

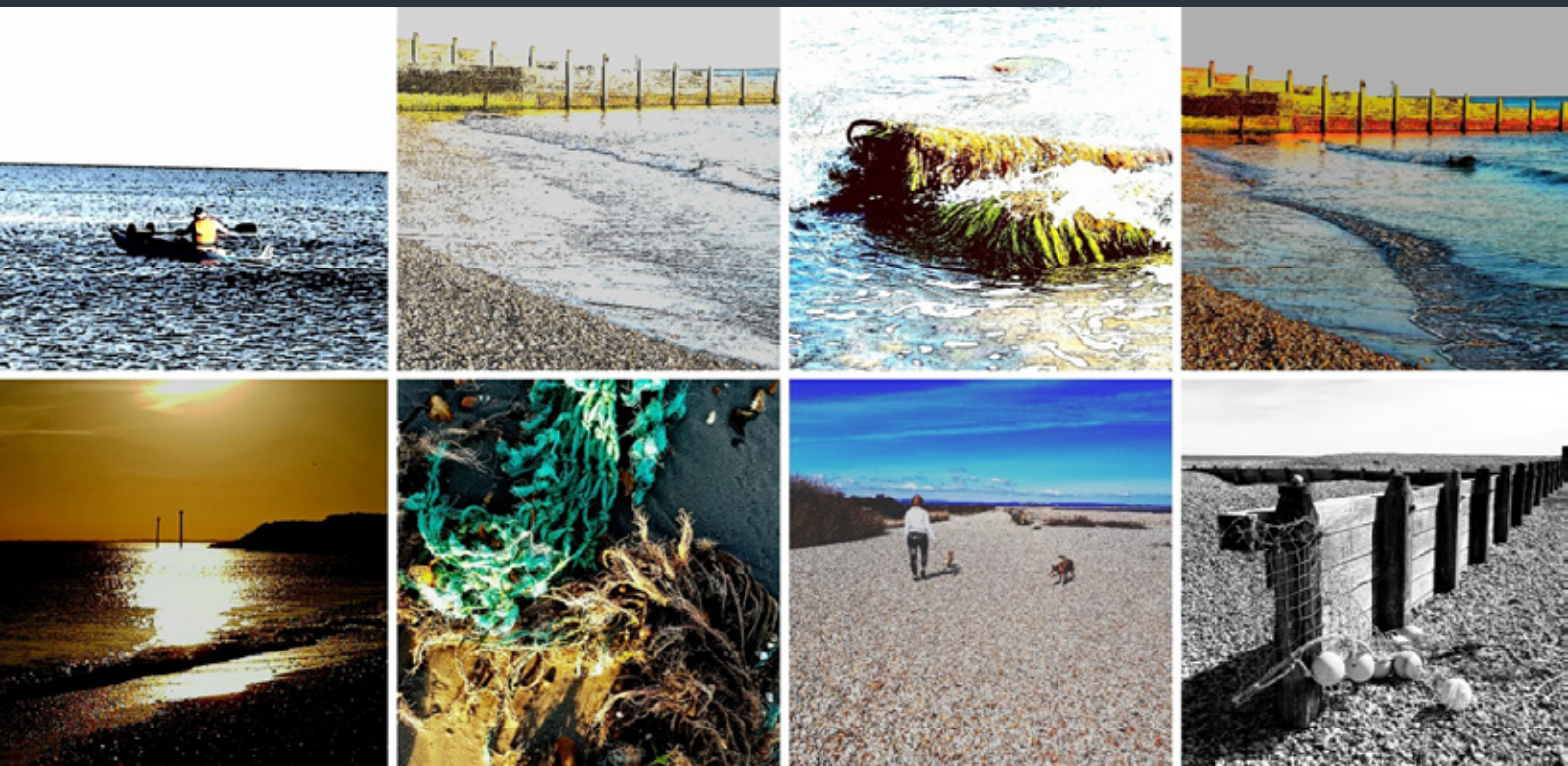


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### Burglary

A burglary in your own home is a devastating experience that can affect you and your family long after the incident has occurred.

The good news is that the risk of becoming a victim of burglary in Sussex is low. By applying a few prevention methods you can make your home less attractive to burglars. Please see our advice below:-

#### Daily Security

- Keep all wallets, purses, credit cards and car keys out of sight and out of reach.
- If you leave your house empty, even if you are in the back garden, lock all the doors and windows.
- An intruder alarm can be an effective deterrent against burglars, seek advice to ensure it is the most suitable for your needs.
- Make it a habit to mark your valuables by using your postcode and house number or name.
- Some articles are unsuitable for marking so photograph them next to a ruler.
- Register your property at [immobilise.com](http://immobilise.com), it's free of charge and can increase your chances of being reunited with your property.

#### During summer

- Remember to close all windows, especially those on the ground floor, when you go out.
- If you are in your garden, remember to lock your front door and close windows.
- Consider fitting window restrictors to keep you cool when you are asleep.

#### After dark

- Leave some lights on if it will be dark before you get home.
- When you go out in the evening, always leave a light on in a room that can not be peered into from the road.
- Fit security lighting - either dusk to dawn energy efficient lighting that will come on automatically as dusk sets in, or infrared activated lighting which draws attention to movement.

#### In the garden

- Ensure that gates or access to the rear of the house are locked and secure.
- Trim overgrown plants - don't give burglars a hiding place.
- Secure garden tools and ladders in a locked shed or garage to prevent them being used to break into your home. Fit outside security lighting and a visible burglar alarm to help deter burglars.

Burglars know the price of everything but the value of nothing. The best defence against burglary is prevention.

In an emergency, or if you see a crime in progress, always call 999

#### Front office opening hours

Monday - Saturday 9am -8pm.

Chichester Police Station, Kingsham Road, Chichester, PO19 8AD

### Spot the Seagull

This month we have a pair of tickets to see Journey's End, at The Pavilion, kindly donated by Arts Dream Selsey. (See page 14 for details of this historic event).

To enter, find the Selsey Seagull that is hidden in this month's magazine, and send answers by Wednesday 26th September, 12 noon, to be put in the draw to

[selseylife@btinternet.com](mailto:selseylife@btinternet.com) OR Call 01243 602 729  
Or Post to 42 Beach Road Selsey PO20 OLU

Congratulations to Sue Olsen who won the pair of tickets for The Southampton Boat Show kindly donated by The Yacht Market.com. The seagull was on the 20-20 vision advert on page 25.

Would Jenny Ledger please contact us  
with her phone number, on 602729

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Baby and Toddler play with Bounceabout is here on the 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup>, new prices from September £2.50, all ages under 5 years 9am-12pm.

Art Classes with Anita resume on the 11<sup>th</sup> September, please contact Anita on 01243 696193 or [anitabeckwith@gmail.com](mailto:anitabeckwith@gmail.com) for details.

Ballet, tap and contemporary dance is back with Miss Jess on the 13<sup>th</sup> September, please contact Rachael for details on 07517442539 or [interlockdc@outlook.com](mailto:interlockdc@outlook.com).

Chichester City Band are here on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October.

Private party hire available every weekend - advanced booking essential please contact us on 01243 603836 or see our website [www.selseytowncouncil.gov.uk](http://www.selseytowncouncil.gov.uk)

The Selsey Centre Team



Wednesday September 19th  
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Coxes Road, Selsey  
7pm for 7.30 start

Local musicians will be followed by  
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01243 602738

office@medmerryschool.co.uk

## MAZEGARDEN OPEN DAY 2018

On a very hot sunny day over 700 adults and children were entertained on Sunday 5th August at the Mazegarden in Sidlesham at the annual open day. The visitors were able to walk around the colourful gardens and wildlife areas, the Maze as usual was the main attraction with help on hand for lost souls. Tea, cakes and ice creams were consumed in abundance and there were stalls of talented crafters and a huge plant sale, all of which were very busy all day. In addition there was a display from Chindi, who are celebrating and helping independent authors which was very popular with the public.



The events were raising funds for Perennial-Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society, a charity for the horticultural industry which is needed now more than ever with the continued decline of the industry in this area.

This year with an ever increasing band of volunteer helpers the sum of THREE THOUSAND POUNDS was raised for the charity. Over the last 16 years the open days have now achieved over THIRTY THREE THOUSAND THREE HUNDRED POUNDS in total.

Finally, we would like to give thanks our neighbours for their patience and use of land for car parking, and all of our volunteers, most of whom have been supporting the event since it started, but also the wonderful new helpers who put their hearts and souls into making the day such a success. Thank you everyone.

We have included some photos of the day later in the magazine.

Richard Bushby and Sandra Hamilton

# UNDER NEW MANAGEMENT

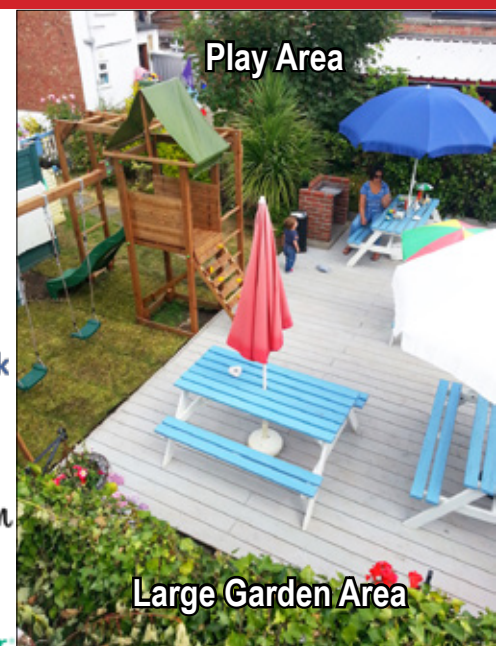
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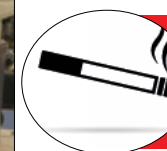
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Sausage & Egg	3.50	3.95
Bacon & Sausage	3.50	3.95
BLT	3.40	3.50
Egg Mayo	2.50	3.20
Cheese & Tomato	2.75	3.25
Prawn Mayo	3.40	3.90
Prawn Cocktail	3.40	3.90
Tuna Mayo	3.40	3.50
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### BREAKFASTS

#1 egg, bacon, sausage, beans, mushrooms & toast	4.25
#2 egg, bacon, sausage, beans, tomato, mushrooms, black pudding, toast & tea or coffee	5.95
#3 2 eggs, 2 bacon, 2 sausages, mushrooms, tomato, chips, beans & toast	6.50
#4 2 vegetarian sausages, egg, beans, 2 hash browns, mushrooms, 2 tomatoes & toast	5.95
Porridge	2.95
Cereal	1.45

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any additional item 1.00

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each filling 1.00

### BURGERS

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1/4 Pounder (local butchers burger)	5.25
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**Date: 6 August 2018**

### Selsey RNLI inshore lifeboat goes to the aid of father and son in the water.

UK Coastguard received an emergency call from paddle boarder reporting he had come across a man and his five year old son in the water approximately half a mile off shore and a mile east of Pagham yacht club

The Selsey D class inshore lifeboat (ILB) launched at 12.32 pm on Monday 6 August and made best speed to Pagham arriving on scene at 12.39pm. The volunteer crew quickly spotted the paddle boarder who had been joined by a kayak and they had managed to get the boy out of the water. Apparently the vessel they were on sank and only the five year old had a buoyancy aid.

The ILB came alongside the paddle boarder and recovered both the boy and his father into the ILB. Both were given casualty care including oxygen. The father was exhausted and both of them were suffering from hypothermia and possibly consumed sea water so an ambulance was requested to meet the ILB at the Pagham yacht club.

The ILB landed the casualties on the beach at 12.56pm and were met by the Selsey Coastguard team and SECambulance. Both were taken to hospital for further checks. Lifejackets and buoyancy aids should always be worn when going to afloat. The ILB was released at 1.15pm and returned to station 1.30pm. The crew of the ILB today were Helmsman Rob Archibald, Colin Pullenger and Max Wiseman.

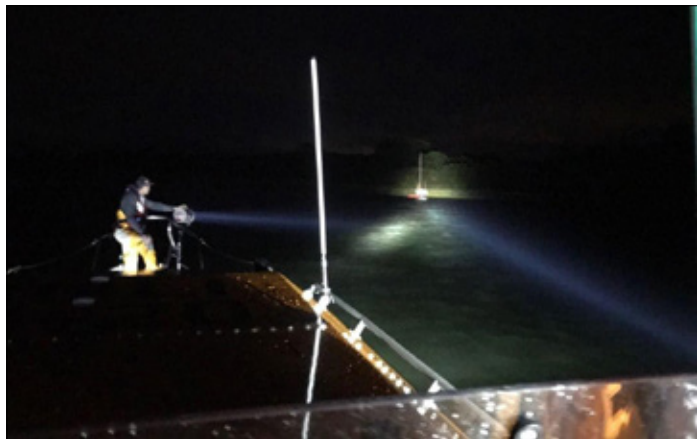
**Date: 16 August 2018**

### Selsey RNLI all-weather lifeboat searches for overdue yacht.

The Selsey all-weather lifeboat (ALB) launched at 3.17am on Thursday 16 August to conduct a search of Chichester Harbour for a missing 20ft yacht Piglet with two persons on board.

The yacht had last been in contact with a relative at 10.15pm on Wednesday 15 August stating they had some sort of incident on board and one of them had sustained a head injury. The relative had agreed to meet the yacht at Wittering close to the entrance to the harbour but after waiting for several hours the yacht failed to turn up so the UK Coastguards were informed.

The Coastguards were given two mobile phone numbers but both were going to answer phone and there was no VHF radio on the yacht so they requested the lifeboat launch and conduct a search.



The ALB made best speed to the Harbour and commenced a search from the entrance heading towards Bosham Channel. Selsey Coastguard team were also conducting a shore line

search within the harbour. The weather on scene was wind south westerly force 5-6 with good visibility. At 4.29am the Coxswain requested the launch of both Hayling RNLI lifeboats to assist the search. The Coastguards also scrambled the rescue helicopter in case the injury proved serious. At 4.38am the crew on the ALB spotted the yacht aground just to the west of Itchenor jetty but couldn't close the casualty so waited for the Hayling lifeboats to arrive.

The Hayling D class was able to get alongside the yacht and confirm there were no injuries. The two persons were taken off the vessel and returned to Bosham quay where their car was parked the yacht will remain aground until the next high water. The Selsey ALB was released at 5.25am to return to station and both Hayling lifeboats were released at 5.47am.

The ALB arrived back at station at 6.30am and was rehousing straight away. The crew this morning were Coxswain Martin Rudwick, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cox Dave Lamdin, Mechanic Geoff Mellett, James Albrey, Steve Somner and Harry Emmence.

**Date: 19 August 2018**

### Selsey RNLI Inshore lifeboat called to an upturned sailing dinghy.

The inshore lifeboat (ILB) launched at 1.16pm on Sunday 19 August after a windsurfer reported an upturned Topper sailing boat off Pagham to the UK Coastguards.

The ILB with a crew of three volunteers headed to a position half a mile off Dark Lane arriving on scene at 1.33pm to find the Pagham sailing club's own safety boat had the Topper under tow. The weather on scene was wind west south west force 5 sea state moderate with good visibility. The ILB escorted the safety boat back to Pagham sailing club and then returned to Selsey.

The sailing club had several boats racing and unfortunately a few of them were caught out and capsized so the safety boat recovered the crews that couldn't re-right their boats before returning to tow the empty boats in. This info was passed to the Coastguards but after the windsurfer reported it they requested the launch of the ILB.

The crew of the ILB today were Helmsman Colin Pullenger, James Albrey and Sam Corcoran-Smith. And was rehousing and made ready for service by 2.50pm.

#### GAINSBOROUGH SINGERS, SELSEY

We recently held our annual Summer Concert, (on Thursday, 9 August) as part of the Selsey Festival. It went extremely well; we had a lovely fun-filled afternoon, were bursting at the seams and many people remarked how much they had enjoyed it. We raised the magnificent sum of £450 which will be donated, as usual, to Selsey Community First Responders. This included a very generous donation of £100 by Mr Eric Greenyer. Every penny we took on the day was donated – the Singers pay for the refreshments and raffle prizes. Having said that, we would like to thank John and Kat of 'Country Garden' fruit and vegetable shop for donating a magnificent basket of fruit to the raffle, as well as Janet Pledger of the 'Selsey Florist' for kindly donating a voucher to be redeemed in her shop.

Gainsborough Singers would like to say a very big 'thank you' to everyone who attended the concert for supporting us and raising such a wonderful sum for the Responders. Last year we raised over £1,000 in total for them from our concerts at rest homes, clubs and sheltered accommodation. We as a group got an enormous amount of pleasure from preparing for and performing in the concert, and are pleased we raised so much for charity – hopefully we'll be at the Selsey Festival again next year, so look out for our notices and posters!



### SELSEY WI



#### Afternoon All

**Ladies of Selsey why not come along to our next meeting when our Speaker will be Bob Wragg who will be telling us all about the "Bobby on the Beat"**

**The meeting will be on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> September – 2.15pm in Selsey Town Hall.**

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

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### L.I.N.C Ladies in Contact

We meet again on Thursday 20<sup>th</sup> September in St. Peter's Church Hall at 7.15 p.m. when a well-known resident of Selsey, Amanda Bridger formerly of Amanda's in the High Street will be coming along to tell about her interests in

"Miniature Houses"

Cost for the evening is £2 including a welcome cuppa and biscuits on arrival, giving time to catch up with friends for a chat prior to the commencement of the meeting.

The Venture Bus is available to members please remember to book your place on **605115** - for any further information you can contact either Beryl Fletcher on **603750** or Mary Grantham on **604718**.

We aim to conclude at 9.00 p.m.

Why not come along?



Just three of the ladies amongst a group of eighteen who went along to "The Wetlands Centre in Arundel" on the L.I.N.C Outing that took place in August cooling off whilst on the boat trip on a very hot day.

### SEAL ISLAND WI




Our next meeting is on Thursday 6 September at 7.30pm when we will be welcoming Sue and Clive Fennell, speaking about 'The Not so Idle Women of the Canals'.



Why not come and join us, we are a friendly bunch, always happy to receive new members and ladies of all ages will be made welcome at our meetings normally 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**.

Our October meeting is on Thursday 4<sup>th</sup> when Ben Cross will be coming to talk to us about the cut flower industry.



### Our next meeting will be on Friday 28th September at 2 for 2.30p.m. in the Selsey Centre.

Our guest speaker will be  
**Adrian J Andrews**

Adrian will be talking about the paranormal.

The title is Death, Ghosts and Hauntings.

**Any enquiries can be made through our website.**  
We can be emailed at [info@selseyu3a.org.uk](mailto:info@selseyu3a.org.uk)



### Selsey Gardening Club

(previously Selsey Horticultural Society)

### Our next meeting will be on Friday 14th September

Our speaker will be Sarah Hughes  
will be talking about Wildlife on the Manhood Peninsula

Conference Room, Selsey Centre, Manor Road,

7.30pm start

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## Fond memories of Selsey

I used to live in Selsey from circa 1947 to 1958 - we lived at Leslie Cottage in Warner Road (I think) and then Danefield Lodge in Clayton Road. I went to Miss Davey's kindergarden (she spoke Russian and signed my autograph book accordingly!!) and then to Oakwood School near Chichester. My father was on the RNLI committee and was captain of the golf club around 1950. A great friend was Brian Wooding, son of Dr John Wooding. We used to fish off West and East beach. A great location to grow up and I have so many fond memories.

I have the fondest memories of my childhood in Selsey. I have enclosed six photos. There is one of me with two cousins at Leslie Cottage which I see from Google earth has been redeveloped although the macrocarpa hedge is still there. We used to watch the end of it disappear into the sea before the municipal sea wall was built. Note the thatched roof garage. Leslie cottage was then owned by an aunt who let us rent it after we lost everything in the war up in Esher, Surrey and we must have come to Selsey in time for the horrid winter of 1947 so I would have been five years old.

The Horstead boys lived in a bungalow at the end of Danefield Road. Dad was Ronnie and he captained Chichester RFC and had his three sons playing in the same team at the same time. They made the national press. I have never seen them since we left Selsey in around 1958 - are they reading this?. The beach huts - with me - were at the bottom of Danefield Road. The two photos of prawn pots is me with the hand in the pot with white shirt and Brian Wooding (son of the late Dr John Wooding) - standing up - off the RNLI slipway off West Beach. The local fishermen gave us their old pots which had seen better days and we repaired them and set them off here or at the Bill where we caught loads of prawns and the odd lobster. The slipway is the original as I think it was replaced some time later. Dad was on the RNLI committee and so on Lifeboat dDy we would be launched down the ramp - scared me to death the first time. We used to watch breeches buoy rescues off the slipway. The photo of Margaret Wooding is of a bass we would have caught off the slipway. We used to go out with the fishermen (most were lifeboat crew) to their pots off the Owers Lightship at 4AM and be home by 10AM with 120 lobsters which were stored in a keep pot just off shore until they had sufficient to market.

Looking at the sea front at Leslie cottage - just further west is a new development on Sea Grove.



This is built on the site of a house once owned by a Mr. Debanale - a Panamanian - who used to patrol his sea wall with a 410 shotgun. He had great statues of eagles along the top. He was very friendly if he caught you throwing stones into his sea defences - you can see the triangular shapes of the groynes on Google earth - but if he caught you throwing stones out of his sea defences he threatened to shoot you with his 410. We used to bait him sometimes to see his reactions!! I remember him well as he was the first millionaire I met - not that it meant much to me at the time.



Great to see Selsey has a Shannon lifeboat. We live in Exmouth, east Devon and we have Shannon 13-03. 01 was the prototype and 02 is at Dungeness and we had the third (03). I am now retired but station manager of Exmouth NCI (National Coastwatch Institution) and we have a Lookout above a café on the sea front with 72 volunteers on the look out for maritime incidents which we report to the Coastguard. Have a look at [www.exmouthcoastwatch.co.uk](http://www.exmouthcoastwatch.co.uk) There is a photo on the front page of me with two new watchkeepers - sadly now a bit of a silver surfer. I have lots of anecdotes about Selsey and I could bore you to tears - but seriously we were so lucky to have the freedom of the village, beach and sea at such an early stage of our lives so have loads of happy memories. We have been back and it is amazing to see the changes but time does not stand still.

Give my love to Selsey.

Graham Nye

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## Fond memories of Selsey



I just wanted to share this photo of my Mum & Dad's old shop in Hillfield Road. It was situated where the tattoo shop is now. The picture shows Mum standing, and me in my pram there out the front, this was a few weeks after they started in business in July 1963. They traded for about 8 years. Here is a bit that Mum wanted to add:

"Does anyone remember this? Barry was a familiar sight serving the whole of Selsey with his dinky mobile shop and van, ringing his bell to let folks know he was there, selling fresh wholesome garden produce grown from our own market garden nursery in Mill Lane. There were none of the pesticides back then, this was the original organic. Les Hillier was his errand boy. Barry always joked that the hard winter of 1962/63 (it snowed till April), was the best, because everything was frozen and you were unable to tell if it was bad!

I was in the shop in Hillfield road, running the Floristry side with my Mum, Ruby Burch helping out.

The pic shows me Beryl, and our daughter Theresa in the pram out front, it was taken in July 1963. The shop sign above was always there, even many years before we took over, but some years later the Council in their infinite wisdom, made us take it down. Something about new regulations!

Next door was the Gas showroom. Mr Ward Electrical was next, Mr White's Groceries, and Mrs Terry selling all sorts.

The Nutshell was at the end I think it was a barbers."

Theresa Bulic

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We welcome any other fond memories, and will also be happy to pass on any comments to the authors.

Having read through the articles we began to reminisce, and we wonder if anybody has a photo or photos of the windmill at Bunn Leisure when it was a shop, inside or outside?

Please forward to Selsey Life at the usual contacts.

### SELSEY CARERS SUPPORT A.G.M.

**Friday September 21st.**

**To be held in the METHODIST CHURCH HALL at 10.30am**

All Members are invited to attend we need your support and votes to help our newly re-established group elect a Chairperson and Committee, also to inform us of your expectations as we move into the year ahead.

If you would like to attend but will have a problem doing so, please contact us at Selsey Care Shop, 121, High St., with Selsey Community Forum, Reg. Charity No. 1156460 or Tel:- [01243-201616](tel:01243-201616). We will do what we can to help you do so.

We will also be at the Methodist Church Hall on Sept 13th. from 10am to 11-30 am, and the second Thursday of every month thereafter for a Social Coffee morning, we hope you will come to meet us and other members and loved ones to get to know us better.

Sadly all efforts to hold our last Car Boot fund raiser came to nought, due to fate and the weather gods! We can only hope a new year, and our willingness to go forward will enable us to support you all.

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JOHN VETCH MD, FRSE

Physician to the Forces

Member of the Medical & Chirurgical Society of London

Member of the Royal Medical Society of Edinburgh

1783 – 1835

PART I

It has always surprised me that so many eminent people and world-changing events have links with Selsey but, as you will see, Selsey was to play an important part in the well-being of soldiers due to the presence of Dr. John Vetch in our Napoleonic barracks.

As briefly mentioned in Selsey Life of November 2014, the threat of invasion by the French, during the Napoleonic Wars, was very real and Britain hastened to build defences along the South coast. Indeed, as early as 1793 the first artificial beacon in Sussex was put up on the Mixon Rocks, south of Selsey Bill but the threat continued and defences had to be increased.

On 21 October 1803, writing from the *Monarch*, off Broadstairs, Admiral Lord Keith wrote to the Duke of York informing him that ‘Off Selsey Island in the Park there are two sloops of war’. Website [www.historyofwar.org](http://www.historyofwar.org)

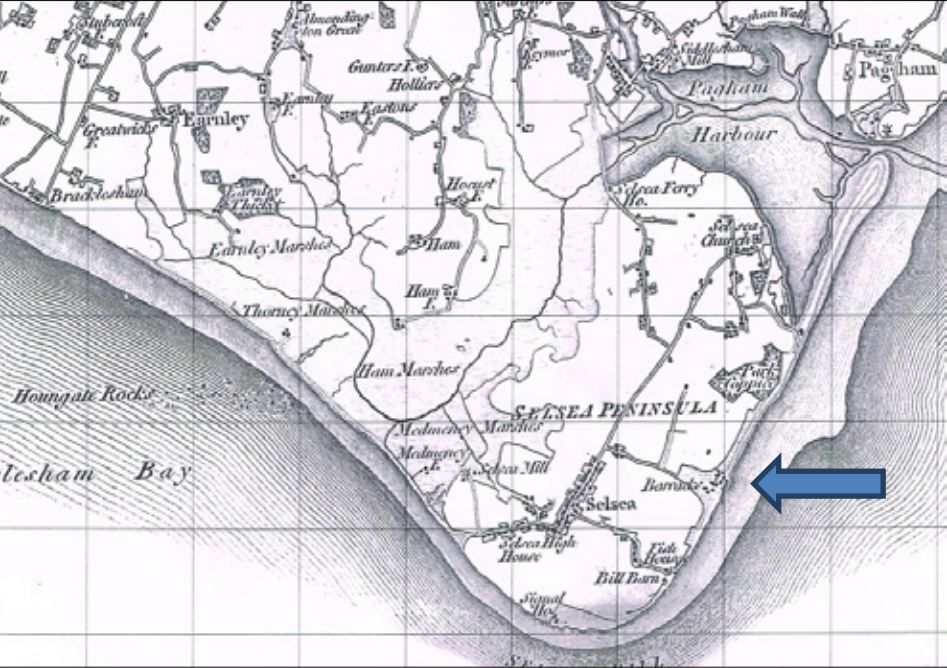
Edward Heron-Allen’s Selsey Bill 1911 provides us with a great deal of information about the Barracks:

*‘There is a stretch of shore on the east side of the Bill which, with the anchorage adjacent to it, is still known as “the Barracks”. This name commemorates the Selsey Infantry Barracks, or Depot, the building of which was begun in October, 1803, and which was practically ready for occupation in December of that year, and completed in March, 1804... huts (were) constructed of English oak and wood from Memel in Prussia...’*

A footnote states that *‘The eastern part of this parish is considered particularly healthy; so much so that in the late war a depot was established there for convalescents’.*

EHA continues:

*‘...they were built in some haste...for the accommodation of 16 officers and 330 men of the rank and file, and they included hospital accommodation for 50 patients, and stabling for 20 horses’.*



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As these barracks were wooden there is no trace of them today and, in any event, the land on which they were built is now taken by the sea, but we know that men, women and children lived there from the burial records e.g. James Hainsworth, a Private in the 89<sup>th</sup> Regiment, was buried on 4 December 1807 and Sarah Rodey, an infant, was buried on 25 March 1808. Between December 1807 and November 1810, 13 soldiers died (one of whom drowned) along with 5 infants and toddlers (5 and under).

The HAMPSHIRE TELEGRAPH AND SUSSEX CHRONICLE of 20 June 1808 reported that:

*‘...the 78<sup>th</sup> and Maida Regiment, a part of which marched to Selsey Barracks a fortnight since, being afflicted with the Ophthalmia, we are happy to state, are fast recovering.*

On 10 October 1808 we read:

*‘A party of the 89<sup>th</sup> and 72<sup>nd</sup> Regiments, about sixty, were landed on Saturday, at the Depot at Selsey, etc.,, part of whom came from the Cape of Good Hope, afflicted with the ophthalmia, and others are daily expected from the Mediterranean. There are now upwards of 400 men afflicted with the dreadful disorder in the Barracks of Bognor, Aldwick, and Selsey.’*  
But the Barracks were to be short-lived.

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*‘The whole of the Barracks at Selsey is just disposed of by Auction. The price they sold for, we are informed, is three thousand pounds; a very trifling sum in comparison with what they cost the Government’.*

And now to return to the hero of our piece.

John Vetch MD was born on 31 December 1783, Haddington, East Lothian, son of Robert Vetch, the Laird of Caponflat and a merchant, and Agnes Sharp(e). He was baptised on 12 January 1784 and had 8 siblings. He graduated Doctor of Medicine at Edinburgh

University on 12 September 1804.

History tells us there was an outbreak of Egyptian Ophthalmia at the Royal Military Asylum, Chelsea in 1804 and as this is very relevant to our story it would seem sensible to record that this scourge of the Army, with 1500 cases in six years, was what we would now call Trachoma. A Staff-Surgeon named Patrick MacGregor prescribed a treatment of eye washing to cleanse away the pus. The contagion had, not surprisingly, been transported from Egypt by soldiers and their families, hence the name, and, rather surprisingly, it took some time for medical experts to determine that it was catching. Full details of this story may be found at [www.npplweb.com](http://www.npplweb.com) on the website for the World Journal of Medical Research.

In 1827, the London Medical and Physical Journal, Vol. 57 contained the statement that *‘In 1805, at Riding-street Barracks, nearly twenty miles to the interior of Romney Marsh, the second battalion of the 52d Regiment appears to have suffered severely from catarrho-rheumatic ophthalmia. Dr Vetch attributes the severity of the disease in that situation, and the intermittent form of some of the symptoms, to the influence of the marsh.’*

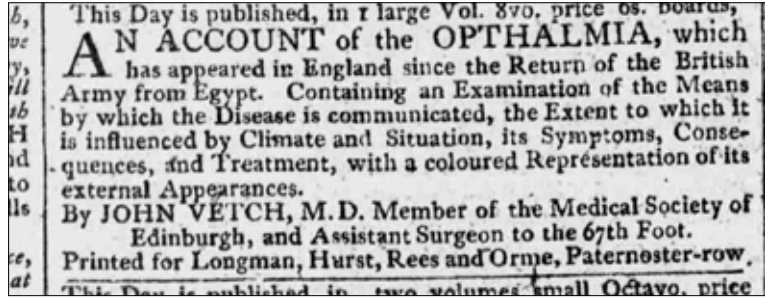
This would seem to be reasonable as the Romney Marsh had been closely associated with malaria for 240 plus years.

We are fortunate that we can trace Dr. Vetch’s Military career from newspaper reports, letters and articles written by him and the 1727-1898 Roll of Army Medical Staff on The Genealogist website. Prior to being commissioned he was Surgeon’s Mate on the Hospital Staff in 1806 (not attached to a regiment) which is confirmed by the following announcement in The CALEDONIAN MERCURY of 1 SEPTEMBER 1806:

*‘67<sup>th</sup> Regiment of Foot, Hospital Mate John Vetch to be Assistant Surgeon’.*

John Vetch was actually appointed Assistant Surgeon on 6 August 1806 according to his Army record.

While with the 67<sup>th</sup>, he wrote An Account of the Ophthalmia, which was advertised widely upon its publication in January 1807 in both the MORNING POST of 10 January and MORNING CHRONICLE of 23 January.



*‘This Day is published in one large volume, 8vo, price 6s, boards*

*AN ACCOUNT of the OPTHALMIA, which has appeared in England since the return of the British Army from Egypt.*

*Containing an examination of the means by which the Disease is communicated, the extent to which it is influenced by climate and situation, its symptoms, consequences, and treatment, with a coloured representation of its external appearance By JOHN VETCH MD, Member of the Medical Society of Edinburgh, and Assistant Surgeon to the 67<sup>th</sup> Foot. Printed for Longman, Hurst, Rees and Orme, Paternoster Row’*

The Account was reviewed in the Edinburgh Medical and Surgical Journal for April 1808, vol XIV in which we learn that *‘Ophthalmia cases were removed from Riding-Street, to the Barracks at Selsey’.* Dr. Vetch later averred that *‘the measure has been attended with all the success my most sanguine hopes had led me to expect’.*

On 25 September 1806, John Vetch was appointed to the 54<sup>th</sup> Foot as an Assistant Surgeon and was promoted to Surgeon on 2 December 1806.

Perhaps as a result of this publication and its glowing review, John Vetch MD was transferred, serving with the 1<sup>st</sup> Garrison Battalion from 18 December 1806 and the 20<sup>th</sup> Foot from 30 April 1807.

He became ‘Staff’, on 25 February 1808 and ‘S. Staff’ on 21 December 1808, this latter appellation meaning that he was Surgeon to the Forces.

THE EDINBURGH MEDICAL AND SURGICAL JOURNAL 1808 VOL. IV contained two reports by *‘John Vetch MD, Assistant Surgeon with Ophthalmia Detachments at Riding Street Barracks, 12 August 1807’.* One was *‘A Report on the influence of a Moist Atmosphere in aggravating the form, and retarding the cure of the Infectious Ophthalmia’* while the second had the catchy title of *‘Remarks on the Difference between the Infectious Ophthalmia and that produced by the Artful Application of irritating Substances to the Eyes’.*

These remarks stated that *‘The affection of the eyes which prevailed in the 28<sup>th</sup> regiment of foot, and which has been proved in the greatest number of cases to have been caused by the wilful application of irritating substances to the eyes, was confined entirely to the privates and non-commissioned officers of the regiment. Where infectious ophthalmia has prevailed, it has uniformly affected the women and children, in a proportion equal to that of the men...’*

If it weren’t so serious, it would be funny as it would seem that soldiers with ophthalmia were being shipped from Romney Marsh to Selsey, cured and discharged and then, upon returning to their regiment, they were deliberately putting things in their eyes to simulate the disease, presumably in the hope of another holiday in Sunny Selsey.

The 67<sup>th</sup> Foot served in the Peninsular War taking part in the Battle of Barossa in 1811 and the Siege of Tarragona in 1813. The Peninsular War was a military conflict between Napoleon’s empire , the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Ireland and the Kingdom of Portugal, for control of the Iberian Peninsula during the Napoleonic Wars which took place between 1803 and 1815.

The 54<sup>th</sup> Foot served in Gibraltar between 1803 and 1807 but then left the Peninsula.



The 28<sup>th</sup> Foot were sent to the Iberian Peninsula and fought at the Battle of Vitoria in June 1813, where it formed part of the “backbone” of the Duke of Wellington’s forces and it is at this time, 1812-1813, that Dr Vetch saw overseas service.

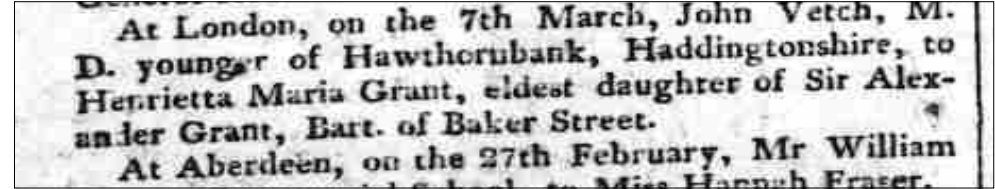


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Dr John Vetch married Henrietta Maria Grant on 7 March 1812 at the parish church of St. Mary, Marylebone Road, Middlesex with Edward Scobell, Curate, officiating. Dr Vetch was 29 and Henrietta was 19. The Marriage Certificate is interesting because it describes Dr. Vetch as being ‘of the Parish of Pagham in the County of Sussex’ which places him at Bognor Ophthalmic Depot at Aldwick and, consequently, links him with Selsey Barracks.

THE PERTSHIRE COURIER of 19 MARCH 1812 contained the following notice:



*‘At London, on the 7<sup>th</sup> March, John Vetch MD the younger, of Hawthornbank, Haddingtonshire tto Henrietta Maria Grant, eldest daughter of Sir Alexander Grant, Bart. of Baker Street. At Aberdeen, on the 27th February, Mr William Grant, eldest son of Sir Alexander Grant, Bart. of Baker Street.’*

Sir Alexander Grant was 8<sup>th</sup> Baronet of Dalvey.

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Mazegarden Open Day

Well, here we are then, September! Where the heck did the summer go, then? Autumn already....scary.

So, how was your summer my fellow Selsonians? Was it a good one and are you still resembling a Neopolitan Ice Cream? Red meaning 'I missed that bit with the suncream', vanilla being the bit of you that was safely covered and the chocolate bit where the sun cream did its job! I don't do sun, to be honest, despite covering myself in Factor 50+ I still resemble a nicely cooked beetroot so we have a slightly fraught relationship, the sun and I - infact I have a very large sun hat which my family make me wear, unfortunately, I look like a remnant from the Raj!

It was a hot one though, wasn't it? Despite the lack of rain the weeds somehow managed to survive very successfully, though. My grass looked like straw with the exception of the flippin' dandelions which pushed their way through as if to taunt me but, given that they were the only decent bit of foliage in the garden I decided to leave them be....survival of the fittest and all that!

So, did you holiday anywhere or did you decide to stay in our not so green and pleasant land? Holidays can be a bit fraught, can't they – especially if both genders are involved! Men and women are definitely wired differently and this can cause the odd bit of, shall we say, 'miscommunication?'

This is my own personal experience, but I'd wager that you recognise some of it....Men, generally, are happy to have a woman select the destination and allow them to plan, book and 'pack a 'few bits' for them. Certainly, in the Johnson household this is the case. Whereas women will undertake in depth research as to the destination, early plan hotel/transport, ensure that key items are packed such as hair dryer, make-up, shoes for all occasions, whatever the destination.

For men, it's also the adventure – exploring the unknown – historical sites, photographic views and most important of all, good food. Women, of course, want to know where the shops and markets are and tend to always be the first to grab the best deckchairs round the pool or on the beach.

Part of holidaying, of course, is to leave the world behind – just for a while - men don't see anything wrong in watching the TV whilst on holiday. This is particularly critical if holidaying during key sporting events or the cup final. We of the opposite gender, however, think that this is a perfect opportunity to trade the TV watching for extra shopping.

One of the best things for us females when we're on our hols, is a bit of pampering – we like a bit of pampering at the best of times but, when we're on holiday, we especially enjoy it. For men, this pampering merely means unlimited snooze time, ipad and TV time! We give pampering a very high priority; he can watch the kids for a change. We're down to the pool, sipping cocktails and taking in as much spa time as possible – infact breakfast in bed sounds pretty good.

The male mision is usually to wear the kids out with swimming and holiday clubs, indulging them in ice cream and ignoring the 5 a day rule. For women, see above... this is dad's turn. Our attention should only be required when total exhaustion has set in and it's bath time.

Of course, away from the daily stresses of work, men can evolve into very romatic creatures. We have very high expectations of attentiveness so there should be a bit of synchronicity here. The reality is, of course, that while we want the romance we are also highly suspicious of it – so, use with care.

Keeping up with the 'virtual' world is enormously important to the male of the species: does the hotel have free wi-fi? This is deal breaker. Women, however, are usually quite content to leave this world behind and read a book. We'll cope and we have faith that the world will continue to turn without us.

Coming home is a bit of downer, let's be honest, here. For men, the post holiday blues set in before they actually get home and when they do, bags can lay open but untouched for days. This is due to two possible reasons, either he can't bear to let go of the amazing time he's just experienced or he just can't be bothered to unpack for himself. We, however, might be sad that it's all over, but there are bags to unpack and at least 100 washing machines full of washing to get through and, let's be honest...it won't be long before we start planning the next one. Any of that resonate with you?

My husband's in education and I have this theory that the summer holidays are the only time of the year when parents actually start to think that teachers are amazingly underpaid! It's not easy, entertaining the little angels when all you want to do is collapse in the chair with a good book and a G and T! Mind you, I reckon that if the youngsters did a pie chart dividing their time into blue for exploring places and generally doing holiday stuff and red for surfing the internet, it would probably be practically all red! So important to stay in touch with all those 'friends' they've never even met. Remember the time when the summer holidays lasted for ever? We'd leave school in July with the summer before us and three days later it would all be over! OK, not literally, but it sure as heck felt like it! If you were anything like me, you'd have really good intentions, none of which would actually have any basis in reality - I'd return to school having done nothing I'd said I would. It's no different these days – the activities change but the principle is the same. I'd wager that this is the average teenager - Summer holiday plans: intense fitness workouts, lots of sleep, study English set text. What actually happens: eat junk, stay up all night and indulge in intense twitter/facebook/instagram/you tube sessions. Am I right? You know I am....

Truth to tell, I think our young people have quite a hard time of it these days. Life is just generally so much more, well..... complicated. I think it must be quite stressful to be a youngster these days; enormous social pressure which, thankfully, we didn't have 'in my day'. Although, whilst I don't want to be 'young' again, I must admit I'm also having trouble getting my head around the fact that I arrived at and then exceeded, my half century – how did that happen? Age really is no respecter of persons; it creeps up on us with no warning. As Groucho Marks once said: 'Age is not a particularly interesting subject. Anyone can get old. All you have to do is live long enough!' I'm not arguing with that. Unfortunately though, age is a high price to pay for wisdom and maturity, although it is, of course, true, that whilst growing old is mandatory, growing up certainly isn't! Infact, reaching a certain age can be very liberating – I no longer get embarrassed about anything – although I love embarrassing my children (sorry, is that really so wrong?...insert smiley face!) Infact, how do we even define 'getting old?' - when does it actually happen? Actually, I think I can answer that one – you're getting old when all the celebs you fancied when you were a teenager start dying off and when you can't pass a loo without thinking 'I'll pop in there, just in case...' We would all do well to remember the wise words of Eleanor Roosevelt 'Beautiful young people are accidents of nature, but beautiful old people are works of art'.

So, enough of that – bit maudlin' there, Donna! I will close with my usual (sorry, but I did warn you...) reminder about the Selsey Vision. It was brill meeting some of you at Screen on the Green and I hope to meet more of my fellow Selsonians when we are out and about in the town (or village, delete according to personal preference.) Remember, no right or wrong answers, just ideas – blue sky thinking, folks, that what we're after! Please take part in the process, you can collect postcards from the Town Hall, drinks mats from the cafes or go to the Selsey vision Facebook Page. Thanks, everyone!

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# 'R C SHERRIFF RETURNS TO SELSEY'

Famous Work Inspires New Theatre Production of *JOURNEY'S END*



Commemorating the last year of Selsey's WW1 Centenary Commemorations



A new production of R C Sherriff's famous WW1 play, *Journey's End*, is to be staged in The Selsey Pavilion in October 2018. *Journey's End* is produced by Arts Dream Selsey, and directed by Gillian Plowman, the award winning playwright and director.

R C Sherriff wrote *Journey's End* in 1927, following his personal experience of fighting in the First World War. Sherriff was a frequent visitor to Selsey, and it is believed that he began writing *Journey's End* whilst on holiday there. Sherriff's connection with Selsey spanned many years, and despite the international success of his play he remained committed to its heritage, involving himself with an amateur production of *Journey's End* which took place in the Selsey Pavilion in 1933. Plans are in hand to renovate this iconic building.

Arts Dream brings the play back to life in a fantastic collaboration with the prestigious company, HISTORY in the MAKING, who will install the authentic trenches dugout, uniforms, properties and armoury, in the Pavilion, where the play was first staged. HISTORY in the MAKING is internationally renowned for its huge store of artefacts through the ages, and for its design and construction of film sets. A cast of nine brilliant actors have immersed themselves in the characters they portray. Arts Dream has nurtured these talented actors over the last four years and they are now of the professional level needed to undertake such a task. Everything is in place for us to produce something memorable and specifically unique to Selsey

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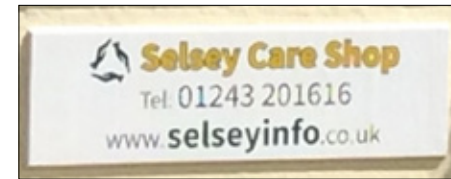
Venue: The Pavilion, 103 High Street Selsey

Dates: October the 4<sup>th</sup> - 9<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> October Matinee at 2.30pm. Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> October Matinee at 2.30pm

Tickets can be bought at Highhouse Insurance Services, 101 High Street Selsey, from 9.00am-5.00pm daily and Saturdays 9.00-1.00pm, and on line [www.ticketsource.co.uk/artsdreamselsey](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/artsdreamselsey)

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The Selsey Care Shop is now fully operational in the High Street, Selsey.

A hive of activity open from Monday to Saturday, 9.30-4.00- it provides a one stop shop to our residents of and visitors to Selsey. It enables our more vulnerable residents to continue to live independently within their own homes and prevents social isolation, and reassurance to families and friends who may not be living close by.

- Selsey Information Exchange – offer a wealth of information to visitors to Selsey and residents of Selsey. Selsey Information Exchange will offer a welcome pack to newcomers and tourists, a community diary to coordinate local events, advertise local activities and offer information on all local groups and services.



- Carers Support Selsey – are based at the Shop, and offers support and information to all voluntary carers. This includes coffee mornings, support groups, regular telephone contact, and special events and trips out.
  - Coffee Mornings on second Thursday of the month;
  - Support groups on second Wednesday afternoon and fourth Wednesday afternoon.
- Selsey Dementia Action Alliance – has been developed to develop Selsey in to a Dementia Friendly Community. Working in partnership with other agencies such as Alzheimer's Society, it will develop a range of services that will provide support to people with a diagnosis of dementia, or going through the process of. A sitting service, is currently being developed and offers carers some respite from their caring role. Our neighbouring parishes such as Siddlesham, Birdham and the Witterings are being supported within this process. Referrals are taken directly within the shop, and via GP and Social Workers, along with other agencies. All volunteers go through the Disclosure and Barring Service, and are fully inducted and supported.



- Selsey Community Watch provide a range of activities which are co-ordinated within the Shop and include the daily telephone service "Good Morning Selsey" to those living alone and find it difficult to leave their homes, movies for memories, Sunday Res-bite teas, and Shop Talk, along with the distribution of the Senior News Publication.

In September we will see the formal opening of the Selsey Care Shop by Mrs Gillian Keegan MP. On her recent visit to Selsey she was clearly impressed by the community spirit and activity within Selsey. She did say that Selsey is a good place to live and age well.

From September 17<sup>th</sup> the Selsey Care Shop will provide a base for the following activities, and in time this will be expanded upon to

respond to the needs of the community. We will continue to work closely in partnership with other agencies to support our ongoing development.

## Monday

- 2-4 pm Drop In service- Sue Hancock SDAA Development Worker;
- 4-5 pm Dementia Information Sessions- delivered by our Dementia Champions- you too can become a dementia friend!

## Tuesday

- 4-5 pm Support groups for carers dealing with a range of subjects including bereavement and relationships. Please contact the shop for more information and to book.

## Wednesday

- 4-5 pm Dementia Nurse from St Richards- introducing the services of the Dementia Team at St Richards.

## Thursday

- 4-5pm Carers West Sussex- introducing their service to carers and volunteers (Includes carers assessments, equipment, and carers wellbeing fund).

## Friday

- Fridays the 12<sup>th</sup> October and 2<sup>nd</sup> November 4-5pm Sue's Activity Session for Men with a diagnosis with dementia- PLEASE BOOK
- Fridays the 21<sup>st</sup> September/ 5<sup>th</sup> October and 19<sup>th</sup> of October 4-5pm (Volunteers and Staff Only) Peer Support and Training Needs –Sue Hancock SDAA and Karen Pirks WSCC (including safeguarding and mobilising safely);



Feel free to pop in to see us at the shop, or phone us on:

(01243) 201616 for any information about any of the services offered and to check the programme of events based at the shop.

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Mazegarden Open Day Volunteers



## September highlights at Pagham Harbour &amp; Medmerry

Summer's warmth lingers a little longer and September is a great time to spot some more unusual birds that pass through our reserves on migration.

Now is the time to scan the skies for ospreys. These spectacular fish-eating birds of prey can be seen fishing in both Pagham Harbour and Medmerry reserves. They appear similar in size to a buzzard, but have clean white underparts and a white head. Flying above the water they target their quarry before folding up their wings and hurtling into the water, legs outstretched to grab their prey. Once airborne again they carry the fish, head first to limit air resistance, off to a quiet place to eat.



Yellow Wagtail  
Andy Hay

Look in the fields, especially around livestock for yellow wagtails.

These pretty little birds 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. They will often follow cattle and other large animals, feeding off the insects disturbed by their feet.

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.

The whinchat is slightly smaller with a shorter tail. It has streaky brown upperparts, a light orange-brown breast and a white stripe above the eye. You can often spot them sitting on fence wires and posts.

The real challenge however, is to find an elusive wryneck. These small sparrow sized woodpeckers are superbly camouflaged with grey, brown and buff mottling and none of the bright colours associated with our resident woodpeckers. At this time of year, The Severals at Church Norton traditionally turn up a wryneck or two. They are often seen hopping on the ground feeding on ants, grasshoppers and other insects.

All these birds and many others are making their way south to their wintering grounds. Here on the peninsula, we are the last chance for them to fuel up before they head out across the sea, making our autumn migration just as exciting as spring. If you would like to know more about what you can see and where, pop into our Visitor Centre on the B2145 or join one of our guided walks – check out our website [www.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour](http://www.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour)



Osprey - Chris Gomersall



Wryneck

## September

## RSPB Pagham Harbour &amp; Medmerry

**Sunday 02 September, Someone to Guide You.**

Unsure of what that bird is? Our friendly guides will be at our brand new **Ferry Pool Hide, Pagham Harbour** to help you spot and identify the wildlife that you see.

**10am – 2pm Drop-in Free**

**Friday 07 September, Astronomy Night.** An evening in the company of Ian Sharp – one of the UK's leading amateur astronomers, and the BBC The Sky at Night's Pete Lawrence. Learn to recognise Autumn constellations, understand the Cosmos and how we fit in and view deep space objects through quality telescopes.

**8.30pm (duration 2 hours)**

**Booking essential, £16 per person / £12 members**

**Friday 14 September, Batty about bats!** Bat-detectors in hands, discover which bats call Pagham Harbour their home. Learn more about these intriguing nocturnal mammals with an evening stroll around Church Norton with Hampshire Bat Group's, Nik Knight. **Meet Church Norton car park PO20 9DT, 7pm (duration 2 hours)**

**Booking essential £12 per person / £9 members**

**Saturday 15 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.

**10am – 12 noon**

**Free**

**Meet Earnley car park PO20 7JL at 9.50am.**

**Sunday 30 September, Discover Pagham Harbour (north) Guided Walk.** A gentle walk along 'The Tramway' and around the north part of our reserve. This 3 mile walk combines wildlife and the Harbour's historic past, while looking for autumn's migrants particularly around Breech Pool.

**10am (duration 3½ hours)**

**Booking essential, £7 per person / £4 members**

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**Mother nature bites back - horseflies**

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

For centuries man has waged war on wildlife. Apart from destroying its home we've systematically killed it for food, fashion or fun. It seems we're winning. There isn't much wildlife left, which isn't surprising as nature really hasn't been retaliating. Sure, you may occasionally get pooped on from above or find a hole in an old jumper but overall the battle has been rather one-sided. Yet within nature there lie certain extremist factions whose sole purpose, it seems, is to make us pay in blood for our crimes. Leading the insect axis of evil are nature's most tenacious terrorists; horseflies.

On hot, calm days horseflies launch an airborne offensive against us, using some impressive aerial manoeuvres which have been compared to the 'Immelmann Turn' perfected by WWI fighter pilots. Different species target different parts of the body. Imagine a moustachioed horsefly Squadron Leader rapping his baton against a map of the human anatomy and co-ordinating the assault. "Tabanus and Atylotus, you fly in low for a bally bite behind the knees. Haematopota, aim for the wrists. Chrysops – sneak up from the rear and go for the neck."

Of course vengeance isn't the real motivation for these attacks. In a darkly delicious twist it turns out that we humans each have a resource that horseflies would like to exploit. Eight pints of it in fact. In order for their eggs to develop, female horseflies require a small snack of mammalian blood.



Horsefly  
c. Neil Fletcher  
Sussex Wildlife Trust

Most horseflies target the hardened hides of horses, deer, cattle and sheep, so thin-skinned Sussex hikers are fast food for the fly. Whereas mosquitoes silently siphon our sanguine syrup with the precision of a phlebotomist, horseflies perform a tactless transfusion with their stout, dagger-like stylets. To prevent the blood clotting she squirts in saliva (it's this alien anticoagulant which causes itching and swelling) and slurps up our body's natural resources. You've been fracked!

It's hard to love a horsefly but look your enemy in the eye and you will see one of nature's most amazing sights, a psychedelic swirl of pixelated patterns. True beauty. But this probably won't endear them to you as you're slapping, swatting and swearing on the South Downs. 2018 has been a good year for the biters and a bad year for the bitten. Horsefly larvae develop in wet conditions and the high rainfall in the spring created plenty of perfect habitat. I get bitten yet I find it hard to grumble. I get so much free pleasure from watching the natural world (not to mention all that water, food and air too). Call me a traitor but if the occasional drop of blood is the price I have to pay then I'm happy to donate to their cause. Viva la resistance!



Four-lined Horsefly  
c. Graeme Lyons  
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### RSPB Events for September 2018

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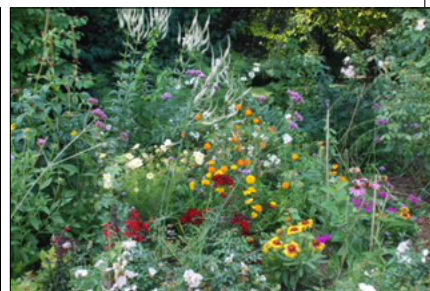
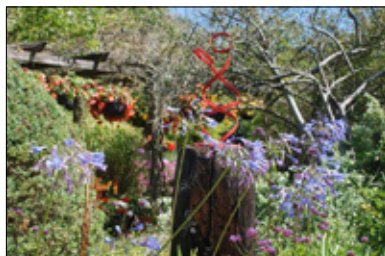
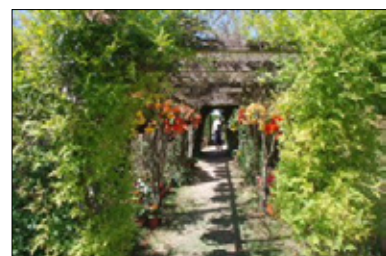
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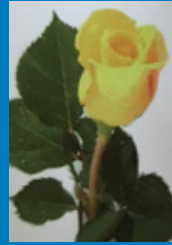




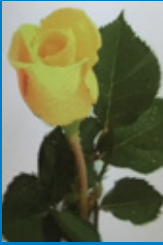
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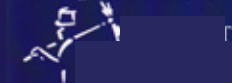
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Recent Callouts – Wow, what a busy July we had with 20 callouts for our Volunteers!

**1/07/18 14:07**

Team paged to reports of a missing 11 year old child at West Wittering Beach. Stood down on route with the child found safe and well.

**1/07/18 14:58**

Team paged to reports of two missing 14 year old children at West Wittering Beach. Both children found safe and well as we arrived on scene.

**1/07/18 15:54**

Team decided to stay at West Wittering Beach for a while after our previous tasking, and it didn't take long before we took reports of another missing child from the lifeguards and deployed two search teams from the Lifeguard Tower. Child found safe and well and reunited with parents.

**1/07/18 17:10**

Team re tasked to West Wittering Beach just as we arrived back on station to reports of a 4 year old missing child. Stood down on route with the child found safe and well.

\*\*\*\*Free wrist bands are available at the Lifeguard Tower on West Wittering Beach for you to write your contact number on them in case you and your children get separated - please make sure you use them when visiting the beach and please keep an eye on your children at all times especially at the seaside.\*\*\*\*

**04/07/18 14:26**

Team paged to reports of a possible missing person after clothes were found between Chichester Marina Locks and Dell Quay. Hayling Lifeboat, Hayling Coastguard Team, Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 175 and Sussex Police were also tasked to carry out a search of Chichester Harbour.

With all search teams deployed and a full search of the area carried out by all assets involved, nothing further was found or seen and with no reports of any missing persons matching the clothing found in the area all assets were stood down.

**05/07/18 19:30**

Team paged to reports of a drifting dinghy off Brackelsham Bay. On arrival the team had eyes on the vessel and were able to confirm that the vessel was ok and was at anchor attached to a buoy.

False alarm this time but with good intent.

On the way back to station we stopped off at Selsey Lifeboat Station to take a picture of an inflatable toy to send to Solent Coastguard that had been picked up by Selsey Inshore Lifeboat while out training which was found drifting out at sea. Selsey Inshore Lifeboat carried out a quick search of the area with nothing found.

On returning to station we recieved further information from a member of the public saying she had witnessed a family losing control of the inflatable toy and it blowing out to sea and drifting.

Blow up boats and toys are great fun in the swimming pool, but we do not recommend their use at the seaside. This is because they can easily be blown out to sea.

We strongly recommend that blow up boats and toys are not used in an offshore wind – that is when the wind blows from the land out to sea – because they can quickly be swept out to sea. Go to a lifeguarded beach if possible and heed the lifeguards' advice. If people do find themselves being swept out to sea, our advice is to stay with the boat or toy and shout for help, waving arms if possible. Do not attempt to swim for shore if out of depth. Ideally make sure that someone ashore is keeping an eye on you.

**05/07/18 22:07**

Team paged to reports of a person in the water near Medmerry Park Holiday Village.

Hayling Lifeboat was also tasked.

Once on scene the casualty was accounted for and all persons were out of the water and on the beach, the casualty had also been drinking.

An ambulance was requested to assess and check the casualty, the casualty and their two friends were taken to the awaiting ambulance in the Coastguard Vehicle. The two friends were kept warm in the back of the vehicle as they had both entered the water to try and rescue their friend. Once their friend had the all clear from the paramedics and free to go, all three people were then taken back to where they were staying.

Stood down and returned back to station at midnight.

**07/07/18 12:07**

Team paged to reports of a person and a dog stuck in the mud in Chichester Harbour off Thorney Island. Selsey Coastguard Mud Rescue Team and Portsmouth Coastguard Mud Rescue Teams were both tasked with West Sussex Fire Service, Chichester Harbour Patrol and Hayling Rescue.

Three Mud Rescue Technicians from Selsey Coastguard Team were deployed on to the mud in full mud rescue gear and went out as far as they could before being transferred onto Chichester Harbour Patrols Rib and were taken slightly closer by boat. They then continued out on to the mud to where the casualty and dog were stuck. Once with the casualty drinking water was given to the person and the dog as it was extremely hot out on the mud flats. The casualty was ok, although had been suffering with cramp beforehand but no medical assistance was needed. The casualty was extracted from the mud and he and the dog were brought back and transferred to Chichester Harbour Patrols Rib and taken to Itchenor. The three mud technicians were brought back by Hayling Rescue and then they continued back across the mud to the shore.

**08/07/18 15:29**

Team paged to man the helicopter landing site at St Richards Hospital. Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 175 had picked the diver up around 19 NM South off Littlehampton after they made a rapid ascent and were suffering from signs of decompression Sickness. Coastguard Rescue 175 then transferred the diver to St Richards Hospital for the Decompression Chamber.

**08/07/18 20:03**

Team paged to reports of a missing rower in Chichester Harbour. Team tasked to carry out a search of Chichester Harbour, thankfully the missing rower was found safe and well and the team were stood down on route.

**14/07/18 14:37**

Team paged to reports of a missing 4 year old child at West Wittering Beach.

Team stood down on route with the child found safe and well.

**15/07/18 15:44**

Team paged to reports of a missing 10 year old child at West Wittering Beach.

**19/07/18 16:48**

\*\*\*LIFE SAVED THANKS TO SELSEY LIFEBOAT CREW!\*\*\*

Team paged by to reports of a 11 year old boy stuck on the groyne and hanging off the red basket at East Beach after getting into difficulties swimming.

Selsey Inshore Lifeboat were also paged and arrived on scene just in time, after a 16 year old boy who went into the sea, to try and help the young lad out that was clinging onto the groyne also got



into difficulty. He tried swimming out to him and struggled with the currents, and was just going under water as the lifeboat arrived on scene.

The fast thinking lifeboat crew managed to grab the hand of the 16 year old boy and pulled him out of the water; they then quickly recovered the boy from the groyne and made it back to the Lifeboat Station where first aid treatment

was given until an ambulance arrived on scene.

The 16 year old was then taken to hospital by ambulance to be checked over. This could have been a whole different story if the Inshore Lifeboat was just a few seconds later - so a massive thank you to the three crew members on the lifeboat this evening for their fast response and quick actions, well done and thank you!

Thank you also goes to the lifeboat crew that were on station as well, for helping deliver first aid while we were waiting for an ambulance!

THIS COULD HAVE BEEN A WHOLE DIFFERENT STORY THIS EVENING!

If you see someone in trouble out at sea or along the coast please don't try and do a self-rescue, please dial 999 straight away and ask for the Coastguard, as like tonight the person that tried a self-rescue became worse off and instead of one person needing rescuing two people needed rescuing - and they were both very lucky!

**24/07/18 17:22**

Team paged to reports of a missing 9 year old girl at West Wittering Beach.

Two Coastguard Rescue Search Teams were deployed and Hayling Island Inshore Lifeboat was also tasked.

Coastguard Rescue Officers found the 9 year old girl on the beach playing with other children and was safe and well and she was quickly reunited with her family.

**25/07/18 14:07**

Team paged to reports of a person in the water at Lakeside Holiday Village.

Littlehampton Coastguard Team, Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 175, the Air Ambulance, HART Team, Fire Service, Technical Rescue and the Police were all on scene.



Our thoughts are with their friends and family at this difficult time.

**26/07/18 12:30**

Team paged to reports of two kayakers in difficulty south west of Selsey Bill.

Selsey Inshore Lifeboat was also tasked.

Both kayakers had made it out of the strong currents that they were struggling with and made their way back to shore where they were met by the Coastguard Team and safety advice was given.

Once we had dropped one of the kayakers back to their car we were stood down to return to station.

**26/07/18 17:54**

Team paged to reports of a missing 5 year old child at West Wittering Beach.

Team stood down on route with the child found safe and well.

**29/07/18 13:11**

Team paged to reports of a large fishing vessel which had broken its moorings and had washed up on the beach at the end of James Street.

The team made sure the vessel had been secured in the best possible way and that no persons were on board and fed all details of the vessel and the owner back to Solent Coastguard.



The owner of the fishing vessel is now aware and is arranging for its recovery.

**29/07/18 14:08**

While we were on scene another 999 call was taken by our operations centre, and we were tasked to Prinstead where a smaller vessel had broken its moorings and was being thrown against the rocks by the wind and waves.

Both Hayling Lifeboats were tasked and the lifeboats with the Chichester Harbour Master towed it to deeper waters and to a new mooring.



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### A KIND OF MAGIC

Since the time of the Greco-Persian wars, when the rituals of Persian Priests were thought to influence the fortunes of battle, people regarded magic with great suspicion. Forces of nature, such as earthquakes, were believed to be the work of magicians, witches, or sorcerers. Vagabonds and court jesters performing tricks of illusion were thought to have special powers.

In the wake of the Enlightenment in the mid eighteenth century, attitudes changed and Modern Magic was founded by John H.E.Robert-Houdin who took street magic into a theatre in Paris in 1845. Robert-Houdin had been a clockmaker and he started to develop large mechanical automaton that appeared to have human or animal form. The most popular could write and draw.

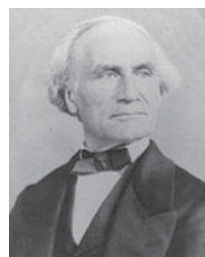


8thC Swiss Automaton

At the same time as Robert-Houdin, in Britain, John Henry Anderson was pioneering magic shows, appearing as the Great Wizard of The North. In 1840 he opened the New Strand Theatre in London, and in 1845 he opened a second theatre in Glasgow.

There were great advantages to performing magic tricks on stage. People could be charged an entrance fee, and the use of trap doors and curtained wings on the stage ensured that what was visible to the audience could be tightly controlled.

Magic became widely regarded as a performance art, and audiences were entertained by a variety of illusions.



JEAN H. EUGENE  
ROBERT-HOUDIN

People flocked to the shows and came away with a sense of awe and mystery as ever more complicated illusions were performed. By the end of the 19th Century long running shows in large theatres were the norm. John Nevil Maskelyne's show at the Egyptian Hall in London's Piccadilly ran for 31 years.



Professional magicians formed organisations to promote and protect their craft, a condition of membership was that they never revealed how any of their tricks were done. In Great Britain the Magic Circle was founded in 1905 with the specific aim of supporting and developing the art of stage magic, and preserving the secrets of magic shows, a tradition that is largely upheld today. However, when an illusion in Las Vegas went wrong last year, David Copperfield was forced by a court of law to reveal the secrets of the trick that appeared to make an audience disappear.

The advent of television in the 1930s provided magicians with new opportunities for illusion and deception, and magic shows remained as popular as ever. Street magic all but disappeared.

Amongst performers there emerged a debate as some wanted to shed the image of tricks as being something still routed in the unexplained phenomena of magic. They insisted they were illusionists, there was nothing magic about them or what they were doing.

Illusionists such as David Copperfield, and David Blane took their craft back on to the streets. Using modern technology, and many of the old principles of

stage magic, they have performed elaborate shows all over the world.



### MAGIC CIRCLE

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Derren Brown

Modern Magic in all its forms, remains popular on television, in theatres and in the streets. Its' success relies upon the skill of the performer, and the willingness of the audience to believe what they think they are seeing. All the time audiences continue to ask 'but how did they do that?', there will always be a kind of magic in the art of Magic.

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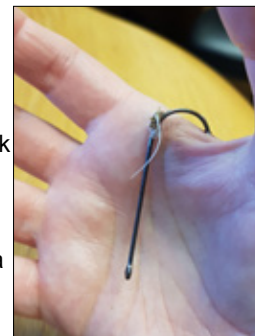
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Dear Editors

I hope you may be able to help me get this to as many people as possible especially the organisers of the fishing competition, runners and angling societies along the coast line of East Beach.

I am not prejudice of fisherman I love fishing myself, but what I really hate with passion is fisherman that have no thought or conscience for other beach users.

This morning while walking my two Beagles, Nelson and Tinker, along the top of the shingle, by the boats, the slip entrance to the beach, at the end of Park Lane, just in front of the properties, Nelson managed to get hooked in his jowls by a large barbed hook - unbeknown to me this was attached to a line with another large barbed hook and a heavy weight. As I was trying to get the hook out of Nelson's jowls he shook his head and the second hook flew up and entered my hand, so deep that I had to go to hospital to have it removed. This was not tackle that had been washed up, it was sitting on top of the shingle at the top area where the sea hasn't been since the winter - there was a competition on Friday 29 or Saturday 30 July and by the looks of the equipment this was from one of those fisherman. This could so easily have been a small child or elderly person that couldn't sort themselves out as quickly as I did. Is there any way I can reach out to you guys to help me get to those involved to get a message to all fisherman to take their dangerous Barbed Hooks home with them and where possible not to use Barbed Hooks at all.



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Beating feathers forge a path up into safer air  
a yard of wingspan tip to tip  
bulging gaping yellow bill protects the lions share

Like Mr Fox his cunning mind adapts to foil the fall  
to grasp, to hastily evolve  
contentment comes in many forms, sheer survival conquers all.

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# In the Garden

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

September offers producers the best weather of the year - soft, mild and mellow. The hedgerows abound with the bright red Hawthorn berries and are laden with lush Blackberries, Sloes and Crab Apples. Watch out for the Pigeons and Pheasants feasting in the fields on the left-overs from harvest.

The gardens abound with the result of over-endeavours - produce and flowers. Multi-coloured Dahlias and Chrysanthemums and white Michaelmas Daisies make a marvellous show at this time. Spider's gossamer is beautiful to behold in the early morning sunlight speckled with dew. Swallows and Swifts are departing on their long journeys to foreign climes but the House-martins are still here tending their third and last brood. Chestnut trees are bearing many conkers which are being rapidly stored and eaten by the Squirrels. Purple Autumn Violets add their beauty to our woodland banks. Wild Mushrooms can now be found and enjoyed, and watch out for the Puff-balls which dissolve into a fine white powder when knocked.

September-time is a relaxing time when we can be entranced by all that nature can offer us.

## Jobs for September

This is a good time to plant Potato tubers if you want to harvest them as a Christmas treat. Choose a second-cropping variety and plant them in large pots or gro-bags. Place them in a sheltered spot outside for the next few months and then bring in when the temperatures drop. An unheated glasshouse is ideal or else large cloches can be used. The crop should be ready a few weeks before Christmas.

Wasps are generally very useful as they have a good appetite for aphids. If they are interfering with ripening fruit you can reduce their numbers - make traps as follows - put some beer, honey or jam in a jam jar and fasten a paper lid, with a small hole in it over the top. Place in strategic spots.

Always keep some neat Tea Tree Oil handy as it relieves Wasp stings immediately.

Ensure compost in pots, window boxes and containers containing Summer bedding never dries out and continue to feed weekly with a high potash liquid feed. This will ensure that displays keep going for as long as possible and, combined with regular dead-heading, will make sure they will look good through the Autumn. Most will keep blooming until the first frost.

## Tip Top Tips

- Start a new Compost heap to take this autumn's (compostable) prunings and fallen leaves.
- Add some well-rotted manure to compost heaps to help the compost 'cook' more quickly.
- Pick off any diseased Rose leaves showing signs of Black Spot or rust, and dispose or burn them. Collect any that have fallen on the ground below.
- Earth up Leeks and Celery.
- Lift and dry Onions.
- Start purchasing bulbs for planting later-on.
- Don't always buy on account of cheapness - sales always have a reason!
- Don't leave bulbs where mice can get at them - free breakfast costs money!
- Water dormant Cyclamen to bring them back into growth.
- Plant pots of prepared Hyacinth bulbs for Christmas bloom and scent.

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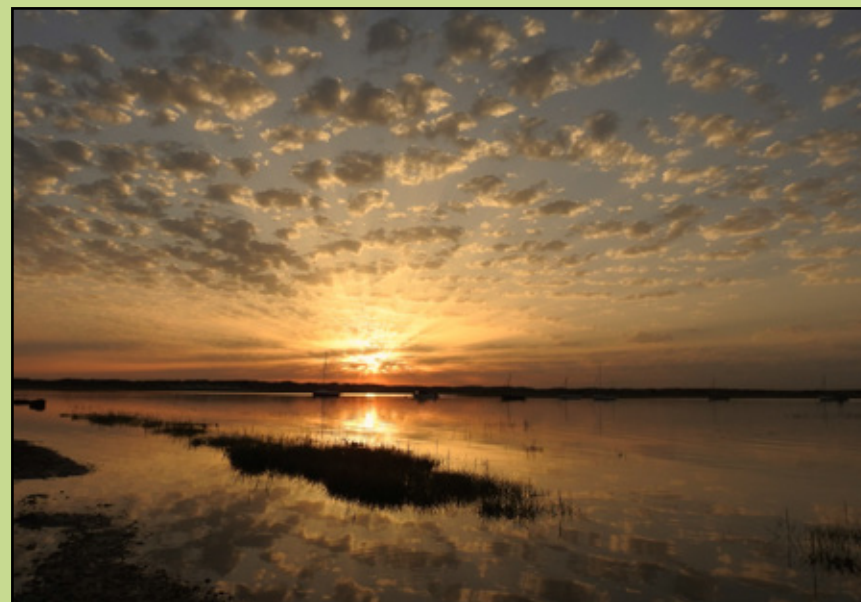


## Manhood Wildlife and Heritage Group News

September 2018

### MWHG 20TH Anniversary Photo Competition Winners!

As part of our 20th Anniversary celebration, the MWHG ran a photo competition over the last month to encourage people to capture and showcase the best of the wildlife, landscape and heritage of the Manhood Peninsula. We received some truly special images and are delighted to share the winners here. Thank-you to all those who took part. We hope to display the top 20 entries at local venues over the coming months so please check our website [www.mwhg.org.uk](http://www.mwhg.org.uk) for details and the latest news.



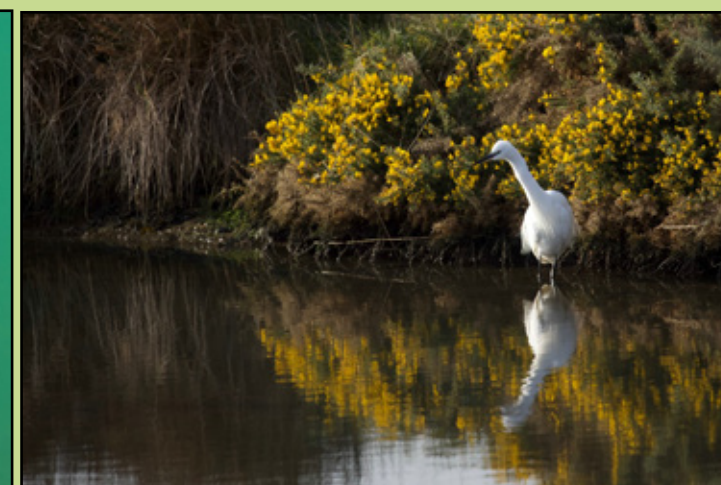
**Landscape Winner and Overall Winner:** East Head, West Wittering. By Heather Brooks.



**Heritage Winner:** Selsey lifeboat station. By Sable Blade.



**Under-16 'My Local Nature' Winner:** Black Sea Bream. By Sophie Reeve-Foster.



**Wildlife Winner:** Little Egret in morning sunlight. By Mary Patterson.

## A Change is as Good as a Rest!

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**The Selsey Birder -  
High summer into autumn**

It's a hot sunny day in early August as I write this; the beach is the place to be, it's the school holidays and families are making the best of the good weather. And yet I bet nobody has noticed that female Eider spending its summer only just offshore, or the gathering of Swifts overhead, swirling around to feed up on insects before they head off due south. They will have left by tonight, starting their long return migration to their wintering grounds in Africa.....blackish,

arrowhead-shaped birds totally equipped for a life of flight, yet as soon as their limited breeding duties here are over they're off!

*The female Eider just offshore at the Bill.*

Nationally, by mid-August all but a few late stragglers will be gone – not to be confused though with

Swallows (very long tail-streamers) and House Martins (black above with white rump patches) that may remain and even continue nesting into mid or even late October – a totally different strategy.

And that's the thing about birding – it's dynamic, there's something going on all the time as seasons change, even if it doesn't seem that way sometimes during the summer doldrums. Back on the beach, it may be high summer to the human population, but to the birdlife autumn is already well underway. It's time for those small migrant species to head for the coast and feed up for all they're worth, ready to face the coming challenges, whilst many species that went north to breed in the brief Arctic summer – such as waders, ducks and geese - will already be streaming back southwards towards us.

Last month, I stressed the importance to wildlife of the remaining but ever-declining green spaces around Selsey – especially to the migrant birds and insects that depend on the limited tree cover and bushes to rest, feed and shelter. I also mentioned it would be nice to add a bit of colour and vegetation to the bare Oval field; well I'm pleased to say that plans are now well advanced to do a bit of planting in a couple of the field corners to enhance the appearance and benefit people and wildlife – a small step in the right direction – so don't be alarmed if you see volunteer activity there in the autumn/ winter.

By September – when you'll likely be reading this – autumn migration will be in full swing. Many thousands of migrant birds will pass through this area, often stopping off at Selsey itself before taking the chance to head out over the sea one clear and starlit night. They may spend a day or two beforehand, or perhaps a week or more, feeding up to put on enough fat reserves to face this ordeal – which not all of them will survive – and that's when we birders monitor and count them, whilst always hoping to find a rarity amongst them.

So, even if you are not going to be a keen birder, you may be interested enough to keep an eye out in your garden for these passing visitors. Look out for Willow Warblers in your trees and bushes – small but very active little birds, looking rather yellowish/buff and often making a soft “hoo-eet” contact call. They will be feeding on small insects and aphids and love sycamore trees! Later into September these will be replaced by the very similar-looking but slightly dingier, browner (but equally restless) Chiffchaff, which often has darker legs. Another regular visitor is the Blackcap, with its grey back and black cap

(male) or rusty brown cap (female). They will be there – see if you can spot one – especially on duller, cloudy or misty mornings. Better still, start up a bird list to see how many different species you can record in your own garden!

*Wheatear on the beach*

And if you go for a walk along the beach or across fields, watch out for the Wheatear. This perky, upright and rather sandy coloured little bird may perch up right in front of you, like a small thrush, before flicking away again to show you its bright white rump patch (from whence its name is derived...literally 'white-ar\*e').

So, when the longer days of summer start to fade and darker nights beckon, there is still so much to look forward to with the onset of autumn.....and don't forget you can always get up-to-date birding news at our (free) website:

'Birding the Selsey Peninsula' ([selseybirder.blogspot.co.uk](http://selseybirder.blogspot.co.uk))

**Selsey Birder**



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Youth Secretary

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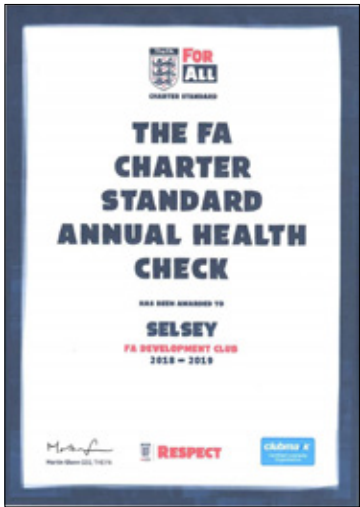
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Thankyou

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Youth Secretary



# SEELSEY FOOTBALL CLUB

## Fixtures

September 2018

<u>Date</u>	<u>Opponents</u>	<u>Team</u>	<u>Venue</u>	<u>KO</u>
Sat 1st	Mile Oak	1st	Away	15.00
Sat 1st	Rogate08	Reserves	Home	15.00
Sat 8th	Seaford	1st	Home	15.00
Sat 8th	TBC	Reserves		15.00
Sat 15th	TBC	1st		15.00
Sat 15th	Ambassadors	Reserves	Away	15.00
Sat 22nd	Hailsham	1st	Home	15.00
Sat 22nd	Predators	Reserves	Away	15.00
Sat 29th	Bexhill	1st	Away	15.00
Sat 29th	Rogate 08	Reserves	Away	15.00

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## Fixtures

September 2018

Date	Opponents	Team	Venue	KO
Sun 2nd	Wick	U18's	Home	11.00
Fri 6th	Arundel	U23's	Away	19.45
Sun 9th	East Preston	U18'S	Away	11.00
Sun 16th	Worthing Town	U18's	Away	11.00
Fri 21st	Lancing	U23's	Away	19.45
Sun 23rd	Littlehampton utd	U18'S	Home	11.00
Fri 28th	Broadbridge Heath	U23's	Home	19.45
Sun 30th	Rottingdean Central	U18's	Home	11.00

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Dear Editor,

We are pleased to send you some news from Jay Miller's Circus, about our beautiful babies that have been born over the last week.

Miss Zsofia and Clown Peppi's gorgeous daughter Hanna Isabella Stift arrived at 6:36 pm Friday 17th August weighing 3.4kg.

I, Charlotte Carabin-Miller and my husband Florian Carabin (Lord of the Laser) introduced our perfect baby boy Oscar Yves Carabin at 6:27am on Thursday 23rd August.



Both sets of parents and babies are doing really well.





For the first time since we started Beer & Rounders bad ground conditions meant we had to cancel it on August 12th.

Due to the forecast rain, we decided to make the decision for safety's reasons.

#### Important Selsey Cricket Club Dates for your Diary.



Notice of the Annual General Meeting of Selsey Cricket Club.

The secretary will send out the Agenda and Further details nearer the time.

The Annual General Meeting of Selsey Cricket Club, will take place in the Club Pavilion on Friday 16th November 2018 commencing at 8:00 pm.

The Club will be open from 7:30 pm.

All members as asked to attend.



The Annual Presentation and dinner Evening will take place in the Pavilion on Saturday 24th November.

Club opens at 7:00 pm for 8:00 Presentation of Awards and Cups.

All members, Playing and Non Playing, Friends and Family Welcome.

Ricky Halpin will cook a curry & Rice and a stew, All we ask is you make a donation to the Club for the food, can everyone let us know if you are attending and your choice of food.

We can do a Vegetarian choice on Request.

There will be Music and Cheap drinks !

Any further information please email us on [info@selseycc.co.uk](mailto:info@selseycc.co.uk)

Selsey Cricket Club welcomes new Members both Playing and Non Playing, for more information please email us on [info@selseycc.co.uk](mailto:info@selseycc.co.uk)

Now on to the continuing story of Selsey Cricket Club, from Ruth Mariners Book.

#### 1899

Selsey achieved a higher profile in cricketing circles in 1899.

The Observer and West Sussex Recorder of 15th February 1899 reported:

'CRICKET CONCERT - The Cricket Club again benefited on Monday night, when an excellent concert was given in aid of the funds. The following is the programme:- violin and piano, 'Perpetuo Mobile,' Miss Minniece, and Miss G Malaher; song 'The Laird's King', Mr F Hobgen; recitation 'Aunt Abigail's Adventures', Miss Barker; song 'Guiding Light' Major Todd; duet 'Surely', Miss K and Mr F Hobgen; song 'the King's Own', Mr Buhl; song 'Life's Lullaby', Miss Woodhams; song 'Kings of the Road', Mr T C Hobgen; comic song 'One-legged Family', Mr Miles; song 'Tatters', Miss K Hobgen; comic song 'I am a Philosopher', Mr Steere; violin solo 'Lisette', Miss G Malaher; song 'The Outlaw', Mr T C Hobgen; song 'All the While', Miss Woodhams; song 'The Smuggler', Major Todd; recitation, Miss Barker; song 'The last Watch', Mr Buhl; song 'A Dolly and a Couch', Miss K Hobgen; comic song 'A Story of a

Musical Box', Mr Steere; song 'The Distant Shore', Mr F Hobgen; comic song 'The Stammering Sweethearts', Mr Miles.'

It seems that Mr Fogden was still a little tardy with his letter-writing. Although it had been suggested to him that he write in January 1899 if he wished to play Priory Park (and, of course, it is always possible a letter is missing), he wrote to E Messum (perhaps Messam) on 20th February 1899 and received the following response:

'Dear Sir

Replying to your favour of 20th ult. We can offer you May 17th for match to be played at Priory Park. The Committee are sorry that owing to so many fixtures this year they can only give you this one date.

Please say if this meets with your approval and oblige.

Yours faithfully'

This match took place and the report appears in its proper place.

A general meeting of the Selsey Cricket Club was held at the 'New Inn' (now the Neptune) on Wednesday and reported in the newspaper of 15th March 1899. Mr Newton Clayton was in the chair, having been re-elected to the Parish Council the previous week.

'The meeting was well attended. The Secretary's report shewed the Club to be in a prosperous condition, thanks chiefly to the entertainments given on its behalf by the Manhood Minstrels, and an entertainment promoted by Mr H Penfold, enabling the Club to start the financial year with a balance in hand of between two and three pounds. Votes of thanks were passed to the Minstrels for their efforts and also to Mr Penfold. On election of officers all the old officers were re-elected with Messrs. Cutten and Flint added to the list of Committee. Several out and home matches were arranged; the ground being in a greatly improved condition should assist the Club to make the season a success. Votes of thanks to Treasurer, Secretary, Captain, &c., brought the meeting to a close. The Hon. Secs. Are Messrs. S E Dewey and F Fogden, with Major Todd as Treasurer.'

On 17th May of the same year Priory Park and Selsey played at Priory Park when the home team secured an easy victory. 'For the winners the Hon. B Gordon-Lennox scored a fine innings of 106, included in which were 17 fours. He gave no chance. Biddle, the new professional, took five wickets for 39 runs.'

The Chichester Observer and West Sussex Recorder of 24th May 1899 reported a match between Littlehampton and Selsey.

'The opening match of the Littlehampton Cricket Club took place on Friday, when they entertained Selsey and beat them by 50 runs on the first innings. The weather was fine, but in the afternoon there was a rather fresh breeze. The wicket was in capital condition. Littlehampton went in first, and before the last wicket fell 113 had been recorded. Six of the wickets fell under the bowling of C Marshall at a cost of 52 runs. Selsey then went in, but failed to reach their opponents' total by 50 runs, four of their men coming out for 'ducks'.'

The ubiquitous Mr N Clayton fielded his own XI at a match played between them and Northgate Grammar School (Chichester). The match was reported on 26th July and was held at Selsey. '...the Grammar School scored an easy victory. H Lake batted and bowled finely for the winners.'

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By the time this article is read our internal competitions will be completed, the rescheduled Friday League games, cancelled initially due to rain (despite the long hot summer) should have been played and just a few matches will remain before our season comes to a close at the end of the month (September). At the time of going to print Match results have been mostly in our favour.

Our Social Evenings have been good fun and well attended. The Race Night run by Alan and Jillie was very successful and proved to be a good fund raiser.

A reminder to all members that the End of Season Meeting will be on Sunday 30th September 10am



**We regret we are unable to bring you a golf report this month, but we hope to be back to normal next month.**

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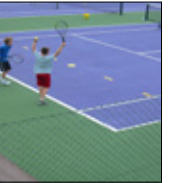
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Entering the last quarter of the year is sad but here at Crablands the tennis members will be pleased to see that we are progressing the installation of floodlights on two of the courts and thanks must go to the Ferry Farm Solar Company who

awarded us a grant towards this project. The good summer weather has meant that very few days of play have been lost and the ladies team are currently top of their league. NOTE 1<sup>st</sup> SEPTEMBER is the start of the Saturday morning junior coaching sessions, for more details of this valued instruction please contact Jo on 606890.



The Green Bowlers too have benefitted from the good summer weather and have welcomed some new members: and as last summer four of our lady bowlers will travel to Leamington to take their place in the County Fours finals and there will be representatives from Crablands at the Sussex Ladies Triples semi-finals. The outcome of these

matches will be printed in the next issue of this magazine when we can all uncross our fingers !

Congratulations to two of our gentlemen players Tony Dade and Ian Ford who have achieved their County badges, and Jim Saunders has been commended for his 30 years coaching – well done all.

A visiting County team from the Isle of Wight thought the facilities here in our Selsey Club were second to none and everyone thoroughly enjoyed their day.

We must not forget that the one section here at Crablands never affected by the weather is the Short Mat Bowling one and they are already signing up players for their Winter Season and Jim can answer any queries you might have for this sport on 606172.

Crablands members should start looking out for those social evenings which will be listed on the various notice boards in the club.

# SELSEY STORM NETBALL CLUB

**Calling all ladies!**  
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Hi there, it's me, Markus, the super handsome office Cat here at The Cat and Rabbit Rescue Centre!



I know I keep harping on about it, but this weather - phew, it's so very un-British, all these high temperatures! Here at The Centre, we have discovered some very useful 'cool mats' that are designed for pets to lay on to cool down - you don't even have to put them in the freezer! I believe my staff found them online and in some local stores!

With the summer holidays upon us, we are sure that you are all heading to the beach, or even abroad for some fabulous sunshine - so please don't forget your sunscreen! This also applies to your furry friends, especially those with fine, white or light fur. My staff here apply sunscreen daily to those who need it, mainly on their ears and noses. The sun can have the same effect on us furballs as it does on you humans and can cause nasty cancers too, so it is very important to apply it when it is el scorchio outside!

We have lots of animals currently at the centre waiting to be rehomed, perhaps you'd like a lovely pair of bunnies to add to your family? Our rabbit and guinea-pig viewing days are every Sunday between 2 and 3.30pm.

That's all from me today, I shall be back next month with another update!

Love Markus

If you are interested in adopting a cat, kitten, rabbit or guinea pig then please call us here at the centre on 01243 641409 between 9-4pm during the week.

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### Pet of the Month September 2018

This month allow us to introduce Ayla a stunningly beautiful 11 year old snow Bengal cross. Ayla has been with us since March when she arrived as her owners were moving somewhere that had no garden and Ayla loves to go outside.



Ayla is very loving once she gets to know you, a little shy at first. She demands attention on her terms, telling you once she has had enough fuss. She is very independent and happily plays on her own. She can be possessive about her toys and we can often here her talking to her blanket and toys while she plays, even telling them off at times. We would like to find Ayla a quiet and relaxed home and no other cats; she really doesn't like them and any others from your garden. Ayla would make a wonderful companion for someone and has so much love to give. . If you think you may be able to give Ayla the new home she deserves please give The Centre a call Monday to Friday from 9am-4pm.



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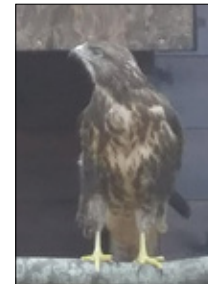
Remember to collect your medal by Saturday 15th September



### Brent Lodge Briefings – Protect and Respect

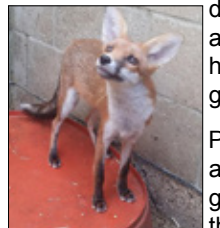
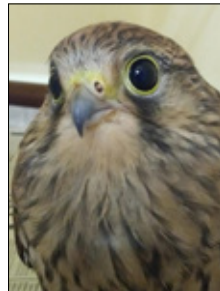
As we continue through summer the hospital buzzes with the sound of young life - as well as caring for over 150 gulls we have several nests of baby birds, abandoned fox cubs, owls as well as many other injured wildlife in need. We have seen a wide variety of species and cases over the last few weeks of summer 'silly season' (called so because this is the time of year breeding starts to take place and wild animals get a bit silly and we see an increase in patients when babies fledge their nest). As the season ends we will then start to welcome our first few hedgehogs in autumn.

We recently had a beautiful Buzzard brought to us from Goodwood which was found grounded, after arrival it was immediately assessed by our vet at Alphapet. It is now out of the hospital and rehabilitating in one of our outside enclosures and is feeding well.



However, we are going to monitor it for the next few weeks and months as it has trouble assessing its surroundings and flies into staff unknowingly. The vet is unsure if it has sight issue or a neurological problem, so we will continue to assess the bird's condition before we make a decision on its release.

Also received in the last few weeks, a juvenile little owl, a very hungry juvenile kestrel, 3 pheasant chicks, fox cubs and a very friendly juvenile Jay who is now sharing an aviary with a magpie and crow before release. All of these are expected to make a full recovery and will be assessed for release soon, we have already successfully released a number of patients including a group of mallard ducks to Chichester Harbour, and a barn owl that was found having a clumsy moment on the ground.



Please remember to keep an eye out for any injured or grounded wild animals over the next few weeks as we continue through the hot weather, as we are still receiving dehydrated animals. As always we are in need of tinned pet food, fresh fruit and vegetables to feed all of our patients as well as volunteers to help care for them. We look forward to updating you further on Brent Lodge news and patient updates very soon.



**BRENT LODGE CHARITY SHOPS**

**SELSEY**

7&8 NEW PARADE, SELSEY, PO20 0QA (Tel: 01243 605125)

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.

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

Join us on **10th October at 6pm** for a

## Surplus Supper with



at **East Beach Church**  
**Marisfield Place, Selsey (PO20 0PD)**

'Donate-as-you-Dine' for a 3 course meal made with rescued food.....

All donations will contribute to UKHarvest's operations to feed those In need

Open to all the community, but please book your place as numbers limited

Please contact: Selsey Information Exchange on 01243 201616, or sign up via [www.ukharvest.org.uk](http://www.ukharvest.org.uk)



## East Beach Evangelical Church



### 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.

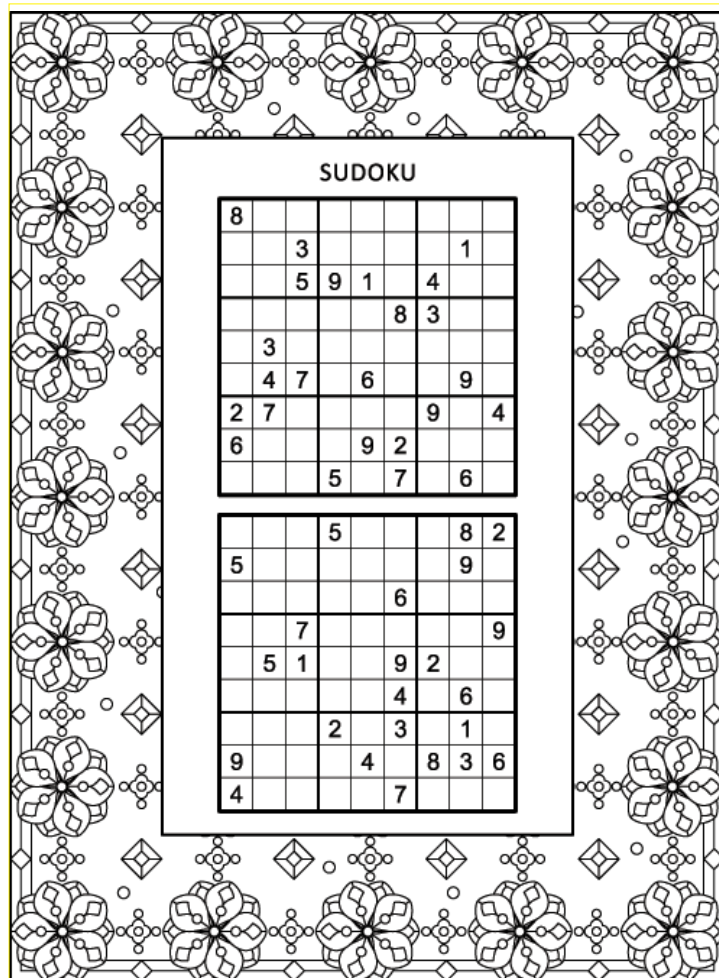
## BRITISH LEGION

HAPPY HOUR

5.30PM TO 6.30PM

**TUESDAY'S, THURSDAY'S AND FRIDAY'S**  
**15% OFF ALL ALCOHOLIC AND NON ALCOHOLIC DRINKS (EXCEPT HOT DRINKS)**





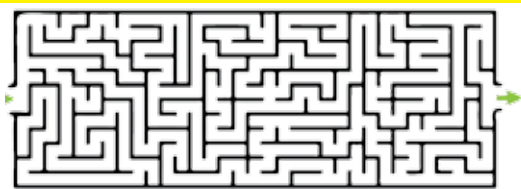
**CODEBREAKER WORD PUZZLE**  
The same number represents the same letter. Crack the code and fill the grid.  
To help you get started some words are already in place.

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- 1) At which sport would you use a penholder grip? 2) Who wrote the play An Inspector Calls?
- 3) Which is England's third oldest University? 4) Who said: "In two words, impossible"?
- 5) What was the first battle of the English Civil War? 6) Hg is the symbol for which chemical element?
- 7) Which US world champion boxer's real name was Walker Smith? 8) On which sea is the Saudi Arabian port of Jeddah?
- 9) How many US States end with the letter A? 10) What is the largest city in Siberia?
- 11) Which country is home to the most languages? 12) What T is the capital of Albania?
- 13) How many Oscars did Ghandi win? (The film, not the person..) 14) Who was the Young Mr Lincoln?
- 15) In which soap did Patrick Stewart make his debut TV appearance? 16) What was the name of the Steptoes' horse?
- 17) What do Larry, Curly and Mo add up to? 18) Who does Conrad Veidt play in Casablanca?

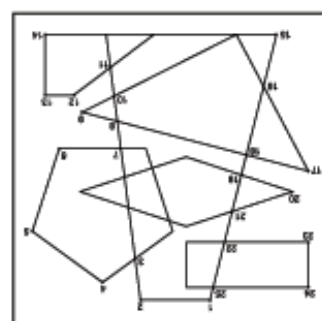
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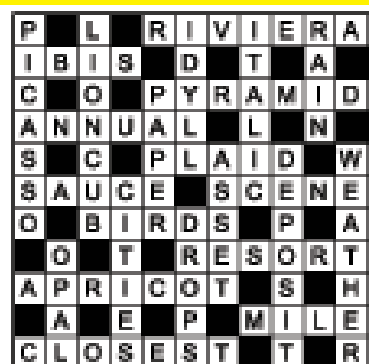
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- 1) Bill Clinton 2) Three 3) Magnetic levitation 4) Bread 5) 21 (12 + 9) 6) 1,440
- 7) Wasps 8) Canoeing 9) The Penguin 10) Seven 11) A tropical fish 12) Dead men
- 13) Tarantula 14) Lazarus 15) Lincoln 16) Offenbach 17) Gemini 18) Hydrofoil



TRIANGLE - 8,  
RHOMBUS - 1,  
RECTANGLE - 1,  
TRAPEZOID - 4,  
PENTAGON - 1.




**Selsey Model Boat Club**  
The Club meets twice a week at the pond on East Beach, weather permitting, when members sail their radio controlled boats  
Times: 10.00am until noon on Sundays and Wednesdays  
The first Sunday of each month is Race Day  
New members welcome  
or just pop along to have a look and a chat  
contact Chris on Selsey 601550


**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 Bridge Club**  
All welcome  
Friendly group of mixed ability  
Thursday afternoons  
2pm - 5pm  
Selsey Centre Manor Road  
call Carole Kinross 01243 602250  
for information



**Arts Dream Selsey**  
Bored ? Lonely ? Stressed ? Feeling down ?  
Would you like to meet people and have fun being creative?  
Arts Dream Selsey has lots to offer and the chance to meet interesting & like-minded people. If you are interested in art then we have what you are looking for!  
Beginners & Returners Art Group  
Every 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday afternoon in  
St Wilfrid's Church Hall  
£15 for 8 sessions  
For more information call Angela 01243 603332  
Check Arts Dream Selsey website  
[artsdream2013selsey.weebly.com](http://artsdream2013selsey.weebly.com)  
Or our Facebook page [Arts Dream Selsey](https://www.facebook.com/Arts-Dream-Selsey)  
**GIVE IT A GO, YOU NEVER KNOW UNTIL YOU TRY!**

**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)



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

**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 Kim or Graham on 01243 937 730 or 07838 549 034

**SELSEY CANCER RELIEF FUND DATES TO REMEMBER** Methodist Church Hall 10am  
**Saturday 1st September Odds & Bobs 10am**  
**Saturday 6th October Jumble Sale 10am**  
**Saturday November 3rd Jumble Sale 10am**  
There is ample parking behind the Fire Station.



**Dog Show & Table Top Sale**  
At St Wilfrid's Church Hall, Church Road, Selsey PO20 0LS  
**Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> Sept 10 – 1 pm**  
(Dog show starts at 11 a.m.)  
Judging by 'Auntie Jane' of Selsey Labrador Rescue  
(Prizes and Rosettes will be awarded)  
**£10 PER TABLE INCLUDES FREE refreshments for 'Table Toppers'**  
All enquiries call John on 07826 556041 or e mail [johnfb@btinternet.com](mailto:johnfb@btinternet.com)  
[www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk](http://www.stwilfridselsey.co.uk)



**Selsey men in Sheds**  
[www.selsey-men-in-sheds.co.uk](http://www.selsey-men-in-sheds.co.uk)  
We are open every Tuesday 10am till 4pm. Fancy making something out of wood ? How about helping someone make something. Share and learn skills with others, or drop in for a cuppa.  
Call Bill on 01243 605770



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.

Our Church Halls with Kitchen and Car Park are available to hire for your meetings and celebrations please contact 01243 948501 or stpetershallbookings@outlook.com

ST PETER'S CHURCH EVENTS

Saturday 8th September - 9am - 5pm - Sussex Historic Churches Trust annual sponsored Ride & Stride event where St. Peter's will be open as always with light refreshments - if you require a sponsor form please contact Sally on 01243 604104.

10am - 12noon - Saturday 22nd September - Book and Bric-a-Brac Sale in St. Peter's Church Hall with light refreshments - 50p entrance.

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 Baking Club meets on 3rd Wednesday of each month at St Wilfrids Church Hall, Church Road, Selsey at 7.30pm. Please find us on Facebook to find out this month's theme or email us at selseybakingclub@hotmail.com

Crafty Natter Club  
Selsey Methodist Church  
1st and 3rd Wednesday ~ 2-4pm (in the large hall)  
For more information contact Lisa Allinson on 601032

Bits of Bruce:

September is my Birthday month, I love birthdays, cake and parties and in September I always hope and pray for a late summer, not the sweltering heat of this July, but warm and comfortable; lovely evenings, where you can sit out with neighbours and friends and just share a few sandwiches and a brew.

I love September. But was not always so. As a youngster It meant only one thing, back to school. After six weeks living in Southend with my Auntie Phyllis, the thought of going home to Tottenham and School, filled me with dread. Six weeks of swimming and fishing and playing cricket. Out all day, every day coming home just as it started to get dark, a small supper, bath and then straight into bed, and boy did I sleep well. Up early next day and doing it all over again, packed lunch in a bag and then off! So much to do, friends to meet, games to play and buses to ride. Compared to my hometown, Southend was paradise.

As a youngster, September meant new shoes that were a little bit big, to allow growing room, new scratchy shirts and jumpers and socks. September was the start of the Autumn Term, jumpers had to be worn with Blazers, and if it was hot you suffered. Occasionally a nice teacher would let us work in our jumpers.

Blazers hung neatly on our chairs, mine usually on the floor. As it was the start of the School year, you could find yourself in a new classroom with different classmates from last year. Anxiety and panic and sheer terror could set in, new class rules, new class teachers, and new subjects. Within a few weeks the lovely summer would be just a fading memory.

As Parents, Grandparents, Aunties and Uncles, perhaps we should cut our Schoolchildren some slack this year, we should try and help our youngsters better cope with all the changes, be pro-active on their behalves, find out what is going on, talk them through the changes and if our child is still anxious, not get too upset about it ourselves, seek out their class teacher make an appointment and discuss your child's needs and fears. By talking together, by being relaxed and not anxious ourselves, our children will have the opportunity to transition well, and unlike me, maybe they will love school and they will not have to wait until their Sixties to eventually enjoy September. Happy School Days!

Rev Bruce Allinson

SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

- Sunday 2nd September 10.30 am Mr. Jack Delbridge
- Sunday 9th September 10.30 am Revd Bruce Allinson Holy Communion
- Sunday 16th September 10.30 am Mr Terry Smith
- Sunday 23rd September 10.30 am Revd. Bruce Allinson
- Sunday 30th September 10.30 am Mrs Margaret Thompson  
Our minister is Revd Bruce Allinson 01243 601032

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 601032



TABLE TOP SALE  
Methodist Chuch Hall  
Saturday 29th September  
9 am untill 1 pm  
Grab a bargain

LIGHT

Thursdays during term time 6.30 to 7.30pm

HOUSE

A youth club for boys and girls School Years 5-8 50p subs lots of fun and games

East Beach Church, Marisfield Place - 01243 607741 - office@ebec.org.uk

A DAY OF WORSHIP

Sunday 30th SEPTEMBER

10AM - 10pm

PRAISE  
PRAYER  
WORD  
SPIRIT  
QUIET  
CREATIVITY  
REFRESHMENTS

FREE to anyone  
Come to all or part

Choose which Worship and Explore sessions you want to come to or come for the whole day and enjoy God at all Worship and Explore times.  
You will need to bring packed food for any meal times you will stay for.  
Hot and cold drinks will be provided FREE.

East Beach Evangelical Church, Marisfield Place, Selsey, PO20 0PD  
01243 607741 - office@ebec.org.uk

A Youth Group for Schools Years 7-11  
Every Thursday during term time from 7.30-8.30pm  
East Beach Church, Marisfield Place - 01243 607741 - office@ebec.org.uk

East Beach Evangelical Church

Weekly Sunday Service at 10am

Saturday 1st September  
5.00 - 7.00pm - BBQ

Sunday 2nd September  
10.00am - All-age Service  
5.00pm - Songs of Praise

Saturday 15th September  
5.00pm - Curry Night & talk from the Amen Trust on their work in India  
If you are interested, please ring or email the church as numbers are limited

Wednesday 19th September  
7.00pm - Ladies Inspire Group  
Sound of Music Singalong

Sunday 30th September  
10.00am - 4.00pm - Day of Worship  
See separate advert for further details

Sunday 7th October  
10.00am - Harvest Family Service  
Harvest Lunch follows the service. All are welcome

Wednesday 10th October  
6.00pm - 'UK Harvest' Commuunity Supper  
See separate advert for further details

For information on our regular weekly activities  
www.ebecselsey.org.uk or call 607741  
Marisfield Place - opposite East Beach Shops  
Pastor: Phil Harding - 01243 607741 or office@ebec.org.uk



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