



# Findon

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Including the Church Parish of  
Findon, Clapham & Patching

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# News

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## Findon's Flying Vicar!

On 19th July Reverend Helena Buqué made a tandem parachute jump at Headcorn Airfield in Kent, in aid of the Friends of St John the Baptist Church.

After the jump, during which she had a huge smile from start to finish, she said, *"It was fantastic to do and I can*

*recommend it to anyone. It was lovely to have done something exciting while at the same time raising funds for our beautiful church."*

Helena's skydive was to raise much needed funds for the stained glass windows which are in urgent need of attention.

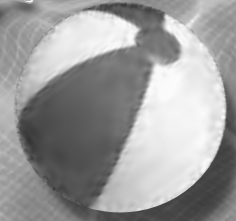
Sponsorship monies received so far are in excess of £1,000 and may even double when all collected. If you haven't already done so, and would like to donate, there are still sponsorship forms in the village shops, or please go to [www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/findon-clapham-patching-churches](http://www.justgiving.com/crowdfunding/findon-clapham-patching-churches).

You can see a video of Helena's amazing experience at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=cP9E\\_LIVnn0](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=cP9E_LIVnn0), or Richard Bell's album of photos at: [www.flickr.com/photos/145895193@N07/albums/72157686400147786](http://www.flickr.com/photos/145895193@N07/albums/72157686400147786).

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## From the Rectory



If you see someone walking around the village in a clerical collar and looking lost it may be me. I was ordained deacon at Chichester Cathedral on 1st July and I am delighted to have been appointed Assistant Curate to the Parish of Findon, Clapham & Patching.

Having now finished the first part of my training for ordained ministry at St Augustine's College of Theology I will be learning the ropes from Helena who is my training incumbent. As a brand new curate I am very aware that I have a lot to learn especially getting to know people and remember their names.

I am what is called a self-supporting minister, so I will only be working part-time in the parish. I live in Rustington with my wife, Marilyn. We have one grown up son, Timothy who is married to Emma and we have two grandchildren aged five and one. I do however have family ties to Findon and my mother lives in the village. I was born in Sussex and have lived most of my life in this area.

I took early retirement from the Civil Service a couple of years ago and I do some voluntary work with the Worthing Churches Homeless Project helping out at the Breakfast Club in Littlehampton.

On my days off I have been painting and antifouling my boat to try and get ready to get back into the water at Chichester harbour. I have a small 20 foot sailing boat which was a long held dream but unfortunately hasn't seen much use yet. I also enjoy long coastal walks and photography. Whilst I worked for the Civil Service they sponsored me to do a

computer science degree and I have always had a keen interest in computing right from the time the earliest personal computers appeared on the market.

Although I have come to ordained ministry rather late in life, it is a calling I had right from the time I left school. In fact I started training in my twenties after being sent by the church to work in an inner city parish in Birmingham, which is where I met my wife. I ended up stepping back from training at that time due to the difficulty of managing full time work, study and family commitments.

In the words of the ordination service, Deacons 'are to serve in the communities in which they are set'. Next year I expect to be ordained a priest but the call of service is what all ministry is about. This goes back to the teaching of Jesus at the Last Supper where he washed his disciple's feet as an example they were to follow. The one who washed feet in those days was the most menial servant as it was a rather dirty and smelly job.

At church, deacons preach, lead intercessions, read the gospel and distribute communion. Out and about in the parish they visit, take communion to the sick or housebound and prepare people for baptism. An important part of being a deacon is to be committed to a life of prayer in order to bring the needs of the parishioners before God and to stay close to the Lord.

If you would like to know more or would just like to have a chat you can contact me through the Church Office at the Rectory in School Hill. I am available most days except Monday which I am currently keeping as a day off.

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If anyone is interested in joining us,  
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or speak to Helena.

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Peter Goldworthy

The first full Management Meeting has been held with all those appointed to the new Committee.

The following lists the appointments that have been made. All are volunteers apart from the Shop Manager.

Jo O'Dell – Vice-Chairman and principal adviser to the shop staff  
Aud Stapleton – Shop Manager  
Jan Vandavelde – Company Secretary  
Helen Woods – Treasurer  
Steve Porti – Building Consultant  
Dee Rempel - Management Accountant and Asst. Treasurer  
Becky Fagan – Marketing and Public Relations  
Christina Bedford – Volunteer Coordinator and Trainer  
Chloe Browning – Assistant Volunteer Coordinator

The shop was completely stripped of all fixtures and fittings last week by the previous owner. This will mean a full shop fitting is needed, and the work should start in early August, together with the ordering of essential equipment like fridges, freezers, till machines, computers etc. In the meantime we shall have time to effect repairs to the roof above the flat, quotations are expected shortly. We still hope to open the shop in early September, providing that we can source a shop fitter once the shop has been cleaned and decorated.

We are grateful to Bob Easterbrook who has offered to get a small team of volunteers together to decorate the shop once access has been gained, and to Mike Maidment who will clear the discarded rubbish at the rear of the shop.

We shall be advertising for another qualified P.O. assistant next week to bring the paid staff up to strength, and all the staff so far recruited will be issued with new employment contracts ready for opening in September.

The first meeting of Volunteers is now scheduled for Wednesday August 2nd, and all 52 shop volunteers will be briefed on their potential roles and given the necessary training prior to the shop opening. The meeting will be held in the Village Hall at 7.30pm.

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### Findon Sheep Fair Stewards

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# **An Updated Findon Neighbourhood Development Plan (housing site allocations)**

The 2016 Neighbourhood Plan did not include any sites for housing development outside the village boundary, although several had been considered. The SDNPA subsequently decided to allocate two sites for development at Elm Rise and Soldiers Field House, both outside that village boundary without having undertaken any direct local consultation.

Following a community led initiative to set up a working group to review alternative, less landscape sensitive sites, Findon Parish Council, as the Neighbourhood Plan qualifying body, have decided to support the preparation of an updated Neighbourhood Plan that will include housing site allocations, delegating authority to the working group to prepare the updated Neighbourhood Plan, the working group having met the criteria set you by the Parish Council.

Preparation of an updated Neighbourhood Plan is now underway. The Working Group is formed of community volunteers representing different areas of the village and includes Parish Council representation.

All the less landscape sensitive sites in and around Findon, which may have some capacity to absorb small groups of dwellings are being reassessed, rather than just one or two larger sites, to reflect the original pre-

Neighbourhood Plan Questionnaire response to that specific question.

A community-wide consultation day will be held (16 August, Village Hall, 2.00-9.00pm), when everyone can look at layout plans for the possible sites and express preferences for which ones should come forward as housing site allocations in the updated Neighbourhood Plan. It is vital that housing site allocations do meet the housing requirement for Findon of around 30 dwellings over the 19 year period of the Plan, otherwise the SDNPA will continue to allocate sites.

Following the consultation day there will be a period of up to two weeks when preferences can also be expressed via flyer, email or the Parish Council or Findon Village websites.

By the Sheep Fair weekend it is planned that a full draft updated Neighbourhood Plan will be on display when further discussion and comment can evolve, leading to a formal submission of the draft updated Neighbourhood Plan to the SDNPA who will then initiate formal consultation, as required by Neighbourhood Plan Regulations, in October.

**Chair of FPC** Robin Carr  
**Acting Lead of Working Group**  
David Hutchison PG Dip TP

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Communication info: There is a Facebook Page devoted to the Findon Updated Neighbourhood Plan.

Contact Jacqui Greaney if you would like to join, or to add your name to the UNP email list for regular updates (jacadihan@yahoo.com).

There is also a WhatsApp Group for discussion run by David Hutchison (07976 287111). All are welcome to follow the UNP process.

## **PUBLIC CONSULTATION DAY**

Wednesday 16th August - 2pm - 8pm  
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## **Findon Pool 100-Club**

The winners of the July Prize Draw were:

1. Gary Salmon (£21)
2. Norman Wilkins (£12.60)
3. Mark Scott (£8.40)

The next draws are on  
Saturday 12 August & 9 September (Sheep Fair day)  
10.00am at Julia's Kitchen.

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## News from PAWS Animal Sanctuary

Almost every night of the week I receive phone calls about injured birds, those stuck in nets on roofs, baby seagulls falling off roofs. I ask people to please try to put them in a cardboard box and bring them in. The problem is most people don't see them until they arrive home from work. They then ask me to go and pick them up because they have only just got home, or they are going out, or its inconvenient.

One man last night said his own cat had caught a bird and pulled most its feathers and all its tail feathers out. Could I go to Pulborough to pick it up, I asked him to bring it in and told him I would take it to Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital in the morning. When I opened the door he pushed the bird, in the cardboard box into my hands and dashed off saying "I haven't had my dinner yet".

Most evenings people bring in birds, unwanted cats, rabbits or guinea-pigs just as I am about sit down to eat my dinner and hopefully watch Emmerdale. I have learned to quickly put my meal in the Microwave for safety out of the way, or it would be eaten by one of the cats by the time I came back!

All our cat pens are full again with new arrivals, we also have some ducklings. A mother duck was seen walking along the road in Steyning with all her offspring following her. Later they apparently were scattered by a dog, the mother couldn't be found so we took in three of the ducklings. They are now three weeks old and have grown so big splashing in the water and eating all the time. As soon as they have feathers they will be able to join all the other rescued ducklings at The Old Gardens Animal Rescue. We have since been told that the mother duck was later reunited with four of her ducklings the very next day, after calling them all night, but unfortunately it is too late to take ours back to her now, she wouldn't recognise them.

If you have any dandelion leaves growing in your garden we would appreciate some. They are a favourite with our tortoises, rabbits and guinea-pigs and there seems to be a shortage this year. There are plenty of the yellow flowers everywhere but hardly any nice leaves.

From Stacey.

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### Findon Parish Council (FPC)

**Planning Committee meetings** are scheduled monthly to consult on planning applications received from the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). Parish Consultation Letters (PCL) received from the SDNPA are displayed on the Notice Boards outside the newsagents and the Village Hall, and published on the FPC website (<http://findon.arun.gov.uk>) along with the schedule of Committee meeting

dates. Please note that due to Findon News publication deadlines, some applications may have already been placed before the Committee.

Residents should check the Notice Boards and FPC website regularly to view notices and meeting details. Any enquiries should be address to the FPC Clerk - 01903 877225

Since the last issue of Findon News, the following Planning Applications have been posted on the SDNPA website.

**Single storey side extension** Open for Comment

High Paddock Stable Lane BN14 0RR  
Ref. No: SDNP/17/03411/HOUS |

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## Church Cleaning Morning

With Coffee Morning

**Saturday 12th August**

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Cleaning and clearing starts at 9.00am  
Coffee morning from 10:30am

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**Coffee Morning** With Raffle

**Saturday 16th September** 10.00am - 12 noon

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Classes ranging from weeds and garlic to hydrangeas and Christmas decorations. Something must be of interest to everyone. The floral art section includes arrangements entitled 'A Summer Celebration' and 'Perfect Picnic'. There are the usual cookery classes ranging from welsh cakes to jars of jam. The flower section includes 4 classes of roses as well as gladioli, dahlias and fuchsia, 16 classes in all. There are 23 vegetables classes ranging from onions to chillies and carrots to courgettes.

Along with the usual cake and plant stalls, are the raffle and various refreshments to feed the body and soul! Nanny Sue will be there as well as a 'Pre-loved' tool stall. 'Men in Sheds' will also be well represented. So do come and join us, we look forward to seeing you on Saturday 5th August."



### SHOEBOXES FOR LOVE IN A BOX

In September we will once again be preparing shoeboxes filled with small gifts which are taken to children in hospitals, orphanages and schools in Eastern Europe (for the last few years they have gone to Moldova, the poorest European country). These children have very little and will even treasure the shoebox itself. Why not start filling your box now!!

See Findon News, September issue, for further information or contact Hilary on 872324.



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## Email received by the Editor

Dear Editor,

I understand the nearby residents objected to a bus shelter being placed near their homes opposite Homewood. They probably have cars and didn't want to look at it. Now that buses no longer stop at North End, would it be feasible for that shelter to be moved, and put on the section of grass near Old Council Cottages, close to the old phone box site? Would the Parish Council be able to consider as it would seem to fall within their remit?

Regards, Richard Peirce , The Oval

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Findon Parish Council Web site - please check our web site for recent events or latest alerts at <http://findon.arun.gov.uk>

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An incident occurred in Findon Valley on 11 July at about 2.52pm in Parham Close. A woman in her 30s is reported to have been grabbed from behind but released when another woman appeared on the scene. The offender made off into nearby woods. The victim was shaken but not injured.

The police have said that a 32 year old man from Worthing was arrested on 14 July on suspicion of attempted kidnap.

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### **Thefts of Quads, Trailers and Tools**

In recent weeks Sussex Police have noticed a sharp rise in the number of thefts of trailers in the County, not just those parked on agricultural premises, but those parked anywhere. These items are expensive and costly to replace.

### **Fraudulent Sales of Vehicles and Machinery**

Fraudsters have been advertising vehicles and machinery for sale on various selling platforms online. The victims, after communicating via email with the fraudster, will receive a bogus email which purports to be from an established escrow provider (a third party who will keep the payment until the buying and selling parties are both happy with the deal).

These emails are designed to persuade victims to pay upfront, via bank transfer, before visiting the seller to collect the goods. The emails also claim that the buyer (victim) has a cooling off period to reclaim the payment if they change their mind. This gives victims the false sense of security that their money is being looked after by this trustworthy third party, when in fact it is not and the money has gone straight to the fraudster.

### **Pet Fraud Alert**

The National Fraud Intelligence Bureau (NFIB) and Action Fraud have recently noticed a rise in the reporting of pets, and in particular puppies and kittens, being advertised for sale via popular online auction websites. The fraudsters will place an advert of the pet for sale, often claiming that the pet is currently held somewhere less accessible or overseas. Upon agreement of a sale, the suspect will usually request an advance payment by money transfer or bank transfer.

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However, the pet does not materialise and the fraudster will subsequently ask for further advanced payments for courier charges, shipping fees and additional transportation costs. Even if further payments are made, the pet will still not materialise as it is likely to not exist.

If you have been affected by this or any other fraud, report it to Action Fraud by calling 0300 123 2040, or visit [www.actionfraud.police.uk](http://www.actionfraud.police.uk).

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## **News from Findon Valley**

Poppet, a Stafford Bull Terrier, owned by Laurie Servante, won the 'Best in Show' trophy at the Findon Valley Dog Show in June. Around 100 dogs with their owners and families came along. A record £1,600 was raised for Paws Animal Sanctuary and Sussex Pet Rescue. The event was organised by a group of dog-loving friends, supported by the Findon Valley Residents' Association (FVRA) with local businesses sponsoring different aspects of the show. More details from [www.findonvalleydogshow.co.uk](http://www.findonvalleydogshow.co.uk).

The FVRA Arts Group will be holding an Art Exhibition of their work on Saturday, 12 August 10am – 4pm in the Findon Valley Free Church Hall, Limetree Avenue BN14 0DJ. The group members have painting skills in watercolour, pastel, oil, acrylic and penwork with their work featuring flowers, landscapes, animals and people. Some paintings will be for sale. Tea and coffee will be available and a chance to speak to some group members. The Arts Group always welcomes new local people. More information from [www.findonvalley.org/p139\\_artsandcraftsgroups.htm](http://www.findonvalley.org/p139_artsandcraftsgroups.htm).

If you're a keen South Downs walker, please visit [http://www.findonvalley.org/p71\\_walkthewalks.htm](http://www.findonvalley.org/p71_walkthewalks.htm) for details of walks, clubs and get the latest Countryside Code from Natural England. You can also visit Findon Valley Library or the Post Office in Kings Parade to obtain the printed leaflet.

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## Searching Through the Findon Archives by Valerie Martin

In July 1965 the Findon vicar, the Reverend R.F.G. Adams made this appeal...  
*"Loss of the Rights of Way. With the ever increasing use of downland for the cultivation of crops more and more footpaths are disappearing.*

*Last year part of the path from Tolmare Farm to Myrtle Grove disappeared under the plough, and this year the path across the crown of Church Hill has also ceased to exist.*

*What can the Footpaths and Open Space Committee do to preserve our fast diminishing access to the Downs?*

*How one longs for the days when the Downs were the home of the shepherd and his flock and man could walk the springing turf in freedom and peace, unhampered by that appalling invention, barbed wire!!"*

**A notation for the date of 1849** caught my eye....life was not easy in the nineteenth-century rural Findon .... *"By order of a vestry meeting, the Overseers were to take all practical means of security the apprehension of Mr..... of Findon, he having deserted his child, and left the same chargeable to the Parish of Findon".*

Also in the year 1849 the Vestry was ordered to move a Findon man, his wife and four children back to Findon from Brighton. Findon it appears was their native parish and the family had become chargeable to the Overseers of the Poor at Brighthelmstone (Brighton).

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## Findon Downs WI – July meeting

**Speaker:** Claire Fetcher – Ribbons & Flowers.

Claire is a past Teacher at Wyndlesham House School and gave a very interesting talk and demonstration on making ribbons into beautiful flowers (obtaining ribbons from florists, cake icing shops, haberdasheries and Hobbycraft). Her first project was making a waistcoat. Her Father was a Tailor and taught her to make tailored garments. The demonstration also included the making of cushions , cards, table decorations and Dorothy bags, which she made for her daughter's bridesmaids to carry. Claire is often asked by friends to make sprays of flowers for their daughter's wedding cakes instead of sugar flowers as they also make a lovely keepsake for them.

**August** – No meeting – President's Coffee Morning to be held in the Village House 10.30am – noon.

**Next meeting** - Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September – 2.30pm

**Speaker:** Colin Brown – “Crackle & Bliss” (Songs and Records of time gone by)

**Exhibition:** An old 78 record

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## Findon Village WI

The meeting we had on Thursday 13 July was very informative our speakers, Peter and Carol Goodman, came along with all the equipment they use to spin wool. They explained how they first deal with the fleece and then turn it into balls of wool ready to be knitted, certainly a very good skill.

The craft ladies displayed everything they had made to enter the South of England show, at which they did very well.

Our next meeting is our annual summer lunch, this year it is a seaside theme with a traditional fish and chip van coming, followed by ice cream. This is a ticket only meeting available to members only.

Don't forget we will be having our usual stall at Findon Sheep Fair, so pop along and treat yourself to some homemade goodies.

We meet on 2nd Thursday of the month in Findon Village Hall @ 7.30pm.

All visitors welcome.

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## Service Rota for Clapham & Patching August

| DATE                          | SERVICE                                 | PRIEST       | LAYMOC          | READINGS                              | READERS / INTERCESSORS         |
|-------------------------------|-----------------------------------------|--------------|-----------------|---------------------------------------|--------------------------------|
| 6th August<br>Transfiguration | <b>Clapham 10am<br/>Sung Eucharist</b>  | Roger Walker | Kath Hutchinson | 2 Peter 1:16-19<br>Luke 9:28-39       | Dan Banting<br>John Hammond    |
| 13th August<br>Trinity 9      | <b>Patching 8am<br/>Eucharist</b>       | Helena Buqué | Colin Cox       | Romans 10:5-15<br>Matthew 14:22-33    | Dorothy Barber                 |
| 20th August<br>Trinity 10     | <b>Patching 10am<br/>Sung Eucharist</b> | Colin Cox    | Kath Hutchinson | Romans 11:1-2a,29-32<br>Matt 15:21-28 | Helen Butchart/<br>John Haskey |
| 27th August<br>Trinity 11     | <b>Clapham 8am<br/>Eucharist</b>        | Helena Buqué |                 | Romans 12:1-8<br>Matt 16:13-20        | Marigold Somerest              |
|                               | <b>Patching Family<br/>Service 10am</b> | Colin Cox    |                 | As above                              | Children                       |



**THE FRIENDS OF CLAPHAM & PATCHING CHURCHES**

For the first time the Friends of Clapham and Patching Churches held their Summer Fete in the beautiful garden of Clare House, by kind permission of Jackie and Eric Newnham. The weather was absolutely glorious and the stall-holders were grateful for the tents and gazebos keeping them shaded. They were kept busy by the many visitors purchasing the various items for sale from plants to books to soft toys. Many people were content to sit and enjoy tea and cake while others were happy to visit the stalls or try their luck at the tombola stall. This year we had many children who enjoyed “splatting the rat” or fishing ducklings from a pool.

It takes a lot of time, energy and goodwill to manage a Fete and the Friends are most grateful to all who helped. This year we achieved more than a £1000 which made the afternoon even more enjoyable! The next event will be the Harvest Supper at the Fox on 29th September. Tickets will be available from Kath Hutchinson 871147.



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|-----------------------------------------|---------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Sunday 6<sup>th</sup><br/>August</b> | 8.00am  | Eucharist, Findon Church.           |
|                                         | 09.15am | Breakfast, followed by              |
|                                         | 10.00am | Findon Village Hall Family Service. |
|                                         | 10.00am | Sung Eucharist, Clapham Church.     |
| <b>Sunday 13<sup>th</sup></b>           | 8.00am  | Eucharist, Patching Church.         |
|                                         | 9.30am  | Sung Eucharist, Findon Church.      |
| <b>Sunday 20<sup>th</sup></b>           | 08.00am | Eucharist, Findon Church.           |
|                                         | 09.30am | Family Communion, Findon.           |
|                                         | 10.00am | Sung Eucharist, Patching Church.    |
| <b>Sunday 27<sup>th</sup></b>           | 8.00am  | Eucharist, Clapham Church.          |
|                                         | 09.30am | Sung Eucharist, Findon Church.      |
|                                         | 10.00am | Family Service, Patching Church.    |
| <b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> Sept</b>       | 8.00am  | Eucharist, Findon Church.           |
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|                                         | 10.00am | Findon Village Hall Family Service. |
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**Weddings for July:** Jamie North and Hannah Miles were married on 1st July at Findon Church.

**Deaths:** Carol Budden, Cynthia Virgo and Alan Rayner.

**Baptism:** Ava Jade Helen McNally was baptised at Findon Church on 9th July. Edward Arther Sadler was baptised at Findon Church on the 23rd July.

**Coffee Plus:** All coffee plus meetings from August onwards will be held in the afternoon.

**Light Lunch @ 1pm:** last Tues of the month, (29th August) at Findon Village Hall. £5. Everyone welcome

**Curry Nights:** The next Findon Tajdar Curry Nights are 1st Monday of the month, 7th August (Ladies) and last Thursday of the month, 31st August (Men) at 7.30pm.

**Youth club:** Next youth club will be on 7th September.

**Messy Church:** Next Messy Church will be 3rd October.

**Donations needed!!** We're collecting non-perishable tombola prizes for our Christmas tree festival this year (300 needed!). We need toiletries, bottles of wine and unwanted gifts. Food items gratefully received from November (boxes of chocolate etc.). If you are making jams and chutneys we would very much appreciate you making a couple more for us to be able to sell on our stall at the Christmas tree festival too. All donations gratefully received, there is a donations box at the back of the church.



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| <b>Weekly</b>                        | <b>Day</b>                                 | <b>Time</b>    |
|--------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------|----------------|
| Carpet Bowls                         | Monday (except 21st)                       | 14:30          |
| Lambstails                           | Thursday (except 10th)                     | 10:00 – 12:00  |
| Line Dancing                         | Wednesday                                  | 09:45          |
| Danceaholics                         | Sunday                                     | 19:30          |
| Just Yoga                            | Monday (7th, 14th only)                    | 10:30          |
| You Yoga                             | Tuesday                                    | 19:00          |
| Circle Dancing                       | Monday (except 21st)                       | 19:10          |
| <br>                                 |                                            |                |
| <b>Monthly</b>                       | <b>Date</b>                                | <b>Time</b>    |
| Auction                              | 3rd                                        | 18:00          |
|                                      | (goods 2–4pm, viewing 4–6pm, Auction 6 pm) |                |
| Bead Magicians                       | 15th                                       | 09:00          |
| Family Church Breakfast<br>& Service | 6th                                        | 09.15<br>10.00 |
| Gardens Association                  | 3rd, 25th                                  | 9:00, 18:30    |
| Village WI                           | 10th                                       | 10:30          |
| <br>                                 |                                            |                |
| <b>Committee Room</b>                | <b>Date</b>                                | <b>Time</b>    |
| Village WI Darts                     | Mondays                                    | 14:00          |
| <br>                                 |                                            |                |
| <b>Other Events</b>                  | <b>Date</b>                                | <b>Time</b>    |
| Meditation                           | 17th                                       | 19:30          |
| Gardens Association                  | 29th                                       | 14:00          |
| Summer Show                          |                                            |                |

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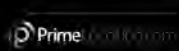


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