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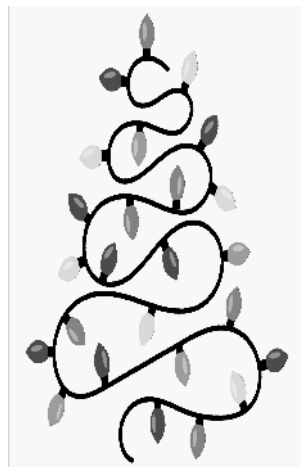
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## Christmas Lights in The Square

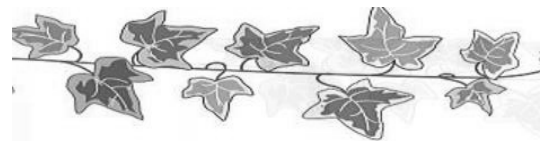
The Christmas lights are being installed on the weekend of 9th November and will be switched on at 5.30pm on 1st December. We hope everyone will come and join us for the festivities, including mince pies, mulled wine and carols. Our special guest will be Father Christmas and his Elf helper.



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## From the Rectory

Autumn is here, leaves in a kaleidoscope of colours are tumbling around me as I walk the dog, the sun on my back as warm as on any summer's day, but the days are getting shorter. The first half term of a new school year is over and the shops are bursting with Christmas goods to tempt us, even though we have 4 more weeks until Advent (the time of preparation for the Christmas miracle) begins. The end of October into early November is a time of remembering in the church calendar and the period between the Feasts of All Saints and All Souls and the Feast of Christ the King is often called Kingdom Season. In churches using vestments, the colour of the Priest's stole and chasuble and of church altar frontals and cloths changes to red for the four weeks of November in these final weeks of the Church's year.

The Feast of All Saints is 1<sup>st</sup> November, but kept by the church on the nearest Sunday, so this year on 3<sup>rd</sup>. We remember with thanksgiving those holy people whose lives have followed the pattern of loving service and humility set by Christ and serve as an example to us today. The following day, November 2<sup>nd</sup> is All Souls Day, which we keep in the afternoon on the nearest Sunday, giving thanks for all our departed loved ones at a reflective act of worship in Findon Church. The secular consumer-led celebration of Halloween has its roots in All Hallows Eve, which was traditionally a jolly country festival of songs, stories and mummers plays before the seriousness of All Saints and All Souls on the following days. Sadly, the

American influence has spread over here with 'Trick or Treat'ing upsetting some elderly folk living alone and potentially also putting our youngsters at risk as they go unsupervised from door to door. The decorations using pumpkins (originally carved to keep 'bad spirits' away from the home) have grown to include plastic skeletons and spiders that add to our imprint on the natural world in our household refuse. Whilst I am all for children having fun, this is one custom that appears to have got out of hand!

The final part of this season of remembering comes on the Sunday closest to November 11<sup>th</sup>, Remembrance Sunday, when the busy world is hushed for 2 minutes as we stand in silence for 2 minutes to remember all those who have lost their lives, or had their lives drastically changed, through the ravages of war. We will gather at the end of our worship in Findon Church at the War Memorial outside at 11am, as we remember how the 1<sup>st</sup> World War ended at the 11<sup>th</sup> hour of the 11<sup>th</sup> day of the 11<sup>th</sup> month 1919 (Armistice Day) Traditionally, signalled by the firing of the Noon Gun on Signal Hill, one minute was a time of thanksgiving for those who had returned alive, the second minute was to remember the fallen. Poppy wreaths are laid at War Memorials across the country and overseas to remember those who have died fighting for our freedom in the two World Wars and subsequent conflicts. The poppy was chosen for its bright red colour, reflecting the poppies growing on Flanders

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fields where so many soldiers lost their lives and many people wear these during the weeks before Remembrance Sunday as a mark of respectful remembering. Other colours are also available; purple to remember animals who lost their lives in conflict, black to commemorate the contribution made by black, African and Caribbean communities and white for remembering those who died but seeking future peace instead of war.

Finally this month, for some light relief, we invite you to join us for a concert of Sussex through the year, celebrated in song and verse, led by the folk group Cotillion, on Friday November 8<sup>th</sup> at 7.30pm. Tickets at £6 still available from the Rectory or Peckham's Butcher. Let me know if you need a lift to the church.  
Every blessing,

*Helena*

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# Findon Village Woodland Preschool

The team at Findon Village Woodland Preschool are delighted to announce that we will be holding 'stay and play' sessions throughout October and November. The stay and play sessions will be running Monday the 21<sup>st</sup> of October, Monday 4<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>, 18<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup> of November. Parents and carers with children aged 18 months to 4 years are invited to join our free stay and play sessions running from 1pm until 2:30pm. The stay and play sessions are an opportunity to explore our Ofsted 'good' rated preschool, meet the team and explore our indoor and large outdoor environment. If you wish to attend one of our stay and play sessions please contact us via email at: [fvpreschool@gmail.com](mailto:fvpreschool@gmail.com) or call us on 07762 90691. Alternatively, if you would like to visit our preschool as a prospective preschool for your child, but cannot make our stay and play sessions, please contact us to book in a visit.

Findon village Woodland Preschool is a small local preschool, located in the

heart of Findon village. We offer fully funded childcare spaces for children aged 2 to 4 years. We are a term time only preschool, open 38 weeks of the year, 9am until 3pm. We have recently been rated 'good' by Ofsted, highlighting our close relationships with parents and carers and ability to spark children's interest through activities and experiences.

We also work closely with St John the Baptist Primary School, which is located next door to our preschool, to ensure smooth transitions for children when starting school. In the coming weeks, children from the school will be visiting our preschool for a special visit from a local hedgehog rescue centre. Children from the school and preschool will have an up-close encounter with the hedgehogs, supporting their learning and development in our shared topic of 'autumn'. We endeavour to continue our close work with St John the Baptist Primary School.

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## Monarch's Way Singers

Do you enjoy singing? Come and join Monarch's Way Singers. Make new friends and enjoy a good singsong.

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In a similar fashion a more prosaic but relevant trend; the provision of dog-bins across the village continues to grow, with a further seven on order, when set up these locations will also be detailed on the FPC website.

The continued provision of appropriate equipment, clothing and risk assessment for our Open Spaces, Litter Picking and Wildflower Working Parties has underscored the need for greater

storage space to support these terrific volunteer initiatives. We have thereby funded further storage space close by our current location, to be erected in the coming weeks. Response to these volunteer initiatives is now sufficiently strong to consider additional days and in particular days where those unavailable mid-week can contribute to the positive environment we all cherish. At the recent October FPC meeting, West Sussex County Council (WSSCC) Cllr Deborah Urquhart updated Councillors and members of the public on the conclusion of the latest West Sussex Fire Risk Assessment. Cllr Urquhart was pleased to report that nil aspects of the Assessment required improvement. Improvements at West Sussex Fire & Rescue Service highlighted in latest HMICFRS report - West Sussex County Council Cllr Urquhart also made reference the success of the Re-Use Shop in Billingshurst which could provide grant funding for initiatives such as local Repair Shops.

Cllr Sean Smith

Chairman, Findon Parish Council  
[www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.findonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

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## Calling all Kennards

Through my contacts with the Sussex Family History Group, I came across this request from the Commonwealth War Graves Commission.

" A CWGC headstone has been installed at Brighton (Woodvale) Borough Cemetery for a newly found WW1 casualty previously commemorated on the Arras memorial in France. The CWGC would like to

## Norman Allcorn

hear from any relative. The inscription reads, G/1505 Private R Kennard Royal Sussex Regiment 21st October 1916."

Some group members suggested that the Kennards came from Sompting but there are some also in Findon and Patching. If you think you may be a relative, please get in touch with the CWGT.

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*Maggie Martin*



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refreshments.**

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## The Cinnamon Trust - A Visit

My visit to Cinnamon Trust HQ in Hayle was really interesting and it was good to meet the team. John, Rosie and myself were made very welcome and came home with lots of lovely items from Christmas Catalogue to sell at the Fair. We also had a wonderful visit to Poldarves Sanctuary where the lovely pets who are too old or poorly to be rehomed live. It is an amazing place and the carers are all so dedicated and kind. The pets live as if they are in their own homes. One house is for dogs and another for cats. There is not a cage to be seen! One old dog with arthritis was being massaged when we arrived. Lying back on the therapist's lap on a beanbag with an expression of sheer bliss on his face! Other pets like horses, chickens and even a pig have

## Maggie Martin

their homes in the beautiful grounds with views over the sea. There is even a pets' graveyard, each with its own memorial.

We saw one lovely old dog who had only one eye as the other had been cancerous and had to be removed. He is doing really well but he is an example of why fundraising is so vital to pay vets' bills. A local vet group gives the Trust reduced rates but vets' bills are still a large part of costs incurred for an elderly pet population.

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## Village Hall News

**Roger Stone**

So the tea and biscuits afternoons on Mondays have restarted and we had a good turnout for the first one last week, we expect the numbers to grow as people remember it is up and running again.

We have the new heating control system running but still have some teething troubles, eventually, hirers will be able to book their own preferred temperature and the hall will then target that temperature before the booking starts, dropping the temperature again as the booking ends.

We have the Trust Annual General Meeting in November which includes elections to all the functional positions. This will take place at 8:00pm on the 28th of November in Chanctonbury Hall as usual all are welcome.

As mentioned last month, the work on the toilets in Chanctonbury has been completed with just a couple of minor snags to be sorted out and we are very happy with the new all tiled floors. We hope our hirers share our satisfaction and that it will be many years before these floors require any further attention. We have procured the new sound-proofing doors for the interconnecting doorway between the two halls and we are ready to progress

with this work – but we have realised that fitting such weighty doors is beyond our maintenance team and we will seek expert help in fitting them. It is now over a year since we opened Nepcote Hall and we said at the time that we were having to set our pricing structure on the basis of estimated running costs and usage levels. We now have that year's data to work with and are in the process of re-evaluating that balance between running costs and income. Note that costs such as the soundproofing, toilets repairs etc do not come out of income from hirers but primarily from fund raising, donations, grants and whatever other means we can find. This helps us keep hire charges low. Nevertheless, we are likely to be announcing a very modest increase in hire charges in the coming weeks and we hope these will then stable for a reasonable period.

We have had an excellent response with respect to volunteers for the events team – although we could still use a few more – [events@findonvillagehall.net](mailto:events@findonvillagehall.net) for those that are interested. However, we still need more for the gardens and maintenance teams [chair@findonvillagehall.net](mailto:chair@findonvillagehall.net)

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### **200 Club**

The 200 club winner for October was Paul Hills. Thanks to everyone who has brought tickets for our Fish and Chip 200 club Grand Draw. I'm looking forward to seeing you all there. Any questions, please contact me Alan Wadhams on our email address: [findon200club@gmail.com](mailto:findon200club@gmail.com)



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Have you seen the latest topper from our very own crafty ladies, Gill and Gay? They really are both very talented and imaginative – and such attention to detail! I've seen toppers elsewhere, but nothing that begins to compare with what Gill and Gay achieve here.

You might have seen a new face in our post office recently – Sara Clarke. She is currently learning all there is to know, which is no mean task, I can assure you. A very big welcome to Sara – she'll be brilliant!

Volunteering in the shop is great – you get to know people, you keep your brain active, and you know you're making a valuable contribution to our village life. There are so many roles as well to fill, enough to suit whatever your skill. If you're interested in volunteering, please pop in and have a word with Angus or Helen.

On the subject of volunteering, the Secretary and Treasurer are both in their final term of office. So, we are looking for some fresh blood on the committee! If you have either financial or administrative skills and are interested in getting involved, Angus or Helen can tell you who to speak to. Well, as promised, here's the second instalment of our PO services. First off, I'll tell you about the all-singing, all-dancing multi-currency Travel Money card. Not that I understand it fully. But they always say that the best way to learn something is to teach it, so here goes. It is basically a no-fee debit card that you can load with up to 22 different currencies at a competitive exchange rate, that you can use overseas. Order it from here, and it'll be delivered to your home before you could say, "Hurrah for Findon Village Store".

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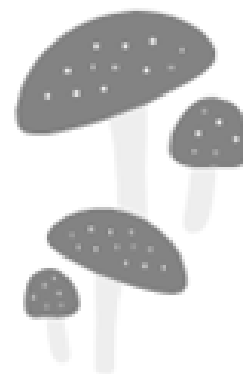


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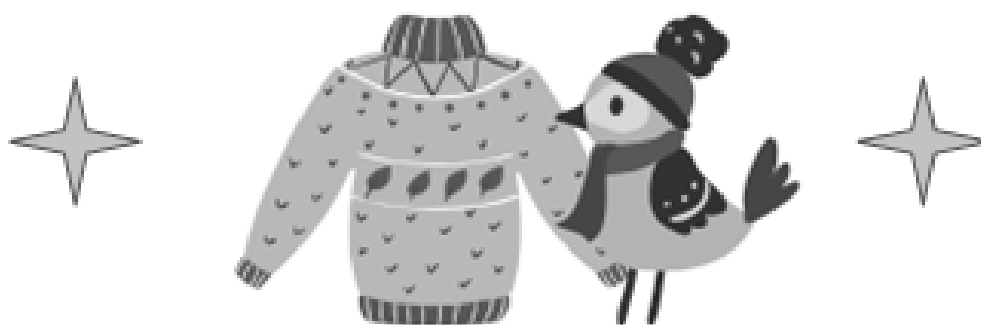
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## Findon Village WI

At our October meeting, we welcomed Bob Goldsmith who gave us a fascinating talk about the Titanic and the events of the night of the 15<sup>th</sup> April 1912. An enthusiast since childhood, Bob won a National Geographic competition to journey down in a small submarine to the wreck of the Titanic. His extraordinary film footage and moving commentary really brought to life the tragedy that unfolded that night. There were so many missed opportunities to save all the passengers.

**REMEMBRANCE COMMEMORATION** – a big thank you to all who knitted and crocheted poppies for our display on Pond Green. Come and look at the wonderful poppy arch which is new this year.

**AUTUMN PRE-LOVED FASHION SALE**  
– **Friday 8<sup>th</sup> November 2024 – 2-3.30pm**  
in **Nepcote Hall**.

Come along and enjoy a nice cup of tea and pick up a bargain. You might find that

new 'Christmas jumper' or a little 'black dress' for the party season. Also on sale will be craft items, so you could pick up a couple of stocking fillers. All the proceeds will go to our Charity of the Year, the Community Swimming Pool.

### **NEXT MEETING**

Our next meeting will be on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7.30pm, which will be a craft evening. We will be finishing the decorations for the Village Hall which will go up on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2024. If time permits, we might even have a Beetle Drive! The competition will be a gift fit for the King.

**Website** – Take a look at our website. It has lots of news about our activities, sub-groups, and upcoming initiatives – Check it out.

Sara Clarke – President

Email: [findonvillagewi@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:findonvillagewi@hotmail.co.uk)

Website:

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

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## Repairs to St John the Baptist Church Spire

## Simon Knights

On Monday 23<sup>rd</sup> of September, after months of planning, Wallbridge the Wiltshire Steeplejacks came to fix the leaks on our Spire roof. It is made up of hundreds of cedar shingles, overlapping each other tightly, and due to the activity of local woodpeckers, it had over 30 holes in it, letting in rain and making the walls of the ringing chamber damp and humid. They tap the shingles to make the flies that hide underneath them come out, so they can eat them, but in the process, split some of them, and make holes several inches across, right through them.

David and his team came down, and using a very nifty caterpillar track cherry picker, which fitted through our Lychgate, started the repairs. They roped the top of the spire, added a ladder, and used ropes to move up and down the spire to reach all the holes and restore the roof integrity which is now drying out. The lighter shingles used to repair will dull down fairly quickly and blend in with the rest of them. The tower is already drying out and hopefully the woodpeckers will give it a rest for a while.

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## Christmas Workshops and Events are back at Findon Place

Now that we've come to the end of our wedding season we can concentrate on some fun new workshops at Findon Place this autumn and winter:

28th November: *Festive Watercolours with Jo Dowers* £45

30th November: *Lino Printing Christmas Card with Cult Milk* £45

5th December: *Luxury Wreath Making with Sage & Co* £75

6th December: *Wine Tasting with South Downs Cellars* £35

7th December: *Festive Afternoon Tea* £30

8th December: *Candlemaking with Wax & Willow* £49

We might have a few more to add but lots more information and tickets are for sale now via our website and tickets

link. We love to work with small local businesses so please do come and spend some time doing something wonderfully creative and fun with your friends and family. All our courses come with some delicious refreshments whether that be biscuits and cakes or canapés included in the price and of course the magic of Findon Place at Christmas.

Best wishes,

Caroline



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We are still on the lookout for anyone who would like to have a go at ringing our church bells, and join our band of ringers. Full training will be given. Anyone 12 and over can give it a go. It is a very enjoyable and rewarding hobby and very sociable. If you would like further information or give it a try, please contact me by e mail [simonknights@talktalk.net](mailto:simonknights@talktalk.net) or ring 07821 485806.

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## Findon Swimming Pool

**John Roche**

As many will know our Swimming Pool has been undergoing restoration and urgent repairs after being closed for an extended period during and after the Covid crisis.

There was the need to raise a lot of money to provide essential items, fabric, plant and other equipment including a new lining for the pool, an Air Source Heat Pump to replace the original heating systems, and works to all the pool buildings. Following on from this a great deal of hard work was needed to get the pool to the point where the council could sign it off for use by the public.

All swimming pools however big or small have to meet the same exacting standards, meaning that our little pool is treated the same as a larger municipal pool; it must be maintained, chemically treated and heated to the same extent; supervision by trained personnel during pool opening must also be in place for every session.

Whilst work had to continue apace all through the summer the pool was able to open at the end of the holidays and for the period of good weather that prevailed in

early September. The committee were inundated with enquiries for private hire which bodes well for next year's season.

All of us at school - pupils, parents, staff and governors - would like to thank sincerely everyone who has brought about the return of this wonderful community facility. The committee, headed up by Chairman Mick Dicker, have done an incredible job, overseeing this work, conducting a lot of the tasks themselves and appointing excellent (and generous) contractors, many of whom have gone the extra mile to get everything ship-shape.

Everyone concerned is also very grateful to all of the kind donors who have contributed thousands of pounds to pay for the fabric and equipment. We have benefited from the generosity of local businesses and kind individuals who have made considerable donations to the cause.

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# Paws Animal Sanctuary

IFindon is now under the authority of The South Downs National Park. I hope this means more protection for wildlife, local bee hives, horses, sheep, cows and our domestic pets, by banning Fireworks in Findon Village. I dread November every year. I listen to so many stories of animals petrified, traumatised horses running into fences, dogs and cats with upset stomachs, hiding with fear. Hedgehogs running off leaving their babies; we take in so many babies.

This year we had all the trees and bushes pruned early before the nesting season. That's a big mistake because with all the rain we had, all the trees have grown so high we are having to get them all pruned again. We have a grapevine and this year it was unbelievable, with so many bunches of grapes; everyone commented on it. Then the birds ate every single bunch of grapes before they had time to ripen.

All the cat pens are full, Costa our Mobile Vet " VetsCarePets" has been so busy worming , treating for fleas, neutering and spaying , inoculating all the cats and kittens. He parks his Mobile Operating Theatre outside, it is so convenient for us. I'm hoping we don't have a harsh winter. Last year the hay was rationed, as there was an early shortage of hay.

Jasper our donkey and Elvis our pony were both sun bathing today; lying in the



sunshine, out in the paddock. I hope we have more days like this before winter sets in..

*from Stacey.*

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Boxes required by 9th November

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The boxes are taken to a central depot in Eastbourne  
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### MUSTARD SEED RELIEF MISSIONS

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Wrap your box in cheerful Christmas wrapping paper, (please wrap the lid and box separately), place the contents inside & if you wish include a donation for its delivery, which is very costly.  
(Instructions on leaflet)

### FOR MORE INFORMATION

Visit the Mustard Seed  
Website [www.msrm.org.uk](http://www.msrm.org.uk)  
and to see a  
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## Findon Planning Applications

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

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



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

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

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

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### **Rear Extension and loft conversion with a gable build up**

3 The Quadrangle Findon West  
Sussex BN14 0RB  
Ref. No: SDNP/24/03922/HOUS

### **Change of use and alterations to existing outbuildings to form craft workshops, cafe and community buildings, and associated external work.**

Findon Place Horsham Road Findon  
West Sussex BN14 0RF  
Ref. No: SDNP/24/03816/FUL

### **Change of use and alterations to existing outbuildings to form craft workshops, cafe and community buildings, and associated external work.**

Findon Place Horsham Road Findon  
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Ref. No: SDNP/24/03817/LIS

### **Carpet Bowls has restarted**

**Thursdays 2.00pm**

**In the Chanctonbury Hall**

**Findon Village Hall**

**But unless we get more members**

**it will sadly have to close.**

**So do please come along and have a go**

No experience required.



## Village Hall Diary November 2024

For one off events e.g. children's parties, meetings and weddings please email Elaine Dibben on [bookingsecretary@findonvillagehall.net](mailto:bookingsecretary@findonvillagehall.net) or visit [www.findonvillagehall.net/home/hire-the-hall](http://www.findonvillagehall.net/home/hire-the-hall). Please contact organisers directly for further information about activities/classes. Their details are available on the Village Hall website - [www.findonvillagehall.net](http://www.findonvillagehall.net).

<b>Weekly</b>	<b>Day</b>	<b>Hall</b>	<b>Time</b>
Just Yoga	Monday	Nepcote	10:30am
Afternoon Tea Drop In	Monday(11 <sup>th</sup> only)	Chanctonbury	14.00pm
Afternoon Tea Drop In	Monday	Nepcote	14.00pm
Encore Choir	Monday	Chanctonbury	18.45pm
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	9.15am
	Tuesday (19 <sup>th</sup> only)	Nepcote	9.15am
Lambstails	Tuesday	Nepcote	10.30am
You Yoga	Tuesday	Chanctonbury	18.00pm
Line Dancing	Wednesday	Chanctonbury	10.00am
Udanceuk	Wednesday	Chanctonbury	16.30pm
Cloud Nine Yoga	Wednesday	Nepcote	19.00pm
Strictly Dancing with Lisa	Wednesday(Not 6 <sup>th</sup> )	Chanctonbury	19.00pm
Pilates	Thursday (Not 7 <sup>th</sup> )	Chanctonbury	9.30 / 10.30 /11.45am
Carpet Bowls	Thursday	Chanctonbury	14.00pm
Tai Chi	Friday	Chanctonbury	10:00am
Cloud Nine Yoga	Friday	Nepcote	10.00am
Keeping Fit with Enzo	Friday	Chanctonbury	16.45pm
Danceaholics	Sunday ( Not 10 <sup>th</sup> )	Chanctonbury	18.30pm
<b>Monthly</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Hall</b>	<b>Time</b>
Messy Church	5 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	15.30pm
Findon Village WI Crafty Ladies	11 <sup>th</sup> November	Nepcote	14.00pm
Findon Village WI	14 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	19.30pm
Dance of Awareness	15 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	19.45pm
Art Class Workshop	16 <sup>th</sup> November	Nepcote	9.00am
Bead Magicians	19 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	10.00am
Meditation and Sound Bath Healing	19 <sup>th</sup> November	Nepcote	19.30pm
Meditation	21 <sup>st</sup> November	Nepcote	19.30pm
Light Lunch	26 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	12.45pm
Findon Garden Association	29 <sup>th</sup> November	Chanctonbury	19.30pm

### Dates for your Diary and Future Events

**Friday November 8<sup>th</sup>** WI Preloved Fashion Sale – Nepcote Hall – 2pm – 3.30pm

**Friday November 8<sup>th</sup>** Bright Lights Comedy Night - Chanctonbury Hall - Doors 19.15pm

Starring Dinesh Nathan and Josh Glanc (<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/josh-glanc-dinesh-nathan-double-tv-comic-special-tickets-1046411203077?>)

**Saturday November 16<sup>th</sup>** 200 Club – Chanctonbury Hall – 19.00pm

**Friday November 22<sup>nd</sup>** FVHT Quiz Night – Chanctonbury Hall - 18.30pm. <https://findon-village-hall-trust.sumupstore.com/>

**Thursday November 28<sup>th</sup>** FVHT AGM Chanctonbury Hall 20.00- 21.00pm

### December Dates


**Saturday December 7<sup>th</sup>** Cinnamon Trust Christmas Fair – Chanctonbury Hall – 10am

# PARISH OF FINDON, CLAPHAM AND PATCHING

## NOVEMBER 2024

All three Churches are open daily for private prayer.  
 There is a 10.00am said Eucharist in Findon Church every **Tuesday**,  
 and Morning Prayer every **Wednesday** and **Friday** at 9.00am.

<b>Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> November</b> All Saints (am) All Souls (pm)	8.00am 10.00am 10.00am 3.00pm	Traditional Communion at Findon Worship & Praise at Findon Eucharist at Patching All Souls' Service at Findon
<b>Sunday 10<sup>th</sup> November</b> Remembrance Sunday (Third Sunday before Advent)	8.00am <b>9.45am</b>	Traditional Communion at Clapham Eucharist at Findon, with Act of Remembrance at the War Memorial at 11am
<b>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November</b> Second Sunday before Advent	8.00am 9.30am 10.00am	Traditional Communion at Findon Eucharist at Findon Eucharist at Clapham
<b>Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> November</b> Christ the King (Sunday next before Advent)	8.00am 9.30am	Traditional Communion at Patching Eucharist at Findon

 <p><b>Next Messy Church -          Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> November</b>          3.30 - 5.30pm in Findon Village Hall          All children welcome with an accompanying          adult for crafts, a story, singing and food!</p>	<p><b>Lambs Tails</b> - Parent &amp; Toddler Group for babies,          toddlers, &amp; parents/carers.  <b>Tuesday mornings</b> at 10.30am in Nepcote Hall,          Findon Village Hall.          Contact Sue Stone: <a href="mailto:belgiumsue@hotmail.com">belgiumsue@hotmail.com</a></p>
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**Weddings:**  
 12<sup>th</sup> October – George Arnold & Samantha Wallace

**Baptisms:**  
 6<sup>th</sup> October – Maia Rossiter  
 6<sup>th</sup> October – Rupert Cox  
 6<sup>th</sup> October – Wilfred Cox

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