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From the Rectory

Autumn approaches after a busy summer with lots of Baptisms and weddings at our churches. It is such a joy to share the happiness of families on these occasions. As the evenings begin to draw in, we need however to be mindful of neighbours who may be anxious about venturing out and are feeling lonely. Please let us know via the Parish Office if you are aware of anyone who might welcome a visit from our Pastoral Team.

This has been the hottest and driest summer I can remember, with lawns and fields parched browner than I've seen since 1976. Heath fires have been destroying swathes of habitat for species, many of which are endangered – it has seemed more like an Australian summer! As we think during September of the wonder of creation, giving thanks for a harvest safely gathered in during special Services in our churches, the analogy of rain falling on parched ground is a useful metaphor for our faith too. Only too often, we become complacent, taking all we have for granted, but not recognising that it is through God's bounty. This can lead to our becoming parched spiritually, growing ever more selfish and self-centred. As we give thanks for the blessings of the harvest, we must also remember those across the globe whose harvest has failed through drought or torrential rain and storms, those who go hungry because of fighting or military blockades in the

wars in Gaza and Ukraine. We mustn't forget those in our own area struggling either, and our local Homeless Charity, Turning Tides, has published a wish list of helpful donations that we can collect and pass on at our Church Harvest festivals, their stocks being at a record low, whilst need is increasing. This will be at 10am on September 7th at Findon Church and September 21st at Clapham Church, or donations can also be left in the Rectory Porch. I will be taking all goods donated to their warehouse in East Worthing on September 22nd. With Food Bank donation boxes in our supermarkets, understandably most people wanting to donate do so there, but any support you are able to give to the homeless will be much appreciated.

Finally, I'm sure you would all join with me in wishing our pupils and school staff every blessing for the new academic year. My thoughts and prayers are with all pupils starting a new school this month and I wish you all the best in your learning. If you are going on to an apprenticeship, Vocational training, College or University this will be an exciting new venture into independence – do come and let us know how you're getting on after the first term during the Christmas period – you can always find me in the church on a Sunday morning!

Every blessing, *Helena*

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The Saturday daytime event is free to enter and includes:

Barn Dance, Funfair, Sheep Judging, Sheep Demonstration, Farmyard Circus, Morris Dancing, Food Stalls, Beer Tent, Ice Creams, Mobile Belfry, Face Painting, Country Crafts, Stalls and many more attractions

Car Parking is available in adjacent fields at a cost of £6 per car

Traffic: In order to ease traffic congestion during the daytime event we will once again be operating a one way system through the village. This will be sign posted and marshalled and will run from 7am to 5pm. We are grateful for the patience and consideration given by villagers in keeping traffic congestion to a minimum. We are especially grateful for those who have revised shopping and other delivery plans to alternative days to avoid the sheep fair day and reduce the potential for traffic disruption.

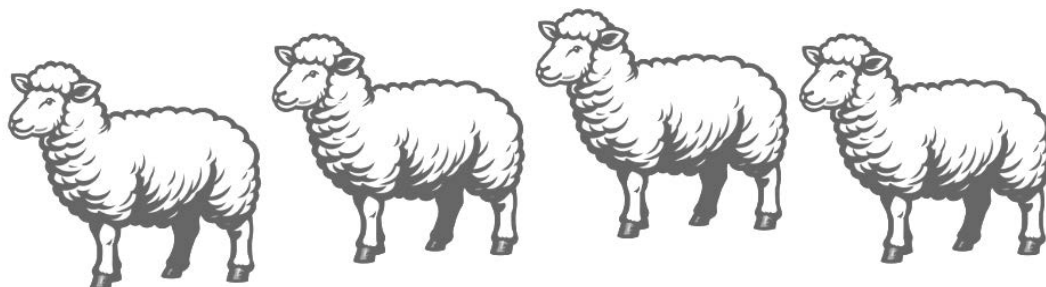
We would like to thank our sponsors, volunteers and the Findon Valley Scouts for their support that allows the event to run.

Contact Us: If there are any concerns or feedback you would like to provide to the sheepfair committee please contact us through our website at **Findonsheepfair.org**

A duty officer will be available in the main marquee during each of the stages of the 2025 show. If you have an immediate concern please pop along and notify us of this.

Next Years Show (2026)

We are always on the look out for local businesses who are keen to play a part in the show. We will be re-tendering the bar arrangement and considering alternative food provision for the 2026 show. Should this be of interest to your business, please contact us through **Findonsheepfair.org** and pop along on the day to familiarise yourself with how the show operates.



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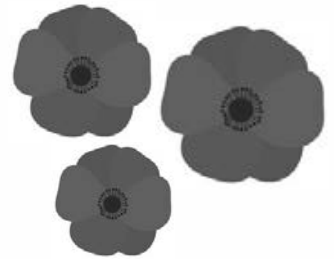
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We are planning a Remembrance Display of Poppies on the church gates this year. We will need lots of knitted or crocheted poppies (approx 3-4 inches in diameter) to complete this project. If any of you would like to make some it would be very much appreciated. Please get them to Gill Gostick 11 Downland Close by **Friday 11th October** at the latest, or we can arrange to collect.

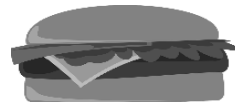


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Thanks in advance

Gill and Gay



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The Friends will be running a refreshments stand
at the Sheep Fair this year

where we will be selling teas, coffees, cakes
and during the lunch period **burgers and sausages**.

We will be located at the Eastern end of the large marquee,
so very easy to find and drop by.

Fine weather is forecast

and as we're providing tables and chairs there'll be somewhere to sit
whilst you enjoy our refreshments.

We would still benefit from a volunteer, or two, so if you have an hour or so to
spare, we would be delighted to hear from you

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We look forward to seeing you!



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Does Anyone Remember Lisa Willis?

Back in the day, I worked in Findon at a little motorcycle accessories shop called Cissbury Leathers.

It was there that I met a lovely young woman from the village named Lisa Willis.

Life has a way of carrying us all in different directions, and somehow I lost touch with her. Over the years, I've often wondered how she's doing — and I've been trying, without success, to find her again.

If anyone in the village knows Lisa, or could pass along a message, I'd be so thankful to hear from you.

Peter Weston Pete.m.weston@gmail.com

The 200 Club August draw

was held on 11 August.

This month's lucky
winner

was ball 124,

Richard Bell.

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Thank you to Richard for all the humorous cartoons on Findon events, always supplied every month for Findon News.

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Summer Flower Show – Saturday 2nd August 2025

The Findon Village Gardens Association summer show was held on Saturday 2nd August.

Thankfully, the weather was very kind and we had a lovely warm & sunny day for the show. For the second year in a row, we had more than 200 competition entries from over 45 members. A fabulous selection of vegetables were on display outside in our gazebo and a wonderful array of flowers, floral art, handicrafts, cookery and photography classes in the hall.

This year, many of our newer members clinched prizes, including Julia Culp for her gorgeous painting,



Julia Culp's painting of a terrier

Vanessa Dillon for her lemon drizzle cake and Yvonne Newsom for her floral art exhibit.

Nikky Cussen clinched the trophy for best overall photo while Fiona Withey's photo will appear on the cover of our 2026 Summer Show schedule.

Stewart Hilton had a clean sweep, not only for best hardy perennials and best garden flowers but his stunning gladioli

claimed the outstanding flower exhibit overall.

Betty Lewis, Sally Evans, Derek McCourty and Richie Line shared the vegetable awards, with Richie taking the prize for most outstanding exhibit for his potatoes. Finally, Betty Lewis went away with the RHS Banksian Medal, given for the entrant with the most points overall.

As ever, our thanks go to the local businesses who donated prizes for our raffle, our refreshment volunteers who provided visitors with endless suppliers of tea and cake, all the stallholders including Worthing Camera Club, Howard Headworth, Findon Sheep Fair and Maggie Martin and finally, our biggest thanks goes to all the entrants without whom the show wouldn't be such a triumph.

Sue Brown, Show Secretary.



Fiona Withey's photo

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Please bear with me as I follow a theme. Last month I told you about the striking similarities between our village shop and the (fictional) Ambridge shop featured in the Archers. Well, disaster struck in Ambridge this month, when dry rot was discovered and the shop had to close and all the stock moved at incredibly short notice. (I did wonder how Ambridge managed to find a damp specialist able to start within a couple of days – either he's a cowboy, or I would like his details!) Anyway, most of Ambridge seemed to turn out to help, and this heartwarming phrase was heard: "People love this little shop so much that they're willing to turn out for free ... to get us out of a hole." That took me straight back to the day the shop closed in 2017 and most of Findon turned out to take action, giving both of their time and their money to set up the shop as we know it today.

Findon folk are still getting stuck in and doing their bit. We see the shop volunteers, who step in sometimes at short notice when the need arises, but there's also a wealth of people behind the scenes: cleaning windows, testing the defibrillator, helping with deliveries, cleaning, updating the A board, collecting orders, and more. Thank you. We wouldn't be here without you.

Of course, if you'd be interested in volunteering and doing something really worthwhile in and for our

Jean Burden

village, please pop into the shop and we'd love to have a chat and point you in the right direction. If you're a techy, a handyperson, or a cleaner, we will love you forevermore. If, on the other hand, you are a tidier of cupboards, or have a keen eye for checking use by dates, well, that would be a dream come true!

We've got our regular stall at the Sheep Fair this year, where we'll be selling a range of hot and cold drinks, together with our delicious sausage rolls, pastries and some wonderful farmyard biscuits. Do come and say hello - we'd be delighted to see you!

As a community shop, we like to contribute to local projects, and, recently, have been able to help both the school swimming pool, and also the preschool. The latter is having a new roof fitted - it was the thought of all those little tots sheltering under a tarpaulin from the howling storm around as they try to enjoy their drink and 'healthy' snack, or sing 'The Wheels on the Bus', or whatever they get up to nowadays!

Hasn't it been a wonderful summer? Hot and dry, day after day. It's unusual to be able to rely on this weather here, but there's really been no need to go abroad this year. I hope you've managed to make the most of it. Judging by the number of visitors to the shop, lots of people certainly have chosen to staycation this year.

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Cinnamon Trust

Huge thanks to everyone involved in our August Summer Fair and Cream Tea. It was a wonderful occasion with over 120 people attending and many well-behaved dogs of all shapes and sizes. The sun shone, the punters enjoyed themselves and we raised over £1440 for the Cinnamon Trust (before Hall Hire and expenses). This was another amazing total!



I hate mentioning the Christmas word in Summer but please put

Saturday 13th

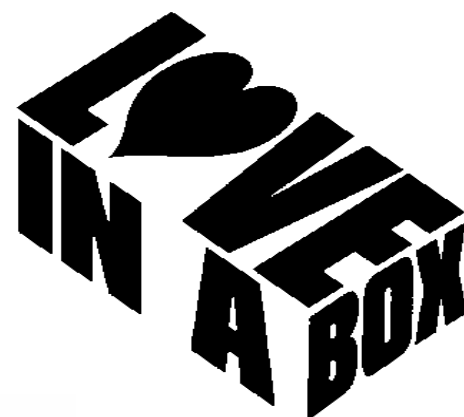
December 10am till 12.30pm in your diaries for our Christmas Fair!

Thanks again to you all and enjoy the rest of Summer.

Maggie Martin

Love in a Box - Shoebox Collection

Again, this year we will be collecting shoeboxes filled with goodies to send to Moldovan children living in impoverished circumstances. Why not get ahead and start collecting bits now to fill a box ready for delivery to me early in November.



Each box should be filled according to age either for a boy or a girl age 3-5 or 6-11 or 12-15. Suggestions to include are, flannel, toothbrush and toothpaste, comb or brush, stationery items, a ball, cuddly toy, playing cards, jewellery, hat, gloves and scarf, sweets. Whatever is age appropriate. No socks or other clothing.

I have a small number of shoeboxes available and the new Pavers shoe shop at the garden centre may have boxes available too.

See September issue of Findon News for more details or please ring me for further information - Hilary 07899 990748 and please leave a message.

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Our wonderful Maggie hosted a musical bingo with sing-along tunes from the 1960's, 1970's and 1980's. It brought back memories of misspent youths, crazy fashions and more than a few "I remember where I was and what I was doing when that song was a hit." Lots of laughs and loud singing!

We ended with a rousing version of 'Sweet Caroline', complete with actions.

A wonderful evening captured in the photographs.



Next month we will be getting creative with Andrea Griffiths who will be showing us how to make a variety of tissue flowers. Our competition will be images of flowers captured in your choice of medium, whether a photo, painting, drawing, needlework, papercraft or whatever you like.

As with all the groups in the Village, the WI is busy planning and preparing for our stall at the Sheep Fair. We will be selling a selection of homemade produce, cakes, biscuits,

chutneys and jams. Please do come along and support us or just call by to say 'Hello'. You will be most welcome.

Website –It has lots of news about our activities, sub-groups, and upcoming initiatives – Check it out.

Sara Clarke – President



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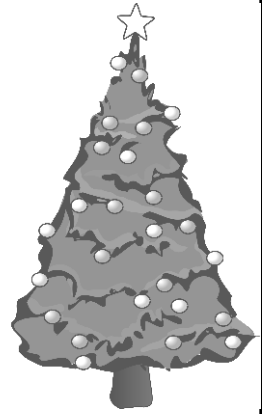
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on **Saturday 6th 10-5**
and **Sunday 7th 11-4**



Vote for your favourite tree decorated by local businesses and families, enjoy refreshments with friends and take part in the instant raffle. It really is a great start to the festive season and we hope to welcome over 1000 visitors across the 2 days.

We have already had expressions of interest from many local groups but if anyone else would like to enter a tree (as a local individual, family, organisation or business) please contact gill.gostick@yahoo.co.uk or 07734298800 as we still have a few spaces left.

Any prizes for the instant raffle and chocolate tombola would be very welcome too. Donations can be left in the church, the rectory or can be collected.

For more details contact Gill Gostick (details above).

Looking forward to seeing you all at the Christmas Tree Festival.

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Helena recently reminded us of the importance of maintaining our churches, and it got me thinking. Built with love, by hand, and made to last, they are the oldest buildings in our villages, and today they benefit from the voluntary support of The Friends of each church, but in the past they survived the ravages of time largely through individual donations.

Take St. John the Divine at Patching for example. For centuries, along with Clapham's St. Mary the Virgin, it was dependent for its upkeep on the Shelley family of Michelgrove, but they moved away in 1800, and their successors, the Walkers, went bankrupt. So by the third decade of the 19th century, serious restoration had become increasingly urgent. A benefactor was required, and up stepped local resident, Sir Richard Hunter (1783-1848) of Dulaney House.

Some readers may no doubt recall a talk given to a packed Patching church a few years ago by Kristina Guiguet who had researched the story behind Sir Richard and his family's so generous contribution made to St. John the Divine.

Today a tablet in the church commemorates how, in 1835, Sir Richard paid for the building to be 'repaired and beautified' including, high on the wall of the tower, a mural relief of his first wife, Rebecca Ann (1793-1835). Seven years later he also presented a silver alms dish, and, after his death, his widow, Frederica Emma Bishop (c.1808-70),

Danny Banting

contributed to a new rectory. But the generous family were not finished yet, as in 1856, Sir John Kirkland, husband to Frederica's sister, Louisa, paid for further work to be done on the church.

What is not so widely known is that much of Sir Richard's wealth actually came from his first wife, catholic Rebecca Ann, and that it was actually American money that enhanced the church that we love today.

In order to inherit her fortune Rebecca Ann had re assumed her maiden Dulaney name, and thereby returned to a wealthy and interesting family, an early example of the *American Dream*. How had her family gone from rags to riches?

The Dulaney's were Irish catholics and about 1700, Thomas Delaney (sic.), with at least two sons, arrived in America from Leinster. The family were not well off and eldest son, Daniel (1685-1753), served time as an indentured servant, but he was both intelligent and hard-working, and rose to setting up his own legal practice, eventually becoming a prominent attorney. This brought him important contacts and political influence, which in turn led him to making a number of astute land purchases in an expanding and developing Maryland. He was well on his way.

With his second wife, Rebecca Smith (1696-1737), he had several children and named his eldest son Daniel.

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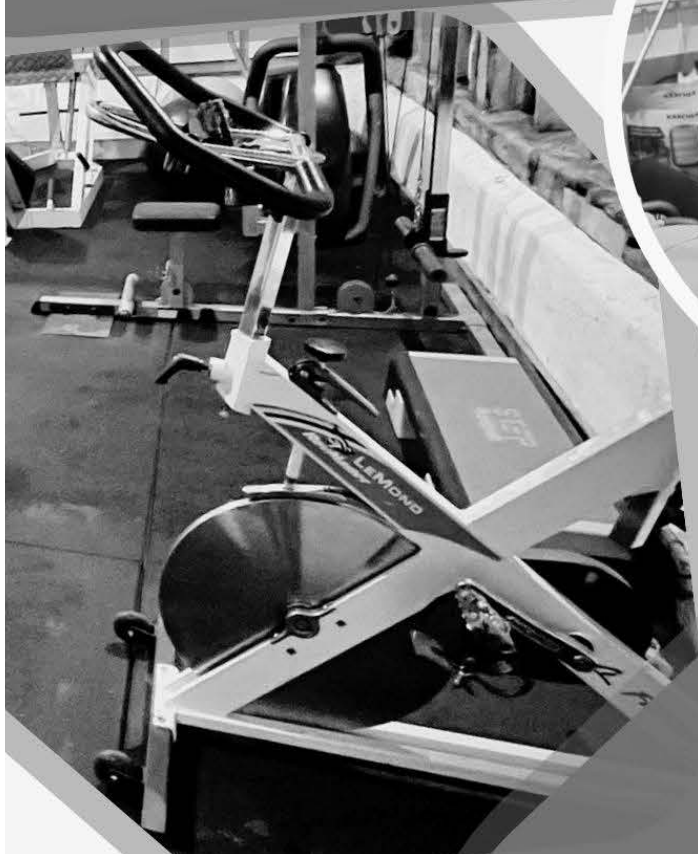
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Daniel Dulaney the younger (1722-97) was sent to England to be well educated at Eton, Cambridge and Middle Temple, culminating with him being called to the Bar. In short, he carried on where his father had left off, his career accelerating when he inherited the family estates in 1753.

He was now extremely wealthy.

But he was living in troubled times that saw him sympathize with the colonists' political ambitions, but argue against the use of military force to achieve full independence. As a loyalist, when this was achieved in 1781, he refused to swear allegiance to the new government and consequently had property confiscated. But, astute businessman that he was, he had already distributed some of his wealth around his extended family and that is how some of it ended up in Patching, and why a home in the village today is still named Dulaney House.



Simplified route of the Dulaney fortunes relevant to us

1. Daniel Dulaney the elder.

2. His son Daniel Dulaney the younger

3. His son Daniel Dulaney (1751-1824) of London and Brighton, and his daughter Rebecca Ann (1764-1828) wife of William de la Serre.

4. Then his grand daughter Rebecca Ann (1793-1835) heiress to her uncle Daniel and who assumed the name Dulaney and married

5. Sir Richard Hunter.

While within the church:

... beneath the floor before the high altar is the vault containing the remains of Rebecca Tasker Dulany (sic.) and those of her son, Daniel Dulany, and of her daughter, Anne Dulany and of the latter's daughter, Rebecca Anne de la Serre Dulany, who was the wife of Sir Richard Hunter. In the right transept are mural tablets. (1)

Our churches are our heritage of art and craftsmanship, and as their temporary custodians, we have a responsibility to pass them on in good condition.

(1) W.D.H. The Dulanys of Maryland in Provincial and Revolutionary Times .

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Findon Planning Applications

Planning applications for Findon are under the authority of South Downs National Park and listed on the SDNPA website (www.southdowns.gov.uk).

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://findonparishcouncil.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:



T1 - Eucalyptus: fell to as near to ground level as is possible T2 - Leyland Cypress: crown lift to 3m AGL on garden side of tree. G1 - 1 X Field Maple, (semi-mature), & 1 x Sycamore, (mature): reduce lateral growth overhanging neighbouring property by up to 2-3m. Present extent of lateral growth on lowest laterals is approximately 9m, finished lateral extent would be 6-m. reduce higher branches in by an appropriate extent to match pruning of lower laterals,& also retain crown shape & balance. T3 - Beech, Remove individual secondary & tertiary branches to achieve 2m clearance from building; redue in extended individual branches in top half of crown.

Findon Manor Hotel High Street Findon
Ref. No: SDNP/25/03378/TPO

T1 (Sycamore) to fell to ground level and treat stump.

Pond Green, Nepcote Lane Findon Ref.
No: SDNP/25/03296/TPO

Crown reduction of T1 (European Ash) and G1 (Group of 3x Maple Sycamore),

removing 3.5 m off top of all trees and 2m off all sides of all trees.

5 Summerfields Findon BN14 0TU
Ref. No: SDNP/25/03285/TPO

Proposed replacement ground floor extension.

Findon Court Findon Road Findon
Ref. No: SDNP/25/03182/HOUS

Proposed rear extension

Dormers Steep Lane Findon West Sussex
BN14 0UE
Ref. No: SDNP/25/03133/HOUS

Discharge of conditions 11 (design stage construction report), 12 (energy measures), 16 (completion of archaeological works), 19 (surface water details), 21 (biodiversity enhancements), 22 (landscape and ecological management plan) and 24 (external lighting) for SDNP/20/00033/REF (SDNP/19/01876/FUL).

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Paws Animal Sanctuary

August is a difficult month for rehoming animals with many families going on holiday. Also, lots of our volunteers are on holiday.

So many of the rescues are full. Our last cat came all the way from Dagenham, a two-hour car journey, because no rescues in their area had any spaces for an unwanted cat.

A local Vets just rang to ask if we can take a stray cat that was handed in a week ago but is not microchipped. They said they will deliver the cat to us tomorrow. We will take a photo of her and put her picture on Facebook hoping someone will recognise the poor little lost girl.

With all the continual delivery cars and van drivers who leave their doors open cats often climb onto vehicles and escape at the next delivery address and then are lost.

The two cats looking for new homes whose pictures appeared in last month's Findon News both found lovely homes with adoring new owners with safe gardens in the Findon area.

I have three bird baths, they need filling with fresh water every single day. I have never seen so many birds using them, sometimes four or five sparrows bathing at the same time. Also the bees and wasps are back and forth all day drinking water.

On the hottest day of the year I drove home from the local shops feeling so upset because there was a dog tied up outside Tescos 's, and another on

a lead being walked through the village. I slowed down and told the owner "It's too hot to walk your dog"! Only to be ignored. They forget the dogs have fur coats and will burn their feet - (the dog was a greyhound}!

I hope there are no rabbits suffering in hutches in the sun. They are like ovens. Or chickens kept in small runs with no shade. And, I feel sorry for the sheep out in the fields in this heat. I have fans going for the cats and one for the parrot.

I bought two more fans in case it gets any hotter for my lounge and bedroom. The sky immediately clouded over, and they are still in their boxes!

Stacey.

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Village Hall Diary September 2025

For one off events e.g. children's parties, meetings and weddings please email Elaine Dibben on bookingsecretary@findonvillagehall.net or visit www.findonvillagehall.net/home/hire-the-hall. Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the Village Hall website - www.findonvillagehall.net.

Weekly	Day	Hall	Time
Just Yoga	Monday	Nepcote	10:30am
Soccer Tots	Monday (from Sept 8 th)	Chanctonbury	9.45am
Yoga for Today	Monday (Not 8 th)	Nepcote	16.30pm
Encore Choir	Monday	Chanctonbury	18.45pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	9.15am
	Tuesday (16 th)	Nepcote	9.15am
Tai Chi class	Tuesday (from 9 th)	Chanctonbury	10.30am.
You Yoga	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday	Chanctonbury	10.00am
UDanceUK	Wednesday	Chanctonbury	17.00pm
Cloud Nine Yoga	Wednesday	Nepcote	19.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday (Not 3 rd)	Chanctonbury	19.00pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Thursday	Nepcote	09.15am
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	Chanctonbury	14.00pm
Circuit Training	Thursday (from Sept 18 th)	Nepcote	17.30pm
Circuit Training	Thursday (Sept 11 th only)	Chanctonbury	17.30pm
Tai Chi	Friday	Chanctonbury	10:00am
Cloud Nine Yoga	Friday	Nepcote	10.00am
Baby Steps Dance Group	Saturday	Nepcote	9.30am
Baby Steps Dance Group	Saturday (6 th only)	Chanctonbury	9.30am
Danceaholics	Sunday (Not 14 th)	Chanctonbury	18.30pm

Monthly	Date	Hall	Time
Tastevin	4 th September	Chanctonbury	19.00pm
Art Workshop	6 th September	Nepcote	9.00am
Meditation and Sound Healing	9 th September	Chanctonbury	19.45pm
Findon Village WI	11 th September	Chanctonbury	19.30pm
Parish Council Committee	15 th September	Nepcote	19.30pm
Bead Magicians	16 th September	Chanctonbury	10.00am
WI Crafty Ladies	22 nd September	Nepcote	14.00pm
Parish Council Planning Mtg	25 th September	Nepcote	19.30pm
Findon Garden Association	26 th September	Chanctonbury	19.30pm

Dates for your Diary

September

Willow Weaving Workshop -Thursday 11th September – Nepcote - 6.30pm- <https://www.nature-makers.co.uk/worthing-horsham-billingshurst>

FVHT Film Night - Friday 19th September – – **Burton**– Chanctonbury – 7.30pm

Light Lunch - Tuesday 30th September – Chanctonbury – 12.45 for 1pm Lunch

PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

SEPTEMBER 2025

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer.

There is a 10.00am said Eucharist in Findon Church every **Tuesday**,
and Morning Prayer every **Wednesday** and **Friday** at 9.00am.

Sunday 7th September Twelfth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	BCP Holy Communion in Findon Church Worship & Praise in Findon Church for Harvest with 'Cornerstone' Eucharist in Patching Church
Sunday 14th September Holy Cross Day Thirteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	BCP Holy Communion in Clapham Church Eucharist in Findon Church
Sunday 21st September Fourteenth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	BCP Holy Communion in Findon Church Eucharist in Findon Church (St Matthew) Harvest Thanksgiving Eucharist in Clapham Church
Sunday 28th September Tenth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	BCP Holy Communion in Patching Church Eucharist in Findon Church

FAMILY EVENTS:

	Next Messy Church – Tuesday 7th October - 3.30 – 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall All children welcome with an accompanying adult for crafts, a story, singing and food
	Lambs Tails – Parent & Toddler Group for babies, toddlers, & parents/carers. Next one Tuesday 2nd Sept., 10.30am at Findon Rectory. Contact Dom: fcpfamiliesworker@gmail.com Future dates TBC
	Games Afternoon – Sat. 20th September, 12noon to 3pm in Findon Church. Donations on the door. Table tennis, games, pool, drums and other fun activities. Refreshments available.

Baptisms	17 th August – Tillie Campbell
Funerals	6 th August – Keith Langridge 10 th August – Ashes interred for John Childs 11 th August – Isolde Holmes
Weddings	15 th August – Benjamin Perkins-Taylor and Elizabeth Devasundram-Allard 16 th August – William Rossiter and Pippa Cox 16 th August – Andrew Boreham and Jane Foster 16 th August – 20 th Wedding Anniversary Blessing of Gary and Sam Whittington 23 rd August – Oliver Foreman and Ella Davison 23 rd August – Nicholas Marriott and Kristina Ravid

Rev. Helena Buqué, Vicar, and Rev. Colin Cox, Associate Vicar:

c/o The Rectory, School Hill, Findon BN14 0TR.

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