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Findon Parish Council Report – July 2016

With no full council meetings, or for that matter no Planning Meetings until the 28th July, it has been an uncommonly quiet month for councillors.

The Transport, Environment, People (TEP) group has been active, and are making progress with meetings with WSCC Highways regarding changes to the footpath and road layouts around the centre of the village and School Hill.

Thunderstorms have filled up the soakaway on Nepcote Green, does any villager have any spare water lilies that could be transplanted into the pond to

clean up the water and introduce some colour and beauty? Please call me or our Parish Clerk Fiona if you can help us. (Telephone 873399 or 877225).

The Sheep Fair Committee is on the last preparation lap now and everything is in place for an even bigger and better show. Please put the dates of September 9th-10th in your diaries. Tickets are now on sale for the Friday Barn Dance and Saturday night with 'Murdoch's Crazy Eyes'.

Peter Goldsworthy
Chairman, FPC

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Call Graham on 07753 755889 or Hari on 07712172283 for more details.

Findon Village Website

Check out all the latest news and events in the village at www.findonvillage.org

Want to make the most of the summer days and to get some exercise? A

couple of walks have been added to the Local Walks page.

Don't forget we'd like to hear from you with any comments, suggestions etc either through the Contacts page or via email to findonwebsite@gmail.com

Richard Bell



Findon Sheep Fair



Friday 9th September - Live Band 'Foreman Five'

from 7.30pm



Adults: £7

Children: £3.50

Saturday 10th September - 'Party on the Green' from

7.30pm featuring...



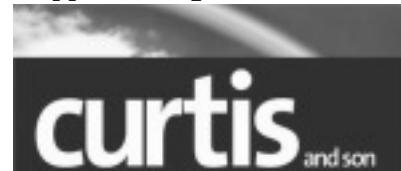
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Findon Swimming Pool update

The Ladies' Swim (Mondays 6.00-7.00pm) is proving popular.

Due to problems booking a band Findon Pool Committee is very sorry, at the last minute, not to run Not Quite Knebworth 2016 in July. Plans for a 2017 event will start in January!

Full details will be available next month for the new 50th Anniversary 100-Club scheme. Thank you to all who have already requested numbers (Contact Jacqui Greaney if interested, jacadihan@yahoo.com, 07877 969580).

Coming soon will also be details about the return of our popular Black Tie Dinner & Auction fundraiser, in November. Jacqui

- Since the last issue of Findon News:
 - ❖ 247 swimmers over 24 sessions (18 June-17 July)
 - ❖ The membership total now stands at 35 (21 family, 14 joint)
 - ❖ A season's total of 11 private bookings (plus 6 provisional)
 - ❖ 2 new volunteer supervisors welcomed to the team

will be delighted to hear of any suitable auction item donations.

Keep an eye on the pool website and Facebook page for up-to-date news and opening times.

Happy swimming everyone!
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Doris Sayles

The Sayles family of Beech Road would like to thank the very many friends and residents of Findon Village, especially St. John the Baptist Church, W.I., Findon Probus, Village Garden Assc., Conservative Assc., along with members of Worthing Lions Club, for their wonderful, heart warming support in appreciation of Doris Sayles given to our family following our recent bereavement.

Thank you all for helping to get us through a difficult time.

Husband John, John Jnr. and daughter-in-law Debbie, daughter Wendy and grandchildren Emma & Joshua

Findon Village Gardens Association

Summer Show

Come and enjoy a good old fashioned **Summer flower show at the Village Hall on Saturday 6th August.**

Not just flowers but a vegetable tent, cookery competition plus handicrafts and photography.

The show opens at 2pm and the sun will shine, the birds will sing so why not enjoy a well-deserved Pimms or an ice cream, or spoil yourself and have both or go for the cream tea (you know it makes sense!).

Stalls will include the ever popular plants, cakes and tombola, 'Men in Sheds' are revisiting us with their selection of wooden items for sale. Other stalls include lovely home-made preserves, Nanny Sue's eggs and paintings and prints to admire and buy. Make the day by buying a lucky raffle ticket to round off the afternoon.

Do come and join us and bring your friends, **2pm to 4pm Saturday 6th August**, don't forget.

Entry is free but donations are always welcome.

Part of the Summer Revels report was missing from the printed copy of July's edition of Findon News. The formatting error was corrected on the 'online' version available on the Findon Parish Council and Findon Village websites. For those who only have access to printed copies the article is reproduced below. Apologies for the error. Ed

Summer Revels 2016

Such an incredible Summer Revels this year!

One of Findon Village's oldest traditions, now dating back over 160 years, began at St John the Baptist CofE Primary School on Saturday 21st May with a children's procession to Pond Green led by a beautiful pony (kindly supplied by one of Findon Village's Race Horse trainer's Michelle Hide) and the traditional accordion player Tom Townsend (on his 28th year)!

The sun broke through the clouds as the children performed their well-practised country dancing watched on by many eager parents and locals before making their way back to the village school for the hugely popular maypole dancing.

The event was then officially opened by this year's popular Worthing Town Crier Bob Smytherson and our beloved Reverend Helena Buqué.

Rev. Helena also crowned this year's beautiful May Queen Caitlin Meaney, and her attendees, Hannah Greaney and Isabelle Cook.

This year's Summer Revels saw many hundreds attending raising thousands of pounds for the charity St John the Baptist CofE PTA which is dedicated to supporting the village school. With fairground rides, circus performers, children's entertainers, bouncy castles, assault courses, garden games, candy floss, beer tents, pimms, bbq's (cooking Peckham Butchers finest handmade burgers and sausages), the amazing ►

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drumming band Celebration Samba, birds of prey displays by Hawking About, and a whole host of village fete activities. It really was a village tradition not to be missed!

The raffle and draw alone raised many hundreds, and with generous donations from The Gun, The Village House, Leeds Castle, Southern Rail, South Downs Gun Club, Pulborough Brooks, a ½ tonne of horse manure with free delivery (!!!) and many many more.

Every winner was left feeling very lucky! Unbelievably all of this was run solely by volunteers, organised by the village school's PTA with free admission to all!

The St John the Baptist CofE Primary School's PTA works tirelessly throughout the year organising various village events. It encourages closer links between the local community and school by organising social activities that raises funds and provides an opportunity for residents, parents, staff and pupils to get together. Functions include the Findon Village Firework Fantasia, the Summer

Revels and the Findon Sheep Fair Refreshments.

Funds raised by the PTA provide 'extras' not already provided by the school's budget. Most recently the school have just added bee hives for the children to manage along with some wonderful chickens, a complex nature trail, an all-weather canopy for the playground, a beautiful greenhouse overflowing in abundance with vegetables, herbs and stunning flowers! Our current project, is to improve on the complex nature trail with other wildlife habitats.

Following this year's Summer Revels the PTA team would therefore like to give a huge thank you to all those who generously donated their time, gifts, or the lending of equipment, to make the Summer Revels 2016 such a successful day. And thank you also to the children, school staff and everyone that attended for producing such an incredible atmosphere!

Sadie Collis, Chairman,
St John the Baptist CofE Primary School
PTA

Coffee Morning And Sale In Aid Of The Cinnamon Trust

The Cinnamon Trust is the only national charity for the elderly and terminally ill and their pets and many of you will have got to know us in recent years at various events in the village or maybe out dog walking! We have a considerable presence in Findon now and I hope that this may increase at this great forthcoming event!

Mike "Mr Moustache" Solomons has kindly offered to open his lovely home at "Kyle Cottage" 39 High Street, Findon Village on Saturday **13th August from 10.00am to 12.30pm** for a Coffee Morning and Sale. Mike's much loved late wife Mary was a great supporter of the Trust and Mike is continuing this.

There will be a great array of cakes and goodies and a wide selection of items for sale on the day plus a raffle.

Please come along and enjoy a coffee or tea with something yummy included in the entrance fee of £2.50. All funds raised will go to the Cinnamon Trust to help with their running costs.

If you cannot be there but would still be interested in finding out more about the Trust please contact me on 01903 874173 or maggiemartin8@googlemail.com
Look forward to seeing you on 13th August!

Maggie Martin

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More Memories of Findon Pool

My parents and I moved into the village in the early 1960's, taking one of the new properties built on what had been Shorts Farm. Once I was of school age I attended the village school, walking to the crossroads of the Gun and Village House, and being seen safely across the road by the Lollipop lady Mrs Anscombe.

The school then consisted of just three classrooms.

My first teacher was the young Miss Simkins (who later married a Dutchman - her class attended her wedding and I am still in contact with her).

The next class up was with a teacher called Mrs Man. She drove a Morris traveller and it was her husband who came off the farm and helped dig the swimming pool, along with many others such as my Father Eric Jackson, Mr Barwell and Mr Jenner. All three of these men sadly died very young.

The head teacher when I first started at the school was Mrs Powell and then came Mr Radcliff, or Ratcliff (I'm not sure which is correct).

My memories of the swimming pool are of jumping and diving in from the roof of the "plant room". The roof was covered in those little stones which stuck to your feet, and the roof was hot from the sun that we seemed to have more often in those days!

The pool lining was also really rough, giving us all cuts and grazes! It was

also unfenced and completely available to be used at any time! I remember that one day I took myself off to the pool and jumped in and was swimming around quite happily, when someone (presumably a caretaker) turned up and gave me a real telling off for being in the pool! I believe there was supposed to be an "open" session, but maybe there wasn't! At my young age I just got confused and was happy just to get in, after all, it was my school pool!

In those days we were lucky to have a pool let alone the changing rooms and toilet you now have, not to mention the pool being fenced off so that my adventure cannot happen again! The pool was edged with a sloping crazy paving onto a wall, which was great for sitting on. We used to leave our clothes in heaps on the slope and the wall, and I believe we got dressed and undressed out in the open - probably the boys and girls together, but I really don't remember that!

I am fortunate to say that my Findon pool adventures did not end as a child. A few years ago I was proud to return to my school and the pool as a swimming teacher. No more jumping in from the plant room roof, or trying to avoid touching the floor and walls so as not to get grazed!

Very happy memories.

Gillian Warren

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Some-one had recently bought a new Henry Hoover and left the box outside Paws next to the large wheelie bins. As the box was waiting to be thrown away I decided to flatten it before placing it in the recycling bin! It was then that I realised the box contained a small terrified female Tabby Cat.

The cat didn't have newspaper, a towel or any bedding; neither was there a note to say her name or how old she was etc. She had probably been outside all night and was utterly traumatised, shaking, and hiding her face in the corner, we put her in a cat pen, but days later she still refuses to eat. With care and kindness she will eventually be fine and then we will find her a kind, proper, forever home.

We at Paws hope that who-ever did this has some sense of guilt. She is unfortunately not the first little animal to be left on our doorstep. Sadly I don't suppose she will be the last!

Sheila Steere



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Restricted Vehicle Access to St John the Baptist Church

Driveway Repairs

Please note that the Findon Church driveway (from the A24 by-pass) has repair work being undertaken during the week commencing Monday 8 August. This will restrict vehicular access to the church while works are in progress.

Findon Village Hall Trust

Chairman's Letter July 2016

The completion of Phase 1 of the Hall Renovation means that we are now in a position to begin Phase 2 - as agreed by a majority village vote in 2013.

Phase 2 works are to build a larger existing hall; an extension to accommodate larger meeting room, with independent facilities; and a new stage area. All to be on ground level for easy access.

Colin Wood (Structural Engineer) has met with the Committee and Clint Clements (Architect) was appointed to draw up provisional plans and approach planning.

Clint recommends the removal of the overhang of trees on Village Hall Trust land (right of the building plot), and on the Glebelands (the responsibility of the Parish Council, and subsequently approved). This work should be carried out before planning is approached. A quotation for the work on Hall land has been received.

The Committee have agreed to a new storage unit to house storage for the

Cissbury Players - their existing shed will be demolished when land is cleared for the new extension.

A second shed will be for a "Findon Men in Sheds" to be housed.

It is hoped that the new storage will be ready for use in September 2016.

Events Team

Following a very successful season of Film Nights, the Team moved on to host a Lamb to Loom Coffee Morning in June. Our thanks to Graham Langford who arranged to bring in ewes with their lambs, Jenny who demonstrated how the wool is spun, and Louise Spong from Southdown Yarn, who demonstrated how the wool was washed and dyed and made into products.

There was a competition to name the lambs for the children, and a raffle for the grown ups. The Café was open serving all sorts of homemade goodies, kindly donated by our marvellous team.

June 18th saw the first fine day in the month and the sun came out for our Summer Fete which was a great success.



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The fete began with a procession of children dressed as Superheroes and Princesses (headed by Morton, the Harlequin) who danced along the High Street from Pond Green to open the Fete - they all looked marvellous.

David the M.C kept them all entertained whilst the judging took place.

Winning superhero was Aiden (dressed as Batman) with his dog (dressed as Robin); Izzy was our winning Princess. Prizes were awarded to the lucky pair. All the local charities were represented together with local people selling their wares. A demonstration of wood turning by John Stepney proved very interesting to those attending, and the children's entertainer , with his magic and balloons kept the children amused.

A dancing demo from one of our regular clubs (who meet in the hall every Sunday evening) was great fun.

The Café, Pimms Tent, and New Forest Ice Creams went down well.

Our raffle this year was supported again by our marvellous local businesses and supporters. We had 20 high quality prizes donated to us.

A full list of contributors will be printed in the next minutes. A Huge thank you to them all.

The Findon Fun Dog Show on 16th July proved to be the biggest event we have ever held with sponsorship from Crossways Veterinary Group.

Tania Parsons from the practice agreed to judge the event and Summerhill Hydrotherapy sponsored the Veteran Class.

All the small businesses that took stands gave us a great variety of" Doggy Products" and the Cinnamon Trust stand sold all sorts of goodies.

In addition the Events Team donated all the homemade cakes. We sold almost

fifty Hot Dogs, record Ice Cream sales, and the Bar (selling Pimms, local Ales and Ciders) was a great attraction in the heat of the day.

A special mention to our MC who started as a rather large grey poodle and then morphed into David Gear who kept the proceedings going all afternoon - a great time was had by all.

The Team are now breaking for a well earned rest. They are outstanding in their generosity of time and effort, and I am so grateful and proud of what they have achieved - sincere thanks to them all.

Findon Film Nights begin again on 16th September. By popular request we are showing Dad's Army. As usual our bar and Café will be open, so make it a date in your diary. Doors will be open from 18.30 for those who wish to dine before the film.

Judith Davies
Chairman FVHT



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Village House All Stars v Findon CC Select

Wednesday 20th July saw the Village House 'All Stars' squeak to a last ball victory against Findon CC at the Long Furlong venue.

Superb 'death' bowling from skipper Oliver Silverthorne and brutal hitting from Nick Gifford ensured a thrilling victory!!! #stillgotit!

A great evening followed, with a BBQ and charity raffle back at the Village House Hotel which resulted in a cheque for £200 being sent to the "Chestnut Tree House".

Make Findon A 'Hello' Area

A sign at Plumpton station [*pictured right*] greets visitors requesting that they acknowledge their fellow fellow human beings.

When we moved to Findon 50 years ago, saying hello to people that you met in the street was the normal thing to do. If you did not you risked being thought of as rude. A simple good morning or even the good old British standby of 'terrible weather'.

Walking dogs is an ice breaker, but you do not have to have a canine companion to give a smile and a word and make someone's day just a little better. It costs nothing.

I realise that this would be impossible in a town or city environment but here in Findon please be friendly. We don't bite, so join Plumpton and make this a HELLO area.

Norman Allcorn



FROM THE GREEN

by Richard Bell



More Findon Bypass Memories

By Valerie Martin

Did you know that there was a Findon Club for bikers in the 1960's? John Linfield has told me that he can recall racing around the ramparts of Cissbury Ring - something that would certainly be frowned upon today. He joined the Findon Club in 1966. The club badge is pictured right.



The above photograph shows a deserted sweep of the A24 Findon Bypass heading north in 1966just right for a motor bike burn up. The junction with Cross Lane is on the right (close to the old Triangle site). Church Hill can be seen in the background.

Lawrie May (ex-Findonian) and now in Antigua, West Indies, emailed.... "The A24 Motorcycle Club was quite famous as it was run by the biking vicars of both Findon and the Valley. I think the Findon vicar was Reverend Adams, his bike was a Norton, The Findon Valley vicar rode a Matchless or AJS 250 I seem to remember.

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"We used to have treasure hunts (on bikes of course) that took us around the rural area. The Vicars used to remind us before setting off that it was not a race and we were to observe speed limits. Imagine what effect that had on a bunch of teenagers !"

I have learned that the Reverend R.F.G. Adams was quite a character and rode a 750 cc Norton Atlas motorcycle. A little bit of added information given to me is that the Reverend was "a very large man". In fact...."huge" I have been told.

I have also heard from Alan Masters (pictured right) now living in Canada....."As a teenager I belonged to a motorcycle club in the early 1960's. We often use to "Burn" through the Valley to Findon Village virtually unimpeded by the local Constabulary, I do seem to remember the odd "Noddy bike" Velolette running about the area, but I never hung about long enough to be on a first name basis with it's rider!

"I came by my love for fast motorcycles honestly as my Dad use to race and ride his machine around the Worthing, Findon area in the 30's and I'm sure was well known by the local constabulary!

"Our club was actually quite respectable attending the Mayors parade each year and putting on local events including assisting with the Steyning Grass track. However; we did have an infamous moment after BBC TV cameras were on the scene of a horrendous crash involving at least ten or more of our club members who had collided together at night at high speed on the Findon By-Pass. Some members were seriously injured and eventually did recover, luckily no one was killed."

Last but not least, below is a more tranquil scene from 45 years ago of traffic approaching the Findon Roundabout on the A24 bypass.



A picturesque vehicle heads south into Findon on a chilly morning in December 1971.

Further local stories from the past can be found on Valerie Martin's website, www.findonvillage.com

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News from PAWS Animal Sanctuary

Another busy month. We were asked to help out at a Guinea-pig rescue in Haywards Heath who had too many Guinea-pigs to cope with - we took 19. It was very hard work weighing, naming, and checking their teeth and nails. It takes hours getting hutches ready with bedding, food and water bottles, and labels with their names on. A couple of days later a desperate family asked us to take 3 male Guinea-pigs that they couldn't take with them to a new flat. We already had so many prior to taking in all the new ones (as well as a little female who we thought might be pregnant), so another three didn't make much difference!

We have so many new cats all our cat pens are full and Sheila found a young cat dumped in our drive in a Henry Hoover box [see story on page 9]. Then we had a very neglected rabbit dumped in a filthy hutch full of flies and maggots. The female rabbit was lucky to be alive and might have been eaten alive by maggots; her bones were sticking out. We were able to clean her up and treat her sore back, and wash her feet. She was so gentle and friendly one of our Volunteers immediately fell in love with her and took her home.

At 9pm recently a lady rang to say a dog was caught up in the bushes and could we go and rescue it. I rang Sheila and we took some clippers and a stick to see if we could go and free it. The owner said she couldn't climb through the prickles as she was wearing flip-flops and had asked a lady in the nearest house at Nepcote to ring us for help. So there we were two old ladies, both over 70, looking for a dog. The lady dog owner had disappeared

further up the downs, but a crowd had gathered and we all stood by her car. Eventually we decided it was a wild goose chase. We were told the next day the dog had returned home on its own! We are so busy every week with rescued wildlife, every day we have constant calls about baby seagulls falling off roofs. A lady came one Sunday with two tiny baby swallows in a box. Sheila said she would deal with all the visitors while I took the babies to the Brent Lodge Wildlife Hospital in Sidlesham. They needed to go into an Incubator and needed to be fed regularly with flaxworms. After driving the 60 miles there and back I came home to discover water dripping through my kitchen ceiling! My old boiler was blocked and the water had nowhere to go except down into my Kitchen. My toaster was still plugged in and full of water - what a nightmare! Luckily Chris the Plumber lives a few houses up the road and came to my rescue within minutes - what a hero.

The donkey has learned to open gates and doors if he kicks them hard enough. He also knows that I will come running with a carrot if I hear him doing that!

Stacey



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Readers' Dogs Meet Branston and Merlin!

The picture was taken by our owner Peta-Jane Onslow and shows us just having had a paddle in the pond. Our names are Branston and Merlin and we are Lakeland Terrier x Poodle brothers aged 5 years. We live in the wonderful Findon Village and walk mornings on Cissbury, afternoons on Nepcote, and evenings on Pond Green.

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Don't forget to submit a picture of your dog to feature in "Readers' Dogs".

Photographs must include a background that is recognisable as having been taken in Findon.

Pictures and a short résumé about your canine friend should be sent through to the Findon News email address - [findonnews@zoho.com](mailto:findonnews@zoho.com) - or hardcopy via the "Findon News" box in the Findon newsagency.

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We aim to publish a calendar with all the dogs featured, to raise funds for the Findon PAWS Animal Sanctuary.



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# A Gardener's View

We have had at long last some truly hot summer days in July and I feel all the better for it. Both physically and mentally the warm weather makes my spirit grow just as much as the plants, however August is tinged with loss. The light changes and by the end of the month the days will be shorter and the nights cooler.

The garden's borders are a mixture of bloom and plants going to seed. It is a real month of change.

Although some gardeners can produce a steady crop of vegetables throughout the year, there is no month quite like August for harvesting.

Combining the last of the earlier crops like garlic, peas and broad beans with the first of the later ones like French beans, sweetcorn, and the sweetest tomatoes of the year. Onions can be lifted and left to dry in the sun and you can use the bare soil to sow fast cropping vegetables such as 'cut and come again' lettuces and radishes.

Butterflies are at their busiest in August, fluttering from flower to flower all in search of the rich nectar of late season blooms. There is no plant in

the late summer garden that attracts them like Buddleja. If you're looking for an easy to grow, heavenly scented, highly attractive shrub, you cannot go wrong with Buddleja davidii. There are around one hundred recognised species of Buddleja so you really are spoilt for choice.

One myth I wish to dispel is the dreaded pruning of Wisteria. Many people believe that it is incredibly confusing and so avoid pruning all together. But do not fear! Wisteria is pruned twice a year, in July or August, then again in January or February. Cut back the whippy green shoots of the current years growth this month to five or six leaves. This controls the size of the Wisteria and encourages it to form flower buds rather than green growth. Then cut back the same growth to two or three buds in January or February (this is when the plant is leafless).

But if you are not pruning Wisteria or planting Buddleja, a simple job that will keep your garden ticking through is to stroll around your garden frequently dead heading.

Enjoy August, for September is a game changer.

Joshua (the Gardener)



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# £1001 Raised For PAWS Animal Sanctuary

A recent Charity Fun Dog Show organised by a group of dog enthusiasts supported by the Findon Valley Residents' Association (FVRA) in



late June managed to raise £1001 for PAWS Animal Sanctuary.

2016 is the third year of this event supported by dog owners in and around Findon Valley, always held on The Gallops and over the three years' period £2,455.15 has been raised for PAWS.

Best in Show  
“Shelby”



The event is run by a group of friends who are dog enthusiasts working hard to ensure that everyone has a fun afternoon; the FVRA was asked to help with applying to Worthing Council to secure the Gallops, cover the public liability insurance that's required and assist with the event's publicity/marketing.

For the first time, Summerhill Canine Therapy from High Salvington helped with setting up and managing two agility courses which was well received; they also gave a generous donation to PAWS which is included in the final amount raised.

To add to the fun, there was a Grand Raffle for the many people who turned up with their pets, families and friends.

‘Eats & Treats’ café from King’s Parade helped with food and refreshments during the Sunday afternoon. Each class was sponsored by local businesses and there were 99 dogs registered with one or a number of different classes.

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Once the best of each class was decided by the two judges, Pat Eves and Russ Akehurst, Worthing Council's Dog Warden, they had the task to determine the ‘Best in Show’. The winner was Shelby, a Bernese Mountain Dog owned by the Lindfield family.

A special thanks to Pat Eves, Lynn and Geoff Raynsford with their friends for organising this friendly, informal fun afternoon which was enjoyed by everyone – a very successful community event that will be back in 2017!

Visit [www.findonvalley.org](http://www.findonvalley.org) to read more about this event.

Alex Clouter  
Web/Communications Officer  
Findon Valley Residents' Association

## Veterinary Advice

It is definitely getting warmer, and whilst most of us are enjoying the increasing temperature here's a few words of warning about some of the potential dangers out pets face during summer.

### Heatstroke

Sadly we see a lot of cases of heatstroke in dogs during the summer months. This is so easily avoided, and can often result in death.

Dogs do not tolerate high temperatures as well as humans do - dogs are less efficient at cooling themselves down as they only have sweat glands in their feet and nose, so they rely primarily on panting. Some breeds (short faced and cold weather types) and obese animals are more sensitive.

Note: it does NOT have to be a bright sunny day for dogs to get heatstroke.

Overcast muggy days will also cause heatstroke which can take effect very quickly. It is an emergency that requires immediate treatment.

### Ways to avoid heatstroke and keep your dog cool

Restrict outdoor exercise, making sure dog's do not play too hard, and have plenty of breaks

Walk them early in the morning or late evening as to avoid being outside during the hottest part of the day.

Make sure they have access to a cool shaded place and a fresh bowl of water.

Always take water on a walk.

Spray them with cool water, hose them down, or if you have access to a safe pool or lake, take them for a swim.

Avoid leaving them in a suntrap such as a conservatory, greenhouse, or tent.



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NEVER leave your dog in a parked car on a hot or muggy day, not even a minute!!

Long-haired dogs are more likely to be affected so keep their coats trimmed during the summer months

Avoid long car journeys, but if you do take your dog, keep it cool with air-conditioning on, or keeping windows open, with plenty of water and regular fresh air breaks.

### **Signs that your dog may have heatstroke:**

Faster, heavier panting, barking, whining or signs of agitation, excessive thirst, excessive drooling with strands of saliva hanging from the mouth, increased pulse and heartbeat, dark-coloured dry gums or tongue, glassy eyes, staggering, weakness or collapse, seizures, unconsciousness.

If you suspect your dog may have heatstroke, please seek veterinary advice immediately. Even if your dog seems better, it's always best to get them checked out.

### **Insect stings**

Animals are often intrigued by the sounds of bees and wasps and whilst curiosity may not kill the cat or dog, a sting can certainly be sore! Often no treatment is required but it is worth having them checked by a vet if the animal is distressed or there is swelling. Please do NOT give any medication to an animal without first checking with the vet as some antihistamines or sting remedies that humans can use are harmful to animals, especially if they are already on a medication.

### **BBQ's**

Be aware of dogs trying to pinch food off the table! I am unable to count the

number of dogs that I have had to perform emergency gut surgery on to remove corn on the cobs, and fruit stones obstructing the intestines as they are poorly digested, and a choking hazard. The same goes for rib bones and drumsticks etc.

Another favourite is food on skewers! And do not be fooled that a dog will just chew the meat off the skewer! Last year I had to remove an intact 12 inch wooden skewer, complete with satay chicken, that a whippet had swallowed WHOLE and it penetrated the oesophagus stomach and pancreas! (Fortunately he was fine and I have seen him behaving impeccably at BBQ's since!)

### **Ticks**

There have been A LOT of ticks around this year- often they just cause local irritation but, as I have discussed before, they can spread diseases. There is a great tablet available which protects against ticks (and fleas) for 12 weeks - please speak to one of our nurses if your animals are picking up ticks frequently.

Finally a thank you to Judith Davies and the team at Findon Village Hall Trust for inviting me to be the judge at their dog show on 16th July. It was a great day and lovely to see so many of my clients there. Congratulations to Jessica with Socks who won best in show as well as best child handler.

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In May we held a 30 minute Tesco challenge event whereby a cross trainer was set up outside the store and we all volunteered to exercise for 30 minutes to raise funds for the Tesco charities, Diabetes UK and The British Heart Foundation.

A superb total of £335.00 was raised.

In June four members of staff at the store - Paula, Nicky, Polly and Meggie - took part in 'Race for Life' at Worthing for cancer research. An amazing amount £620.00 was achieved for Cancer Research.

In July we will have another fundraising event to be announced shortly.

Staff at the store would like to offer our help and assist at any local events from schools, local clubs, care homes and charity good causes in our area. If we can help then where possible we will. Be it helping to run a stall, serving teas and coffees, setting up a venue or indeed whatever we can do to help to make your events a success.

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## **Findon Downs WI**

Katharine Collett, our Speaker, wore an Edwardian afternoon tea dress to set the scene for her talk and musical journey on “Downton Revisited”. The traditional social scene in the big houses was changing. There were dinner parties, soirees and weekend parties. Katharine sang songs from that period including Danny Boy and an operatic piece. This was followed by influence from America of “Jazz” songs included, “April Showers” and “I’ve Got Rhythm”. She talked about Edwardian menus and the important

role of servants. There were over a million nationwide in 1911. The 1930's saw the big house culture come to an end, replaced by indoor picnics and buffet lunches. She illustrated this with songs of that time – look for the silver lining and let me call you sweetheart.

Katharine had a beautiful voice and we all enjoyed a truly professional performance. A memory stirring afternoon.

**Tuesday 9th August** is the President’s coffee morning. We look forward to welcoming members at “Capell”, Holmcroft Gardens at 10.30am.

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## Family Favourites

### **Raspberry Trifle**

4 Trifle Sponges  
2 Tablespoons Raspberry Jam  
4 Tablespoons Sherry  
5oz. Raspberries (extra for decoration)  
Amaretti Biscuits, 1oz. crumbled  
Can of Custard  
1/2 pint of Double Cream

Halve sponges & sandwich together with the jam, cut into quarters and arrange in Trifle Dish. Pour Sherry over the sponges and sprinkle with Amaretti biscuits, Saving a few for decoration, put the remaining raspberries in the dish. Stir 3 tablespoons of cream into the custard and pour over the fruit. Cover and chill. Whip the remaining cream until soft peaks. Spread over the custard. Decorate with Raspberries

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## **Findon Village WI**

At our last meeting on Thursday 14th July, we had a very social evening playing a good old fashioned beetle drive, everyone said they really enjoyed having a fun evening.

Our next meeting is our annual summer lunch on Thursday 11th August in the

village hall - 12 for 12.30, midday - the theme is summer garden party. Tickets cost £2.50 which includes drinks and a raffle. Each member should bring along a dish of food to put on the buffet table. All are welcome to join us.

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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](http://www.southdowns.gov.uk)).

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

**Construction of a new barn for use as a welfare and mess facility by vineyard workers and customer reception. Open for Comment**

Wiston Vineyard Via Unnamed Road  
Off A24 Findon BN14 0RN  
Ref. No: SDNP/16/03661/FUL

**To provide 4 new affordable houses to the land to the rear of 2 Beulah Terrace and to provide garages to the rear of No 2 to 4 of Beulah Terrace. Open for Comment**

Land Behind 2 Beulah Terrace School Hill Findon BN14 0TR  
Ref. No: SDNP/16/03481/OUT

**1 No Sycamore (T3) lateral prune to source 1x100mm diameter limb at 3m heading south and lateral to source 1x100mm diameter limb at 2.5m heading north Open for Comment**

40 Nepcote Lane Findon BN14 0SL  
Ref. No: SDNP/16/03351/TPO

**Demolish and rebuild garage, demolish existing conservatory and single story kitchen and build new single story rear extension. Open for Comment**

25 The Quadrangle Findon BN14 0RB  
Ref. No: SDNP/16/03299/HOUS

**Replace existing windows with new aluminium frames and glass Open for Comment**

St John The Baptist Primary School School Hill Findon BN14 0TR  
Ref. No: SDNP/16/03273/FUL

**Self build single family home.**

Land at Pony Farm Findon Ref. No: SDNP/16/03336/PRE

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FPC Planning Committee meetings are held in Findon Village Hall at 7.30pm and members of the public are always welcome to attend the Committee meetings and take part in the Public Question Time agenda item.

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22 September - Main Hall                  there is no business to transact.**

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**Avoid** responding to unsolicited calls, texts or emails offering holidays at incredibly low prices.

## Protect Yourself

Whenever possible, pay for your holiday by credit card as it offers increased protection.

Always remember to look for the 'https' and locked padlock icon in the address bar before entering your payment details.

Never feel pressured to make a booking for fear that you will miss out on this 'low price' opportunity. If you have never used the company before, take your time to do some online research to ensure they are reputable.

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| <b>Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> August</b> | 8.00am<br>10.00am | Eucharist, Findon Church<br>Family Service at Village Hall<br><i>+ breakfast from 9.15am</i> |
| <b>Sunday 14<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>   | 9.30am            | Sung Eucharist, Findon Church                                                                |
| <b>Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> Aug</b>   | 8.00am<br>9.30am  | Eucharist, Findon Church<br>Family Communion, Findon Church                                  |
| <b>Sunday 28<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>   | 9.30am            | Sung Eucharist                                                                               |
| <b>Sunday 4<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>   | 8.00am<br>10.00am | Eucharist, Findon Church<br>Family Service at Village Hall<br><i>+ breakfast from 9.15am</i> |

Tuesdays 10.00am, Holy Eucharist Service

Weds/Thurs/Friday 9.00am, Morning Prayer

Wednesdays 10.30am-12.00pm Quiet Time

1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of month, 9.15am breakfast and 10.00am Family Service in Findon Village Hall

1st Tuesday of month during term time, 3.30-5.45pm, Messy Church in Findon Village Hall.

Last Tuesday of month (not Aug), Light Lunch @ 1pm, Findon Village Hall. Soup & a pudding with friends for £4.00

First Monday of month, 7.30pm Ladies' Curry Night, Tajdar.

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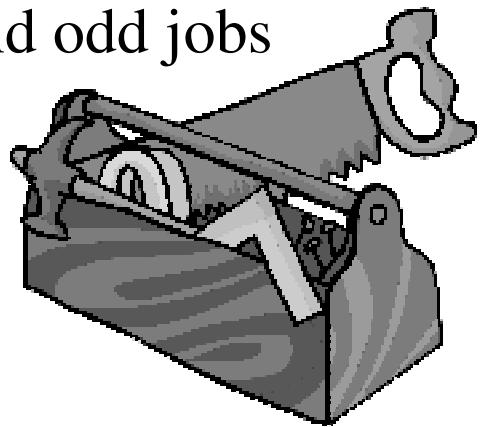
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## Weekly

|                        | Day       | Time          |
|------------------------|-----------|---------------|
| Carpet Bowls           | Monday    | 14:30         |
| Cissbury Players       | Wednesday | 20:00 – 22:00 |
| Lambstails (Term Time) | Thursday  | 10:00 – 12:00 |
| Line Dancing           | Wednesday | 09:45         |
| Danceaholics           | Sunday    | 20:00         |
| Beginners Yoga         | Monday    | 09:30         |
| Yoga                   | Monday    | 10:30         |
| Vinyasa Flow Yoga      | Tuesday   | 19:00 – 21:00 |

## Fortnightly

|                | Date                                        | Time  |
|----------------|---------------------------------------------|-------|
| Circle Dancing | Monday 1 <sup>st</sup> & 15 <sup>th</sup>   | 19:10 |
| Rummikub       | 2 <sup>nd</sup> & 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesday | 14:00 |

## Monthly

|                       | Date                                                                  | Time  |
|-----------------------|-----------------------------------------------------------------------|-------|
| Auction               | Thursday 4 <sup>th</sup><br>(goods 2–4pm, viewing 4–6pm, Auction 6pm) | 18:00 |
| Bead Magicians        | Tuesday 16 <sup>th</sup>                                              | 09:00 |
| Canasta Club          | Last Tuesday                                                          | 15:00 |
| Family Church Service | 1 <sup>st</sup> Sunday                                                | 09:30 |
| Gardens Association   | Last Friday                                                           | 19:00 |
| Light Lunch           | Last Tuesday                                                          | 13:00 |
| Meditation            | Thursday 18 <sup>th</sup>                                             | 19:30 |
| Messy Church          | 1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday                                               | 15:30 |
| Village WI            | 2 <sup>nd</sup> Thursday                                              | 19:00 |

## Committee Room

|                  |         |       |
|------------------|---------|-------|
| Village WI Darts | Date    | Time  |
|                  | Mondays | 14:00 |

## Other Events

|                           |                                       |       |
|---------------------------|---------------------------------------|-------|
| Garden Assoc. Summer Show | Date                                  | Time  |
|                           | 5 <sup>th</sup> & 6 <sup>th</sup> Aug | 14:00 |

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as well as listings of forthcoming events

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