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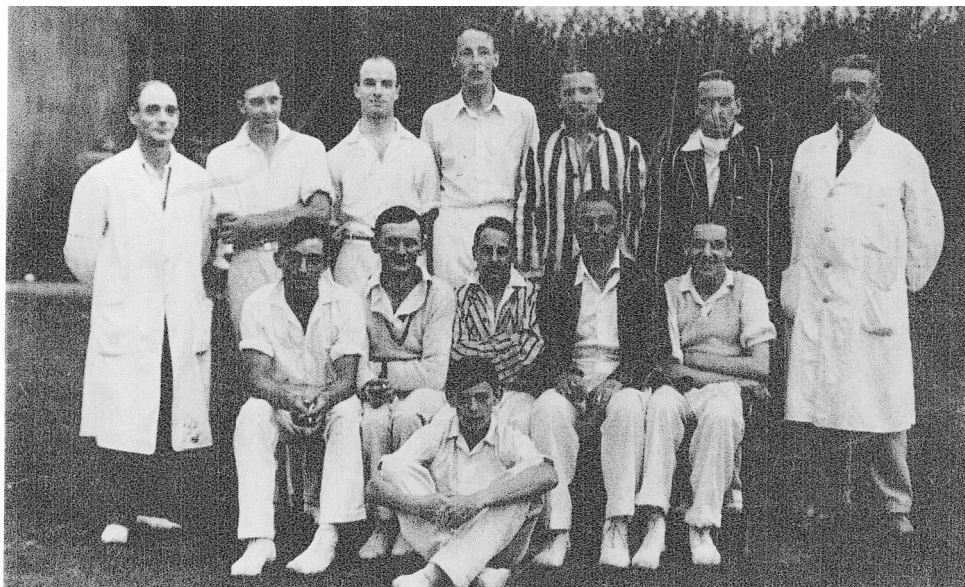
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NEWS FROM STONEYWISH - 'MIDSUMMER POMPS'

Midsummer is being ushered in this year in festive style: bunting and flags flaunt in shop windows and the talk is all of tea parties - a warm-up, in Ditchling, for Fair Day and another opportunity for dressing-up and enjoying al fresco food and games and, if you are lucky, a ride on the swing boats. Midsummer has always been a high point in the year. The sun's apogee was celebrated across Europe in pre-Christian times with bonfires, which were later dedicated to the Feast of St. John and the subsequent Feast of St. Peter and St. Paul. I believe the custom still survives in some countries. As a teenager I remember once attending a midsummer festival, organized in Sussex by WW2 exiles from Eastern Europe. Their St. John's Night revelries included folk dancing in national costume, feasting with traditional beers and caraway cheese and singing songs which had been passed down, for centuries, from generation to generation. I was intoxicated by the blur of ribbons and embroidery and sparks flying as the young men dared one another to jump the bonfire flames. This might have been Britain in the sixteenth century, when, according to John Stow, folk in London decorated their doorways with birch branches and stalks of fennel and lilies and festooned the streets with thousands of pendant glass oil lamps while pageants and processions went by. In the countryside, bonfires were lit and 'jumped' and impromptu banquets

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were laid out at which squires and peasants sat down together. Neighbours called a truce on their differences. Midsummer, like the Twelve Days of Christmas, was a magical time. Then, as at Hallowe'en, the veil between the seen and unseen worlds was believed to grow thin. With sap high in the trees, insects busy, birdsong luxuriant, flowers abundant, the fret and effort of fledging fledglings, weaning lambs and setting all the world's helpless babies on the path to independence - these tasks all but accomplished - time appeared to stand still as the sun rested a few days at its zenith. Who could be outdoors on a midsummer night and not be intoxicated by the beauty of the moonlight, the scent of honeysuckle, the song of the nightingale? Shakespeare celebrated just this spirit of enchantment, conjured by the effervescent power of Nature, in his play A Midsummer Night's Dream. For people of Shakespeare's day, who spent their waking lives outdoors under the sun, the longest day brought together Earth energies of light, life and love, and revelry burst from them as naturally as bubbles from champagne. Disapproving of spontaneity, the moral guardians of the Reformation had something to say about this, and gradually the people's midsummer bonfires and merrymaking were extinguished. For a while they clung on as a 'sanitary' practice, to smoke and so protect the fields from pestilence. Then they gave up the ghost. This seems a pity. But the greater pity is

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that today we live so much by artificial light, we are no longer as vitally tuned in to summer's lengthening and shortening days, (or to the magic they bring) as our ancestors inevitably were. Light and dark and the rhythms of the Seasons have to be experienced first hand. And Earth Magic is a sensation best savoured when the busy rational mind is temporarily stalled. Turn off the satnav and the iphone. Forget plans and agendas. In the world of Shakespeare's comedies, forests are magical places where people lose their way and find themselves. Identities are mistaken and destinies discovered. Outer confusion leads to inner transformation. According to all forest myths, to be lost, is to reach the threshold of enchantment. If our modern day summer revels can reinstate the camaraderie and spontaneity of the old festivals we shall have reclaimed something of inestimable value. But there is more... Beyond organised parties lies the great feast of life itself. If we can spend enough time under the sun, or close enough to Nature to feel the common energy which binds creation together, then we may stumble on the real magic of Midsummer. For it seems to me an awakened sense of kinship is the only way we can ensure a future, not only for mankind, but, more importantly, for our non-human cousins and neighbours, all the living forms and energies which share our planet and which have no hope of survival until we honour them as part and parcel of ourselves. And, happily for us, the key

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to this awakening is beauty – the best intoxicant of all! Phew! Has she finished? Yes, at last! Gone to build a bonfire I expect.

But she wishes you great gulps of fresh air and greenness and sunshine wherever you spend your midsummer. Stonywish is full of Shakespearean flowers at the moment, foxgloves and eglantine and honeysuckle, but more of those another day...

Rosemary

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A student group called ROCKS from Downlands Community School will be producing our DOWNSFEST letters to be displayed across our 8x6 stage that will be hosting comedians and musical acts over the two days, **15th-16th July** in Adastra Park.

Launching our new Comedy@DownsFest for 2022, the festival will have performances from Stephen Grant Stephen K. Amos, Nick Helm, Mark Simmons, Ivo Graham and Jessica Fostekew, (one more comedian still to be announced) on Friday **15th July** from 5.30 pm.

On Saturday **16th July**, our Family Zone, another new addition for this year, where your ticket will include a full afternoon program from Poi Passion Circus, DJ Tent hosted by Jez Malet, a dance display by CreateSpace and entertainment from Nick Cook too. Remember to bring some monies for your face paint and festival hair braiding!

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DOWNSFEST is raising funds for St Peter and St James Hospice located at the heart of Mid Sussex, providing expert and compassionate care and support to those at end of life.

You can choose your refreshments and street food from a variety of vendors including Sloe Drinks, The Hassocks, Juice Up, AG's Ices, Cairovan, BBQ Project, The Pizza Oven, and even doughnuts from Sugar Lips.

So come and enjoy the entertainment. Bring the family. Support your Sussex and South Downs Festival. Tickets and more information available from **www.downsfest.co.uk**.

The DOWNSFEST Team

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BURGESS HILL RADIO HAS A NAME CHANGE Burgess Hill Radio, the Ofcom licenced community radio station covering central and south Mid Sussex, is rebranding and from 30th May will be called Mid Sussex Radio.

The station, which is based in Burgess Hill, has been broadcasting to most of Mid Sussex since October 2018 on 103.8FM and the change of name reflects that their wide range of music, interviews, local news and chat can be heard not just in Burgess Hill but also in Haywards Heath, Cuckfield, Hurstpierpoint, Hassocks, Ditchling and Chailey reaching over 100,000 potential listeners. Programme Director Steve Bird said,

“The sound of the station won’t change, apart from some new jingles, because our listeners tell us that they like our current mix of music, they like our presenters and they don’t want us to change.”

Mid Sussex Radio, like it’s predecessor, will be funded by on-air advertising, donations and grants where possible, and the hire fees for their Roadshow and Outside Broadcast Unit which is fully equipped for broadcasting from events all over Mid Sussex, providing PA, presenters, music and technical support to fete, fayre and fun day organisers.

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The station will continue to broadcast on 103.8FM and will still be available online and through smart devices. Their new website address is **www.mid-sussexradio.co.uk** but the old website address will still work for quite a while to ensure that there’s no loss of audience.

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Tony Parris

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Hassocks Area Refugee Support Group has joined up with, Hurstpierpoint, Burgess Hill, Henfield and Ditchling to form Mid Sussex Ukrainian Support Group.

Each area has a local contact person or Focal Point. We are developing local links to offer services and support including English Language classes. Classes are free and available in Hassocks, Hurst and Burgess Hill.

Meet ups for coffee, cake and chat are also on offer. MSVA at The Cherry Tree, Fairfield Road, Burgess Hill offers a friendly welcome and homemade cakes donated by volunteers.

Hosts and guests including children are welcome every Thursday between 10 am and 12 noon. A member of staff from WSCC attends fortnightly to offer advice and help with a raft of issues from phone sims to emergency funds for food.

In Hassocks and Ditchling our refugee guests can visit pop up shops or clothing banks to select clothing, shoes, toys and books.

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Dizzie Howes

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The summer has seen The Windmills taking part in lots of sporting events. Our girl's football team took part in the Ardingly College Girls Football Tournament hosted by the college. This provided a stunning footballing venue for the girls to showcase their skills which they most certainly did! They played beautifully, keeping and passing the ball and taking their chances when they came. Special mention to Ginny for a hat-trick in the final and to Isabel for being crowned 'Most Valuable Player' from all of the girls in attendance. Windmills are now officially the Ardingly Girls Football Tournament Champions! On the same day a group of year 4 children had the opportunity to represent The

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Our cricket team travelled to St. Johns Park in Burgess Hill to take part in the Burgess Hill and District Cricket Tournament. A fantastic day of cricket was had by all with the team reaching the semi-finals and narrowly missing out on qualifying for the next round. Special mention to Zach for being Windmills first ever half-centurion with a brilliant 57* in the last group game!

A huge thank you goes out to all the parents who supported with transport to attend these events.

To mark the Queen's Platinum Jubilee, we invited the children to dress in red, white or blue or as if they were attending the Queen's tea party. They could also design and make a crown to wear, or anything else fitting for a royal. There was a special assembly about her reign on the day.

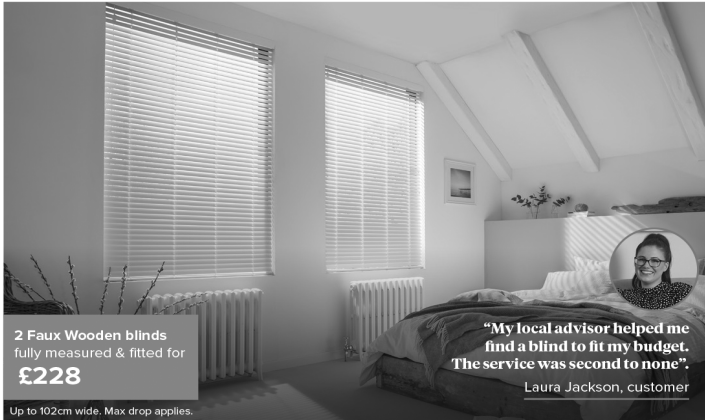
During the day, each class thought about one of the Queen's important roles – thanking people for the service or duty they have provided for others – for being good citizen's and contributing positively to our country. The Queen awarded special commemorative medals to serving frontline members of the police, fire, emergency services, prison services and the Armed Forces as part of the Jubilee. We asked each class to think about people that they know or have heard about that they would award a commemorative medal to.

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TREFOIL GUILD At our May meeting we celebrated the Queens Platinum Jubilee. Amanda Moore from 2nd Hassocks Guides gave a talk about the Syrian Refugee Association. A draw was held and £29 raised.

In June we had a walk around Ditchling led by one of our members.

On **20th July**, we are going to visit Shoreham Lifeboat. This will be followed by tea and cakes! We meet at the Guide Hall, Semley Road at 7.45 pm for 8 pm on the 3rd Wednesday in the month. Visitors welcome. Call **07546 495433**.

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Deafblindness is more common than people realise – around 400,000 people in the UK are affected. Everyone is affected differently, some might need to adjust settings on their TV or turn up the volume on their phone, others might need assistance dogs, canes and more formal care.

A deafblind person won't usually be totally deaf and totally blind, but both senses will be reduced enough to cause significant challenges in everyday life. According to the NHS, these problems can occur even if hearing loss and vision loss are mild, as the senses work together and one would usually help compensate for loss of the other.

During the week, Deafblindness UK run various events, activities and campaigns to raise awareness of dual sensory loss. 4Sight Vision Support provides free support and specialist information to blind and sight impaired residents throughout West Sussex. Staff and volunteers are experienced in assisting people with

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For more details about Deafblind Awareness Week visit **<https://deafblind.org.uk/>**

The image shows a young 4SVS Member with both sight loss and partial hearing loss discussing individual services and support with a member of staff.

Cathy Clark

AN ACT OF KINDNESS Hello. While out walking the dog in Adastra Park today (Sunday 29/05/2022) I dropped my wallet. I suspended my cards, but then had to go out.

When I came back my wallet was on the mat inside my door, having been dropped through my letterbox by some kind person.

May I please thank the person who returned it. As I do not know who that is and cannot offer them my thanks or a reward personally, I will thank them by giving a £20.00 donation to our local St Peter and St James Hospice.

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Leave behind the tyrant's curse,
His heart of stone, his trammelled gaze;
But who shall sound the triumphant note,
The mighty 'Sword or Pen' to praise?

So mother, child, still westward go
Where peace be unconfined.
Long yearn for the note of the bugle's recall,
From the carnage left behind.

Tyrants too can from ladders fall,
Should they strive for a summit high.
But who remains to affect repair
On the casualties from land and sky?

So yet again has mankind been betrayed
Through the ambitions the military bore;
Let aggression soon end, let the people not bend,
Or the world shall smile no more.

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Fair Day is Saturday **2nd July** in South Avenue
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Procession starts at 1 pm from Marchants Road,
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2 pm The Fair will be opened by the Hurst's Got-
Talent winner followed by the procession results.
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Sophie Rees



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To pre-purchase tickets online go to: **stpjhospice.org/events/ditchling-village-garden-trail** or buy a ticket on the day at the trail start: behind The Sandrock, High Street, Ditchling, BN6 8TA.

No dogs (except assistance dogs) allowed. Some gardens suitable for wheelchair and pushchair access.

For more information about this vibrant society visit **<https://ditchlinghortsoc.co.uk>**.

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Lots of fun for everyone! Please see the video on our website!

Holiday Fun will mark the final chapter of our time at Westmeston after 21 glorious years.

In September, The Acorns Nursery and Forest School team will relocate to Lindfield to open a new nursery which will work in tandem with our sister nursery school already well established in Denmans Lane Lindfield.

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The historic sports day involves the three villages of Ditchling, Westmeston and Streat competing against each other in a wide range of sporting events. On the Sunday evening around 80 people joined in 'The Chase', a five kilometre run from Ditchling to Streat Church. All entrants received a point for their team and the winners in each category received trophies.

The following day volunteers were up early marking and measuring out the running tracks for a range of races including the 'Egg and Spoon' to the 1500m. Over 150 people attended the picnic and sports day, even the sun put in an appearance. This year was especially important as due to a generous grant from the Turner Dumbrell Foundation the DSW cup collection had been restored and the cups and trophies were sparkling in the sunshine. We were delighted that Mr and Mrs Morley were able to attend and present the trophies to the winners. Over the years, both Mr and Mrs Morley have been involved in running the Sports Day and Mr Morley even attended the very first event in 1935. The DSW Sport's Committee would like to thank everyone who participated in the races, the many

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volunteers who gave their time, the Cricket Club for running the bar, the Parish Council for permission to use the recreation ground, the Post Office for selling programmes, Ditchling Village Association for providing the insurance and Ernie Wakefield and family for running a fabulous refreshment stall for the Scouts. Congratulations to North Ditchling who were the overall winners. We are already looking forward to seeing everyone back for 2023 on **30th April and 1st May.**

Hannah Tedman

HASSOCKS TOWNSWOMAN'S GUILD Our May meeting was very informative when Andy Thomas gave a talk about UFO's and other unexplained phenomena including The Bermuda Triangle and crop circles. Our June meeting will feature a talk all about Spike Milligan and on **26th July** our Speaker will be Sarah Aldridge talking about the intrepid Marianne North the Victorian artist who travelled the World in search of specimens to paint.

As you can see, we have a very interesting programme lined up, so why not come and give us a try. We always have a quiz and afternoon tea and a raffle call **01273 841106.**

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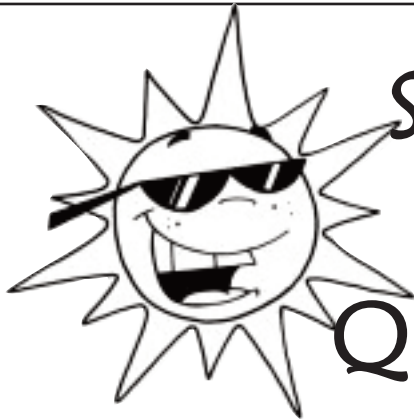
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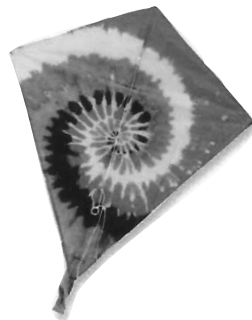
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DITCHLING FILM SOCIETY Our last film of the season to be screened on Thursday, **7th July 2022** will be *Summerland* – a lovely, hopeful and rather magical film shot in Seaford and Brighton. Alice, a reclusive writer, particularly interested in folklore, is resigned to a solitary life on the cliffs by the sea in Kent while World War II rages across the Channel. She very reluctantly takes in a spirited young boy, Frank, who has been evacuated from London. Initially Alice has no time for the boy, however, she slowly warms to the new arrival

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whose innocence and wonder seems to rekindle long, suppressed feelings of affection. Whilst bonding with Frank, Alice starts to revert to her past and her meeting with Vera in the 20's and the pang of first love that now sits like a chip of ice in her heart. Made with great panache, the film is a real gem of unstated poignancy.

Director: Jessica Swale, UK 2020, 99 mins, cert PG

The film will be shown in Ditchling Village Hall at 8 pm. Doors open at 7.30 pm. Wine will be available before the film and there is ample free parking behind the Hall. Guests and temporary members are welcome for a small charge payable at the door.

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It was a super sunny day, as these pictures show. There were glorious views from Ditchling Beacon, stunning scenery at the mills and green as far as the eye could see. We are truly very lucky to have these places in Sussex to walk in and enjoy.

Other Guide and Scout Units from Ditchling, Hassocks and Hurst will undertake this sponsored walk on their usual meeting nights during their Summer term programmes. Let's hope they have as pleasant weather and as much of a sense of achievement as we did on Sunday. The "2hills3mills" walk takes in 2 hills - Wolstonbury Hill and Ditchling Beacon, and 3 mills - Oldland, Jack and Jill - and encompasses all 3 villages along the way with various access points along the route for Units to join in.

The initiative was launched on World Thinking Day, 22nd February - when globally these groups celebrated the birthdays of the founders, Lord & Lady Baden-Powell. In 2022 the theme for World Thinking Day 2022 was "Our World, Our Equal Future". Guides and Scouts in our area are thinking this year about refugees and the challenges faced by migrants around the world.

The "2hills3mills" walk brings Guides and Scouts together to raise awareness of the SDRP and raise important funds via sponsorship, which will be used to welcome a refugee family to the area and help them settle in to the community. If you can, please sponsor our fantastic local young people via this JustGiving page and do what you can to help raise awareness of the SDRP and Girlguiding and Scouts in the local community - [www.justgiving.com/fundraising/scouts-guides-](http://www.justgiving.com/fundraising/scouts-guides-2hills3mills)

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For information about the South Downs Refugee Project, see - www.southdownsrefugeeproject.org - email: sdrefugeeproject@gmail.com - Twitter @SDrefugeeP; Instagram @sdrefugeeproject; and, Facebook SDRRefugeeProject

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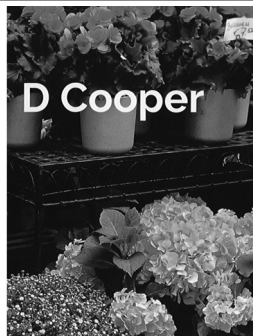
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On 25th May we were guests at the launch of the report "Rethinking ME" at Westminster sponsored by Carol Monaghan MP. A number of other MPs were there including the Secretary of State for Health and Social Care, the Rt Hon Sajid Javid MP. In a short speech Mr Javid said he had a close relative who was very ill with ME but had been unable to get any effective treatment. Janice was able to introduce him to our Medical Adviser, Dr Willy Weir of Harley Street who is an expert in dealing with this illness.

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Crawley, Falmer and numerous other venues. As an all female ensemble we sing a mixture of songs, some acapella, some accompanied, some new and some old. Something to suit everyone. Please come along support Ukraine and have an enjoyable evening out!

Tickets are available in advance from the church, any of the singers or by contacting both the **bothysingers@gmail.com** or at the door on the night. Look forward to seeing you! *Jan Wright*

HASSOCKS VILLAGE OPEN GARDEN TRAIL

On Sunday **3rd July** come along and support your local hospice and see some delightfully different gardens. This village trail includes beautiful blooms, pleasing plants and modern landscaped gardens along with more traditional gardens. Also available in some of the gardens, will be tea and cake, a tombola and other refreshments.

St Peter & St James Hospice provide expert palliative care to adults with a life limiting illness in the local area and are extremely grateful to the gardeners of Hassocks who have been very busy preparing their gardens to share with everyone and help raise funds for the hospice. The gardens will be open from 12 pm to 4.30 pm for more information and to book tickets please visit **<http://stpjhospice.org/open-garden/>**

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HASSOCKS WI - PLATINUM PARTY We made an early start to the celebrations hosting a wonderful Jubilee party at our May meeting. Adas-tra hall looked spectacular with balloons, bunting and paper floral decorations. Stella and her team co-ordinated the event brilliantly. Thank you. Members each brought a plate of food. So much food and all delicious. Coronation chicken, colourful salads, lots of puddings and Prosecco. We welcomed our new West Sussex WI chairman Erika and WI advisers Yvonne and Yvonne as special


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guests. The stunning paper flowers made by talented members were much admired by Erika, and there is a whisper for a future workshop for West Sussex Federation (watch this space)
There was a Royal quiz, prize for best tiara, super raffle and music. The band (found by Audrey) played a wonderful selection of music, encouraging us to dance the evening away on a happy tide of friendship and gaiety.
Our June meeting will be another lighthearted event celebrating summer. July meeting is called 'All the fun of the Fair'. Come along guests welcome (donation), doors open 7.30 pm for 8 pm start. We don't officially meet in August but there might be a picnic in the park (more food).

Gerry



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All the members at Adastra are looking forward to Wednesday **20th July** when the Chelsea Pensioners arrive to play in a game which starts at 2 pm. The game will finish with a fish and chip supper (special request from Chelsea) which will be cooked by Hassocks Fish and Chips from Keymer Road Hassocks.

The bowling season ends in mid September so you still have time left to join Adastra Bowling Club and enjoy the social lifestyle and meet new friends. Contact Mr Barrie Sheffield **01273 843855** if you

are interested in joining a club with a good friendly atmosphere and social interaction. Hope to see you on the bowling green.

David Reader

DITCHLING HISTORY PROJECT We are supporting Ditchling Horticultural Society's 200th anniversary celebrations with another of our village trails - 'Growing and Showing in Ditchling 1822 - 2022'. To mark the important contribution the Horticultural Society has made and continues to make to village life, some 36 posters around the village telling the stories of Ditchling's gardeners and growers over the last two centuries. As you discover how this historic society began and has flourished, you will see the pictures of the village in days gone by and at the same time realise that life is not so very different today in the world of growing and showing in Ditchling. *Janet Cragg*

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HASSOCKS TO GO GOLD FOR SEPTEMBER Hassocks will be going Gold again for the whole month of September, to raise awareness of Childhood Cancer and to raise funds for vital research for better treatments.

This year's theme is Golden Bumblebees and the month will be full of Gold themed fundraising events. Full details will be online on the Hassocks-GoesGold facebook page and in local press.

The Poster competition is open to all age groups, just download a free entry form from Facebook. Entries need to be at QD Stationery by Friday 8th July. The poster will be on sale and on display from August at QD Stationery.

Sponsoring a Giant Bow remains the same please book yours before Friday 12th August – they can be dedicated to a friend, family, club or business and add a real sparkle to the village. Last year we had 131 bows in our Gold Trail round the village, it would be terrific to match or even beat that number for 2022.

The ever-popular Gold Daily Auction will be back of course with prizes donated from local businesses and residents. We're also planning a Gold day of Stalls on Sunday the 11th September (think a Gold version of Stalls for Ukraine), a big Gold Extravaganza Evening on Friday the 30th September at the Hassocks Pub, a Gold Tombola at the Hassocks Village Market, and there will be lots of other Gold events to fill the month too!

To book a Giant Bow, offer a prize for the Daily Auction, to hold a stall on the "Let's Stall Childhood Cancer" Trail or if you have a fundraising event that you'd like included please contact me via HassocksGoesGold@gmail.com.

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HURST MONTHLY SOCIAL GROUP Guide HQ, Trinity Road, Hurstpierpoint. 2 pm on 1st Wednesday of each month.

In June we celebrated the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. We met at 1 pm for a fish & chip lunch. Then it was the AGM followed by a Quiz about the life of the Queen. It was then time for tea & cakes. Our Chairperson, Dianne, made a wonderful Jubilee cake that was much appreciated by us all.

We finished up with people's memories of the Coronation. For many of us it was the first time we had seen television.

Our sub groups are doing well - Textile & Book Groups meet monthly and the Walking Group weekly.

The Group meets next on the 6th July when Heather McNiven will be giving a presentation on Bees - do come and join us.

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HURST RETHINK - OUTDOOR LIGHTING AND WILDLIFE - SHEDDING LIGHT ON THE PROBLEM

When we think of light pollution, the first things that probably spring to mind are cities, lighting up the night sky visible from space; or the dazzling light of stadiums and airports, to name but a few. These are now known to be having a devastating effect on insect populations, as flying creatures in their billions are drawn to the light. Confusing it with the natural light of the moon, their navigational senses are fatally disrupted. Frogs, birds, bats and other nocturnal creatures are also impacted by outdoor lighting. This is important because insects are key to human survival, responsible for pollinating fruit and vegetables and as food for birds, fish and mammals.

We are now realising the harmful impact of uncontrolled bright light in our own outdoor spaces on wildlife. This wasn't a problem until fairly recently - outdoor lighting was predominantly of a lower intensity - yellow-toned sodium lights, or candle flames. In recent years, with the increasing use of high intensity lighting in LED installations for example, night flying insects are irresistibly attracted and die in unsustainable numbers as they flutter around the billions of 'artificial moons' put in their path. Clearly we have to rethink our outdoor lighting choices. Since artificial light in gardens disrupts natural behaviour for a range of wildlife, it's important to retain some dark areas and also question whether you really need lighting. The trend for lighting up gardens as extensions of our living space may seem an inviting one but needs to be done with great care.

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How does your garden glow? When installing outdoor lighting, awareness of the impact on wildlife is key. Dimmer lighting such as warm white has been shown to be less harmful for example. Outdoor lighting installed sparingly and not left on all night can make a big difference. Security lighting kept in sensor mode. Lighting that is controllable rather than products that do not switch off in the hours of darkness are best. If we avoid flood lighting our outdoor spaces we can help our struggling wildlife.

Charlotte Snook

OLDLAND WINDMILL was built in 1703 to provide stone ground flour to the two local villages of Keymer and Ditchling. The first photograph we have was taken when the mill was dressed to mark Queen Victoria's Golden Jubilee in 1887. The Mill continued to work commercially until about 1912 when it was abandoned.

In 1980 the then Hassocks Amenity Association (HAA) obtained ownership of the mill and commenced restoration. By the early 1990s dismantling the mill was well underway to identify where repair work was needed (see the second image). This work was put in hand, and the original milling machinery restored and refitted. The first flour was ground in 2008 after a break of nearly 100 years!

The opportunity of Queen Elizabeth's Platinum Jubilee was taken to replicate the much earlier 'dressing' as can be seen in the third image. May the mill never again suffer the indignity of being abandoned.

Fred

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For further information Telephone **01273 494300**, Email **info@knowdementia.co.uk**, **www.knowdementia.co.uk**

Know Dementia is a Sussex based charity providing advice and support to people living with dementia and their family members/carers. This is achieved through our Memory Moments Cafés, Sporting Moments sessions and our Green or Woodland Moments. We call these “moments” as we aim to create good moments away from the daily challenges of living with the disease. The support the charity provides enables people living with dementia and their family member/carers to have quality time together, to nurture relation-



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Natalie Bouckaert

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We meet on the last Friday evening of each month, September to May inclusive. Our meetings take place in the in the Guide Hall next to Trinity Road car park. We always have a presentation by an expert speaker on a subject of historic or geographic interest, usually concerning Sussex but sometimes from wider afield. For example, on **23rd September**, starting at 7.45 pm, there will be a presentation called “The Titanic, One Man’s Journey” by Rob Goldsmith, one of the few people who has actually dived down to the Titanic.

Why not come and meet us on **23rd September**? We are currently seeking new members including a few who are willing to help us run our very friendly society. Or contact me - telephone **01273 832280**, e-mail **w.kent123@btinternet.com**.

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DITCHLING PLAYERS - NOVEMBER PRODUCTION (23rd to 26th November)

First of all I do hope that you managed to get along to see our May production of 'Death by Design'. It was certainly well received and proved a good collaboration with Mid Sussex Theatre Productions. It was also good to see many new faces in the audience and we look forward to welcoming you back to future productions at the Ditchling Village Hall. I'm also pleased to say that the Saturday matinee proved popular and so we will be including a matinee for this production.

So, now on to our November production, which is to be 'Gaslight; by Patrick Hamilton, who was, incidentally, born in Hassocks. The play is a thriller set in London in the late 1900's and is full of suspense and intrigue. In fact, the term 'gaslighting' originates from this play and its popularity also produced two films one starring Anton Walbrook and Diana Wynyard.

There are 5 characters (3 women and 2 men) and their ages are flexible, although the women are said to be in their 30s; 50s with a 19 year old and the men are 45 & 60+. There are also two non-speaking roles for men (ideal for newcomers to the stage!).

Auditions are being held at Ditchling Village Hall on Monday **1st August** at 7.30 pm and we look forward to seeing you there. If you're interested in auditioning and for more details, please contact Jill Hewer on **01273 844208** or by e-mail on

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In theatrical terms though superficially simple, they are notoriously difficult to interpret, and director Ian Amos has chosen three very different stories from Bennett's original collection. They were written originally for television performance in 1988, revised and rewritten for radio a decade later and finally, into the 21st century, adapted for the stage.

No two interpretations are alike, and the Players will bring together three of the society's most experienced actors, Sue Wicks, Josie Porter and Phil Balding who will be interpreting "Bed Among the Lentils" - "A Lady of Letters"- and "A Chip in the Sugar" at The Players Theatre, Hurstpierpoint on **22nd, 23rd and 24th July.** 7.30 pm is the starting time for the Friday and Saturday performances, with an afternoon start at 2.30 pm on the Sunday. Tickets can be booked online via the Players' website: **www.hurstplayers.org.uk** now and at the Theatre Box Office in person on Saturdays from 10 am to 12 noon.

It's been a while – but The Players are celebrating their 85th anniversary this year – and post-lock-downs are now raring to go! *Anne Hopper*

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Our pattern of regular services continues for July: Morning Worship at 10 am at St. Margaret's, Ditchling on Sundays **3rd, 10th, 24th and 31st July** with a visit to Streat Church on Sunday **17th July**, also at 10 am. Wednesday @ 10 am services of Holy Communion will be at St. Margaret's, Ditchling on **6th, 13th, 20th and 27th July**.

We've also got two afternoon 'all age' services. On Sunday **10th July** we'll be at Westmeston for 3.30 pm with parking available opposite the church and on Sunday **17th July** we'll be at St. Margaret's, Ditchling at 4 pm.

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Sherrian Guest

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6th ST MARGARET'S CHURCH Ditchling, 10 am. Holy Communion

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7th DITCHLING FILM SOCIETY Ditchling Village Hall, 7.30 pm. Summerland, Cert PG. Guests welcome.

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19th DITCHLING VILLAGE ASSOCIATION Ditchling Village Hall 9.45 - 11 am. Coffee morning hosted by Orchard Project. All welcome.

20th ST MARGARET'S CHURCH Ditchling, 10 am. Holy Communion

20th HASSOCKS TREFOIL GUILD Guide Hut, Semley Road, Hassocks 7.45 pm. Visiting Shoreham Lifeboat. Visitors welcome.

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22nd MID SUSSEX AMATEUR RADIO SOCIETY Millfield Suite Cyprus Hall, Burgess Hill 7.45 - 9.45 pm www.msars.org.uk.

22nd HURST, HASSOCKS & DITCHLING U3A Adastra Park 2 pm. Picnic in the park featuring Punch and Judy with Jonathan Cann.

22nd - 24th HURST PLAYERS Players Theatre, High Street, Hurstpierpoint, various performances. 'Talking Heads' by Alan Bennett visit www.hurstplayers.com to book.

23rd HASSOCKS VILLAGE MARKET National Tyres Forecourt, 9 am - 1 pm. Local produce, bread, honey, cheese, wine, veg etc.

23rd REPAIR CAFE United Reformed Church, Hassocks, 10 am - 1 pm. Bring items for repair book your slot call 01273 040110 or www.hkdtransition.org.uk.

24th FULKING FAIR The Villages best community event of the year.

24th ST MARGARET'S CHURCH Ditchling, 10 am. Morning Worship & Holy Communion.

26th HASSOCKS TOWNSWOMENS GUILD Age Concern, Hassocks 2.30 pm. 'The Intrepid Marianne North the Victorian artist' - Sarah Aldridge. Guest always welcome.

27th ST MARGARET'S CHURCH Ditchling, 10 am. Holy Communion

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