

# Selsey Life

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Inside this month: Two competitions! Win tickets to the last ever October Fireworks Display, plus win a £20.00 loyalty gift card for use at any Polygon Pets Self-Service Dog Wash or Dog Adventure Parks; Rounder's Day reports; meet the new Community Warden; Readers' Gallery; and much more.



## Food to continue getting a second lease of life in Sussex

Due to the success of a trial in East Sussex, convenience store shoppers and local good causes across the whole of Sussex and the south will now benefit from discounted food and surplus product.

As part of a new programme to keep as many products as possible in the human food chain, Southern Co-op is currently rolling out the new food pathway across all of its stores - starting with products with use-by dates, before targeting food past its best before date.

The first stage, which has been trialled in six stores in East Sussex since April, is Too Good To Go Magic Bags.

Too Good To Go is the world's largest surplus food app that lets users rescue surprise 'Magic Bags' of delicious, unsold food from shops and restaurants so it doesn't go to waste. Via the free-to-download app, customers can buy surplus food and drink products from local Southern Co-op sites which are near to their expiry date.

The second stage will see the rollout of other initiatives designed to save food that has gone past its best before date - either by reducing it to 20p or donating it to local good causes.

Gemma Lacey, Southern Co-op's Director for Sustainability and Communications, said: "All of these programmes involve a different method of improving food sustainability..... we hope we can prevent food from going off to be recycled and get more into the hands of customers and good causes."

It will benefit our customers as snapping up a Magic Bag could help those who are finding budgets tight as well as dozens of charities who can make use of goods past their best before date - **which is a date that relates to quality, not the safety of the product.**"

All store waste is currently diverted from landfill and any unsold food sent off for anaerobic digestion, with food broken down to produce biogas and bio-fertiliser.

As part of the Too Good To Go trial, Magic Bags of food are available to rescue for just a third of the cost at £3.29 - with an original value of £10 or more.

The Co-operative Food stores in West Sussex which will be taking part in these new initiatives are: Angmering's The Square, Bognor Regis's Hawthorn Road, Bognor Regis's Rose Green Road, Bosham's Delling Lane, Bosham's Station Road, Broadbridge Heath's Wickhurst Square, Burgess Hill's Junction Road, Burgess Hill's London Road, Chichester's Bognor Road, Chichester's Lavant Road, Chichester's Oliver Whitby Road, Chichester's Spitalfield Lane, Chichester's Stockbridge Road, East Preston's Station Parade, East Wittering's Cakeham Road, Ferring's Ferring Street, Haywards Heath's Franklynn Road, Horsham's Guildford Road, **Selsey's High Street**, and Yapton's Main Road.

Southern Co-op is currently working towards ambitious science-based targets to cut direct and indirect greenhouse gas emissions from the business by 2030, supported by a climate action pathway of planned activity and an initial investment of £5.8m.

For more information on Too Good To Go visit [www.toogoodtogo.co.uk](http://www.toogoodtogo.co.uk).



I think that most of us are thankful that the weather has now turned a little cooler especially as at the club we all have been busy revamping the various selling areas to maximise the space so as to increase the monies that we can generate for the ever increasing cost of running the bus, in particular the cost of fuel. We now only accept small furniture, the criteria being if I can lift it by myself as a lady, it is accepted. This means that in the near future the van will be sold as we do not have any young men to help lift heavy items on a regular basis. The gentleman's and ladies clothing, bric a brac, books, puzzles etc will not be affected with the changes but with the extra space, we trust, sellable goods will be better displayed.

We would like to thank Colin Rose, of Rose Electrics, for his sponsorship of our table at the Lifeboat day last month.

Our regular shopping trips to both Chichester and Bognor are on alternate Thursdays. Pick ups at your front door, for members only, are from 8.30am. It has been suggested that a visit to Portfield retail park could be arranged as a alternative venue on the days the bus goes to Chichester giving you a choice. Portfield retail park offers an M&S food outlet, John Lewis, Dunelm and various others and you can purchase a cuppa whilst you wait for your return journey. Please give us your thoughts or discuss with the driver on the day. The committee always welcome your comments and suggestions but at the moment we can only offer short outings.



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Welcome to the sizzingly sublime September issue of the Selsey Life, lovingly crafted in the depths of the bunker during some of the hottest weather we have had - sweaty keyboards and a sticky mouse.

Did you all enjoy August and all the events going on? It all seems to go so quickly nowadays, I know it is a sign of my getting old. I remember my parents telling me how time goes quicker when you are older and my thinking they were talking rubbish, but they were right. It is a pity they were not right about me being rich and handsome, but c'est la vie. (International flavour to the magazine this month.)

Please enjoy the events that are on in September, and try to support whatever ones you can. People put time and effort into organising them and they deserve our support.

As before, we try to include anything that is happening in the magazine, but we are reliant on people telling us about the events, so if you do attend an event we have not advertised perhaps you could have a word with the organisers and get them to contact us at [selseylife@btinternet.com](mailto:selseylife@btinternet.com) for advertising any future events?

Enjoy September, I enjoy the Autumnal weather we get, and we look forward to seeing you with the next issue, which is due Friday 7th October.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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This month we are pleased to be able to offer two competitions for you.

The first prize we have is a family ticket for the 42nd Annual Firework Display on 15th October. Unfortunately the organisers regret this will be the last one (see their advert on the next page), so the ticket will give you access to an event that will be a piece of history as well as a great night out.

For a chance to win this prize, you have to find the Selsey Seagull who is hidden somewhere in this magazine (NOT this page) and then complete the coupon on the left below.



The second prize we have on offer is a £20.00 loyalty gift card for use at any Polygon Pets Self-Service Dog Wash or Dog Adventure Parks (see their advert on page 25).

For a chance to win this prize, you have to find Sid the dog who is hidden somewhere in this magazine (NOT this page) and then complete the coupon on the right below.



Coupons are to be posted in one of the two competition boxes, either at Raycrafts, 119 High Street, or Pretty's Newsagents at 4 Orchard Parade. One entry per coupon, copies not accepted. Competitions end Thursday 29th September.

(You can enter any competition multiple times, but you will need a separate coupon for each entry.)

Good luck with your entries, and we would like to thank both Selsey Fireworks and Polygon Pets for their generous prizes for this month..

Last month, the seagull was on the First Responders car on page 22, and the first correct answer out of the hat (figuratively speaking) was Gordon Scobbie who wins a selection of Selsey Life goodies.

For the colouring competition, after careful consideration it was decided that the winner was Scarlett Maysey with her entry below.



Congratulations Scarlett, who wins a selection of gifts.

**Name :**

**Contact phone number and full address:**

**I found the dog on:**

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# Selsey Schools



Selsey Fireworks would like to announce our 42nd and, sadly, FINAL display on the 15th October 2022! The field which we have used for many years, has been earmarked for another use, and we are unable to find a suitable site that ticks all the boxes we have to tick these days.

This event is NOT to be missed! The display will be the biggest and best ever, and we will certainly be going out with a BANG!

Keep your eyes peeled for further ticket announcements!

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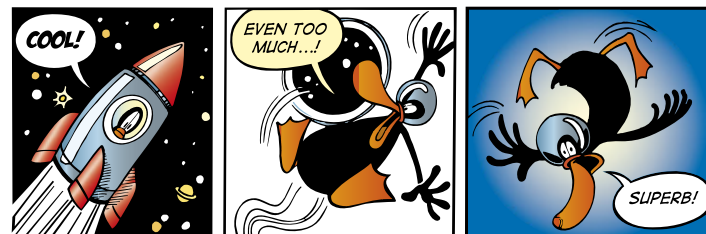
1st Friday of the month 10.30-11.30am.

Selsey Library



- 1) The opera Die Zauberflöte is what in English?
- 2) From what country did the rumba originate?

**BLACK DUCKS** BY IGOR ZANKOWSKI



## Welcoming Reception

All of Medmerry Primary School look forward to welcoming the new reception class in September. Mrs Lee held transition days back in July where children enjoyed exploring the outdoor learning area, getting to know their new class as well as sharing story time.



## Miss Taylor's Marathon

Whilst many use the summer holidays to relax and enjoy the sun, Miss Taylor has been clocking up the miles in preparation for London Marathon, taking place on Sunday 2nd October. This is her first ever marathon and she will be running it for Friends of Medmerry to raise important funds for the school and school community. If you'd like to donate to this fantastic cause or leave a motivational message to cheer her along, you can do so via the link below. Be sure to tune in to the live coverage on the day to see if you can spot her on the big screen!



<https://gofund.me/82a5a8bf>

Friends of Selsey Medical Centre (FSMC)  
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## ROUNDERS DAY TOMBOLA DRAW

Rounders Day on Sunday 7th August drew good numbers of hopeful supporters to the Friends of Selsey Medical Centre Tombola. Tickets ending in Zeros and Fives gave prizes ranging from Scotch whisky, wines and jewelry to paintings and skin care. And more! It was a great opportunity to meet new people and explain the purpose of the Friends to passers-by and to invite them to support us. We'd like to thank everyone for their generosity.

The annual £5 contribution made by each 'Friend' of Selsey Medical Centre is greatly appreciated. These contributions from our local community, together with legacies and income from activities such as this Tombola, all go towards the purchase of equipment not normally provided by the NHS. In this way the Friends assist the Practice to maintain the highest standards of service for their patients and our community.

A recent purchase for the surgery is the intriguingly named Mesi Doppler MESI ABPI machine. This is a tool used for locating vascular disease in patients with leg ulcers and other related conditions.

Please remember the Friends when making your will.

If you happen to be in the process of making your will, perhaps you would consider setting aside a small bequest in recognition of the service the Practice offers every one of the 12,500 patients living in Selsey.

For further information please phone 01243 607869 and talk to our Membership Secretary, who will welcome your call!

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## GAINSBOROUGH SINGERS

Gainsborough Singers held their Summer Concert on Thursday, 4 August

2022 in the Town Hall. We would like to thank everyone that attended for helping to make it such a success. We raised the grand sum of £253, all of which will be donated to Selsey Community First Responders.

We can't let this occasion go by without thanking our sponsors, Highhouse Insurance Services for their generous support of our concert, providing the refreshments (including some delicious cakes) and some first class raffle prizes. Also a big 'thank you' to John and Kat at Country Gardens for donating a lovely basket of fruit, and to Village Flowers for donating a beautiful pot plant, as raffle prizes. We could not have done it without you all!

Gainsborough Singers get an enormous amount of pleasure in preparing for and putting on the concert. We hope you enjoyed it as much as we did. Keep a look out for posters advertising our Christmas Concert – we are proud to support Selsey Community First Responders. See you in December!

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- 3) What does the trade union ASLEF stand for?
- 4) "In My Defens God Me Defend" is the motto of which country?
- 5) What is Portugal's national airline?
- 6) In the natural world, what is a bug?
- 7) How many holes are there on a Chinese Checkers board?
- 8) What is often fish of the Christmas Day in Eastern Europe?

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4Sight vision support

4Sight Vision Support Promotes National Eye Health Week

4Sight Vision Support provides support and specialist information to blind and sight impaired residents throughout West Sussex and is delighted to be lending its support to National Eye Health Week (NEHW). This will be held from 19 – 25 September with the theme for this year being 'Your Vision Matters', promoting the importance of good eye health and the need for regular eye tests for all.

Sight is the sense people fear losing the most, yet many of us don't know how to look after our eyes – National Eye Health Week aims to change all that! Two million people in the UK are living with sight loss, that is severe enough to have a significant impact on their daily lives, yet half of this sight loss is avoidable.

Regular sight tests can detect early signs of conditions, including glaucoma, which can be treated if found soon enough. In addition, during a sight test, other health conditions such as diabetes or high blood pressure may be detected. Those with vision loss should continue to do so as checking for further changes in the eyes can help make the best use of remaining vision and prevent any unnecessary further sight loss.

4Sight Vision Support will be raising awareness with a focus on prevention and the importance of getting things checked out. Anyone is welcome to contact the charity if they would like to learn more about what to look out for/signs.

To find out more, or how 4Sight Vision Support can support you or someone you know living with sight loss, call 01243 828555 or visit [www.4sight.org.uk](http://www.4sight.org.uk) . For more details about National Eye Health Week visit <https://www.visionmatters.org.uk>

Image: Alexandra Allan, Optometrist, from Walsh Opticians, Bognor Regis, checks the general health of the eye with Tara Beesley, Vision Support Advocate at 4Sight Vision Support, as part of a routine eye test.

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

Richard and Sandra Bushby wish to share the sad news that Beryl Fraser, Sandra's Mother, passed away peacefully on the 14th August at the amazing age of 102.

Beryl moved to Selsey with her family from Croydon in 1971 and had lived in several parts of the village.

She thoroughly enjoyed her life in Selsey and was involved in many village organisations. The WRVS Ladies Meals on Wheels, others included Selsey Cancer Relief Fund, Selsey Venture Club, Carpet Bowls, Selsey Carnival, various Ballroom and Sequence dance clubs in Selsey and beyond.

Even in her latter years she was still knitting for various local charities. Beryl's funeral will be held at Chichester Crematorium on **Thursday 8th September at 11.45am**. Family flowers only, donations, if desired, to Perennial c/o Lee Hobson, 77-79 High Street, Selsey, PO20 7RG.

Amanda Ward

9) On whose novel was the film Death In Venice based?

10) The Conciergerie in Paris served as both a palace and as a what?

11) Cwms, cirques and corries are all what?

12) What word describes a deadlock or impasse?

13) Through which gate did prisoners in the Tower of London pass?

14) What was Rigoletto in Verdi's opera?

15) What is the Gaelic name for Scotland?

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**Ladies of Selsey, come and join us  
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**It will be on Wednesday 14th September  
at 1.45pm in the Town Hall. Our Speaker  
will be Hamish Brown MBE**  
**“Stalking the Stalker”**  
**There will also be a Quiz and we will  
be having a Sales Table**



If you would like more information, please contact  
Ann Jones 01243 607736 or  
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**We have to ask again,  
have you paid your £1 for this magazine?**

**Our takings for the July issue were also down  
compared to the expected revenue.**



**We also received £1.00 in old coinage, the usual  
selection of foreign coins, and an extra strong mint.  
We are sorry to keep saying, but this magazine is not  
done for profit, and if we do not make the production  
costs we will have to stop producing it. We know costs  
are rising, but is £1 really that much?**

**Did you know?  
Most Korean people don't have armpit odour.**

#### SELSEY WINE INTEREST GROUP (SWIG)

Our latest monthly SWIG meeting was held on Wednesday 17 August from 7.30 - 9pm in a member's home off Manor Road. Our theme this month was based on New World Wines. At the start of our meeting, some discussion ensued (which remained inconclusive) as to whether some Eastern European countries (such as Bulgaria or Hungary), where they have been producing excellent wines for centuries, are “old” or “new” !

Our three superb tasting wines for the evening were:

1. 2020 New Zealand ‘The Hour Teller’ Sauvignon Blanc (12.5%) – “The Hour Teller” is so named after the original primitive, old fashioned clocks used in the early days of the former Colony. The name was intended to celebrate the nature of time - both in the wine's long process of making on the East Coast of North Island, and of course to be drunk and enjoyed in a leisurely manner in your own time. This is a fresh, juicy Sauvignon Blanc with notes of gooseberry, citrus fruits and herbs and with a crisp, dry finish. It may be served with salads, fish and very slightly spiced (mild) dishes.

2. 2020 Bulgarian Yuli's Shiraz (13%). Ivana (the winemaker) and her husband Yuli survived World War 2 but by 1945 had lost all their vines to the ravages of the war. Never giving up and many years later they found an abandoned winery in the mountains and, working day and night, revived the family tradition of winemaking again. When her husband sadly died, Ivana continued producing some unique red wines, and named them in her husband's honour.

Made for easy drinking, this plump and plummy, charming Shiraz is easy to get along with and is guaranteed to bring a smile to your face.

3. 2014 Lagoon View (Single Estate) Reserve Cabernet Sauvignon (14.5%) – This powerful, award winning Cabernet Sauvignon was “Australian Wine of the Year” in 2019. This wine was vintaged from selected high quality grapes from this single

estate vineyard in the Goulbourn Valley in Central Victoria, (a wine region that is said to be one of the best in Australia, producing excellent quality wines and has been doing so since 1860). Matured in high quality French and American oak barrels for 24 months, this wine displays aromas of vanilla and spice supported by blackberry and blackcurrant on the palate with a pleasant lingering finish.



Once again, surprisingly, our ‘Mystery Wine’ a 2019 Hungarian ‘Campanula’ Pinot Grigio (12.5%) defeated everyone, in spite of some good, close guesses. It was a perfect example of a Pinot Grigio from the New World.

When King Matthias of Hungary married the daughter of the King of Naples in the 15th. Century, he encouraged the planting of Italian grape varieties – particularly those from his new queen's native Campania. Named after the bluebells that grow in profusion around the vineyards, “Campanula” bears all the hallmarks of a classic Pinot Grigio with flavours of fresh, well rounded, ripe citrus and green apple fruit. It makes the perfect summer aperitif and an excellent partner to simple fish dishes.

Our next Tasting will be a short tour of Europe with an international comparison of three fantastic reds from Spain, Portugal and Italy, plus of course our ‘Mystery Wine’. We very much welcome new SWIG members, so if you are interested in becoming a “Swigger” with us, then please contact Pierre at [lunn.peter@gmail.com](mailto:lunn.peter@gmail.com) by email. The monthly subscription is 3 pounds per head.

Finally, would existing members kindly note that it will be much appreciated if you would, as a simple courtesy, please send in your timely apologies for absence if for any reason you are unable to attend a Tasting. This is to assist the arrangements and preparation by our kind hosts, now that we have started meeting indoors, and to avoid my having to unnecessarily open too many bottles (which I do in advance to let them ‘breathe’). Thank you.

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SAMUEL DEWEY  
1870 – 1936

It was one of those times when inspiration failed to dawn so I looked through Mollie Tupper’s Archives and came across this picture:



The gentleman on the left is Samuel Dewey and the boys are the Selsey School Football Club for, I think, 1928. Back Row L – R, in the striped sweater we have George Male, next to him is Jack Bryan. Middle Row -Dave Prior (holding the football) and one of the Lee family is sitting cross legged on the right hand side.

So who was Samuel Dewey? Samuel was born on 16<sup>th</sup> May 1870 in Newport, IOW, son of George Dewey (Millwright) and Louisa Poore. Louisa’s father was a Statuary Carver and Mason. For those who don’t know, which included me, basic Millwright skills include installation, maintenance and repair of industrial machinery and equipment. In 1871 the family lived at 25 Hearn Street, Newport but in 1881 they resided at 10 Vances Street, Aylesford, Kent where George was a Carpenter.

Samuel was confirmed by the Bishop of Rochester in 1882 and this important occasion allowed him to be admitted to Culham College on 31 January 1890. And now a small digression (for which I must be famous). If Culham College sounds familiar it is because Henry Benstead was admitted to Culham College in 1884 and was the topic in February 2019 Selsey Life. Culham College was a Teacher Training College for Men run by the Church of England and its dioceses.



This postcard is written by someone at Culham College in 1905 and addressed to Miss Hales in Portsmouth..

At the time of his admission Samuel’s parents lived at 28 Belgrave Street, Eccles, Maidstone, Kent.

His academic record is kept by the Oxford History Centre and shows that he was 19 years old on admission. Previously he had attended Aylesford National School.

Samuel won a scholarship to go to Culham and his academic attainments were as follows:

<i>Euclid</i>	<i>Two Books and deduction</i>	<i>Latin</i>	<i>–</i>
<i>Algebra</i>	<i>Quadratic Equations</i>	<i>French</i>	<i>Little French: took paper</i>
<i>Mensuration</i>	<i>Plane Surfaces</i>	<i>Sciences</i>	<i>Botany I E</i>
<i>Trigonometry</i>	<i>-</i>	<i>Drawing</i>	<i>Free hand</i>

There was a Practising School at Culham and Samuel was observed by the Principal on 18<sup>th</sup> September 1890. ‘*A fairly energetic teacher. His manner was quiet and pleasant and his duties were performed with care and precision. He set the boys excellent examples in neatness and accuracy of work but failed to secure their attention while teaching the class subject. He did not question them sufficiently.*’

Several more observations followed with that of 13<sup>th</sup> October 1890 eliciting the comments ‘ *Manner magisterial but hardly effective. Questions good on the whole but too many of this kind – Can you think of another reason? Can you tell me another use?* Nevertheless he was classed as Good. Samuel was still at Culham College when the census of 1891 was taken and, in that same year, Henry Benstead left Selsey having been replaced by Frederick Turley.

Students obtained a ‘Parchment’ if they could show competent ability in Scripture, Reading, English Grammar and Composition Writing, Arithmetic, English History, Geography, School Management and either Algebra or Geometry or Mechanics of the Elements of Physical Science. Optional extras were Vocal Music, Drawing, French and Latin. Samuel obtained his Parchment in May 1894 and left College to take up a position at Barking Church of England School. Should anyone need more information on Culham College, I have 2 books.

Henry Benstead was appointed to Selsey by Culham College and is listed in Kelly’s Directory for 1885 so perhaps the same thing happened to Samuel in 1896. In 1897 Samuel was listed in that year’s Kelly’s Directory and on 19<sup>th</sup> December 1897 the Banns for his proposed wedding were read at St Peter’s Church, Selsey and recorded by Rev. Charles Storrs DD. On 28<sup>th</sup> December 1897 he married Mary Ann Kemp at Aylesford, Kent and by 1899 they were living at 1 Hawthorn Villas, High Street. In 1901 he and Mary were living at 9 New Road, Selsey (now Hillfield Road) and Samuel was described in the census as a schoolmaster. Their son, Kenneth Thomas Dewey, was born in Selsey on 16<sup>th</sup> August 1902.

Originally Samuel taught in the Little School behind the red brick school house.



© The late Tom Creedy



By 1906 the school was too small for the number of students for which it catered and a new school was built across the road (known to the locals as ‘the Big School’) but also known as Selsey Mixed School.

From the collection of and with the permission of the late Brian Male

The School Log Book Govt. Registration No. 116 was supplied in June 1906 and is held in West Sussex Record Office. As part of his duties, Samuel was expected to record an entry for every school day and the information is fascinating. Sadly, only a small part can be reproduced here!

At the commencement of the Year Staff were as follows:

Samuel Dewey – ACP certificate and Trained (Headmaster)	Has charge of standards VI and VII
Emma Elizabeth Archer – Certificated (Assistant)	Standards IV and V
Elizabeth Sedgley Buchan – Uncertificated (Assistant)	Standards I and II
Harriet Fanny Goodger (supplementary)	Standard III

Miss Archer and Miss Goodger taught needlework to the girls.

Samuel Dewey assisted by Miss Buchan taught drawing to the boys.

Miss Archer taught the cookery class which lasted for 2 hours and took place in the Scholl House.

The entry for 2<sup>nd</sup> July 1906 is as follows: ‘*School closed in the afternoon owing to a circus coming for the first time into the village and the children naturally wanting to attend the afternoon performance.*’ I wonder if it really was only the children who wanted to see the show!

Other school closures were less enjoyable. On 12<sup>th</sup> October 1906 children from Thorney Coastguard Station were kept away by the doctor owing to an outbreak of diphtheria. The children returned to school on 2<sup>nd</sup> November.



Rev. J Cavis-Brown inspected the registers on 30 November and a glowing Diocesan report was written: *‘The teachers have done conscientious and painstaking work with excellent results. The children take much interest in their subjects and answered thoughtfully and with reverence.’*

January 1907 got off to a bad start with the Sherrington family having whooping cough. It was still around on 15 February and the entry for 22<sup>nd</sup> February stated that the disease was still spreading. On the 8<sup>th</sup> April, *‘the school has been closed for 5 weeks due to whooping cough’* and by 26 April it had returned and again on 24<sup>th</sup> May. 3<sup>rd</sup> July the school was closed and the Chapel Sunday School children were taken to Goodwood.

Following the summer holidays it was recorded that *‘many children absent for blackberrying in the afternoon’*.

In November chicken pox arrived.

Attendance was a constant concern which reflected in the fact that in 1908 only 15 medals were given to those who had not missed an attendance. The school was built for 210 children. The children were photographed on 27<sup>th</sup> March (such a pity he didn’t stick a copy in the book!). Social History also appears – on 19<sup>th</sup> June *‘three girls gained Labour Certificates and two of them have left.’* Apparently, under the employment of Children Act 1903, a child needed to obtain such a certificate (by passing a certain grade standard in school work) before being able to leave school and commence employment.

Samuel Dewey was not only a school master. ‘Almost from the beginning Samuel Dewey had been involved with the Parish Council in general and in 1909 he proposed a motion regarding the provision of Fire appliances in Selsey.’ For further information see Putty Medals and Heroes published by the Selsey Society in 2008 of which copies are still available!

In 1909 there were two inspections! One was by Mr Witcombe and Mr E G Arnell to inspect the premises and to suggest repairs. The other was the Rev. J Cavis-Brown and his report was as follows:

*‘Discipline and instruction deserve praise. The offices are seriously inadequate, their condition is offensive and dangerous to Health. Immediate attention is required to the supply and the use of well screened dry earth’.*

It seems unlikely that this relates to the ‘New School’ (it being only 3 years old) so must relate to the ‘Old School’. After extensive analysis, it appears that the Infants were moved to what is now Medmerry Primary School with older pupils remaining at the Public Elementary School i.e.the ‘Old School’. Both schools operated in tandem until 1938 when Seal School was opened in East Street.

In September 1910 *‘several children have been away this week suffering from sore throat including Elsie, Florence, Dorothy and Augustus Wingham’*. At the beginning of October another note indicated *‘The Wingham family has diphtheria’*.

In 1912 a bit of light relief appeared although it was a serious matter. One of the students (who is named) had a visit from P C Prior. The miscreant *‘by throwing a Bengal match set fire to the barn opposite during the dinner interval’*. He was duly reprimanded and the other children were given a stiff talking to about the danger of fireworks.

And then came the UK declaration of WWI on 4<sup>th</sup> August 1914. As early as August 1914, Edward Heron-Allen tried to *‘get up a section of the National Guard’* but was prevented from doing so by *‘military authorities’*.

The first record of Samuel Dewey living at Oakwood that I can find is in 1913. But I do wonder if all his addresses are actually the same property. If anyone can tell me, please do!

The Chichester Observer of 22<sup>nd</sup> October 1913 reported on the Selsey Minstrels show at ‘The Institute’ when Samuel Dewey was the interlocutor i.e. Master of Ceremonies and Mrs Dewey was the pianist. Good to know they were interested in something other than schools! The Minstrels were otherwise occupied during WWI and were revived in 1923. A further Chi. Observer report on 17<sup>th</sup> November 1926 covered the ‘Minstrel’s Dinner’ and, apparently, Samuel Dewey was one of the founder members of the group some 28 years earlier (i.e 1898). At this event he ‘took the chair’.

On 3<sup>rd</sup> September 1914 a postcard was sent from Oakwood by someone called Gwen.



From the collection of and with the permission of Tim Floyd

*‘Thought you might like to see our house here. The 2<sup>nd</sup> under the verandah is 2 doors beyond us so you see we are all quite near one another. We are still having the most perfect weather and shall be awfully sorry to go home on the 7<sup>th</sup>.’*

Back to the School Log!

7<sup>th</sup> September 1914, *‘The school opened this morning...Many are away, engaged as errand boys, some helping the father with boat in place of men called up for war and the Boy Scouts are being employed by the Admiralty’.*

By 11<sup>th</sup> September *‘the school house being in the occupation of soldiers on duty in Selsey, the cookery class has not been held.’* They were still there on 24<sup>th</sup> September. On 24<sup>th</sup> December Samuel Dewey was *‘away from school this afternoon having urgent business in Chichester.’* There is no indication what this was. But we can hazard a guess.

In March 1915 high-level discussions were already being held regarding a Volunteer Training Scheme. These discussions involved the King, the Prime Minister, Lord Desborough and other worthies from the War Office and culminated in the publication of the ‘Official Regulations for Volunteer Training Corps’ edited by J P Blake.

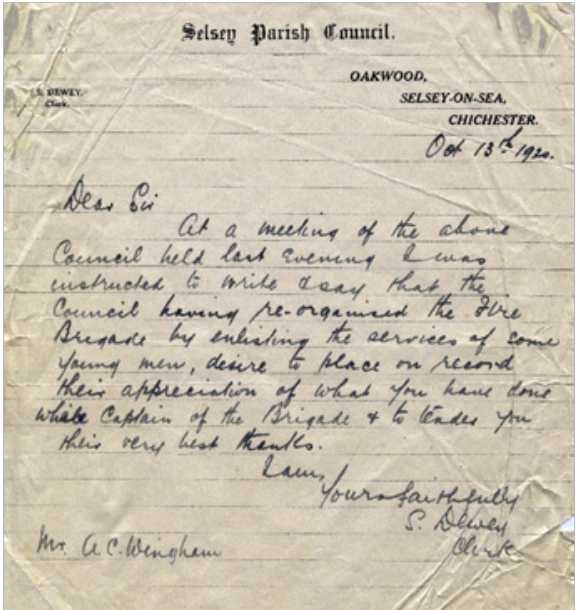
The Chichester Observer of 22<sup>nd</sup> September 1915 reported that the 60 members of the Manhood Volunteer Training Corps were inspected by Major Willoughby at Paisley Cottage, home of Mr Archibald Hamilton, Recruiting Officer for Selsey and District.

In January 1916 the Military Service Act was passed to allow conscription into the Army for single men between the ages of 18 and 41. Teachers were exempt. The Act was extended in 1918 to include men aged up to 51. Samuel Dewey was therefore exempt three times over. Like many others, he would have wanted to ‘do his bit’. The aforementioned Volunteer Training Corps’ duties include *‘Guarding railways and other vulnerable points’*.

In 1916 the school was closed for 7 weeks due to measles but on 3<sup>rd</sup> July the circus returned so the children had a half-day holiday. On 2<sup>nd</sup> October Mrs Dewey *‘commenced her duties as a Certificated Assistant.’*

20<sup>th</sup> June 1917 Samuel Dewey reported *‘I did not commence duty this morning till 10.30 having been away from the village all night on military duty (guarding ammunition trains at Ford)’*. On 5<sup>th</sup> March 1918 *‘On guard at Littlehampton the whole of last night.’*

In Edward Heron-Allen’s ‘Journal of the Great War’ page 104, 20 July 1917, he states *‘we... have now a Selsey Platoon of men who know their drill both with arms and without, the drills are well attended, we take our turn as part of the Chichester Battalion in night-guard for the munition train which assembles every night at Ford Junction...’* Quod erat demonstrandum!



In 1920 Samuel wrote a letter of thanks To Augustus Charles Wingham, thanking him for his services as Selsey’s Fire Captain.

Later Samuel was to be a member of the fledgeling Royal Observer Corps, founded in 1925).

Increasingly through 1918-1922 Mary Dewey was ‘in charge of the school’ and the 1921 census describes her as an Assistant Certificated Teacher – Elementary School. Both she and Samuel are employed by WSCC Education Committee and living at Parkwood which, I believe, should read Oakwood.

On 30<sup>th</sup> July 1931 the Diocesan Inspector wrote: *‘As the time of their retirement is at hand the grateful and appreciative thanks of the Diocese are due to Mr & Mrs Dewey for the devoted and excellent work for the church and the children of Selsey during their long term of office.’*

On 8<sup>th</sup> July 1936 the Chichester Observer reported that the local education authority was to take over control of the Selsey Church of England School from July 1<sup>st</sup>. The school had been under the control of St Peter’s Church, Selsey since it was built. Selsey had greatly developed and accommodation was inadequate. Seal School was built in response to this increase in the population. When Samuel came to Selsey the population was 1,258. By the time he retired it was 2,514 – almost double.

Samuel Dewey died on 11<sup>th</sup> October 1936 at the Royal Masonic Hospital, Ravenscourt Park, Middlesex after a serious operation. The funeral was held on 15<sup>th</sup> October at 2pm at St Peter’s Church, Selsey with Bishop T C Twitchell DD officiating and Samuel was buried in double plot CVI5 at Church Norton that same day, He was 66 years old.

We know from the Chichester Observer of 14<sup>th</sup> October 1936 that Samuel had been a head-teacher in Selsey for over 40 years, that he was Secretary of the Selsey Masonic Lodge being elected in 1918 and was made Master of the Lodge in 1927. The Hampshire Telegraph of 15<sup>th</sup> October adds that Samuel acted as lay reader at St Peter’s Church and for several years was Clerk to the Parish Council and Assistant Overseer. Another of his claims to fame was that he was one of the founders of the Selsey Football Club. The Hampshire Telegraph of 23<sup>rd</sup> October adds that Bishop T C Twitchell DD was a Past Grand Chaplain of the Grand Lodge of England.

Mary Dewey died on 4<sup>th</sup> March 1939 in Mount Start Nursing Home in Torquay. Her funeral service was held at St Peter’s Church, Selsey at 2.30 pm on 8<sup>th</sup> July with Rev. R Franklin MA officiating and she was then buried at Norton with her husband. A full report can be seen in the Chichester Observer of 15<sup>th</sup> July 1939 – there were over 30 wreaths and the donors are all listed.

PS: If anyone has pictures and/or memories of Miss Pike, please let me know as I would like to write about her.



PPS: The London Gazette of 24<sup>th</sup> October 1961 mentions John Edward Wooding MD. For those of you who knew him, you all know he lived and practiced from The Homestead but I can tell you he had '*lately resided at Oakwood*'. If you knew him there, perhaps you could tell me exactly which house it is in the postcard image.

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Update from the Chichester  
Neighbourhood Policing Team



Electrical scooters (usually referred to as e-scooters) come under the category of "powered transporters" – a personal transport device which is powered by a motor.

Under the Road Traffic Act 1988 they are classed as motor vehicles which means the rules that apply to your car also apply to e-scooters – you need to have a licence, insurance and tax in order to legally use them.

It is not possible to get insurance for privately owned e-scooters so it is therefore illegal to use them on the road or in public spaces. If found using one then you risk it being seized under S.165 Road Traffic Act 1988 for no insurance and being issued a fixed penalty notice.

Some areas of the UK are carrying out trials of rental e-scooters and it is in these approved areas only that e-scooters may be used.

At this time, West Sussex is not part of these trials.

It is however legal to use an e-scooter on private land as long as you have permission from the land owner. When riding an e-scooter, please always ensure that you wear appropriate safety protection, especially a helmet and keep to a reasonable speed.

#### Front office opening hours

**Chichester:**  
Chichester Police Station,  
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You can contact your local team in the following ways:  
**Call us:** on **101** to report a crime or **999** if it's an emergency.  
Email: [Chichester@sussex.police.uk](mailto:Chichester@sussex.police.uk)

**Midhurst:**  
Midhurst Police Station. Bepton Road,  
Midhurst, GU29 9NB.  
Open: Monday - Friday 10am – 2pm.  
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Email: [Arun@sussex.police.uk](mailto:Arun@sussex.police.uk)

Hi, my name is Rich Moorey,  
and I am your new Community  
Warden for Selsey.

I am very much looking forward  
to becoming part of your  
community in Selsey and  
engaging in as many ways as  
possible with residents.

My priorities are to provide a  
visible and reassuring presence  
to prevent and deter crime and  
Anti-Social Behaviour in the area.

I'll be a point of contact available to offer help and advice, look  
after and help improve the local environment and make a  
positive difference in the community. I will also assist the  
community in keeping them updated on new schemes and events the  
District Council are planning.

Before my new appointment I was a Police Community Support  
Officer with Sussex Police for 14 years covering the areas of  
Tangmere, Oving and The Swanfield Estate in Chichester. My role  
involved community engagement, dealing with Anti- Social  
behaviour and criminal offences.

Partnership working was also an important part of my role so on  
a regular basis I would work with the Community Wardens to deal  
with and reduce ongoing issues in the area in my area. I believe  
the skills and experience I have gained over the last 14 years will  
help me deliver a first-class service to The  
Community of Selsey.

If you have any questions or concerns, please  
feel free to email me:  
[rmoores@chichester.gov.uk](mailto:rmoores@chichester.gov.uk)  
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The Chichester constituency is full of kind and charitable people. One of the best parts of being the Member of Parliament is meeting and hearing from so many people who do so much across our wonderful communities. Last month, I held a reception to welcome and connect Ukrainian families and their sponsors in The Assembly Rooms, Chichester. It was fantastic to bring Ukrainian people living in our community together with one another, and introduce them to key organisations that can offer support in the Chichester constituency.

It was a brilliant event and extremely special to meet so many people who were all so grateful to be here in the UK. Since Russia's illegal invasion of Ukraine, my team and I have supported just over 200 individuals with their applications through the Home Office, and even a few much-loved dogs and cats. It was heart warming to meet some of those people last week, and I was touched by all their kind words – as was Leanne from my team who was inundated with people offering their personal thanks.

I want to thank all the organisations and representatives who came along to support the event. Most of all I want to say a massive thank you to all the generous sponsors, who have opened up their homes and lives to help those fleeing conflict – and the Ukrainian people themselves who are already adding to the vibrancy of our community across the Chichester District.

I've put a video from the day on my website where you can keep up with all my work in Chichester and Parliament –  
[www.gilliankeegan.com](http://www.gilliankeegan.com).

Gillian Keegan MP



16) How many points for an aircraft carrier in the game Battleships?

17) Which Greek sorceress turned Odysseus's crew into swine?

18) How many days of fasting are there at Ramadan?

19) What do crutches on a boat hold?

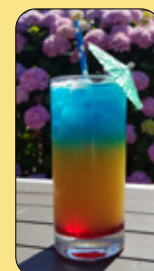
20) What poem begins "When I consider how my light is spent....."?

21) What is a tarntella?

#### The Selsey Private Club, Coxes Road

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New members welcome.



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



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



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

We have introduced a new range of guest cask ales for our members to enjoy and have a new food menu to suit all tastes and pockets, and we also have a housekeepers menu where we have a selection of meals at affordable prices to suit everyone. Please call us on **01243 606015** or **07767 421297** for menu selection and your choice.

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

Keep an eye on our Facebook page The Selsey Private Club Ltd for updates. We are host to the RNA, the Selsey Lions, The Selsey Folk and Music Club, Julie's Art Club and much more.

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

#### September What's on:

**Friday 2nd.** The beautiful voice of Tim Quinlan covering songs from Northern Soul to Pop



**Saturday 3rd.** Bobby Barnes is back with Rat Pack to Rock & Roll

**Wednesday 7th.** AM - Making your mark  
PM - Selsey Gramophone Society

**Friday 9th.** Karaoke - Come on, let's see what you can do!

**Saturday 10th.** Triple Bill for Julie's Birthday: Portia as Cher  
Martin David as Rod Stewart  
and Timothy Quinlan opening the show

**Wednesday 14th.** Afternoon Tea 2pm with entertainment

**Saturday 17th.** It's Party Time with DJ Tubbs

**Friday 23rd.** Open Mike Nite - bring your instruments, your voice or just come along and join in or listen.

**Saturday 24th.** Sharon Lamley fabulous singer covering songs from across the decades and genres

**Friday 30th.** DJ Tubbs Ska Reggae Northern Soul Motown Feel The Love



Please enquire Most of the above are free to club members

Mondays are Darts League Tuesdays are Bingo Bonanza Wednesdays are Games night Cards Chess Dominos board games Darts Snooker Billiards etc  
Thursdays are Quiz is the Biz Fridays are Snooker League

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





## Wags and other celebrities

by Rob Yarham

With the Autumn fast approaching, it's customary to expect to experience the onset of "mists", "mellow fruitfulness" and, I'm sure, many other seasonal clichés. At the same time, we say goodbye for another year to many of our summer visitors, which have been heading South in increasing numbers through August and into September. It might seem sad to see the songbirds that have serenaded us since the spring leave, and there's always a poignancy to watching chattering sand martins, house martins and swallows pass overhead and fly out to sea.

But September brings new spectacles to enjoy at RSPB Pagham Harbour & Medmerry reserves, too, as many other birds drop in on migration, making the most of the food and shelter offered by these special places and the neighbouring fields. Ospreys often visit – hovering over the water to hunt for fish – and rare birds, such as the weird and wonderful wryneck, might stay for a few days. But there's one spectacle I especially look forward to each autumn – the arrival of flocks of yellow wagtails, or 'wags' as they're affectionately known. These beautiful little birds – mostly yellow and green, with long, flicking tails – visit nearby fields to feed up on insects before they, too, migrate to sub-Saharan Africa.



*The gorgeous yellow wagtail can often be spotted in flocks near the coast during the month – watch out for the small, long-tailed birds flying up and down around the feet of feeding cattle.*

[Credit: Ben Andrew (rsbp-images.com)]

And support the RSPB's conservation work by joining or donating at: <https://www.rspb.org.uk/join-and-donate/join-us/>

## Let's give nature a home

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### RSPB Pagham Harbour & Medmerry Events: September

**Saturday 03 September, Bird Watch: Migration Magic.** Would you like help finding and identifying the birds of RSPB Pagham Harbour? Join our friendly guides on the reserve as we look for the first migrating birds of the autumn! We'll also be on the lookout for birds of prey and maybe even some rare species which might be passing through! Our guides will be where the action is, so ask for directions at the Visitor Centre. **10am – 1pm. Free event**

**Thursday 8 September, Evening Guided Walk - Migration Magic.** Yes, it's the start of the autumn migration and many of our birds that have breed further north stop off on our reserve to fuel up before continuing across The Channel. Join our guides for this gentle evening wildlife walk along the North Wall of our reserve, as we look for the first migrating birds of the autumn. We'll also be on the lookout for birds of prey and maybe even find some rare species passing through! Meet at The Salhouse, PO21 4NX. **4.30pm (duration 3 hours) £7.50 per person / £4.50 members**

**Saturday 10 September, Guided Walk – Migration Magic at Medmerry.** Yes, it's the start of the autumn migration and many of our birds that have breed further north stop off on our reserve to fuel up before continuing across The Channel. Join our guides for this wildlife walk around our fabulous Medmerry reserve as we look for the first migrating birds of the autumn. We'll also be on the lookout for birds of prey and maybe even find some rare species passing through! **10am (duration 3 hours), Meet at RSPB Earnley Car Park at 9.45am £7.50 per person / £4.50 members**



*The osprey is a spectacular visitor to RSPB Pagham Harbour & Medmerry in September. Look for these large birds of prey hovering above the water and diving for fish. [Credit: Ben Andrew (rsbp-images.com)]*

Yellow wagtails nest on the ground in lowland open, wet grassland, meadows and arable farmland, mainly in central, eastern and some parts of northern England. But their numbers have declined dramatically – the breeding population fell by an estimated 75 per cent between 1970 and 2009 – making them more and more difficult to see. Until they migrate, that is, and we get the chance to see them in all their golden glory on our own doorstep, sometimes in large flocks! The RSPB has been helping yellow wagtails by researching the reasons for their decline – thought to be intensive agriculture and the drying up of their favourite habitats – and providing advice to farmers on what agricultural practices can best increase the birds' breeding success. Hopefully, this means yellow wagtails will become easier to see in the future.

But, until then, watch the feet of cattle in the fields this month. You might just catch sight of these wonderful birds in shimmering flocks, dancing, rising and falling, searching for flies and other insects, or flitting over your heads as they fly towards the sea to begin their long journeys South.

Join us on one of our guided walks this autumn to witness the wonders of migration. Find out more by visiting our website <https://events.rspb.org.uk/paghamharbour> or call 01243 641508.

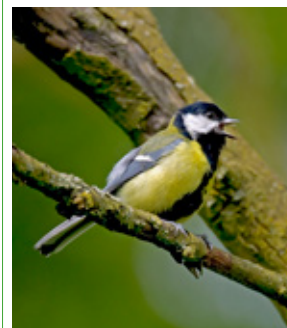


## Great Tit

by Michael Blencowe of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

Just for the record; I've never trusted them. Unlike all the other familiar, friendly faces on my back garden bird table there's just something about the Great Tit that's always made me suspicious. Perhaps it's my mistrust of uniforms. The Great Tit's smart plumage with a collar, black tie and a glossy black cap makes them look too official, too authoritative. And that bright yellow chest? Far too garish for the garden.

Their behaviour isn't exactly endearing either. Great Tits are the bullies on the bird table. They'll aggressively assert their authority and violently peck at other birds as they plunder the peanuts. When a house-hunting Great Tit can't find a suitable hole to nest in, it'll simply evict a Blue Tit and move in.

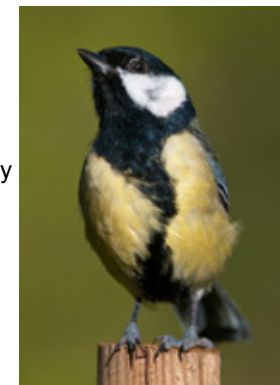


*Great Tit  
c Roger Wilmschurst  
Sussex Wildlife Trust*

Their dominance is also heard in spring when their two-note song, "Tea-cher! Tea-cher! Tea-cher!" rings out through our woodlands. It was this "Tea-cher!" that taught me my first lesson in bird song identification; an easily recognisable two-note war cry used to proclaim the tit's territory. But I was soon to learn that not everything was how it seemed. Each male actually has an average of four different songs, which can be sung at three different tempos. This varied repertoire is a sly Beau Geste trick employed to trick other Great Tits into thinking that a woodland is more crowded than it really is. The birds who know the most tunes secure larger territories and breed more successfully. And it's a trick that fools me each year too; if I don't recognise a bird call in the woods it's always a Great Tit.

Through aggression and deceit, these birds have successfully established an empire that spreads from England to China. And it's from the far-flung corners of this empire that we've recently received reports of some rather worrying behaviour. From

Finland came news of a group of Great Tits changing their vegan diet of seeds and nuts to something much more meaty: other birds. In Hungary, scientists made the chilling discovery of a population of Great Tits which have developed a taste for the brains of hibernating bats. Sure, these are isolated incidents at the moment but with human society plunging rapidly towards the abyss and an army of Great Tits acquiring a taste for blood and brains, is it unreasonable to hypothesise a post-apocalyptic future where humans are at the mercy of plagues of zombie Great Tits? Close your windows people – they're coming for us!



*Great Tit  
c Nigel Symington  
Sussex Wildlife Trust*



*Flight  
c Nigel Symington  
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### RSPB Events for September 2022

No events scheduled this month

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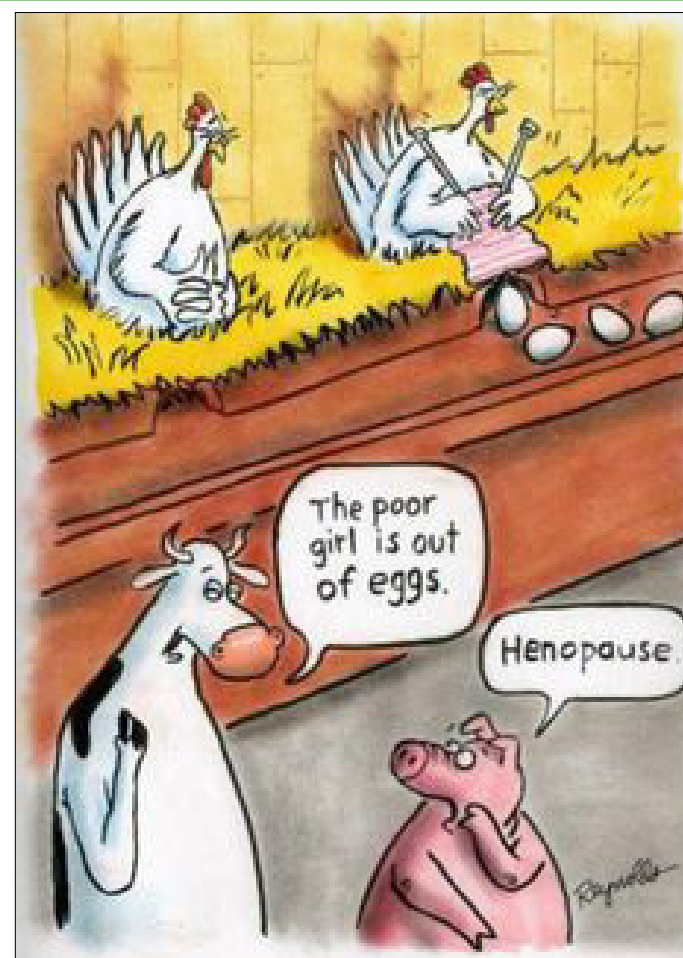
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### Chichester Conservancy Volunteers September 2022

No events scheduled this month

22) In the Lone Ranger, what is the name of Tonto's horse? (When they got to Canada, did the Lone Ranger say "Toronto pronto Tonto" or is that a myth?)  
23) Buffetiers, guards of the monarch's food, became known as what?  
24) What insect's larva is the bloodworm?  
25) Which 18th century "royal" is lampooned in a nursery rhyme?  
26) What country's national symbol is a hexagram?  
27) What was the name of the East German secret police?  
28) Are a moth's antennae feathery or club-tipped?  
29) What does "bourne" in a place name mean?  
30) Manketti, Okari and Yeheb are all varieties of what?





## The Write Zone with Tara Lennon



Part III.

Three weeks clicked round in a blink. Becca called me twice, sounding dreadful – said she hoped I was okay. I texted back saying I was fine, and left it at that. On the Monday morning of the fourth week, when I was half-way through my emails, Claude knocked on my door.

'I'm so sorry to bother you. Can I ask a favour?'

She fixed me with a hopeful gaze. 'I wondered if you might have a little spare time to help me with something.'

'Sure. What is it?'

'My granddaughter, Anna, is coming soon to collect some of my old things and I need a strong pair of arms to help me sort them out. If you can spare them, that is.'

There was nothing I was dealing with that couldn't wait. 'No problem. Give me an hour?'

'Perfect. Wear old clothes,' she added.

'All my clothes are old,' I grinned watching her leave. I arrived at Claude's place sharply at eleven. The barn door stood open and from the scraping and rustling noises, Claude had been determined to make a head start. She looked up as I arrived.

'Ah, the cavalry!' she exclaimed breathlessly. I stared at the city of boxes and black bin-liners.

'Wow, you have a lot of things.'

'Yes, I have been a bit of magpie but I wouldn't be surprised if Anna takes the lot.'

'Does she live in Sorrento too?'

'No, Pisa. She's been there for a year, teaching English.

'That must be nice for you.'

Claude smiled fondly. 'She's a lovely girl. A real spirit. Reminds me of me when I was her age. Well, let's crack on shall we?'

We worked solidly for two hours, Claude motioning me this way and that to climb, heave, haul and disgorge. Objects were set into different piles in the sunshine outside the barn. Behind a partitioned area at the back of the barn there was a large object under a khaki tarp, which I peeled away to reveal a black and silver Royal Enfield motorcycle.



'Blimey – this yours?' I exclaimed, smoothing the warm caramel-coloured leather seat. Claude stopped what she was doing. 'Yes, it is. My pride and joy hasn't been ridden for a while because of this.' She lofted her sling. 'You ride?'

'Many years ago, just after college.'

'Didn't keep it up?'

I thought about Becca's earliest protestations about safety and wished I'd been less inclined to listen. 'I guess it was never important enough.'

Claude folded her arms. 'Are you tempted now?'

'What, tempted to ride this? Absolutely.'

'Then take it for a spin.'

'What, now?'

'Of course now.' She held my gaze fondly. 'You only have one life, James. It's not a cliché or a rumour. You have to follow your heart; seize the day. Take the bike - go practise. I can finish sorting my things later.' Riding a motorbike in Italy was a romantic notion that I hadn't foreseen. I wondered, suddenly, when I had last felt like a new beginning was opening up and it was then that I realised that the reason I'd been so reluctant to speak to Becca and work things out was because I was avoiding the truth: that Becca and I had been finished a long time ago. We'd both dealt with it in different ways - she'd had an affair, and I'd ignored the signs. I swallowed, knowing there was no way to avoid what I had to do next. With Claude's advice still pounding in my head, I walked into the sunlight, called my wife, and told her I wanted a divorce.

*To be continued ...*

*Tara*

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# September's Update

## Responding to the Cost-of-Living Crisis locally

Whilst the cost-of-living crisis takes hold across the UK, the impact locally on individuals, families and businesses is rapidly emerging. Responding to a serious problem isn't new to Selsey, and the Selsey Community Forum has been active in supporting, signposting and meeting a need where appropriate. The ongoing accumulation of issues is leading to a perfect storm with numbers increasing who are seeking advice from the Selsey Care Shop - we are now up to 150 enquiries a week!

Just prior to the pandemic plans were underway for the creation of **Selsey Money Support**. This rapidly came into it's own with the resulting impact of covid with people losing their jobs, being furloughed and finding themselves running out of money.

## Debt Management:

Working in partnership with **Frontline Debt Advice**, our trained financial advisors can work closely with a person(s) to work out a plan of support to reduce, and in some circumstances eliminate, their debt. This of course in turn can relieve stress and anxiety about a situation that felt out of control.

## Utilities:

The increased bills from utility providers is also creating huge worry and recommendations from social media and TV can cause more of an issue. Discussing this with one of our volunteers and making contact with a supplier is important as people see their bills spiralling - and we haven't hit the colder months as yet. If you are struggling with your bills, or simply want someone to talk to your Utility company on your behalf, then please ask. In addition, working in partnership with **Citizen's Advice Bureau**, has led to funding to support people through this difficult period.

In some situations, a person may not be receiving all the financial assistance from the **Department of Work and Pensions** that they are entitled to. A discussion with one of our volunteers about your circumstances, can lead to access to entitlements, such as:

- ✓ Attendance Allowance
- ✓ PIP
- ✓ Carers Allowance
- ✓ Blue Badge
- ✓ DS1500 for some people with a terminal diagnosis
- ✓ Free TV licence (for those over 75 and receiving pension credit)

## Pop Up Pantry:

In partnership with **UK Harvest**, SCF has been able to maximise food usage and reduce waste with the **Pop-up Pantry** based at **Beacon Church** (Marisfield Place) from 2-3 pm on Tuesdays. Often there will be between 35 -60 people using the pantry, making use of food that will often go to waste. More recently we have seen people who have settled in Selsey from the Ukraine, Armenia, Afghanistan, Iraq and Romania using the Po-up Pantry regularly

too and in increasing numbers. As well as supporting them with affordable food provision, it provides an opportunity for them to connect and speak in their own language as they meet together at Beacon Church.

## Young Person's Development Workshop:

These workshops took place over the summer and provided support for people with a learning disability, or additional needs, to develop independent living skills. This included opportunities to make money go further by developing skills in money management, shopping and cooking affordable nutritious meals.

## Selsey Employment Services:

SES offers bespoke to access a range of employment services. This can include skills analysis, planning, CV writing, researching, and accessing employment opportunities. This service is proving popular for people with a range of special needs who may can develop their experiences through voluntary or part time work.

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## Access to additional support from our partner organisations:

**Carers Support West Sussex** - contact telephone: 0300 028 8888

- ✓ Carer's grant
- ✓ Discount Card

**Chichester District Council** - Contact Telephone: 01243 785166

- ✓ Pension Credit
- ✓ Universal Credit
- ✓ Council Tax reduction
- ✓ Discretionary Housing Payment (DHP) form

If you need further information about the work that the Selsey Community Forum is engaged with please, contact the Care Shop. It is worth saying that **Selsey Community Forum** is a small charity and not commissioned by WSCC or the NHS. It works in partnership with other agencies. It relies on grant funding, local fundraising, and kind donations from our guests attending activities, legacies, individuals and businesses based in Selsey. It is the heart of Selsey!

Karen Pirks

*Volunteer Operations Lead and Deputy Chair of the Selsey Community Forum.*

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## DONNA'S DELIBERATIONS

Hi everyone, and welcome to the beginning of autumn - welcome to September!

All in all I think we can say, with some assurance, that August was a pretty hot one. We had amber heat warnings for extreme heat which reached the mid 30s - although that was slightly lower than the record 40 degrees which was recorded in July. It was one of the hottest summers on record, from the 20th century average, and 2022 is actually on track to be the hottest year since 2010.

It wasn't just us, either. There were wildfires in France, Spain, Portugal and Greece and the USA saw over 100 million people under what they call 'heat advisories'. Interestingly though, whilst I'm sure we would all agree it was pretty excessive out there, from a pure numbers standpoint, it wasn't as dire as we may have thought. The first six months of 2022 were only the 6th hottest period since the 1880s, but we can be sure that it will join the top ten hottest years - a signal to all of us that the earth's temperature baseline is certainly changing. Having said that, in Europe we have to place the heatwave we experienced in the context of other heat waves which we have had in the past, so it may be a little premature to go out and buy an air conditioner!

Trouble is, of course, that we 'Southerners', particularly, are never prepared for sudden 'heat surges' in much the same way that we are never prepared for 'snow surges!' Both are possible, indeed quite probable now, but we always greet both extremes with bewilderment and disbelief. Fact is that we may have to brace ourselves for generally more intense and widespread heat, even though this summer may have been a little extreme, and equally be a little more prepared for the 'white stuff' to fall during the winter!

The good thing about the weather this summer, however, was that planning could be a little easier to do - although we were all wondering just when it would 'break' and the rain would descend so violently as to be apocalyptic. We managed to avoid that, but over in Ventnor and Shanklin, there was a particularly torrential and violent flash flood, which sent water cascading down the hills of both towns, and an actual 'lake' appeared at Lake! Fortunately, Mr J and I weren't over there at the time, but the videos we were sent were truly terrible.

One of the most interesting places on the island we went to this summer was Bembridge. We'd been there before, but only for a fleeting visit, so we thought we'd go back to explore this time - and try to actually see sunny Selsey. We just about managed it, and using a 50 x magnification could just about make out the houses along by Medmerry. Unfortunately, trying to reproduce it here would be completely pointless, as it just looks like a few 'blobs' but we did at least manage to prove that we could see our lovely little town from both sides of the Solent!

We took a somewhat challenging coastal walk around by Bembridge and ended up at a small cafe right by the cliffs; turned out that the rock formations and fossils are used by geology students. It's an area of special scientific interest which means that anyone can visit the site but you can't damage the rock. It's quite incredible to see it.



We also walked up to Culver Down. Now, there is a massive landmark there - the Culver Down Monument. I had no idea what this was, but I had seen it from afar when we were on our travels and I assumed that it may have some very important historic significance - like, for example, the Marconi Monument at Alum Bay which marks the exact spot where Guglielmo Marconi carried out some experimental work which eventually led to the telecommunications we all take for granted these days. I was wrong, but nevertheless it is an impressive sight. It's actually called

the Yarborough Monument, and has been a seriously prominent feature of the Island's skyline for many years. It's a gigantic granite obelisk which was originally built slightly higher up on Bembridge Down, but moved, stone by stone to it's present location, in the 1860's. 'Why was it moved?' I hear you ask - it was to ensure that there was sufficient space to build the Bembridge Fort, considered important for the Island's sea defences.



So, what exactly is this extremely grand monument memorialising? The Earl of Yarborough, apparently. He rose to wealth and power due to an accident of birth and marriage; he had a passion for sailing, becoming a founding member of what was later to become the Royal Yacht Squadron in Cowes - arguably the most prestigious yacht club in the world. It would appear, from the inscription, that he was a decent chap and that people felt strongly enough to fund the building of a rather magnificent monument.

We also went for a wander around St Helen's Duver - it's an important site for wildlife, and provides really superb feeding for migrating birds and those over - wintering. It's not the easiest of terrain, but it is very varied. We walked through grass, sandy dunes, pebbly beaches, ancient woodland and then a concrete promenade. It's certainly varied!



Also on our meanderings, we walked past a double decker bus, painted with the Union Flag. For those of us of a certain age, we may recall that the Spice Girls made a film in 1997 called Spice World - this was the actual bus! It's been turned into an Airbnb by a very entrepreneurial owner; it's pretty expensive to rent. Having said that, it's a bit of nostalgia for those of us who remember the Spice Girls with some affection!



And so, my lovely fellow Selsonians, we wave goodbye to the summer and usher in the autumn - probably my favourite season. It slightly loses its hue for me because of the amount of stuff relating to the 'C' word which will be starting to hit the shops, but let's face it, it's been there since August!

One of my favourite little poems is dedicated to September:

'There are flowers enough in the summertime,

More flowers than I can remember -

But none with the purple, gold and red

That dye the flowers of September.'

Mary Howitt (1799-1888)

We also have a few interesting National Days in September: International Literacy Day on the 8th, Roald Dahl Day on the 13th and The International Day of Peace on the 21st. The hope was that the latter be considered a day of global ceasefire and non-violence. We can only hope that it will be observed.

Take care all.

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Children's Nursery - Tony Cullen



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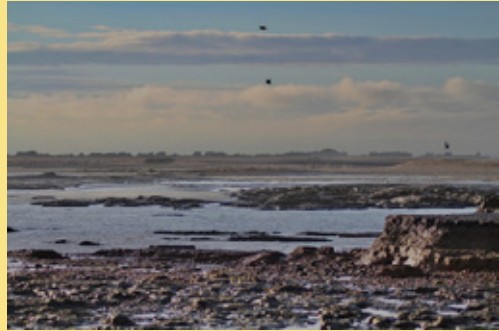


Angelina Toft

Dear Selsey Life,

I stayed in Selsey at the Seal Bay resort the first week in August and enjoyed reading the Selsey Life magazines. These are my photos at the Medmerry nature reserve and the East beach.

Thankyou Amber Homersham



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**Astronomy Club  
("The New Selsey Stargazers")**

In the home town of the late Sir Patrick Moore, let's have an amateur astronomy club in which we could call ourselves "The New Selsey Stargazers".

I have loads of materials such as presentations, magazines, articles, web sites, etc., and as a member, I also have access to one of the best Astronomy Societies in the South of England, the 'Cody Astronomy Society' in Farnborough. We can also arrange the occasional guest speaker on specialised subjects.

Through its genial Director, Dr. John Mason, we can also benefit from the brilliant planetarium in Chichester, which has recently been granted by NASA the great honour of access rights to the results from Deep Space coming from the fantastic, huge new James Webb Space Telescope, which is replacing the 30 years old Hubble. We can also arrange visits to other local planetariums.

I am able to arrange an excellent venue off the High Street for our regular meetings, which I would suggest that we would hold in the third or fourth week of each month so that we can discuss and be ready for the Sky at Night for the ensuing month.

As we move into autumn and winter with the clocks going back soon, this is an exciting time of the year for stargazing. For example, with the recent clear skies in August, the observing of the meteor shower (the Persiades) recently was quite exciting. We can check out the dates of the rest of this year's meteor showers to look forward to, and look at their orbits and characteristics.

We can follow the progress of NASA's most powerful space rocket ever built called the Artemis. The new capsule it will eventually carry into space will be able to accommodate at least 4 astronauts to and around the Moon. They are hoping to get up close and personal with the far side of the moon, and learn much more about the late Sir Patrick Moore's favourite subject

We can bring along our telescopes to areas of least light pollution like my back garden in Seal Road, and we can attach our cameras for some memorable space photos. But even a good pair of binoculars will be fine for most viewing of our Solar System.

Membership is open to all and will probably cost about 3 pounds per month, just to cover costs.

If you are interested in this new initiative please contact me by email at [lunn.peter@gmail.com](mailto:lunn.peter@gmail.com)



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Selsey Gardening Club



On the 18th August 25 members managed to get together for an afternoon visit to the Apuldram Centre. We received a tour



around the horticultural section, heard about how the centre was formed and how they help adults with

learning disabilities in the local area. Sadly horticulture is not something that the adults tend to do as much these days, but they do still grow produce to sell in the shop and use the ingredients in the food they serve in the cafe. We of course had to sample the



produce with an afternoon cream tea, which was delicious. Like us all the plants have suffered in the hot weather but there was still a lovely display of flowers, vegetables and tomatoes.

If you fancy a trip out anyone is welcome to pop into the centre and enjoy the food and cakes in the cafe.



Our September meeting will be on Friday 9th September (2nd Friday of the month)

Mike Charman from Kent, Surrey and Sussex Air Ambulance



who will be talking about 'The Work of the Air Ambulance and how we can support them'

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

With COVID still around, it has been requested by the Air Ambulance that anyone attending the meeting should wear face masks unless you are medically exempt. This is for everyone's safety – especially our speaker Mike who will then return to the office and mix with medical staff who go out on missions. We just need to keep everyone safe.

There will be a collection bucket should you wish to make a donation

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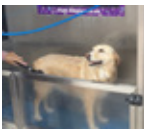
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Find and cross out all the listed words. The words may go horizontally, vertically, diagonally, not backwards. Ignore spaces, dashes and diacritic symbols, if any. The remaining letters will spell one more capital city.

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BERLIN	TBLISI	R J E S N I H I A
BISSAU	TEHRAN	I R I H K S A N L
BUDAPEST	TOKYO	D K I B R I B G U
DILI	TUNIS	T O K Y O A I J M
DJIBOUTI		B I S S A U N A P
DUBLIN		U E M T H D T N U
HANOI		D P R O U A H I R
KUALA LUMPUR		A V A L R N N C Q
MADRID		P I K R I O I O U
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# In the Garden

our monthly guide to gardening - In memory of Giles Peare

## 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.

## 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.

## Selsey Open Gardens

Greening Selsey was one of the themes at this year's Open Gardens. The initiative offered ideas on making your garden more sustainable and wildlife friendly. A survey was conducted and over 60 participants completed the form available on the day. There was also a prize draw associated for those taking part. The prize - a Sparrow Bird Box built and donated by the Selsey Men in Sheds. The winners were Gloria and Alan Osbourne. Thank you to everyone who took part and here are the results of the survey.



### GREENING SELSEY - Creating a Sustainable Future

Greening Selsey is supported by a range of local community groups and organisations. It is an initiative to tackle the climate crisis and biodiversity loss at a local level. It aims to make Selsey a better place to live for everything and everyone.

### Wildlife Garden Survey Results

Firstly, we would like to say a huge thank you to the 63 people who have completed the survey so far.

The main purpose of the survey was to investigate the current value to wildlife of gardens in Selsey. And the simple answer is that most have significant value because of the wildlife-friendly features they contain.

The results clearly show that many gardeners and their gardens are doing a great deal to support our local wildlife and many people are interested in taking this further. Here is a selection of the findings to support this:

- 11% of people described their garden as specifically a Wildlife Garden

- 29% of gardens contained ponds and 56% wild areas
- 87% of gardens contained trees and 62% hedges
- 81% had wildflowers growing in them
- Percentage of gardens containing the following features:
  - Bird feeders/table 73%
  - Bird/bat boxes 44%
  - Unmown/long grass area 40%
  - Plants/flowers to attract wildlife 89%
  - Dead wood/log pile 53%
- Garden birds, Butterflies and Bees/Wasps/Hoverflies were visitors to almost all gardens. (Although this may appear unremarkable, there have already been significant decreases in the populations of many of our commonest garden visitors and we can no longer take them for granted)
- Foxes were observed in 80% of gardens
- 39 people wanted to be kept updated about wildlife gardening initiatives and Greening Selsey and most of them also wanted to learn more about wildlife gardening and/or the wildlife using their garden. Some were also keen to encourage others to garden more for wildlife.

[Full results of the survey are available on the Manhood Wildlife & Heritage Group website – <http://www.mwhg.org.uk>

This is all extremely encouraging but, as a community, we can always do more. With an estimated 16 million gardens in the UK, the way they are managed can make a huge difference to wildlife. Although each garden on its own may be small, together they can form a patchwork of mini nature reserves linking urban green spaces with the wider countryside, giving wildlife the space to adapt and thrive in a changing climate.

Greening Selsey wants wildlife to thrive here in Selsey and, as you can see, one of the best places to start is in our **OWN** gardens!

If you would like to complete a survey, learn more about wildlife gardening or share your knowledge and expertise with others, or you would like to get involved with Greening Selsey, please get in touch by emailing [joesavill57@gmail.com](mailto:joesavill57@gmail.com)

If you're passionate about your garden and your friends and family tell you how lovely it is, why not open it to visitors with the National Garden Scheme.



By opening your garden with the NGS, you'll join a community of like-minded garden owners and volunteers all passionate about gardens. You will share a memorable day with your visitors and help raise money for vital nursing and health charities. You decide when and how often you want to open and you will be ably supported by the NGS team prior to your opening.

Nick Waters, Old Well Cottage, Angmering opened his garden for the first time in July

**'We opened for the first time this year and thoroughly enjoyed the experience. It is important for us all to enjoy outdoor spaces, particularly given the difficult few years during the pandemic. The NGS is a wonderful organisation and we took great pleasure in helping raise vital funds for such worthwhile causes'.**



**'Opening for the National Garden Scheme is extremely rewarding. It has given us a huge amount of pleasure and has also given a lot of pleasure to our many visitors. We are proud to be able to contribute to such a worthwhile cause'.**



Elizabeth and Ian Gregory, Cloud Cottage, regularly open their garden in Ashington and will be opening it on August 21st with another Ashington garden, Hollyoaks.

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Jennie & Trevor Rollings open their garden Channel View in Goring-by-Sea 'By Arrangement' **'There is nothing more special than sharing a garden that you love with other people and at the same time making money for such a worthy cause as the nursing charities of the National Garden Scheme. During the 15 years that we have opened our garden we have met many wonderful people and shared ideas which people have appreciated. They have particularly liked the fact that our garden is a normal size suburban garden which allows them to realise what they can achieve in their own.'**



We are currently hoping to encourage more garden owners in **Selsey** and the surrounding area to open their gardens for us so, whether your garden is big or small, if you think it has quality, character and interest we would love to hear from you.

To Find out more

Go to <https://ngs.org.uk/get-involved/open-your-garden/>

Telephone Maggi Hooper, the NGS W. Sussex County Organiser **07793 159304** who will be able to answer all your questions.

Contact the NGS Team – Email [hello@ngs.org.uk](mailto:hello@ngs.org.uk) or telephone **01483 211535**

Details of all gardens opening in West Sussex during September and By Arrangement Gardens can be seen on the Selsey Life Website and on the NGS website <https://ngs.org.uk>

### 54 Elmleigh

Midhurst, Sussex GU29 9HA  
1/5 acre property with terraced front garden, leading to a heavily planted rear garden with majestic 120 year-old black pines. **Opens Saturday 3rd and Sunday 4th September: 11am – 5pm: Admission £4 (Pay on the day).**



### Parsonage Farm

Kirdford, Sussex RH14 0NH  
Major garden in beautiful setting developed over 30 years with fruit theme and many unusual plants. Formally laid out on grand scale with long vistas. **Opens Sunday 4th September: 2pm -6pm: Admission £7 (Pay on the day).**



### Hollist House

Hollist Lane Easebourne Midhurst, West Sussex GU29 9RS  
A traditional English garden, with natural spring pond and the river Rother running through acres of lawns, woods, herbaceous borders and kitchen garden. **Opens Thursday 8th September: 2pm – 5.30pm: Admission £5 (Pay on the day).**



### Five Oaks Cottage

Petworth, Sussex RH20 1HD  
An acre of delicate jungle surrounding an Arts and Crafts style cottage (not open) with stunning views of the South Downs. **Open Friday 9th and Sunday 11th September: 10am – 4pm: Admission £5 (Book on the NGS website).**



For more details and to book (if necessary) go to the National Garden Scheme Website <https://ngs.org.uk>

For go directly to the above gardens click on the following link <https://ngs.org.uk/west-sussex-gardens-in-september/>

The NGS have donated over £63 million to nursing and health charities and made an annual donation of over £3 million in 2021. Their core beneficiaries include Macmillan Cancer Support, Marie Curie, Hospice UK and The Queen's Nursing Institute.



- 31) We Need to Talk about Kevin is a prize winning novel by whom?
- 32) What gives plants their green colour?
- 33) Hydrophobia is another name for what?
- 34) How does a digitigrade animal walk?
- 35) What shaped mark does an adder have on it's head?
- 36) What are tussock, burnet and goat types of?
- 37) What is zero degrees Farenheit in centigrade?
- 38) Which gas forms nearly 80% of the earth's atmosphere?
- 39) Silicon Valley is adjacent to which US city?
- 40) What does FM stand for in radio?
- 41) Who became known as "Father of the Atom Bomb"?
- 42) Scurvy is caused by a deficiency of which vitamin?
- 43) When did the woolly rhinoceros become extinct in Britain?

**Did you know?** On average, men get bored of a shopping trip after 26 minutes.





Summer is truly here with us this year, with long extremely hot days. Very little rain has fallen and what has, has made no difference to the baked parched fairways. As one walks the course you can see patches of brilliant green in a beige/brown parched landscape at the ends of each fairway, the greens.

It is an unusual sight like an oasis in a desert. There are still some wild flowers that have survived the heat and the bulrushes in the ditches, especially on the fourth hole, are quite majestic, standing proudly above the banks of the ditch, reminding us all that nature can survive.

There was only one mixed match due to be played and that was on the 26th July, the only day it had rained for weeks. The match was the Silver Gauntlet, this is where the Ladies challenge the Veterans and is fiercely competitive. With the new handicap system now fully up and running, the ladies have more of a chance of beating the Vets as the handicaps now better reflect the standard of each individual player. Unfortunately after 8 holes had been played the thunder and lightning started and the rain came down in torrents The Claxon was sounded and the players called off the course and the match had to be abandoned. A great pity especially as the next day the sun shone brightly and very hot again and there has been no rain since!! Hopefully this match can be re-scheduled.

#### Ladies

The Ladies have had another full month of competitions, the first played on the 4th July. This was the Three Clubs and a Putter competition. A player can choose 3 clubs from her bag and her putter. No other clubs can be taken on the course so it is important to choose carefully as once play has started the golfer just has to play with what is in her bag. This was won by Eddie Williamson with 35 points. Jaqui Towns came second with 34 points. Caroline Newton and Barbara Winter both scored over 30 points all very good scores considering that they only had 3 clubs to



play with instead of at least 9 or 10 and of course the putter.

On the 11th July another one of the ladies' historic competitions was played, the Elizabeth Perkins Medal. This was first played in 1968 and this year the winner was Trudy Hynes who came in with a remarkable score of nett 60, 12 shots below the par or gross score of the course, that for ladies is, 72 shots. Her gross score was 88 and that was the lowest gross score. The gross score is the actual shots played before a players handicap is taken off leaving a nett score. Really well done Trudy. Anne Croxford was the overall runner-up with a nett 65 and her gross score of 108 and Eddie Williamson came third with a nett score of 68 and a gross score of 111. (photo of Trudy Hynes)

The next competition the ladies played was on the 18th and this was the Queens Diamond Jubilee Trophy, obviously first played in 2012. The format for this competition is Stableford, a player can only score up to their handicap allowance on each hole and then must pick up her ball. Played once again in very hot sunny conditions, this was won by Alison Weller with 38 points. Carol Wheeler scored 37 points and came second narrowly beating Mary Carpenter on countback who also scored 37. (photo of Alison Weller)



On 25th July a new type of format was played called the Stableford Waltz. This was played in groups of three players and the scoring was based on the 1 2 3 of the Waltz dance. All 3 players play each hole individually and on the first hole only the best out of the 3 players scores is counted. On the second hole, the 2 best scores are counted and on the third hole all three players' scores are counted. This sequence is then repeated until all 18 holes are played. The winning group is the group with the highest number of points scored and Sheila Watmore, Mary Carpenter and Jillie Ranscombe were the winners with 81 points. Eddie Williamson, Rita Green and Anne Croxford were the runner-ups with 72 points.

The Juniors played their 4th Match at Ham Manor Golf Club and although they did not win that match are still in the lead overall with two matches to play. These will be played at Worthing Golf Club on 9th August and West Sussex Golf Club on 10th August. So a very busy couple of days for the Juniors.

The above mentioned matches have been played before this article has to go for print so the results can be published now. Selsey Juniors finished 6th at Worthing but Thomas Ford had the top score of 40 points. At the West Sussex match Selsey finished 2nd and Oscar Lee had the top score of 39 points. This means that Selsey Juniors now go forward to two more competitions. The first is to the Langmead Trophy which is a Sussex County event and the second to the Junior Golf event that is to be held of 18th September at the Hockley Golf Club.

The team of boys who have represented Selsey in the West Sussex Junior League are Thomas Ford, Junior Captain, Hugh Lloyd, Luca Alonso, Oscar Lee and Reggie Lee.

Well done boys. A tremendous result and good luck for the next two competitions.

#### A Day to be Remembered

It was on a whim. She doesn't recall why she wasn't at work or what the weather was doing, although there is a recollection of brightness.

She got off the bus and headed to the dress shop, she tried something on which she really didn't fancy, this explosive whim was becoming a bit listless. Something caught her eye, it was a £20 note, just sitting on the floor and winking at her.

Conscience got the better of her, she went to the counter, no purchase in hand and handed it in. Jesus really would knock on the door one day and want her as a sunbeam. To her utter astonishment the lady told her it probably would not and certainly could not with proof be claimed "its your lucky day" she said. She felt a pang of guilt – for a nano second – then human nature kicked in and she felt glee, hoping no one would notice the spongy spring in her bouncing feet as she walked, no bounced on clouds, down the High Street.

A thought occurred, it was the day for whims. What if she turned right? Three doors down on the right there was a shop window she had looked in so many times over the last few weeks.

It was navy and white, simple and elegant with sailing boats. It was the duvet cover set that would make her feel so proud to welcome guests to her brand spanking smelling new home. And ...it was free money!

It was hers – Happy Happy Day. That big beaming smile all on her own, which if anyone noticed made her look a bit strange. She got back on the bus and felt like the Queen, but even she doubted the Queen ever rattled for change and got on the number 65.

Home again, jiggety jig with a purchase in hand, so much better than the dress that didn't really suit or let's face it even fit. She went into the lounge and the answerphone was blinking at her. Seven missed calls or messages, she knew she wasn't that popular and they all seemed to be recent and in quick succession. No one had called her by mobile, not surprising really, her husband was the only person she knew with a mobile, and that was provided by work. Her pretty pink shell phone was some years away yet.

She went to press the play button but all of a sudden it rang again.



#### St. Peter's Church News

Wow, at long last an event we had originally booked for 2020 finally took place on Saturday 6th August at the Selsey Centre and what an evening it was.

The 'TAKE THAT EXPERIENCE' Tribute band kept us entertained throughout, singing songs from different stages of their career, complete with commentary and even joked about the dancing (which Gary Barlow always said at the time he did not enjoy) This group had it all down to a 'T'.

The whole evening was a pleasure to be part of -everyone joining in singing and dancing and just enjoying an evening with friends and families. So many good comments were received at the end of the evening and questions as to when the next one was to take place. (Definitely Aug 2023 –and IF we can, we will try to arrange something earlier).

Our thanks go to all of you who supported us –the obvious enjoyment made all the effort worthwhile.

**WATCH THIS SPACE FOR FUTURE EVENTS.....**

She huffed with frustration. It was the husband. What did he want? She was shocked by the quiver in his voice. He almost demanded to know "where have you been? Put the telly on. "

She switched on the television and the first sound was a gasp and then she spoke not even hearing the voice at the end of the phone "oh my God they have done it again"

It was the billows of smoke, the screaming voices and the fear on those faces worst of all the man that was falling. This surely wasn't real. She froze for a moment like a cemetery stone, but her jaw then dropped open and her right hand jumped across her mouth. The husband came home at the usual time. There was a look to each other but no words were spoken. There were no appropriate words just sitting down and still watching the constant replays on the television. The evening passed with no thought about tea. Everything seemed to be cancelled and there was only one story, those images played over and over again.

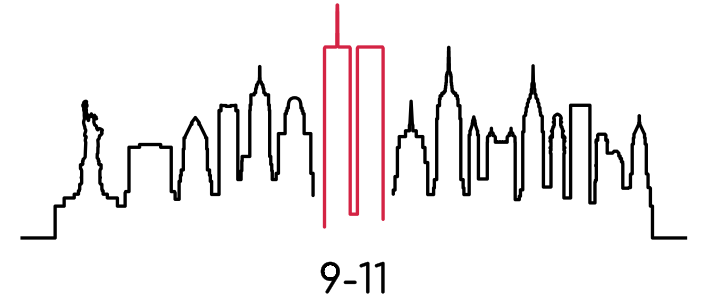
It must have been past midnight when they went to bed and both ignored the mutual silent tear dropping so slowly from the eye down across the cheek.

She turned and snuggled her face into his comforting and safe feeling chest, he scooped her up tight with his strong comforting arm.

The silence was audible.

Today had been about a duvet set but not anymore. Today was September 11<sup>th</sup> **and that was a day to be remembered.**

Karen Burton, September 2018



#### SELSEY CARPET BOWLS CLUB

Times for bowling are as follows :-

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

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

Come along & give it a try at Medmerry School,(entrance opposite the Library ) you won't be disappointed.

Contact Annette on 606227 or Karen on 607169

email: [info@selseycarpetbowls.co.uk](mailto:info@selseycarpetbowls.co.uk)

[www.selseycarpetbowls.co.uk](http://www.selseycarpetbowls.co.uk)

September 23rd is the Autumnal Equinox, the end of our Summer for another year and the beginning of Autumn. More hours of darkness than light. Where does the time go?

#### Did you know?

A baby octopus is about the size of a flea when it is born.

#### Did you know?

In the 16th Century, Turkish women could initiate divorce if their husbands didn't provide enough coffee.

The Battle of Hastings didn't actually take place in Hastings, but  
7 miles away at the place now known as Battle.

Eating carrots can turn your skin orange.

## What is Alpha

Alpha is an opportunity to explore the Christian faith in a friendly, open and informal environment around a meal, short film and discussion with no pressure, no follow-up, no charge.

You're invited to a 10 week course starting  
Wednesday 12 October @ 7.00pm

RSVP - 07521 609730 (Text or call)  
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Latest News from St Wilfrid's Hospice: Moonlight Walk Week!

We're getting excited as we're putting the finishing touches to a very special annual event. St Wilfrid's Hospice Moonlight Walk takes place on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September! Plus, we've extended the registration so you can still sign up for tickets until midnight on Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> September.



Join the Moonlight Walk evening event on Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> September walking a 5- or 10-mile route around Chichester. This very special sponsored walk has a musical send off, celebration stations along the route and we turn the Bishop Palace Gardens into a sensory light up trail – it's a real highlight.



All walkers receive a souvenir t-shirt and supporter pack, and everyone will get a commemorative medal too. Our event village at Chichester College offers free parking to all walkers and this year we will have local food and drink sellers and other activities at the start and end to really add to the atmosphere. Bring friends and family for a drink and to cheer you over the finishing line!

You can choose your start time on September the 10<sup>th</sup>, and you'll be joined by hundreds of other walkers on the route. Kids can join in too, as long as they are accompanied by an adult, and the walk route is accessible for wheelchair users and buggies.

We'd love to see as many people as possible from our community take part. It's a really special event, where we come together to walk in memory of those dear to us, and to raise funds for vital hospice services in our community.



Our nurses and doctors support over 325 local people who need hospice services at any one time in Bognor, Chichester, Emsworth, Midhurst, Selsey, Tangmere, Yapton and many more besides. As an independent local charity, we can only continue to provide clinical and emotional support to those who need it with our community's help.

If you'd prefer to walk a route that is special to you, you can get involved and register for the Virtual Moonlight Walk, with any 5 or 10 mile distance.

Registering for the Moonlight Walk is quick and easy at [stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalk](http://stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalk) or call 01243 775302 or email [fundraising@stwh.co.uk](mailto:fundraising@stwh.co.uk). We hope to see you on the night!

If you aren't walking this year, you can still send your support by making a donation at [stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalkdonation](http://stwh.co.uk/moonlightwalkdonation)

Moonlight Walk is proudly supported by Henry Adams [henryadams.co.uk](http://henryadams.co.uk)

The Plight of the Bumblebee

Bumblebee where will you go to find the finest flowers?  
Your options few and far between your brave search eats the hours  
For flying time is wasted time too long spent on the wing  
Far too hard-won the sparse outcome the produce that you bring  
There is an uncut meadow have you found it Bumblebee?  
With flowers of every colour for the avid devotee  
Bravo then portly Bumblebee no aviator you  
Too weighty for the fine stemmed blooms of aromatic blue  
It's harder work for Bumblebee he doesn't have the wings  
The generous wings for harvesting the finest food of kings  
The flower oasis beckons calling softly on the breeze  
It's over there beside the brook behind that row of trees  
Please Bumblebee forgive us for the bad deeds we have done  
Our selfishness is being reined in new thinking has begun  
Please Bumblebee excuse us there is much we need to learn  
We plundered what was rightly yours gave nothing in return  
Cumbrous your awkward flight mere feet above the ground  
All aviation reasoning and great minds to confound  
Bumblebee you warrior you great survivor you  
Applauded by the many though matched only by the few

You've reeled in shock from man's onslaught on numerous occasions  
We've ridden roughshod everywhere you've suffered our invasion  
Do not give up now Bumblebee your world is on the mend  
No longer will we lie and cheat our actions to defend  
You teach us lessons Bumblebee from you we need to learn  
The last canary in the mine the point of no return  
Fruitful has your day's work been can you keep the show on track?  
Fatigued and over loaded now and such a long way back  
Lethargic on the pavement of an energetic street  
Will they spot your presence there, will they see and mind their feet?  
Will a kind one pick you up and place you on a hedge?  
Your life hangs in the balance there your welfare on the edge  
Fly on fly on sweet Bumblebee forge on against all odds  
Resourceful you may well be but your fate lies with the gods  
We're gunning for you Bumblebee we recognise your plight  
Spirited your attitude determinedly you fight  
So did you make it Bumblebee did you make it home?  
Safe in anticipation of another day to roam  
Your darkest days are over we mean everything we say  
Now please continue Bumblebee ..... you have the right of way

JOHN BYRNE JULY 2022 ARTWORK JASON BETON



Did you know?

There is a species of spider called the Hobo Spider.

Hawaiian pizza is a Canadian invention.



Selsey Community Choir

July 16<sup>th</sup> 2022 saw us celebrate 9 years of joyful singing and companionship with a concert of British songs that we had begun just as we all went into lockdown. We are so proud that we survived and returned to finish with a flourish what we started two years ago. Many thanks to our lovely audience for celebrating with us!

Now as we enter our tenth year, we are looking to swell our ranks with lots of new members. There are no auditions – we believe that everyone can sing – it's what we were doing long before we learned to read and write. We all have a voice!

We'll be starting after summer on September 14<sup>th</sup> – we meet every Wednesday evening in the Methodist church hall from 7 to 8.30 pm. The choir is led by the superlative Matt Hoff and Sylvia Rota. The cost is £40 for 12 weeks (less that £4 a session – amazing value with music included)

We will be working towards a Christmas concert in December and our eclectic repertoire is planned to include Fields of Gold, Elton John's Your Song, I'm Gonna Be (500 miles), some Christmas Carols and other fabulous songs to include: Shallow from A Star is born, Titanium and Bad Romance ... a lot to learn and a lot of fun doing it!

Whether you're soprano, alto, tenor or base, or whether you don't know what you are, we can help you in the right direction. Ladies and gentleman who think they might like to sing tenor will be especially welcome!!!

Want any more info? Phone Gillian on [07779918825](tel:07779918825)

The Hidden Garden

a Selsey Community Garden for all to enjoy. Come and join us and meet other passionate gardeners, learn seasonal gardening ideas, swap seeds & plants and help grow fresh vegetables and flowers to take home.

Open every Saturday 10-4pm  
at The Bridge Support Centre  
behind Selsey Library, PO20 9EH

Contact Paul on [07815790770](tel:07815790770) for more information  
organised by Youth Dream

AN EVENING WITH  
JEREMY MAINWARING – BURTON (LVO)  
— THE QUEEN MOTHER AT THE —  
CASTLE OF MEY

Former equerry, Jeremy Mainwaring-Burton, gives a highly entertaining, illustrated account of what it was like to stay at the Castle of Mey for the Queen Mother and her guests.



THURSDAY  
6<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2022  
6.30PM - 8.45PM

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MARKET SQUARE,  
PETWORTH GU28  
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[www.thesussexsnowdroptrust.com](http://www.thesussexsnowdroptrust.com)  
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The Street, BN18 0PF



Birds by Eira Brewster





### Crablands Green Bowls Report...

12th July - Crablands visited our close neighbours (Selsey Bowls Club) and finished winning 81-60.

13th July - Crablands hosted a Ladies' County Match between Sussex and Isle of Wight where Sussex had a narrow win. A great day was had by all.

Crablands Men travelled to Pagham to play in the PC Cup and won 91-69 to reach the semi-finals (which will be played at home).

15th July - In the BM League Division 2, Crablands lost away to Bognor Blue 24-49 (0 points).

17th July - In the WSBL Division 2, Crablands Men hosted Maltravers and gained all 10 points (107-57).

18th July - In the Ladies' Game, Set and Match League Division 1, Crablands Reds gained 1 point against Bognor at home (30-41).

20th July - In the same League, the Green side travelled to Middleton and gained 2 points (37-53).

20th July - In the semi-final of the Midhurst Cup against Petersfield, Crablands progressed to the final to be played on 6th August at Midhurst against Bognor (score 71-60).

The weekend of 23rd/24th July saw some excellent bowling in the Alan Kite Drawn Triples Competition, culminating in semi-finals, both of which could have gone either way until the final end. Eventually, triumphant triples, to go head-to-head on Finals Weekend comprise Nigel Reynolds, Mike Lockyer and Mollie Back and Chris and Lew Lewendon with Peter Blackman. Best of luck both.

25th July - 2 Brooks Motors League Division 2 games - mixed fortunes: Against Middleton at home we won 57-19 (6points).

In the WSBL Division 2, Crablands men won 85-67 (6-4).

26th July - GSM Ladies' League Division 1, the Green team suffered a 27-46 defeat (0 points) away to Worthing Pavilion.

Some more finalists - Chris and Barbara Bond are through in the Millennium Pairs; Sue Blyth is through in the Ladies' Singles.

29th July - Against Pagham at home a narrow defeat - 38-39 (1 point).

31st July - Mens' WSBL Division 2 away at Pulborough gained us just 2 points out of 10 (58-80).

3rd August - Ladies' GSM League Division 1 saw the Green team lose on both rinks for nil points at home to Norfolk (35-40).

4th August - In the BML Division 2, Crablands lost 29-35 (2-6) away at Middleton.

2 Friendly matches saw Crablands win one and lose one:  
2nd August - Playing Chichester B at home we lost 59-67.  
5th August - Hook (Hampshire) at home gave us a win - (119-102). A lovely day which netted over £150 for our charity St Wilfrid's Hospice in the great raffle.

5th August - Crablands travelled to Midhurst to play Bognor in the final of the Midhurst Cup and came away victorious. Well done all who played in this competition over the last few months.

More finalists: Lesley Duff and Sue Blyth will contest the Ladies' Pairs; Richard Humphrey will contest the Handicap competition and Derek Clacey is through in the Centurion Cup (100 up).

7th August - Windsor Great Park; 15 players and 3 guests travelled to Windsor and enjoyed a lovely day. Crablands narrowly lost (83-85).

8th August - In the Brooks Motors League Division 2, Crablands secured all 6 points (36-19) at RAFA.

9th August - In the GSM League Division 1 the Red team travelled to Worthing Pavilion maximum 6 points (43-29).



9th August - In the WSBL Division 2, Crablands Men travelled to Bognor and gained 4 points (out of 10).

11th August - Crablands Green team travelled to Bognor and also picked up

the maximum 6 (45-31).

13TH/14TH August - Crablands 2 wood Pairs Comp had to be cancelled due to the extremely hot weather

More finalists: Gill Oliver will play John Thorp in the Village Cup, Sheila Jones is through in the Ladies' Singles, in the Mens' Pairs Trevor Plaistow and Tony Dade will play Danny Arnold and Ian Ford. Derek Clacey is through in the Mixed Handicap Comp. Very few comps left to report on before Finals Weekend 3rd/4th September.

Interested in joining Green Bowls?  
Please contact Chris Lewendon Green Bowls Secretary via email [chrisandlew@hotmail.com](mailto:chrisandlew@hotmail.com) or call her on 01243 601859

### Crablands Short Mat Bowls Report...

Crablands Short Mat only competition of the Summer Season saw 2 females in the Final, Elaine Sadler & Jan Obermayer. Having clashed swords during the previous winter season, Jan & Elaine knew it would be a hotly contested game, which proved to be the case.

Elaine took an early lead 4-1 but Jan soon found her mojo & quickly ran 16-7 ahead. Elaine managed to pull back to 17-20 but a great last shot from Jan proved her to be a deserving winner. Prizes were presented afterwards by SM Chairman Bryan Jackson.



Interested in joining Short Mat Bowls?  
Email or call all Alex Ainge our Short Mat Fixture Secretary [alex.ainge@btinternet.com](mailto:alex.ainge@btinternet.com) or 01243 605918.

### Crablands Tennis report...

#### Men's Doubles

The men's team completed their final match on Sunday 31st July with another victory. We congratulate them for finishing the season with 24 points out of 28. Well done and thank you to all our players for a fantastic end of season result.

Sunday 31st July home against Middleton  
Result 4:0 win to Crablands

Sunday 17th July away against Crawley  
Result 4:0 win to Crablands

#### Ladies Doubles

The Ladies team have a few more matches in their season.  
Sunday 7th July home against Slinfold  
Result 0:4 win to Slinfold



For Crablands Tennis details please contact either [patsy.malta57@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:patsy.malta57@hotmail.co.uk) or [chris.webdale@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:chris.webdale@hotmail.co.uk)

**Crablands Bowls & Tennis Club joint website is –**  
[crablandsbtc.co.uk](http://crablandsbtc.co.uk)

32 Check it out for great updates on what is happening at Crablands



Thank you to everyone turned out for this year's Beer, Rounders and family day 2022 at Selsey Cricket Club.

The weather was superb with a very good turn out of players and spectators.



Thanks to all the hard working club members and helpers who helped run the bar, preparing the pitches, scoring and umpiring.

Also to all the food suppliers and attractions in the day.

Regrettably the people who were supplying the bouncy castles, slides and bungee trampoline, unfortunately put the wrong date in their diary and didn't attend, so sorry for everyone who was looking forward to this attraction.



The Winners this year for the shield were "The Umpire Strikes back"



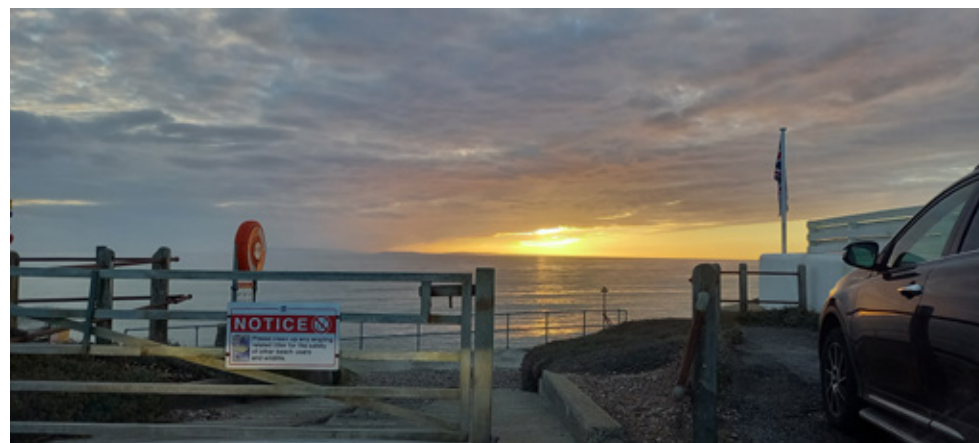
The runner-up and plate winners were "Manhood Rounders 06"

All photos courtesy of Bob Hoare

Many thanks as always to MSJ Jewellery Services who supplied the Shields, and supplied fantastic engraved Mugs.

MSJ Jewellery Services Ltd, 138 High Street, Selsey, West Sussex, PO20 0QE, Telephone: 01243 696726, Email: [Msjltd@talktalk.net](mailto:Msjltd@talktalk.net)

**We look forward to seeing everyone again in 2023**



By  
Karen Freya  
Jackson



# THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE

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

Last month I told you about our pet of the month the Cat Tibs, I am very pleased to let you know that Tibs has now found his forever home.

I just wanted to say a big thank you to everyone who visited us on our Summer Fayre on the 14th August.

Of course I wasn't around on the day, too many people for me, but I had a nice spot in my quiet office. My staff and volunteers said how lovely it was to see everyone enjoying themselves and helping to raise funds for The Centre. It was a great day, maybe a bit hot but we were so thankful that people turned up to make it a great success. I also wanted to say a big thank you to everyone who donated items, businesses who donated prizes for our raffle and auction, volunteers that helped on the day and just anyone that helped in anyway. We could not have done it without you all! We are still working out how much money we raised and I hope to update you on this when I know.

Work is really getting underway in our barn now and it is very exciting to see what it is going to look like. I went and visited the lovely builders today and they showed me that all the pens were in place and they were just working on the doors. Their next job is to complete the ceiling and then it will be almost ready for the cats to use again. It is because of donations from our amazing supporters to our BUMP project a few years ago that we are finally able to complete the barn upgrades. Now my staff will be able to make sure all the cats that stay in the barn will be happy and healthy until we find them their forever home.

Lovely to chat to you all again, see you next month.  
Love Markus x

**P.S. Please check our website [www.crrc.co.uk](http://www.crrc.co.uk) to see how we are now rehoming and for the animals available for adoption.**



## THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE

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

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

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

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

## Gherkin

This month we would love to introduce you to a very handsome rabbit called Gherkin. Gherkin is a 3 year old male rabbit who has been here at The Centre since April as sadly his previous owners were allergic to him. Gherkin is a really sweet boy, occasionally he can be a little bit overprotective of his space but once he lets his guard down he loves nothing more than a nose rub. Gherkin would love to find a female rabbit he can bond with and a forever home of his own. Gherkin would be best suited to a home with older or no children.

If you think you may be able to offer Gherkin a loving home please give the centre a call on 01243 967111 or visit our website [www.crrc.co.uk](http://www.crrc.co.uk).



**THE CAT & RABBIT RESCUE CENTRE**  
Holborow Lodge, Chalder Lane, Sidlesham,  
W. Sussex PO20 7RJ  
Tel: 01243 967111 Reg. Charity no. 1010000  
Email: [info@crrc.co.uk](mailto:info@crrc.co.uk) [www.crrc.co.uk](http://www.crrc.co.uk)

Also find us on facebook  
[www.facebook.com/catandrabbitrescuecentre](https://www.facebook.com/catandrabbitrescuecentre)



## STOP PRESS

### The Selsey Private Club Ltd, Coxes Road PO20 9AN

We have done two fundraising events raising money and goods for the Ukraine totalling over **£6000** cash inc. gift aid, and as going to press we have just had another open day fundraiser for the Selsey foodbank Selsey 4 Selsey to help in our local community.

The final total amount raised will be in next months issue.

Also we are holding another open day fundraising event for the Christmas day community Lunch that we founded some years ago and is now continued by The Beacon Church at East beach, and this will take place on Sat 19th November at the Selsey Private Club starting at 2pm so please keep an eye out for our posters and on our facebook page



## Treat and Release

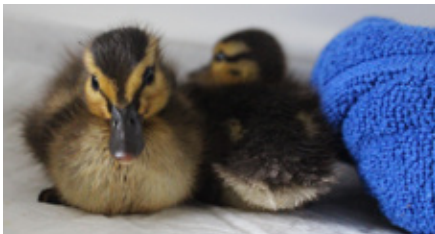
As the summer comes to a close, the hospital continues to treat the late summer admissions. At this time of year, we can now begin to release our juvenile and adult patients. Many of these were the young or baby birds and mammals admitted at the start of the season, but after weeks sometimes months, of rehabilitation they are now ready for release.



We are now starting to see a rise in orphaned hedgehogs as well as families of mum and babies admitted together. Busy hedgehog mums are likely becoming exhausted or dehydrated in the wild due to the warm weather, food

sources could also be scarce and watering spots are few and far between. Being poorly and in 'temporary' captivity during recovery can be stressful, especially with babies, so our hedgehog families are kept outside of the main hospital in our maternity unit, where it is quieter. Staff taking care of these babies are handling them carefully to minimise human contact. The younger families are monitored from a distance to reduce unnecessary stress. Once old enough they will move to an outside enclosure to prepare for release.

Unfortunately, we are still managing the risk of Avian Influenza (bird flu) by restricting the number of bird species we admit. We are regularly updating our admissions policy as well as monitoring the guidelines released by DEFRA. Our advice is still to contact a member of our team if you have a bird casualty and not to bring them onto our site until advised to do so. Most veterinary clinics are still able to offer a treatment service for birds, so if you have an emergency patient, please feel free to contact your local vet.



These ducklings, admitted at the beginning of the season, have now grown into beautiful juvenile/adults with full feathers. After a period of isolation at a local

vet, to ensure they were clear of bird flu, they were admitted into our care at only a few weeks old. Once at the hospital we continued to provide warmth, fluids, and safe place to recuperate. Ducklings grow fast so once they had completed a further period of isolation, the once fluffy ducklings, were moved to our outside enclosure with a shallow pool area where they could waterproof their feathers, learn and develop to prepare for release.

Remember to leave out fresh water and supplementary food for your garden wildlife friends especially when food and water sources are reduced due to the recent warm weather. The start of autumn is soon approaching, and many hedgehogs will need to build up their fat reserves for their long hibernation, leaving out regular dishes of chicken flavoured cat food will be a welcome treat. With so many hoglets and hedgehogs in our care we will need a healthy stock of poultry flavoured cat/dog food as well as other cleaning products such as antibacterial spray, kitchen roll and sponges to see us through this busy period. If you are able to donate any hospital supplies, we will be most grateful. If you have a wildlife patient in need please do not hesitate to get in contact. **01243 641672**. Visit our website or social media channels too for ways to help us and wildlife. [www.brentlodge.org](http://www.brentlodge.org). Thank you.



**SELSEY YOUTH CLUB**

Age 9-12

Every Thursday  
4.30pm-5.30pm

£1.50 entry fee

Selsey Football and Social Club  
(next to CO-OP)  
High Street  
Selsey, PO20 0QG

01243 608943











At Beacon Church Selsey, we are a group of ordinary people who believe that church is a great place to make friends and experience God together. We are a family who believe that church should not only be a great time, but also a place where lives are radically transformed. We value being a part of the Selsey Community and of the many community activities and support groups. You can always be sure of a warm welcome, friendly faces, Bible teaching, and even a cup of tea. If you have not been here before, why not give us a try - we would love to meet you.

With August now behind us, activities and clubs in the church building will be re-starting after the summer break.

Regular Weekly Church Events

Below are our regular activities and services together with the specials for the month.

Sunday	10.00am		<b>MORNING WORSHIP</b> <i>(1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of month, family style service)</i>
Tuesday	2.00pm - 3.00pm		<b>Pop-up Pantry at church building</b>
Wednesday	2.00pm - 3.30pm		<b>Tea and Chat at the church building</b>
Friday	10.00am		<b>Sunbeams for pre-school children and carers</b> <i>Term-time only</i>
Friday	5.00pm		<b>Bright Sparks for school Yrs R to 4</b> <i>Term-time only</i>
Friday	6.15pm		<b>Lighthouse for school Yrs 5+</b> <i>Term-time only</i>

September Diary

Sat 3<sup>rd</sup> 9 am Men's breakfast at the Boulevard  
Sun 4<sup>th</sup> 10 am All-age Worship  
5 pm Songs of Praise  
Mon 12<sup>th</sup> 2 pm Inspire – Pebble Pictures  
Sun 18<sup>th</sup> 3 pm ResBite Tea  
Mon 26<sup>th</sup> 2 pm Inspire – Greeting Card Colouring

October Diary

Sat 1<sup>st</sup> 9 am Men's Breakfast at the Boulevard



Sun 2<sup>nd</sup> 10 am All-age Harvest Service followed by Harvest Lunch  
5 pm Harvest Songs of Praise



E: [office@beaconchurchselsey.org.uk](mailto:office@beaconchurchselsey.org.uk) W: [beaconchurchselsey.org.uk](http://beaconchurchselsey.org.uk)



ST PETER'S CHURCH

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

The church is open daily for prayer and visits.

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

Please check our noticeboard and website for service times

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

Our Church Halls with Kitchen and Car Park are available to hire for your meetings and celebrations please contact our Hall Manager Sue Ripley on 01243 948501 or [stpetershallbookings@outlook.com](mailto:stpetershallbookings@outlook.com)

SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH

For enquiries about hiring the hall please email

[d.dixon808@btinternet.com](mailto:d.dixon808@btinternet.com)



The Catholic Church of Our Lady of Mount Carmel and St Wilfrid, Selsey



Masses held on  
weekdays at 10am,  
Saturdays at 5pm &  
Sundays at 10am

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

For more details go to:  
[www.saintsofsussex.com](http://www.saintsofsussex.com)

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



SELSEY METHODIST CHURCH SERVICES

Sunday September 4<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am Mr Tim Cooper  
Sunday September 11<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am Dr Mike Nicholls  
Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am Mr Malcom Lindo  
Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup> 10.30 am Revd John Scrivens  
*Holy Communion Tea for those living alone*  
Our Pastor is Mr Tim Cooper 07920 567764

1) VW Thing 2) Laertes 3) 15th 4) Monkey 5) Cadbury's Fruit and Nut 6) Victoria 7) Leila Williams 8) Fountain Pen 9) Lime 10) Cheese 11) Churchill, Roosevelt, Stalin 12) Queen Elizabeth (consort of George VI) 13) Flying Circus 14) Stephen Daldry 15) Wampum 16) San Francisco 17) Izaak Walton 18) Terracotta 19) Violin 20) Minnesota 21) Plymouth Argyle 22) Debbie Reynolds 23) Boulangerie 24) Girls Aloud 25) Straw 26) Mafia 27) Praia 28) Nigeria's 29) Pig-like 30) 115 31) Jeremy Vine 32) Joyce Smith 33) Pod 34) Draft cards 35) Snake 36) Lustful 37) Clergyman 38) David Beckham 39) Chepstow 40) Pogroms 41) Dr Alfred Kinsey 42) Hamlet cigars

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Last Month's Answers

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Spot the odd one out.  
Find the unique key.

20.



# Steve's Puzzle Page

**English**

highchair  
nightstand  
wardrobe  
armchair

chair  
stool  
lamp  
plug

sofa  
table  
fan  
bed

mirror  
radiator  
picture  
pillow



## FILL-IN, or CRISS-CROSS, else KRISS-KROSS, CROSSWORD PUZZLE

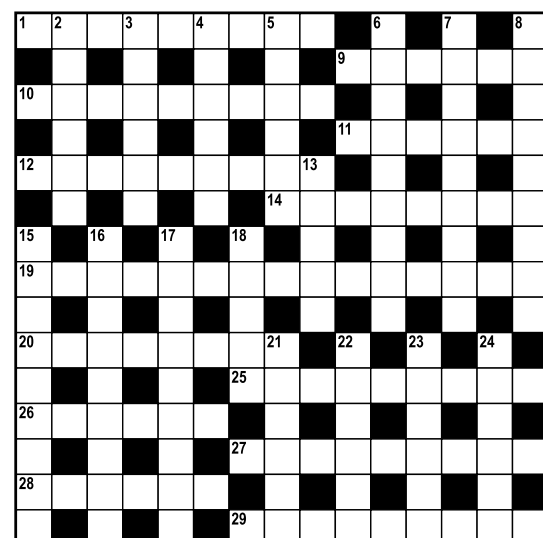
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FAIRY  
OCEAN

6 letter words  
ENROLL  
FEDORA  
INUITS  
LETTER  
LIZARD  
PENCIL  
RHYTHM  
SERENE  
TOPEKA  
ULLAGE  
VIOLET  
YELLOW

8 letter words  
ASTRAGAL  
LAVENDER

9 letter words  
ACCORDION  
ADVANTAGE  
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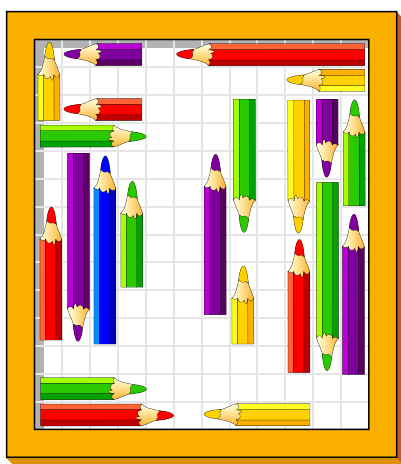


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MYSTERIES

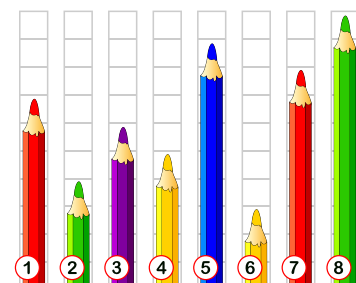
NAMEPLATE  
NILE RIVER  
REFERENCES  
TACTFULLY

15 letter word  
XMAS DECORATIONS

Logic puzzles for the smartest



Need to find a place and draw the remaining pencils in the box.



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FIND 10  
DIFFERENCES

**Car Boot Sale**

**11th September Sunday**

**The Recreation Ground School Lane Selsey**

Gates open to sellers at 7.30am  
Gates close 1.30pm

Cars £10.00 - Large Vans £20.00  
No need to book in advance

All gate proceeds go to Selsey Community Forum

Dates subject to any Coronavirus regulations, weather & ground conditions.

**For more information contact Sue White on 07799 872245**

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

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

**17 SEPTEMBER**

**Saturday 17th September**

Come and have a look at our table top sale. You never know what you will find amongst all the bargains to be had. It is free entry, what have you got to loose?

**Selsey Methodist Church**  
Table top Sale 0900 till 1pm

**SELSEY CANCER RELIEF FUND DATES TO REMEMBER**  
Methodist Church Hall 9.30am

**Saturday September 3rd Jumble Sale 9.30am**  
**Saturday October 1st Jumble Sale 9.30am**  
**Saturday November 5th Jumble Sale 9.30am**  
There is ample parking behind the Fire Station.

**Visually Impaired Club**  
Meets on 2nd and 4th Tuesdays of each month  
2-4 PM  
Hanover Close  
Details from Judy on 01243 606995

**Selsey Men in Sheds**  
A non-profit making organisation  
Open Tuesday & Thursday 10 - 4  
Saturdays 10 - 2

Membership £10.00 per month or £100 per year  
Complete your own wood / metal projects or be involved in group activities

If you are interested in joining contact  
Mick Webb 07939 880029  
email [m.c.webb46@gmail.com](mailto:m.c.webb46@gmail.com)

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

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

**SELSEY CANASTA GROUP**  
ALL WELCOME  
FRIENDLY GROUP ON WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS  
2 PM TILL 5PM AT THE SELSEY CENTRE  
PHONE PAMELA ON 01243 604720

**Selsey Model Boat Club**  
The Club meets twice a week at the pond on East Beach, weather permitting, when members sail their radio controlled boats  
Times: 10.00am until noon on Sundays and Wednesdays  
The first Sunday of each month is Race Day  
New members welcome  
or just pop along to have a look and a chat  
contact Richard on 07798786076



# SCREAM Bay

7TH OCTOBER - 1ST NOVEMBER

## 'The Nightmare Project'

An Interactive Haunting Experience

Pumpkin Carving

Halloween Menu

Fancy Dress

Live Entertainment

Get your **SPOOKY FIX** this Autumn

For more details, pop into Seal Bay Resort Reception or call: 01243 606080



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[www.sealbayresort.co.uk/scream-bay](http://www.sealbayresort.co.uk/scream-bay)