



# Findon

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Findon, West Sussex  
Including the Church Parish of Findon,  
Clapham & Patching

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2022

# News

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- **Saturday 10 September for general duties, traffic management, preparing for evening entertainment**
- **Sunday 11 September for clearing up.**

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## From The Rectory

For once, I am thankful that the Parish Office faces North and is cool! Hopefully, today's hot and sunny weather will continue into July, with some rain at night to keep our veggies growing.

Congratulations to the Village Shop and Post Office Team for winning a Community Service award recently. Richly deserved recognition of all the hard work by so many volunteers past and present!

The school year is drawing to a close, with end of term events and Leaver's Services to come, exams are completed and our children and young people look forward to a break before the next phase of their education (parents may feel differently of course!) I'd like to record my thanks to John Cumming for all he has contributed to St John the Baptist School, as he leaves at the end of the summer term. He will be much missed and we wish him all the best in the next part of his journey too!

On July 10<sup>th</sup>, there will be another Bernardi Strings Concert in Findon, with refreshments at Findon Place. This will be the 3<sup>rd</sup> time (with a gap because of Covid) that we have been fortunate to offer world-class music here in the heart of our village, and I hope many of you will join us for an excellent evening of music. The theme of the concerts this year is The Green Corridor, highlighting the

wonderful natural spaces around us here in this part of Sussex, reflected in the choice of music. Tickets are available online – just type in Bernardi Concert Tickets 2022 and follow the links to the correct date! The full concert programme details are on a flyer available in the Village Shop, at the back of our churches or at Findon Place. The programme on July 10<sup>th</sup> includes a contribution from musicians at the String Academy. This is an initiative started by Andrew Bernardi that allows young people identified as musically gifted to access professional tuition, and the concerts help fund the String Academy so that no student is excluded through a lack of funds. These young people are the soloists of the future!

Lambstails will finish as the schools break up in July, but numbers have been slowly growing which is encouraging. We'll see you over the next few weeks, then look forward to welcoming back old friends and new in September. Similarly, Messy Church finishes on July 5<sup>th</sup> and will start again on the first Tuesday in October.

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Blessings, *Helena*

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**Sunday 4th Sept - The New Findon church band**

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## News from Findon Place

Tickets are now on sale for this year's **Open Air Theatre at Findon Place, Findon** just north of Worthing off the A24. Bring a picnic, tables and chairs even a candelabra if you wish and enjoy

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Theatre. Performances are on the evening of **July 8th and 9th** and whilst we welcome picnics please remember to purchase any alcohol from our on site bars which will be stocked with both local and international favourites sparkling wines, wines and beers. Last year it was absolutely magical so we hope you'll come and enjoy our lovely grounds once more!

**Tickets are £30 or £25 for concessions.** Tickets available via

this our website <https://www.findonplace.com> At the time of booking you can also pre book a picnic for collection on the evening from Gracefully Grazing if you'd prefer to.



We will also be open from 4pm til 8pm on **7th July, 10th August and 8th September** for the **National Open Garden Scheme** - pre booked tickets only via the National Garden Scheme website - we'll be serving tea and cake on the terrace too and will also have some watercolour artists working in the garden.

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So, if you danced at the Palais in the fifties, twisted the night away in the 60s, strutted your funky stuff in the seventies, moonwalked your way through the eighties or had it large in a field in the nineties, we're sure you'll love this fast paced homage to a Friday night out.

What our audiences are saying ....

*"Amazing. I haven't laughed so much in ages."* Claire S

*"You guys are fabulous. Loved it!"*  
Vicki J

*"It took me right back. Brilliant"* GH

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## Findon Village Store News

Last month's article ended with the promise that there would be "more exciting news next month". Well, the time has come and we are now able to celebrate winning the enormously prestigious

### Queen's Award for Voluntary Service.

The announcement was made on the day of the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, which made it even more special. To put this achievement into perspective, the population of West Sussex numbers approximately 700,000 yet only four organisations have been awarded QAVS this year.

The village will host a Ceremony in the Autumn, when the Lord Lieutenant of Sussex, Lady Emma Barnard, will present the award to Steve Smith, who chaired the committee through the rigorous application. There are however many others whose vision, sheer hard work and determination ensured the survival and ultimate success of the shop from the day the original Post Office closed in 2017. It was the inspirational Peter Goldsworthy who set up the famous meeting in the Village Hall when villagers' interest in saving the shop was tested. Many of you will have been present and soon afterwards become "shareholders", not quite in the traditional sense but more as members of the group that was to become the "Findon Village Collective". Peter became our first Chairman; you have probably seen the plaque bearing testament to his achievement outside

the shop. With him were Jan Vandavelde and Helen Woods, appointed Company Secretary and Treasurer respectively, and Jo O'Dell, whose experience in the Post Office proved so useful.

Once the property purchase had been finalised, the delightful and much missed Bob Eastabrook calmly led a team of volunteers who redecorated and refitted the premises with almost as much expertise as enthusiasm. Indeed, over 60 wonderful volunteers have given up their time to serve customers, clean the shop, take deliveries, restock shelves, collect orders and contribute to the Management Committee. Most are still very much involved and keen to encourage others to join. Others whose efforts have been invaluable, whether "front of house" or behind the scenes, include phenomenal fount of all knowledge, encouragement and support, Margaret Bamford, who developed the role of Volunteer Coordinator so brilliantly, and Marketing guru and buyer Becky Fagan. It's thanks to Becky that the shop always looks so stylish as well as appropriately stocked. The gleaming and hygienic shop has been kept sparkling by Ann Hughes and her team including Sue Line and Health and Safety expert, Anne Colville. This is a crucial job and deserves our sincerest appreciation. Annie Whitchurch took responsibility for training new volunteers and has since become Vice Chair of the Management Committee, .....



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.....working alongside Richard Pratt who keeps us all on track and communicates with shareholders so brilliantly as Company Secretary, and Alan Holmes, who carries out his daunting duties as Treasurer with tremendous professionalism and care.

I know this is beginning to sound like a roll call, but Patrick Colville, our energetic and highly skilled new Chairman is keen that as many volunteers as possible should be mentioned by name. For that reason we will move on to Part 2 next month and ensure that all our amazing volunteers, as well as all the fantastic Post Office staff, receive the recognition they deserve.

Until then, we wish the lovely Sue Martin well and hope to see her back in the shop very soon and hopefully in time for our Summer Party on 24<sup>th</sup> July.

Finally, a brief reminder to approach any of the shop staff in person or by email if you have any requests for us to stock particular items. We are always happy to source new products where possible.

Details of the QAVS Award Ceremony will of course be published as soon as they are known.

*Annie Whitchurch*

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## News from Paws Animal Sanctuary

Almost every day I get calls from owners wanting us to take their dogs, cats, rabbits, guineapigs or hens. A Lady this week asked could we take her three cats. I told her we were full and suggested she put them in a cattery. She said "I don't want them back, and one is Diabetic and needs injections every day". I said we have a waiting list. She said "But I'm going on holiday on Tuesday I need you to take them now or I will just let them out". I suggested she postponed her holiday but she said "No I'm not doing that". I told her to try other rescues or ask her neighbours or family to feed them. She slammed the phone down. I hope her poor cats didn't get let out.

When people come home from work in the evenings is the time I get the most phone calls, usually injured birds or hedgehogs or foxes with mange in their garden.

Although yesterday it was a sheep stuck on a ledge. It took all evening ringing round trying to find who owned the sheep. A dog walker was below the sheep and had already rung the fire brigade who wouldn't come out. I tried a list of the local farmers I know. I couldn't fathom out where she was exactly. She was near Hill Barn, up a long tree lined lane opposite the Charmadean Centre, not possible to be reached by car and it was getting dark. In the end she asked some other dog walkers for help. I never did find out if the sheep was rescued as the phone number just records my messages.

We have a flock of Jackdaws who are causing me stress every day. They

sit along the fences. It is like the film "The Birds". As soon as I walk away they all swoop down and eat all the food in my big chicken run, even though the food is hanging up and they have to go through the door inside the hen house. They show no fear and there are so many of them. I need to buy a giant net to put over, although one of the volunteers said we could make a scarecrow. We have put a large realistic owl on top of the henhouse but they ignore it.



The Moles are still here ruining all the lawns. I have tried all the remedies and the solar buzzers down the molehills. They get on everybody's nerves, except the moles.

*from Stacey.*

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## Cinnamon Trust



I am happy to tell you that our stall at the Jubilee Fair was a great success and raised the sum of £308 for the Cinnamon Trust. Thank you to David Gear and team for the pitch, all who helped on the day and everyone who supported us. It was a lovely happy occasion and so good to see so many people enjoying these.

Our next event has become a firm favourite in the Village and is the Cream Tea and sale at Mike Solomon's house, Kyle Cottage, 39 High Street, on Saturday 13th August from 2 pm till 5 pm. Entrance will be £3 to include Cream Tea.

Please put the date in your diaries and any offers of baking or good quality items for sale or raffle gratefully received.

Enjoy the lovely weather.

Maggie Martin 01903 874173, 07544 572702  
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## Thank you letter from Cinnamon Trust

*Dear Maggie*

*Thank you for raising £335 for us with your stall at the Jubilee Celebrations which is very much appreciated. Please convey my heartfelt appreciation to everyone who helped to make your gift possible, and to the shop for continuing to have one of our tins.*

*I am pleased you had such a fun and a successful day! We celebrated in the office with bunting, tea and cakes, and of course special treats for the dogs!*

*Charlie Brown, our amazing and so spunky paraplegic Miniature Dachshund at Hillside, is so fast on his wheels it's very hard to keep up but he can't manoeuvre on rough ground, or manage when we go on expeditions. Your donation has helped to buy him a fantastic new all-terrain buggy which he sits in like a little king on his throne, head and shoulders above almost everyone else! He can be with us for even the longest walks and he lets us know when he wishes to get down for a sniff, whizz around etc! The remainder has helped towards this month's vet bill of £8,587.35, so thank you once again, very much indeed.*



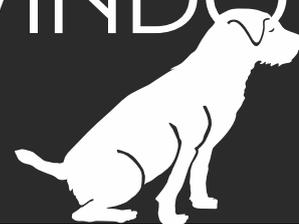
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Sara Clarke won the 'Bee inspired' competition with her beautiful picture crafted using colourful quilling.

The magnificent Jubilee topper that Gill Gostick and Gay Hibbs created for the Village Shop postbox has been much admired together with the bunting and Gill's additional topper on Pond Green.

Visit our website to have a look at all the photos.

<https://findonvillagewi.wixsite.com/mysite>

Our next meeting is on **Thursday 14th July, 7.30pm**. The talk is titled 'Through the Seasons at Kew Gardens' and our competition is a flower from the garden.

As always, there will be a raffle, coffee, tea and cake for all.

Visitors very welcome - we look forward to seeing you.

*Paddy Winter - President*

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## WI Plant Stall

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## Findon Village Hall News June



The Jubilee event at the hall was great success and I think everyone had a lot of fun! We took a conscious decision to

treat it as a celebration rather than a fundraiser which is why the games were all free. Despite this, the sales of food and drink were so high that we were very surprised to find that our takings were some £1200. Clearly, there are costs to come out of that but we should also thank Findon Parish Council who very generously funded both the singer and the children's entertainer. The turnout was excellent and the weather kind – though it kept us guessing right up until the last moment... Many thanks to David Gear and the entire Events Team for making it all happen!

Now, that raises a point – on the day, as a result of both illness and accident, we were short of helpers with the net result that one or two “other halves” got last minute calls to get to the hall, pronto! We are short of people in the Events team and could do with another 2 or 3 volunteers. If you want to know more, a mail to [events@findonvillagehall.net](mailto:events@findonvillagehall.net) with your number will get a rapid response!

We also need to recruit a new secretary for the main Village Hall Trust committee you can contact me on 07515286156 or [chair@findonvillagehall.net](mailto:chair@findonvillagehall.net) and I will be happy to go over what is involved etc.

We will be welcoming the Black Box Players back to the Hall on the 15<sup>th</sup> July with John Godber's “Bouncers” – I am sure this will be a good evening as their “Abigail's Party” last year was very memorable. Tickets are not available on the Hall website but on [www.ticketsource.co.uk/blackbox](http://www.ticketsource.co.uk/blackbox).

We are seeing better attendance at Lambstails now so we will continue at least in the short term to see if there is a sustainable demand. As ever, more volunteers would be very welcome!

Work has started on the fence at the back of the hall with vegetation cleared (with the help of the Findon Volunteers, Men in Sheds and the Gardens Association) so that we can survey the route and finalise the selection and ordering of materials. That done we will erect the fence as soon as the material arrives. We are now starting to turn our minds to the next improvement project!

Meanwhile, the process with respect to the application for a Public Works Loan is progressing and we are supporting Findon Parish Council in that effort. As mentioned last time, by the very nature of the process, this will not be a quick job but will be worth it in the end.

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# FINDON'S GOT EVEN MORE TALENT!

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**Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> September**

and we are looking for talent.

Are you a comedian or a conjuror; a singer or a stilt-walker, a juggler or a jiver? We are also looking for people to take part in sketches and in panel games. If any of this sounds like you, we need to hear from you.

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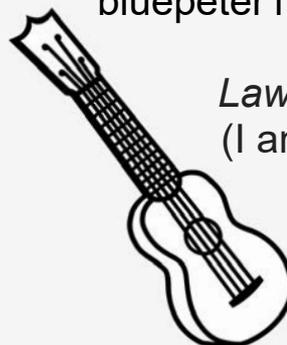
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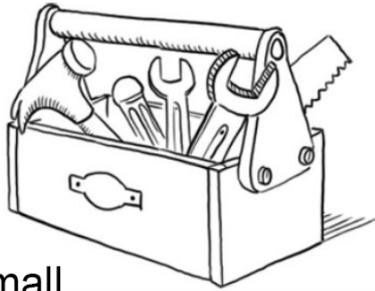
*Lawrie May*  
(I am from Findon  
incidentally)

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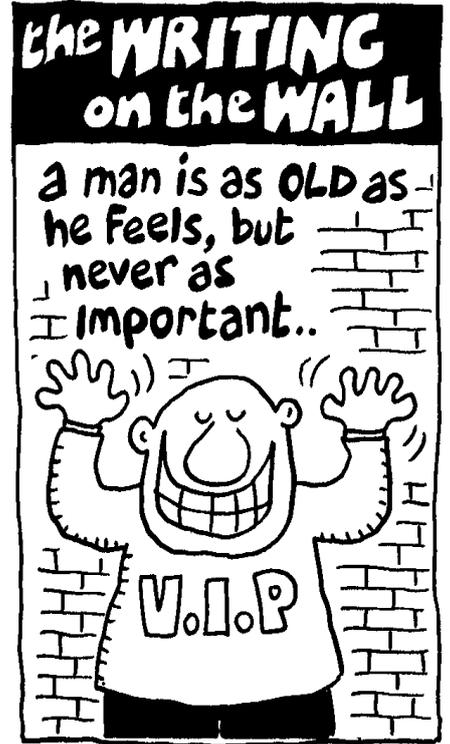
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## Messy Church



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## Findon Parish Council

Although the weather recently has been changeable, it was reassuring to see that in true British spirit, it did not daunt any of us from celebrating the jubilee weekend. I hope you all had an enjoyable time. The message to Her Majesty was very clear - Thank you for 70 years of loyal service.

The success story that is Findon Village Stores continues. From closure to community co-operative and a focal point for our village, it is a delight to see the award of The Queens Award for Voluntary Service. Congratulations to all involved, truly richly deserved.

The Findon Revels at the St John the Baptist School took place in early June. After a number of years where the event was sadly missed, the sun was shining, the children's dancing uplifting, and the subsequent fair a terrific success.

At the time of writing, the work is well underway for the regeneration of the Homewood Play Area – the Parish Council web site will be updated

regularly with further progress Findon - Findon ([findonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://findonparishcouncil.gov.uk))

The South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA) has announced that a Public Consultation is now open until 2nd August 2022 for your say on their Shoreham Cement Works Area Action Plan. Any member of the public is invited to put forward their views on future plans. There are 28 questions to complete and although the consultation document runs to 77 pages, it covers a great deal of relevant information relating to the site. The Parish Council will be considering the consultation paper at the July Planning Meeting. Most of us have seen the site fall into disrepair and whilst you may not recognise the relevance to Findon, it could have an impact if the site was changed to a leisure/tourist use bringing more tourists to the Park who all need somewhere to stay!

*Cllr Sean Smith  
Chairman, Findon Parish Council*

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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)).

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:

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**Rear ground floor extension**  
**8 The Quadrangle** Findon West  
Sussex BN14 0RB  
Ref. No: SDNP/22/02658/HOUS

**Extension of existing garage**  
**8 Summerfields** Findon West Sussex  
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Ref. No: SDNP/22/02769/HOUS

**Rear 2 storey extension** and related works. Re-submission (previous consent granted under SDNP/22/00104/HOUS) with previously granted first floor extension enlarged and related minor changes to suit.  
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**I would rather live my life as if there is a God  
and die to find out there isn't,  
than live my life as if there isn't  
and die to find out there is -  
*Albert Camus***

## **Findon Village Gardens Association**

At our May meeting we had an entertaining talk by Pam Goodall, who travelled around the world on her bike when she was almost pensionable age! Pam arrived at the meeting on her bike and kept us amused and in awe in equal measures. She also brought along copies of her book about her travels, which proved popular with members.

Following the retirement of a couple of committee members, we are looking to recruit a Show Secretary for next year. This is an interesting role, which mainly requires organisational skills. The other members of the committee are well versed in the mechanics of flower show days, so plenty of help and support is available. If anyone is interested, and wants to shadow proceedings at this year's summer show, do make contact at one of our regular meetings, which

are held at 7:30pm in the village hall on the last Friday of the month.

On the subject of flower shows our summer show is on Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August and our plant and cake stalls are always very popular. If you can turn your hand to baking a cake or potting a begonia your donation to these stalls would be greatly appreciated. All proceeds go towards running the club and help in keeping overheads low. Both cakes and plants can be delivered to the hall on the morning of the show – 6<sup>th</sup> August (just 7 weeks away)!

Our meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> July will feature a talk by Andrew Humphris, who is Head Gardener at Parham House. Everyone is welcome to meetings, Members £2, Non-Members £3, Annual Membership £5.

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### **Findon Swimming Pool Help Keep Us Afloat Can you help?**



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Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the new Village Hall website - [www.findonvillagehall.net](http://www.findonvillagehall.net)

<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Time</b>
Just Yoga	Monday ( Not BH)	10:30am
Circle Dancing (fortnightly)	Monday 4 <sup>th</sup> / 18 <sup>th</sup>	14.30pm
Lambstails	Tuesday ( 3 <sup>rd</sup> Tues at church)	10.30am
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday (5 <sup>th</sup> and 26 <sup>th</sup> only)	9.15am
You Yoga	Tuesday	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday (not 6 <sup>th</sup> )	10.00am
Paracise	Wednesday	14.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday	19.00pm
Pilates	Thursday (Not 28 <sup>th</sup> )	9.30am / 10.30am / 11.45am
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	14.00pm
Tai Chi	Friday (not 29 <sup>th</sup> )	10:00am

<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>
Parish Council Committee Meeting	4 <sup>th</sup> July	19.30pm
Messy Church	5 <sup>th</sup> July -	15.30pm
Danceholics	10 <sup>th</sup> and 24 <sup>th</sup> July	18.30pm
Findon Village WI	14 <sup>th</sup> July	19.30pm
Meditation	18 <sup>th</sup> July	19.30pm
Bead Magicians	19 <sup>th</sup> July	10am – 3pm
Parish Council Planning Meeting	21 <sup>st</sup> July	19.30pm
Light Lunch	26 <sup>th</sup> July	12.45pm
FVHT Committee Meeting	28 <sup>th</sup> July	7.30pm
Findon Garden Association	29 <sup>th</sup> July	19.30pm

## Future Events and Dates for your Diary

**Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July** – Sheep Fair Volunteer Information Meeting – 10-am – 12pm - see poster in Findon News

**Friday 15<sup>th</sup> July** – Black Box Theatre Company – ‘**Bouncers**’ – 7.30pm – 9.30pm

**Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August** – Summer Garden Show

# PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

## JULY 2022

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<b>Saturday 2<sup>nd</sup> July</b>	10.00am	<b>Clapham Flower Festival</b>
<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> July</b> Third Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Patching Worship & Praise at Findon with Goring Music Group <b>Clapham Flower Festival</b>
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> July</b> Fourth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon
<b>Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> July</b>	9.30am	Findon School Leavers' Service in Findon Church
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> July</b> Fifth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
<b>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> July</b>	2.00pm	Clapham & Patching School End of Term Celebration Service at Clapham Church
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> July</b> Sixth Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Eucharist at Findon
<b>Sunday 31<sup>st</sup> July</b>	8.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Patching

<b>Funerals:</b> 23 <sup>rd</sup> June – Argia Rose	 <b>Next Messy Church - 5<sup>th</sup> July</b> 3.30 - 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall
<b>Weddings:</b> 4 <sup>th</sup> June - James Avello and Holly Douherty 25 <sup>th</sup> June - Thomas Evans and Sarah Whittle	<b>Lambs Tails</b> - Parent & Toddler Group for babies, toddlers, & parents/carers. <b>Tuesday mornings</b> at 10.30am in Findon Village Hall, <b>every third Tuesday</b> at 11.00am in Findon Church. Contact Sue Stone: <a href="mailto:belgiumsue@hotmail.com">belgiumsue@hotmail.com</a>



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