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Congratulations to last month's competition winner, Joyce Slater, drawn by Linda Francis. She wins a £10.00 voucher to spend in Village Flowers, courtesy of Dawn at Village Flowers. The seagull was in the lifebelt for the Sea Bathing Society article.



This month we are pleased to offer two family tickets to the fireworks display on 19th October, courtesy of Selsey Fireworks. To be in with a chance of winning, simply locate the seagull hidden somewhere in the magazine, and then fill out the coupon opposite and post the coupon in either of the two boxes at Pretty's Newsagent, 4 Orchard Parade, Selsey, or Village Flowers, 128 High Street, Selsey. The draw will take place on Thursday 26th September mid-day. Entry by coupon only, no copies accepted.

Good Luck, and a big Thank You to Selsey Fireworks for the tickets.

Editorial

Welcome to the September issue of the Selsey Life magazine.

We apologise to the Rock Shop and their customers for missing them on our first delivery - we rush round like flies with blue bits on them, and do sometimes miss, but we hope you were able to obtain a copy after we restocked.

Thank you to Owls About Town in Park Lane for their kind help when a small bird of prey got trapped in our cage.

We hope you enjoyed the Festival and all the other events that were on, congratulations to all who took part.

With the nights gradually starting to draw in, have you considered doing a jigsaw puzzle? If you are a beginner uncertain about the expense in case you don't like it, or even if you are an experienced jigsaw person (sorry, could not think of the right word here - info to Selsey Life if you know, please), why not consider borrowing a jigsaw from the Jigsaw Puzzle Library? Not only will you have the enjoyment of doing the puzzle, you will be donating towards the Sussex Snowdrop Trust.

As usual, good luck with this month's competition, have a lovely September, and again we hope you enjoy reading the magazine. As usual we are happy to receive submissions and comments.

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- 1) Who wrote the opera William Tell?
- 2) What is "qv" short for?
- 3) Which flowering plant's botanical name is Impatiens?
- 4) Who does King Arthur kill and is himself killed by?

September 23rd is the Autumnal Equinox, the end of our Summer for another year and the beginning of Autumn.

Goes very quickly, does it not? We hope you have all had a good Summer, and were able to attend at least some of the numerous events held in Selsey all over the Summer period.

Amanda and Steve
Selsey Life

- 5) Which UK anarchist group carried out bombings in the 1960's?
- 6) Who said "The lamps are going out all over Europe...."?
- 7) In which English city is the "Crooked Spire"?
- 8) Which Siamese peince was a well known motor racing driver?
- 9) What date is St. Andrew's Day?



Royal Naval Association raises record £880 for charity

A record sum of £880 has delighted members of the RNA, Selsey Branch in a recent fund-raising effort. Various events were held - a bar on Lifeboat Launch Day, a SSAFA (Soldiers, Sailors and Air Force Families Association) 'Big-Brew-Up' and an annual BBQ between 12th July and 4th August.

Vera Basson, RNA Social Secretary and family kicked off fund-raising with a 'Big Brew Up'. Two weeks later, they were back, hosting the annual BBQ. Both events raising £443 for SSAFA - an increase of over £100 from the previous year. With both events requiring considerable commitment and energy, RNA members were extremely grateful to Vera and everyone involved.

It was, however, the bar and 'Rum-Raffle Stall' on Lifeboat Launch Day, 4th August, that was the most prominent event.

Five struggling refrigerators, fed by two generators underneath a large gazebo, cooled the large number of beverages served to enthusiastic customers. Their consumption of beers, wines and spirits helped raise record sums. The efforts of bar attendants, working as volunteers, required considerable efforts - 5-9pm on Friday, August 2nd and 10am-4pm on Sunday, August 4th.

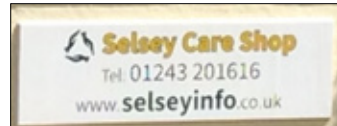
The preparation was no less demanding. Perhaps it was Ian Stocks, Vice Chairman, with his herculean efforts which impressed most. Refrigerators hauled from various town centre locations landed rapidly on the green. It was almost as if he carried a refrigerator under each arm! Vera Basson alongside RNA's Welfare Officer and Honorary Treasurer, and others, provided vital support.

On the 'Rum- Raffle Stall' over 200 raffle tickets were sold, each with the offer of a free tot of rum, much to the enthusiasm of many. 'Gilbert & Sullivan matelot style' costumes, worn by the bar tenders, added colour, humour and vibrancy. This year's prize winner, Julie Madigan, won the bottle of 'Gunpowder Proof Pusser's Rum' with her lucky blue ticket, number 410.

Overall, the success of the bar raised £400. £300 for the RNLI and £100 for The Selsey Scouts. Public donations raised £35 for the Royal Marines Families Association. The remaining profits going towards our RNA branch for future social events, connecting and supporting Royal Naval veterans.

Gavin Roriston
Hon Secretary & PRO

Every monthly information and news letter, brings a few new ideas to try and help the Carers we support to engage with each other, us and our community.



Now men can be a challenge! I mean this in the nicest way being of the fairer sex myself, because I know a few of you who will not even admit to being a carer to a wife, partner or child as it's private and your problem.

So to try and help you engage with other men in this position we are thinking of starting a "Male Carers Breakfast Club" possibly on Tuesday morning 9-30am to 10-30 am venue to be decided. We would like your input please re:- if it's a feasible idea, your interest, times, venue etc. If you are an interested male carer please join us, phone 01243-201616 and speak to Sue White our coordinator to indicate your interest and ideas, so we can make Breakfast Club a reality for you.

Selsey Carers also hold a regular Coffee Morning at The Methodist Church Hall on the 2nd Thursday each month 10am to 11-30 am. Another opportunity to join us for coffee/tea etc., friendly conversation and to meet other Carers from our community, share problems and idea

Last but by no means least, SELSEY CARERS . A.G.M. will be held on **OCTOBER 4th**, 10-30 am METHODIST CHURCH HALL, HIGH ST. SELSEY.

We invite all our Carers and past Carers to attend if possible, we appreciate your comments and suggestions to help us improve what we can do for you and our community in the year.

Join us on 10th October at 6pm for a

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East Beach
Evangelical Church

'NEWS FROM THE SELSEY FIRST RESPONDERS'

Thanks to the generous donations from the Selsey community at large and with the help of a local resident who has kindly given permission to install a Public Access Defibrillator at their property at 1, Sea Grove, Selsey now has eleven (11) Public Access Defibrillators in our community.

Thank you to Colin Rose for his expertise and enthusiasm in installing this 11th Defibrillator for free.

On 26th July, the Selsey First Responders demonstrated the use of a Defibrillator and how to administer CPR at St. Peter's Church Hall. The session was very well received by those who attended.

Selsey First Responders are available to give demonstrations at any time and would encourage community groups to consider them as a way of getting more information and confidence in dealing with a medical emergency were it ever to arise. Please email: info@selseyfirstresponders.org if you have an interest in booking a demonstration.

Lifeboat Day was a great success for Selsey First Responders. Our Tombola was very popular with those attending the day and a sum of £170 was raised. Fundraising is our only source of income and the money will go towards keeping our Responders on the road, helping to save lives in the community.

Nigel Allfrey has recently completed his training with the South East Coast Ambulance Service and will very soon become a most welcome addition to our Responding team.

Thank you to the Gainsborough Singers, the Manhood Classic Cars for nominating the First Responders as one of their charities in 2019 and to all the other groups that give generously to the Scheme.

The GoodSam App :

In the event of someone suffering Cardiac Arrest out of hospital, time is CRITICAL. As well as calling for an ambulance, this person needs chest compressions and a Defibrillator as soon as possible. Both of these interventions can be carried out by members of our community. If you think you can assist a person in cardiac arrest in your location, wherever you may be, we urge you to download the GoodSam App on your phone.

Not only will you possibly be alerted to a cardiac arrest near you, it will also show you the location of your nearest Public Access Defibrillator....every second counts.

One for the diaries: On the 21st September the Selsey First Responders will hold a Quiz and Curry Night at St. Peter's Church Hall. There will be homemade curries, pies and desserts and a Quiz with quizmaster Kevin. Entry fee £10 per person. Teams of up to a maximum of 8 people. Food will be served at 7pm and the Quiz will start at 8:15pm. Bring your own drink! To book your ticket, please contact Jean - 01243 763135 / 07790 510058.

For more information about the Selsey Community First Responders Scheme or how to make a donation please see www.selseyfirstresponders.org or info@selseyfirstresponders.org

Selsey Community First Responders

in partnership with South East Coast Ambulance Service



Selsey Royal British Legion
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MAZEGARDEN OPEN DAY 2019

Our 17th Mazegarden Open Day held in Sidlesham on Sunday 4th August 2019 was bright and warm and absolutely perfect for the over 700 visitors who enjoyed spending time wandering round the garden, getting lost in the Maze and many other activities.

As always we had garden games on the lawn, new this year were glitter tattoos which were not just for the children but their parents as well, tea and cakes, Caroline's Dairy Ice Cream, many stalls of talented crafters, a return visit from Chindi Authors who signed books and ran a guess the weight of an extremely large dictionary, plus another visit from Denis Knockton with his beautifully restored black taxi..

Once more we had a very busy fund-raising day for Perennial-Gardeners' Royal Benevolent Society, a charity for the horticultural industry, which included the stall manned by Perennial themselves which always helps to tell people about the work that they carry out, with the added extra of Mr Simon Bates playing his Saxophone which was greatly appreciated.



Mazegarden will be donating the sum of £3,342 to Perennial to help with their increasing workload of helping horticulturalists in difficulties, this brings our total for the 17 years to £36,706.

We must thank all the shops and businesses of Selsey and surrounding villages for helping us with the placing of posters on display. Our press coverage from Sidlesham Parishioner, Sidlesham Spread and Selsey Life together with all the social media coverage has also been amazing, thank you all.

Finally, we have to say thank you the many helpers who put up the marquees (twice due to high winds) and our volunteers, most of whom have been supporting us since our first open day, who put their heart and soul into making our day such a success. Thank you to everyone.

Richard and Sandra Bushby



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D Day remembered

At the start of the war on 1 September 1939, the Allies consisted of France, Poland and the United Kingdom, as well as their dependent states, such as British India. Within days they were joined by the independent Dominions of the British Commonwealth: Australia, Canada, New Zealand and South Africa. After the start of the German invasion of North Europe until the Balkan Campaign, the Netherlands, Belgium, Greece, and Yugoslavia joined the Allies. After first having cooperated with Germany in invading Poland whilst remaining neutral in the Allied-Axis conflict, the Soviet Union joined the Allies in June 1941 after being invaded by Germany. The United States provided war materiel and money all along, and officially joined in December 1941 after the Japanese attack on Pearl Harbour. China had already been in a prolonged war with Japan since the Marco Polo Bridge Incident of 1937, but officially joined the Allies in 1941.

In the light of all these happenings I continue my writings about D Day and its consequences. I relate the story of Warrant Officer Pilot Chudek DFM whose family now live in Selsey. I also discovered an action packed WW2 RAF drawing which I thought would be nice to show here. Might have been the auxiliary airfield we had at Selsey but do not think so.

I had never read pilot WW2 Personal Combat Reports (PCR) before. Written in calm cold English prose they fail to include the fear of combat in the air which must have gone with death and injury a real possibility. I feel a sense of failure that I have not done his story well having to leave so much of it out in this short rendition. I also feel awed by it all having never been or imagined myself in such situations as Aleks found himself in. What an exciting, action packed story with such a sad ending.

This is my last current contribution to Selsey Life as I have no more reports to file. If there is anyone with an interesting Military story to tell please either contact me via Selsey Life or email me at edwardclamp@hotmail.com. There are some here in the village with an interesting Merchant Navy story to tell. They think it is uninteresting but I consider it is.

Eddie Clamp MBE



Warrant Officer Pilot Aleksander Chudek DFM – his story:

Aleks was born in the Polish town of Stoczek in August 1914. I have no record of his life there but know that before World War II he had served in Polish 114th Fighter Escadrille. After the Soviet invasion of Poland he crossed the border with Romania arriving in the United Kingdom via France on 27 June 1940. Enlisting in the RAF in August 1940 he was then apparently assigned to an auxiliary unit of the RAF as a pilot distributing new or refurbished aircraft across the UK. In June 1941 he was transferred to No. 55 Operational Training Unit and began training on Hurricanes. In July he was assigned to No. 315 Polish Fighter Squadron (Sqn) where he flew Spitfires. Aleks also married WAAF, Catherine Quinn, during September of that year. Previous to this on 14 August 1941 he shot down his first plane – an Me 109.

Sgt Chudek's personal combat report (PCR) for 14 August 41 while serving with 315 Sqn , accompanied by a Polish Flight Lt. in another Spitfire, gives details of an attack on a number of German aircraft at 16,000 feet. Firing at them from a distance of 20 yards with cannon and machine guns Aleks noted that the a/c turned over on its back with black smoke emitting from it as it spun into cloud. He then came under attack himself sighting tracer hitting his port side. Carrying out a sharp turn to the left he sighted a further Me below him which he then attacked from above. Firing at 150yds he saw his bullets striking before it dived into cloud. Before returning to base he sighted two Me 109s spinning in flames together with two opening parachutes. Landing at RAF Stradishall around 1830 he claimed one Me 109 destroyed and one damaged. His own aircraft had suffered two bullet holes in the aircrew and one on the port wing.

WO Aleks Chudek



His next PCR on 29 Aug details attacks from 21/ 15000 feet over France. Initially he was separated from his own 315 Sqn while leaving the English coast. He then flew on alone, eventually joining up with 306 Sqn. On joining he noticed an Me 109 that was between him and another Spitfire. Daring not open fire as the leading Spitfire was in his line of fire when due to a sudden change of direction he was able to open fire on the enemy from dead astern. The attacked aircraft then went into a dive which he then followed continuing his firing. He sighted black smoke issuing from the cockpit. However, he did not follow the aircraft down as he feared an attack from behind. On breaking off he could not find the other Sqn. Catching sight over Guines of a formation of 12 aircraft which he thought to be friendly he formed with the last section, even wagging his wings to establish his identity. At a range of 20 yards he saw with horror that with black crosses they were in fact German Me 109s. Attacking the section leader from point blank range he saw it fall away in an uncontrolled spin with black smoke emitting from it. He then attacked another Me but during the attack his gun jammed and he felt he was under attack so he took evasive action. He found himself in the middle of the enemy formation which commenced flying in all directions, causing absolute chaos amongst them. Without guns he decided to cause a collision but was unable to due to enemy evasion tactics. Over Calais his aircraft turned on its back (due to an AA gun attack he reported) and went into a dive. His aileron controls failing he managed to right the plane almost at sea level. He landed at RAF Wattisham with one gallon of fuel remaining and small splinters in his left leg.

Aleks' PCR continue throughout 1941. On one occasion he was attacking an Me 109 near St Omar, France when flying from 26000 feet he sighted black smoke coming from it but did not observe anymore as he lost consciousness, only regaining it at 8,00ft to bring

his aircraft out of a spin.

In addition to all of this he was involved in Operation Rhubarb - ground attacks, Operations Rodeo – sweeps and Operation Ramrod – escort missions. A black day occurred in November of 1941 when his Sqn lost five pilots while providing close cover to Hurricane bombers attacking Bourbourg.

While on an operation Ramrod his Sqn acting as escort for six Boston bombers made rendezvous over Selsey Bill. The formation was continually harassed by German a/c. In the ensuing dog fights 1 FW190 was damaged. In May 1943 he was again patrolling off Selsey employed on an Operation Circus 269.



Spitfire escort RAF 315 squadron

During his time in the RAF Aleks flew from the following RAF stations;
July 41 and Sept 42 - Northolt
April 42 - Woodvale
June 43 – Hutton Cranswick
July 43 - Ballyhalbert
Nov 43 - Heston

Promotions,
Dec 42 Flight Sergeant
Dec 43 Warrant Officer

His total numbers of kills are detailed as:

Me 109 - August 14, 1941 (piloted Spitfire II, PK-E No. P8563)
2 x Me 109 - August 29, 1941 (piloted Spitfire II, PK-E No. P8563)
Fw 190 - September 27, 1941 (piloted Spitfire V, PK-B No. AB913)
Fw 190 - October 21, 1941 (piloted Spitfire V, PK-K No. AD134)
2 x Fw 190 - August 17, 1943 (piloted Spitfire IX, RF-M No. BS451)
Fw 190 - September 6, 1943 (piloted Spitfire IX, RF-E No. MA299)
Fw 190 - September 23, 1943 (piloted Spitfire IX, RF-E No. MA299)

Downings likely:

Me109 - September 16, 1941 (piloted Spitfire V, PK-H No. AB892)
Damaged
Me 109 - August 14, 1941 (piloted Spitfire II, PK-E No. P8563)



artistic impression of Aleks

Finally

Aleks and Catherine had a son, Ryszard Konrad born February 1943. Rysh now lives in Selsey with his wife Anne. In July 1943 Aleks was posted for three months to No. 303 Polish Fighter Squadron. On 23 June 1944 he flew over Normandy and never came back. Initially it was thought that his plane fell into the sea. However in 2009 it was found that his plane crashed between the towns of Le Plessis-Grimoult and Roucamp. On 23 June 2009, 65 years after the crash, a monument dedicated to Aleksander Chudek was erected in Le Plessis-Grimoult. Apparently a local found his body shortly after the crash, buried it in his parachute but no one can remember where.



Le Plessis-Grimoult and Roucamp

EXTRACTS FROM AN AIRMAN'S PRAYER

**MY GOD, this night I have to fly,
And ere I leave the ground,
I come with reverence to Thy Throne
Where perfect peace is found.
I thank Thee for the life I've had,
For home and all its love,**

**Come with me now into the air.
Be with me as I fly,
Guide Thou each move that I shall make
Way up there in the sky.
And should it be my time to die.
Be with me to the end.**

By Eric Impey, 31 Squadron, South African Air Force, killed over Warsaw, Poland on the night of 16/17 August 1944: soon after composing this poem.

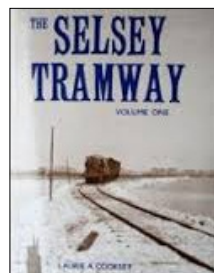


SELSEY WI

Ladies come and join us at our next Meeting.

It will be on Wednesday 11th September at 2.15pm in Selsey Town Hall.

Our Speaker will be Bill Gage who will telling us all about the Selsey Tramway 1897 – 1935.



If you would like more information about joining us, please contact Stella Crist [01243 603221](tel:01243603221) or Heather Coleman [01243 604603](tel:01243604603)

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L.I.N.C Ladies in Contact

L.I.N.C will meet again on Thursday the 19th September in St. Peters Church Hall at 7.15 pm. when well-known local resident Maxime Payne will be coming along to entertain with a talk

entitled “Memories of Selsey”

Cost for the evening is £3 including refreshments of a welcoming cuppa and biscuits on arrival together with a free raffle ticket, The Venture Bus will be available for members please remember to reserve your booking with them on [605115](tel:0605115) we aim to conclude the meeting around 9.00 pm

Looking forward to seeing you after the Summer Time Break, why not come and catch up with friends and colleagues once again.



Have you visited our charity shop on the High Street in Selsey or our new shop in Shore Road, East Wittering yet?

We have a wide variety of good quality, second-hand adult and children's clothing, as well as books, bric-a-brac and toys all at great prices.

Why not come along and see us, you never know what bargains you might find. Or maybe you would like to volunteer - we are always in need of people to help in the shop.

SEAL ISLAND WI



There was no official meeting in August, but we have all been very busy. Our handmade and home grown stall was a great success on Lifeboat Day, with appreciative visitors from Selsey and further afield including one of the lady bikers, a WI member herself. It was lovely to support this very important event. Our annual quiz, under the expert guidance of Kevin the Quizmaster, was also very enjoyable and, as usual, there was lots of praise for our generous Ploughman's Supper. We are very grateful to everyone who donated raffle prizes.



A group of us also enjoyed a fascinating trip around Barfoot Farm to see how our supermarket vegetables are grown and packed.

We are a friendly group of ladies and visitors are warmly welcomed. Information about our programme can be picked up at The Selsey Centre and we also organise regular lunches, walks and outings.

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 5th September when Bill Martin will be giving his fascinating talk about the Land Settlement Association in Sidlesham.

For more information ring June on [607637](tel:607637)



Selsey Gardening Club

**Our next meeting will be on
Friday 13th September**

Our speaker this evening
will be Bill Martin



talking about the LSA in Sidlesham - 100 unemployed miners and shipbuilders from the north-east of England came to Sidlesham in 1936.

Conference Room, Selsey Centre
7.30pm start

Visitors welcome at £1.50
Raffle Tea & Coffee available

For any further information regarding the club please contact Amanda (Chair) on [604634](tel:604634) or Tony (Vice Chair) [07546 491353](tel:07546491353)

Which animal is king of the jungle and wears a boater and a stripey blazer?

A Dandy Lion.

What do yoy call a bear with no ear? A 'b'.

Hi all,

My name is Little Miss Muffet and I have some really exciting news for all you doggies out there!

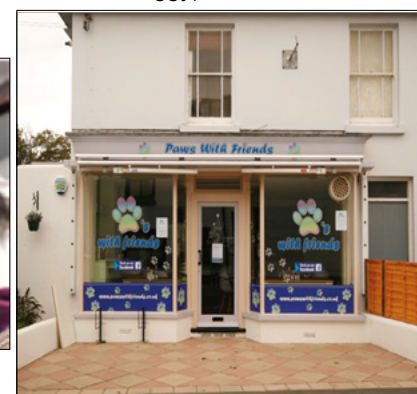
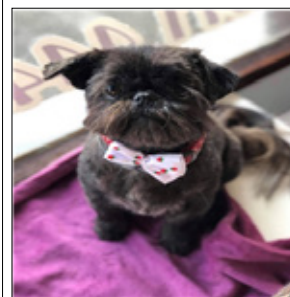


We have just opened a new coffee shop at 2 East Street, Selsey. It is for you to bring all your humans to. You can bring them along for coffee and cake while you're out for a walk. Or maybe meet up with other doggy friends whilst the humans have a toasted sandwich or a light bite.

And guess what, there are doggy treats for us too! Yes you heard right, a coffee shop with doggy treats!!!

Make sure you bring your human along this way to meet us! And bring along your other doggy friends too! We look forward to seeing you soon!

(P.S. Mummy and Daddy said not to worry humans; you can still come visit us even if you don't have a doggy)!!!!



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St. Peter's Church Events

With apologies, the Car Treasure Hunt for Saturday 7th September has been cancelled, and will be moved to Spring of 2020, due to holidays.

Saturday 5th October 7pm – 9.30pm Harvest Barn Dance with table nibbles and raffle – Selsey Centre including pay bar – you are welcome to bring your own food refreshments for your table. Tickets £12 from either Sally [01243 604104](tel:01243604104)/Mick [01243 602623](tel:01243602623)

Sunday 6th October – 10am Harvest Festival All Age Service at St. Peter's, Church followed by coffee and cake on the hall.

Sunday 6th October – 4pm St. Peter's Annual Service of Blessing of your Animals – no animal to great or too small to receive a blessing accompanied by well- behaved owners – all welcome.

Saturday 26th October 7pm – St. Peter's Church present 'Strike Up the Band' The Best of Concert Band Music with The Southdown Concert Band in aid of St. Peter's Restoration Appeal – Tickets £10 with interval refreshments – 16 years and under free. Tickets from Sally [01243 604104](tel:01243604104)/Mick [01243 602623](tel:01243602623).



At our first meeting after the summer on Friday September 27th, we shall be welcoming Peter Wilkinson who will be talking about the Old Church Courts in Chichester.

His talk is subtitled “Shame, Scandal & True Love”.

Sounds interesting don't you agree?

As usual we shall start the meeting at 2.30p.m. in the Selsey Centre when we hope to see our members back after a good summer and also to welcome the many new faces that we hope will join us.

If you want to know more about the U3A and would like to speak to someone with your queries then please phone our dedicated contact line [07783 040407](tel:07783040407).

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JOHN VICTOR HEWISH COFFIN
1904 – 1985

If, like me, you have been in Selsey for many years you may remember the name of John Coffin, an electrical goods retailer at 99-101 High Street and this is pretty much how I remember it in 1971.



It is, of course, a spruced up version of a much older shop.

If you cast your minds back to December 2016 you may remember we discussed Alfred Alexander Godley in Selsey Life. He died in 1953.



John Victor Hewish Coffin was born in Hackney, London on 19 January 1904, the son of John Ford Coffin and Alice Victoire, who was born in Ryde on the Isle of Wight, and he was baptised on 18 June 1905 at St Thomas' Church, Clapton Common, Hackney. (As an aside, the name Hewish came from Anne Hewish (born ca. 1729) who married Thomas Coffin and the name occurs frequently through the family). In 1911, aged 7, he lived with his parents (aged 60 and 33 respectively) and his sister, Jean Maitland Coffin (aged 5), at 20 Castlewood Road, Upper Clapton, Stamford Hill. His father was a Relieving Officer with the Hackney Board of Guardians. This body administered workhouses within a defined poor law union and officers were elected annually by the owners and bona fide occupiers of land who were liable to pay the poor rate. In short, John Ford Coffin helped administer relief to the poor.

This is a difficult time to build a family history from official documents but we do know that, by 1921, the family lived in Sidlesham as they began to appear in the Press. In the Bognor Regis Observer of 29 April 1925 John Coffin of Norton was one of the witnesses to a car being driven *'to the danger of the public, and not stopping at the request of a constable in High Street Selsey on April 10th'*. The driver was about 18, he did not appear, and was fined £10 with an endorsement and suspension of his license for six months on the first charge and fined £5 for the second charge. He also had to pay 30/- costs. This seems familiar doesn't it? Some things don't change.

A happier event took place in September 1933 when Jean Maitland Coffin married Arthur Hugh Humphry at St Peter's Church, Selsey. She was given away by her brother, John, as her father had died in 1924. It is from this newspaper report in the Hampshire Telegraph of 22 September that we know our family lived at Blythe Cottage, Norton. The bride was *'charmingly attired in an ankle-length pink organdie dress, with shoes and hat to match and carried a white prayer book'*. She had two bridesmaids. One was her sister, Dorothy Rowe Coffin (baptised on 14 January 1912 at St. Thomas' Church, Hackney) and the other was Barbara, the sister of the bridegroom. They were married by Rt. Rev. Bishop T C Twitchell and the organist was Miss T V Denman both of which names will be familiar to our local readers. There followed an extremely long list of wedding gifts: the bride gave her groom a silk dressing gown and he gave her a dressing table set. The happy couple received a wireless set from John junior.



In 1934, John Coffin was again party to a car accident as a garage proprietor at Westgate, Chichester had hired out a car which was not insured. 'The Defendant said he acted in innocence. He was fined £5 and disqualified from taking out a license for 12 months. John Victor Coffin, of Norton, *'said the damage to his car would cost £24 2s 6d to repair'* and we are indebted to the Hampshire Telegraph of 5 January 1934 for this snippet of news. I'm told by John Prior that John Coffin's car was a Jowett Javelin 4-cylinder job which was economic to run. He may have bought it second hand from an advert in Autocar because, apparently, he changed cars regularly. However, I'm fairly sure this and subsequent encounters were not in this car as it was not available until 1947. Be that as it may we do have a picture of one courtesy of Noel Stokoe of the Jowett Car Club!.

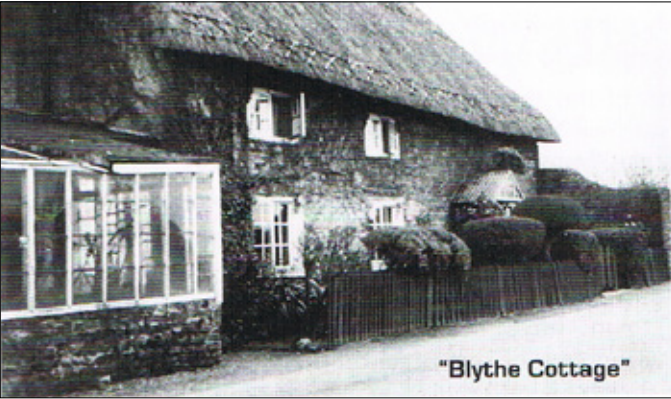
There was another wedding in September 1935 when Dorothy Rowe Coffin married Rufus Heygate wearing a black crepe-de-chine dress with a white silk collar and ruffle and long white gloves. She carried a bouquet of white carnations and asparagus fern. She, too, was given away by her brother John. Again

Barbara was a bridesmaid, this time wearing blue silk. Rev. Franklin conducted the service. Her list of wedding presents was even longer than for her sister. Her groom gave her a wrist watch with a mother-of-pearl face while she gave him a shaving mirror. I can find no record of the gift from John Coffin but was intrigued to see Dorothy received Salmon and Shrimp kittens. If anyone can enlighten

me as to just what they are, please let me know. Google only gives me tins of cat food! This information comes from the Bognor Regis Observer of 18 September 1935.

And yet another car episode! The Chichester Observer of 28 April 1937 reported that a driver *'caused endless trouble to the police'*. This particular gentleman was charged with *'failing to report an accident, with driving without a licence, and with driving without due care and attention'*. John Coffin of Norton, Selsey, an electrician, was making repairs in a house at Sidlesham. *'He had left his car outside the house. He heard a crash from outside and went to the window to investigate the cause. He saw a large lorry standing behind his car, with its front bumper against the rear of his car. He ran downstairs to speak to the driver, but when he reached his car the lorry had disappeared. The driver was fined £1 on the careless driving charge, a similar sum for failing to report an accident and £2 for driving without a licence. His licence was endorsed and he was disqualified from holding a licence for three months. He was also directed to pay £1 12s 6d. costs'*.

And this brings us to 1939. John is at Blythe Cottage, Upper Norton and he is an electrical engineer. His mother, Alice Victoire, aged 65, is a widow with private means.



Unfortunately, this pretty cottage is no more! In 1943, during the construction of Selsey's Advanced Landing Ground, Blythe Cottage was compulsorily purchased and demolished to make way for the runway. This information was taken from the Tangmere Logbook, the magazine of the Tangmere Military Aviation Museum from Autumn 2011. For more details about the ALG see website www.tangmere-museum.org.uk. As you may well understand, John Coffin wasn't happy. The cottage was opposite what is now The Piggery, aka Compton's Farm Shop.



The family then moved to 'The Elms' on Chichester Road, now The Pink Cottage Day Nursery. It is still called The Elms. I'm told it had a big garden and orchard with a wooden fence which overlooked corn fields. On the Chichester side of the house, one could see the threshing machine operated by a traction engine. This is a bit of a cheat because this picture is actually taken at Fish Shops Farm in 1902. However, the family confirm this is what they saw.



Another feature of The Elms was that the drawing room contained two pianos, one upright and one grand. John was obviously a gifted musician, doubtless inherited from his grandfather, William John Chalmers Masters, who was a Professor of Music and is reputed to have taught at Osborne House, Queen Victoria's summer palace. In 1871 his home address was Ryde so this is entirely feasible. John Coffin played the piano as well as saxophone, trombone, and clarinet among other instruments; small wonder then that he formed the Victor Hewish Band that played for dances at the Selsey Miniature Rifle Club and elsewhere.

Photograph by kind permission of The Pink Cottage Nursery and Keith and Julie Baird, the property owners.

This club was founded in 1907 and held meetings at the 'Fisherman's Joy'. They not only held shooting competitions but also smoking concerts at the 'Joy' and others at the Cinema Hall, all proceeds going to the Shooting Club itself. In 1915 the report of one such concert states that *'Although membership of the Club is open only to men and boys, ladies are permitted to use the range.'* (Chichester Observer 6 October 1915).

Not only did John Coffin provide the music but his brother-in-law, Hugh (Buddy) Humphry, belonged to the club in 1935. Hugh was runner-up several times in the competition for the Streater Cup winning it in 1937 and, for the very last competition, in 1938. He is frequently referred to as A Humphry and Hugh Humphry and any number of Humphreys and Humphries variations.



In the kitchen at 'The Elms' was a Morrison shelter which was an indoor cage that was designed to protect the occupants from masonry and debris if the house were to be damaged in an air-raid.

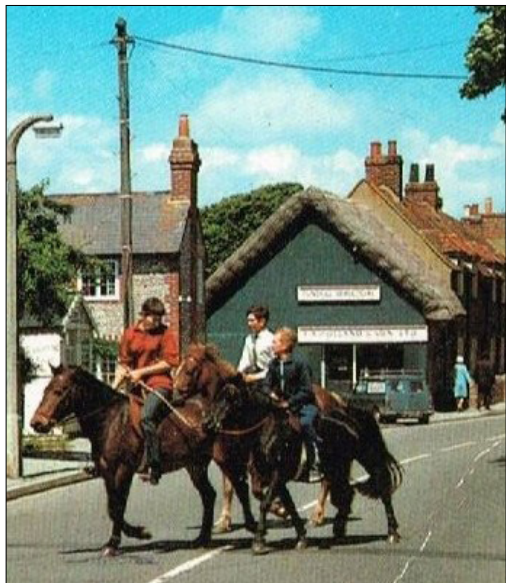
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Consider the area today with the ASDA supermarket and all the development along Manor Road and Park Lane. How different the view is now!



This picture shows members of the Selsey Home Guard.

Back Row L to R John Coffin Captain Hardy and ?
Front Row L to R Edward Virgoe Serge Savitsky Doug Harmsworth



By 1954, the telephone directory lists John Coffin as a Radio Engineer at 44 The High Street. This is currently Area Cars but the building looked very different then from what it does now. The image is taken from a 1971 postcard of ponies turning into School Lane. As you can see, the building is thatched and is the premises for F A Holland & Son. I passed this building every time I went to the village but never did I see it open.

I'm told that in the early 1950's Granny Osborne bought her first TV from John Coffin. It was in a big cabinet and had a 9 inch screen. John erected a huge H shaped aerial and the whole package cost her £110 – a considerable amount of money in those days.

In the Bognor Regis Observer of 2 October 1959, John Coffin was just one of the retailers who featured in an advertisement, sponsored by Hoover, in which you could win a furnished home. It offered a three-bedroom house furnished in your own taste to a value of £1000 plus £600 for the building site and services. If you preferred you could take £4000 instead. It was free to enter and posed the question 'Are you the Hoover Housewife of the year?' This could all be yours if you just filled in an entry form!

I suspect that his address of High Street refers to the former Godley's shop.

In 1962, John Coffin married Eugenia Bagnall in Totnes in Devon. He died in Bognor on 24 December 1985 aged 81. He was a Retired Electrical Retailer. And here is the man himself taken at Brixham in Devon.

So what was John Coffin like? 'A kind, unassuming man and a radio and television engineer second to none. The pecuniary return was secondary to the excellence of the work' according to his relatives.

I don't think that's a bad epitaph. Do you?

My thanks are due to John Coffin's nephew for all his support and help with this article, Noel Stokoe Press Officer & Librarian of the Jowett Car Club for his patience in answering the numerous questions I posed and also for sharing pictures of his own green Jowett Javelin with us.

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Update from the Chichester Prevention Team

You can contact your local team in the following ways:

- Call us: on 101 to report a crime or 999 if it's an emergency
- Email us: chichester@sussex.pnn.police.uk

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

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Are you concerned about speeding and antisocial driving in your area and have a few hours to spare each week?

Community Speedwatch is recruiting volunteers for Sussex. If interested, you can join by going to www.communityspeedwatch.org and choosing the group from the drop-down list. If you can't find a group listed, you can also register a new group.

Full training is given by Sussex Police following registration. The scheme in Sussex has a proven track record in helping to reduce deaths and injuries on the road.

CSW Officer, Steve O'Connell said 'The Groups are a valued volunteer resource that help the community enormously in helping to bring the problem of speeding under control, they produce across Sussex in excess of 3,500 records per month. Any vehicles not adhering to the speed limit in residential areas are reported to the police who then go on to issue the letters after verification'.

Road Safety is everyone's responsibility and by working together we can effectively help protect our communities from antisocial driving'.

Statistics show 90% of offenders don't reoffend within six months and Community Speedwatch intervention reduces speeding in most parishes by 8%.

If you would like further information please e-mail csw@sussex.pnn.police.uk.

Front office opening hours
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Chichester Police Station,
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Live Better Together – A Reflection on the Meaning of Peace

Chichester Cathedral is presenting 'Live Better Together', a series of events taking place this autumn, each one with a theme for discussion and reflection about what peace means in our own lives, local community and the wider world.

'Live Better Together' includes 'Recipe for Peace' on Saturday 21 September, International Day of Peace. This is a free drop-in family friendly event for all ages held on the Cathedral Green from 1.30 - 3.30pm. It is a chance for everyone to discover recipes from all

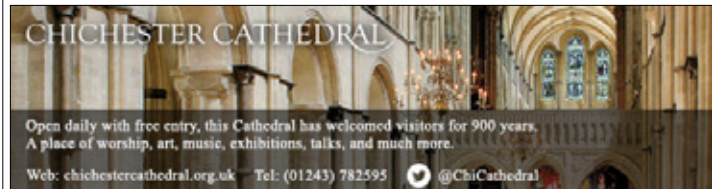


over the world shared by people who live in and around Chichester. The event will be followed by an Interfaith Thanksgiving in the Cathedral at 4pm to which everyone is warmly invited. 'Recipe for Peace' is a partnership project between Chichester Cathedral, the Quakers in Chichester, Sanctuary in Chichester, Friends Without Borders and UK Harvest.

The programme continues on Tuesday 1 October with a Talk entitled 'From Swords to Ploughshares: Conflict and Climate, Peace and Prosperity' running from 6:30 - 7:30pm in Vicars' Hall at the Cathedral. It is free, but booking is essential at www.ticketsource.co.uk or at the Cathedral Shop.

An Interfaith Panel on Climate Change will discuss the question of 'What role, if any, should faith-based organisations play in efforts to combat climate change?' on Thursday 17 October. This free event will be held from 2 - 3.30pm in Vicar's Hall, and as above booking is essential.

For further details of these and all Live Better Together events, please visit: www.chichestercathedral.org.uk or call 01243 812997.



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Selsey Lifeboat Week 2019

Selsey's annual celebration of its strong and enduring relationship with the RNLI took place at various venues around the town from July 28 to August 4. Activities varied from a simple Service of Praise and Thanksgiving in the new boathouse, with the two lifeboats forming a fitting backdrop to the proceedings and attended by over 200 people, to the heart-pumping exertion and thrills of the raft race.



There was ample opportunity to take a closer look at the boats at Monday's Open Evening, when the boathouse threw its doors open to visitors. In all, around 320 people were shown around the boats and the boathouse itself. The purpose-built facility is testament to the dedication of the crews of Selsey Lifeboats, past and present, and the people of Selsey to ensure that the RNLI remains an important part of the town's heritage.

Despite the inclement weather on Tuesday, 91 intrepid souls braved the high winds to take part in the Walking Treasure Hunt. Many thanks to Steve and Linda of Mulberry Divers for putting it all together.

Brain power was the name of the game on Wednesday, with 143 people pitting their wits against each other in Malcolm's fun quiz at The Seal. As usual Kiki and her team worked hard to keep everyone supplied with their 'engine oil' of choice to keep the cogs turning and the memory in good working order!

Thursday saw a change of direction with a Race Night at the Royal British Legion. This is always a great evening and it is sometimes difficult to tell who is more excited – the horses or the punters! This year's feature race gave us a special reason for merriment – pigs, carrying knitted jockeys on their backs! It had to be seen to be believed. What will next year bring – camels maybe?

It was outside again on Friday for Family Fun Night. We started with the Dog Show which continues to attract a lot of support and this year was no exception, with 70 entries all vying for top spot in the various categories. This was followed by a musical interlude featuring our very own Selsey Shanty Men who kept the crowd entertained whilst waiting for the tug of war competition. Six teams competed for the coveted Chichester Observer Trophy sponsored by The Seal, with Selsey Royal British Legion emerging as champions



after winning all their 'pulls'.

The evening was rounded off with a fantastic pyrotechnic display from Selstar, who went on to win the prestigious British Firework Champion of Champions 2019 title the following week.



For Saturday it was back to gentler pursuits, with Flag Day collectors out and about at a number of locations in Selsey supported by the RNLI's Stormy Stan, and a Grand Afternoon Tea at East Beach Evangelical Church. Rumour has it that there were nearly 100 people waiting for their doors to open which just goes to show why this is one tradition that should remain a firm favourite on our schedule.

Sunday's Launch Day, the highlight of the week, although mostly overcast, brought out the crowds well in advance of the official opening time, and many arrived equipped to stay for the whole day with cool-boxes, barbeques, blankets and everything they might need to enjoy all the experiences on offer. And what a lot there was for them to see and do. An incredible 49 stands on the green providing everything from cocktails to insect houses, tombolas and pencil portraits, handmade goods and tots of rum. Entertainment was on hand in the form of another rendering of popular 'Shouty' songs by the Selsey Shanty Men, and the military band of the youngsters from TS Sturdy. And not forgetting of course the display from Manhood Classic Cars, and the Southern Harley Davidson Owners Group who arrived in tremendous style with a ride past along Kingsway. The Ride Captain for the outing gave the official count as 150 bikes and the sight and sound of their arrival was amazing, as was seeing them all lined up together in East Beach carpark.



The raft race was again hotly contested with 7 crews bringing along their home-made crafts all hoping to make it safely back to shore without having to call on the services of the ILB – which was on standby, just in case.

This year's sea displays included a fabulous demonstration by a group of local divers who showed just how easy it is to become 'invisible' in the water and how alert the volunteer crews need to be in order to carry out successful rescues. It brought home once again just how important it is to keep the Selsey lifeboats operational and providing an essential service for all those who use the sea around our coast, whether for work or pleasure.

All in all, a great week. The only thing left to do is to express the thanks of the fundraising committee, crew, ladies association, boathouse attendants and volunteers to the people of Selsey for their continuing support RNLI.

Why Walking Can Lead To Greater Happiness

Whilst many of my recent articles have been about the benefits of water and sea bathing, this month I wanted to get the topic of wellbeing firmly back on land. Many of us may balk at the simplicity of walking and therefore dismiss its benefits entirely, yet putting one foot in front of the other is now a scientifically proven route to more joy and happiness in our lives.

Even doctors and neuroscientists are in on the secret, which really shouldn't be a secret at all. In a new book just published, neuroscientist Shane O'Mara believes people should be prescribed walking rather than anti-depression pills. It's about time.

Walking isn't just good for our heart and lungs, it's also good for our emotional health, too. The book, In Praise of Walking, is the result of extensive research O'Mara has made into the benefits of regular walking (i.e. every day), which include improved cognition and mood, as well as improved memory and problem-solving functions. He also found that it provides relief from depression and anxiety.

The huge benefits of shinrin-yoku- the ancient Japanese practice of mindfully walking in the woods (loved by the Duchess of Cambridge, amongst many others) have recently lauded the newspaper headlines. And it's this, plus new research undertaken by scientists such as O'Mara, that is leading GP's to prescribing walking instead of Prozac and other anti-depressants. Dubbed 'ecotherapy', it's free, simple and you can do it almost everywhere. If you're in a city, simply allow more time to get to your destination by walking. You need nothing other than reasonable footwear and you're off.

It's particularly important advice for those working at desks for long periods of time. When we're sat for too long, our brain activity slows down. Yet the minute we stand up, we're cognitively mobile, says O'Mara. What this means is that our electrical brain rhythms spring into life, blood flow increases through the brain and body,

our breathing changes (for the better) and we become more alert.

In one experiment, O'Mara compared the creativity of a group of outdoor walkers to a group of indoor sitters by asking them all to come up with as many uses as they could for a set of reading glasses. The results were incredible, showing that the first group were consistently more imaginative. That's why, when we run our Street Wisdom sessions, participants often say they have their best ideas when out walking.

Whilst, for most of us, walking is unconscious, it hasn't always been so for me. Having to learn how to walk all over again following a complex knee operation last year, I concur with O'Mara that walking is actually a very complex task. So complex that scientists are still only beginning to understand what happens to the brain in motion. The act of standing, stabilising our spine, putting one foot in front of the other, engaging the right special awareness, may all come naturally to most adults, but it wasn't always the case. Watch any baby and you'll understand. Learning to walk is a significant milestone in their progress and brain development. They learn through their mistakes - by falling and picking themselves up again. It's quite fascinating to watch and acts as a reminder of how precious an activity walking really is. We may often eat and drink whilst walking, too, or have a chat, which adds even more layers of complexity. Something we just take for granted.

So have a swim for sure, but also take walk. Today and every day :)

By Justine Clement who recently set up the new community venture Selsey Sea Bathing Socie' Their next gathering is on Sat 21st Septembe Bathing takes place at approx. 11.15am but there is a short 30 min talk starting at 10.45 on Sea Safety by the RNLI. You can find more details and register by visiting www.selseyseabathingsociety.org or calling her on 07714 333418.



Selsey Dementia Action Alliance – update

In the Care Shop we work together with our community to support people living with dementia and their carers.

- Movies for Memories has been extremely successful thanks to Ronelle, Janet and our Community Forum Volunteers. They take place on alternate Mondays, at the Selsey Town Hall and are followed by a delicious lunch. Please book your place at the shop. Donations for the meal are gratefully received and any monies raised helps to support this popular event. Transport to the venue provided via the venture bus, Lions and willing volunteers. Thank you to Selsey Town Hall for the use of their venue.
- Dementia-Friendly tea, cake and friendship sessions take place twice-monthly in 'The Shop' and twice-monthly in the Selsey Care Shop Wednesday afternoons.
- Respite teas take place on 3rd Sunday Methodist Hall and 4th Sunday at East beach church. They will be joined by St Wilfred's Church Hall from October.
- The Men's Group meet the second Friday every month. This gives them opportunities for friendship, participate with a variety of activities such as board games, quizzes and presentation from guest speakers. In July we visited Owls about Town, supported by care shop volunteers, The Selsey Lions and Crossroads Care.



- Age Fusion is a group of young people from the academy school who visit the local care homes, to reminisce, play quizzes and just have fun. This is supported by Kate Grant. This very successful group has been instrumental in the school council asking for Dementia Friend's sessions. The Dementia Friends sessions learn a little bit more about what it's like to live with dementia and then turns that understanding into action. If you are interested in becoming a dementia Friend, pop in and talk to us. Small steps can have big impacts and this will enable Selsey to be a more compassionate and dementia and carer friendly community.

- Concerned about loved ones with memory loss? Pop into the Care Shop on Monday afternoon and talk to Sue Hancock. Because we work closely with Alzheimer's Society, The Selsey Works, Selsey Carers and Carers West Sussex, we can signpost and tell you more about what we can offer, such as befriending, respite teas, and music events and support for carers.

Sue Hancock SDAA Co-ordinator, Selsey Care Shop, 151 High Street, Selsey PO20 0QG
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Sussex Wildlife Trust Three-spined stickleback

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

The smartest tiddler in the school

There is a genius in our midst. Lurking in the ditches, ponds and streams around Sussex you can find schools of three-spined sticklebacks. These fish are not much to look at, a tiny slip of dirty



Three-spined Stickleback
c Derek Middleton

silver with some pointy dorsal spines to annoy predators. But, as befits an animal that spends so much of its time in a school, they're real brainboxes. The clever behaviour of sticklebacks has been the subject of endless academic studies with boffins recently declaring them the 'genius of the fish world' after discovering that they actually learn from observing the mistakes of other sticklebacks. As a bloke who can't seem to learn from his own mistakes, I have to agree that that's pretty smart for a fish.

They don't just excel academically. The male stickleback may also be the animal world's greatest parent. He constructs a cosy aquatic nest and lovingly fans oxygen-rich water over his eggs with his tail. During the breeding season he undergoes a dramatic makeover from silver to gaudy red, with day-glo blue eyeliner. Despite looking like Cyndi Lauper circa 1984 he's still as rowdy as ever and will aggressively defend



Three-spined Stickleback
c Jack Perks



Three-spined Stickleback
c Derek Middleton

his eggs against anything that passes by – especially if it's red. One scientist noted his stickleback's fish tank tantrums coincided with the postman's red van passing by the window each morning.

For me, the smartest thing the stickleback has achieved is single-handedly encouraging generations of children out of their homes and into the countryside. For many people their early encounters with this little fish, while stood knee-deep in the great outdoors with net and jam jar, has instilled in them a lifelong wonder and respect for nature. Nowadays such rituals of passage are rarely played out and recent reports warn that alienation from the natural world has serious implications for a child's development. There's a lot that our children can learn from the three-spined stickleback.

For Sussex Wildlife Trust, engaging and inspiring children is a big part of our work. Each year thousands of schoolchildren visit our Woods Mill nature reserve, where we have them dipping for tadpoles and sticklebacks, identifying wildflowers, lighting campfires and generally getting muddy and having fun in nature. Getting children to connect to the world around them is vital. The countryside around Sussex is one big classroom, so get out and enjoy it - there is so much to be learned. Or should that be learnt?

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

We rely on the support of our members to help protect our rich natural heritage. Please consider supporting our work. As a member you will be invited to join Michael Blencowe on our regular wildlife walks and also enjoy free events, discounts on wildlife courses, Wildlife magazine and our Sussex guide book, Discovering Wildlife. It's easy to join online at www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk/join or over the phone on 01273 497532. www.sussexwildlifetrust.org.uk

RSPB Events for September 2019

BURPHAM

Sunday 1 September

Morning bird walk on The Burgh with Carole Griffiths of the RSPB Chichester Local Group. Meet by T Junction, Map Ref: TQ042096 at 9.30 am 01243 262833

DUNCTON

Saturday 21 September

Day Bird Walk around Burton Mill Pond with the RSPB Chichester Local Group. Meet in mill car park, Map Ref: SU979181 at 10.00 am 01243 262833

Please bring a drink and packed lunch

CHICHESTER

Thursday 26 September

Illustrated Talk by Nigel Choat on 'Surrey on the Wildside' to the RSPB Chichester Local Group at The Pallant Suite, Masonic Hall, South Pallant, Chichester at 7.30 pm.

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

THORNEY ISLAND

Sunday 29 September

Morning bird walk around Thornham Lane and Great Deepes with John Kelsall of the RSPB Chichester Local Group. Meet in Thornham Lane, Map Ref: SZ756049 at 10.00 am

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UPWALTHAM

Monday 16 September

Morning wildlife walk in the Benges Wood with David Hart of the Sussex Wildlife Trust. Meet in car park, end of Selhurstpark Hill Road GU28 0LZ, Map Ref: SU93681230 from 9.30 am until 12.30 pm

Dogs on leads welcome Donation to the Trust appreciated 01243 262833

Chichester Conservancy Volunteers September 2019

RUNCTON

Sunday 15 September

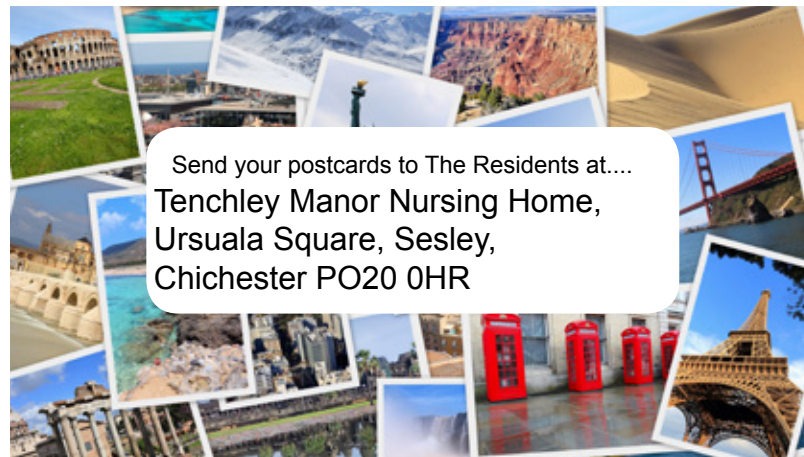
Conservation – Wetland Management in Leythorne Meadow with Alan Walker of the Chichester Conservation Volunteers from 10.00 am. 01243 825091/07539 090509

A BIG 'THANK YOU' FROM GAINSBOROUGH SINGERS

We held our annual Summer Concert on Thursday, 8th 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 **£331** which will be donated, as usual, to Selsey Community First Responders. 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 once again donating a magnificent basket of fruit to the raffle; this is always greatly appreciated.

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 donated £980 to them from our concerts at rest homes, clubs and sheltered accommodation. We as a group get an enormous amount of pleasure from preparing for and performing in the concert, and are pleased we raised so much for the Responders – hopefully we'll be at the Selsey Festival again next year, so look out for our 'Save the Date' notices and posters!

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What a great idea to hold a French Market on the Surgery Car Park. Weather was fantastic and the food stalls were well supported

Friends were invited to provide a table to advertise the work they do and hopefully encourage non- members to join

Our thanks to Chris Dean for making the arrangements, in particular for the donation of £100 from the French Market Group

We hope this is an annual event which seemed to be a great success

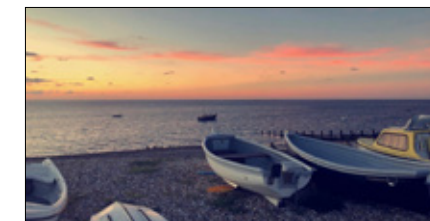


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We have availability for parties on Saturday, or Sundays the price starts at £30 for 3 hours. Please contact us for more details on 01243 603836.

Upcoming Events

Table top sale Sunday 13th October and Sunday 17th November one table £6.50 two tables £10 come in to see us and book.

Barn Dance on the 5th October organised by St. Peters Church keep an eye out for when and where tickets go on sale.

Regular activities

Bounceabout Toddler and soft play is back on the 10th, 24th September and 8th, 22nd October 9am-12pm tea and coffee available at 50p

Ringcraft Dog Training start back on Monday 2nd September @7pm

Thai Chi starts back on 2nd September@ 3.30pm

Interlock Dance starts back on Thursday 12th September @ 4pm

We look forward to seeing you

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Autumn migration – of one kind and another

September sees the start of the autumn migration, when many birds return to their wintering grounds. However, unlike spring migration, when there is an urgency to get to their breeding sites, many birds will stop a while on the coast to feed up before continuing across the Channel. Yellow wagtails can be found in flocks following livestock around in the fields as they disturb flies and other insects. Ospreys can be seen fishing on both Pagham Harbour and Medmerry reserves and whinchats perch on wires and bushes. Slightly



Yellow Wagtail - Andy Hay



Osprey - Chris Gomersall

smaller than a robin with a short tail, the male whinchat has a brown streaky back, an orange-brown breast and white stripes above and below black cheeks. They drop down to pick up insects or sometimes catch them mid-flight, similar to flycatchers and redstarts.

However, it is not just birds that migrate. Many insects do too and September is good month for moth migration. Moths migrating to our shores typically arrive from the continent

Whinchat - Ivan Lang

but some travel from as far away as North Africa. The humming-bird hawk-moth is one of the more commonly seen migrants as it flies during the day. It really does live up to its name hovering from one flower to another, feeding on the nectar with its long proboscis. It has a two-



Hummingbird Hawk Moth

inch wingspan with orange hindwings. Of course, the majority of moths fly at night and that includes our migrant species as well. The vestal is a pretty little moth with cream or sometimes pink wings which have pink edges and pink bars forming an inverted 'V'.



Vestal

The Clifden Nonpareil and other migrants are the theme for this years National Moth Night taking place between 26th and 28th September and you can join our Warden (8am) on Saturday 28th September when he opens our moth trap to see what we have caught overnight.

For more information on our Moth Event, guided walks and all our other events, please visit our website

www.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour or pick up a leaflet from our Visitor Centre on the B2145 between Chichester and Selsey.



Clifden Nonpareil

RSPB Pagham Harbour & Medmerry

September

Sunday 08 September, [Discover Medmerry \(East\) Guided Walk](#). As summer gives way to autumn, this is a great time to join our guides for a walk around the east side of our Medmerry reserve. 10am (duration 4½ hours), meet at Pagham Harbour Visitor Centre PO20 7NE at 9.45am. Booking essential, £7 per person / £4 members

Sunday 15 September, [A Historical Guide to Pagham Harbour](#). Did you know that Pagham Harbour was a thriving port in the Middle Ages? Was once farmed for agriculture? Had steam trains puffing along the edges? Find out more about it's rich historical heritage through the centuries with this gentle 4 mile guided walk, part of heritage open days. 10am (duration 3½ hours) Booking essential, Free

Saturday 21 September, [The Great British Beach Clean - Medmerry](#). 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. Meet Earnley car park, RSPB Medmerry, PO20 7JL at 9.50am. Free

Saturday 28 September, [National Moth Night](#). Moths are far from dull – some are masters of camouflage, while others are as bright and beautiful as butterflies. Birds are not the only creatures to migrate and autumn is particularly interesting with migrant moths turning up along our coastline from the continent. Join our Warden when he opens up our moth trap and reveal which super moths have been caught from National Moth Night 2019. 8 am – 9 am, £2 per person / £1.50 members

October

Saturday 05 October, [Wildlife Photography Workshop](#). This all-day practical workshop gives an introduction to the key principles and techniques of Nature and Wildlife photography. The workshop will combine theory with opportunities to get to grips with your camera and its settings with the opportunity to practice what you learn on our beautiful reserve. 8.30am (duration 8 hours) Booking essential £25 per person / £20 members

Sunday 06 October, [Beginners Guide to Fungi](#). Fungi are fascinating and many have brilliant names such as 'chicken of the woods' and 'King Alfred's cakes'. Neither plant nor animal, yet essential to our planet in so many ways. During this workshop, our Site Manager will introduce you to the weird and wonderful ways of this kingdom, before taking you on a fungal foray to practise how to recognise your 'witches butter' and 'turkeytail'. 10am (duration 3 hours) Booking essential £12 per person / £10 RSPB members

Let's give nature a home

- 10) In geography, what does occidental mean?
11) Which is longer, a nautical mile or a land mile?
12) In geography, what is a cataract?



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Here are the activities coming up over the next couple of months. See you there!

Aug (Sep) - Sunday 1st Sep 1400-1600 - Discovering the Reserve. A chance to get to know the reserve better with surveys, bird watching, sketching and nature hunts. This is a drop-off (Explorers) session only.

Sep – Sunday 29th Sep Solar Boat Trip at Chichester Harbour or Rockpooling at Felpham Beach - Subject to confirmation of availability and costs. Which ever session we run, this will be an open session to include Seals' parents and siblings.

Oct - Sunday 20th 1400-1600 Fungi Foray - A visit to Kingley Vale to hunt fungi, identify poo, wonder at the yew tree enchanted woods and special permission to toast marshmallows over fire on the site.

£2 per child for RSPB members.
£2.50 per child for non-RSPB members.

For more information and to check the programme and/or location for any month, please contact George Carney, Wildlife Explorers, Youth Leader
Tel: 07720946132
Email: george.carney@tiscali.co.uk
Pagham Harbour Reserve, Selsey Road, Sidlesham, West Sussex, PO20 7NE. Tel 01243 641508

13) What is the world's longest canal?

14) What is the second longest river in the world?

15) Where are the Spanish Steps?

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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
Sunday 10am 'St. Peter's Young Church' meet in the Church Hall on the first three Sundays of each month excluding August. All welcome.
Sunday Messy Church at 12 noon in hall on last Sunday of the month

Tuesday 9.30am Said Eucharist
Wednesday 9.30am Said Eucharist

Thursday 7pm Said Eucharist

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To book please contact Gary Sharp on 01243 607476
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2. St Wilfrid's Catholic Church, Church Rd, PO20 0LS
3. East Beach Evangelical Church, Marisfield Pl. PO20 0PD
4. The Fire Station, High St. PO20 0QG
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7. The Fisherman's Joy, 71, East St PO20 0BU
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The box contains a Smart Defibrillator which will tell you what to do, and you can also follow instructions from the call-taker.



Selsey Coastguard Rescue Team

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

Recent Callouts

12/07/19 12:28

Team paged to man the helicopter landing site at St Richard's Hospital in Chichester.

The team secured the landing site for the Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 163 from Lydd, which had a diver on board suspected to be suffering from decompression sickness after diving off Eastbourne. The casualty was then transferred into an ambulance and taken into the hospital.

13/07/19 03:58

Team paged to Bognor Pier after reports of two persons entering the water 200 meters east of the pier.

Littlehampton Coastguard Team, Sussex Police and both Selsey Lifeboats were also tasked.

Three Coastguard Search Teams were deployed and both Selsey Lifeboats also carried out their searches.

With good searching conditions, no further information and nothing found and all assets were stood down to return to station.

Returning to station at 06.15.

18/07/19 14:44

Team paged to a dog stuck in the mud near Church Norton.

Portsmouth Coastguard Rescue Team were also tasked to back us up.

Thankfully the dog and owner managed to safely get out of the mud as we arrived on scene.

The team were then stood down to return to station.

18/07/19 17:07

Team paged to kitesurfers off their board and in the water off Hayling Island.

Team tasked with Portsmouth Coastguard Rescue Team to support Hayling Coastguard Rescue Team with a shoreline search of the area with the Lifeboats searching out at sea.

Kitesurfers located safe and well on the beach after they had got in to difficulty due to a sudden lack of wind.

21/07/19 07:05

Team paged to a Police Incident on the beach near Butlins Bognor.

Team stood down en route with enough members of Littlehampton Coastguard Rescue Team proceeding and Littlehampton Lifeboat on scene with Sussex Police.

Returning to station at 8am.

23/07/19 13:51

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

Team stood down en route to West Wittering with child found safe and well.

23/07/19 14:42

Team paged to reports of 3 missing children at West Wittering Beach.

Team stood down en route with all children found safe and well.

23/07/19 15:14

Team paged to reports of a missing 13 year old at West Wittering Beach.

Child found safe and well.

FREE child safe wristbands are available at the Lifeguard Tower at West Wittering Beach. Please make sure you use them and keep an eye on your children at all times when visiting the beach.

23/07/19 22:02

Team paged to reports of three people in trouble in the water at West Wittering Beach with further people going into the water to assist.

Both Hayling Lifeboats were tasked as well as Coastguard Helicopter Rescue 175 which was later stood down once all

persons were out of the water.

Safety advice was given once all casualties were safely ashore and no medical assistance was needed.

If you see someone in trouble in the water call 999 and ask for the Coastguard immediately. Do not attempt self-rescue or enter the water yourself as you or others may also get in to difficulty.

27/07/19 09:08

Team paged to reports of objects floating in the water off Clayton Road.

The team managed to get eyes on the objects and could confirm that the items looked like a couple of dining room chairs floating out at sea.

With this information fed back to our Operations Room, arrangements are being made for them to be recovered to shore to avoid any problems to shipping at a later date.

Thank you to the first informant for reporting this to the Coastguard.

29/07/19 10:32

Team paged to reports of a vessel with engine failure to the East of Bill Point.

Team stood down just as we were leaving station with the vessel being sorted.

30/07/19 14:02

Team paged to reports of a 20ft vessel drifting towards Pagham 200 metres off shore.

The team managed to locate the vessel and had eyes on.

The vessel was now drifting not far off the mulberry. We requested the launch of Selsey All Weather Lifeboat.

The Lifeboat arrived on scene shortly after and confirmed that the vessel looked like it had broken free from its moorings and had no signs of persons onboard. Unfortunately the vessel had recieved some damage and the Lifeboat was unable to get it under tow.

The Lifeboat was then stood down with our thanks and we proceeded to Pagham to get eyes on and see if it was coming ashore there; while at Pagham we found another boat washed up and took details of the boat and owner. The owner was happy and had secured the vessel, and we passed details to Solent Coastguard.

As we were leaving to head further round to Bognor we were tasked to another job and Littlehampton Coastguard Team were paged to take over from this tasking with reports that the vessel had now washed up at Bognor Pier.

30/07/19 16:07

Team were requested to proceed to East Wittering Beach where a wind surfer had got into difficulty and was in the water.

Selsey All Weather Lifeboat was also requested but was stood down on route with the person safely out of the water and helped out by friends.

The team made sure the casualty was ok, no medical attention was needed, details were taken and the team were stood down.

Returning to station at 17:05.

30/07/19 19:12

Team paged to Elmer Rocks with Littlehampton Coastguard Team after the vessel that we were called to earlier had now washed up on Elmer Beach.

The vessel was secured with an anchor and we removed all personal possessions and flares, and reunited them with the owner. The owner will try and sort out recovery of the vessel in the morning.



Selsey Coastguard Rescue Team



@HMC GSelsey



.....Runs upstairs, practically screeches into the kitchen, plonks down on chair, opens laptop and...breathe....that, my two wonderful readers, was me a couple of minutes ago. I'm seriously late for this month's copy so I'm literally not moving until it's finished – unless it's to make a cup of tea of course and see what's left in the biscuit tin, which, as we've been away but my offspring have been at home, is probably not very much!!

So, how have you all been? How did you manage the weather? Talk about one extreme to another! Our weather can be so frustrating. I must say I wasn't too hopeful, the beginning of August didn't bode well; we were watching the longer range weather forecast on an hourly basis as we were hoping to get over to the Eastbourne Air Show. We go most years but last year was a wash-out, literally! As a little treat for the Johnson household, we pay for hotel hospitality to get a first class view of the action. We also get a complimentary glass of Pimm's and a rather good lunch which is extremely enjoyable but it rather compromises the experience if there are no planes flying, which is what happened last year. So, this year, before we picked up the debit card, we thought we'd be as sure as we possibly could that we would have clear skies and gentle breezes. We were disappointed though, despite looking at every meteorological forecast available on omnipotent Google, we couldn't find one which said we'd have good weather – even up to a few days before. The fact is, it doesn't matter how many weather apps we check, it won't make the rain go away! So, we didn't bother to book and what happened? It was fine – literally! So annoying. We're off to Bournemouth instead, though and this time we don't just have lunch but morning coffee, lunch and afternoon tea so we're hoping for the best but you can never tell.....

When I was teaching English to overseas students the weather was always a good topic and a useful conversation starter. A few times I was asked why we spend so much time discussing it; I didn't bother to explain to my students, I just said 'Ask me that question when you've been here a few days!' They soon understood what I meant! In a recent poll something like 42 percent of people considered talking about the weather to be a typical British trait followed by drinking tea, 39 percent, queuing, 35 percent and apologising unnecessarily, at 20 percent. 'It's a bit cold, isn't it' and 'it doesn't look great, does it?' seem to be the base lines of the majority of our 'small talk' conversations. Mind you, sometimes I think complaining about the weather can be practically a full time job! I'd like to know how they manage in Florida or the Arctic - the weather is always the same - what do they talk about while they're waiting for the bus?

The weather was always a bit of a magical mystery tour to my students, we had a schedule and we kept to it, unless there was a force nine gale blowing or a particularly torrential rainstorm. Generally, we would just pretend that we enjoyed eating outside in the rain, it being just another British 'quirk' and not care about having a barbecue holding an umbrella - it is, after all, just what we Brits do, isn't it? We 'keep calm and carry on.' Mind you, someone should tell Mother Nature that she really shouldn't try to fit all four seasons into one day.....

We recently managed a cheeky few days back on the Isle of Wight and it was glorious, no grumbles about the weather at all. We went for a wander and found ourselves at the St Catherine's Lighthouse at Niton - fascinating; we walked to the top and the view was incredible. Apparently, we have some 66 lighthouses along our



coast line and St Catherine's was the first to be powered by electricity when arc lamps were installed in 1888. They could actually be seen for 18 miles. In fact, the St Catherine's lighthouse keeper was the last person on land to see the Titanic sail away, he could never have known it was going to be such a significant voyage.

Niton, however, isn't famous just for the lighthouse. Guglielmo Marconi lived in a small cottage a couple of hundred yards from the lighthouse and it was here that he did so much of his pioneering work which formed the basis of all our radio and telecommunications today - it's clearly seen from the lighthouse. There's a small stone plaque in the cottage commemorating Marconi's stay and it's only a short drive away to the Needles. He set up a mast which was 168 feet high and in 1898, messages were received from Marconi at Osborne House and the Royal Yacht. Nothing remains of his experimental stations now but a monument to him stands on the Needles Park commemorating Marconi and the role played by Alum Bay.

Continuing the theme of tall buildings, we also went up the Spinnaker Tower; I'd tried it a few years ago and couldn't see a thing it was so misty but we hit gold this time as there wasn't a cloud in the sky. If you've ever thought about going but never quite got around to it, please give it a go. When the lift doors open it's one of those 'wow' moments. Absolutely awesome. My daughter braved the walk across the glass 'sky walk,' a sheet of glass which apparently can take the weight of two black rhinos. I know...who on earth came up with comparator? What's wrong with using a bus or tractor, maybe - far easier to relate to! I somewhat tentatively shuffled up the side of this large piece of triple glazing, totally irrationally clinging onto the outer rails, watching the youngsters literally hop, skip and jump across it! Trust me, looking down through that glass is not for the faint hearted! What is it about getting older...we see danger where there is none - or is it just me...?

Actually, on the subject of age, I think I'm getting a touch of vertigo as well. I'm sure it's an age thing because I've never suffered from it before. I'm definitely not as good with heights as I used to be; I noticed it when we were in Scotland. We climbed up to the top of this very large hill in Glasgow to look at the view and I found myself walking around looking for things to hold onto, how did that happen? It's only a couple of months ago when I would have happily stomped across the glass floor!

So, here we are then, summer is over and autumn is upon us. But, we should not be downhearted, absolutely not, because we all know what's coming up don't we? Yes, my fellow Selsonians, it's the time of year when we start to prepare for the 'C' word. The time of year when, despite our best intentions, lots of us, well me anyway, end up hurtling around our chosen supermarket like we've overdone the Pro plus. I guarantee that the supermarket will be full of tubs of sweets and other diabetes inducing produce the day the children go back to school! Bonkers, but strangely reassuring...

Take care all. Remember to get the cagoules out ready!

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Carl Hughes

Date: 30 July 2019

Selsey all-weather lifeboat launched to investigate drifting boat.

The Shannon class lifeboat Denise and Eric launched at 2.45pm on Tuesday 30th of July. The UK Coastguard had received an emergency phone call stating a small boat was drifting off the eastern end of Selsey Bill.

The Selsey Coastguard team had been sent to locate the vessel which they did but were unable to confirm if anyone was on the vessel so they requested a lifeboat to check this out. At 3.00pm the lifeboat arrived on scene with the vessel which was unoccupied. They were unable to attach a line as the deck fixings had been ripped off so the decision was made to leave the boat.



The weather was South Southwest force 8 with a moderate to rough sea state so the wind would blow the vessel towards the beach at Bognor Regis. The lifeboat was released at 3.11pm and arrived at the station at 3.40pm to be rehoused straight away.

At 4.07pm whilst the crew were still washing the lifeboat down the pagers went again requesting an immediate launch. This time it was to the west of Selsey to search for a missing windsurfer off East Wittering. The lifeboat launched at 4.15pm and headed at best speed to the area. At 4.18pm the Coastguards reported the person had been found and released the lifeboat to return to station.

At 4.45pm Denise and Eric beached once again for recovery and another wash. The crew today were Coxswain Colin Pullenger, Mechanic Geoff Mellett, Max Wiseman, Harry Emmence, Neil Hopcraft and Dan Langford.

Footnote: The boat came ashore at Elmer between Bognor and Littlehampton it was recovered by the owners with the help of Littlehampton and Selsey Coastguard teams. It had broken free from moorings at Selsey. *Photos by Dan Langford RNLI*

Date: 5 August 2019

Selsey RNLI crew get to the seat of the problem.

At 6.00pm on Monday 5 August the Selsey D class lifeboat launched after a crew member had reported to the UK Coastguard a blue object in the sea approximately ¾ of a mile east of the station.

The weather on scene was wind south west force 4 with good visibility. The D class was quickly on scene and found an inflatable armchair. After recovering the chair the Coastguards requested the lifeboat conduct a search of the immediate area. The Coastguards checked the log for today and the chair had been reported to them at 9.00am by a vessel that was unable to recover it.



The D class was released at 6.30pm and returned to station at 6.40pm with the chair. The crew today were Helmsman James Albrey, Max Wiseman, Kristina Dolan and Harry Emmence.



Date: 7 August 2019

Selsey inshore lifeboat get tasking while out on exercise.

The D class inshore lifeboat (ILB) was tasked at 7.05pm on Wednesday 7 August by UK Coastguard to a windsurfer believed to be in difficulties to the west of Bognor Regis.

The ILB was on scene at 7.15pm to find the windsurfer was all well and had been practicing stop and starts which appeared like they were having problems. The weather on scene was South Westerly force 4-5 in sunshine.

The ILB was released by the Coastguard to return to exercising at 7.36pm with this call being put down as a false alarm with good intent. The crew tonight were Helmsman Will Moir, Kristina Dolan and Harry Emmence.

The RNLI Manhood Branch all day Beach Collection was held at East Head on Sunday 28th July

The weather forecast was a little mixed, and the day was fine but with a fair amount of cloud which took the edge off the temperature. The queues for the car park were slightly less than last year, but our takings were good, only down a small margin on 2018, an exceptional year. We collected a total of £1,336.

Many thanks to all who donated, and to our team who did a great job. Special thanks to Premier for the loan of a lovely motor home for the day.

Our next Fund Raising event was our Flag week, Saturday 17th August – Saturday 24th August. We collected in Birdham on 17th and in both the Wittering villages on 24th from 8.30 to 1.00.

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Selsey Matters
Comment and opinion by Bryn Edgar

Isn't it funny how (great?) minds think alike? I had already decided that my theme this month would be the lack of a permanent police presence here in Selsey - one that could deal with the policing issues that concern all of us in Selsey and on the wider peninsula- when lo and behold, a hard-hitting letter on the subject from a former Selsey police officer appeared in this week's Chichester Observer!

I do not intend to criticise the individual police officers who provide our police service; their dedication, compassion, concern - and at times sheer courage - under the most difficult of circumstances are beyond question. What concerns me is the system they are obliged to follow and operate; a system that seems to have created animosity and indifference towards the police throughout the country.

I don't intend to go through a list of complaints to make the point, either; we've all heard of - and many have experienced - the police response to "minor offences" and "low grade" nuisance, let alone the more serious (but still not major) crimes against people and property. Too often we hear that most of them get minimal attention; and while the rest may get a brief personal response from officers, it seems to be only those cases where a speedy and satisfactory outcome is likely that the matter is pursued further.

Obviously the police service must use its resources wisely; but is it really the case that treating the majority of offences as background nuisance that the public has to endure is the right way to deal with them? Fifty years ago, with a population of less than 10,000 living on the peninsula and a permanent police presence in the larger communities, crime and nuisance was dealt with quickly and efficiently - and potential trouble was "nipped in the bud" before things escalated.

Twenty-five years later and with double the population, there were more officers on the ground, and trouble was still kept to a minimum. Now, with a population on the peninsula in excess of 40,000 (if we include summer visitors), there is no permanent police presence - none at all much of the time - and an exponential explosion of in the number of these offences. What makes it worse is that the offences are often not just a nuisance, but nasty and offensive in their impact on the victims.

Too often those at the receiving end of the problems are left with the feeling that their concerns are given short shrift by those in high command; it seems that a crime number for the insurance company, words of comfort and reassurance, and a limited physical presence for the most serious incidents are felt to be an adequate response. Sadly this is not really acceptable to most people, who are left with a burning sense of injustice as they are the wronged party - especially when they have to pay the excess on any insurance claim they may make!

The police authorities however claim that with limited resources they have to make sure that these are used to best effect - and who could argue with that? Yet police officers find themselves spending a considerable amount of time dealing with medical and social welfare problems rather than their jobs because those who should be dealing with these matters are spread too thin on the

ground. That all takes time, and costs money - hardly using police resources to best effect, I suggest.

Would scrapping elected Police & Crime Commissioners and returning to unelected Police Authorities (as the retired police officer suggests in his letter) make matters any better? I doubt it; the PCCs were introduced about 10 or 12 years ago because of concerns about the lack of public accountability for Police Authorities - so why would returning to a failed system improve matters? At least an elected PCC can be kicked out after 4 years if they don't do the job properly - though there's no guarantee that the replacement will do any better!

The fact is that most of us are fed up with paying through our Council Tax for a police service that doesn't provide the kind of community based police service we expect for our money. There is no doubt that police services throughout the country face huge problems in dealing with the most awful and depraved crimes against every aspect of our lives, and that these must be given top priority - but does this have to be at our expense in terms of well - being and financial cost?

Is there a way we can balance these conflicting issues? It's a question I have often asked myself - and my answer is always the same! It seems to me that we should look at and perhaps learn from the way some other countries deal with the problem, which is by having two separate types of police service. There would be a police service, provided at local level and paid for by a precept on Council Tax (as at present); this would be administered by an elected Police Authority, similar to the old Police Authorities but accountable to residents through the polling booth. Then nationally there would be a higher level "National Police Agency" (administered by national government but funded from general taxation rather than from Council Tax as currently happens) to deal with the major criminal and hi-tech issues that bedevil us.

Obviously there would need to be considerable interchange of intelligence and other information between the two systems. Social welfare organisations would also need to be reinforced; and while local road traffic enforcement would be managed by local traffic police, it could be reinforced by national traffic officers for specific intelligence led operations.

If this sort pf system can work in other countries, then why shouldn't it work here? With local policing funded and administered locally, and national policing funded from general taxation (rather than from Council Tax), I would suggest that locally we are more likely to get better value for money as well as the sort of police services we need in our communities. Is it likely to happen? Is there the appetite at national level for such radical, root - and - branch re-organisation of one of our most important nation - wide services? I very much doubt it- but I can dream, can't I?

Bryn Edgar

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The Write Zone *with Tara Wright*



Dolly Parton is famed for once saying that if you want to lose weight, “you gotta get your nose out of the trough.” This came back to haunt me recently as I regarded my undulating waistline in the bathroom mirror. A brief and woeful coming to terms with the fact that a summer spent eating too much hand-held food and ice cream had taken its toll and led to my increasing inability to button my jeans. I tried to blame my posture, but hoiking my shoulders back and sucking my tummy in made me look exactly like someone hoiking their shoulders back and sucking their tummy in. After considering for a few moments that maybe the mirror itself was to blame – some mirrors make you look fat, right? – I came to the conclusion that there was only one culprit: too many carbs. Too many dirty, delicious, mouth-watering carbs, plus a complete absence of willpower.

My husband, not unkindly, voiced the other issue I was trying to avoid. ‘If you really want to lose weight, you’re going to have to break into a sweat at some point, you know.’ He’s a runner, my step-son is keen on boxing and football, and my daughter attacks her own daily work-out like a member of Four-Two Commando. My contribution to this effort is asking if anyone would like me to fix them a sandwich. The trouble is I’m just not good at sticking with a routine and as soon as I’ve shed weight, I somehow think that the miracle will last forever, that I don’t need to diet or exercise anymore and I can go back to eating as many dirty, delicious carbs as I like. I’ve been wrong about this for years and yet I fail to learn the salutary lesson.

I concluded that the carbs had to go. Crisps, buttery scones and biscuits would be consigned to a chest in the attic of my gustatory memory. Chocolate would henceforth be code for ‘put your hands in the air and step away from the vehicle.’

Determined to get bikini-fit before the summer was out, I also followed my family’s suit and joined the gym. Did you know that the word ‘gymnasium’, originates from the Greek gymnos which means naked, and the earliest gymnasiums were set up as schools for naked exercise? Let me tell you now, and for nothing, when I looked at myself in the mirror, the only school of thought that I

was prepared to subscribe too is the one where no one on God’s green earth was ever going to witness me exercising naked, even if it were de rigueur. How the Greeks got into it, or avoided eye-watering injury, I cannot conceive. The very idea is as distracting as it is grotesque.

It’s been a long time since I’ve been in a state-of-the-art gym, and quite apart from cool music and even cooler lighting, there’s quite an intimidating array of equipment to lift, push, slam and induce a hernia on. Examining the running machine console I discovered enough buttons and dials to qualify me for a fast-track NASA assessment. As I walked around, peering at one set of equipment after another and inexpertly considering the best and fastest way to the body-beautiful, I wondered what the ancient Greeks would be thinking. Polite notice: in the interests of safety, we kindly ask gym users not to oil their bodies, and please wipe down all javelins after use.

Ten floors on the Stair Master was nothing compared to the punishing tutelage my enthusiastic daughter inflicted on me, and I was left wondering what might come first: the urge to feign a seizure, or a genuine cardiac arrest. But, groan by groan I worked my way through the routines, fixating on all the good I was doing for the good of my underused muscles. I have always considered myself to be functionally fit. I can run for a bus, carry heavy shopping, dance like I mean it, walk the dog and enjoy a six-mile hike in the woods as much as the next person. What more does one need to be fit for? But having got the work-out bug, I’m now preening like a budgie in front of its mirror. Just three weeks in and I started to notice a difference. Muscle lines started to appear, excavated out of the sludge of fat that’s been hiding them. Bulges are flattening, zips are loosening.

But I’m a realist, and a creature of habit, and old habits die hard. Whilst a naughty pudding is now fresh strawberries with zero-fat Greek yoghurt and the day of the fry-up is behind me, I know that the temptation lurks, deadly, ready to weave its delicious, greasy fingers around my self-control. I keep reminding myself that this new regime is not about giving up the stuff I love but adopting a healthier lifestyle.

Whatever happens, I can promise you one thing I won’t be adopting: naked exercise. Give me a carrot-stick any day.

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I am a fruit. If you take away the first letter of my name I become a crime. Take away the first two letters of my name I become an animal. Take away the first and last letter of my name and I become a form of music. What am I?
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A Mess for All Seasons

When the fly tipper came to a beautiful landscape he made the most terrible mess now a washing machine haunts the rare meadow grasses their long frail stalks to compress while in summer’s cool stream neath the fullness of willow lies a carpet in Axminster red but the gudgeon don’t breed there as much as they used to as most of the gudgeon are dead

That nice nettle tea that we sipped back in springtime will now have mountain bike flavour an old rusting saddleless broken one thrown there really does no one a favour lush is the crop growing high in the field although it gets little attention for the pile of rubble blocking the entrance is now rule, no longer exception A ditch is no home for one large sheet of plywood with long screws and nails to spare of course Mr Fox prefers life in the city we’ve practically driven him there recalling a cat fast asleep on a sofa just dumped on the pavement for fun its cream and blue pattern was all too distinctive and must have been known by someone

Are councils in some way promoting this menace? is the cost of disposal too steep? the price for installing smart cameras to catch ‘em must often outweigh what they reap the blood of the good folk will boil within them to see these most vile of crimes such selfish, obnoxious and cowardly actions a heart rending sign of the times.

JOHN BYRNE AUGUST 2016

The Bridge

Youth Support Centre

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The Bridge is a Support Centre based in the heart of Selsey, West Sussex, managed by Youth Dream (Selsey) Ltd. As a charity, Youth Dream relies on donations and grants to carry out the work that it does for young people in Selsey. However, this year staff decided to arrange their own fundraising event, with “The Bridge’s 1st Great Charity Stay-Awake”. Eleven children from The Academy Selsey, ranging from Year 7 to 10 got up and went to school on the morning of Friday 14th June, then came to The Bridge in the evening and stayed awake all night, completing their 24-hour challenge at 8am on Saturday 15th.

Giant garden games, general knowledge quizzes, picture quizzes, Lego competitions, table football competitions, pass the parcel with forfeits and prizes, treasure trails, party games, puzzles and films kept everyone so busy that no one fell asleep. A pizza supper, nibbles and snacks throughout the night and bacon rolls for an early breakfast kept everyone going, with the food kindly donated by the Southern Co-operative Selsey, The Village Bakery and Barnyard Butchers.

The children were particularly encouraged to support each other if anyone was feeling tired. As one child said, “I thought that I would not be able to stay awake but there were different things to learn and play and we were able to raise money. I am glad no one fell asleep”.

For the children one of the highlights was playing hide and seek outside in the dark at 3.30am. They hid all over the garden and in some very inventive places, some of them wearing dark or camouflage-print clothing for an extra challenge, and so had a lot of fun.

Between 11 young people £594 was raised within 24 hours to help support the charity’s activities, which include running the popular and successful Rock Challenge team. Overall the Stay-Awake was very enjoyable and successful, with the participants wanting to do it all again next year!

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selsey golf club



In 1903 two events in the life of a father and son from Surrey is how Selsey came to have a golf club. William Ford Lewis was a Banker with the Midland Bank in the City. He was also an excellent golfer. His son John Withercombe Lewis known always as Jack had also inherited his father's talent for golf, playing off scratch by the time he was 17. In 1903 Jack suffered a life changing accident at his school (Harrow), one of the school's famous bed-cum-bookcases fell on his head causing him to be virtually blinded. His father realised that Jack would no longer be a scholar at Harrow and therefore an alternative career had to be found. At this time William's health was giving concern and the Bank moved him out of the City to the Isle of Wight.

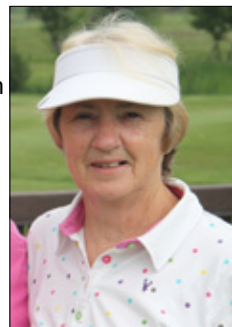
The family settled in Selsey as their physicians recommended the local air as being beneficial to their health. The only problem with Selsey was that it did not have a golf club. They were both excellent and very keen golfers and had played at the Mid-Surrey Golf Club (now the Royal Mid-Surrey) in Richmond Park where they had lived. William Lewis decided to provide Selsey with a golf course, putting his son Jack in as manager/secretary. William's friend and Professional at the Mid-Surrey GC, John Henry Taylor, agreed to design the course. The first 9 holes were ready and the course was officially opened in 1908; two years later it was extended to 18 holes. The overall cost of the land, laying out the course, and the building of the Club House was £3000.

The Selsey Tram had been in operation since 1897. In 1907 plans had been drawn up for a brand new seaside resort for Selsey. The Directors of Selsey Golf Club foresaw the potential of many members joining from the the increasing number of residents and holiday home owners in Selsey. The easy access the tram line provided to Selsey meant that Selsey would open to golfers from Chichester and beyond. The Chichester Tramway Authority agreed to install a halt at the golf course, know appropriately as Golf Club Halt. This was in place by the time the course opened thus enabling golfers easy access to the course and also affording them sight of other members playing on the course as the tram line ran along side the golf course. In 1908 five or more trains a day in each direction ran during the summer months and on the August Bank Holiday over 400 passengers used the train to visit the golf club and Selsey.

Ladies Section

The Elizabeth Perkins Trophy Medal was played on 15th July. The overall winner was Meg Mearns who also had the lowest gross score, the runner up was Jaqui Towns.

The Daily Mail foursomes was played on 22nd July. This is a stroke play pairs competition. And the winners go on to play a winner's event against other clubs from all over Sussex next year. Beverley Guest and Rita Green won this year's competition and the runner-ups were Barbara Winter and Trudy Hynes.



Meg Mearns



Monday 29th July was the Ladies championship competition The Buxton Knight Trophy. Mrs Buxton Knight had been a member of Selsey Golf Club since its early days and was first Lady Captain in 1935/36 along side her husband who was the Club Captain. She was elected

again as Lady Captain in 1945/46. After her first term as Lady Captain Mrs Buxton Knight presented the Ladies with a trophy to be presented to the Ladies Club champion each year. In 1937 the first Buxton Knight trophy was played. In 1937 the winner was a Mrs Hopgood, this year's winner was Trudy Hynes with a nett score of 72 points and Linda Cook was second with a nett score of 74.

On the 19th July The Silver Gauntlet was played. This is an annual challenge between the Ladies and the Veterans. The match is followed by tea and was kindly provided by the Veterans. Lady Captain, Carol Wheeler, challenged Veteran Captain Brian Rainer with the silver gauntlet which is kept all year in its special casket!. Carol slapped Brian on the face, very gently, and then threw the gauntlet to the ground and the battle began. Result was a win to the Veterans, never mind Ladies there is always next year.

Mens Section

It was mentioned in last month's article that the Birchwood Trophy team were through to the semi-final to be played on 27th July at a venue to be named in due course. The match was played at Copthorne G.C and the Selsey team won and are now through to the final to be played on 7th September against the other finalist Copthorne GC; at a neutral venue that will be named in due course.

Sunday competitions continued to be played throughout July. On 14th July the Seal Badge was played. This competition is split into two competitions, one for players who hold the Seal Badge and the other for those who do not. The Seal Badge is awarded to a player who plays to the par or below the par of the course. The Seal Badge holder's competition was won by John Shepherd and John Flynn won the Non Seal Badge holders competition.

On 7th July the Men and Veterans played in a mixed competition, the Godding Bowl, with the Ladies. This was thoroughly enjoyed by all and the winners were Roger Cawte and Sheila Watmor and the runner-ups were Iain Jones and Trudy Hynes. The golf was followed by refreshments in the Club House.



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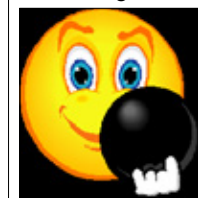
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How fast the year rolls by, it seems only a week or two ago that the Summer season was getting under way here at Crablands and yet here we are in September already with competitions and great games of both tennis and bowls bringing Summer 2019 to a close.

On the tennis front the men are still unbeaten in their league with the ladies finding it a little harder having moved up to a higher league. The lady bowlers are still flying the flag for Crablands and visiting county teams have enjoyed the Selsey experience. The club grounds are looking great and the hanging baskets which have been very colourful all Summer did not much like the strong winds of August – Selsey has always enjoyed, or not as the case may be, a "windy August", after all years ago there would not have been sand yacht racing on the sands at West beach if we did not have any wind!



Whilst the green bowls season will end at the beginning of October the Winter Short Mat Bowlers will be starting their sessions and the weekend Social events



for members and friends will be underway. For anyone wishing to come and join us here at Crablands whether to play bowls or tennis then please look at our web site www.crablands.com or contact Chris -601859 for Green Bowls, Jo – 606890 for Tennis, and Jim – 606172 for Short Mat Bowls. If you require details of evening Mini-tennis and table tennis for members then ring Jo on the number above.

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*THURS 26TH SEPT: QUIZ AND BINGO @ 8PM

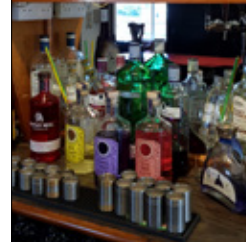
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Our match results continue to be generally successful. Our internal Friday League is coming to a conclusion and, at the time of writing, our Finals Weekend is imminent. (Results next month)

Congratulations go to John Ballinger and Tony Dann who won the Mary Clench Trophy. As always and very much appreciated by the members, Mary's son and daughter-in-law, Graham and Dot Clench joined us.



Mary Clench Trophy
Winners

John Ballinger
and Tony Dann

A reminder to all members that the End of Season Meeting will be on **Sunday 29th September 10am**

16) By what name was Harare previously known?

17) What is the county town of Wiltshire?

18) Which lake is between the north and south parts of the Suez Canal?

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Sunday 22nd September 10.30 am Revd. Bruce Allinson

Harvest Festival

Sunday 29th September 10.30 am Mrs Margaret Thompson

Our minister is Revd Bruce Allinson 01243 601032

19) A girl was ten on her last birthday, but will be twelve on her next birthday – how is this possible?

20) Tuesday, Sam and Peter went to a restaurant to eat lunch. After eating lunch, they paid the bill. But Sam and Peter did not pay the bill, so who did?



Selsey Cricket Club is now in its last month of the Season, which finishes at the end of September.

At the time of Writing the Selsey First XI are third in the League, after a successful season so far.

The race is hotting up for the Sunday XI Man of the Match award, with Brad Rose just one ahead of a two way tie for second place between Tom Cripps and Martin Lee.

There has been some incredible batting performances by the Sunday XI so far this season.

Thank you to everyone turned out for this years Beer and Rounders. We had 13 teams take part this year, and despite a few morning showers, the rest of the day went very well.



A shout out and thanks to MSJ Jewellery Services who supplied the Shields, and this year rather than medals, supplied fantastic engraved Mugs.

The Winners this year were "Charlie's Angels"

Thanks to all the social Network pages who shared the event, and to Selsey Life Magazine who promoted it for us for the last few months.

On the day thanks as well to all the people who helped out, hopefully I have remembered everyone, Brian Pleasance, Ian Stocks, Ness Stocks, Josh Stocks, Tom Cripps, Pete Amis, Pete Driscoll, Mike Beal, John Reeve, Jane Reeve, if I have forgotten anyone let me know.

We are still looking for new Members Playing and Non Playing to join Selsey Cricket Club, we are hoping to find new players for both Saturday League Matches and Sunday Friendly Matches.

We would love to hear also from People who would like to umpire or score.

Social members are also very welcome, and we have a bar that open in match days, and Friday evenings and Sundays.

If you would like to join Selsey Cricket Club, please email us at info@selseycc.co.uk or pop in and see us during a match day on on a Friday or Sunday, we are a friendly club that welcomes new members.

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Below are the remaining fixtures for the 2019 Season.

25/08/19	Barns Green CC - Sunday XI	Sunday 1st XI	Friendly	13:30
31/08/19	1st XI	Littlehampton, Clapham & Patching CC - 2nd XI	League	13:00
01/08/19	Selsey Carers Car Boot Sale		Event	08:00
01/09/19	Bognor Regis CC - Regis Rebels Sunday XI	Sunday 1st XI	Friendly	13:00
07/09/19	Lynchmere CC - Saturday XI	Friendly XI	Friendly	13:30
08/09/19	Littlehampton, Clapham & Patching CC - Sunday Club XI	Sunday 1st XI	Friendly	13:00
14/09/19	Friendly XI	Bedhampton Mariners CC - Friendly XI	Friendly	13:00
15/09/19	Sunday 1st XI	Pathfinder CC - Friendly XI	Friendly	13:00
21/09/19	Friendly XI	Willow Leather CC	Friendly	13:00
22/09/19	Sunday 1st XI	Eastbourne Downs CC - Sunday 1st XI	Friendly	13:00



Programme available through the icoachcricket App, and all the young players have thoroughly enjoyed the innovative ways that cricket can be delivered. The programme has been well supported by Uncle Nic and Auntie Ruth, Allstars Activators, as well as parents, who have also actively and willingly participated when required. An added bonus for the Selsey Club resulting from Allstars is that one of the Dad's has joined the Club as a playing member having seen how much his son has enjoyed the Programme.



Everyone on the move during 'Lost in Space'

Behind the scenes, Nic has been very busy getting in to more of the local schools, promoting the game, and persuading them to promote cricket at Selsey. He is hoping that more Juniors come along to the Club for next season, both at Allstars age group, and older children, in the hope that a flourishing Junior Section at Selsey can be re-kindled.

Popularity in the Allstars Programme is growing in Selsey. Apart from Nic and Ruth, the main Activators, the Selsey Club have been very supportive, and Andy Horner, the Club Chairman has been in attendance most weeks, opening up the Clubhouse, and dispensing refreshments to Coach, Activators and, of course, the Allstars.



Everyone has now been tagged

As the saying goes, from little acorns do mighty oaks grow. There is, quite rightly, a great deal of optimism within Selsey Cricket Club and the people that run and support it. If the enthusiasm, commitment and determination of everyone involved continues going forward, then there is no doubt that the Junior Section will re-form, and thus provide the springboard to a positive future for the senior teams.

It's early days, but Selsey Cricket Club can be proud of what they have achieved to date.



The end of another enjoyable session. Thanks to Parents and Activators

In the meantime, the popularity of cricket at Medmerry School has continued to grow. Children from the After School Club, who are a little too old for Allstars are asking whether there will be cricket for their age group at Selsey CC next year. This is something that the pro-active committee at Selsey CC are keen to ensure happens.

Medmerry Primary School again entered the Beach Cricket competition organised at West Wittering, and were thrilled to come second, in a competition that was attended by many schools from across the South and West of the County. A significant achievement indeed.

If Chance to Shine could be delivered at Seal Primary School, also in Selsey, then the prospects for the future success at Selsey Cricket Club would be significantly improved.

Kevin Foster

August 2019

Selsey Case Study

Sussex Cricket Foundation Chance to Shine in partnership with Medmerry Primary School and Selsey Cricket Club

It was all go on 20th May 2019 down in Selsey. A Sussex Cricket Foundation Coach delivered Allstars Taster Sessions to almost 60 pupils at Medmerry Primary School. In the week leading up to this, Nic Nolan, from Selsey Cricket Club, had enrolled his Club with the Allstars Programme, and the first session was scheduled for that evening, led by the same Coach who had been to Medmerry earlier in the day.

It transpired that 8 children had signed up for Allstars, and all attended the first session. Unfortunately, only a couple of them had signed up in time to get their tee shirts and bats etc, but nonetheless, this didn't hamper the enjoyment of all eight Allstars who turned up not knowing what to expect.

Although, by comparison to other Clubs running Allstars Programme, numbers are low, it is significant that the Club's Junior Section folded a couple of years ago, so starting again from scratch, this was a promising sign for the future.



Selsey Allstars intently listening to instructions from the Coach
The sessions followed the pattern set out in the Allstars

SELSEY CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Meets at Medmerry Primary School, School Lane
Wednesday & Thursday evenings at 7pm & Sundays at 10.00 am & 3pm.
All equipment provided.

New members welcome

Contacts: Sylvia Cox on 681663

Annette Iskett on 606227 email: annetteiskett@hotmail.com

Jean Tolhurst @ royandjean325@gmail.com

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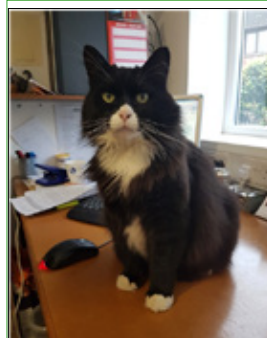


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Tel: 01243 641409 Reg. Charity no. 1010000

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

Wow I can't believe how amazing this year's Summer Fayre was. I watched most of the event through the window in my comfy office. If I had come out you know I would have stolen the show and I needed to keep all our visitors focused on spending their money on all our stalls, games, raffles and refreshments.

After everyone had left I went out to stretch my legs and overheard the volunteers talking about the lovely man that won the raffle. He won the top prize of £100 and decided to split it between us and Brent Lodge. How lovely is that, big shout out to Colin from the Male Concept hairdressers here in Selsey. Also thank you to another contributor from Selsey, Sophie's Wow Brows who donated one of our lovely auction prizes.

The trustees have been working hard to count up all the takings they barely had anytime to give me some fuss. But I guess I can forgive them as its very important work. We have a total although it may increase a little and can you believe it's a record breaking total, more than we have ever had before. I'm so excited to announce to my lovely Selsey Life readers that this year the CRRC Summer Fayre raised an amazing **£19271.62!!!** I just can't believe it, this money will really help keep The Centre running. Thank you so much everyone that visited, volunteered and donate to us we couldn't do it without you. You can see some photos from the event on our website as well as the brilliant winners from our photography contest.

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.

PS: We have a Viewing Day Saturday 28th September 2019 12-2pm. Viewing days are non-appointment days so people thinking of adopting a cat can pop along. Otherwise we rehome 7 days a week by appointment only.

Pet of the Month September 2019

This month allow us to introduce you to Saldana. Saldana is a beautiful 10 year old longhaired tabby and white female. She has been with us at The Centre since the 27th November 2018 after she was no longer getting on with the other cat she lived with. She is a very gorgeous and friendly girl who loves to follow you around until she gets some strokes. With her lovely long hair she does require regular grooming which she is quite happy for you to do, she would only give you a grumble if she has had enough.



Saldana does have a condition with her heart which means her mitral valves don't open very far and she has a grade 3-4 heart murmur. She has daily medication to keep her heart happy and she is so good at taking it. Saldana will be rehomed on our part foster scheme, this means that the ongoing vet treatment and medication will be covered by CRRC. Please don't let her heart issues put you off, they don't bother her and she is such an affectionate girl who deserves to find her forever home.

If you think you may be able to give Saldana the new home she deserves please give The Centre a call Monday to Friday 9am-4pm.

THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE
Holborow Lodge, Chalder Lane, Sidlesham, W.
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Also find us on facebook www.facebook.com/catandrabbitrescuecentre



Cat & Rabbit Rescue Centre
Giving the living a chance at life

Selsey Model Boat Club raising money for Selsey First Responders.

An inter-club race meeting took place on July 17th at the East beach pond.

Selsey Model Boat Club and Dell Quay Sailing Club raced with a total of 13 boats.

The wind was a light southwesterly which slowly increased as the morning went on. There was a big battle at the front between Peter Fisher, Bill Dawber, Linda Partridge and Simon Bell, with each sailor winning races. Race officer Paul Crozier kept the morning running smoothly, the only problem was the reeds were so high it was a job to see the start line! A couple of yachts got caught up between races and again the reeds were so dense it was hard to untangle them. Colin Dean had a very good day and sailed well to come 5th overall.



by Simon Bell



by Simon Bell



by Paul Crozier

At the end it was very close with only 2 points covering the top 4 places, Peter and Bill were tied for 1st place, but on count-back Peter won the day, Bill (DQSC) 2nd, Simon 3rd, Linda 4th Colin Dean 5th Peter Matthews (DQSC) 6th.

The inter team results were calculated and Selsey Model Boat Club were the competition winners.

Thanks to all the skippers who's contributions raised **£43** for the Selsey First Responders.

Simon Bell Competition Secretary SMBC



Brent Lodge Briefing's – Divided opinion

As usual at this time of year we receive numerous young gulls and phone calls from the public who have found them in their gardens after they have fallen from their nest. We try our best whenever possible to advise people how to safely return them to their parents. Young wildlife have a much better chance of survival when reared by their parents, but we do understand that this is not always possible for whatever reason.

Herring Gulls (Seagulls) are known to divide opinion. Many see them as being a nuisance who do nothing but 'dive-bomb' you and mess on your car, others feed them and love to watch the babies grow up on the rooftops. They are, like most parents, fiercely protective of their young and see us as a huge threat to their babies, hence the 'dive-bombing' behaviour. They are incredibly curious animals who will become brave if they are being fed. They will also continue to return year-on-year to the same nest site if they are being fed.



Herring Gulls are now found on the Red List of Threatened Species due to the decline in their numbers across the UK. This may be hard to believe if you live near the sea but habitat loss, commercial fishing, cruelty, shrinking territories and depleted food sources have threatened their species. So much so they are now a species of concern, so please look out for them.



Whether you love them or hate them, we advise you not to feed gulls just provide fresh water and appreciate the role they are trying to do. Above all, please remember these are living creatures too, who do not deserve the bad press they get for trying to be good parents to their young.

We have also been busy with the usual summer influx of babies, but the recent hot weather brought with it hundreds of abandoned baby birds and other wildlife casualties who came in very flat and dehydrated. Due to this, we are in need of regular volunteers to help feed and clean all of these patients, as well as outside animal care and maintenance. Please get in contact if you can help us regularly.

(enquiries@brentlodge.org or **01243 641672**)

We look forward to updating on more Brent Lodge news soon.

If you would like to find out more or to support our work visit www.brentlodge.org or text BLWH 10 to **70085** to make a £10 donation + your standard network rate. Thank you



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.

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

Walking across Selsey Common early one morning, I came upon this poor creature hanging from a telegraph wire from a fishing rig caught in his beak which had then snagged on the wire as it flew over. Apparently, this juvenile seagull had been seen earlier that morning on the ground and someone did try to catch it, but with no luck. We managed to rescue it, thankfully.

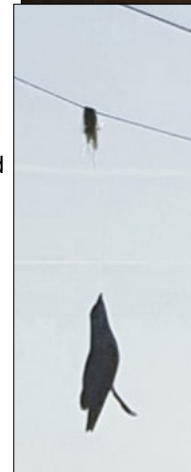
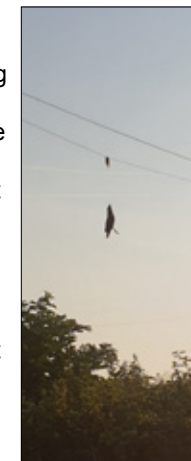
This bird had picked up a discarded rig on the beach and this was the result. These birds are scavengers, no doubt about it and they are not universally popular, we all know that. However, had this particular fisher person taken their broken rig home with them, this may not have happened to this young bird. It is no good throwing rigs beyond the low-tide line thinking they will 'disappear' because they won't. The only way to stop this happening is to take all your rubbish home with you. All of it.

At time of writing the bird is at Brent Lodge and we are hoping for a happy ending.

We all know the damage we are doing to our wildlife globally due to our throw-away society and this seagull represents just a tiny fraction of a fraction of the problem. But, it was preventable, like so many other incidences. Please take more care and just think about the consequences of your actions.

POST SCRIPT:

We have just heard some sad news from Brent Lodge. The little seagull that was rescued hanging from a telephone wire by a fishing hook and wire in it's mouth, had to be put to sleep because it's injuries were too severe and infection had set in. Well done to Brent Lodge for trying to save the poor thing.



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In the Garden

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

This is the time when bumble bees, honey bees, wasps, dragonflies and colourful butterflies (nowadays too rare) are at their busiest, feeding at will on the abundant summer flowers. Early ripening hedgerow fruits and slightly shortening evenings are omens of the approach of Autumn.

Birds are comparatively quiet in September but insects are buzzing and very active, grasshoppers are especially noisily in the grass like fast fiddlers.

Go to the beach and gather some ribbon seaweed, hang it up and it turns damp to foretell the approach of rain and dry for a sunny day. Collect some really large shells and put them to your ear when you get home and you can hear the sea.

September is a quiet time in the garden apart from routine tidying, harvesting and watering .

September can still be the time for barbecues, wining and dining by the pond or on the patio or lawn (weather permitting) and enjoying the heady fragrant summer scents in the garden.

Jobs for September

Sow sweet peas in deep pots in a cold frame this month and October. Pinch out shoots after they have developed three leaves. This will produce stocky and branched plants for planting out next March/April, which will flower earlier than spring sown seed.

Plant out large Colchicum bulbs before the end of the month and they will produce flowers within weeks - as their common name (Naked Ladies) implies, the flowers form on bare stems in Autumn with luscious clumps of foliage next spring.

Plant bulbs 10cm deep in fertile free draining soil in a sunny site and choose a spot where these hardy bulbs can be left to grow undisturbed for years to come.

As summer plants start to fade fill any gaps with winter bedding to provide colour up to spring'

Violas, primulas and Polyanthus are ideal for pots, borders and baskets. Pansies are good for Autumn and Winter colour and wallflowers for early Spring. Try planting some bedding over the top of spring bulbs so that the bulbs will grow up through the bedding to flower in Spring.

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Painted Lady on my Buddleia by Meryn Woodland

Tip Top Tips

Don't look for gardeners from those with claims to be Jack of all trades or from other professions, weeds could replace flowers.

Apply weak manure water to runner and french beans, late peas.

Earth up leeks, celery and late potatoes.

Trim lower leaves from tomatoes to expose sunlight.

Start to plant daffodils, narcissi, crocus and snowdrops.

Lift and store onions.

Don't purchase just on account of cheapness, sales always have a reason.

Wild mushrooms abound, gather early in the day.

Collect elderberries towards the end of the month for good wine and jellies,

Pick off diseased rose leaves with black spot and destroy, and also collect any leaves that have fallen on the ground.

Start to gradually apply water to cyclamen to bring back into growth.

Harvest and store as much produce as you can this month.

The Hidden Garden Community Project

Come and join us and meet other passionate gardeners, swap seeds & plants, learn seasonal gardening ideas and help develop the educational food growing garden at The Bridge

1st Saturday of every month 10-4pm
at The Bridge Support Centre
behind Selsey Library, PO20 9EH

Contact Paul Sadler on 07815 790770 for more information

organised by **Youth Dream**

PAGHAM
Saturday 14 September

The Mulberries present a 60s Pop Night with The Minkees featuring Karen at the Pagham Village Hall, Pagham Road, Pagham PO21 4NJ at 7.30 pm.

Tickets in advance £8-00 on 01243 697593
Bring your own food and drink
Wheelchair access
Proceeds to local charities

SELSEY COMMUNITY FIRST RESPONDERS

Quiz Night

To be held on **Friday 20th September 2019**
At St. Peters Church Hall, Selsey

Entry £10 per person – Maximum 8 per team

Admission by ticket only

Includes Homemade Curries, Pies + Dessert

Bring your own drink

Doors Open 6:30 p.m.

Food served at 7 p.m. - 8:15 p.m. Quiz start

For tickets or more information please contact
Jean – 01243 763135 or 07790 510058

The Selsey Private Club
Friday 13th September

Treat your senses to an evening of delicious food and music:

Delightful Fish supper @ £12.95pp - with a choice of drink: Pint of Beer, Large house wine or Prosecco to accompany it.

The lovely **Kelly Lorraine Whitelock** will be providing entertainment with a wide range of songs from over the years.

Please call **01243 606015** or pop in and see us to book.

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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 7th September Odds & Bobs 10am
Saturday 5th October Jumble Sale 10am
Saturday 2nd November Jumble Sale 10am
There is ample parking behind the Fire Station.

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**

Selsey Bridge Club
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Thursday afternoons
2pm - 5pm
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for information

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 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

Try it

Watch part

Toy on a string

Tiny amount

Giant being

Waikiki locale

Like Yorick

Plus or minus

Jamb

Long, long time

Coffee nick-name

Finger tip

Jazz jobs

Game of tiles

People of Para-guay

Horse houses

Two-masted ship

Odd's oppo-site

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Mani-toba city

Choir voice

Symbol of patience

A native of Geneva

Arctic jacket

Natura-list Charles

Trait carrier

Pale violet

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Like some milk

Ballet move

Urban vehicle

Kid's cousin

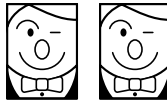
To solve the puzzle simply write your answers in the direction of the arrows. No unused squares.

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Last month's answers

6, 10.



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Fill in the blanks with the words:
ALL, ANT, BAR, BOW, CANE, CLONE, EAT, LAKE, LOG, LOUD, MET, METEOR, NOW, RAIN, RAT, SNOW, SOON, SURE, TEMP, UNDER, WIN
to reveal 14 weather related words.



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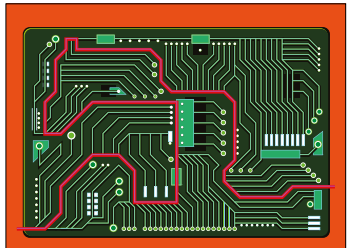
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Which images of 2 to 10 are NOT fragments of the main picture?



Latvia

Lithuania

Luxembourg

Monaco

Netherlands

Poland

Romania

Russia

Ukraine

9, 10, 11 - red. 6, 7, 8 - white. 4 - dark red. 19 - green. 17 - yellow. 14 - blue. 16 - light blue. 15 - dark blue.

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5pm - Songs of Praise

Thursday 12th September
2.30pm - Tea & Chat

Sunday 15th September
3pm - 4.30pm - ResBite Tea
(Aimed at those who might not see other people over the course of a normal weekend ~ Lifts available)

Thursday 19th September
12.30pm - Lunch Club

Sunday 6th October
10am - Harvest Family Service
Harvest Lunch follows the service. All are welcome



Wednesday 10th October
6pm - Surplus Supper
3-course meal created with 'rescued' food by the UKHarvest Team. All welcome. Sign-up sheet in the church & at the Selsey Care Shop

See separate Selsey Life adverts & our website for our Youth & Children's Clubs

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

Bits of Bruce: As September rolls in and another birthday happens, the dreaded birthday for some, the date you are supposed to retire! It's frightening, what in the name of Dickens am I going to do? We know we will move away from Selsey, and perhaps after a good break, I will find a small church that needs a hand from time to time. So who knows what the future will bring. And it is worrying. Just think of the newly retired that comes to our quaint "village", we need to welcome them no matter where they are from. Make friends, point them in the right direction what's the best butcher, baker & best local shop etc. hopefully when I move, someone will point me in the right direction, a nice neighbourly nudge in the right direction.

I know what I am going to do with some of my time I am going to write up the book I started before coming to Selsey seven years ago. It will appeal to some, mostly of a religious persuasion. It is on Celtic themes and I will leave you with a couple of prayers from the book:

A Celtic Benedictus
Blessings to the Holy Three who come each day to set us free. Our liberation has arrived in this life by our experience of their love. We have been set free from disappointmer as the prophets had foretold. God's promises have been fulfilled And we are blessed. The Comforter breathes in us giving life and purpose. And the Child has been given to us To be with us as we journey. The Father's tender mercy, like the morning sun brings light to our lives. And our community is alive. We daily walk with our God on paths away from darkness. Side by side we seek His peace Glory to the Blessed Three Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Amen



A Celtic Lord's Prayer



Holy Three in everlasting community
Blessed is your name among us
May your community reach out and enfold us
May our communities become one
Feed us daily with your Word
Forgive us when we forget to live in harmony with others
Teach us your ways so that we too show mercy and love.
Show us safe paths to walk
Away from evil as we journey to your love
The whole created universe is yours,
The power of its making is yours
The winds sing of your glory
In this season and all seasons to come. Amen

And remember September is the month, when our lovely well-behaved children go back to School... and breathe.

Rev. Bruce Stuart Allinson OCC

- 5) Which UK anarchist group carried out bombings in the 1960's?
- 6) Who said "The lamps are going out all over Europe...."?
- 7) In which English city is the "Crooked Spire"?
- 8) Which Siamese peince was a well known motor racing driver?
- 9) What date is St. Andrew's Day?

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