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EDITORIAL

By David Tingley, Editor

I must admit that I'm very proud to be a part of a community that has takes part in and initiates so many charity fundraising activities. We feature both group and personal efforts a lot in our pages on a monthly basis, for which I make no apology. It's great to know that there are so many wanting to play their part and make a difference.

To name a few in this month's issue we have: Sarah Depledge (p.7) who will walk over burning coals, the Annual Gala Dinner at Jeremy's for Macmillan (p.5), a local Christmas Fair in aid of the British Heart Foundation at Pierpoint House (p.5), Esther Featherstone's recent 12-hour zumbathon (p.18) and we also have a feature about the good work of the Chailey Heritage Foundation (p.13), based just up the road from Lindfield.

On page 15 we talk to **Lindfield Bonfire Society** - a band of men and women who work particularly hard at this time of year to secure the fun and tradition of a Bonfire Night celebration right here in the village. There are a few ways we can all be involved and a reminder about how important it is to join the Society and therefore make a regular contribution to the cost of the event.

After the sad passing of **Joan Durrant** in the summer, I'm delighted to be able to share a little of the very dear and long-standing resident's story on page 29 thanks to her daughter **Ann Curtis** and friend **Betty Billins**.

Jacqui Smith shares her thoughts on the world of interior design in her ever-popular article on page 16. Simon Ilife talks golf tips on page 18. And Caroline Young encourages us back into the warmth with a few October recipes for us to try on page 30.

And finally we talk to author and resident **Jill Walkinton** whose latest children's book has just been published. My youngest gives it the once-over! Read all about it on page 20.

We love hearing from you, so do get in touch. Send an email to editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk, follow us on Twitter or like us on Facebook.

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Angharad Mills
An autumnal sunset over
Lindfield pond.





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We'd love to hear from groups, organisations and individuals about what's happening locally. Include a photo if you can. Email your stories to editor@lindfieldlife.co.uk

Dramatic club returns to Alan Ayckbourn

After a break of almost a decade, Lindfield Dramatic Club (LDC) returns to Alan Ayckbourn for its autumn production this month with a staging of Just Between Ourselves, one of his most popular plays.

First presented in the West End in 1977, with Michael Gambon and Rosemary Leach, it is a bittersweet comedy about love, marriage and relationships.

Famously written during a bleak Scarborough winter, the two-act play demonstrates Ayckbourn's ability to tread the tightrope between tragedy and comedy.

The five-strong cast includes two young newcomers, Alex Mowforth and Luke Belton, who joined LDC for the hugely-successful spring offering 'Murder and Chips'. The line-up for the autumn play is completed by regulars Jenny Slack, Sally Cooper and Tim Bishop. Rex Cooper directs.

Just Between Ourselves is on at the King Edward Hall on Thursday 31st October, Friday 1st November and Saturday 2nd November starting at 8pm.

Tickets cost £8 and are available from Happy Feet shoe shop in the village from the beginning of this month.





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All funds raised will go directly to Macmillan Care in Sussex, the development of a new Support Centre next to the Sussex County Hospital in Brighton and the setting up of new satellite centres in the county. These centres will provide first class information and support services.

To book your place at the gala dinner, or to find out how you can support Macmillan locally, contact David Metcalfe on 415060 or email him at elsda@btinternet.com

Heart of Sussex Christmas Fair

The British Heart Foundation is holding a Christmas Fair on Wednesday 9th October.

Why not go along and do some early Christmas shopping in this beautiful Lindfield house before the rush begins? There will be lots of ideas to get you into the shopping mood, such as Pink and Black selling gorgeous handbags and scarves, My Eco store with



wonderful children's gifts made from recycled materials, Tufnells with very stylish ideas for your home plus plenty of new ideas as perfect Christmas gifts. Chez Fleur will be there too, with great Christmas decorations, wreaths and other floral arrangements. There will also be some lovely fashion and jewellery stalls plus a raffle, Christmas cards and, of course, coffee and delicious cakes.

The fair is between 10am and 12.30pm at Pierpoint House, 110 High Street, Lindfield, in aid of The British Heart Foundation.



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By Bob White, Headteacher, Lindfield Primary School

The building work at the Lindfield Primary School started just before the summer holidays. The main update I would like to say is that everything is very much on schedule.

The car park was finished in time for the start of term, which released the space for the two building parts of the project. The teaching block and hall foundations (groundwork) are very much underway, whilst the new School Office and Community Room extension started in the middle of last month.

We are still hoping for the project to be completed by June 2014, all in good time for the new school year starting in September 2014. It's exciting knowing how much our teaching, learning and community facilities will be enhanced. Obviously health and safety requires ongoing monitoring and we liaise closely with Chris Blain the site manager for Sunninghill. Chris spoke to our children at assemblies at the beginning of term, emphasising important safety aspects at all times during the course of the project. We are hoping to arrange some scheduled and supervised site visits for the children over the next few months so they can see different stages of the building project progress until its completion.



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The next consultation for church development project

All Saints Lindfield will be holding a further consultation on its plans for building with the church and village community later this month.

On Saturday 5th October from 2-4pm there will be a meeting in church when an update on progress of the Aspire Church Development Project will be given.

At the meeting the architect will present the latest plans for the North Annexe newbuild and the internal changes which were first shared at a consultation meeting in March this year.

All are invited to attend the event.

Lindfield residents will have already noticed the scaffolding on the spire and around the church. This is a phase of repair work on the spire, the windows, the stonework and the roof which is expected to be completed just before Christmas.



Mum attempts fire walk

Lindfield school mum Sarah Depledge will take part in a fire walk this month to raise funds to help find a cure for type 1 diabetes.

Her son Henry is at school in the village and himself suffers from the disease, which has prompted Sarah to take action. She will be literally walking over hot coals to raise funds for research into the condition by JDRF (Juvenile Diabetes Research Foundation), the only charity dedicated to finding a cure for type 1 diabetes.

"There are so many misconceptions about diabetes," Sarah explains, "which is an auto immune disease, not linked to lifestyle and eating too many sweets. It's a lifelong chronic condition which Henry deals with admirably."

The fire walk takes place in Eastbourne on 19th October. However, if you'd like to be involved and support Sarah in her efforts you can sponsor her at www.justgiving.com/sarah-depledge



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Jenny has done postgraduate studies in paediatrics and acupuncture and is passionate about chiropractic and the help it can give to people of all ages.

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Wedding dress designer coming to Lindfield

One of the UK's leading bridal designers - Stephanie Allin Couture - will be visiting Lindfield in November to launch her entire 2014 collection at Mathilda Rose on the High Street.

The store will be welcoming all brides-to-be looking for their dream dress to exclusively view the new collection and have the one-off opportunity of meeting Stephanie herself and receiving her expert styling advice.

Mathilda Rose owner Nicola Spence created a window dressing project ("The window at 62"), which is a collaboration of leading Sussex-based suppliers who have joined forces to create beautiful window displays at the bridal boutique - which have been very positively commented on since the store opened just over a year ago.

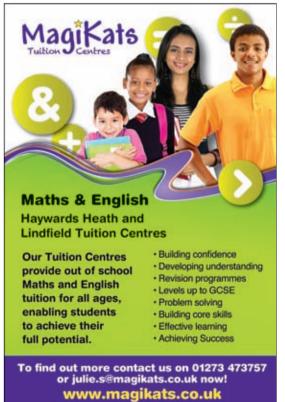
Over the summer Nicola chose to celebrate the world's biggest music festival held at Glastonbury every year. The team decided to style #thewindowat62 into a beautifully fun and romantic 'Wedfest'. Before styling the window they took their ideas into the beautiful Sussex countryside to create this inspirational photoshoot. The dress featured here is by Stephanie Allin.

Appointments are limited at the designer event on 16th November. All brides who order a Stephanie Allin dress at Mathilda Rose on the day will receive a complimentary made to measure service (worth £500).





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Franco-British Society

The residents of West Sussex may be surprised and interested to know that at its heart in Haywards Heath there is the opportunity to enjoy hearing and speaking French at informal meetings of the Mid-Sussex Franco-British Society. These meetings are held once a month between September and June on a Wednesday evening at Clair Hall, Perrymount Road.

The Mid-Sussex Franco-British Society was started in 1971 by a local group of English teachers of French who sought the opportunity to expand their knowledge of France and the French language by organising informal gatherings where the main language of the evening was French. This tradition continues to this day and a programme of talks by French speakers, interspersed with informal social evenings, is published annually.

Meetings are designed to be informal and welcoming at all levels of French, as the main object of the evenings is to provide the opportunity for participants to practise the language and to learn more of France and its culture and so enhance their enjoyment of France and other French-speaking countries.

For further details of the Mid-Sussex Franco-British Society please contact the Secretary, Lindfield resident Mrs Barbara Stevens on 01444 452385, who will be pleased to hear from you.

Hannah offers fashion advice

People of Lindfield can now relax with their fashion trends this autumn with the launch of a local image consultancy business by a Lindfield mum.

Hannah Baty offers services including Colour Analysis, Personal Styling and Wardrobe De-Cluttering.



After having her two children, Hannah ditched her law career in London and decided to follow her dream of working in the world of fashion. Whilst working at the stylish clothes boutique Doodie Stark in Lindfield, Hannah realised there was a gap in the market for someone with a young, fresh approach to fashion consultancy in the local area.

Talking about her Colour Analysis service, Hannah says: "It is surprising how many people wear colours they like rather than what actually suits them. When they start wearing their best colours they have so much more confidence."

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Living where you do, it's likely that you drive past Chailey Heritage from time to time. You'd be forgiven for believing it's a local special school on the A272. Nowadays it's so much more... This year the non-profit-making charity was renamed Chailey Heritage Foundation - formerly Chailey Heritage School - in recognition of the work they do with children and young people from the age of 3 to 25.

The charity was founded in 1903 by Mrs (later Dame) Grace Kimmins, a young nurse who was working in the East End of London with adults suffering from poverty-related diseases and deformities. Deeply moved by the many children born 'crippled' (as it was termed then) as a result of these circumstances, she made use of an old workhouse at Chailey in Sussex. It had no electricity and the nearest telephone was three miles away in Plumpton. She arrived with seven disabled London boys, determined to educate and teach a craft to ensure independence in adulthood. By 1936 her charity had progressed to create a boys' school and a girls' school, both equipped with operating theatres and medical facilities where education and treatment could be practised together.

Dame Grace's legacy continues today as the charity recognises a need, then works to fulfil it.

Today, the Foundation encompasses Chailey Heritage School, Children's Home and Futures@Chailey Heritage. The School achieved 'outstanding' status at its last two Ofsted inspections and is a pioneering centre of excellence for 3-19 year olds with complex physical disabilities. It shares its site with Chailey Heritage Clinical Services, part of the South Downs Health (NHS) Trust, allowing a multi-disciplinary team of expert teaching staff, therapists and medical professionals all on the same site. The Children's Home offers flexible care





packages up to 52 weeks a year. Futures@Chailey Heritage is a new transition provision for 19-25 year olds. Young adults with physical disabilities are helped to develop life skills in preparation for adulthood.

One arm of Futures@Chailey Heritage is specialist residential care for young adults. The other is the newly opened Futures Life Skills Centre, a state-of-the-art facility with a range of activities not readily available to young adults with physical disabilities in the community. The Life Skills Centre functions like a leisure/community centre for disabled young adults, on a pay-as-you-use basis, and it is currently able to extend its provision to those over 25.

When visiting the Life Skills Centre, young adults with physical disabilities at all levels of complexity are empowered with choices which include the use of a specially adapted gym, sauna and spa, both for leisure and for therapy purposes. Those requiring rehabilitation after injury can also book in. There are arts & crafts facilities including a 'rise & fall' potter's wheel, a wheelchair-friendly ICT suite with 3D printing and all the latest assistive technology, living skills and cookery training with 'rise & fall' counter tops, oven & cupboards plus talking appliances. There's music therapy and a range of services including manicures, pedicures, aromatherapy, reflexology and Indian head massage. Nearly ready for use is a salon for other treatments such as hairdressing and chiropody and there's a disabilityfriendly café - "GK's" (named after the founder), which is also open to the wider community. Any profits from the café are ploughed back into funding equipment for the Life Skills Centre, so when customers are enjoying their freshly made cappuccinos and home-made cakes and pastries they are helping a great cause!

So, if you thought you knew what Chailey Heritage was all about, it's time to think again!

Photo above: One young customer of the specially adapted gym got to meet HRH The Duchess of Cornwall recently. She officially opened Futures Life Skills Centre on 5th June.

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An estimated 12,000 people turn out for the celebrations but LBS are keen to ensure there are enough helpers to make it happen. As a result they are appealing for assistance from the village. Marshalls can do anything from helping with setup during the day, pack down, shaking collection tins and clearing the site the next morning.

There is a Marshalls' meeting on Thursday 17th October at 7.30pm in The King Edward Hall. The Society would be pleased to meet anyone who wishes to help or join LBS and take part in the procession on the 5th.

LBS hire in 16 security officers and 16 Red Cross medical staff but they need over 40 volunteers to be part of the team. Do consider going to the meeting if vou are able.

Of course an event of this size and scale costs a lot of money to stage. Over £8,500 in fact. The cost of the



fireworks, hire of the Common, road closure fees and all the other expenses involved all add up, so raising funds is critical for Lindfield Bonfire Society, Remember too that the money collected on the night is for local children's charities and doesn't go towards the cost of the evenina.

Sarah Tampion-Lacey, LBS membership secretary, explained: "The best way to contribute as a resident is to join the Society and complete a Standing Order form to pay your subs annually." Adult membership is just £10 and family membership is £20 per year.

LBS raise funds throughout the year and this year have been selling special Lindfield mugs and the Lindfield Village Calendar is bigger and better this year, and is available to purchase from Glyn Thomas Butchers, Mark Revill Estate Agents, Sarah Lacey Drycleaning and other shops to be confirmed. At £6 each they make fantastic Christmas presents and are available with envelopes.

More information can be found on membership, setting up standing orders and the calendar at the website: www.lindfieldbonfiresociety.co.uk. You can also keep up to date by joining Lindfield Bonfire Society on Facebook.

LINDFIELD VILLAGE CALENDAR



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November 5th Display

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By Jacqui Smith, interior designer

Whilst a large part of our work is residential, people seem most fascinated by our show home work. I am often asked how we go about choosing the schemes and whether we have a completely blank canvas. The canvas is largely blank but always influenced by the target buyer. Show homes are, at the end of the day, a sales tool; a way of showing people how their home, and indeed their life, might look were they to buy a house on 'this new development'. Consequently my first question to a developer focuses on their buyer profile. From this we then create a family or in some cases a couple, treating them as a client and designing for them. It's fair to say that we get quite carried away with this. We put ourselves in the position of our fictitious buyer and imagine what they would do for a job, where they might shop locally, where they might holiday (so that we can reflect that in the photographs), what they would cook for family meals and even what clothes they might wear so that we can have something appropriate hanging in the wardrobes. All of these touches help the potential purchaser connect with the house and help them mentally move in.

So for a Woking Penthouse with view of the Shard, we had Mr City. We decided that he was a bachelor who travels a lot on business. The theme of the art centred on landmarks from business capitals of the world and his guest room had a twist of the Orient in the decor. This man liked to entertain; he had his Nespresso

machine with coffee capsules to match the scheme (of course), cufflinks in the dressing room and a statement champagne bucket and aptly branded bottle in his bedroom.

From time to time we are contacted by the purchaser of the show home for additional pieces to match the scheme but until recently we had never met one. Two years ago we designed and installed a show home for a Barratt site in East Grinstead called Mill Brook Place. We approached the brief as I have described, designing for a family with a teen son who was into his music. We had decided that mum would work and enjoyed cooking healthy stir fries mid week (Waitrose rather helpfully had their entire oriental cooking range labelled with varying shades of turquoise).

About a month ago, David and I had a delivery to make to Mill Brook. As we pulled into the car park we could see that a family were moving in that day. The sales advisor bounded over to our car with a "what are the chances" expression on his face since the purchasers had only seconds ago asked who designed the show home. So we got to meet our client in the end, a working couple with, yes, a teenage son. It was a funny encounter since there we had a happy client, though a client we had never met before!

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Pink Lady raises over £6.5k

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Esther says: "I am amazed by the support this event received and extremely humbled by the generosity of the local community. I want to thank everyone for their enthusiasm and for being 'truly inspirational folk'! I also want to thank my sponsor, Spofforths Chartered Accountants. They are the reason EVERY penny of the fundraising goes directly to the hospice."

The Zumbathon has already raised £6,850, which was Esther's original target as it 'Pays For A Day'. There is still a huge amount of money waiting to come in and she hopes this will pay for second day of care.

Esther is urging people to donate money for Chestnut Tree House and help support the only children's hospice in Sussex. For more information please call Esther on 07764801167 or visit www.esthercise.co.uk. You can donate online at: http://bit.ly/14UQflZ

The Uphill Lie

GOLF TIP OF THE MONTH #22

By Simon lliffe, HH Golf Pro
One of the less awkward lie positions, the
uphill lie encourages loft, making it easier
to get the ball airborne.

The big danger is to drive the club into the slope, causing heavy and de-lofted shots.

Firstly, take extra club as the hill will encourage higher shots and take distance off the ball flight.

Position the ball towards your left foot (r/h golfers) and the weight on your right. This will help you to play with the hill and not into it.

Playing uphill will create a shallower swing path into the ball, encouraging a right to left ball flight. You may need to aim a little to the right to compensate for this.

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By Claire Cooper

A chance remark in a café was the inspiration behind a new series of children's books and a collection of fantasy characters, who have started their life in Lindfield.

Children's author Jill Walkinton, who lives in the High Street, and her friend and co-writer Alison Lewis, are hoping that their 'Little Somethings' will capture the imagination of children in the same way as the Mr Men have delighted generations of young readers.

The pair have been writing together for many years, often meeting in cafés to share their ideas and look for inspiration. With three successful books already published, Jill and Alison were brainstorming over a cup of tea when the idea hit them.

"We were in a café with a cup of tea each. Everyone around us seemed to be enjoying slabs of homemade cake, which led to one of us asking the other if she wanted a little something!" said Jill. "We both looked at each other and said: That's it – the Little Somethings!"

Before long Jill and Alison had conjured up the characters and story lines for their first three books. And soon afterwards, with the help of illustrator Ali Pye, the number of Little Somethings had grown to 15!

"We likened the idea of the Little Somethings to the Mr Men," said Jill. "The characters are all very different and have their own personalities but all interact with one another in the stories."

The first book 'Something Delicious' has just gone on sale, the second book is due out in February and the third is planned for September next year.

As teachers, Jill and Alison are passionate about encouraging children and adults to enjoy reading together. "As parents, we all lead such busy lives and the bedtime story is sometimes the only opportunity for

some quality time," said Jill.

The books also take the concept of parental involvement a step further by including an activity at the end of each story – 'Something Delicious' has a recipe, and the other two books a bingo card and memory game.

"Children are increasingly spending more time doing things on their own, and we want our books to encourage adult and child interaction," said Alison. "We feel really strongly about the social side of educating children. We also want to pass on our love of reading, to encourage others and capture the imagination of the reluctant reader."

The book is written under the name Jill Lewis – a combination of the two authors, which reflects their close partnership. "We couldn't and wouldn't write without each other," said Jill. "We've been doing it together for so long, we wouldn't know how to go it alone!"

Jill explained how the partnership works. "We have a few rules: we share everything 50/50, we never argue, we give each other encouragement and support and we always put friendship first.

"We have stuck by these and we think they are pretty good rules for any partnership," she said. "We both have other jobs that we enjoy and neither of us feels that we would be so productive on the writing front without them. Bizarrely, it seems that the busier we are in general, the more we manage to get done!"

Jill has lived in Lindfield for 27 years and describes the village as a perfect place to bring up a family. "I love the village as much today as I did on arrival way back in the 1980s," she said.

"I enjoy living beside the Common and, as with so many shared aspects of our lives, Alison also lives beside an open green space in London. When our children were



Something Delicious by Jill Lewis

BOOK REVIEW

By Jessica Tingley, age 7

This story is about big things and little things. The Guzzler wanted a little something after his dinner & he knew that the Little Somethings lived in a cave in a mountain. He went there and he tried to get one but Miniwiggler had an idea to save them. His idea was to give the Guzzler a glob fruit. He ate it and then he thought "What was I looking for?" He remembered he was looking for a Little Something and he wanted it to be plump. Miniwiggler had another good idea. He gave the Guzzler a plump lush ball. Then he said "I need a plump little something with no wings or nasty stings." There were only two Little Somethings left so he picked up Skidaddler. Miniwiggler was running out of ideas & he thought of another idea. And it was to shout "STOP!!".

But it turns out that the Guzzler didn't want to eat them. He wanted a Little Something to go to a party with him.

I love it because Miniwiggler saved everybody. There was lots to look at in the pictures. On one page I spotted some tiny little kittens!

The Little Somethings all have funny names and are very cute. The book even tells you a recipe for Little Somethings to make. Big Somethings are only allowed one or two.

growing up, they used the Common as an extension to the garden and when Alison used to bring her children to Lindfield on our 'writing together days' we would spend ages in the playground with the four of them.

"They would be on the swings and roundabout and we would be chatting and scribbling things in notebooks. Of course, now that they're grown up, we no longer need to keep them entertained while simultaneously trying to write but we still keep Friday as a 'writing together' day, meeting in each other's homes but sometimes in a café. We also use Skype if time pressure is upon us."

As the Individual Needs Coordinator at Burgess Hill School for Girls working with children from 4–11 years, Jill had a ready-made audience to test the new books. "We were delighted with their response – they were really engaged with the story and their body language was fantastic," she said. "Children of that age will always tell you if they don't like it!"

Jill borrowed the recipe in 'Something Delicious' from the school; it is made by the infants in their cookery classes but under another guise! Jill is hoping that the recipe will now be renamed Nosh Biscuits! She has dedicated the book to all the 'Little Somethings' at Burgess Hill School for Girls.

The book was launched at the school last month and Jill and Alison are now looking forward to running workshops in schools and libraries in the run-up to Christmas. They will be accompanied by their collection of papier mache 'Little Somethings', along with their first 'Big Something' The Greedy Guzzler, a key character in the first book.

'Something Delicious' is on sale in the usual places and, of course, Lindfield's Book Stop.



Are you under 8 years old and would you like to win one of the first copies of Something Delicious?

Jill and Alison have teamed up with Lindfield Life to offer one lucky reader the chance to win a signed copy of the book.

To be in with a chance, all you have to do is to create and draw your own Little Something and send it to us. Don't forget to give it a name!

To help get you started, here are a few of the characters already created: Miniwiggler, Spike Fox, Bunnykins, Spring Chicken, Quiff and Skidaddler.

You can email your picture to us at competition@ lindfieldlife.co.uk. Or pop it in the post to Lindfield Life, Brooklands Barn, Rocky Lane, Haywards Heath RH16 4RR.

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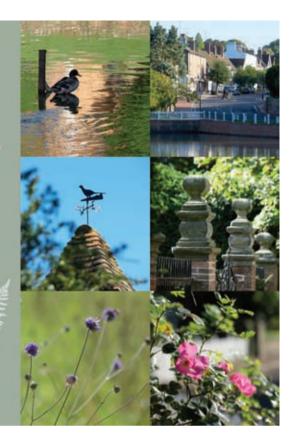
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Memorial sculpture takes flight

A striking and evocative new sculpture has taken pride of place in the memorial garden at the Amex Stadium, home of Brighton & Hove Albion football club – a gift to the club from Lindfield funeral directors Sue and lan Masters.

The couple, who are avid Brighton & Hove Albion supporters and members of the 1901 Club, funded and commissioned the piece after spotting it at a workshop.

Carved by local sculptor Jo Sweeting, 'Wing-Waltz' is the sister piece to her 'Tilt' sculpture which sits proudly in the main entrance to the West Stand.

"Beautifully hand-carved sculptures and memorials are unique and can say so much with few words," says Sue. "I visited a local workshop where Jo had been working on 'Tilt' and saw 'Wing Waltz' which she had carved from the same block of Portland Stone. It was a lovely piece of work with the seagulls carved on it. When I visited the memorial garden for an interment I thought it would be perfect to have something so beautiful there for families visiting and remembering their loved ones at the stadium.

"We were only too happy to fund the work and both the football club and Jo were quickly on board. The words Jo has carved on the sculpture, 'Of quiet birds in circled flight', are taken from a poem which is generally attributed to Mary Elizabeth Frye and which we feel are particularly appropriate..."



lan and Sue are pictured with Jo (centre) at the memorial garden

Do not stand at my grave and weep,
I am not there; I do not sleep.
I am a thousand winds that blow,
I am the diamond glints on snow,
I am the sunlight on ripened grain,
I am the gentle autumn rain.
When you awaken in the morning's hush
I am the swift uplifting rush
Of quiet birds in circled flight.
I am the soft stars that shine at night.
Do not stand at my grave and cry,
I am not there: I did not die.

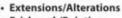
"It was lovely to see the sculpture put in place on the honed granite plinth a couple of weeks ago," Sue adds. "It was a perfect day to see the white piece against a beautiful blue sky which we felt was appropriate and in keeping with Brighton and Hove Albion's colours.

"I'm sure families and friends who visit the memorial garden will appreciate its beauty and make their visits all the more comforting."





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the Queen Elizabeth, Wigmore and Fairfield Halls. Her programme with accompanist Craig White will include works by Bach and Brahms.

9th Nov 2013: Samson Tsoy (piano)



Kazakh-born Samson Tsoy has won many international prizes. Described as having "... brilliant virtuosity and poetic soul", he will play Mussorgsky's *Pictures at an Exhibition*, plus pieces by Schubert and Schumann.

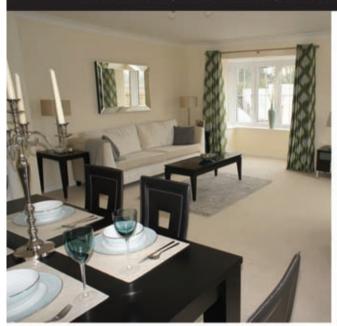
Both concerts start at 7.45 pm in St Wilfrid's Church, Haywards Heath.

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October 2013



By Alan Williams

Bus 30 and I were not yet best friends! Recently, coming down from London, I had just missed one and no other bus was scheduled to go to Lindfield within 40 minutes. So I had had to walk.

Then the other day, my tablet wouldn't connect to the internet, so I couldn't call up the timetable. (I won't identify the tablet; they say a bad workman blames his tools. Or, perhaps, a computer illiterate's hands are all thumbs.)

Anyway, taking a chance on there being a 15-minute service at that time of day, I had been walking down to the Post Office when I noticed my old friend, the 270, go by. Perhaps I could have run, but then why ruffle the coiffure when there's a 30 every 15?

There isn't, not at that time of the day anyway.

The 15-minute service starts at 06:45 from Lindfield Post Office and ends at 07:15. Then it's 07:35 and 07:54, 08:14 and 08:44. After that, the next is not until 09:44, then 10:14. After that little hesitation, the service becomes a half-hourly one with this strange gap of an hour between 08:44 and 09:44 To cap it all, there's no 82 service between 08:26 and 11:19. The reason why? Well, that's another story!

So, I had to walk.

[The benefits of walking include the opportunity for a more leisurely peek at passing front gardens, when hedges permit. But when I got to the station, I did run for the train (the doors closing as I jumped aboard) metaphorically crossing everything crossable that it was the right one! Reader, luckily it was!]

I telephoned the bus company, SouthdownPSV, to ask them the rationale for the gap. Very simple: since the demise of Countryliner, the service has had to be run on a commercial basis, and the 09:14 and indeed the 05:45 were regularly 'shifting nothing but air', so, with the best will in the world, could not be sustained.

The lesson for us all must be 'use it or lose it'.

The 30 starts at the Princess Royal Hospital, travels down America Lane and then past Sainsbury's, through

Haywards Heath and on to Lindfield, and back again. The flat fare is £1.70 but by the time you read this it will have gone up to £2. You could always buy a season ticket...

I knew that the 30 had the potential to be a great friend, if only I could tame the timetable and my tablet. I decided to ride the 'circular' route. On an early bus the journey would have taken somewhat over half an hour as the bus concentrates on getting commuters to the station. In the middle of the day, it is scheduled to take just under the hour.

The 13:44 arrived late at the Post Office, at 13:55. We were further delayed by a road digger in Appledore Gardens.

"Sorry we're late. It's been one of those days," the driver said to one new passenger, who replied: "At least you've arrived!" Friendly banter predominated. Most of these passengers seemed to know one another and the driver seemed to know them all! People got on and off; there were times when there were few of us, and times when there were many. A busy, friendly, bustling bus.

We wound our gentle way from South Road towards the Princess Royal. There is no need for me to tell you about the journey - the timetable will do that for you. What I will say is that we were, as I have already told you, running late. Late enough for me to be about to miss the bus leaving Princess Royal at 14:19 for the return journey. My driver knew that, so as we were about to pass the return bus, somewhere near the St Wilfred's Primary School, he flagged it down so that I could get on it. Now, that's service! Route 30 and I are friends at last!

Go to www.southdownpsv.co.uk for further information on bus times.

There are major interchanges at Sainsbury's and Perrymount Road. At the former, you can change for the 33, 40, 31, 89 and the 166.

What stories do you have about route 30? Please write in to the editor and share it.

Postscript 1: SouthdownPSV, who now run the 30 service, took over the route from Countryliner when they went out of business earlier this year.

Postscript 2: Fares on the 270. I should have mentioned in my last article the matter of fares on bus 270. An adult return to Brighton from Lindfield on Metrobus bus 270 costs £6.60. However, for £7 you can get an Explorer ticket – this can also be used on most buses in Sussex, Surrey and Kent and is useful, for example, for travelling on buses around Brighton when you get there.

It can also be used to travel on to Eastbourne, or to Tunbridge Wells on the 28/29 buses from where you could get a 291 back to East Grinstead (and pick up the 270 again).

A Family Explorer ticket, providing travel for up to 2 adults and 3 children, costs just £12.50, which seems to me to be good value even if just two adults are travelling to Brighton and back, as it is cheaper than two returns! At this price it will be cheaper to use the bus than the car, without having to worry about parking in Brighton. Plus, the buses bypass much of the traffic thanks to the bus lanes! Explorer tickets are available from the driver.

Regular users can buy a Metrovoyager which, at £6.50, provides unlimited travel on Metrobus buses outside London. However, a weekly Metrovoyager costs £23 and an annual one costs £850 (which, by my calculation, works out at £3.37 per weekday, and must be pretty good value for peak hour travel to and from Brighton!)

Details of all the above can be found on the Metrobus website - www.metrobus.co.uk

Metrobus tell me that they plan to introduce mobile ticketing soon, with contactless debit/credit payment onboard the bus being investigated as well.

They are also looking at ways to extend to the 270 route the free customer Wi-Fi currently on trial on another route.

Are you aware of the real-time tracking on Metrobus buses - intending passengers can see how far away the next bus is in real time using GPS via the Internet or mobile phone? See www.metrobus.co.uk/real_time if not!

Postscript 3 - Finally, the latest news is that Haywards Heath Town Council are paying to have displays fitted at the main bus stops in town, so it will be useful for Lindfield residents waiting for a bus home. How useful it would be if we could have displays like this at the Lindfield Post Office stops. The cost is not small but is our Parish Council interested in looking into this?











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Goodbye Joan

Earlier this summer Lindfield said farewell to a resident who created and ran one the village's best loved businesses.

For years Joan Durrant welcomed thousands of villagers and visitors to her High Street café, upholding the tradition of the village tea room.

When not busy serving tea and cakes at Durrants Joan took an active role in many village groups, including the Bonfire Society. At her funeral, at the United Reformed Church, friends and neighbours gathered to hear more of her story in the following eulogy by her daughter Ann.

By Ann Curtis

Joan was born in 1921 in Macclesfield, Cheshire. She was second in a family of three girls and four boys. Like many of her contemporaries, she worked in one of the silk mills that Macclesfield was famed for.

During the war she worked in the NAAFI at Donnington.

After the war she relocated to Lindfield with her baby daughter, Ann, to join her de-mobbed soldier husband and became an active member of the local community.

Joan's strength of character and courage enabled her to continue in her new life following the breakdown of her marriage, which was quite a big deal in the early 50s in a Mid Sussex village!

However, her ensuing marriage to Brian and the birth of their son, Martin, led to a very fulfilling and long life in Lindfield, where both she and Brian were involved in many community groups. Joan and Brian maintained contact with the several foreign students who stayed with them during the summer holidays and enjoyed return visits to France and Sweden.

Joan was proud of her northern heritage and used to become very excited during journeys 'home' to visit her family or attend special occasions and tears were shed on the return south, but she never failed to appreciate the warmer Sussex climate, particularly as arthritis began to take hold.

Brian's death in 2000 was a time of great sadness for Joan but, as always, she took up her courage and carried on with her life and had several holidays on her own.

Joan's inner strength always enabled her to maintain a positive attitude and her humour and cheerfulness will be what we all remember most about her.

She lived her life with energy, vitality and enthusiasm. Even though she became increasingly limited physically in recent years, her sunny disposition was always evident.

I used to visit her for a few days every 3/4 months and we would catch up with news and photos that we couldn't cover in our phone calls. She would save up clearing out and rearranging jobs for me to do, such as the December Christmas Card Marathon, present buying and wrapping, all done under her close supervision.

Joan loved to hear about the antics of her grandchildren and great grandchildren and especially relished the tales that told of their individuality and free spirit.



My tribute...

"Joan was a very generous person, offering me hours when I needed it after my son started school, including the flexibility to go and meet him. Durrants was a lovely place to work and never felt like being at work. It was a true family business and was a meeting place that offered great companionship for villagers and visitors alike. Joan was an amazing

character and she loved to chat with

Betty Billins started working for Joan in 1980 soon

where Mansell McTaggart's shop is now located.

after she opened 'Durrants Coffee House' which was

The United Reformed Church played an important role in Joan's life and she was very appreciative of the friendship and support it gave her.

customers at Durrants."

When planning her funeral service Mum said she would have liked to include the Ken Dodd song 'Happiness' but thought it might be too OTT for Lindfield!



Tuna Fish Casserole

Serves 4

This recipe, in one variation or another, seems to have been around for ever. It probably started off as a recipe on a can of soup! It is equally good made with salmon instead of tuna and you could sprinkle the top with fresh buttered breadcrumbs instead of cheese.

Preheat the oven to 200°C. Cook 225g spaghetti to packet directions, drain thoroughly then tip back into the rinsed pan. Meanwhile melt 25g butter in a small frypan, add 1 diced red pepper and cook until soft. Stir in a drained 160g can tuna steaks in brine. Add to the pasta. Combine 295g can condensed cream of celery or mushroom soup with 150ml milk and 1tsp curry paste (optional). Add to the pasta and gently stir to combine. Spoon evenly into a shallow baking dish and top with a handful of grated cheese

Bake for about 15 min or until bubbling hot and golden brown.



By Caroline Young

Suddenly the weather has changed and the evenings feel really chilly. Time for some warming filling dishes with an eye on the budget just before Christmas shopping begins.

Potato Cake with Bacon

Serves 4

Peel and grate 4 large baking potatoes (quickest in the processor) and rinse in cold water. Squeeze with your hands to remove as much water as possible then dry on paper towels. Heat 25g butter and a splash of oil in a large frying pan. When hot add the potato shreds, spreading them evenly and pressing down with a spatula to form an even thickness. Cover and cook over medium heat for 15-20 min. When golden brown on the underside cover with a plate and invert the frying pan to remove the potato cake. Heat another 25g butter and a small splash of oil in the pan then slide the potato cake back into the pan. Cook, uncovered, for about 15 min or until golden brown on the underside. Serve in wedges with crispy bacon.

Irish Potato Cakes

Serves 4

The potato cakes can be made and shaped in advance and refrigerated, covered, until needed. Allow a little longer cooking time to make sure they are very hot right through.

Boil 750g potatoes until soft then tip into a colander to drain. Cook a good handful of finely shredded green cabbage until tender and drain thoroughly. Mash the potatoes beating in a little hot milk and a good knob of butter to make a smooth but firm mixture. Stir in the cabbage. Shape into balls about the size of a tennis ball and flatten slightly.

Fry in a little butter or oil until golden brown on both sides. Serve piping hot – good with some grilled bacon on the side.



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Also popular with visitors is the Cercidiphyllum japonicum, known as the Candy Floss tree, because of its pink tints and distinctive smell of burnt sugar.

Guided walks are held daily at 11.30am and 2pm (subject to the availability of a guide) or simply stroll around the gardens and woodlands on your own to enjoy

nature's dazzling display. (Check website www.kew.org nearer the time for details of other events.)

Autumn colours are normally at their best at Wakehurst between mid October and early November, depending on weather conditions, but there is always something new to enjoy around the estate which includes formal gardens, natural woodlands, nature reserves and a 16th century mansion.

Wakehurst is also home to Kew's Millennium Seed Bank, the largest wild seed collection in the world, where visitors can discover how Kew is helping to safeguard the world's most endangered plants. The Seed Bank is also establishing the country's first national collection of tree seeds – the UK National Tree Seed Project.

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Christmas Festival Night Tuesday 3rd Dec

Preparations are already under way for Christmas Festival Night on Tuesday 3rd December.

PLEASE NOTE – THE PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE WILL NOT BE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC IN THE AFTERNOON OF TUESDAY 3rd DECEMBER as we'll all be busy preparing for the evening.

The High Street will be closed from 5.30 - 9.30pm, with diversions in place. The festivities will begin around 6pm and finish by 9pm.

Father Christmas is expected at the United Reformed Church at 6pm.

We hope plenty of people will take stalls – regular stall holders will receive a letter but please contact lain McLean at the Parish Office if you do not receive one and you would like to book a stall – 01444 484115, clerks@lindfieldparishcouncil.gov.uk.

We would like to remind any organisations thinking about selling beverages containing alcohol that you will need to apply for a Temporary Event Notice from the Safety & Licensing Team at Mid Sussex District Council -telephone 01444 477294.

Stall holders will have to bring their own tables and chairs and, as the High Street is pretty dark in places, we suggest bringing some battery operated lighting for their stalls.

Neighbourhood Plan Update

Clir Alan Gomme, Chair Lindfield's Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

In Lindfield we are not quite like the French and everyone packs up, deserts Paris and heads for the beaches for the summer. Some of us, and in particular the members of the NP Steering Group and our consultants from Action in Rural Sussex, have continued to progress our plan during August and September.

This, however, is a period when most of the work needs the expertise of our consultants Action in Rural Sussex (AirS) to convert our Focus Groups' recommendations and all the additional views we have received from our residents into an initial draft plan. During August we received the updated Parish Profiles that provide the statistical base line on which our plan will be based from AirS. This now incorporates local 2011 Census data and has been published on our web site.

At AirS request we have drafted an initial version of the Neighbourhood Development Plan Proposal – Consultation Statement and prepared supporting papers or schedules on the Lindfield High Street Shopping Area, Green Spaces and Community Assets. These papers will be published on our web site when they have been finalised.

At the end of July we received a submission from Great Walstead School for the development of a small scale housing development on their site to be included in the draft plan. Although we had launched an appeal to local landowners who wished to discuss with us the possibility of developing land for housing or business purposes, this is the only response that has actually resulted in a submission to us. We are currently considering, with the support of AirS, the school's request.

We have been exchanging ideas with AirS on the appropriate policies that our plan will contain and we are endeavouring to ensure that these support our communities in both Lindfield Parishes while being in conformity with Mid Sussex District Council's Local Plan. During October we expect to have progressed the draft plan to a stage where we can discuss it with Clare Tester at MSDC and, subject to that discussion being successful, we hope to be able to publish the draft plan to our community during this autumn.

Members of Lindfield Parish Council:

They can all be contacted, in the first instance, via the Parish

Cllr. William Blunden (Chairman) Cllr. Valerie Upton (Vice Chairman)

Cllr. Mike Allen Cllr. Michael Amor Cllr. Jane Chatfield Cllr. Alan Gomme

Lindfield Parish Council Office is open on Tuesdays 1.00pm to 4.00pm, Thursdays and Fridays 10.00am to 1.00pm — when members of the public are welcome to come along to look at planning applications for Lindfield, buy concessionary railcard vouchers, or simply seek advice on issues of concern. However, if you do need to speak with someone outside our normal opening hours, then please contact the Clerk who will be happy to make alternative arrangements with you.

Parish Clerk: Deputy Parish Clerk:

Mrs. Christine Irwin lain McLean

Responsible Financial
Officer: Mrs. Sue Kolien

VISITORS' PARKING AT THE PARISH OFFICE

Visitors to the Parish Office may park in any unmarked spaces within the Enterprise Park estate: on the right as you enter from Lewes Road or on the left next to the building beyond the Parish Office and there are more spaces alongside the wall by the stream. Please do not park next to St Peter and St James Hospice Shop unless you are visiting the shop.

SENIOR RAIL CARDS

Please remember to bring your National Insurance Number with you when you come to buy your concessionary Senior Rail Card. This is a new requirement and applies to both new applications and renewals.

POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER

PCSO Nicola Green can be contacted direct on her mobile number, 07789 168791, or by email - nicola. green.01@sussex.pnn.police.uk. However this is not monitored on her days off, so members of the public reporting a crime should contact 101 in a non emergency incident or 999 if appropriate.

MOBILE CIVIC AMENITY COLLECTIONS

The refuse freighters will be in the Tollgate car park on Sundays 13th October AND 10th November 2013, between the hours of 10am and 12noon, for the collection of household and garden waste. Please note that due to current legislation they cannot accept items such as televisions, computer monitors and fluorescent tubes. These can still be taken to a civic amenity centre. Please do not leave rubbish in the absence of the refuse freighter.

Parish Council meetings

October - December 2013

Thursday	3rd October	Environment and Amenities Committee	8pm
Tuesday	15th October	Planning and Traffic Committee (plans only)	8pm
Monday	4th November	Planning and Traffic Committee (full)	8pm
Thursday	14th November	Full Council	7.30pm
Tuesday	26th November	Planning and Traffic Committee (plans only)	8pm
Thursday	28th November	Finance and General Purposes Committee	8pm
Thursday	5th December	Environment and Amenities Committee	8pm
Tuesday	17th December	Planning and Traffic Committee (plans only)	8pm

All meetings are held in the King Edward Hall, unless shown otherwise. Please check the noticeboard in Denmans Lane for any additional meetings that may be called. All meetings are open to the public and there is a period set aside at the beginning of each meeting for public questions/comments, except at "plans only" Planning and Traffic Committee meetings. At meetings of the Planning and Traffic Committee, up to two people for and two against each planning application are allowed to speak, for a maximum of two minutes each, at the invitation of the Chairman.

Office, or by reference to the Lindfield Village Directory and Year Book, which contains details of individual contact numbers.

Cllr. Stephen Cllr. Margaret Cllr. Simon Cllr. Roger Cllr. Ron Cllr. Christopher Henton Hersey Hodgson Pickett Plass Snowling

Golf club with a mysterious history

Haywards Heath Golf Club has been in existence for 91 years (founded in 1922). Or so the Club thought until this week when a weighty mystery landed on the Secretary's desk.

The object concerned is a heavy Pewter pint tankard with the wording 'H. H. G. C. Eclectic Competition. August 31, 1913'.

As the tankard just passed its Centenary it would be fascinating to find out more about it and whether it refers back to a previous Haywards Heath Golf Club. We are not aware of any other type of sport that commonly runs Eclectic competitions.

The history of the trophy can only be traced back 30 years. Around 1974 it was bought in a junk shop (now a fashion shop) at the end of Hickmans Lane, Lindfield by Grace Bayley of Danehill. Her daughter, Alyson Persson who is living in Cranleigh, has given the tankard to the Club where it is now sitting proudly in the trophy cabinet.

Members have suggested a few ideas about an earlier Haywards Heath Golf Club. The strongest possibility is that some think there was a nine hole course to the west of Haywards Heath around the area of the new Cuckfield Bypass and Copyhold Lane. However, apart from a few mounds in the ground, which might be tees and greens, there is currently no further evidence of an older Golf Club.



The Club is appealing to any local historians or golfing enthusiasts for information about whether there was a pre-First World War Golf Club at Haywards Heath.

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The Cuckoo's Calling by Robert Galbraith

BOOK REVIEW

Bv Cavan Wood

In July the secret was broken: this detective novel was identified as J.K. Rowling's second post 'Harry Potter' novel, following 2012's 'The Casual Vacancy'.

This is a gritty story with an extraordinary lead character. Strike is a private eye whose mother was a Rock groupie/addict. He is also disabled as a result of his involvement in the Afghanistan war. When a super model falls to her death, he is called in to see whether it really was suicide or murder. Rowling delineates her characters well – rappers, models, war veterans. She reveals a good ear for writing dialogue from different groups of people which isn't patronising. In places there are some obvious flowery descriptions, which do weaken the novel. There is a bit of signposting, pointing out things when it would be better if there had been a little more subtle dropping of hints about characters.

Rowling has demonstrated by her last two novels that she is a great talent, whose grasp of story and character show that she is not limited to the fantasy/children's literature field. Well worth a read but the characters often use the language of the streets they come from, so this may offend some readers.

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What's on in October

AT KING EDWARD HALL

Fashion Show with raffle supporting local charities. Free Entry (Vanessa Forbes 01444 413251) 3rd Country Market - 10-11.15am (Sheila Hobbs 01444 483396) Haywards Heath Lions Club - Jumble Sale 5th 12pm - 2pm Donations of jumble will be much appreciated on the day at the Hall from 9am or for collection in advance please call 07711 018479 7th Autumn Club Meeting - Social Afternoon (Sally Dew 01444 414456) 9th Lindfield Horticultural Society -An evening with Clive Gravett who runs a specialist Heuchera nursery in West Sussex, 8pm Members £1, visitors £2. All welcome 10th Country Market - 10-11.15am 12th Coffee Morning and Plant Sale Coffee, plants and a chance to buy your tickets for the Christmas Social. In the Jubilee Room from 10am - 12noon. All welcome **Lindfield Preservation Society** An illustrated talk on "The History of the Bluebell Railway" by Matthew Cousins. The story of the Bluebell Railway from its inception in 1877 by act of Parliament to its closure in 1958 and the work of the Bluebell Railway Preservation Society to re-open the line to East Grinstead. 7.00pm. All welcome, entry free. (Meeting and Membership information from John Chapman 484470) 17th Country Market - 10-11.15am 19th Lindfield U3A Groups - Painting Exhibition (Mrs N Smith 01444 483107) 20th Ruwach Christian Church - Morning Service 24th Country Market - 10-11.15am 24th Film Show Evening - ABOUT TIME (12A) Doors open 7.30pm, 7.45pm start Interval includes tea and cake (Jennie Powell 01444 483431) 31st Country Market - 10-11.15am

31st Lindfield Dramatic Club

Performing 'Just Between Ourselves'

Please refer to the King Edward Hall notice board for additional information regarding the above events

written by Alan Ayckbourn'. 8pm

(Rex Cooper 01444 831512)

AND ELSEWHERE

5th	Aspire Church Development Project Meeting		
	All Saints Church 2-4pm		
6th	Mid Sussex Ramblers Association Lewes Cast		

6th Mid Sussex Ramblers Association Lewes Castle Hill Circular, 10am. 8 miles. Meet at Lewes Railway Station forecourt. Contact: 01273 480167

9th Tiger Arts Lunchtime Concert – Christs Hospital School at All Saints Church 1pm

9th **British Heart Foundation Christmas Fair** 10am-12.30pm – Wreath making demonstrations and workshop. Pierpoint House, Lindfield

13th St Peter & St James Hospice Swimathon
Triangle Leisure Centre, Burgess Hill
www.stpeter-stjames.org.uk

19th October Fayre in aid of St Augustine's
Parish Church 11am-4pm
Scaynes Hill Village Centre
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China & Glass, Kitchenware, Household and
Gardening items, Jams & Chutneys, Nearly
new clothes, Cards, jewellery. Plus activities for
children and refreshments!

24th The Inner Wheel Club of Cuckfield & Lindfield Shopping & Pamper Evening St Wilfrids Hall, Haywards Heath 7-9.30pm to raise funds for Mary's Meals Entrance £3

26th- Weald Crafts at Ardingly College
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26th Mid Sussex Ramblers Association 'WivesIfield and around' Walk, 10.30am. 4.7 miles. Meet at Wivelsfield Church. Contact: 831098

30th The Haywards Heath & Lindfield Committee of children's charity Action Medical Research Seasonal Flower Arrangements by Chelsea Award Winner Sue Flight, with afternoon tea 2.30-5pm, Wivelsfield Village Hall To book tickets contact 01444 482362

31st Mid Sussex National Trust Association –
Winter lecture, 2.30pm Clair Hall
"When Fashion was on Ration in Britain 19411949" by David Evans

1st Mid Sussex branch of Macmillan Cancer Support
Nov Annual Charity Gala Dinner at Jeremy's
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