of information about the wildlife and history of our area at the millennium made the founders aware of how important it was to keep our environment safe, and prevent further loss of habitats for the animals and plants with which we share the Manhood.

Lots of individual sites are run by volunteers under the umbrella of MWHG, for example a dedicated group of people maintain the East Beach Pond site, and another equally committed group look after the Manor Green Park Sensory Garden. At the same time, we work with local landowners to keep the water flowing through the ditches and ponds and out to sea, other volunteers clear sites and monitor one of our rarest mammals, water voles, who are present here on the Manhood. Did you know that the animal in the Wind in The Willows called Ratty was more likely based on a water vole! Shy and now quite rare we more often seen signs they are around rather than actual sightings!

along and join us, work parties are listed on our website and you We were fortunate enough to have a Grant from the National can e-mail us and be added to our circulation list. Our latest project, Heritage Lottery Fund for a big project called FLOW (Fixing and developing a Pollinator Highway using the road verges to grow wildflowers in Selsey, also needs help. You may not want to come Linking our wetlands) which lasted for 5 years and through this we out and do things but you can always support us by donations, were able to survey every ditch in every parish, to clear and open through our website, join our circulation list, become a member (it up lots of old ponds, to advise landowners on further maintenance doesn't cost anything!) and come to our 25th Birthday celebration and to give each parish council a plan to keep the water flowing. at our AGM in November. All members are welcome! We had a project officer, Jane Reeve, running this project which Contact us through our website https://www.mwhq.orq.uk/ where finished in 2021. Since then our project officers. Jane and Louise. you can also find out much more about what the individual groups have worked with money from the Woodger Trust to continue the work in the West side of the Manhood. We have just been awarded are up to! a grant from Southern Water for our latest project 'Hedging our Follow us on Facebook search Manhood Wildlife and Heritage future' which will allow us to survey hedgerows and restore these Group where needed and again with the landowners put in new hedges. To ensure we used local materials we have established two Tree Come and join us! Nurseries, one in West Wittering and one in Selsey. Once again run

22 December 2022

Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat crew rescue woman from the water

The D class inshore lifeboat (ILB) launched at 3.50pm on Thursday 22 December at the request of the UK Coastguard. The Coastguard had received an emergency call from a member of the public reporting what appeared to someone struggling in the water with an object they could not identify.

The casualty could be seen from the beach as the ILB launched half a mile straight off shore from the lifeboat station. The weather on scene was wind south west force 3 sea state moderate in overcast sky. The ILB guickly arrived on scene to find a woman balancing on the inflated part of the sail of her Kite surfing kit. The casualty said she had been in the water approximately 45 mins and was very cold. She was guickly bought aboard the ILB and with the sail recovered also the ILB made best speed to the lifeboat station.

37) Elijah Wood plays which hobbit in Lord of the Rings?

community news

Over the 25 years of the group, everything we have achieved has depended on volunteers. The wonderful people who go out and work in the open air on the sites we care for, and the equally



wonderful people who have scanned and uploaded all the photos to the Selsey Photo Archive, or have lead walks to visit our heritage

buildings. The organisation is also managed by volunteers. the Trustees.

Treasurer, Chair and Management team are all moment we are looking for more Trustees, and an Honorarv

Secretary to keep

the skills to join us in one of these roles? We would love to hear from you, if you would like to get involved in one of the groups, in Selsey or across the peninsula, come



the group going, and also a Health and Safety person. Do you have



The station was contacted on route to prepare the shower room to warm the casualty up.

The casualty was warmed up and a full



casualty care assessment was completed. There were concerns for the other kite surfer who was with the casualty and the ILB was made ready to launch again. Selsey

Coastguard Rescue Team were at the Marine beach car park and confirmed the other persons car had gone and shortly afterwards he arrived at the lifeboat station. Although now warmed up the casualty was not feeling well and confirmed she had swallowed sea water while trying to get on the inflated section so her fellow kite surfer took her by car to St Richards Hospital in Chichester.

The ILB was washed down, refuelled, and made ready for service. The crew today were ILB Helmsman Rob Archibald, Max Wiseman, and Tim Scott. Shore crew Head launcher Simon Hutt, Driver Chris Bowling, Mark Penny, and Richard Brady.



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Rescue Centre



Hello everybody! It's me Markus the office cat bringing you all the latest news from The Cat and Rabbit Rescue.

I am pleased to let you know that last month's pet of the month the cat Molly has now found her forever home.

Back in January we got a call from a local vets that had a cat they needed to rehome. Sadly, this cat's previous owner had become overwhelmed by

his medical conditions and the rising costs of veterinary treatments. They no longer felt they could give him what he needed and as they were desperate, they asked for him to be euthanized. Luckily, the vets felt that he could have a chance with us and we happily took him in.

Comett. as my staff called him, suffered from a poorly eve, it had completely changed colour, was weepy and he was barely able to keep it open. The vets that brought him in suspected that he had inflammation, ulcers in his eye and a corneal sequestrum which happens when part of the cornea which had died off is then rejected by the healthy cornea. My vet nurse and animal care team never gave up on him and made sure he received all his medication including eye drops which he had six times a day! I am very pleased to say that just a few weeks on from starting his treatment Comett's eye had already improved greatly. He has been able to stop most of his medications and he is now only on one eye drop which he will continue until his eye is completely healed. It is thanks to all the lovely supporters of CRRC that my staff are able to take on and treat animals with ongoing medical conditions. Without your donations, we just would not be able to do what we do!

Lovely to chat to you all again, see you next month.

Love Markus x

P.S. Please check our website www.crrc.co.uk to see how we are now rehoming and for the animals available for adoption.



des **THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE** Have you visited the Cat & Rabbit Rescue Centre

Charity Shop at 9 The Parade, Selsey? It is full of fantastic bric-a-brac, including antiques,

pictures, jewellery, as well as clothes for every occasion, beautiful bedding, curtains, craft items, and good quality furniture.

If you have time to spare, why not become a volunteer, just visit Bev or Sharon in the shop.

39) What is the name of Hugh Grant's character in Notting Hill?

Lady Alice and Pacific Rose

This month we would love to introduce you to a very sweet pair of female guinea pigs. Lady Alice and Pacific Rose are 7 years young and looking to find their retirement home together. They arrived at The Centre back in January as their owner had developed



allergies and could no longer keep them. They can be a little shy when you first meet them but once safe on your lap they do enjoy a cuddle. These two are best friends and spend all their time together in their little hidey houses. As they are older girls, they would prefer to find an indoor home where they can stay nice and warm and enjoy cuddles from their owners. Lady Alice and Pacific Rose could happily live with calm children.

If you think you may be able to offer Lady Alice and Pacific Rose a loving home please give the centre a call on 01243 967111 or visit our website www.crrc.co.uk.



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Winter Wildlife Briefinas

INSIDE THE WILDLIFE HOSPITAL IN MARCH

AVIAN FLU UPDATE: Due to the affect AI is having on the UK and to stop any cases onsite, we had temporarily restricted any new bird

admissions. However, we are delighted to inform everyone that although our isolation units are not 100% complete, they Selsey & District Lions Club would like to thank the residents of are functional enough for us to be able to start taking in certain Selsey, Sidlesham, Hunston, Mundham and Runcton for their species of birds again. We still ask that you call us on 01243 generous donations to last year's Christmas Float Collection. The 641672 (option 1) BEFORE picking up any birds so we can ask club raised over £5000 due to the generosity of its residents. This vital questions about the bird before taking a path of action. We money will be spent mainly in supporting charities and individuals are still restricted regarding care of high-risk species (gulls, ducks, within Selsey and the District. swans and other water birds) but still please give us a call if you In the last 12 months, we have supported the following: come across ANY sick/injured bird. If asked to bring a bird on-site, please follow instructions given by our team and do NOT bring St Wilfrid's Hospice the bird into any of our buildings. We appreciate your patience, Selsey Scouts Group support and kindness during this difficult time and appreciate how Selsey Community Forum frustrating it can be, but it is vital that we follow strict procedures Selsey Life Magazine at all times. Thank you.

PATIENT STORIES

Our first 'orphan' of 2023 came in recently - a tiny badger cub

who was sadly dug out of her sett by a dog. At just 98 grams, she really was very tiny and had sustained some nasty injuries from the incident, including a wound to her front left leg and tongue. After receiving initial care and cleaning from us, including antibiotics, pain relief and feeds every 2 hours throughout the night, she was transferred to Secret World Wildlife Rescue in Somerset for



more specialised treatment. Very sadly, after several days of treatment, the little badger passed away as her injuries were too great but we are comforted to know that we did all in our power and she is no longer suffering. This is a stark reminder to keep pets under control during the Spring/Summer season to prevent injuries to wildlife, particularly babies. She will be the first of many orphans arriving in our care this year and needing our help, meaning it is as important as ever that we are well-stocked with specialist food and hospital cleaning supplies. If you would like to help, your generosity would be wonderfully appreciated.

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Please see our Wishlist items (which include but are not limited to): wet cat/dog food tins (non-fish flavour), newspapers (without staples), antibacterial disinfectant and cleaning supplies, heavy-duty bin bags and boxes of nitrile gloves (all sizes).

Please always feel free to call us if you need any advice or assistance with wildlife enquiries or how to support us. We thank you

all for all you do to help, as do the animals in our care!

For more information and tips, please visit our website or contact us on the details below.

Web: <u>www.brentlodge.org</u> Tel: 01243 641672 Email: enquiries@brentlodge.org

Address: Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital, Cow Lane, Sidlesham, PO20 7LN.

PLEASE NOTE LAST DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR ENTRY INTO NEXT SELSEY LIFE IS 16TH MARCH



- Youth Dream Selsey
- Lions International Ukraine
- Numerous needy individual residents within Selsey
- Supporting our fleet of loaned mobility scooters

Lions Club International is the world's largest service organization with over 1.4 million members. The Lions Club of Selsey & District has approximately 15 members and collects funds via various fundraising events throughout the year. We are always looking for new members to assist us with our work in the community. If you are thinking of joining us and would like to find out more please contact Colin Rickman on 0345 833895 or email colin.rickman2@gmail.com

Once again thank you for your donations and I wish you all a great 2023.

Lion Lucille Salisbury President Selsey & District Lions Club

11 January 2023

Selsey RNLI respond to Personal Locater Beacon activation



The UK Coastguard requested the launch of the Selsey allweather lifeboat on Wednesday 11 January after receiving a signal from a Personal Location Beacon (PLB).

The all-weather lifeboat launched at 5.20am and headed to a position off Pagham harbour as requested by the Coastguards. Within a minute of launching the lifeboat was stood down after the Coastguards received information that the PLB had been activated accidently. The weather was wind south west 3-4 sea state moderate in clear sky.

The lifeboat returned to station and was recovered straight away. The crew today were Coxswain Colin Pullenger, Mechanic Phil Pitham, James Albrey, Craig Sergeant, Harry Emmence, and Neil Hopcraft. Shore crew Head Launcher Chris Bowling, Slars Driver Frank Corby, Melisa Fletcher, Mark Penny, Richard Brady, and Paul Fairbrass.

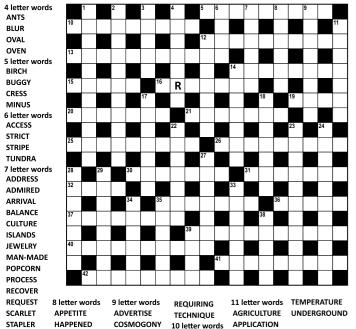
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- which party?
- Which award winning British film director died in 2008, ged 54?

Steve's Puzzle Page

FILL-IN, OR CRISS-CROSS, CROSSWORD PUZZLE

Fill in the blanks with the words. To help you get started one letter is already in place.



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WORD SEARCH PUZZLE CAPITALS OF THE WORLD. Puzzle 5

Find and cross out all the listed words. The words may go horizontally, vertically, diagonally, not backwards. Ignore spaces, dashes and diacritic symbols, if any. The remaining letters will spell one more capital city.

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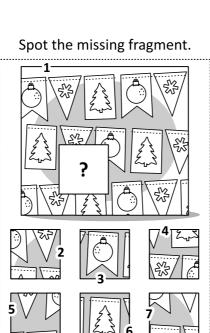
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WORD PUZZLE GAME Image: Constraint of the stress of the stress



SELSEY CANCER RELIEF FUND DATES TO REMEMBER Methodist Church Hall 9.30am Saturday March 4th Jumble Sale 9.30am Saturday April 1st Jumble Sale 9.30am Saturday May 6th Jumble Sale 9.30am There is ample parking behind the Fire Station.

THE WRITERS CIRCLE

meets on the first Tuesday of every month in The Methodist Hall, High Street, from 2.00pm until 4.30pm If you are already writing or a complete beginner you will be given a warm welcome by our small,friendly group of ladies and a few gentlemen Membership is £12 per year and £2.00 per session. Tea or Coffee included. For more information contact Pat Read Tel: 07946707708

Visually Impaired Club

Meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month

2-4 PM

Hanover Close

Details from Judy on 01243 606995

Selsey Model Boat Club



The Club meets twice a week at the pond on East Beach, weather permitting, when members sail their radio controlled boats Times: 10.00am until noon on Sundays and Wednesdays

The first Sunday of each month is Race Day New members welcome or just pop along to have a look and a chat contact Richard on 07798786076

Selsey Bridge Club All welcome Friendly group of mixed ability Thursday afternoons 2pm - 5pm Selsey Centre Manor Road call Graham or Christine 01243 602612 for information



SELSEY MAH JONG GROUP ALL WELCOME FRIENDLY GROUP ON TUESDAY AFTERNOONS 2 PM TILL 5 PM AT THE SELSEY CENTRE PHONE SUE ON 07710 658 331

Last month's quiz answers:

1) 1904 2) Thomas Paine 3) British Commonwealth 4) Black Bess 5) 1984 6) 1847 7) Amelia Earhart 8) Mary Baker Eddy 9) Hungary 10) Pat Garrett 11) Dutch 12) Cardinal Richelieu 13) Gernimo 14) House of York 15) William Bligh 16) Rajiv Gandhi 17) Donald Sutherland 18) Ridley Scott 19) Heat 20) Black Rain 21) Gwyneth Paltrow 22) Woody Harrelson 23) Gumshoe 24) Buster Edwards 25) Hell 26) The Long Goodbye 27) J J Gittes 28) The Boston Strangler 29) Michael Mann 30) Colin Farrell and Jamie Foxx 31) Robert De Niro 32) Brad Pitt 33) The Sting 34) Deadly Nightshade 35) Cucumber 36) Snakewood 37) Yew 38) Stamen 39) Three 40) Algae 41) Poppy 42) Coconut 43) Venus Fly Trap 44) Yeast 45) Underground 46) Balsa 47) Maidenhair tree 48) Australia 49) The study of trees 50) Avocado

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Scout HQ, School Lane ~ every Saturday between 10 am -12 noon Bric-a-brac ~ Clothes ~ Et al

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March Diary

Sun 5th 10am

Sat 11th 4pm

2.30pm World Day of Prayer - St Peter's Fri 3rd Church



FAMILY FUN EVENING 5-7pm



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Mon 13th 2pm Inspire – Spring Bunting

Sun 26th 5pm

Inspire Group -Mon 27th 2pm



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Palm Sunday All-age



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Easter Holiday Club **IOSEDI** Easter Holiday Club A EASTER EGGSTRAVAGANZA Easter Holiday Club

Good Friday Worship Easter Sunday Celebration



Spring is nearly here and we have some great events coming up in the church diary above!...... We start March with the Family Fun Evening. This is free and open to all. Not only will there be plenty to entertain you, but you will be fed too! Then Inspire Group meet on two Mondays in March 📚 FUN NIGHT and are making Spring Bunting and Easter

Advance notice too of, our popular Easter EGG'stravaganza Holiday Club themed on the EGGSTRAVAGANZA This takes place Tuesday 4th -

Old Testament character, Joseph.

Thursday 6th April. Details on our

website or see separate advert. The club sits in the middle of 'Holy Week' which starts as we celebrate

Palm Sunday and Jesus triumphal entry into Jerusalem where His followers used palm branches to honour him as King and Messiah. At the end of the week on Good Friday we remember the day Jesus willingly suffered and died on a cross as





the ultimate sacrifice for our sins. Then Easter Sunday we have a service of celebration as Jesus was raised from the dead, showing His victory over sin and death and pointing us to a future resurrection for all who believe in Him

More next month, but we would love to welcome you along to these or any of our services and events - see diary section for dates and times.

At Beacon Church Selsey, we are a group of ordinary people who believe that church is a great place to make friends and experience God together. We are a family who believe that church should not only be a great time, but also a place where lives are radically transformed. We value being a part of the Selsey

Community and of the many community activities and support groups. Rest assured, you can always be sure of a warm welcome, friendly faces, Bible teaching, and even a cup of tea. If you have not been here before, why not give us a try - we would love to meet you.

More details on our website



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ST PETER'S CHURCH

Weekly Services held at the Parish Church of St. Peter's, Selsey Rector: Fr Andy Wilkes Tel: 01243 601984 Email: rector.selsey@gmail.com

The church is open daily for prayer and visits.

Tuesday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Wednesday	9.30 am	Holy Communion
Thursday	7.00 pm	Holy Communion
Sunday	8.00 am	Holy Communion (Book of Common Prayer)
Sunday	10.00 am	Parish Sung Eucharist

Please check our noticeboard and website for service times

All are welcome to attend. we look forward to seeing you.

Our Church Halls with Kitchen and Car Park are available to hire for your meetings and celebrations please contact our Hall Manager Sue Ripley on)1243 948501 or stpetershallbookings@outlook.com

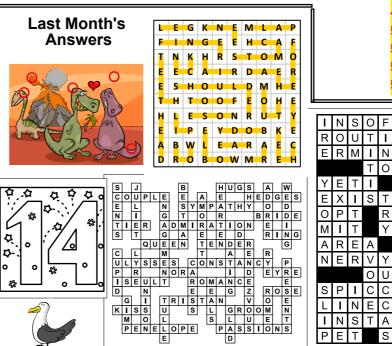
SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH

For enquiries about hiring the hall please email d.dixon808@btinternet.com



44) Which England bowler performed the hat-trick in a Test 46) Whose second symphony is called "The Age of Anxiety" 47) Who wrote the music for the film A Fistfull of Dollars? in 1995? 48) Which country produced the first two Miss World win-45) What is an SRN? ners?

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Catholic Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel & St Wilfrid

Masses held on Wednesdays at 10am and Sundays at 11am

12 Church Road, Selsey, PO20 0LS (Plenty of parking available)





For more details go to: www.saintsofsussex.com Sign up for weekly newsletter: www.saintsofsussex.com/newsletter

Part of the Parish of Our Lady and the Saints of Sussex (with the churches of the Witterings, Chichester and Bosham)

SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday March 5th 10.30 am Revd. Rosemarie Clarke Holy Communion Sunday March 12th 10.30 am Dr. Mike Nicholls Sunday March 19th 10.30 am Revd. Tony Brazier Sunday March 26th 10.30 am Mrs Wendy Corney Tea for those living alone

Our Pastor is Tim Cooper 07920567764

49) What was the title of the fourth Harry Potter film?

- 50) The Prado museum is in which country?
- 51) In which year did Lenin die?

52) Which Archbishop became president of Cyprus?

53) What was the name of Captain Cook's last ship?

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S Readers' Gallery (

East Beach Pond **Elizabeth Ward**

Would you like to see your photo on here? Email it to selseylife @btinternet.com

and you could be on the next back cover. (Put Readers' Gallery in the title)

Two photos by June Buck of her dog Ebby



Above 2 by Amanda Ward



Trying to get a sun tan

Birds by **Eira Brewster**





