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DONNA'S DELIBERATIONS

So, it's September, the end of summer - we're now well and truly heading towards Autumn - how fast did that go? I hope you and yours had a good summer, whatever you did.

Mine was a fairly mixed bag. As you might know, I'm one of Selsey's large band of Carers which means that 'time off' isn't easy but I managed a few days here and there and by and large the weather was kind. I always think that a change is as good as a rest and if the weather's sunny it's a bonus but it's probably better to have no expectations

One of my best short trips from our summer hols was 'op north (regular readers will know that I am, actually, only first generation 'southern' - both my paternal and maternal families both herald from north of Watford Gap.) Long suffering hubby and I went to Macclesfield where G4 were playing an open air concert and the appalling weather followed us all the way up but managed to divert elsewhere just before the concert began. Needless to say it was a good night and I'm on track for receiving my official 'Groupie' status by the end of the year!

I have to say, though, despite the fact the weather did manage to stay dry while we were there, it was pretty chilly; indigenous northerners were walking around in shorts and tee shirts and hubby and I were reaching for our jackets. There really is a north/south divide when it comes to the weather!

I rather think we peaked a little early this year - it was lovely from the latter part of June through to the middle of July, then - on my birthday, no less - it started to resemble October again and we were grateful for any odd day when the sun actually decided to shine.

The problem with the rain is that the odd drop isn't a problem, but when many conspire to act together they have the ability to completely ruin your day. That's when good old English sarcasm kicks in - picture this: it's absolutely pouring down and I guarantee, someone will say something like this 'Yay...it's going to be a great day!' No, it's really not! See what I mean about the English language? Why do we say the absolute opposite to what we mean? Bonkers.

To be fair, for a country which suffers so many downpours, we aren't always very good at dealing with them - one of the most British things that has ever happened to me is to have a meeting cancelled because of rain! What? Now, a couple of millimetres of snow I can understand....but rain? What can you say?

The good thing, of course, is that our weather provides us with conversation topics which is jolly useful, really. The weather has forever been one of the best conversation openers of all time and we all learn very early on that there is limitless potential for weather discourse. Infact, Dr. Johnson (no relation by the way) once said 'it is commonly observed, that when two Englishmen meet, their first talk is of the weather....' It has always been so and I suspect will remain.

We also ventured 'op north' again to re-visit my 'roots'. Both my parents heralded from Long Eaton, although my mother ended up moving with her parents to West Bridgford, just outside Nottingham (Ken Clark no less, is its MP) I took my mum back there some ten years ago when she was beginning to become rather frail and we re-visited the church in which she married my father and generally did a 'memory lane' tour. I decided to try to re-create this (essentially for my children) during this summer as I think it's so

important to know where we actually come from. Nottingham has changed enormously - like all large cities - but parts of it have been preserved as a Heritage Area so my family were able to see where their maternal family lived and worked for a number of generations. My mum's house is still standing (a typical two up, two down terraced house) but my dad's birthplace and his home until he moved 'down south' has long since been demolished but the name of the road has been retained and we managed to approximate the ground the house would have stood upon.

To quote Terry Pratchett, the author: 'It's important that we know where we come from. Because if you don't know where you come from, then you don't know where you are, and if you don't know where you are, you don't know where you're going - and if you don't know where you're going, you're probably going wrong.' I think he has a point. My dad was born in 1907, he lived through women's suffrage, both World Wars, the general strike, the setting up of the NHS and all the other significant events of the 20th century. Sadly, he died when I was only 17 and I just wasn't old enough to appreciate that he was really a walking social history book. I've spent many years putting together little things he said in order to try to build a better picture of his life.

His parents were factory workers but were at least in stable employment and were able to put a roof over their family's heads. They had two sons, my father being the youngest and by the time he came along there was no money left for him to further his education. Both boys were very academically able but whilst his brother became Secretary to Lady Astor and also worked for Winston Churchill my dad had no way of achieving his dreams of going to university. His brother broke through the socio-economic barriers but my dad's position was largely pre-ordained. For my part, as I've learnt more, I'm grateful to my ancestors for the trials and tribulations they went through in order to ensure a better life for the descendents they were destined never to meet.

My dad would have said that he led an uninteresting life, but it was lived during an amazing time of social and cultural change and my children rightly pointed out that I need to write everything down to ensure it's not lost. Speaking with them I realise just how important all this information actually is. So, if you have a spare few minutes occasionally, how about going through family photos and just identifying the people or places in them or maybe just jotting down a few anecdotes you can recall from your own formative years? If, like us, you have photos stored on a computer, make sure they are 'backed up' somewhere so they don't get lost. Honestly, it will be time really well spent and your future family will be so grateful that you took the time.

So, September it is - our young people are back at school, the shops are about to become festive (I know, I know....but I had to mention it) and it's getting chilly again but all in all it's been a good summer. For those of you who visit our town at the bottom of the long and winding road during the 'season,' we hope you enjoy visiting our little town as much as we enjoy living here....and remember, if you've laid down some special memories, make sure your future family can enjoy them as well.

All the best.

Take care.

Donna
donna.johnson@tesco.net

- 1) George Shillibeer introduced what to London in 1829?
- 2) Which was the first republic in Western Europe?
- 3) What do the initial WB stand for in W B Yeats?

Date: 24 July 2017

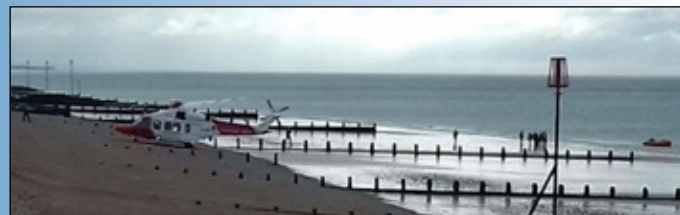
Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat recovers man from the sea.

UK Coastguard (Solent) paged the crew at Selsey at 8.26am on Monday 24 July after they received reports of a person in difficulties in the sea at Aldwick near Bognor Regis.

The D class inshore lifeboat (ILB) *Betty and Thomas Moore* launched at 7.35am with three volunteers aboard and made best speed to the Aldwick area. The Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 175 and Selsey Coastguard mobile unit were also tasked to the incident. On route an updated position was passed by the CG which indicated the person was clinging to the Aldwick Buoy. The weather on scene was wind Westerly 3-4, sea state slight and overcast skies.

On arrival at the buoy the lifeboat crew found a man struggling to hold on to the buoy and stay afloat. He was recovered to the ILB and due to the short distance to the beach the Helmsman decided to go straight to the shore where he could see the ambulance crew waiting with the Selsey CG team and the paramedic/winchman from the Helicopter which had landed on the beach. The man was able to walk up the beach assisted by the ambulance crew.

The ILB was released from the incident at 9.21am and returned to Selsey rehousing at 9.45am. The crew for this call were Helmsman James Albery, Craig Sergeant and Max Wiseman.



Rescue 175 landed on the beach at Aldwick sent by member of the public

Date: 24 July 2017

Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat evacuates casualty from beach.



UK Coastguard (Solent) requested the inshore lifeboat be launched to assist the SEC Ambulance service and the Selsey Coastguard team with a casualty on the rocks approximately 300 metres east of the Coastguard station at Selsey.

The volunteer crew were paged at 6.39pm and the inshore lifeboat (ILB) *Betty and Thomas Moore* launched at 6.47pm on Monday 24 July. The SEC Amb and Coastguards were already on scene and required the ILB to evacuate the casualty who had a suspected fractured ankle from the rocks to a suitable area to transfer to an ambulance.

The weather on scene was wind northerly 1 sea state smooth in sunshine.

The stretcher was taken aboard the ILB with a paramedic and the ILB made the short passage to the beach in front of the CG station where there is a ramp off the beach. The CG took the casualty from the ILB to the waiting ambulance and the ILB was released to return to station. At 7.23pm the ILB was rehoused washed down and made ready for the next call.

The crew tonight were Helmsman Gary Pearce, Dan Langford and Harry Emmence.



Date: 28 July 2017

Selsey RNLI all-weather lifeboat tows motor cruiser to safety.

The Shannon class lifeboat 13-04 launched at 8.55am to go to the assistance of the Motor cruiser *Moondance*.

UK Coastguard (Solent) had received an emergency call from the 40ft motor cruiser *Moondance* reporting they had steering failure. The two people on the vessel had been on passage to Burnham-on-Crouch Essex and were in a position 7 miles south east of Selsey Bill.

The weather on scene was wind south west force 6-7 sea state moderate in overcast skies. The lifeboat arrived on scene at 9.28am and after checking the welfare of the two persons on board a towline was established between the lifeboat and the *Moondance*.

The vessel was towed to Chichester harbour and after entering the harbour the lifeboat rendezvoused with the harbour masters patrol boat who took over the towing to a suitable mooring. The lifeboat departed the harbour at 12.29pm and arrived back at station at 12.59pm. The lifeboat was rehoused washed down and made ready for service. The crew today were Coxswain Rob Archibald, Mechanic Phil Pitham, Geoff Mellett, Gary Pearce, Dan Langford and Max Wiseman.



Date: 2 August 2017

Selsey RNLI all-weather lifeboat goes to the aid of disabled yacht

UK Coastguard (Solent) paged the volunteer crew at 11.58pm on Wednesday 2 August. They requested the all-weather lifeboat (ALB) be launched to assist the 32ft yacht *Eliane* with one male aboard.

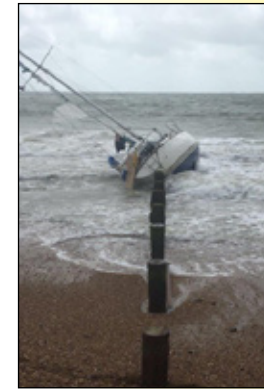
The skipper of the *Eliane* had contacted the Coastguard by mobile phone reporting he was unable to sail due to a problem on board and his engine had failed. He gave his position putting him seven miles east of the station approximately four miles south of Bognor Regis.



The Shannon class lifeboat Denise and Eric launched at 12.20am and made best speed to the given position but had no contacts on radar or a good signal from the handheld radio the skipper had. The weather on scene was Wind south west force 6-7 Sea state rough in showers. After contacting the man on his handheld radio and using DF direction finding radio his position was believed to be considerably closer to the west end of Bognor Regis.

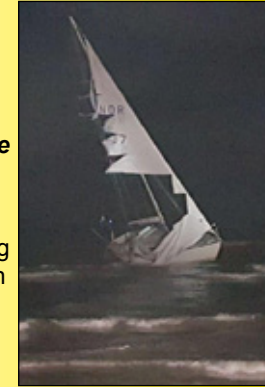
This position put the yacht very close to the Bognor rocks so the lifeboat changed course. When in the vicinity of the rocks contact was made with the *Eliane* at 12.45am when he stated he had hit the rocks. With the tide ebbing and the yacht being pushed towards the shoreline the Selsey lifeboat requested the immediate launch of the RNLI Littlehampton lifeboat a smaller craft to attempt to pass a line to the yacht.

The Littlehampton lifeboat arrived on scene at 1.37am but by that time the yacht had reported he was almost on the beach and this was confirmed by the Littlehampton Coastguard team on the beach. At this time the Selsey Coastguard team were requested to attend to assist with a technical water rescue of the man on the yacht.



The man was rescued from the *Eliane* at 1.45am and checked by the ambulance crew before being taken to St Richards Hospital. The Littlehampton lifeboat was released at 2.10am to return to station. The Coastguard teams were going to kedge an anchor out from the yacht to try and hold it to the sea when the tide started flooding. Selsey lifeboat remained on scene till 2.50am when they were released to return to station. At 3.15am the lifeboat arrived back at

Selsey and was rehoused straight away washed down refuelled and ready for service by 4.15am. The crew tonight were Coxswain Rob Archibald, Mechanic Geoff Mellett, 2nd Coxswain Dave Lamdin, James Albrey, Kristina Dolan and Harry Emmence.



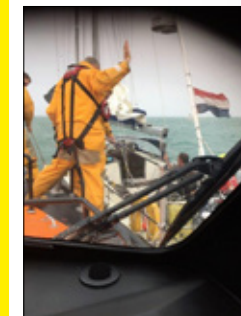
Date: 9 August 2017

Selsey RNLI all-weather lifeboat responds to Mayday call from yacht.

The volunteer crew were paged at 3.35pm on Wednesday 9 August after the 12 metre yacht *Seaweed* declared a Mayday stating they had water ingress and were sinking fast.

The persons aboard the *Seaweed* said they were in a position half a mile south of the Looe channel buoys. They stated they were heading towards the nearest coast. The Shannon class lifeboat *Denise and Eric* launched at 3.45pm with a crew of six and made best speed to the position.

On route the *Seaweed* updated their position which put them approximately three miles south west of Selsey Bill. At 4.04pm the lifeboat arrived on scene and transferred a lifeboat crewmember to the yacht to assess the situation. The weather on scene was wind northwest 4-5 sea state moderate in rain



The water ingress appeared to have stopped and the yacht's own pumps had reduced the water level considerably and after further investigation a water outlet pipe was not connected to a pump and when the vessel was keeled over when sailing

this had become an inlet pipe for seawater. Consequently when the water ingress was noticed they eased up on the sailing and the ingress stopped.



After checking that most of the water had been pumped out and the *Seaweed* could motor under her own power without seawater entering the pipe the

lifeboat escorted them to Chichester harbour. Once inside the harbour the *Seaweed* made its own way up to Itchenor visitor's moorings.

The lifeboat was released at 5.47pm and returned to Selsey just in time to change crew for a station exercise. The crew for this call were Coxswain Martin Rudwick, Mechanic Geoff Mellett, 2nd Coxswain Dave Lamdin, Will Moir, James Albrey and Andy Lee.



What would you like to see in the Selsey Life? Please email your ideas to selseylife@btinternet.com, or call on 01243 602729



**Selsey Coastguard
Rescue Team**
In an emergency out at sea or along the coast
Dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard



News

The team would like to congratulate our Deputy Station Officer Paul Greenwood for his Long Service Award - 22 years of service and dedication to Selsey Coastguard Team. Well done it's a pleasure to have you as part of our team!



Recent Callouts

05/07/17 21:54

Team paged to a person in the water at the end of Hillfield Road. Selsey Inshore Lifeboat were also launched.

As we arrived on scene a second person had entered the water to try and help, this person was told to return to the shore immediately. The person in the water was in an inflatable rubber ring clinging on to the end of the groyne, as we were about to carry out a snatch water rescue the inshore lifeboat arrived on scene and pulled the person out of the water and brought him to safety where we wrapped him in blankets and kept him warm in our vehicle until an ambulance arrived to check him out.

**** Please note: inflatables are designed for the pool and not the beach as they can easily be blown out to sea or carried away in the currents.****

If you see someone in trouble in the water out at sea, do not attempt to enter the water to rescue them as you may end up in trouble yourself as well. Stay calm and dial 999 immediately and ask for the Coastguard.

08/07/17 16:15

Team paged to West Wittering Beach to reports of two missing children, team stood down on route with both children found. Please remember wrist bands are free at West Wittering Beach and are available at the Lifeguard Hut.

8/07/17 17:43

Team paged to Selsey Lifeboat Station to reports of a missing person with dementia. As the first search team commenced their search to the west the gentleman was reported found safe and well and the team was stood down to return to station.

10/07/17 18:24

Team paged with Portsmouth Coastguard Rescue Team and Hayling Coastguard Rescue Teams to two boys stuck in the mud in Langstone Harbour.

A member of the Selsey Coastguard Mud Rescue Team and two members of the Portsmouth Mud Rescue Team went out on the mud and extracted both casualties and brought them back to safety where casualty care was given to them. An ambulance was called and also on scene to check them over as they were cold and exhausted. The Fire Service were also tasked to this incident as back up but with three Coastguard Rescue Teams on scene the Fire Service were stood down and not needed. Returning to station with all kit washed down at 21:15.



24/07/17 08:26

Team paged to a person in difficulty in the water off Bognor, near to the Royal Norfolk Hotel.

Selsey's Inshore Lifeboat was also tasked and pulled the person from the water and brought him to the beach where he was handed over. The Coastguard Helicopter was also called and landed on the beach to assist.

Also on scene were police, paramedics and Littlehampton Coastguard Team.

24/07/17 18:25

Team paged to assist the ambulance service after a person had slipped and fallen on the rocks close to Sea Grove, Selsey. The casualty had a suspected fractured ankle and required being stretchered out by the Coastguard Team.



We requested the launch of Selsey Inshore Lifeboat to assist us. The casualty was then transferred in our stretcher to the lifeboat and taken to the ramp off West Street where the team then carried the stretcher to meet the ambulance at the top of the ramp and the casualty was then transferred to the ambulance. Please be careful and stay off rocks along the coast, as they can be slippery and dangerous and some have very long drops between them.

30/07/17 12:10

First callout of the day, the team were paged to Itchenor Harbour to assist Chichester Harbour Patrol after a man had been hit by the boom of his boat and had suffered with concussion and a nasty head injury and was pulled from the water after falling in. First aid treatment was given and the casualty was then transferred from the boat to the ambulance service and taken to hospital.

30/07/17 14:12

Second callout of the day the team was paged to Medmerry Beach Earnley side of the breach to ordnance a cordon was put in place and the beach was closed, a search of the beach was carried out further ordnance was found by the team and photos were sent to our ops room. E.O.D. (Explosive Ordnance Disposal Team) were called and a controlled explosion was carried out and the beach was reopened later.

30/07/17 16:30

Third callout of the day! Whilst still dealing with the ordnance at Medmerry Beach Solent Coastguard requested an immediate response on the radio for us to attend West Wittering Beach. Two members of the team maintained the cordon at Medmerry whilst the rest of the team responded to the incident after reports of a person that had been pulled from the water at West Wittering after swimming with her daughter. Her daughter got into trouble in the water the lady managed to save her daughter but got into trouble herself. The lady then went in and out of consciousness after being pulled from the water on the beach, first aid was given and she was placed in our stretcher and carried off the beach and into the care of the ambulance service.

A massive well done to everyone involved in this rescue, especially the lifeguards at West Wittering.

The ambulance service, police and community responders were also on scene.


Returning to station after a busy day at 18:15 ready to attend the lifeboat thanksgiving service at 18:30!




Selsey Coastguard
Rescue Team



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Coastguard Open Day Raises £111.10 for Selsey Lifeboats
29th July 2017

On Saturday 29th July, Selsey Coastguard Team opened their station doors in West Street to the public and held an Open Day and raised £111.10 for our friends and colleagues at Selsey Lifeboat Station.



Despite the horrible wet weather, we had a fantastic response from the public and the station was packed at times, and you could hardly move! We had a lot of our kit out on display including our specialist Mud Rescue equipment, as well as our different types of stretchers and Water Rescue equipment. Children had great fun trying out and wearing our equipment,



life jackets and helmets etc as well as jumping in our Emergency Response Vehicle and putting on the blue lights and sirens! There were displays and information on sea and coastal safety available, coastguard videos playing as well as members of the team to answer so many questions about the work we do and how we work so closely with the lifeboats



and how they call us and the Lifeboats out.

Remember, in an emergency out at sea or along the coast, dial 999 and ask for the Coastguard.

Our thanks to Coastguards Ashley Pledger, Paul Greenwood, Dan Far Voller, Jason Parker, Chris Watkins and Dean Saunders.



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Our next meeting will be on Wednesday 13th

September at 2.15pm

Selsey Town Hall

Our speaker will be: Ann Mills "The South Downs

Planetarium"



If you would like more information about joining us please contact Stella Crist 01243 603221 or Heather Coleman 01243 604603.



Have you visited our charity shop on the High Street in Selsey or our new shop in Shore Road, East Wittering yet? We have a wide variety of good quality, second-hand adult and children's clothing, as well as books, bric-a-brac and toys all at great prices. Why not come along and see us, you never know what bargains you might find. Or maybe you would like to volunteer - we are always in need of people to help in the shop.

SELSEY VENTURE CLUB

Our boutique is looking for help on Wednesday and/or Saturday mornings.

If you are interested please call Ann on 605411.

COMPETITION TIME

Play spot the seagull and win one of five tickets to comic con chichester, email selseylife@btinternet.com or call 01243602729 with you answer, telling us where you see the seagull. competition closes Thursday 21st September at 12 noon.

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SEAL ISLAND WI

We once again held a most successful Plonk & Ploughman Quiz on 3rd August and many thanks to all the WI ladies that made it happen and to the great contestants for taking part. We hope that everyone enjoyed their evening. The winning team Craft & Co were delighted to win 6 bottles of wine.

Our next meeting is on Thursday 7th September when we will be welcoming Su Cloud who will be giving a demonstration of her hand built ceramics, including chickens and poppies for the garden. Hopefully there will be time for members to have a go too.

We are always happy to receive new members and ladies of all ages will be made welcome at our meetings on the first Thursday of the month at the Selsey Centre, Manor Road at 7.30pm – first meeting is free.

Our events programme flyer can be picked up at the Centre.

For further information please ring Melanie on 01243 604059

The Plonk and Ploughmans Quiz Night

On August 3rd I acted as quizmaster for the Seal Island W I at the Selsey Centre. This was again very well attended, 15 teams and over 80 people took part. This event has now become one of the staple events of the Selsey Festival. There were people there from as far away as Hunston and Emsworth so I checked that we had oxygen available for those not used to the rarefied air of Selsey!

However I must confess to the cardinal sin of getting a question wrong. The sin was compounded by being about flowers, with several members of the local Horticultural Society in attendance! I mistakenly thought that Myosotis are sweet peas when they are in fact Forget me not's or Scorpion grasses. I won't forget that again. I reported myself to the QMG (Quiz Masters Guild) and the penance was to watch old episodes of Max Bygraves hosting Family fortunes on Challenge TV.

They also reminded me of the golden rules :

Rule 1 The Quiz Master is always right.

Rule 2 In the event that the Quiz Master is wrong, rule 1 applies.

I am always impressed by the efficient and expedient way the ladies run the event, including setting up the room, bringing out the excellent food platters on time and the clearing up afterwards.

The winners this year were called "Craft and Co" –well done to them. I hope to see you all again next year with the promise –no questions about flowers!

Kevin Noble

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**SSAFA Big Brew-up raises £300 from Selsey RNA members and friends**

Following a long-standing annual tradition, members of the Royal Naval Association, Selsey Branch, raised a record sum this year from a dedicated SSAFA Big Brew-up on the 1st July topped up by the proceeds from a raffle at our annual BBQ on the 16th July. The principal fund-raisers were our branch Social Officer, Vera Basson, together with her daughter and our shipmate, Joanne Dempsey.

On the 25th July, a cheque in the sum of £300 was handed to Lynne Dodds, Divisional Secretary of the Chichester Division of The Soldiers, Sailors & Air Force Families Association to go towards their charity fund dedicated to supporting ex-military service personnel and their families in times of difficulties.

Lynne expressed her gratitude and explained further to the RNA Selsey Branch committee members in attendance how SSAFA works, and the network it relies on to support a case load around the West Sussex area from its Chichester base, involving some 25 voluntary case workers.



Lynne Dodds (centre) receiving the cheque from Vera Basson, accompanied by Chairman, Brian Hall and Treasurer, Brian Mariner.

Gavin Roriston
Hon Sec & PRO
RNA Selsey Branch



Bognor Regis Branch

Cream Tea by the Sea

Twenty-two members and supporters of the Bognor Branch of NASS enjoyed a cream tea and raised more than £150 for the charity on Saturday July 29. This took place at the Selsey home of their Chair, Anthony Tuffin, and his wife Rosemarie. £60 of this came from a raffle, organized by Clare Wilton of Chichester.



Originally planned for the garden, tea was served indoors because of the rain but that did not spoil the event.

Our picture shows some of the guests enjoying their tea.



Thanking the guests, Mr Tuffin explained that Ankylosing Spondylitis (AS) was a painful form of arthritis and NASS helped sufferers by providing essential physiotherapy, which is not available regularly on the NHS.



This was the fifth cream tea for Bognor NASS and brings the total raised this way to more than £1,100.

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On the 30th September Amber Finch is holding a Macmillan Cancer party at the Royal British Legion in Selsey from 12 noon.

Lots of games, raffles and cake sales!

Please show your support towards cancer and come along!

We already have prizes for the day donated from such lovely people, but would always appreciate more!



The Selsey Life will be available from the following locations:

In the High Street:-
Outside Amanda's, Raycrafts, The Southern Co-Op, Andrews Greengrocers, Rock Shop, Den's Fish Bar, Cat and Rabbit Rescue, Brent Lodge book shop, One Stop, The Riviera and Box Rocks Selsey Information Exchange in Penny Lane
The Northern Co-Op and the Doctor's Surgery reception
In East Beach:-
Pretty's Newsagent, Endicotts Bakery, Premier Supermarket and Nice Plaice chipshop
Bunn Leisure reception, West Sands Funfair and White Horse reception, Lucks chip shop
The Seal Pub
Paddock Garage Sidlesham
Royal British Legion,
Selsey Centre
The Selsey Scout shop
The following churches:-
Evangelical Church East Beach, St. Wilfrid's Church Church Road, St. Peter's Church and Selsey Methodist Church
Nature's Way, ASDA, Costa Coffee
Lifeboat shop
It is also held in the Library, and copies are in restaurants & cafes
Also outside 42 Beach Road
Please contact Selsey Life on 01243 602729 if you have trouble getting to a copy.

MISS ISLA BELL

It wasn’t the writing on the card that attracted me this time but the picture.



Century Cottage is smothered by bushes and the front extension to the house should be the shop belonging to Hannah Lucy Wyatt, florist and greengrocer. In front of the shop is a boy with a bicycle but what is that white lump beside him? Who knows! Swiss Cottage is pictured although it burnt down on 8 October 1925 and perhaps it is occupied by Miss Elvin. She was certainly there in 1921. From this we can deduce that the card, postmarked 1928, is several years out of date. The Methodist Church has a wall with railings – no allowance for the entrance of cars in those days. But what of the two dapper gentlemen in the centre of the picture? The chap leaning on his cane is looking straight at the camera. The other appears to be reading something to him and his cap looks remarkably like that of a milkman. Could they be part of Mr Arnell’s Dairy business?

The reverse of the card is postmarked Putney, 25 July and is addressed to Miss Isla Bell, Hillcot, Meads, Eastbourne and the text reads:

‘Dear Isla, If you have not written to Bessie Mummy would like you to write today so she will get it Tuesday morning. Love from Nanna’.

The hunt was on! Hillcot was a school in the village of Meads and Isla would have been 16 years old.

Isla’s father was Richard Moore Bell, son of Joseph Bell and Mary Harrison, born on 1 January 1874 in Cumberland, the exact location being somewhat uncertain. The history of the Bell family is an appendix to this document but is not included in this article. Briefly, Joseph (a farmer) and Mary emigrated to Australia in 1877 and lived in Brighton, Victoria, Australia. This explains why Richard doesn’t appear in an English census for 1881. Joseph died on 29 January 1887 and, in 1888, Mary and the family returned to England.

In 1891 Richard was 17 years old and a pupil at The Leys School for Boys in Cambridge which was founded in 1875 for sons of English lay Methodists. He had actually started there in 1889 and left in 1892. During his school-days he played for 1st XI cricket, 1st XII lacrosse and 2nd XV rugby. He went on to play rugby for Surrey.

In 1898, on 22 February, the London Gazette reported that Mary had died on 24 September 1897 and that she had been living at Claremont, Brighton Road, Sutton in Surrey. Her brother, William Harrison and eldest son, Richard were her executors.

In 1901 Richard was 27 years old and worked as an Australian Merchant’s Clerk. Both he and his brother, William Moore Bell (who was born in Victoria, Australia) lived at Claremont, Sutton, Surrey with their aunt, Grace Harrison.

It is about this time that Richard joined the London County Cricket Club. He was a right-hand bat and bowled right-arm offbreak. The Cricket Club was rather short-lived and folded in 1908. Richard did play first class cricket though during 1902 to 1904.

The London Gazette of 20 May 1904 published a notice relating to Ann Turner, deceased, for whom Richard was one of the executors of her will. He is described as ‘Richard Moore Bell, of Claremont, Brighton Road, Sutton in the County of Sutton, Gentleman...’ This new appellation can be explained by referring to Fairbairn’s Book of Crests 1905 edition in which we find that Richard has a crest.



A Hawk Close Ppr., Belled Or. Significance:
Hawk: one who does not rest until they have achieved their objective.
Close: A term applied to a bird when the wings are kept close to the body.
Ppr: Proper i.e. born in the natural colours.
Bells: power to disperse evil spirits. A hawk’s bells denotes one who was not afraid of signalling his approach in peace or war.
Or: Gold (or): generosity and elevation of the mind.
His motto was: Perseverantia (Perseverance).

Richard was still at Claremont with his aunt in 1911 but another brother, John George Moore Bell, also born in Victoria, Australia was there in place of William. Richard, however, was a retired merchant. He was only 37.

In 1908 he played cricket for the Gentlemen of England v the MCC in 1908. In 1909 and 1910 he was back in Australia.

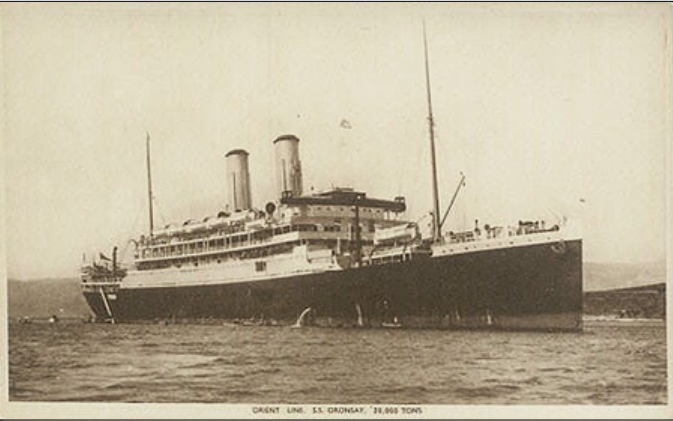
Richard married Marjorie Crichton Kerr at Epsom in September 1911. She was the daughter of Patrick Crichton and Eliza Kerr of Cheam Court Farm, born on 5 October 1892 and baptised on 20 December of that year at St. Dunstan’s, Cheam.

In 1912 Isla was born on 14 July and baptised on August 28 that same year at St Nicholas’ Church, Sutton.

The London Gazette of 26 July 1918 informed us that Richard had been made a Temporary 2nd Lieutenant in the Royal Marines Light Infantry, effective 11 July 1918. He served in Greece, France, Mesopotamia and India. He retired from the service on 15 December 1921 and received the British War medal. At that time he lived at Millfield, East Grinstead, Sussex.

On 14 August 1926, Richard, Marjorie and Isla set sail on the SS Nestor bound for Melbourne, Australia travelling 1st Class. Richard was 52 and a Merchant, Marjorie was 34 and Isla was 14 years old and a student. Their home address was Wanganella, Westleigh Avenue, Putney Hill, London, SW15. If you want a six-bedroomed house in this street you need a cool £2.5 million. The original Wanganella is a village community on the Billabong Creek in New South Wales.

The family made a return trip on 12 May 1927 embarking at Brisbane and landing at Tilbury on the SS Oronsay. Whether this was one long trip or not is hard to say in the absence of complete documentation.



SS Oronsay was a British Ocean Liner of 20,043 tons built in 1925 by John Brown, Clydebank for the Orient Steam Navigation Co., Glasgow.

In 1927 Joseph Bell, Richard’s father, died as the result of an accident and Richard and Beatrice Bell were the executors. The notice was published in The London Gazette of 14 October 1927.

And as we know from the postcard, Isla was at school at Hillcot in 1928.

1933 saw Marjorie and Isla due to set sail on 24 February aboard SS Sibajak bound for Gibraltar but, as their names are crossed through on the outward Passenger List, it is likely they cancelled the trip. Instead they boarded the SS Baloeran, arriving at Southampton on 21 May having departed from Sourabaya, Indonesia.

On 17 March 1935 Marjorie and Isla did set sail aboard SS Baloeran, embarking at Southampton and heading for Gibraltar.

From 1934 to 1936 the little family lived at 6 Eastbury Court, Kensington moving to 1 Eastbury Court in 1937. They were still there in 1939 according to the London Electoral Register. But were they?

The 1939 Register showed Richard at Marrowells, Oatlands Chase, Weybridge, Surrey, along with Mark and Marian North. This was a very large household with 9 people in the main house, 6 of whom were staff and a further 5 staff in the Lodge to the property. An auction catalogue supplied by Historic England when Marrowells was sold on 3 March 1949 indicates that the house had three storeys, 16 bedrooms, 6 bathrooms, 4 reception rooms, model domestic offices (i.e. Pantry, Kitchen, Scullery, Larder etc. etc), billiard room, lodge, cottage, garages and about 6 acres of land. It was also centrally heated. The house was described as:

‘very well built of brick in the Georgian style with mellowed tiled roof and dormer windows and finely carved stone surround to Front door. It was extensively modernised some 10 years ago at great expense...’

‘The Pleasure Grounds are most attractive and beautifully timbered. There are masses of rhododendrons, choice flowering trees and shrubs, large circular lily pool, sunk rock garden and lily pool, yew hedges, tennis lawn. Pavilion and Sumer house and Rose Garden with lily pool. Party walled Kitchen Garden. Two Greenhouses and Melon House and Orchard.’

The lodge has three bedrooms, sitting room, kitchen and bath, wash-house, etc. while the chauffeur’s cottage has three bedrooms, bath and sitting room, kitchen, scullery, WC and single Garage with pit.

Sadly, I haven’t managed to locate a picture of this fine edifice and, at the time of the sale, it was being used as a Maternity Annexe to West Middlesex Hospital in Isleworth, Middlesex.

Richard was a ‘Retired Merchant’. I tried to discover exactly what he ‘merchanted’. The imposing premises of Messrs. Banks Brothers, Bell and Company on Flinder’s Lane East, Melbourne had a top floor full of bulk and bonded goods, but they also had interests in millinery, ladies outfitting and baby-linen as various advertisements from 1880 indicate. Richard’s father, Joseph described himself as a ‘warehouseman’ who was an individual who regularly engaged in the business of receiving and storing goods for others in exchange for compensation or profit. Richard’s own title of ‘merchant’ indicates a person who buys or sells goods in large quantities especially one who imports them or exports them. Perhaps, then, they just turned a profit wherever they found one on whatever they found.

Back to the 1939 registration. Richard is shown as married...however on 14 August 1939 Marjorie and Isla embarked on the ship SS Bayano at Avonmouth bound for Kingston, Jamaica and they don’t appear to have returned until 5 November 1941 aboard the SS Platano (banana in Spanish). Marjorie describes herself as a Married Housewife while Isla is a 29 year old student.

Richard Moore Bell died on 10 June 1953 at Brighton General Hospital. He had been living at 39 Portland Gate, Portland Road, Hove, Sussex. Probate was granted to Marjorie, his widow.

He left £15,184. 7s. 6d.

This is Portland Road ca. 1930 and the buildings show Richard’s accommodation.





Marjorie Crichton Bell died on 3 June 1974. She had been living at 119 Brighton Road, Worthing and she left £11,126.00.

Isla died on 27 November 1983. Possibly. At the time she lived, there was an actress with the same name which muddies the waters somewhat.

And what has all this to do with Selsey? Nothing. But it's still a good picture.

I am very grateful to the Eastbourne History Society and John Harding of The Leys School for their help with this research. I must also thank Jim Crowley for interpreting the cricket statistics for me.

Grateful appreciation of the generosity of Historic England's Nigel Wilkins, the Archive Services Officer, is offered with thanks for sending me the particulars of the sale of Marrowells.

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SELSEY MEDICAL PRACTICE
YOUR FLU VACCINATIONS HAVE BEEN ORDERED
GET YOURSELF PROTECTED FROM FLU & SUPPORT YOU LOCAL GP PRACTICE

Selsey Medical Practice is gearing up for the flu season and we want your help. You may have heard messages that say getting you flu jab done elsewhere helps your GP practice – **it does not!** Having you flu jab here, helps to ensure we can continue to provide a broad range of NHS services to you. Your vaccinations have been ordered and will be here by the end of September, clinics will be starting on Monday 25th September'17. This year the practice will be using a quadrivalent flu vaccine which is designed to protect against four different flu viruses; two influenza A viruses and two influenza B viruses. In previous years patients have been given a trivalent vaccine.

For years, flu vaccines were designed to protect against three different flu viruses (trivalent). This included an influenza A H1N1 virus, an influenza A H3N2 virus and one B virus. Experts had to choose one B virus, even though there are two very different lineages of B viruses that both circulate during most seasons. This meant the vaccine did not protect against the group of B viruses not included in the vaccine. Adding another B virus to the vaccine aims to give broader protection against circulating flu viruses.

Children under the age of 3 years will not be able to have the quadrivalent vaccine, they will be administered with the trivalent vaccine.

Flu vaccines that protect against four flu viruses are made in the same way as the flu vaccines that have been around for years that protect against three flu viruses. Studies have shown that vaccines made to protect against four flu viruses have a safety profile similar to seasonal flu vaccines made to protect against three viruses.

Flu vaccines cannot cause influenza illness, because the vaccine viruses used to make it are 'inactivated' (killed) or attenuated (weakened).

If you see one of our nurses for your flu jab we can also and see if you are eligible for any of the other seasonal vaccinations – Pneumonia (at the age of 65) & Shingles (if you are aged 70 & 78) and give you these at the same time. Whilst you are in having your jab we can also check and see if there is anything else outstanding that we need to do for you and may be able to do them for you there and then if not make you a convenient appointment

- We will be running early morning clinics and late evenings to accommodate patients that find day time appointments difficult. To see if you are eligible for a Flu jab please see the list below:
- **All patients aged 65 and over**
 - **Pregnant ladies**
 - **Immune Suppressed – Patients on Chemotherapy & HIV**
 - **Patients with Chronic Diseases – Diabetes, COPD, CKD, CHD, Asthmatics on inhaled steroids, Chronic liver disease, Parkinsons Disease, Motor Nerone disease & MS**
 - **Registered Carers – in receipt of carers allowance**
 - **BMI of 40 or over**

If you are eligible please call the surgery on **01243-608201** or call in and book in person

Walk the Sussex Hospice Trail: Join the Fun and Fundraising Launch Event

For a fun day out with friends and family, and a chance to raise money for your local hospice, why not join the Friends of Sussex Hospices Walking Trail on Saturday 23rd September?

This is the official launch of the Trail, which is the UK's only permanent long distance footpath dedicated to hospices. The 200 mile Trail has been two years in the making and is made up of 26 linear walks which vary from between 4 and 11 miles.

The Friends of Sussex Hospices charity has for 21 years been raising funds for hospices across both counties and to date has distributed £1.5 million through their many and varied fundraising activities. St Wilfrid's Hospice in Chichester is delighted to have received their support and is fielding teams of walkers and Event Marshals.

The launch event is a simultaneous relay and to take part, walkers need to download the iFootpath App and the walk of their choice. Then visit www.hospicetrail.co.uk/register-your-team/ to select the walk, nominate a hospice and register. The fee of £80* (for 2-8 people) will go to the hospice of their choice.

Team Leaders will receive an information pack; then simply register with the Event Marshals at the start point on the day. Participants will be given hats, medals and a special Walkers Passport to stamp.

Jerry Doyle, Head of Fundraising and Communications at St Wilfrid's comments, "We are delighted to be involved with this exciting new venture and greatly appreciate all the support given by the Friends of Sussex Hospices, and all those who help raise money on the day."



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- 4) Who died first, Laurel or Hardy?
5) Which actor was the fifth Doctor Who on television?
6) In a motor racing Grand Prix, what flag is shown to the winner?
7) Which African country had Seretse Khama as it's first president?
8) Bristol glass is what colour?

In memory of 9/11, by Ali Archer

Hilary

Hilary Anderson liked to be scared
but actively sought out her fears,
and engineered fearful occasions
(the fact was she'd done it for years).

Her fear of heights had been there for some time,
she'd got such a buzz when she climbed
to the top of the tallest of buildings;
the length of the visits all timed.

Adrenalin rushes were common,
the pain in her limbs very real.
The dizziness came when, right at the edge,
her stopwatch was turned on with zeal.

The seconds ticked by. She'd cling on, eyes closed,
too frightened to look at the time.
But squinting one eye, she'd at last dare to look,
and grimace. The thrill was sublime!

As soon as her 'record' was beaten,
she'd back up and grab for the rail,
and pant as the tingle subsided
with smiles as she the measured the scale.

Of the 1 to 10, for they'd all been scored,
the '10's' most exciting of all.
The greatest of which were two towers
which slumped to the sidewalk that Fall

She'd never forgotten that September day,
the horror unfolding, so grim.
She'd been there and timed it, yet they were gone,
and now she was out on a limb.

No other could measure against them.
No fear would be so great again.
She'd faced up to her demons and beat them,
and now she'd treat heights with disdain.

SELSEY LIFEBOAT ASSOCIATION

Thanks to everyone who came and supported the Association during Lifeboat Week. Thanks especially to the following who generously donated towards the raffle in aid of the Selsey Lifeboat Station: Seales Butcher's, Wave Cafe, Heritage Butchers, Selsey Florist, The Liquid Merchant, The Piggery Farm Shop, Riviera Restaurant, Boots, Bookers Cash & Carry, Chaplins Coffee House, Norton Glass, Southern Co-Op, Den's Fish Bar, Northern Co-Op. The raffle raised £487.50.

The Lifeboat Shop is open every day from 10.30 until 4. The Shop is well stocked with Christmas cards, calendars and diaries and other items which would make ideal gifts and support the Lifeboat service at the same time.

Hope to see you at our Christmas Fair being held in the Selsey Town Hall on Saturday, 2 December. Also, the Garage Sale on 30 September being held at 6 Manor Lane, Selsey. Please make a note in your diaries.

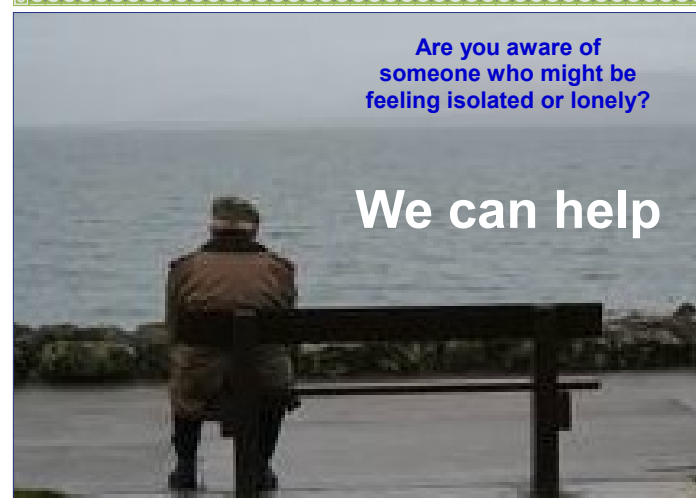
Ros Bonham, Chairman

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All referrals will be treated in the strictest confidence.

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Mikron Theatre Production Report

On Tuesday 11th July 2017 more than 100 people braved the evening's wet and blustery conditions to attend a performance by the Mikron Theatre Company of their new play 'In at the Deep End' at Selsey Lifeboat Station.

The show was specially written to tell the story of the RNLI, and for it to be performed inside the new Boathouse added a real sense of poignancy and relevance to the experience, for audience and performers alike.

The action takes place in the fictional RNLI station of Skipwick somewhere on the UK coast, where a demanding Coxswain (Darren) is struggling to keep the station going in the face of a lack of volunteer crew members and a fundraiser (Hazel) with ideas that rarely bring in enough money to keep the station afloat (A History of the RNLI in 900 pages, anyone?).

Darren and Hazel are joined in the fight for the future of the station by an over-eager young volunteer (Shannon), and Darren's son Billy – a 'conscripted' crew member, bound to the RNLI by a sense of duty to a father for whom he never appears to be good enough at anything.

Billy confesses to Shannon that he believes he deserves his father's poor opinion for having to be rescued by him from a notoriously dangerous spot in the station's area, but Shannon stirs things up by encouraging Billy out of this negative attitude to his life, and more importantly, to his role with the RNLI. She also questions the fervour with which Darren treats anyone and anything connected to the station.

The action comes to a head when the crew responds to a shout to look for a missing swimmer in poor and increasingly worsening weather conditions. Darren, Billy, and Shannon carry out a successful search and rescue and are on their way back to the station with the casualty when a freak wave washes Darren overboard.

In true 'happy ever after' style, Darren is rescued by his son and under pressure from Hazel and Shannon the two become reconciled and acknowledge their true feelings for each other.

A back story about the loss of Darren's best friend, himself a lifeboat volunteer, while on a shout at the place Billy had been rescued from explains Darren's attitude to his son as well as his approach to running the station and how he treated new volunteers - he blamed himself for his friend's death and consequently expected too much from Billy and anyone else who joined the crew.

The story of the Skipwick station was interspersed with vignettes of music, drama, and comedy, accompanied by appropriate costume changes, describing how the RNLI began, telling the stories of Lionel Lukin, who in 1785 designed and patented the first unsinkable boat which subsequently became the model for the first purpose-built lifeboat and Sir William Hillary, whose vision for a service dedicated to saving lives at sea culminated in the foundation of the RNLI in 1824.

There was also a delightful sketch telling the history of the life-jacket and how they have changed in the years since Captain Ward invented the cork version in 1854.

How the equipment used by the RNLI has transitioned from horse-drawn boats, through sail power then steam, petrol, and diesel, alongside a 'countdown' of the different classes of lifeboat over the years was told in a lively and entertaining way.

The multi-talented cast treated the audience to a wonderful evening of entertainment showing off an extensive range of musical skills, playing a variety of instruments from the usual guitar, through the less frequently seen and heard ukulele, accordion, finger bells and beat box to enhance the atmosphere and set suitable soundscapes for the storytelling, including stormy weather, sailor's hornpipes etc.

Mikron were rewarded for their efforts with a very well deserved standing ovation and it is to be hoped that when they plan their 2018 season we will be among the locations fortunate enough to be treated to another performance from them.

If you want to know more about Mikron you will find them at: www.mikron.org.uk

For more information on the history of the RNLI and what the organisation does you can follow this link: <https://rnli.org>

9) Who went missing in the Sahara in January 1982?

10) Neil Diamond made a song about which seagull?

11) What is the Isle of Skye's main town?

12) Which group of islands are Westray, Eday and Sanday in?

13) Stockholm is built on how many islands?

14) What larger island is Chappaquiddick Island just off of?

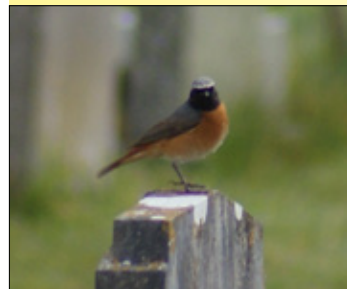


Especially for all at Marjorie Cobby House. Can you spot the 10 differences in these pictures? Answer next month.

A change in the air at Pagham Harbour & Medmerry

It's September. The lazy sunshine still has some warmth but there is a definite change in the air. It is the turning point between summer and autumn, a time of misty mornings and glorious sunsets. It is also a great time for the bird watcher as you never know what might turn up. Along with ospreys, sandpipers and wrynecks, a multitude of different bird species are passing through our reserves on migration. Pagham Harbour and Medmerry reserves are vital fuel stops before they attempt to cross The Channel and continue their epic journeys.

Yellow wagtails epitomise their name. They have bright yellow underparts and faces, and like their black and white cousins, the pied wagtails, have long tails that they continually wag up and down. These bright little birds often follow cattle and other large animals, feeding off the insects disturbed by their feet.



Common Redstart

Another bird with a constantly quivering tail is the redstart. These robin sized birds have a bright orange-red tail and are always on the move, flying up and sometimes hovering to catch insects in mid air. Church Norton is one of their favourite spots and they are often joined there by pied and spotted flycatchers. The smart males of the pied flycatcher are mostly black on top and white underneath, with a bold white patch on the fold of its wing. The spotted flycatcher has grey-brown upperparts, off-white underparts and streaks on its breast. Both have a habit of darting from a perch to catch a flying insect but the spotted flycatcher always returns to the same perch or nearby unlike its cousin.



Yellow wagtail



Spotted Flycatcher

Whinchats are slightly smaller with streaky brown upperparts, an orange-brown breast and a prominent white eye-stripe. They are the cousins of our residential stonechats and can be spotted at this time of year perched on bushes and wires, particularly around Medmerry. If you get very lucky, you may spot a blackbird with a white crescent bib. This is the elusive ring ouzel, a secretive bird that breeds in the mountains and moorlands of our remotest uplands.

For more information on what to see and where, pop into our Visitor Centre south of Chichester on the B2145 between Selsey and Sidlesham. Alternatively join one of our guided walks – for details of all our events check our website www.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour

RSPB Pagham Harbour & Medmerry Events

September

Sunday 03 September, Someone to Guide You. Unsure of what that bird is? Our friendly guides will be at the **Ferry Pool Hide, Pagham Harbour** to help you spot and identify the wildlife that you see.

11am – 2pm Drop-in, Free

Saturday 16 September, The Great British Beach Clean. Join us and the Friends of Pagham Harbour taking part in The Great British Beach Clean, giving something back whilst in good company.

Meet Earnley car park PO20 7JL at 9.50am.

October

Sunday 01 October, Discover Pagham Harbour (north) Guided Walk. Our guides will take you on a gentle autumn stroll around the **north side** of the reserve spotting migrant birds and other wildlife.

10am (duration 3 hours)

Booking essential £7 per person / £4 members

Sunday 08 October, Wildlife Photography Workshop. This all-day practical workshop gives an introduction to basic techniques for wildlife photography, combining theory with opportunities to practice what you learn on our beautiful reserve. Includes basic post processing.

8.30am (duration 8 hours)

Booking essential, £18 per person / £14 members

Check out our website www.rspb.org/paghamharbour for full events program.

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RSPB Events for September 2017

DUNCTON

Sunday 3 September

Morning Bird Walk around Burton Mill Pond with Chris Vine of the RSPB Chichester Local Group. Meet in mill car park, Map Ref: SU979181 at 10.00 am

01243 262833

CHICHESTER

Thursday 21 September

Illustrated Talk by Michael Blencowe on 'Extinct Birdwatching' to the RSPB Chichester Local Group at The Pallant Suite, Masonic Hall, South Pallant, Chichester at 7.30 pm.

Entrance members £2-50/visitors £5 01243 262833
wheelchair access

THORNEY ISLAND

Saturday 23 September

Morning walk around Thornham Lane and Great Deeps with Chris Vine of the RSPB Chichester Local group. Meet in Thornham Lane, Map Ref: SZ756049 at 10.00 am

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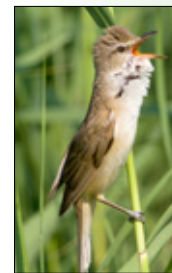
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No tasks for September

Say 'Hello' and Wave 'Goodbye'

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

The dominant theme for nature this month is migration. In September Sussex becomes an international hub for some amazing long distance journeys.



Reed warbler

Migration will never cease to amaze me. In August I watched a family of freshly fledged reed warblers crashing around on their first flights. They could barely stay airborne for more than a few seconds. Yet they are now joining our other summer migrants; falcons and doves, swallows and martins, whitethroats, whinchats, wheatears and wagtails in a mass evacuation of England. Pouring out through the river valleys of Sussex and across the seas, mountains and deserts beyond; over every church house, gin house, school house and outhouse between Crawley and the C'ote d'Ivoire.

And as they head south they'll pass butterflies still intent on pushing north – painted ladies, clouded yellows, and red admirals - beautiful Spain in September. Other insects are on delicate wings – dragonflies, such as the migrant most of the summer before it fades.

At night, the insect invasion continues with continental hawkmoths. Look out for the amazing hummingbird your flower-bed. Meanwhile other bird species are arriving – some just refuelling as they pass through, others - who find the winter temperature in Sussex hotter than the Highlands and balmier than the Baltic, will stay with us; waders and wildfowl feeding on the estuaries, owls and harriers hunting over the downs.

Sussex gardens will also become a winter destination – 'your' blackbird, with whom you have shared the garden all summer, may shortly be joined by a blackbird belonging to Mr & Mrs Morgansson of Kongsvinger, Norway. And let's not forget that through the centre of Sussex



Eel

runs a series of aquatic migration highways; the Arun, Adur, Ouse, Cuckmere and Rother. Throughout the year their waters channel the mighty sea trout, the eel and the weird sea lamprey from the deep ocean to shallow spawning grounds upstream. These aquatic migrations are just as impressive.

This September head out in Sussex and watch the natural world on the move.

Sussex Wildlife Trust is a registered 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 guide book, Discovering Wildlife in Sussex. It's easy to join online at www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join or by phone on 01273 497532.



20) Which ocean is the world's smallest?

21) In what film is US president Merkin Muffley a character?

22) Peter Sellers posthumously appeared in which film?

23) A female singing voice in the middle range is a what?

24) The Gritti Palace hotel is in which European city?

15) Who created the detective Charlie Chan?
16) Lower jaw
17) Which English playwright is The Deep Blue Sea by?
18) Which two areas of land does the Bass Strait separate?
19) Which is Africa's smallest mainland state?





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Do you run or attend a group that would benefit from a scam and fraud awareness session?

PCSO Richard Moorey, based at Chichester Police Station, has specifically designed a presentation that highlights the common tactics used by scammers and fraudsters. He talks about scam mail, courier fraud and computer fraud as well as how to deal with door to door callers, rogue traders and unwanted callers. The presentation takes between 45 minutes to 1 hour and there is an opportunity to ask questions at the end. He is available to visit any groups across the Arun and Chichester district. To arrange a talk, please email Richard.moorey@sussex.pnn.police.uk or by calling 07912 894767.

Rogue Traders

Trading Standards and Sussex Police often receive reports about traders cold calling at the door and telling homeowners that they need work to be done to their home or garden, for example that their roof or guttering are damaged or that their trees are unsafe and need work. The work has then been badly done and sometimes the price jumped by ten times because the trader "helpfully" found other gardening work that also had to be done!

We also receive reports about other home maintenance cold calls such as driveway work and roof cleaning. In some driveway cleaning cases the traders have persuaded the homeowner to have the back patio cleaned as well as the front drive, causing the price to jump up hugely from the original estimate. Although roof cleaning may make the tiles look cleaner, the force of the pressure washer can cause other problems with the roof. The National Federation of Roofing Contractors advises that moss is not a problem on a roof and that this service is completely unnecessary.

Trading Standards advice is never to have work done by anyone who cold calls. No reputable trader ever approaches a customer in this way. If you think your home or garden needs work, please use a recommendation from friends/neighbours or contact the Citizen's Advice Consumer Service on **03454 040506** to find a good trader on the Trading Standards "Buy With Confidence" list. You should also obtain three quotes to check if the price is competitive and if the work really needs doing - never rely on the word of a single trader.

Please keep an eye out for any vulnerable neighbours who may be approached by cold callers. If someone has agreed to work from a cold call and there is no paperwork, it is likely that there will be a problem.

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SELSEY COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

.....*Comment on a recent incident*

Very recently, a 999 call was made to the South-East Coast Ambulance Service (SECAmb) and the caller was directed to the nearest Public Access Defibrillator and given the box code. Here the situation became rather confused as it seems the shop didn't have any information about the PAD and no one knew where the key was. I cannot say exactly what happened, but suffice to say the caller was unable to gain access to the defibrillator. This was not good and I will come back to that. The most important thing in this case being the outcome as far as the patient was concerned.

The 999 call resulted in a First Responder being activated. Luckily, he was very close to the patient and arrived on site within 3 minutes to start care and stabilisation. He was joined by an ambulance, and then 2 cars; one with a Critical Care Paramedic, and the other with a Clinical Team Leader. Therefore, the patient was attended by a highly skilled team. Sadly, and despite this, the patient did not survive.

Now back to the PAD box. The first question is, why do we lock them. The answer is quite simple. As a charity, we can obtain a smart defibrillator for a little over £800, but on the open market you would have to pay over £1000. I regret to say that if they were not in a secure cabinet they would disappear very quickly. Also, as they need to be available 24/7 they have to be outside and visible. As you can see from the picture, a PAD is in a large yellow box which has a key pad used to enter the code to open it. They are sited at the East Beach Evangelical Church, The Fisherman's Joy, St Wilfrid's Roman Catholic Church, the Southern Coop, the Fire Station and the Selsey Centre.



When a 999 call is made, the SECAmb call-taker will assess the situation and, if a defibrillator is required, the rescuer will be told the location of the nearest PAD and the code to open it. The line to the call-taker should remain open so that any further advice can be given. The defibrillator is a smart unit and will instruct the rescuer on its use. The call-taker will give guidance as required.

Situations such as that which occurred recently can be very stressful and confusing. The only advice we can give is try to stay calm and keep in contact with the SECAmb call taker. Easy to say, but hard to do.

We are aiming to do demonstrations around the town and these will be advertised in good time. The last demonstration was given on Life Boat day.

Please see our: website www.selseyfirstresponders.org

If you add up the letters in the words 'ace, two, three, four, five, six, seven, eight, nine, ten, jack, queen king', they total 52, the same as the number of playing cards.

There is, apparantly, a Tightwad Bank, in Tightwad, Missouri.

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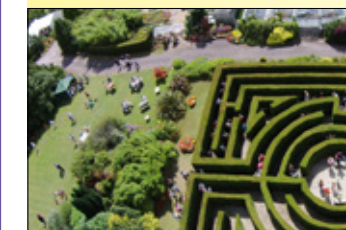
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MAZEGARDEN OPEN DAY 2017

By an amazing piece of luck our 15th Mazegarden Open Day arrived and was bright and fairly warm, unlike a few days earlier when we had the torrential rain followed by high winds which almost took the three marquees away into the field next door!

Once more we had garden games, face painting, tea and cakes,



Caroline's Dairy Ice Cream, many stalls of talented crafters, new books and stationery plus another visit from artist Keiko Iwamoto and Denis Knockton with his beautiful red Jaguar.

We had a very busy fund raising day for Perennial-Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society, a charity for the horticultural

industry, which included the stall manned by Perennial themselves which always helps to tell people about the work that they carry out.

Mazegarden will be donating the sum of £3,409 to Perennial to help with their increasing workload of helping horticulturalists in difficulties.

Unfortunately, several people left their belongings here at the end of the day, if you know of anyone who may have left something behind please ask them to contact us, **01243 641451** answer phone, we will get back to them.

Finally, we would like to thank all our volunteers most of whom have been supporting us since our first open day but also to our wonderful new volunteers who put their heart and soul into making our day such a success. Thank you to everyone.

Richard Bushby and Sandra Hamilton

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A MAN AND HIS MUSIC

The following is a story of a man who has enjoyed music since he was a child and who has worked for the local community in Selsey for many years, supporting local charities.

Cliff Reeves is 90 years old. He was born in London, the son of a working class family.

Age 12 he left school. Like so many families at that time his parents owned a piano. Cliff was fascinated by the instrument and, with his own pocket money, he arranged piano lessons, half an hour once a week for the princely sum of 6 old pennies (2 1/2 new pence).

Over a period of time Cliff learned to read music and, by the time he was 15 he had become an accomplished pianist.

From the age of 15 until he was 18, he earned pocket money doing local gigs, birthdays, weddings etc. At 18 he was called up for army service.

Demobbed in 1948 he formed his own jazz band and played various gigs around Brixton in London.

His day job was as a sheet metal worker but his love of music kept him striving for better things. He began arranging music for his jazz band and was continually improving his knowledge of music.

In 1980 he applied for a position with the Manhood High School, Selsey. Interviewed by Mr Mills, Head Teacher, he was appointed Head of Music.

Cliff was always ready to pass his love of music on to young people and it had, for many years, been his ambition to form a youth band. Manhood School had in place free lessons for those pupils who were interested in learning to play various instruments.

These lessons could only be given to those pupils who already possessed their own instrument.

However in 1980, shortly after he took up his position, Cliff was approached by two local business men who said they would like to make a donation to the music department in honour of their father. Cliff, a member of the Musicians Union, contacted a number of musicians in the south of England who owned shops, and managed to put together a deal for a wide variety of instruments. He contacted the business men and, with fingers crossed, told them that the total cost was £3,000. They told him to go ahead and purchase the instruments. The Manhood High School Show Band was born.

Between Cliff and his many friends in the music business, who gave their time free of charge, they taught and trained the students and produced one of the best youth bands in the South of England who performed at the South Bank Festival, on local radio and at several civic functions.

Although much of this work was done through the school, Cliff gave an enormous amount of his free time to the orchestra.

In 1990, due to changes in policy at the school, Cliff left his teaching position but he still continued to perform locally giving recitals in aid of various charities.

In 2015 Cliff was diagnosed with pancreatic cancer. He is receiving palliative treatment for his condition. He also suffers from COPD which means he has to have oxygen on hand every day.

Despite this Cliff is still giving concerts to raise money for local charities, his latest charity is Snak Shak.

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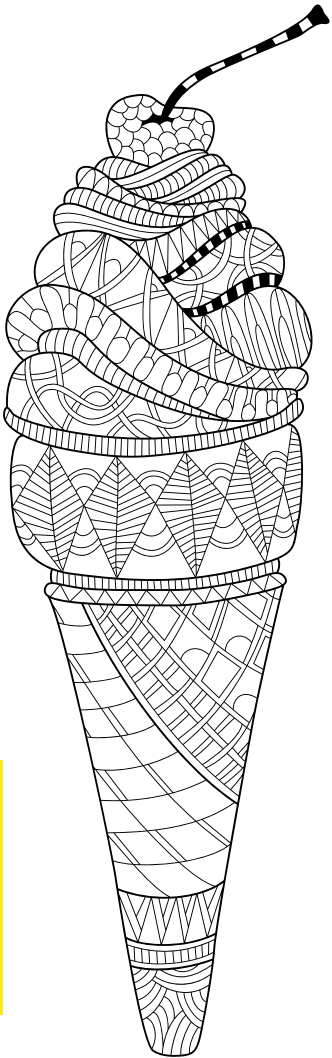
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- 25) Whose famous victory is remembered on 21st October each year?
- 26) Which actor was the most prolific storyteller on Jackanory?
- 27) What is a cross buttock?

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SELSEY CAMERA CLUB - ANNUAL PRESENTATION EVENING

The Annual Dinner and Presentation Evening was held at the Selsey Golf Club and included a dinner, a raffle, and presentation of the trophies.

I was volunteered to do the raffle. The prizes were donated by us, the members, and there were plenty of them! As I was in charge of the raffle I decided to make a special effort so, I went to the local car boot sale where I was able to purchase a few items that I deemed to be suitable (and cheap). - and new. However, as a special treat, I donated a framed, signed special limited edition print of one of my caricatures - this, I felt, would encourage them to buy more raffle tickets - how wrong could I be!

My lovely friend, Debbie, gave me a lift to the function, and was more than just an assistant at the raffle table. To be completely honest, I just made sure that everybody purchased tickets, and I collected the money, Debbie did the rest. After some socialising, we made our way into the dining hall where we were served our starters. I had a prawn cocktail that was substantial enough to have been a main meal. Now, the main meal was a carvery and could be either beef or turkey. Out came the dinners, "Who's ordered beef?", was the first cry, a number of hands shot up and the dinners were distributed. "Turkey" was the next call and they found their way to the rest of the diners. Actually, not quite to all because the final cry "Beef and Turkey" saw a lone hand raised - it was mine! Unable to decide what to have, I had ticked both boxes. Not a good start as I was ridiculed for my incompetence - but that was just the beginning.

Being a slow eater, and, consequently, a bit of a nuisance, I held up the final course from being served. But the sweet finally arrived; mine was a, (large), apple crumble. Again I struggled, to such an extent that I requested some cream to help me to digest it. That didn't go down well with the other diners because it drew attention to the fact that I was the only one still eating. Not a good idea at a camera club get together. My struggles were captured by cameras that suddenly appeared out of nowhere. All eyes were on me by then, but I managed to finally finish the meal, which drew a round of sarcastic applause from all and sundry. I would hasten to point out that the meal was exemplary, and served with grace and humour. My eating problems stem from my cancer treatment several years ago.

Now, at last, it was time for the raffle - my raffle, my rules. The tickets were sold in strips of 5 and it was my decision that only one prize could be claimed from each strip, (are you with me so far?). That way I felt that everyone would stand a better chance of getting a prize. Right, let's go! The first ticket was selected, "Orange ticket", I shouted, "but they're all orange tickets" someone pointed out. I ignored them and called out the number. No doubt they'll pick my magnificent limited edition print, I thought. But no, they went for the wine. "You may not have realised", I said, "that the picture is one of the prizes". "I know" he said, "I still want the wine, and anyway, I'm not a fan of Bette Davis", "It's not Bette Davis", I said, "It's Elizabeth Taylor" - not a very encouraging start, I didn't think it was that bad.

Never mind, let's continue. Next, "Orange ticket", I began, "not again, they're all orange!", "I know, but it's my raffle, I'll do it my way". The tickets continued to be selected, and the prizes taken, tweezers, a torch, more wine, tea bags etc., "Don't forget that very special limited edition, framed print, personally signed", I kept reminding them, but still it remained unclaimed. Then, somewhere in the middle of proceedings, a number was called but received no response. I called it several times and I tried to recall if anyone had left the room. Press on I thought and was about to choose another number when Debbie leaned across and whispered "It's your ticket", she said.

Suitably embarrassed, I selected a box of sweets, then swiftly moved on. Eventually, someone decided to select my picture. At last, I thought, someone with taste who really appreciates my masterpiece, until he said, "It's a nice frame, and I think that I have a picture that will fit in it". So much for my hard-to-resist special prize. My idea of of only one prize per strip certainly worked, but it took so long to complete the task. "I've had a prize from that strip - put it back!", was heard with increasing regularity. Finally there were only 2 prizes left, and only 2 members who hadn't won anything, Debbie and Tony, our chairman. I was able to glance at Debbie's tickets and, coincidentally, and happily, hers was the next number called. The final ticket didn't have a number, just a name - Tony's - so we all won!

Trophy presentation time. My bribery finally paid off as I somehow won a trophy. Then, when I won another one, I said "put it back, I've already won one", but a voice from the room was quick to point out, "But that was from a different strip". The trophies were finally handed out to those who were there to collect them, by our President, David Nichols, and Chairman, Tony Storey, the evening then politely drew to a close. On arriving home, I had my box of sweets, better hide them before.....oops, some hope! I was immediately set upon by my 13 year old granddaughter who, like a predatory eagle, snatched the sweets from my grasp and disappeared with them into her bedroom. Ah well, maybe the evening didn't go exactly to plan but, as usual, it was fun and enjoyed by all. Now to start preparing for next season.

The first evening of the new season is on Monday September 4th, 7.30pm and will feature 10 minute presentations by members - always a good opening evening. Then we meet every other Monday so, if you take pictures, (on any device or camera), why not come along to St Wilfrid's church hall, Church Road. Everybody welcome.

Bob Hoare

- 28) Which crop does the boll weevil attack?
- 29) What is the salary paid to a clergyman called?
- 30) What is five-eighths of 152?
- 31) What is a sophomore?



"Does this really look like Bette Davis?"



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Now Terry has added to his infamy by having a book published on Amazon. It is a novel in the form of the autobiography of Thomas Wentworth. Thomas was the son of an obscure Yorkshire squire, one of whose Manors was at Wentworth Woodhouse, between Rotherham and Sheffield in Yorkshire. He was born in 1593, and rose from his father's obscurity to become Charles 1's most influential minister. He was married first to Margaret, a daughter of the Earl of Cumberland. She died, leaving Thomas with no children, and thoroughly miserable. Later he married Arabella, a daughter of the Earl of Clare. They were very happy too, and had three children. He was again distraught when she died in a domestic accident.

Thirdly he married Elizabeth Rhodes, the daughter of another obscure Yorkshire squire. They had one daughter and Elizabeth was a good mother to Arabella's three children.

Thomas also had a mistress. She was Lucy, Countess of Carlisle, and a daughter of the Earl of Northumberland, one of the mighty Percy family. His relationships with all four of these ladies are developed in a fictional style in the book. However, the political story is true, and based on an enormous amount of research. The conversations had to be imagined but the facts are what really occurred in this tumultuous period of history, which ended with the Civil War and Charles's execution.

Before that, however, Thomas had risen to political eminence, had been sent to Ireland to govern it on behalf of the King, and was created 1st Earl of Strafford, after rising through the ranks of knight, baronet, Baron, and Viscount. He was Charles's most conscientious adviser during the years when the King ruled without Parliament, and as a result he fell foul of the Parliamentarians, led by John Pym, whose aim was to wrest control of the Kingdom from the monarchy. In consequence, after being called back from Ireland to take charge of the Army in the fight against the Scots caused by Charles's religious policy, Parliament charged him with treason. What was probably one of the most one-sided trials ever to take place in Britain followed.

Terry has created a very vivid account of this Court case, based on his detailed study of two 17th Century accounts of it. Many of those who have read the novel say the trial is the highlight of it, and very exciting.

If readers are interested in reading the book, a copy should have appeared in Selsey Library by now. A copy went into Chichester Library about 6 weeks ago, and has already been borrowed at least twice.

Should anyone want to buy a copy it is available from Amazon. The search is for:

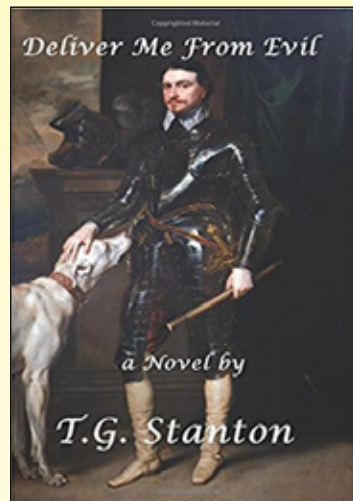
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It costs 16 pounds, but should come post free.

Terry is hoping to do a belated English launch of the book as part of the Chichester Festivities next year. He says: "Another way to get a copy of the book is to visit Wentworth Woodhouse and go on a tour of this magnificent stately home, said to have the longest frontage of any house in Europe. The tours, which Christine, and I have been on, are excellent and the guides very knowledgeable. The book is on sale there to the public, and the staff and volunteers have almost all bought a copy."

He and Christine emigrated to Australia in April 2005. They lived in Townsville, in Far North Queensland, to be near their first two grandchildren, for the first four years, but were defeated by the heat and humidity. In the winter a low temperature during the day was about 22C, and from early October to the end of April it was usually around 34C, but went 38C or more much of the time, with very high humidity. They then moved South about 1500 miles to Tinonee, a small village in New South Wales, near Taree, where they have lived very happily for eight years in a lovely house at the top of a hill overlooking the Manning River. It is a beautiful part of the country. Luckily, the Townsville gang and grandchildren moved down three years ago. Christine learns the piano, and Terry has continued to organise charity recitals in churches.

Terry and Christine send their best wishes to all their old friends in Selsey.



After a fabulous August Festival month September still has a few special events in store for you such as; on 1st September, A Master Musician performance by Phil Beer multi-instrumentalist, BBC Folk Award Winner from 7.30pm, Bar opens at 7.00pm. Tickets available from www.ticketsource.co.uk

3rd September Voluntary Action Arun & Chichester between 1pm – 4pm talk to local organisations that are looking for volunteers. You can get involved with a community art project, take part in workshops and demonstrations, and there might even be a free ice cream and goodie bag for you. Pinks Vintage Ice Cream Van will be on site handing out free ice creams to the first 50 attendees.

24th September Aro Kickboxing couch to comp event – 8 people who have never trained before having taken up a challenge to train for 12 weeks with the aim of getting into the boxing ring and spar in front of family, friends and supporters. Come along and watch them step into the ring for the first time and cheer them on. Doors open at 4.30pm, tickets on the door are £7 (of which £2 is going to charity, St. Richards Neo Natal). The evening also consists of three children sparring bouts as well as eight couch to comp fights, there will also be a licenced bar and raffle.

New classes for September;

Tai Chi Chih - Beginners class starts 11th September 3.30 – 4.30pm. Tai Chi Chih is a moving meditation which encourages many health benefits when practiced regularly. Students learn 19 movements and one pose during 12 weeks. No previous experience special skills or equipment is required – just a desire to learn, relax and enjoy something new. Tai Chi Chih can be done standing or seating and is suitable for all ages. Check with your GP or TCC teacher Tracy Gibbons if you are unsure.

Costs £5 per class x 12 weeks if paid in full or £7 drop-in. Call Tracy to book your place and find out more information on [01243 514909](tel:01243514909) OR [07941 520964](tel:07941520964) OR email tracy.gibbons@lifeandbalance.org.uk go to website www.lifeandbalance.org.uk

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Tap & Ballet Dance Classes – from Tuesday 19th September TAP classes start at 4.30pm for pre-school, school years reception, 1 and 2, from 5.00pm for school years 3-6 and from 5.30pm school years 7-11.

From Thursday 21st September Ballet classes start at 4.00pm for pre-school, school years reception, 1 and 2, from 4.30pm for school years 3-6 and from 5.00pm school years 7-11.

Classes will focus on terminology, technique and the basics of ballet and tap dance. These classes are ideal for beginners and intermediate dancers who are open minded and ready to learn. We will be working towards performances during the academic year. Places are limited so please book in advance to secure your space. For further information and to enroll please call Rachel on [0751 7442539](tel:07517442539) Or email on rnb.dance@outlook.com

Please contact us for further details on [01243 603836](tel:01243603836) or see our website www.selseycentre.com

32) Which is the larger owl, the Snowy or the Tawny?

33) What is an Analgesic?

34) What did Steve Wozniak and Steve Jobs launch in 1977?

35) The Periodic Table is a classification of what?

- ♦ Speak to local organisations looking for volunteers
- ♦ Find a volunteer role that is perfect for you
- ♦ Volunteering workshops
- ♦ Demonstrations/talks by local Organisations

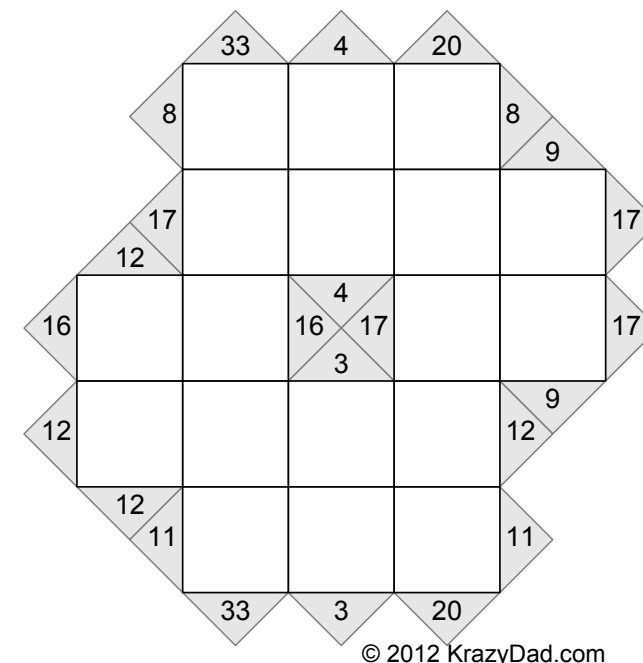
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In the Garden

our monthly guide to gardening - written by Giles Peare award winning broadcaster

September is the dividing month between Summer and Autumn. It is a month of soft and graceful days followed by glorious sunsets. Hedges are strewn with gossamer which looks entrancing in the morning sunshine. The butterflies and the bees are enjoying the flush of Autumn flowers.

Apples, pears and plums abound in the orchards and chestnuts are bursting with conkers. Autumn Violets can be found in the woodlands and purple Asters adorn our gardens. Look for the wild strawberries which are very sweet and juicy. September is the time to reflect on the wonderful bounty that nature provides

Jobs for September

Summer bedding displays in containers, window boxes and baskets will be coming to and end later this month. Empty contents onto the compost heap, clean and re-plant for Autumn and Winter colour. Purchase mini shrubs with berries (such as Gaultheria and Skimmia), Trailing Ivies, Pansies, Violas and miniature Cyclamen - some species have fragrant flowers. Also plant some mini bulbs such as early flowering Narcissi, Daffodils, Tulips, Crocus and Snowdrops. They will grow up through the plants and add some extra colour in the late Winter/early Spring.

Prune Wisteria now to encourage flowering spurs to develop along the main stems. Cut all side shoots back to about 20cm (these will need to be cut again during the Winter when they grow longer) and tie in any growth from leading shoots needed to extend the cover of the Wisteria across a wall, pergola or fence etc.. Wisteria can also be grown in large pots and trained as a standard to produce a wide but compact head on a single stem. Prune excess growth and shorten side shoots to encourage good flowering.

When greenhouse Tomatoes reach just below the roof they can only go one way which is over the top and down the other side. So if you have enough room carry on training the plants and if the weather is reasonably warm the shoots will continue to develop further flowers and fruit trusses well into the Autumn. In about a month's time, pinch out the main shoots to restrict further growth and concentrate the plant's energies into producing more fruit.

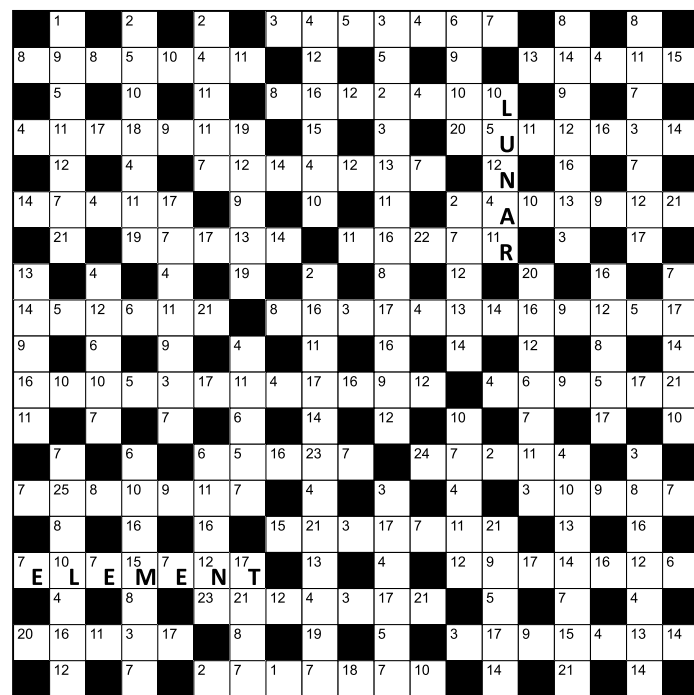
Tip Top Tips

- do watering in the morning from now on so that any wet foliage will dry up during the day. Evening watering will leave wet foliage which encourages rot and grey mould.
- Water indoor dormant Cyclamen to bring them back to growth.
- Ventilate greenhouses on sunny days and close down in late afternoon to keep the warm air inside.
- Wipe white shading off the greenhouse to let in more light and wash glass thoroughly at the same time.
- Keep Leeks and Celery earthed-up.
- Do not leave bulb orders too late - Spring will soon be here.
- Over ripe Tomatoes will become firm if they are placed in a basin of salted water for about 20 minutes.
- Old clothes (of natural fibres only), such as woollen jumpers, can be chopped up and added to the compost heap.
- Plant chives under Rose bushes to help control aphids.

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CRABLANDS BOWLS & TENNIS CLUB

Affiliated to B.E., L.T.A. & E.S.M.B.A.
Crablands, Selsey, PO20 9BD

CRABLANDS BOWLERS HIT THE BIG TIME!

Congratulations to our bowls ladies 4s who finished the season as County Champions and managed to reach the last 16 in the Nationals at Leamington Spa.



As well as serious competitions, Crablands arranges friendly matches to encourage all new players. There are informal roll ups on Wednesday mornings and Friday evenings and friendly leagues take place on Thursdays and Saturdays or Sundays. We offer a range of opportunities for all standards of player.

Elaine Sadler has recently achieved her coaching qualification and is happy to help anyone who feels like having a try at our friendly club. There are still a few Friday evening sessions left this season for you to come and meet us and take advantage of the bar being open. The winter programme of social events for members has now been organised which offers a wide range of fun activities. Details of these are on the notice boards in the clubhouse. Do come along and meet us and don't forget the date for new bowlers next year is 15th April, but we hope to see you before then! For more information ring Chris on [601859](tel:01243601859).

Short Mat bowlers should note that their Winter Season will be starting this month and for all details Jim Saunders is always willing to help, ring him on [606172](tel:01243606172).

As usual, there was a flurry of interest in tennis post Wimbledon and several new youngsters have signed up for Saturday coaching. It is good to see junior members taking advantage of the courts during their holidays. Please contact Jo on [606890](tel:01243606890) if you feel like picking up a racket as we continue to play right through the winter.

to advertise your club or event in future copies of Selsey Life please contact selsey@btinternet.com or phone us on 01243 602729 / 07534364943

Enduring Memories of a Certain Now Departed Selsey Stargazer.

Patrick Moore, for the common good studied planets whenever he could as twilight gave way at the end of each day through an old telescope made of wood

The heavens that twinkled by night were to him, a source of delight so as dusk descended, with boredom suspended he beheld their glorious sight

A xylophone gave him much pleasure of cricket, far too keen to measure but his mind was elsewhere when fielding there the man was a national treasure

At the farthest flung frontiers of night he examined a pinprick of light it was something unseen, something new and pristine his space searching peers to excite

The anticipated eclipse was snatched from his keen fingertips obscured by cloud to dismay of the crowd and worse than being caught in the slips!

Though his knowledge of stars was jaw dropping he was rubbish at doing the shopping he did not straighten chairs or vacuum the stairs and couldn't be bothered floor mopping

When the Yanks placed their men on the moon they would never have got there as soon but they'd much time to spare, once he mapped the way there his sense of direction a boon

Quite impossible to ignore Sir Patrick 'astronomy' Moore plainly extrovert in his Hawaiian shirt now enshrined in Selsey folklore.

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The 2017 Season is coming to an end with the last match scheduled for the end of September.

The Selsey 15 over Friday evening League was a great success with the teams Crabettes (Selsey Ladies) Selsey Sealions (Selsey Juniors) Running Empty and Selsey RNLI Lifeboat crew.

The Winners after the Grand final was Selsey Sealions.

*Bob Hoare Presenting Tom Cripps
Selsey Sealions Captain with the Evening
League cup.*

Sunday 13th August was the Selsey Cricket Club Beer & Rounders day, a part of the Selsey Festival.

15 teams took to the Field this year, with over 500 spectators watching on, under the sun & blue skies



*Winners of the 2017 Rounders
plate final, the Old Sloggers*

After several thrilling matches the Plate winners were the Old Sloggers and the main winners were Team Honywood.

Apart from the matches there were over 10 additional attractions on the Field, including a Hog Roast, Bouncy Castles, craft stalls, face Painting, glitter tattoos setc.

It was a fantastic Selsey turn out, and a great event for the Selsey Festival.

A big thanks to all the helpers and volunteers on the day, without who we could not run events like this.

Thanks also to Highhouse Insurance services for their loan of the PA system.

We look forward to the next Beer & Rounders in 2018



*Winners of the 2017
Rounders the Honywoods.*

Due to bad weather the Dave Clarke memorial match had to be abandoned, but has now been rescheduled for Sunday September 17th at 1:00 pm

Anyone old Friends and Family of Dave's are most welcome to play or just come along and celebrate his life.

Further information please contact us on info@selseycc.co.uk

Dave Clarke

The Clubs Annual Dinner & Presentation evening has been booked at the Selsey Club for Saturday 25th November.

New members both playing and non playing are very welcome.

Ricky Halpin Selsey Cricket Club [07968 961323](tel:07968961323) www.selseycc.co.uk www.facebook.com/selseycc
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Auburn Lodge



Auburn Lodge is a residential home located in Selsey and forms part of the company Platinum Homecare (S.C) Ltd.

Auburn Lodge is primarily a long-term residential home for the placement of older people aged 65 onwards but we do also provide accommodation for people needing respite or short term care.

We specialise in providing support to males and females no longer able to live on their own in their own homes and require help with washing, dressing, mobility and all other aspects of personal care.

If you would like any more information please contact us:

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Enjoy your retirement in complete peace of mind, with professionally trained people, that are caring and kind. In beautiful surroundings kept pristine and clean and savour the delights of 'home-cooked' cuisine.



To those of you who watched Dirty Dancing at the Screen on the Green, and to those who enjoy the film anyway, did you know about the the fate of Jennifer Stahl, one of the dancers in the film?

Jennifer's big break came as being cast in Dirty Dancing (1987), and she was in some other films including Identity Crisis (1989) and I'm Your Man (1992), but her acting career was going nowhere and she turned her attention to singing, but with no success. She stayed in New York, and rented an apartment five stories above the Carnegie Deli in Mid-town Manhattan.

By 2001 she was 39, and was supporting herself by selling marijuana to her musician friends.

One of Jennifer's customers described how the apartment was usually open for business only between 6 and 8 on weekday evenings, and you had to call ahead. Sometimes Jennifer answered, sometimes an employee. All the customers were given names that were entered in a book, and if your voice wasn't recognised immediately they would have to look you up.

The entrance to upstairs was directly adjacent to the Deli entrance, and to get to the door you would often have to push your way past a crowd of prospective diners to reach the buzzer. The door was originally locked with entrance by being buzzed in, but in the last few months the door was invariably broken and it was possible to walk right up.

On arrival at the sixth floor, you would push a bell in the middle of a pink door, and an eye would appear at the peep hole. After giving your name you were ushered into a living room. The customer described how there were usually other people there, and that the customer met dancers, actors, visual artists and producers of all sorts, some famous, some obscure. It appeared that Jennifer's clientele had been selected carefully, "for their artistic cachet and ability to carry on an intelligent conversation."

The customer also said that Jennifer "provided medical marijuana free of charge to AIDS patients and cancer sufferers, and even paid messengers to carry the drug in brown paper bags to sick users."

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When business concluded for the night at 7.30 on May 10th, 2001, Jennifer sent her security guard home.

37 year old Anthony Veader, the hair stylist for the soap opera The Guiding Light and various films, was about to cut Jennifer's hair. (He was later to say he was unaware of the marijuana business conducted in the apartment.) Also there were Jennifer's friends, Stephen King, 32, a musician and health club manager; Charles Helliwell, 36, a Boston music promoter, and Rosemond Dane, 36.

Two gunmen walked into the apartment, and one led Jennifer into another room used as a music studio, while his companion held the other four at gunpoint. An argument was heard in the room, a shot rang out, and the second gunman called out that they would now have to shoot them all. He then duct-taped the hands and mouths of the four who were made to kneel against a wall, and each was shot in the head. They then fled, having been in the apartment only six minutes. Anthony Veader's head had only been grazed, and he was able to raise the alarm.

Jennifer Stahl and Stephen King were pronounced dead at the scene, Charles Helliwell died soon afterwards, and Rosemond Dane was admitted to hospital where she made a slow recovery.

Suspicion focused on Sean Salley, 29, a former roadie with the singer George Clinton, who had been dismissed 18 months earlier for making threats and brandishing a gun.

The police learned that after the shootings he had fled to Elizabeth, New Jersey, registering at the Royal Hotel as 'John Salley', and he then boarded a bus in Newark at 6.30am and headed South. Salley's accomplice Andre Smith was also being sought. Security cameras at the Deli had filmed them fleeing down the stairs carrying a sack, believed to contain cash and marijuana.

After being featured in the TV show America's Most Wanted Salley was caught in a homeless shelter in Miami, Florida. Smith was also caught, and in May 2002 the pair went on trial, charged with three counts of second-degree murder and other offences.

Their trial ended in July 2002. On the three counts of second-degree murder, four counts of robbery and two weapons charges, each was sentenced to serve 120 years to life.

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If you enjoyed reading this, and would like to read more true crime stories, the publishers of True Crime magazine have generously offered a free 6 month subscription to True Crime magazine. Spot the cover of the August True Crime magazine, and email selseylife@btinternet.com or call 01243602729 with your answer, telling us where you see it. First name out of the draw wins.

Competition closes Thursday 21st September at 12 noon.

If you are reading this, then it is probable that other people are as well and it is working - for all your local advertising needs contact us at selseylife@btinternet.com or phone us on 01243 602729

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New members welcome
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CLARE BROWN - MY STORY

I am determined to achieve my goals despite losing my legs.

16 years ago I came down with a sore throat and throbbing head and painful limbs. Paramedics were called, they told my mother it was probably the flu as I had no rash, although I was actually fighting for my life with bacterial meningitis B.

I was a young healthy 17 year old hoping to own my own hair and beauty salon, but within hours I slipped into a coma and developed the blood poisoning disease septicaemia. While my weakened body tried to fight this I developed MRSA. I was in hospital after being put in a medically induced coma for 6 months. It resulted in me having a stroke and also a brain haemorrhage and severe internal bleeding. Doctors told my mother Karen that if I survived I would be in a vegetative state for the rest of my life needing 24 hour care. She was told to start planning my funeral.

However nurses noticed my pupils dilating which meant a possibility of life. 6 months later I regained consciousness. I woke up connected to machines, wasn't able to swallow, talk, walk or write. As soon as I was strong enough my mum told me my legs had been amputated to save my life. I was devastated, unable to accept, I couldn't understand.

The doctors told me I would never walk or talk again, but I was determined not to let this Disease ruin my life.

Mum knows me best and has always half joked with a glimmer of hope 'Never tell Clare "don't" because "she will do it" She will always find a way to do what people think is impossible. '

My mother is absolutely right, since losing my legs it's given me the strength to prove people wrong.



What doesn't kill you makes you stronger!

I have walked three marathons (being the first female double amputee to do so) dislocating my hip on my first marathon in London which took 19hr 10mins. I have to link arms as I am permanently dizzy which was damage caused from the brain disease. I then completed a 56 mile 5 day trek in Cuba up the foothills for

Douglas Bader charity. I passed my Duke of Edinburgh gold award, skydived, absailed, completed 27+ charity walks raising tens of thousands of pounds for charity and also carried the Olympic torch. The marathons were very painful but exhilarating at the same time. I was in absolute agony, my stumps were covered in blisters and bruises but it was the most amazing feeling completing and raising so much money for charity.

None of this seemed possible in 2001.

But I persevered and gradually grew more independent. My stepfather Eiffee Verboort who died from cancer in 2009, ignored the doctors advice and banished my wheel chair. We installed a treadmill at my house so I could keep fit and practice walking on my prosthetic legs.

I start the day by putting on my prosthetic legs and wearing them all day until I go to bed. This could lead to them getting hot, sweaty and swollen causing blisters.

I met the gorgeous man of my dreams- it felt like a fairy tale. He loved me for me despite my differences. Chris was my rock and continues to support me. I couldn't live my life without him. Chris is amazing dad to our 2 beautiful miracle girls, they are a blessing to us.

I had the happiest day of my life marrying my soul mate, surrounded by close friends and family. 13th February - day before Valentine's day!! - so we woke up married on The most romantic day. I call myself the luckiest lady. Now despite the odds we have two beautiful children Alexcia 7 and Savanna 6.

During the second pregnancy I developed a large clot on my lung, causing bronchiectasis (scarring of the lungs) meaning I am susceptible to pneumonia.

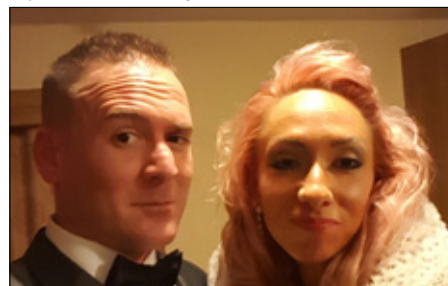
After entering and winning the MOD Models Of Diversity Inspire Competition I was in shock - I was wanted! I never thought dreams would come true!

After meeting Aleah Leigh we have created Equality Model Management. with the aim to help broaden the ranges of Diversity within the fashion industry. Things are starting to happen and it's all positive. I will be featuring in Aleah's magazine Equals, also have upcoming catwalks and shows in London, Ireland and Amsterdam. I will be showcasing designs made by Aleah Leigh.

I had lost all faith in myself, losing limbs made me feel ugly. My dreams of modelling were taken away from me. Modelling for Equals made me feel special, yes! I modelled. In a funny way it saved me from myself. I am so proud to call myself a model, I still can't believe how lucky I am to be owner of Equality Model Management with a great team behind me.

Being disabled myself I find it incredibly hard to find clothes that fit right. I love fashion and to be on trend, but find it difficult to get the clothes I desire. I have realised I can't dress the same as my friends as I struggle to get skinny jeans over my prosthetic limbs. My aim is to raise awareness for this life changing disease MENINGITIS B. To help others through their own issues and to let them know they are not alone.

Also in my Role in Equality Model Management I would like to change perceptions within the fashion industry - there are over 6.9 million disabled people alone in the UK, 2 million people with sight problems in the UK, Where is the diversity in clothing ranges ?



LITTLE SPAIN BOWLING CLUB

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website: <http://www.selseycountryclub.co.uk/little-spain-bowling-club>

Following our successful finals weekend, a full report of which will appear in the October issue, Little Spain BC return to the fun side of their sport with their annual President's Day.

This will take place on Saturday 9th September with a 2pm start.

Following the bowling there will be a grand BBQ and, if last season is anything to go by, lots more fun and games.

Last year the Club President Trevor Palmer organised a Mad Hatter's Tea Party as part of the entertainment.

As you will see from the photographs below it was a really enjoyable day.



Other fixtures for September, all at our home venue in Golf Links Lane with a 2pm start, are:

Saturday 2nd.	Spoons Drive
Sunday 10th.	Emsworth
Tuesday 12th.	Pagham
Sunday 17th.	Chairman's Cup
Wednesday 20th.	Bognor
Saturday 23rd.	Pat Gibson Trophy
Saturday 30th.	Spoons Drive

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Selsey Basketball

Mondays 5pm age 7-11

6pm age 12 plus

at The Academy Sports Hall

Thursday 7pm Adult Basketball

at The Academy Sports Hall

Wednesday Workout

Wednesdays 9.15 at Selsey Centre

Selsey Striders Meeting At Hillfield Car Park

Mondays 6.30pm for all who can run 3 miles

Saturdays 8.30am suitable for all

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Tuesdays 7pm at Sports Hall

provided by Purple Dolphins Club

Selsey 5k Prom Run from OVAL FIELD at 9am first

Saturday every month.

Selsey Fitness Equipment

On The Recreation Ground & Winter Lighting

Selsey Outdoor and Walking Festival

This month I have included a bio pic of one of our members.

Iain Mayzes, has been married to Jackie, who is also a Club Member for 46 years. They have a son of 45 years and a daughter of 42. They have two lovely grandchildren, Paige 15 and Taylor 6. Iain has a home in Bedfordshire but as he has now retired he spends most of the summer, with his wife, in Selsey living at the Selsey Country Club.

Iain retired after working for 17 years for the Co-operative as a Departmental Manager and then 30 years for General Motors in their warehouse Logistics Division.

Iain is a keen golfer and also an avid lawn green bowler at Little Spain Bowling Club, a facility of Selsey Country Club, where he is currently our Chairman and 2017 Captain.

Last season Iain was the Club's Men's Singles Champion.

Iain is a very hands on Captain and Chairman. Like many other Members he puts in a tremendous amount of hard work for the Club which I'm sure all Members appreciate.

Iain is also a Director of Selsey Country Club where again he has helped to oversee many positive changes for the Country Club. Iain is also a volunteer driver for the Selsey Shuttle Bus Service, that valuable asset for the community.

It would be fair to say that you often hear Iain before you see him and he put this to good use when recently acting as a stand in Bingo caller at the Country Club's twice weekly Bingo sessions.

Below is a photograph of Iain as part of the Club's winning team at this season's Invitation Trophy.



Iain is on the left accompanied by Val Palmer, Joan Spicer and John Ballinger.

SUDOKU GAME

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Selsey RNLI Lifeboat Week 2017

There has been a lifeboat station in Selsey for over 150 years, and although there have been many changes to the Institution, the boats and the kit and equipment the crews use, the one thing that has not changed in all that time is the need to raise funds to support the volunteer crewmen and women to continue their invaluable work saving lives at sea.

As a charity, the RNLI relies on voluntary contributions, donations, and fundraising events such as Selsey Lifeboat Week to ensure that no call for help goes unanswered. Selsey is fortunately able to attract businesses and organisations prepared to support Lifeboat Week, from sponsoring competitions to providing raffle prizes; as outlets for selling the lifeboat week programmes or simply displaying posters advertising forthcoming events. A massive 'Thankyou' to all who contribute in whatever way to making Lifeboat Week a success.

Kicking off this year's activities was a Fun Family Beach Fishing competition at East Beach which again attracted many entrants of all ages. This was a sponsored event and trophies and prizes were awarded to both junior and adult winners of various categories.

The fishing competition was followed a week later by an open day at Selsey Coastguard Station. The Selsey RNLI and Coastguard service work closely together to keep the seas and shores around the Manhood Peninsula safe for sailors and swimmers alike. If you were amongst those who attended the Open Day you will no doubt have been treated to an enthralling account of the responsibilities of the Coastguard service and have a better understanding of the vital work they do to protect our local sea and coastal areas.

On Sunday 30th July a very well attended Service of Praise and Thanksgiving led by The Rev. Andy Wilkes, Chaplain to RNLI Selsey Lifeboat and Rector of St. Peter's Church was held on the green, and on Monday the new Lifeboat Station and its Shannon Class All-Weather Lifeboat Denise and Eric together with the D-Class inflatable Inshore Lifeboat Betty and Thomas Moore took centre stage as more than 500 people took advantage of the station's open evening to tour the building and get an up close view of the facilities that the Station offers the volunteer crews as well as the boats and the magnificent Supacat SC-12 which launches and recovers the AWB.

The dry weather on Tuesday evening encouraged a large turnout for the Walking Treasure Hunt, with 34 teams comprising 120 assorted adults, children and dogs spending a pleasant couple of hours walking the streets of Selsey seeking answers to the clues set. It is surprising how much you can learn about your local area when you simply slow down and look around you, from interesting and unusual house names to external decorations and garden ornaments, and maybe even a few streets and alleyways that you hadn't known were there. Steve and Linda from Mulberry Divers who organised this event, said they were very pleased to see many family groups participating this year. A great testament to the inter-generational and community appeal of Lifeboat Week.

Brain power was also being tested on Wednesday evening with a Quiz Night at The Seal public house. Once more their regular quiz-master Malcolm presided over the attempts of teams of quizzers to correctly answer questions on subjects ranging from literature to science; history to space travel; music to dingbats, and just about every other subject you can think of! Although competition was stiff amongst the 26 teams, there was much friendly rivalry in the bar and restaurant which were both packed almost to capacity. The winning team was 'Out of Tune' and they along with the 2nd, 3rd and 4th placed teams graciously donated their winnings back to the RNLI.

On Thursday, Selsey was in the grip of a betting frenzy and the 'old grey matter' could rest for an evening. Race Night, held at The Royal British Legion, is always a popular event during Lifeboat

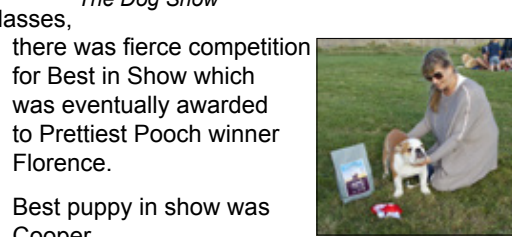
Week and this year was no exception. At just £1 a bet, and with 50% of the stake money being paid out in prizes there can be no doubt at all that there was a great deal of vicarious pleasure to be had from watching the races on the big screen and cheering on your favoured horse and jockey. This is an excellent way to enjoy a flutter without having to know anything about breeding or study form. You just pick a number or choose a name you like and away you go. An exciting evening enjoyed by everyone.

Next on the agenda was Friday's Sports Day, held once more on Lifeboat Green. For the first time, this year's event included a display by ARO Fitness Kick Boxing club alongside the Fun Dog Show and Tug of War. ARO classes are open to adults of any age, and children from 4 years old. The classes are not just about learning martial arts, but are also a great way to get fit, lose body fat and have fun! The youngsters performing their well-choreographed moves were certainly enjoying themselves and were a pleasure to watch.



The ARO Kick Boxing Fitness display team

As usual the Fun Dog Show attracted a large contingent of pets of different breeds and their owners, all hoping to impress the judges and walk away with prizes of doggy treats and colourful rosettes. With six different classes, there was fierce competition for Best in Show which was eventually awarded to Prettiest Pooch winner Florence.



Best In Show

Best puppy in show was Cooper.



Best Puppy in Show



Tug of War

The evening was rounded off by a fantastic Firework display put on by Selstar and sponsored by Shayler's Fun Fair.



Saturday meant a return to the need to exercise brain power as well as testing driver's observation and navigation skills with the Car Treasure Hunt. Teams were tested by cryptic clues to house, business, and road names as well as their ability to follow directions so as not to get lost down some of Sussex's less well-travelled roads. This year's route took competitors off the Manhood Peninsula through and round Sidlesham, Dell Quay, Fishbourne, Woodmancote and Southbourne before guiding them safely back to Selsey for some well-earned refreshment at The Lifeboat Inn while they waited for their papers to be marked. As with the walking treasure hunt earlier in the week, many participants came across places they had not been aware of before and expressed their intention to re-visit some of the places they had seen to learn more about the area.

This year's Lifeboat Day, Sunday 6th August - the climax of the week's activities - returned to its traditional home of Lifeboat Green after having to vacate it in favour of Selsey Recreation Ground last year whilst the new Lifeboat Station was under construction. Now that the station is complete and the new Shannon Class AWB is operational, it was again possible to hold the always hotly contested Raft Race and for our lifeboat crews to put on another exciting demonstration of some typical launch and rescue activities they get called to. The two Selsey lifeboats were ably assisted by the H.M. Coastguards Helicopter and a visiting lifeboat from Hayling Island.



Launch Display

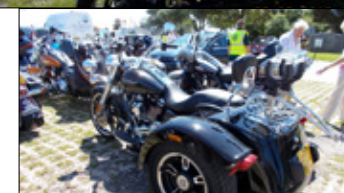


The Raft Race

Selsey was also treated to a static display by Hogs Back Harleys with over 40 beautiful, shiny motorbikes being gathered together in East Beach Carpark and



Hogs Back Harleys

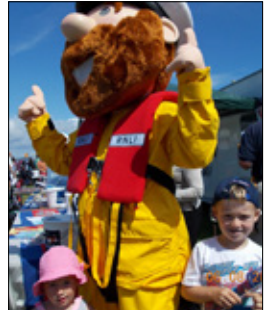


Manhood Classic Cars

another by Manhood Classic Car Club in the lower field of the green. If you didn't make it that far along the beach, make sure you put it on your list of things you must see at next year's Lifeboat Week!

In addition to the keynote demonstrations and activities, many local charity groups and organisations were present on the green showing their support for the RNLI as well as drawing attention to their own areas of interest on the peninsula.

So, another Lifeboat Week is over and all that remains to do is say a huge "thank you" to everyone who contributed in any way. Without our generous sponsors, the supporters of Selsey RNLI, the volunteers who help in so many ways, and of course the volunteer crews who all work together with the Selsey Lifeboat Association, and the fund-raising team, Lifeboat Week 2017 would have been the success it was.



Stormy Stan

Results and answers for both the walking and driving treasure hunts can be found on the Selsey RNLI website <https://selseylifeboats.co.uk> and their facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/SelseyRNLI fundraisers>, alternatively you can e-mail Edy at edyb-selseyrnli@outlook.com. And don't forget the souvenir shop and station house are open all year round from 10.30am to 4pm (subject to operational commitments).

Selsey Community Showcase



FREE
EVENT

Monday 18th of September 2017
At Selsey Town Hall
11am-1pm
ALL WELCOME

- ✓ All carers and cared for welcome;
- ✓ Find out more about volunteering and working in social care;
- ✓ Carers support groups, local social networks;
- ✓ Support and guidance on entitlements from Selsey Works;
- ✓ Relax with a hand massage, a cup of tea and a chat;
- ✓ Activity sessions for people you may care for-music, singing, Fitter Sitters, art;
- ✓ Keeping safe at home, Careline; Telecare, Fire Brigade, Sussex Police;
- ✓ Pick up your information pack;
- ✓ Refreshments available;

Selsey Community Watch



For more information contact: karen.pirks@westsussex.gov.uk

Selsey Community Forum 1156460



THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE

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Tel: 01243 641409 Reg. Charity no. 1010000

Email: info@crcc.co.uk www.crcc.co.uk



Hello everyone from your out and about reporter Hulky Bear at the Cat and Rabbit Rescue Centre.

Well 2017 is going so fast and as autumn approaches I thought I would tell you about a lovely sunny day we had at the centre in July.

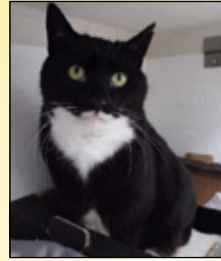
I am not sure if you are aware that we grow some of our own hay at the centre, of course we are always grateful for your donations but with so many rabbits and Guinea pigs it is vital we try and be a little self-sufficient. Back in July while roaming the grounds I keep an eye on how the grass is growing and how it is coming along ready to be cut. I decide when we will need to gather the hay in. It's always fingers crossed for good weather and we call in one of our local friendly farmers who comes and cuts the hay. While it dries in the field my friends and I have a great time rolling around and chasing each other. However once it's dry I let the staff know and it's all hands on deck. Well myself and friends we watch the fun. The farmer brings the baler machine and all the staff get together working as a team collecting the bales and making sure nothing is left in the field. I might supply the lemonade to keep them going. It's hot and heavy work but so much fun knowing all the animals will have good food over the winter months. It's a long afternoon but once all the bales are stored in the barn the staff get to relax covered in hay, while us cats get a couple of bales to play in and make snugly beds with. We all look forward to 'hay day' every year.

We have been really busy taking in lots of cats, kittens, rabbits and guinea pigs over the summer. Now the holidays have finished if you are thinking of adopting one of our animals please get in contact we have lots waiting to find their forever homes.

See you next month.

Binny

This September we would love you to meet Binny, a handsome 9 year old originally found in Binstead Woods where he was living as a stray. That's how he got his name Binny from Binstead Woods. Binny is now on centre and we someone that that has time and of attention. He 2009 and found a was for 8 years. to come back moving in with her he would be good



After another couple of months with us he found a new home but he was returned to us after a few weeks as he had been nipping his owners. Although Binny loves being stroked he demands the attention, once he has had enough he does tell you but he doesn't mean to be naughty. We feel for this reason Binny needs someone experienced with a cat that does not have young children. Binny has been here since almost the start of 2017 and he would love to find his new owner by the end of the year. Please if you think you can offer Binny the new home he so desperately deserves, please do not hesitate to contact us here at the Centre.

PS: We have a Viewing Day Saturday 23rd September 12-2pm. Viewing days are non-appointment days so people thinking of adopting a cat can pop along. Otherwise we rehome 7 days a week by appointment only.

THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE

Holborow Lodge, Chalder Lane, Sidlesham, W. Sussex PO20 7RJ

Also find us on facebook www.facebook.com/catandrabbitrescuecentre



THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE

Have you visited the Cat & Rabbit Rescue Centre Charity Shop at 9 The Parade, Selsey?

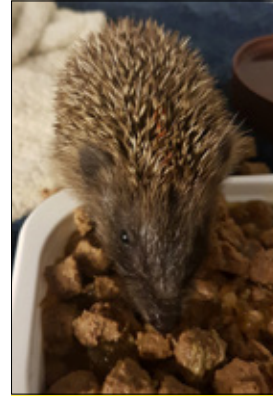
It is full of fantastic bric-a-brac, including antiques, pictures, jewellery, as well as clothes for every occasion, beautiful bedding, curtains, craft items, and good quality furniture.

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

Brent Lodge Briefings – Wild Gardening



As we wave goodbye to another British summer and the evening sun through your window doesn't quite reach 6pm anymore, we start to see those dreaded colder and darker nights, giving way to the dawn of autumn. It has been another busy summer baby season for the hospital, seeing in hundreds of needy baby cubs, chicks and everything in between. Our extended care hours piloted throughout the season have certainly helped manage the care needs of these demanding wild babies, we hope with sufficient funding to continue to deliver a year-round extended service.



We have released many of our summer babies back into the wild, which is always a rewarding sight to see. However, this doesn't leave us time to relax as the start of autumn blesses us with the sight of many young juvenile hedgehogs. We have already started to treat lots of tiny young hedgehogs, some only a few days old others that are underweight. These will have to stay with us until they are adult sized and able to fend for themselves in the wild. Hopefully some might be able to go before the cold weather kicks in, but some of them may have to stay until next

spring. We took in well over 350 autumn juvenile hedgehogs last season, these are ones that were too small to survive the cold winter period (under 600g).

As the hospital staff start to make preparation for the autumn hedgehog season, September is also traditionally the time for gardeners to withdraw from duties and begin to clear away their gardens ready for autumn/winter. Whilst many like a neat garden, why not consider leaving a corner or two 'wild'. Keeping weeding to a minimum, will provide a better



untamed habitat to encourage more wildlife with a greater variety of birds and insects. Doing simple things such as leaving gaps under fencing, may see you rewarded with additional night time visitors such as hedgehogs too. Leaving extra tinned cat/dog food with a dish of water is perfect for them. Check your garden carefully if lighting any bonfires, as hedgehogs often hide/sleep in compost and long grass areas. Each year we receive hedgehogs that have been injured by a bonfire and it is devastating to see them suffer so badly.

For now though enjoy the last of the summer sun and give wildlife a helping hand as we move into autumn time.



Who else has an older brother like this, I wonder?



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VISIT OUR FRIENDLY STAFF AND VOLUNTEERS AT OUR SELSEY SHOP!
Can you help raise funds for wildlife by donating any of the following items for sale:

- Clothing
- Furniture
- Bric-a-brac
- Books
- Gifts



Interested in volunteering, then pop in for a chat.

Help rehabilitate and release wildlife back into the wild by helping the environment we release them back into.

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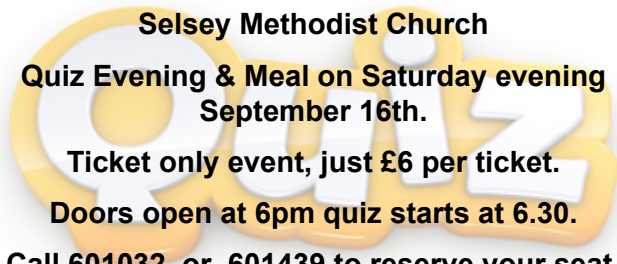
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THE WRESTLER WAS ON THE
GARDENING PAGE



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YOU ENJOYED THE
WRESTLING.




Selsey Methodist Church
Quiz Evening & Meal on Saturday evening
September 16th.
Ticket only event, just £6 per ticket.
Doors open at 6pm quiz starts at 6.30.
Call 601032 or 601439 to reserve your seat.

SELSEY CANCER RELIEF FUND DATES
TO REMEMBER Methodist Church Hall 10am
September 2nd Odds and Bobs 10am
October 7th Jumble Sale 10am
November 4th Jumble Sale 10am
There is ample parking behind the Fire Station.



Selsey Methodist Church
Table Top Sale on Saturday September 30th
from 9.00am.
Lots of bargains & a friendly atmosphere.
Free entry, and refreshments available.
Call 601439 to book your table.



SELSEY HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
Our first meeting after our summer break will be on Friday 8th September, in the Conference Room at the Selsey Centre, 7.30pm. Our talk this evening will be 'Cruise the seas - visiting the gardens of Europe'
Visitors always welcome £1.50, refreshments and raffle.
Please contact Amanda Cope 01243 604634 for further enquiries.



Our September meeting will be on Friday 22nd September
when we shall welcome Ian Keable who will be talking about George Cruickshank.
George is best known for his work with Charles Dickens but he moved from satirical prints to become the foremost Victorian book illustrator
For any further information please contact Sue our membership secretary on 07710658331
Or we can be emailed at info@selseyu3a.org.uk

Saturday 2nd September - St. Peter's Church Hall - ' Race Night with Fish and Chip Supper' - 7pm - first race 7.30pm - £8 - Venture bus operating please contact Michael Formby 01243 602623 to reserve your place and more details.

Saturday 9th September - St. Peter's Church, Selsey will be open 9am - 5pm with refreshments in support of the West Sussex Historic Churches Trust walking or cycling for their annual 'Ride and Stride' event - further details and sponsor forms please contact Sally on 01243 604204 - great fun and good exercise!!

Saturday 9th September - 9am - 12noon - St. Peter's Church is looking for help from anyone able to clear the vegetation around the back of the Church uncovering many lost and hidden graves - if you can come and join us as we dig deeper into the under growth all we ask is yourself and your tools where you will be rewarded with many smiles and a full English breakfast - please call Sally on 01243 604104.

Saturday 23rd September - 9am - 12noon - Book/Bric a Brac/Table Top Sale - with refreshments St. Peter's Church Hall -50p entrance - if you wish to book a table £10 please call Sally on 01243 604104 but be quick - will be lovely to see and welcome you.

L.I.N.C Ladies in Contact

The next L.I.N.C Meeting will be on Thursday 21st September in St. Peters Church Hall at 7.15 p.m when well known speaker Sylvia Endacott will be telling the history of “The White House in Bognor to Australia? “ Look forward to seeing you there.

Further details can be obtained from Beryl Fletcher 603750 or Mary Grantham on 604718

Darby & Joan Club Selsey

The club meets every Friday between 2.00 & 4.00 at St. Peter's church hall for a game of prize bingo and raffles and of course a nice cup of tea and chat.

Also during the year we have subsidised days out to garden centres for cream teas and a bit of shopping. Transport to the hall is supplied by Selsey Venture bus, if you are a member of this great service they offer.

We are a club are affiliated to the R.V.S For more information please call 07838549034

SELSEY & DISTRICT CARERS SUPPORT GROUP

CAR BOOT SALE
Sunday, 10th September
AT THE RECREATION GROUND, SCHOOL LANE, SELSEY
CARS £7 / Cars & TRAILERS £10 / VANS £12
Gates Open: 7.30am Gates Close: 1pm

Registered Charity Number: 1097538


1st SELSEY SCOUTS Charity Shop
Scout HQ, School Lane ~ every Saturday
between 10 am -12 noon
Bric-a-brac ~ Clothes ~ Et al

JIGSAW PUZZLE LIBRARY
Do you like doing Jigsaws?
Would you like to be able to borrow rather than buy?
Well this club might be for you!
2nd Thursday of each month - 14 Green Lane, Selsey - you can call in any time between 10 am and 4 pm.
The Membership Fee is just £3 and puzzles can be borrowed for a £1 a month each. Over 300 to choose from.
From information on 605942.

All proceeds in aid of The Sussex Snowdrop Trust (charity no. 1096622)



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 10.00am until noon on Sundays and from April, 4.00pm to 6.00pm on Wednesdays (weather permitting)
The first Sunday of each month is Race Day
New members welcome
or just pop along to have a look and a chat contact Chris on Selsey 601550



Do you have ankylosing spondylitis (AS)?
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More information: www.nass.co.uk/bognor-regis or phone Tony on 01243 604715.

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Thursday afternoons
2pm - 5pm
Selsey Club Coxes Road
call Carole Kinross 01243 602250 for information
Very basic beginners lessons available

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: 601550

Selsey **Royal British Legion Fishing Club**
New Members Welcome.
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East Beach
Evangelical Church

Weekly Sunday Service at 10am

EVENTS

Sunday 3rd Sept
10.00am - All-Age Service
5.00pm - Songs of Praise

Thursday 14th Sept
2.30pm - Tea & Chat

Sunday 17th Sept
3.00pm - 4.30pm - ResBite Tea
(Aimed at those who might not see other people over the course of a normal weekend ~ Lifts available)

Thursday 21st Sept
12.30pm - Lunch Club

Sunday 1st Oct
10.00am - All-Age Harvest Service
Harvest Lunch follows the service. All are welcome ('Tin & Packet' - see website for details)

Saturday 14th October
10am - 3pm - Craft Fair

Please also see separate adverts for the clubs all re-starting this month, including the new **TEENAGE** youth club

For information on our regular weekly activities
www.ebecselsey.org.uk or call 607741

Every third Thursday at 12.30pm
For those who like good food and good company

Lunch club

Book Now
01243 607741

Next one on Thursday 21st September

Bright Sparks

For children in school years 1-4
Every Friday in term time from 5-6pm
Lots of fun, games, music, craft, Bible Stories
Restarts on Friday 8th September 2017

Tea and Chat

For those who like a little company and learning something new

On the second Thursday of each month at 2.30pm
Next one, 14th September

- FREE to all
- Tea or coffee
- Selection of cakes
- Informative talks on diverse topics

A Youth Group for Schools Years 7-11
Every Thursday during term time from 7.30-8.30pm
Starts Thursday 7th September 2017

LIGHT HOUSE

Thursdays during term time
6.30 to 7.30pm

A youth club for boys and girls
School Years 5-6
50p subs
lots of fun and games

Restarts on Thursday 7th September

Sunbeams

A Pre-school group for carers, babies and toddlers

Every Friday during term time
10.00-11.45am
Lots of toys and games, craft time, song time, story time, drink and biscuit.
Restarts Friday 8th September



Catholic Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid ('St Wilfrids')

Church Road Selsey PO20 0LS Tel: 01243 602312

Parish Priest Fr. John Healy

Mass Times

Saturday Reconciliation 4.45pm – 5.15pm
Evening Mass 5.30 pm

Sunday Morning Mass 10.0 a.m
Weekday Masses see Newsletter or Website
Coffee & chat after Weekend Mass; 1st Weekend of the month All welcome!

Our Church Hall with Car Park is available for your Meeting or Celebration

E mail parishpriest@stwilfridselsey.co.uk
www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk

SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH

Rooms in our premises, including kitchen facilities, are available for hire. Please phone 01243 601439 for details. Our minister is Revd Bruce Allinson

SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES				
Sunday	3 rd September	10.30 am	Mr David Parr	
Sunday	10 th September	10.30 am	Revd. Bruce Allinson	
Holy Communion				
Sunday	17 th September	10.30am	Mr Terry Smith	
Sunday	24 th September	10.30 am	Revd. Bruce Allinson	
Our minister is Revd Bruce Allinson 01243 601032				



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

Sunday 8am Holy Communion (BCP)
10am Sung Eucharist (with Sunday School)

Sunday Messy Church at 12 noon in hall on last Sunday of the month

Tuesday 9.30am Eucharist

Wednesday 9.30am Eucharist

Thursday 7pm Eucharist

St Peter's church doors are always open for quiet reflection.

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