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From The Rectory

Quite a lot has happened since Helena wrote her article for the December/January edition of Findon News, back in November last year. We have celebrated Christmas and after the New Year, the feast of Epiphany. In the run-up to Christmas we enjoyed a range of community events across our three villages including the ever-popular live nativity in Findon, but wasn't it cold! Fortunately, this year the rain kept away from our carols around the coals in both Patching and Clapham and we were able to enjoy the mulled wine and mince pies, and the carols too, of course! Our grateful thanks to all who organized these events.

Our Christmas Eve family service was well attended and it was so nice to see the church full again after the privations of covid. This service has a very special moment when the children form a circle around the darkened church, and hold up a lighted Christingle as a sign of the light of Christ coming into the world. It is a sign of hope for us in a world where there is so much darkness and chaos. Later on Christmas Eve we returned to church to celebrate Midnight Mass but it seems that this is no longer as popular as it once was. However, we had a good turnout for our Christmas morning services, with a number of visitors coming to join our celebrations, which is a great joy.

It will not be long now before we are in the season of Lent, which begins on

Ash Wednesday, 22nd February. Lent is a time of reflection and preparation, so that we are ready to celebrate the premier Christian feast of Easter. There will be a 10am Eucharist on Ash Wednesday in Findon church when we are invited to receive a cross in ash on our foreheads. This symbolises our mortality and our need to come to God in sorrow for where we let him down and have not lived in his light.

This year, instead of holding our traditional Lent study Groups, we are going to do something different. There will be a service of Compline and a short reflection on a Wednesday evening at 7.30pm each week. As Helena mentioned in her last article, she is now in Australia on a three-month sabbatical, visiting her daughter and family, and hopefully enjoying some rest and relaxation. She returns to the parish just before Easter, on the 2nd April. In the meantime, the work of the parish continues as usual and our Church Office is open on Fridays and also on Monday mornings. Please continue to contact us by phone and email, and Wendy, our Parish Administrator and I will pick up any messages as often as possible. We might not be as quick as Helena to respond though, as I do not live in the parish, so please bear with us.

With every blessing, Colin.

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AROUND THE VILLAGE



by Richard Bell

The late Theo Wilde

It is with great sadness that I report the passing of Theo Wild who lived in Cross Lane, Findon Village for 41 years with his wife Pat.

Theodore Harivy Leech Wild was born in 1925 in South London. He studied at both Brighton & Hove Grammar School and Leeds Grammar School. After leaving school Theo undertook an Electrical Engineering apprenticeship in London. He enjoyed caving and hill walking, spending much of his free time in the Yorkshire dales and North Wales. During this time Theo lived in Carlshalton, Surrey whilst working as an electrical engineer in London. Theo met his future wife Pat on a blind date 1951, marrying her in 1952 in Banstead, Surrey.

Theo & Pat moved from Reigate, Surrey to Findon in 1981. Theo loved his job, travelling around the country a lot, but finished up working in Brighton until his retirement in 1990.

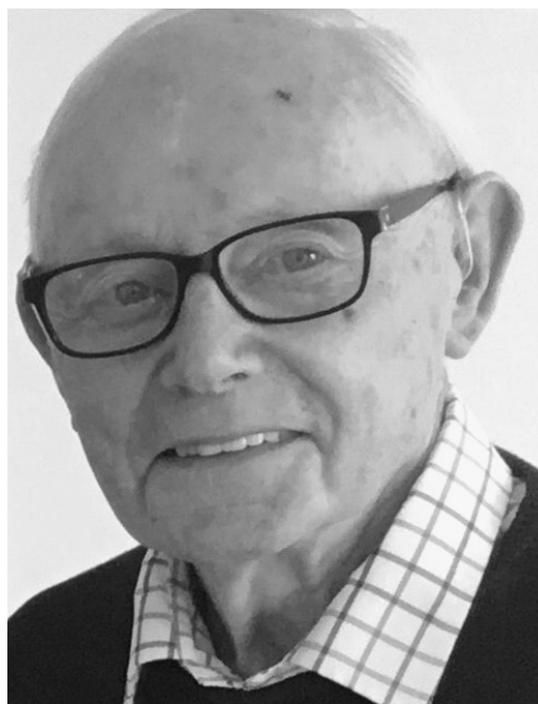
Theo became fully immersed in village life, including the Committee of The Village Hall, where he was in charge of the grounds and maintenance for many years. Together with Peter Rodgers he founded the '200' club, which is still running today. He was also secretary

Tony Letchford

of the Findon Village Gardens Association for many years, and organised the RNLi annual flag days held in the village. Theo was also a member of the Findon Probus Club

Theo was a true family man, always enjoying visits from his two children and their families: six grandchildren and latterly his three great grandchildren.

He was always very happy living in Findon where he could enjoy endless walks on the Downs and where both he & Pat made many valued and lasting friendships.



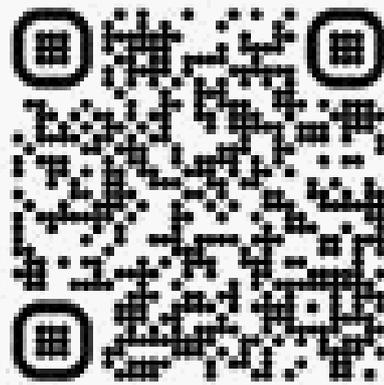
Thank you Findon

My wife and I would like to say "thank you" to everyone who asked if we needed help when my car broke down in the village yesterday (21st January). We have never felt such community spirit and genuine

kindness in a long time and it has restored our faith in how kind people can be. Many thanks to Findon and it's Villagers for making our wait for the breakdown service as comfortable as could be.

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Cinnamon Trust Christmas Fair

Maggie Martin

A huge thank you to everyone who was involved in the Cinnamon Trust Christmas Fair in Findon Church which was a highly enjoyable and successful event.

I am delighted to say that we raised the sum of £1288 on the day and with pre sales, donations etc I was able to send the Cinnamon Trust a cheque for £1740. I have had a lovely thank you letter listing how the money is being spent and the majority is vet bills for the large number of foster pets. A nice chunk was kept for Christmas Dinner for the pets at both sanctuaries.

The Christmas Fair has become a regular event in the village and it is

lovely to see so many people and pets enjoying it. Thank you to each and every one who helped or contributed in any way.

I will be thinking about the next event soon and will let you know the date as soon as possible.

Maybe another Easter Fair?

With all best wishes from Maggie and John Martin

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A thank you from the Christmas Lights Team Sue Parton

We had a wonderful turning on ceremony of the Village Christmas Lights on 4th December and we would like to thank Clive our master of ceremonies, the School Choir, The Gun Inn and The Village House staff for their support and for making it such a lovely evening. I think we all enjoyed seeing Angus dressed as an elf! It was very well attended and we hope everyone enjoyed it.

As usual we could not put on such a great display without the helpers on the setting up weekend: Gez, Clive, Chris, Ritchie and Corrine and the helpers at the turning on ceremony: Father Christmas, Joni our elf, and Jan for helping with the raffle. As always there are lots of supporters in the background, lending either their equipment or services and we thank you too: Findon Parish Council, Southern Cranes, Peckhams Butchers, the Village

Shop, residents and businesses who allowed us to tap into their electricity; George for the use of a van, Graham for the walkie-talkies and Mike for the use of his driveway for storage!

The raffle was a great success, raising over £600 and we thank Peckhams Butchers and Sew Silver for donating prizes. There is one unclaimed prize – green ticket no. 417 – if you call me back I can get this to you.

The raffle ticket proceeds together with substantial grants from the Sheep Fair Committee and the Village Shop mean that we have funds to replace any broken lights and consider even more lights for next year.

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The winner of the December draw was number 1 Sean Hellet

The winner of the January draw was number 75 Sinan Kalan

Memories of Patricia Canavan

Pat was born in Walthamstow, east London into a happy loving family. Her memories of growing up as an only child were full of happy times she spent in the family home, which was always full of friends and family. Her closest friend was Yvonne and this friendship lasted a lifetime.

Pat's parents owned a florist shop in Walthamstow. Other relatives were also in the trade, one aunt in Bradford had a florist shop and Pat remembers holidays there. Another aunt had a florist in Devon and it was there that Pat was evacuated during the war.

Pat was a very bright young girl, passing her eleven plus and obtaining a place at an excellent girl's school in Basildon. She loved the written word and I suppose that was why she went into journalism. She worked for several publications, one of which took her to Canada for three years. When she returned to London she worked for the Daily Mail Group, holding various posts on both news and magazines. She also wrote several children's books in collaboration with a very talented illustrator who was also employed by the DM Group.

Her greatest love however, was ballroom dancing and Yvonne and Pat went dancing on every possible occasion. When she had her first job in the West End she would go to Tea Dances in her lunch breaks! During this time she continued to enjoy her social life and her love of ballroom dancing never faded. This, combined with good restaurants, theatre and foreign holidays led her eventually to meet Len, whom she married. She kept her maiden name and I once asked if this was for professional reasons, to which she replied "No, I just didn't like Len's surname as much as my own." Len had his own company and after their marriage Pat worked with him. After Pat's father passed away, she continued to

care for her Mum. Sadly, she lost Len and then her mother.

Yvonne had married and moved to Goring, and Pat was a regular visitor there. She enjoyed visiting the area and decided she might like to move nearer her best friend. Looking around, she discovered Findon and as luck would have it found a new build on High Street where she lived until she passed away. Once Pat moved to Findon, she became very active in local affairs and charities. Her involvement with the WI saw her become President. She also took on the role of Chairman of the Village Hall Trust, raising over £200,000, which she hoped would build a new village hall. Sadly, the dream did not come true and she handed over the Chair in 2013.

She joined the Probus Club, where she met Ken. They both had a love of fine dining and short breaks and for a number of years enjoyed their mutual interests, before he passed away.

Pat supported many charities, including the Cinnamon Trust and Chestnut Tree and always attended the various charitable events, of which there were many in Findon. Pat was very generous with her time and money. When her mobility started to cause problems, she would walk around using her Zimmer to attend these functions and to shop in the village. Both the Post Office and Peckham's butchers looked after her with great kindness, delivering whatever she needs. She loved village life.

In the last few years Pat was unable to get about very much. Covid caused her and many others to become isolated. Fortunately, as restrictions lifted she very much enjoyed visits from friends, eating cake and talking about the "old times".

Judith

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Well, I'm bursting with news to tell you this month! So much to be thankful for, so much to look forward to, where to start is the question.

Thanks to you all, trading at the shop more than matched the previous year, and sales were up. We were able to support projects such as the Christmas lights in the village centre, the school swimming pool, and the preschool, and distribute hampers to those in need. We truly are the community shop recognised by the Queens Award, which is now on view in the shop in all its glory.

It's fantastic, that despite all the strikes, illness and price increases, sales at the shop have remained buoyant. I'd like to pay tribute to all our loyal customers and our team of volunteers, often willing to step in at short notice. But particular mention must be made of our local postman. Because of the ongoing relationship the shop enjoys with him, we have always had at least one collection a day to collect the mountain of sacks we have stacked up in the shop each day. And that is something to be really grateful for – no small matter (literally)!

And now February is upon us, and the weather bitterly cold (as I write this). We offer a free delivery service, subject to a minimum spend of £10, to anyone who might struggle to go out – we want everyone in our village to stay as safe as possible. If you, or anyone you know, is housebound, and needs anything from the shop, please let us know. We are more than happy to

Jean Burden

help. You can contact us on 01903 877110.

Two events take place in February: Valentine's Day, and Shrove Tuesday, otherwise known as pancake day (which this year falls on Tuesday 21st February). The shop will of course be stocking cards and seasonal goodies to help your celebrations go smoothly. It's well worth popping in to look at the shop's wonderful selection of greeting cards, even if you buy nothing else.

STOP PRESS: We are very excited to announce that we will host another of our popular taster sessions, this time featuring local chocolatier Charlotte Alexander, who will be presenting her rose-shaped truffles. This will take place on the morning of Saturday 4th February, to tie in with Valentine's Day. I'll be first in the queue to see what delights she has to offer!

We will have our Volunteers' Meeting hopefully early in March in the village hall, as usual. It's always a good time to meet up and put faces to the names we see on the rota, and also to see the many volunteers who work behind the scenes, cleaning, stacking shelves, or unloading deliveries. We are deeply grateful for all our volunteers, without whom the shop simply couldn't operate. So many people have stepped forward to work behind the till, in fact, that we are in the unprecedented position of considering opening a waiting list. Wow! I bet we never suspected we'd ever be in that position when the shop first opened in 2017. Of course, there are still lots of vacancies (if that's the

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right word for volunteer roles) for general cleaning eg the fridge or the coffee machine, unpacking, shelf refilling, and tidying. Anytime would be helpful, but weekends would be brilliant.

And so, towards Easter, the season of hot cross buns, Easter eggs, lighter evenings and (hopefully) warmer weather. Becky Fagan does a

wonderful job of choosing our high-end and seasonal stock, but if anyone has any bright ideas about our range of goods, please have a word with Angus (our very approachable shop manager), or any committee member. We are proud of the extensive variety of goods we sell, but are always open to suggestions.



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The AGM now seems so long ago but the business was concluded uneventfully and, in accordance with the new constitution, all the elected trustees stood down and were subsequently re-elected.

Film club is back again after its Christmas break and will continue until

May when the season ends for the summer.

We (and Findon Parish Council) still wait, with bated breath, for news of the public works loan to finish work on the village hall extension. The builders stand ready but we can do nothing but wait for the process to take its course.... What is increasingly clear is that we have the demand for extra space to use the extension as soon as it is available.

We also have plans for reducing our carbon footprint by automating our heating control to synchronise with the booking diary – so the hall will be cool when not in use, warmer for exercise classes and comfortable for meetings. The main hall and the extension will be controlled separately and our heating cost savings will pay for the work. We may consider more ambitious arrangements if the finance works.

Finally, a minor point but a response to user requests – we have added a Bluetooth capability to the sound system – so users can link their phones or tablets into the sound system simply and easily.

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Findon Village WI

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A big thank you to Sassy.

Our next meeting is **Thursday 9th February, 7.30pm**. We will be

Paddy Winter - President

entertained by the **Sundown Ukulele Band**

There will be a raffle and coffee, tea and cake for all

Visitors very welcome - we look forward to seeing you

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Time to get walking again!

With Spring on its way we start to think about getting out to walk in the beautiful English countryside again, but where to find new and interesting walks?

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John Harris (who maintains the website) said 'There is so much

John Harris

walking information on the web but it is difficult to find. Walking in Sussex (part of the Walking in England website) has brought it together in one place so whether you are walking from home, or away on holiday, you will be able to find a walk suitable for you'.

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Findon Parish Council News

The Wild Flower Group met in January 2023 to consider plans to create wild flower areas in Findon. Initial focus is likely to concentrate on the embankment running along Findon High Street. A scope of works which will outline plans for the initiative is in draft for what will naturally be a long term project to enhance the beauty of Findon. Should you be interested in participating please contact our Clerk and she will introduce you to the Group.
clerk@findonparishcouncil.gov.uk or 01903 877225

Work is nearing completion on the Findon Village to Findon Valley A24 cycleway, a project supported by FPC following consultation and in partnership with West Sussex County Council (WSCC) and the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). A formal opening event will feature in our next update.

Many thanks to the Findon Christmas lights team who once again enhanced Findon's festive appeal. We all appreciate the hard work these volunteers undertake to help us all enjoy Christmas.

No doubt you will have noticed the extensive removal of ash trees on both the east and west carriageways of the A24, as part of WSCC ash

dieback program of works. Unfortunately we are likely to see additional sites as the appointed contractor continues their inspection work.

A number of potholes have been reported across Findon to councillors, who have duly reported these to WSCC. I would like to draw all villagers to the new online e-form on the WSCC website. Simply go to the WSCC website and follow the simple instructions as to identifying the location. The site also displays where potholes are reported and awaiting repair. [Make an enquiry or report a problem with a road or pavement - West Sussex County Council](#) The above link also allows you to report a raft of other problems with a road or pavement/path.

Elections will be held in May 2023 for ADC councillors and Arun parish and town council councillors. The Polling Day is Thursday 4 May 2023 so please look out for future details in the media, FPC Notice Boards, and the FPC and Community websites, particularly if you are interested in becoming a parish councillor. FPC currently has two vacancies for a parish councillor.

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News from Paws

We have never had so many cats. A lady rang to say an old lady of 80 faced imminent eviction and could we take three kittens. I agreed and late in the afternoon she delivered the kittens. The next day I was just about to leave to take a cat to the vet's when the lady rang to say I am at your back gate with the kitten's Mum. I quickly rang the vet's and cancelled the appointment. She came in with the kitten's Mum and another basket containing two more kittens, telling me "Just two more in the car". Two adult Ginger Tom cats also were brought in. Leaving us to foot the bill for all eight new arrivals to be flea'd, wormed, inoculated, neutered and spayed. When the cats went to the vet we discovered Mum is pregnant again!

I have so many emails every day from pet owners asking if PAWS can take their animals.

Vets bills have rocketed, a friend told me today she takes her cat twice a year for the same.

check-up and booster, flea and worm treatment; she was shocked when she saw the bill was over double the cost of last year. We recently had two dogs

returned, a German Shepherd and a Lurcher, due to the high increase of expenses involved - large dogs cost a lot to feed.

Every day I fill the bird feeders, fat balls, and seed containers in the trees in the front garden and also fill the bird bath. The bird bath was frozen this morning, the Robin came right into the conservatory to tell me. After I took a jug of hot water out and melted it he followed me and sang and sang to say thank you. All the daffodils are coming up in the garden - it will soon be Spring. We have lots of rabbits, guinea-pigs, and cats needing homes.

Any gardeners out there wanting free bags of horse manure for your compost bins we always have a constant daily supply.

Stacey

Paws Animal Sanctuary Findon

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Thank you boys!

A very big thank you, on behalf of Findon Church, to Robin Carr and the Findon Volunteers who came and helped clear the last of the fallen tree bough and the leaves from Findon Church yard on 14th December. I'm

sure the bonfire helped keep you warm despite the freezing weather then! Findon Volunteers do an amazing job throughout the year across Findon Village, keeping it litter free and tidy and making sure footpaths are kept trimmed back for safe access.
Thank you all. *Helena*

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Findon Place

Events at Findon Place to look forward to this year:

10th and 11th February: Stargazing: As part of the National Dark Skies Week we will be welcoming back the Worthing Astronomers and Astro Photographers with their telescopes and let us have a really good look at the night skies above us. We'll be opening our little Kitchen Cafe and serving up the most delicious hot chocolates and also the very popular s'mores packs to toast over our fire pits. Remember to wrap up warm! £20 per adult, £10 per child.

4th March: Jo Dowers will be back with her popular watercolour class - this time contemporary florals. All that you need to take part will be provided and it's suitable for beginners. £45 per person

4th March: Joining us will be South Downs Wines who will be leading the evening in a wine tasting adventure - all served with some delicious grazing boards. £35 per person

5th March: Lino Printing Workshop with Cult Milk - a wonderful few hours can be spent making something beautiful. A workshop suitable for beginners and no experience necessary. All tools and materials are supplied. With Mother's Day and Easter just around the corner a wonderful opportunity to learn a new skill and make a card or a picture to be able to print and take away with you. Refreshments included - £45 per person.

5th March: Helen Wallace from Wallace Lettering joins us to lead an afternoon

workshop - Introduction to Calligraphy - a wonderfully mindful skill to have and another useful one for place cards, labels and tags. All that you need will be provided including refreshments! £50 per person

11th March: Eco-Resin - a new one for us this year - using this really versatile material to create two different pieces to take home with you, beginners welcome and refreshments included £55 per person

11th March: Kintsugi - I really love the ethos behind this - taking something broken and making it beautiful again. It's a Japanese craft where pottery is repaired with gold. Also suitable for beginners and everything you need will be provided including tea and coffee - £80 per person.

12th March: Basket weaving with Catherine Beaumont - a one day course to make your own egg basket - suitable for all kinds of purpose in and around the house - fetching herbs from the garden, a few apples from the tree or in our case throwing confetti from! £95 per person.

19th March: Afternoon Tea for Mother's Day - spoil your Mum today with afternoon tea in our Ballroom. Sandwiches, scones and some delicious cakes with an opportunity to wander around the garden too. £35 per person.

Tickets for all our events can be found on our website www.findonplace.com and click the Tickets link.

New Drop In Sessions for 2023 at Findon Village Hall

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**Monday
afternoons
during February
(6th, 13th, 20th
and 27th)
2:00pm until
4:00 pm.**

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merrier! If people like it we will try and
find a regular slot for it....

Come and join us

Findon Village Gardens Association

Our Christmas Social in December was enjoyed by over 70 members, with good food and a chance to have a good chinwag in the hall, which looked delightfully Christmassy. The WI did a fabulous job with their hand-crafted Christmas decorations, which I'm sure were appreciated by one and all.

January brought our AGM and a talk on weather lore by Bill Avenell. Our next meeting on 24th February will feature speaker Clive Gravett. Clive is a passionate mower collector and he will

be enlightening us on the history of the lawn and lawnmowers. He will also tell us about the Museum of Gardening in Hassocks and the Budding Foundation charity.

Our year starts in February, so membership renewals will also be taking place.

Everyone is welcome to meetings, Members £2, Non-Members £3, to include coffee/tea and biscuit.
Annual Membership £5

Findon's Dairy Industry (and final) Part III

Norman Allcorn

At one time there were five dairy herds in Findon. One was at Findon Farm. The site of the buildings is now The Willows and I believe the Post Office was the old dairy. The cows were sometimes driven up the High Street for milking. There was a herd of Ayrshire cows at Gallops Farm and two herds of Friesians, one at North Farm and one at Findon Park. The only one now left is at Tolmare Farm.

What has brought about this dramatic decline? In 1933 the government set up a Milk Marketing Board to give a fair price to farmers in all parts of the country. This worked well for many years, then in 1994, politicians decided that this was a restrictive practice and it was finally abolished in 2002. This gave more power to the processors and supermarkets and the price of milk fell below that of bottled water. Small farms

were making losses and many went out of milk. Soon there would have been a milk shortage. The balance has now been partly restored, but herds have got bigger. I would hate to see, here, what has happened in the USA. There, many herds are between 1,000 and 5,000 cows and some units have 15,000, yes 15,000 cows. That's an awful lot of slurry!



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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>)

Removal of ash tree overhanging public footpath

Access Steps East of Summerfields
Findon West Sussex
Ref. No: SDNP/23/00233/TPO

Erection of infill side extension, front porch and detached garage

The Vale House Findon Road Findon
Worthing West Sussex BN14 0RA
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05931/HOUS

Installation of: Sign A - Externally illuminated double sided hanging sign, Sign B - Non illuminated single sided amenity fascia sign, and Sign C - Non illuminated single sided amenity fascia sign

The Gun Inn High Street Findon West
Sussex BN14 0TA
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05904/LIS

Single storey rear extension

27 The Quadrangle Findon West
Sussex BN14 0RB
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05892/HOUS

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:

Installation of: Sign A - Externally illuminated double sided hanging sign, Sign B - Non illuminated single sided amenity fascia sign, and Sign C - Non illuminated single sided amenity fascia sign

The Gun Inn High Street Findon West
Sussex BN14 0TA
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05898

Proposed garage conversion into Annexe

2 Nepcote Lane Findon West Sussex
BN14 0SE
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05745/HOUS

Removal of existing garden outbuildings and erection of garden cabin and side porch extension, change of external materials to timber cladding and render, and new entrance gates

The Corners 48 Nepcote Lane Findon
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Ref. No: SDNP/22/05506/HOUS

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Variation of Conditions 2 (Plans) relating to appeal decision APP/Y9507/W/20/3254915 (refused under: SDNP/19/01876/FUL), to allow for the removal of the alleyways between plots 4 & 5, 6 & 7 and 10 & 11

Soldiers Field House Soldiers Field Lane Findon West Sussex BN14 0SH
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05500

Erection of building and use as a single dwellinghouse (Use Class C3) Hostel Accommodation

The Downs Stables Stable Lane Findon West Sussex
Ref. No: SDNP/22/05503/

A movie poster for "Findon Film Nights" featuring the film "Fishermen's Friends". The poster is framed by a classical architectural structure with two columns and a pediment. The text is centered and includes the date, film title, cast members, ticket price, and venue information.

Findon Film Nights

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Village Hall Diary February 2023

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Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the Village Hall website - www.findonvillagehall.net.

Weekly	Day	Time
Just Yoga	Monday	10:30am
Drop In Afternoon Tea	Monday	14.00pm – 16.00pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday	9.15am or 3.15pm on 21 st
Lambstails	Tuesday (not 21 st)	10.30am
You Yoga	Tuesday	18.00pm / 18.30pm on 7 th only
Line Dancing	Wednesday	10.00am
Paracise	Wednesday	14.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday	19.00pm
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	14.00pm
Pilates	Thursday	9.30am/ 10.30am /11.45am
Tai Chi	Friday (Not 24 th)	10:00am
Body Breath Balance	Friday	13.15 – 14.15pm
Danceholics (fortnightly)	Sunday (5 th and 19 th)	18.30pm

Monthly	Date	Time
Art Class	4 th February	9.00am
Messy Church	7 th February	15.30pm
Findon Village WI	9 th February	19.30pm
Meditation	13 th February	19.30pm
Parish Council Planning meeting	16 th February	19.00pm
Bead Magicians	21 st February	10am – 2.30pm
Findon Garden Association	24 th February	19.30pm

Dates for your Diary and Future Events

Monday 6th, 13th, 20th and 27th February

Drop In Afternoons -Tea, Biccies and a Chat. 2pm – 4pm

Friday 10th February - Bright Lights Comedy Night – 8pm.

Tickets available at <https://www.wegottickets.com/event/568241>

Saturday 11th February – Quiz Night 19.00pm

Friday 17th February – Film Night – Fisherman's Friends – One and All – 6.30pm

Friday 10th March - Bright Lights Comedy Night – 8pm

Friday 17th March – Film Night – Details of film TBC – 6.30pm

PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

FEBRUARY 2023

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 5th February 3 rd Sunday before Lent	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Patching Worship & Praise at Findon with 'Cornerstone'
Sunday 12th February 2 nd Sunday before Lent	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon
Sunday 19th February Sunday next before Lent	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
Wednesday 22nd February Ash Wednesday	10.00am	Holy Communion with the imposition of ashes at Findon
Sunday 26th February First Sunday of Lent	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Eucharist at Findon



**Next Messy Church -
Tuesday 7th February**

3.30 - 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall
All children welcome with an accompanying
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Lambs Tails -

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Funerals:

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