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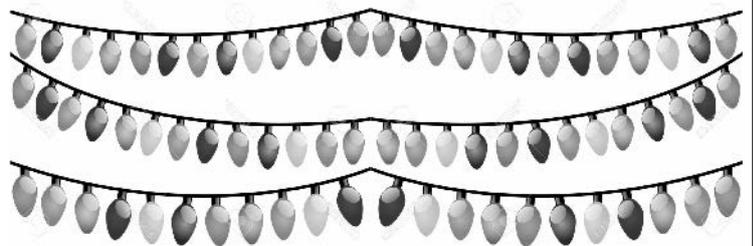
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FAKE BANKNOTES CIRCULATING IN FINDON VILLAGE

Please be aware that several fake £20 and £50 notes have been found in the village. They are convincing up to a point but are actually film props. The paper they are printed on does not feel genuine and the back of the £20 features unusual spelling: "**Twenty Poonds**".



Christmas lights in The Square

The Christmas lights are being installed on the weekend of 13 November and will be switched on **28 November**. As in previous years we will be organising a fundraising raffle with lots of exciting prizes. Tickets will be on sale outside the Village Store on Saturday 13 November and also from Peckhams butchers after that date.

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Thank you
from Jan, Corrine and Gez

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From The Rectory

As I sat outside just now for my lunch, the sun warm on my face, it felt more like summer than mid October! But the nights are drawing in and the dog's morning walk has a chill feel in the air now. As winter approaches, we often look back on the past year, reflecting on the joys and sorrows as we begin to look ahead and plan for a new year. November is traditionally the month for remembering. Who would have believed this time last year that Covid would still be restricting much of our lives, certainly so for those of us with family living overseas! A couple of people have reflected with joy on having been able to travel to France to see loved ones after almost 2 years absence. Sadly it will be some time yet before Chris and I can manage to see our Australian family again, but the day will come and meanwhile we have much to be thankful for – our own health and that of those we love.

Technology has played a vital part in all our lives over the last 2 years, enabling us to keep in touch with loved ones, as well as to find new ways of managing our work through various forms of video conferencing. But nothing in my mind comes near a face-to-face meeting. Somehow, even when seeing the person/people you are in conversation with on screen there are barriers in the conversation. So much of our communication is non verbal, through posture, gesture and expression, much of which is lost on a Zoom call! I have however needed to be vigilant about my facial expression – not always successfully – when a meeting has become tedious. I wonder how many of you have had the same experience!

But life is gradually returning to a form of normality, as we feel protected by our double vaccinations (in some cases including a 'booster') although we still need to be mindful of those around us who are

more vulnerable, and respect each other's personal space. There are some good things planned in the run-up to Christmas, beginning with our biennial Christmas Tree Festival in St John the Baptist Church on 4th and 5th December. Keep an eye on our website and the pewsheet for up to date information, and the Parish Christmas card should find its way into every home before the end of November with a full list of available events.

As you begin your Christmas preparations, don't forget the real reason for the season – Jesus Christ, who's birthday we celebrate every year. We buy gifts for those we love each year; have you considered also including a gift for Jesus? We can give him thanks by serving the poor and needy, visiting a lonely neighbour, or through a monetary gift to the Parish (by hand or via the donation button on our website or the phone app in our churches) a thought to consider – thank you.

NEW this month, Lambstails returns to Findon Village Hall with a new look and a welcome for all babies and toddlers with their parents and carers. We will be meeting on Tuesday mornings at 10.30am on the 1st, 2nd and 4th Tuesday each week. As the Hall is booked out on the 3rd Tuesday, we will meet in Findon Church at 11am that week instead. Do come along to these sessions so your child can enjoy the company of others safely as you have the chance to chat to other adults over a cuppa! **Starting on November 2nd!**

A date for your diary, there will be a Family afternoon on **Saturday 18th December**, 4-6 pm in Findon Village Hall, to celebrate getting through a challenging year as we look forward to celebrating Christmas more freely than we were able to in 2020. More details in next month's magazine, but save the date- it is for everyone!

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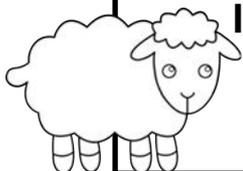
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The Findon Sheep Fair committee are looking to fill the position of minutes secretary.

We are starting to plan for the 2022 Sheep Fair which will take place on Saturday 10th September.

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St John the Baptist CofE Primary School's PTA NEWS

All we can say is WOW!!!

Thousands of people took part in our second Findon Village Spooky Halloween Trail!

Hundreds of families enjoyed the adventure around the village finding the spooky letters, enjoying the haunted decorations, working out the secret words and enjoying the Halloween goody bags!

It brought a huge increase in footfall to the village in a safe way and subsequently increased sales at local businesses.

A huge thank you to all those that took part, those that hosted letters, everyone that helped market online, The Findon Village Store for their nonstop selling, Michael Jones and Company for their continued support, the Findon Parish Council for their generous land use and those local businesses supporting the Halloween Fancy Dress Competition!

With 18 months of lockdowns and restrictions, it has been incredibly challenging for so many and yet has shown how much love and support there is within our community as we help our fellow neighbours. We are so proud to be a part of our village.

We are in a position like so many other charities currently with little or no income. Nevertheless, we as volunteers have adapted and worked together as a community to help support our village school during their own funding crisis.

With this in mind, we will be hosting the Findon Village Festive Trail during the entire Christmas holiday period from Saturday 19th December until Christmas Eve! Families will be able to buy special cypher trail maps, which come with

festive goody bags filled with sweets and treats. Simply follow the map on your adventure around the village to find all the Christmas clues, special codes....and maybe a naughty elf or two! Spell out the winning phrase to be entered into a prize draw..... and enjoy your festive goody bag!

Maps are only £2 with all funds raised going directly to our village school.

We hope our festive treats will give your families a chance to enjoy a safe and happy Christmas adventure!

If you would like to be a part of the Findon Village Festive Trail by hosting a Christmas Clue please do get in touch...

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Light Lunch @ 1

Time 1.00pm

(not Midday - as we don't want our visitors to arrive too early whilst we are setting up)

Everyone welcome from **12.45pm**

(Last Tuesday of the month - but **NOT** December)

Children in Need 2021



It's that time again and this year we have decided to go back to our original format of

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Patricia Sclanders Birthday

This year Patricia had a birthday lunch on the 8th October. Patricia requested no birthday presents, instead could everyone give a donation to PAWS Animal Sanctuary in Findon. Envelopes came through our letterbox, many without an address to thank the sender. Grateful thanks to all Patricia's friends and family. A generous total of £230 was donated to Paws.

Thank you so much to - Pat Carter, Stella Hastings, Ian and Pam Brown, Mrs Snowden-Trigg, Liz Trowbridge, Jill at 9 The Willows, Mr and Mrs Heeley, Mr A.J Field, Anon

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Findon Village WI

We had a good turnout for our October meeting. Carol Ball gave a fascinating and very informative talk about Arundel Castle and the Dukes and Duchesses of Norfolk, past and present. It was good to welcome some new faces and welcome back a few ladies we haven't see for a while

Fourteen ladies enjoyed a delicious Thai meal at the Village House, the first of our newly named 'Nosh and Natter' events. A big thank you to the Village House for going ahead with this as the pub was closed for ceiling repairs!

Our next meeting is our AGM on **Thursday 11th November 7.30pm.** This is an opportunity to look back at our meetings in 2020 and vote in the committee for next year. As always there will be cake!

Another chance to natter is our monthly coffee mornings at Dee Dee's next one Tuesday 23rd November 10.30.

Visitors very welcome - we look forward to seeing you

Paddy Winter - President

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A Plea, by Ann Smith

To all pharmaceutical manufacturers a simple plea!

I speak for others - not just me!

To make it clear, I must assert

My mind is still very much alert!

But sadly my frame and hands are rather weak,

That's why I feel the need to speak!

Why should I wrestle with sweat on brow

To get into new medicines - please tell me how??

Even some Paracetamol packs now have stronger backing,

So frustrating when one's strength is lacking!

As for liquid morphine with instructions on lid,

Just press and push and then you twist:

The inventor of this I'd like to throttle,

I have to ask a friend to open this bottle!

My two eye drop containers - well that's a hoot

To remove the lids a Stanley knife I use.

One bottle so rigid - to release the drops

One has to have the strength of an ox!!

More medicine I now have got,

Pills - this time in a plastic pot,

The plastic strip and lid I tried to remove

Which once again just goes to prove

My point - one can't be ill, it's too problematic to take a pill!

They have to be child proof yes, to a certain degree,

But manufacturers please sympathise with the likes of me!

To sum up this rather onerous ode,

I've come to the conclusion I suppose

When getting into medicines one has to be

Not sick or weak butFIT AS A FLEA!!

Village House

The image is a screenshot of a social media post with a dark background and white text. At the top, there is a navigation bar with icons for close, share, download, music, chat, and text formatting. The main content consists of four deal announcements in white text on dark rectangular backgrounds. Below the deals are two images of beer bottles and a sticker that says 'DEALS - DEALS - DEALS'. At the bottom left, there are icons for 'Your stories' and 'Close Friends'. At the bottom right, there is a 'Send to >' button.

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We will have stalls with everything from Christmas cards, paper and decorations through gift sets and pet goods to cakes and treats.

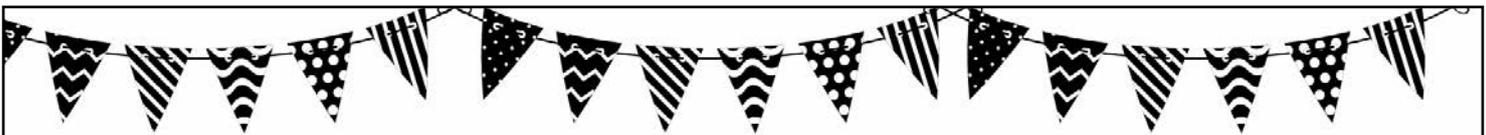
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Film Review by Carrie Morrison

'Rising Phoenix' - Directed by Peter Ettedgui & Ian Bonhôte

At three and a half years old, I was diagnosed with Autistic Spectrum Disorder, which impacts the way I process information, which can lead to me struggling with social cues to having difficulty understanding instructions. Through hard work from my parents, teachers, and especially myself, I have learned that my autism makes me who I am. It is not something to distance myself from. I had a hard time learning that because I had little to no *good* representation of disabled people on screen. It was always villains with eye patches or the kid in the wheelchair who is more a prop to deepen the emotions of the able-bodied protagonist. When the London 2012 Paralympics came around, it was too late. I already had this survival instinct to reject anything related to my disability. 'If I am seen to be associated with disabled people, I will be bullied', I thought. So when I sat down and watched *Rising Phoenix*, almost ten years after the games happened, it was like watching it for the first time.

The cinematography by Will Pugh gave some of the most graceful, championing, and gorgeous imagery I have ever seen. The way the camera glides in slow motion as the Paralympic athletes demonstrate to us their prowess in their respective sports. Cutting to broadcasted footage of the games to distanced shots from a phone, it hits that the whole world is rooting for the athletes just as much as you are. Some of my favourite cinematic moments were when we see Italian fencer, Bebe Vio, in her gear, swaying to dodge hits and lunging for attacks. It's so breathtaking to witness.



You can tell the people making this is not posing these athletes as superheroes, but people with sheer skill and strength that is awe-inspiring. The interviews are honest and bring out each athlete's stories with empathy and humanity, and the intent is so genuine that you never feel like they are putting these athletes on these high pedestals just because of their disability. They want to glorify their achievements, not patronise. It also touches on the Rio de Janeiro scandal, stealing Paralympic funding for Olympic games, and the rush for the organisers to get more funding in time. Even though London proudly put disabled people at the forefront and seemed to have changed a mass amount of people's perceptions, disabled people are still treated as second class citizens. The outrage infuriates you. You come to terms with the fact the fight for change is not over.

An additional note: I would double bill this after *The Reason I Jump*, a fantastic documentary about the experiences of autistic people across the world. As an autistic person, I had never seen any media depict my disability as well as that film. Both films are epic yet intimate, and are a safe space for disabled people, as well as being informative and unpatronising for able-bodied people. One fifth of the world's population has at least

one disability. It's time to start listening to their stories.

Rising Phoenix is available to watch on Netflix, and is on their YouTube channel at no cost.

Carrie Morrison
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There is one major item for the Hall this month – but first we can report that the Hall is back to pre-pandemic levels of activity and more. Virtually all regular bookings have re-started, some even running extra sessions. The first of the new Lambtails sessions should take place on Tuesday, 2nd November, 10:30-12:00. More volunteers welcome. One Lambstails issue is that we have become a victim of our own success and finding a suitable time slot problematic. The Tuesday slot is not available every week so, once a month, the session will transfer to the Church. What we could do with is an extension - which brings us nicely to the main topic for this month:-

Exciting times! After a great deal of work on the part of the Parish Council, supported to the absolute limit of our ability by the Village Hall Trust, the effort to secure funding to complete the extension to the hall can enter the next phase. The idea is to secure a Public Works Board Loan to cover the cost of completing the original works plus vital extra works not originally budgeted for. These include resurfacing the car park (which has become a serious trip hazard), creating additional parking spaces using eco-friendly mesh on the grass, covered bike parking and much more, all of which will give us a great Village Hall serving the needs of the community for many more years to come. As extensively reported in the press, building material costs have increased since lock-down and recent estimates indicate a loan of around £130,000 including professional fees plus a 10% contingency will be needed. The loan would be repaid via the Parish Council Precept and, at current interest

rates, would add in the region of ten pence a week to a Band D household.

We have secured some funding from other sources and completed some work ourselves - reducing the loan by over £10,000. Thanks to those who backfilled trenches, shifted spoil and rubble and finished off drainage pipework !

During week commencing 1st November a leaflet will be delivered to every household in the Village requesting support in principle for a Public Works Board loan. An appropriate level of support is an essential requirement for the idea to progress further and I implore you all to get behind this initiative and return the leaflet expressing your support promptly. We have the demand for greater hall capacity, and no realistic alternative source of funds in the near term. With a good level of support The Parish Council will be able to progress matters to the next stage, obtaining a fully costed specification for the works to determine the exact sum required prior to a second consultation exercise with every household in the Village after which, provided the outcome is favourable, a formal loan application can be made. These loan applications have been badly affected by Covid and there is a backlog, so the overall process is likely to take months not weeks – but we NEED YOUR SUPPORT – right now, please.

I cannot emphasise too strongly that a favourable response from you would be very much appreciated so that the Parish Council initiative can be progressed and

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the regrettable saga of the Village Hall extension can come to a fruitful end benefiting the whole village.

Other things – we have had a great deal of demand for children’s parties lately and many requests for bouncy castles inside the Hall. Historically, there has been a problem with the floor but we have now approved one supplier as the

only one recognised as supplying “floor friendly” castles.

We have new demands on our storage capacity and find that we still have the card tables belonging to the old Bridge Club. If anyone wishes to claim them, please do so before the end of November or we will dispose of them.

Finally – the Trust AGM will take place, in the Hall, at **7:30p.m. 24/11/21** – all welcome.

Village Hall 200 Supporters Club

November Grand draw

being held

at **Findon Village Hall**

on **November 6th @ 7pm.**

This is open to all 200 club members only.

We will be having a licensed bar, but as usual bring your own food, or pay £3 entrance fee on the night.

If possible please let me know if you intend to come.

Alan Wadhams 074832 67608 or 01903 911836

13th November 2021 at 11am

at Findon Garden Centre Wishing Well

Some members of your local Army Regiment of South East of England and London ‘PWRR’, The Princess of Wales’s Royal Regiment known as the ‘Tigers’, will throw in the first coin in the Christmas Wishing Well.

Chrissie and Dylan the Owners of The Findon Garden Centre chose The ‘PWRR’ Benevolent Fund Charity no: 1024418 for their Christmas Wishing Well charity.

Col. John Powell from PWRR HQ Tower of London was honoured and asked if some of The PWRR Soldiers could come down to Findon Garden Centre, and throw the first coins into the Christmas Wishing Well.

On the day **Mulled Wine and Mince Pies** will be serviced by PWRR Soldiers. For more information please contact: Mrs Barbara Dienn Tel: 01372 457760.



Findon Planning Applications

Planning applications for Findon are under the authority of South Downs National Park and listed on the SDNPA website (www.southdowns.gov.uk). Findon Parish Council (FPC) Planning Committee meetings are scheduled monthly to consult on planning applications received from the South Downs National Park Authority (SDNPA). Parish Consultation Letters (PCL) received from the SDNPA are displayed on the Notice Boards outside the newsagents and the Village Hall, and published on the FPC website (<http://findonparishcouncil.gov.uk>) along with the schedule of Committee meeting dates.

Please note that due to Findon News publication deadlines, some applications may have already been placed before the Committee. Residents should check the Notice Boards and FPC website regularly to view notices and meeting details. Any enquiries should be address to the FPC Clerk - 01903 877225.

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

T1 Ash - To lift crown by 1.5m from garage roof to give a clearance of 2m
T2 Leyland Cypress - To lift crown to 5m from over car parking area
T3 Whitebeam - To reduce radial crown spread by 1m and back from property to give 1m clearance.
To lift crown to 4m from over driveway

Greypoint House The Square Findon
BN14 0TE

Ref. No: SDNP/21/05262/TCA

Discharge of Condition 3 (Vent Details) of Listed Building Consent
SDNP/20/03323/LIS.

Findon Place Horsham Road Findon
BN14 0RF

Ref. No: SDNP/21/05082/DCOND

Change of use of land to a glamping site to include 5 bell tents and 1 shepherd's hut for holiday

accommodation all year round, and associated facilities buildings
Land at Kingswood Stables Long

Furlong Findon West Sussex

Ref. No: SDNP/21/04941/FUL

Single storey side and rear extension plus roof extensions, front and rear.

Gable Cottage 17 Holmcroft Gardens
Findon Worthing West Sussex BN14
0UD

Ref. No: SDNP/21/04947/HOUS

Discharge of Conditions 9 (Construction Management Plan) and 12 (Arboricultural Method Statement) relating to planning approval
SDNP/20/03322/FUL

Findon Place Horsham Road Findon
BN14 0RF

Ref. No: SDNP/21/04877/DCOND

Discharge of condition 15 (Archaeological Watching Brief) relating to planning approval
SDNP/20/03322/FUL

Findon Place Horsham Road Findon
BN14 0RF

Ref. No: SDNP/21/04743/DCOND

Construct dormer

3 Steep Lane Findon BN14 0UF

Ref. No: SDNP/21/04704/HOUS

Findon Village Store News - November 2021

“Sharing is Caring!” announced a certain five year old, proudly proffering a somewhat wrinkled yet damp portion of that day’s school cookery club experiment. Bravely tasting the dubious delicacy, I was rather more grateful for the perfect headline for this month’s Village Shop article. Sharing is indeed Caring, and the Management Committee are keen to encourage newcomers to the village, along with anyone who may have missed the original appeal back in 2017, to show their support for our very special shop by becoming a Shareholder. Please contact Company Secretary, Richard Pratt findoncommunityshop@gmail.com if you would like further information.

Many existing Shareholders together with a few guests were warmly welcomed to our AGM at Cissbury Barns last month. Chairman, Steve Smith, Treasurer, Alan Holmes and Richard Pratt all presented encouraging reports showing how well the shop had responded to local need through the pandemic. Steve explained how the continuing success of the shop now allowed us to offer financial, practical and strategic support to other village businesses. To that end, he and members of the Management Committee are currently working closely with Findon Pre-School. This excellent initiative is very welcome and demonstrates full

commitment to our brief as a Community venture.

At the Volunteers’ Meeting last month, Margaret announced that she was standing down as Volunteer Coordinator, although maintaining active involvement with the volunteers. Few people have been as conscientious, encouraging and frankly all-round wonderful as she has been in building a team of outstanding volunteers and she will be sorely missed. Annie is taking over the role and will do her best to continue Margaret’s outstanding work. Please contact her on annie@covercote.co.uk if you would like to join us.

Angus, our shop manager, recently put out a call for volunteers to help, twice a week, with the collection of stock from Lancing Industrial Estate. Within 24 hours Tony and Barbara Brimyard had kindly signed up for one of the days - well done to them! Knowing the goodwill of villagers - and not just at Christmas - by the time you read this his request will undoubtedly be fully met, so thank you to whoever has met that need! Thanks also to Richie Line who has continued to build his reputation as Guru of All Things Practical by weeding the “Piazzetta” outside the shop, aided by his friend David. It looks so much better – huge thanks to them both.



Finally, I’m sorry, but we have to mention The C Word!... Christmas stamps will be on sale from 4th November and gorgeous festive stock is arriving by the day – keep an eye on it and see what appeals to you. Angus and I are both hoping to grab a tub of delicious rum and raisin ice cream before it sells out!

Annie Whitchurch

Every week I buy 24 Cucumbers, 24 Celery, bags of Apples, Carrots and Spring greens, all of which are packed in plastic from abroad. Even from the nearest local farm shop everything is in plastic and from abroad. The man in the farm shop told me he buys his veg from a market. How can we do our bit for the environment when nothing is grown in this country. I would rather buy from a local source where nothing is wrapped in plastic. My friend lives near Prince Charles's Farm Shop. She said everything is in brown paper bags and brown paper carrier bags, no plastic. At least he is setting a good example.

I hate fireworks with a vengeance. The countryside is no place for fireworks. I am surrounded by fields with cows, sheep and horses, and more and more local people are keeping bees. I dread November every year. One year when the bangs were going off I was running between the dogs, all hiding indoors with the TV on loud, to the Donkey and Pony shut up in the stable upset by the bangs. When I looked in the henhouse none of the hens were on their usual perches and were all huddled together on the floor. The Cockerel had his wings stretched out over them all. Next morning when I opened the henhouse door the Cockerel fell out dead with his wings still stretched out. We think he had died of stress.

This year the adverts say Asda are selling silent fireworks, hopefully the other super-markets will do the same next year. Or copy Sainsburys and stop selling fireworks.

We are full with cats again and so many Guinea-pigs.

A lady adopted a very friendly cat and sent his photo to all her family telling them about our sanctuary, and Puddles our Duck. Some of them live on a farm in Dorset and they rang to ask if they could give Puddles a home with their ducks who come in at night to watch TV. If you remember Puddles was the only duckling to hatch when a man put four duck eggs in his incubator. So he had never seen another duck. Puddles tried to make friends with our hens but they didn't like him and pecked him and he would come running for a cuddle. We decided to let him go and live with other ducks. The whole family came up from Dorset to collect Puddles who enjoyed all the cuddles and attention. He is very happy in his new home with lots of female ducks and loves their big pond. He goes in to watch TV and they all enjoy water melons for supper. He prefers to sleep on his own in his own igloo. We all miss him.

from Stacey,

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Shepherding in Findon

Every year running a flock is never the same and 2021 was one of the those years when you have to look at how you move forward with new ideas.

Having had 10 lambs from 6 ewes the complications set in from the start of lambing resulting in some of the ewes not able to lamb again in the future.

We decided to sell 2 of the best remaining ewes as we cannot lamb in 2022, and they were bought by a farm in East Sussex.

It was very unusual to have more ram lambs than ewe lambs, so with only 3 ewe lambs to go forward for breeding we decided to buy another 3 ewe lambs from a Southdown flock at Nutbourne who was having to give up due to a number of reasons etc. These 6 lambs will be ready to go to the ram next year

Again due to extreme weather during the summer numerous farms have suffered fly strike and we were also affected. For the very first time we had 3 lambs that lost some of their wool due to the fly problem but am very please to say new wool is growing back well in time for winter.

Below is a picture of the 3 new lambs that after two weeks in a field on their own have now been integrated into the flock.

Graham and Hilary Nepcote Flock

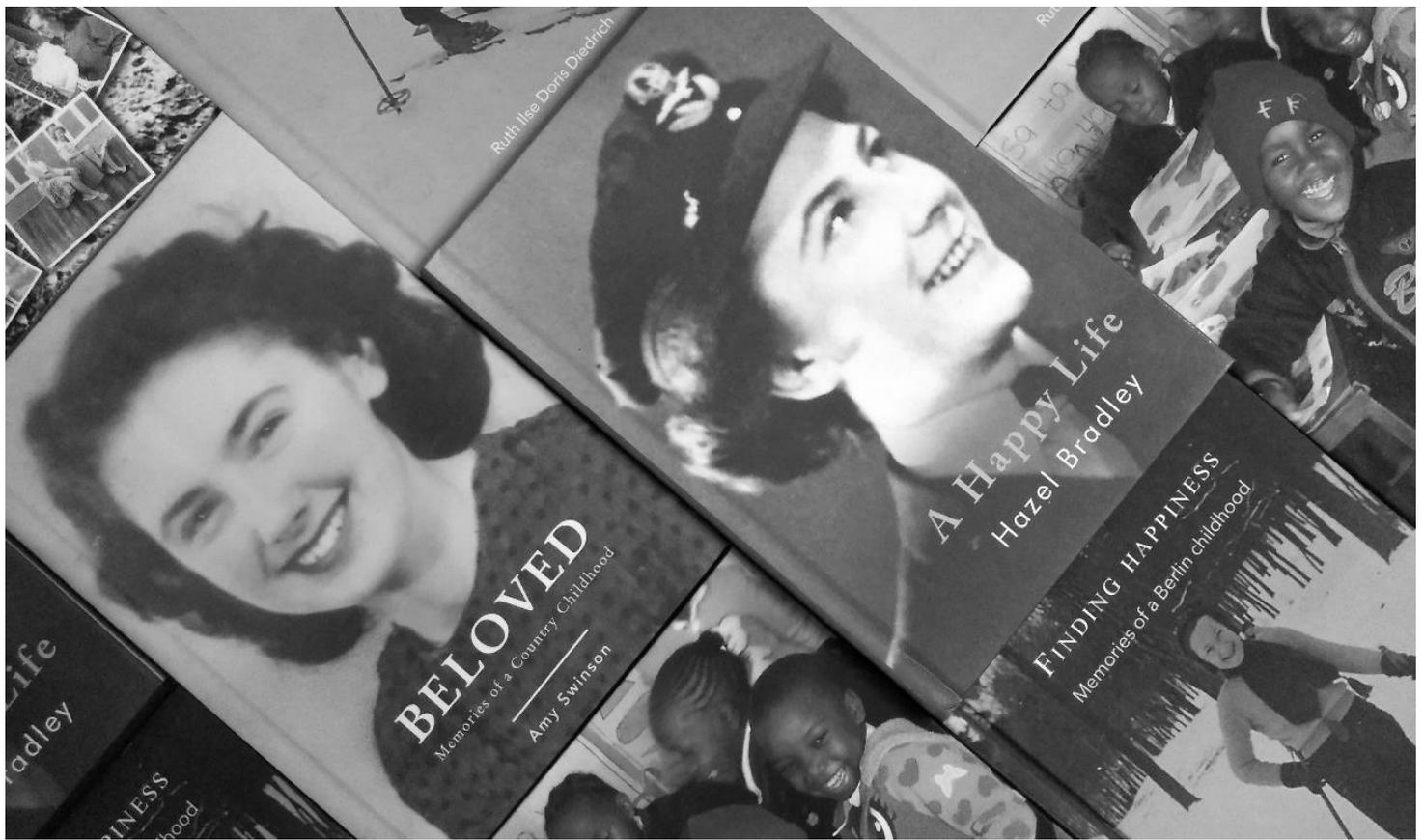


Findon Parish Council

Since work stopped on the extension to the Village Hall, the Parish Council has been working with Findon Village Hall Trust to help them achieve a 'ready to hire' new fully accessible smaller hall for which there is already a list of potential hirers, landscaping to ensure safe access for all to both halls, grass lawns fully restored and unsightly fencing removed, a resurfaced car park, covered cycle storage and additional parking spaces with grass through plastic matting. Matters got delayed during COVID but this year activity has resumed. Volunteers have done a lot of work to drainage, tidying up the exterior and removing building waste and repairing the roof which was damaged by vandals. However, despite their best

endeavours apart from a greatly appreciated grant to equip the kitchen larger grants have not been forthcoming. To resolve the issue, we would like to propose to residents that the Parish Council apply for a loan from the Public Works Loan Board to cover the full costs of the aforementioned works which would be paid back over fifty years via the Parish Council Precept. Please look out for a leaflet coming through your letter box during the first week in November giving each household the opportunity to show support for this proposal.

*Lead Cllr Cathrine Gear
Findon Parish Council*



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Village Hall Diary November 2021

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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.com.

Weekly	Day	Time
Just Yoga	Monday	10:30am
Carpet Bowls	Monday	14.30pm
Lambstails	Tuesday	10.30am
You Yoga	Tuesday	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday	10.00am
Paracise	Wednesday	14.00pm (Not 24.11)
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday	19.00pm
Pilates	Thursday	9.30am / 10.30am / 11.45am
Tai Chi	Friday	10:00am

Monthly	Date	Time
Messy Church	2 nd November	15.30pm
Tastevin	4 th November	19.00pm
Findon Village WI	11 th November	19.30pm
Danceholics	14 th November	18.30pm
Meditation	18 th November	19.30pm
Bead Magicians	19 th November	10am – 3pm
Findon Garden Association	26 th November	18.30pm
Art Class	27 th November	9.00am
Light Lunch	30 th November	12.00pm

Future Events and Dates for your Diary

Saturday 6th November – 200 Club Draw – 7.30pm

Sunday 7th November – Abigail's Party by Black Box Theatre 7pm – tickets available from <https://www.ticketsource.co.uk/blackbox>

Friday 12th November – FVHT Film Night – 6.30pm – Dream Horse

Friday 10th December – FVHT Film Night – 6.30pm

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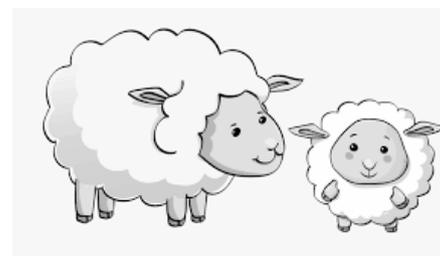
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Sunday 7 th November The 3 rd Sunday before Advent Trinity 23	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Patching Worship & Praise Service at Findon
Sunday 14 th November Remembrance Sunday Trinity 24	8.00am 9.45am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon, with act of remembrance at War Memorial
Sunday 21 st November Christ the King Sunday next before Advent	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
Sunday 28 th November Advent Sunday	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Eucharist at Findon

<i>October Baptisms:</i>	<i>October Funerals:</i>
2 nd Holly Mae Ferguson 17 th Noah Michael Lee 24 th Jude Adrian Harry Earl 30 th Noah Louis Francisco	11 th Jeremy Oaks 15 th Bob Buckland

Each month, on the third Tuesday of the month,
Lambstails will meet in Findon Church at 11am,
starting on 16th November.



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