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

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Bobs40For40Challenge

On Saturday 15th May Bob Champion finished his epic 191 mile walk from Aintree to Findon to celebrate 40 years since his Grand National win, riding Aldaniti. Bob returned to the Village House pub and then with Peter Double (who was stable lad for Aldaniti back in 1981) he recreated his victory walk up Stable Lane on an Aldaniti lookalike to the Findon gallops where Aldaniti was trained.

Here he was met by Claudie on Lilly (a mini Aldaniti), who both went out to canter on the gallops where Aldaniti was trained before finishing at the Nick Gifford's training stables.

Many local residents came along to support Bob, including several who remembered his triumphant visit 40 years ago.



"Such a wonderful and emotional day. We feel sad it's over!"

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From the Rectory

The 'Roadmap' continues to unfold and I am so grateful for the wonderful support so many of you have given to one another for well over a year. I don't know about you, but I feel exhausted! I think it is just due to the mental strain of the past year, and I'm sure a few sunny warm days will work wonders! It is so important to be honest about how we feel, since bottling it up can so easily lead to mental health issues and ultimately to burn-out or breakdown. Remember I am always here if any of you feel the need to chat, and you are all in my prayers.

This month, we really have something to look forward to; another Bernardi Strings Concert in St John the Baptist Church, Findon. This will be on June 24th, beginning with a glass of Nyetimber or a soft drink with canapés in Findon Place at 6.15pm, courtesy of Caroline Hill, where we have the opportunity to meet the musicians, then going on to the church for a spectacular LIVE performance of wonderful music at 7.30 chosen by Andrew for us. Those of you who came to the last concert in the church know what an amazing experience this was, and a few people joined us in the churchyard last year to hear the ensemble play. Restrictions to keep us all safe mean we have a limited number of tickets available this time, so do book your seats in good time. Details are in the poster on page We are so lucky to be able to offer an outstanding evening with live performances here in our village and the acoustics in the church are so good. I hope to see many of you there.

I am hopeful that we will be able to resume our Youth Club after the halfterm break, beginning on Thursday 17th June, 4.30-6.30pm. This is open to all young people in Year 6 and above, offering a safe space to meet and chat, play a variety of games, often do a bit of cooking (and eating!) and enjoy relaxing without a set agenda. We have met at the Rectory until closing because of the pandemic, but we are hoping to be able to use the Village Hall for some of our meetings. I am applying for a South Downs Action Grant, which would enable us to keep subscriptions low and perhaps buy some games equipment (subject to storage space at the Hall) but we need to show we are empowering and supporting our young people to engage with the National Park through activities that support the National Park's Partnership Management Plan. I'm looking for volunteers who might be able to support this, through supervising activities with our youngsters in and around the village (eg litter picking, footpath clearing) and we will hopefully develop a natural area/wildlife habitat in the grounds of the Village Hall. Please contact me if you feel you might be able to help!

I'm aware that there are a number of newcomers in the Villages, and would extend a warm welcome to you, with an invitation to join us on a Sunday for worship in one of our beautiful Grade 1 listed churches. Details of Services are at the back of this magazine and on our website. The churches are also open for visitors every day, a place for some quiet in a busy life.

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Finally, if anyone can help, we are in need of a new wheelchair for Findon Church, as the current one is ancient and extremely heavy! It allows us to offer a lift to and from church for anyone with mobility issues but does need to be recently serviced and safe.

Every blessing to you all; stay safe and well, Helena

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News from Findon Place

Throughout the pandemic we have been working away to get the house and gardens ready to welcome our guests and neighbours.

A few dates for your diaries:

Sunday 13th June, 1pm til 6pm - we will be open once again as part of the National Garden Scheme. Pre booking is essential and as with other gardens, ticket price is wholly donated to the



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We will be having a pop up cafe for tea on the terrace with lots of delicious cakes, the proceeds of which will also be donated to both NGS Charities as well was some local charities.

We are very fond of the bees here at Findon Place and we all also be having a bee keeping demonstration for those

Caroline Hill

of you who'd like to know more or take up this hobby.

All the details for the opening can be found on the National Garden Scheme website: www.ngs.org.uk

Friday 16th July and Saturday 17th July - Open Air Theatre - Blithe Spirit. We are delighted to welcome the Blackbox Theatre company following their sell out at Brighton Open Air Theatre two evening picnic performances of the Noel Coward classic - Blithe Spirit. Tickets will be on sale at the beginning of June - please keep an eye out on our social media where details of how to purchase tickets can be found and what to expect from the evening.

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Bobs40For40Challenge



Then and Now Bob Champion and stable lad Peter Double in 1981 and 2021 (right)

An amazing nearly £80,000 has been raised so far for the Bob Champion Cancer Trust.

In doing #Bobs40For40Challenge he aims to raise much needed funds for the Trust, which has to date raised in excess of £15 million towards cancer research. Bob says: "My story 40 years ago gave hope to people around the world fighting cancer. I have dedicated my life to the cause and hope that people will support me again on this anniversary walk for the good work my Trust does on a daily basis." Bob can be supported here: https://www.justgiving.com/fundr aising/bob-champion2 For more information visit

www.bobchampion.org.uk.





On the gallops again with a new generation

25th June Findon Village Concert

The Bernardi Music Group, in Shipley Arts Festival, are delighted to now be performing live some of their favourite pieces from the 2020 programme and demonstrating their passion for this music. The evening will include the 2020 commission 'Shipley Idyll'; written by Sussex composer Paul Lewis to mark Shipley Arts Festival's double decade of achievements in the community. Performing this notable piece to a live audience for the first time, Andrew Bernardi will be playing the beautiful violin concerto on his Stradivarius violin.

Please feel free to arrive up to an hour early so as to delight in this stunning setting and partake in a

glass of Nyetimber wine or soft drink in Findon Place. Seats will be taken in Findon Church for the concert programme to commence at 7.30pm.

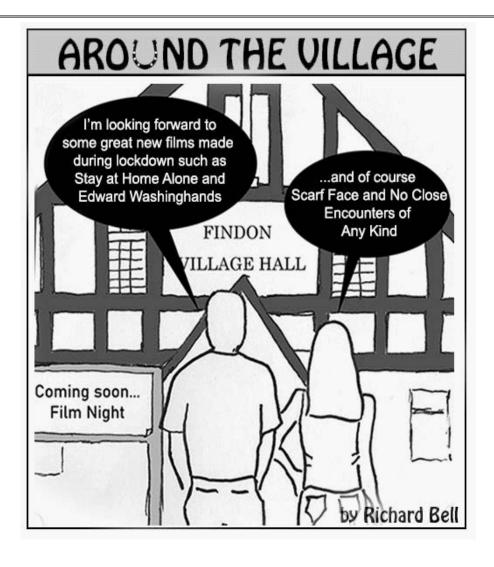
Programme:

Elgar - Serenade for Strings Op 20 Mendelssohn - String Octet Op 20 Paul Lewis - Shipley Idyll

Tickets: £35 to include refreshments at Findon Place followed by Concert in Findon Church

Available online through Shipley Arts Festival

Book early -numbers limited to adhere to Government guidelines!



Findon Village Hall Trust

Well, the Trust Committee is delighted to confirm that, as of May 17th, the hall has been partially reopened and activities are going ahead – a list is shown in the Findon News "Village Hall Diary" elsewhere in this issue. We did start running some activities outside a little earlier in the year - various exercise classes in the car park or on the lawns so it is a relatively gentle start. There are lots of new, covid related, things that both we and the activity organisers need to get used to so please bear with us as we get to grips with it all.

We have also made progress with some of the smaller tasks with respect to the extension – the spoil heap in the car park has been removed by using the material to backfill over the drainage pipes behind and to one side of the extension. There only remains a number of chipboard sheets that we will move in the near future. The newly filled trenches have also been covered with topsoil ready for landscaping. Once again, we owe thanks to Robin Carr's Findon Volunteers who provided a lot of assistance to our own maintenance team in what was really hard work!

Roger Stone

We will continue to address tasks such as this over the coming months in order to knock them off the list of things that need to be done to complete the extension. In the meantime, of course, we continue to work with Findon Village Parish Council to reach a position whereby they can ask the village to show support for a Public Works Board loan to fund completion of all the outstanding works.

We are also pleased to report that the instances of people accessing the roof areas seems to have died down. We shall, of course, remain vigilant and the new CCTV system should be installed within the next few weeks. We are still seeking reinforcements for the hall cleaning team and, now that we are running activities inside the hall again this is becoming urgent – please email chair@findonvillagehall.net if you might be interested.

Finally, working on the basis that current expectations are that the next phase of covid regulation relaxation is due towards the end of June, we are preparing for a more extensive reopening of the hall facilities and looking forward to, amongst other things, the return of Film Night!

200 Club

Due to Covid restrictions the first major draw was held at the Men's coffee morning, held at the Black Horse on Monday 10th May. The two £25 winners were 80 M Garman & 9 P Hills. The £50 winner was 17 J Welsh. The £100 winner was 165 L Pratt. The £200 winner was 180 M Hamlin and finally the £500 winner was 18 D Gear. Thank you all for your continued support and God willing we will be able to hold the November main draw at the hall.

Alan Wadhams (200 club Secretary).



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Findon Village Store News

Since June is set to bring a much needed return of warmer days, we look forward to seeing everyone stocking up with everything needed to enjoy al fresco dining, parties and entertaining! We have disposable barbecues and firelighters as well as an excellent, ever-expanding range of buns, burgers, sausages, plantbased options, marinades, deli items and delicious puddings. Also, with UEFA Euro 2020 starting on 11th June, Angus has naturally ensured that we are well stocked with beers. lagers, ciders, wines, spirits, mixers and soft drinks, as well as tempting nuts, nibbles and a huge range of snacks to suit all tastes - whether or not you're a football supporter! We also now have Caroline's Dairy ice cream tubs, including the sensational new Berry Burst, to add to all the other ices and sweet treats you can find in store. With so much to choose from, and indeed to carry home, it's just as well that our new Village Doorstep online delivery service is available to anyone who lives within five kilometres of the store. This is such a convenient and useful addition to our community shop and we hope customers old and new will try it out and see for themselves why we are so excited about it. Simply go to villagedoorstep.com, enter your postcode and you will see the store page. You can browse our available product line and if you wish to place an order, register as a customer and start shopping. Your items will often be with you the same day - even quicker than Amazon! A Click-andCollect service is available for those who live up to twenty five kilometres further afield.

Although holiday travel abroad remains rather uncertain until the pandemic subsides globally, Helen informs us that the Post Office will once again be offering limited foreign exchange (currently just Euros) from the beginning of this month. Other currencies are available to order.

It is always good to hear words of appreciation from our customers, especially for those who work, often for many hours, on a voluntary basis. Besides those serving in the shop, this includes all those on the Management Committee, our Volunteer Coordinator, the conscientious cleaners and those who come out at a moment's notice to deliver orders. It's an impressive number of people who are truly dedicated to making the shop both successful and such a pleasure to visit. A warm welcome is always guaranteed, despite the ongoing need for masks and social distancing and we fully appreciate the stoicism and cheerfulness of those of you who have gueued in challenging weather over the past few weeks. The new awning certainly provided useful shelter at times! Let's hope that this month it will be needed for shade instead.

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The Monarch's Way Ride – in aid of Findon school PTA

It's not every day that school governors "get on their bikes".

Further to last month's article on this subject: By the time that you read this (hopefully), a trusty group of Findon cyclists - all associated with our school and many having close connections to the Governing Body, will have embarked upon their 110 mile ride along the Monarch's Way to Findon and beyond to raise funds for the school PTA.



The money raised will help the children at our school to get back to normal learning and life – in particular the PTA want to use the funds to create markings in the playground (of the sort with which many of us grew up during our school lives), that will not only bring pleasure during play time but will be part of the educational recreation that such facilities provide.

The four-day ride starting at Wincanton and riding via Salisbury, Winchester and Havant will be part-educational as the pupils at school will be encouraged to plot our progress daily and hence sharpen their knowledge of history and geography. We hope to attract sponsorship from local residents and parents; all donations will go directly to the school's PTA.

In next month's Findon News we plan to give a report of our ride. In the meantime if you would like to sponsor these intrepid (not so young) governors and other riders we have opened a Just-Giving donation page:

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Raya and the Last Dragon' - review Directed by Don Hall & Carlos López Estrada

The latest Disney Princess to join the ranks of Belle, Jasmine, and Snow White, Raya and the Last Dragon tells the story of Raya, the princess of Kumandra on a quest to save her kingdom. To do this she finds Sisu, the last living dragon that has the power to defeat a never-stopping cloudy beast that turns every living being into stone.

Much different to the usual format with Disney Princess stories, *Raya* is not one to make a song and dance about her feelings, but the script is expressive and genuine, which makes its story distinct and imaginative. Combined with an energetic voice cast including *Star Wars'* alumni Kelly Marie Tran as Raya and Gemma Chan as Namaari, the daughter of a rival city in Kumandra, their earnest quality to their performance makes the story engaging and mature compared to previous tales of Disney royalty.

The visuals are astonishing. A spectacle through and through. The use of colour and textures create this visceral, beautiful world that will capture the imagination of not just

young children, but for the entire family. There is something for everyone in this film; good humour, spectacular visuals, as mentioned, and a heartfelt message that we can all learn from. We live in a time where it is difficult to trust others, especially those who come from a different part of the world. This is covered in this script with enough empathy to express why we feel this distrust but tackles it when we learn that sometimes taking a leap of faith is enough to heal previous wounds of the past.

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Carrie Morrison, Your local film nerd



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I have had calls from three dog owners, all asking me to find a home for their dogs. Just this morning there was a call about a poor Alsation that was in an accident and had to have his leg removed. The caller said we have a cat and a dog and my son has moved in and we can't keep his dog. He said he had rung everyone. I already have four rescued dogs here and it would not be possible to take the Alsation. Luckily my friend is the local Dog Warden so my first call was to him for advice. After a few phone calls Climping Dog Rescue have agreed to take the dog.

The other two dogs were a big problem because I cannot find homes for dogs to a family if the owners tell me they are aggressive or bark all the time. One owner said they have only had two days and the dog hates their 23 year-old son. I tried to explain the dog is guarding them and everything is strange they need to have patience to get to know the dog so he feels safe and carefully introduce the son who might resemble someone the dog feared. But no, they say the dog has to go. I explained rehoming a Pit Bull x would be an impossible task. He said, "Well I'm not having him put to sleep". I hope they reconsider. Poor

dog, I never blame the dog it is often unsuitable owners with no patience, understanding or common sense.

The other dog came from abroad to a rescue in Scotland then to a rescue in Sussex, which rehomed it to a local family who kept him in a shed and didn't take him for a walk. He upset the neighbours by barking all day until the council ordered them to find another home for the dog. They told me if I didn't help the dog was to be put to sleep. The dog warden was on leave so I rang around until I found a couple looking for a dog. But the dog was so nervous she nipped their granddaughter and the husband. I was contacted to take the dog back. But after long conversations luckily the dog has been given another chance, the poor dog is frightened of cars, other dogs, strangers and children. Hopefully from tomorrow the dog will be going out with them everywhere, every day and soon realize she is safe with them and will learn to trust them and settle down. Russ the Dog Warden and I are very relieved.

Best Wishes and Stay Safe from Stacey

There is a dog poo bin at the end of the bridle path leading from The Oval towards Gallops Farm. Why would someone allow their dog to foul the grass within inches of this bin every day

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Mrs Sheila Steere

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Memories of Findon

Mrs Gladys Lambourne, neé Weston, is a true Findonian, born and bred. She is a mine of information regarding the village, past and present, much of which she has recorded in diaries going back to 1940.

As a child she remembers life before the dual carriageway and how the road from Washington turned right at Long Furlong. High Street was then the main road through the village. The area in front of the Village Store was Shorts Farmyard and The Oval was a bluebell wood belonging to Muntham Estate.

Gladys remembers the many village shops. There was a haberdasher, a ladies' dress shop and a tailor. The cobbler had a shed in the garden of a house in Hermit Terrace. Willy Walls had a sweet shop and general store that sold everything. It seems that Wally wasn't very organized so whatever the customer wanted took ages to find. The Post Office was in Nepcote Lane, as was the baker and the forge. The

forge didn't close until the early 1990s. It was run for several generations by the Goddard family; Dan being the last farrier. Between Rose Cottage and The Village House was a cart horse stall. Our Village Store was once a dairy. There has always been a butcher's shop and at one time there was a fishmonger. Our three pubs have survived, although the Black Horse is not the original building.

Gladys has happy memories of her childhood but, as her mother was a young widow, life could not have been easy. There was no welfare state and if people didn't work, they didn't eat. There was no NHS, few houses had electricity and water often came from a well. Toilets were outside and sometimes at the bottom of the garden.

Gladys is now 92. The village has changed so much during her lifetime. One wonders what it will be like in another 92 years.
Mrs Sheila Steere

Cinnamon Trust

Your generosity at our Cinnamon Trust sale in April was much appreciated and I had a lovely letter from Averil Jarvis, the Chief Executive, asking me to thank everyone and advising that our £870 had gone towards the month's vet bills of almost £9,000.



Sadly the event in the Church could not go ahead in May so we are planning another sale in Willows Car Park on Saturday 19th June from 9am. We will have a "doggy tombola" as well as the usual sale and raffle.

Hope to see you there and a reminder to keep Saturday, August 14th afternoon free for our Cream Tea in Mike Solomons' Garden.

Enjoy the warmer weather and the gradual return of freedom. All the very best to you all and your pets

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Village Hall Diary June 2020

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The Village Hall partially re-opened from May 17th. The following activities have restarted. Please contact organisers directly for further information – their details are available on the Village Hall website - www.findonvillagehall.com

Weekly Just Yoga You Yoga Line Dancing Paracise Pilates Tai Chi	Day Monday Tuesday Wednesday Wednesday Thursday Friday	Time 10:30 18.00 9.30 - 12.30 14.00 9.30 & 10.30 10:00 - 11:30
Monthly Meditation -	Date 17 th June	Time 7.30pm

Future Events

Villlage Hall Coffee Morning – July 10th Film Nights – monthly from September 2021 to March 2022

These activities have confirmed their restart dates as follows:

Bead Magicians – July
Messy Church – July 7th then October
Tastevin - September
Art Class - September
Light Lunch - September

Further information will be provided on dates for the following activities on the village hall website and in future editions of the Findon News when available: Findon Village WI / Findon Garden Association / Carpet Bowls / Danceholics / Circle Dancing



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Findon Village WI

Our WI continues to hold monthly meetings via Zoom.

20 members joined our May meeting to hear Ray Hale present his talk "Plastic; Saving the Planet doesn't have to cost the Earth". Ray is a well-travelled naturalist who is passionate about conservation and the reduction of the use of plastic. Over 380 million tons of plastic is produced every year and while half of this is used responsibly the rest ends up in landfill and our oceans. Unless we change our habits there will be more plastic than fish in the seas by 2050!

Ray encouraged us to look at our use of plastics from ditching Clingfilm and the use of wipes to requesting no plastic packaging when shopping online.

One important request from Ray was to cut the plastic rings on the top of plastic bottles and plastic rings that hold six-

packs together to prevent injury to wildlife

Our plant sale has been an outstanding success raising over £300 for Saint Barnabas. We hope to raise even more money for the hospice from the sale of tea, coffee and cakes at Findon Place open garden Sunday 13th June

Our Zoom meeting is a talk about Alstromeria given by Ben Crosslands -

Thursday 10th June 7.30pm
If you would like to join this meeting please contact me for an invitation.

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Shepherding and Shearing 2021

Three weeks after lambing, one of our ewes was suddenly suffering from Mastitis. Mastitis is an udder infection. usually affecting just one side. Sheep only have two teats so not only is mastitis painful, it is also disastrous for any ewe with more than one lamb. Concern that the ewe, and her twin lambs, would go downhill very quickly, as she wasn't eating or drinking, two injections of penicillin over a 48 hour period were administered. We also gave her additional fluid and sheep nuts to help her continue to produce milk on the remaining side. At this time we were still bottle feeding our orphan lamb Sunshine, so Hilary made up an additional two bottles a day so that the stricken ewe's lambs could be topped up. We are indebted to friends who came and helped as the lambs were not used to bottle feeding like Sunshine. After a few days the ewe responded to the treatment and the family unit were again able to survive together.

sheep farmers generally have their ewes shorn, and with the weather generally improving we have ours shorn during the middle of the May. This allows a good two weeks for the wool to grow back before they are treated for any future problem with flies. The ewes have to be housed overnight before shearing for two reasons, to keep them dry and to stop them from eating too much. This allows the shearer to move the ewe easily around the shearing board. The lambs have to be separated from the ewes for one night

but we made an area in the building for

the lambs to be next to the pen.

May or June is the time of year when

For the past few years we have used Holly Arpino from East Sussex to shear our ewes and it was Holly who sheared the fleece with which we won the Champion Fleece at the South of England show at Ardingly in 2017, out of 50 entries. Holly also brings sheep to the Findon Sheep Fair.

Shearers always start early, which is good for us, and soon after 8.00am Holly and her sheep dog arrived. As well as the shearing, the shearers trim the ewes' feet while they have got them upside down. With just a few in our flock, Holly was finished in just over an hour and onto her next booking of the day. She was visiting 5 farms during the rest of the day.

Shearing equipment has improved so much, Holly had a small battery pack attached to her waist where she plugged in a cable connected to the shearing tool. This system allows shearers to work where there is no electricity out in the fields.

Graham and Hilary Nepcote Flock



Holly shearing a sheep

CRIME AND ADVICE REPORT

Protect Your Pooch - A New Dog Theft Campaign Launched By Neighbourhood Watch

Dog theft has become increasingly common throughout the country. Details on how to protect your pooch can be found in the Notice Boards, the Findon Parish Council (FPC) web site www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk and the Findon Community web site www.findonvillage.org

Heritage crime is sadly on the increase in all areas of Sussex.

Remember historic items have been placed in our care to look after in order that it can be passed onto future generations. These offences appear to be taking place during the evenings and night, can I make a plea to people just out for a walk or dog walkers that if you pass any historic building or monument and people seem to be in, on, or around it please call 999 if you suspect damage etc is taking place

otherwise call the non-emergency number 101.

Nesting Birds

Recently there have been a number of calls to Sussex Police in the Arun area regarding nesting birds and hedges being cut down or actions being taken to remove the nests. The nesting season for birds is usually between March and September, so between these months you are unable to disturb, destroy or remove active nests as all wild birds and nests are protected under the Wildlife and Countryside Act 1981. Please be mindful of any work you are carrying out either to hedges or trees and on roofs as these tend to be the primary areas you will find nesting birds. If you are unsure what to do or need advice around this there are various agencies that can be contacted including the RSPB and Police.

Youth Group

The weekly Youth Group will recommence on Thursday 17th June 4.30-6.30 in Findon Village Hall (term time only) £3 per session.

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Findon Parish Council

Findon Parish Council (FPC) is pleased to announce that a new councillor has joined us. We extend a warm welcome to Tony Selves who has been co-opted onto the Council. Cllr Selves is new to the village and keen to get involved.

Some residents may be aware that West Sussex County Council (WSCC) has approved the scheme to reduce the A24 speed limit running from Bost Hill to the Black Horse from 50 mph to 40 mph. FPC is pleased to be able to tell you that the speed limit changes have been programmed by WSCC to start on 6 October 2021.

Some forty years ago, residents may recall a spectacular Grand National win for Bob Champion on Aldaniti. To celebrate that occasion and Bob's battle over cancer, he is undertaking a charity walk. By the time this edition will have been published, the charity walk will have finished on 15th May but hopefully many residents will have been able to support the walk.

We regret to announce there have been a couple of occasions recently of vandalism in the village which has meant FPC has had to provide funding to repair the damage carried out. The work has been carried out by our own Findon Village Working Party of volunteers. If you do spot any signs of vandalism please contact the police in the first instance as detailed in the Crime Report section of this edition.

Since the easing of lockdown restrictions, Findon Village Working Party of volunteers has been very busy. In addition to footpath clearance along the A24 and High Street, the flint walls at Pond Green have been repaired, surface drains cleared at various locations and the reinstallation of a roadside bollard in Horsham Road. It is clear how indebted we all are to these volunteers. Thank you!!

FPC is pleased to advise that the Working Group set up specifically for establishing the best way forward for parking and speeding issues in the village will shortly be able to produce a survey on these matters. We will provide updates as and when this is available for your completion.

FPC urges residents to complete the survey hosted on FPC web site www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk regarding a proposed cycleway along the A24 to Findon Valley. It is important that we contribute in order to enable the scheme (funded by government in principle) to be funded in practice. More details on the context of the proposed scheme can be found in the Notice Boards.

Cllr Sean Smith, Chairman, Findon Parish Council

Findon Parish Council Website http://findonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

Our Canine Community

Take a walk around Findon and you will soon discover that it's a community that loves dogs. No wonder, with such great countryside on our doorstep to walk them in. Sadly, this year we have lost several of the more mature members of the dog community and as a tribute to the pleasure and love they have given over the years, we give over this space to them. They are all missed terribly.



GiddySuch a big character in a little body. He knew exactly what he wanted and how to get it! Cathie and Dorothy



Small in stature but a huge personality and character. A four legged comedian that made us smile every day. Sadly missed. Carol and Mike Maidment



Maisie. From Andrex puppy to a beautiful girl who loved her food and anyone else's she could get hold of, she made many friends in the village. She was easy going, much loved, and is sorely missed. Richard and Sue Bell



Our beloved Yorkshire terriers whom we miss terribly. **Tinks** (left of picture) passed away in April at 16 years of age and **Rene** passed away in February at 17 years of age. Both had such big characters for their size. Jan and Kev Roberts



Buster.

Aged 15 and known to all the family as "The Boy". So sadly missed but in our hearts for ever. Pam and Ian Brown



Found as a stray in Ireland, he found his way into our hearts at Shoreham Dogs Trust. From his young days full of running to the slow old boy he became, he was friendly, stubborn and loyal. We'll always remember him trotting along with his tail waving like a flag. Alan and Sally Evans



Abandoned in Glasgow, rescued by us from Shoreham Dogs Trust. An independent and happy dog who thought all his dreams had come true when he came to live in Findon and explore the downs. Much loved and missed. Meg and Nick Gore





Findon Planning

Planning applications for Findon are under the authority of South Downs National Park and listed on the SDNPA website (www.southdowns.gov.uk).

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

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

Any enquiries should be address to the FPC Clerk - 01903 877225.

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

Proposed rear ground floor and dormer extension

Tree Cottage 25 High Street Findon BN14 0SZ

Ref. No: SDNP/21/02353/HOUS

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Log Cabin

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Ash tree in rear garden - Fell Tree

14 Convent Gardens Findon

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Sunday 6 th June 1 st Sunday after Trinity	8.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Said Eucharist at Clapham Worship and Praise at Findon
Sunday 13 th June 2 nd Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Said Eucharist at Findon
Sunday 20 th June 3rd Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Findon Said Eucharist at Findon Said Eucharist at Patching
Sunday 27 th June 4 th Sunday after Trinity	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Clapham Said Eucharist at Findon

May Funerals: 17th Peter Tolchard May Baptisms: 2nd Milo Schooley

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer. Social distancing regulations and the wearing of face coverings continue.

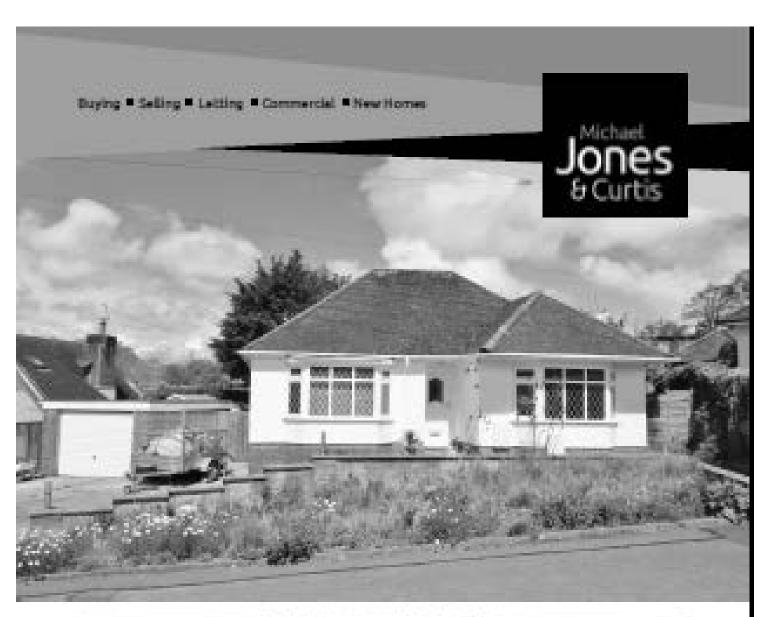
Please continue to look at the website and Facebook page for any changes.

Donations to Parish funds can now be made on the Parish website under Easyfundraising

Stay well and remember to care for vulnerable neighbours

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