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May we wish you all a Happy New Year and we hope it is a bit drier than last year.

The calendars have proved popular again and the last few are being sold as 'keepsakes' at a reduced price of £5. In the 2014 calendar we plan to use photos of some of our events plus golden oldies, so if anyone has photos or postcards they are willing to lend, please phone **Barbara** on ☎830450. Thanks to **Barbara** for organising them and also to **Andrew** (the Baker) for distributing them on his rounds.

While we are on the subject of thanks, we would like to thank **Judy Kent** for printing these newsletters each time and thanks to **Mick Gosden** for his sterling work with our website which always has interesting pictures as well as information.

Apart from our regular users we have a steady stream of bookings throughout the year. We have had a few enquiries for 17th, 18th and 21st birthday parties recently. We realize that local children who have grown up in the Village and supported the fundraising for the Village Hall would like to have a party in the Hall however, like many halls, we have had to say no. We had 18th birthday parties in the old hall and had to call out the Police to the last one. We have had one in the new Hall trusting the adult supervisors (a condition of use), but there was damage done, mischief created and a lot of cleaning up for the volunteers the next day. We do not like to disappoint but we cannot take the risk.

On a happier note, because of the steady revenue, we are able to continue to subsidize the Mother and Toddler Group which meets on Thursday mornings 9:30—11. Mums Dads, Grannies, Minders and pregnant ladies are all very welcome.

The monthly Craft Group is also subsidized. They meet the first Sunday of the month (10 am—4 pm) with coffee and tea provided. You can come for just an hour or two or all day. There is a variety of crafts including embroidery, spinning, bobbin lace, knitting, rag rugs or whatever the crafter is doing at the time. Do come along: you will be very welcome.



DOG OWNERS/WALKERS: Please would you clean up after your dog. This is a health hazard which is why it is the law that you should do so.

Special points of interest:

- Sussex Quiz
- Jumble Sale
- AGM
- Barn Dance
- Summer Fete
- Country Lunches
- Art Group



The first event of the year is a **Sussex Quiz** by Tina Applegate on **Friday 15th February at 7:30 pm**. Come and test your local knowledge.

Teams of up to 4 players at £2.50 each. Light refreshments will be provided (sandwiches, sausage rolls etc) but bring your own drink. To book a table ring Sally ☎830820 or Maggie ☎830645.



Our twice yearly **Jumble Sale** will be on **Saturday 23rd February at 2 pm**.

This is always a good excuse to have a turn out after Christmas. Items can be brought to the coffee morning the day before or to the Hall on the morning of the sale.



On **Saturday 23rd March at 7:30 pm** we are having a **Barn Dance** with Swallowtail providing the music and caller. Admission is £10 and includes a ploughman's supper. To book tickets ring Craig ☎831661 or Maggie ☎830645.



Our **AGM** is on **Thursday 14th March at 7:30 pm**.

Wine and cheese will be served after the meeting. Everyone is welcome.



There will be a **Wine Tasting Evening** in late April/early May. Do look on the website and/or notices around the Village for further information about this and any other event.

IN THE PIPELINE (more info in next newsletter)

We have had an offer of a **concert** given by a police choir some time in May/June.

Last year we were unable to have our **memorabilia afternoon**, but we are planning on holding it later this year.

We plan to have a **Windmill Day** similar to our chickrow competition.



Dates for your Diary

Summer Fete will be on 22nd June

Bonfire and Fireworks on Saturday 26th October



Country Lunches have a fortnightly lunch group in the Village Hall on a Wednesday. A delicious two course lunch costs £4. It would be lovely to see some more Punnetts Town faces. For details ring Ann Kenwood on ☎862618.



The Art Group has changed its time to 3:15—5:45 on a Friday and is going to re-start after half term. Please ring Fiona on ☎01424 552409 for more details.

Saturday Talks and Demos

Saturday talks and demos in the Hall are usually on the first Saturday in the month starting at 7:30 pm. The cost is £3 each with coffee and cakes. Everyone is welcome. We have had some requests for Friday talks which we will try out towards the end of the year.

Feb 2nd Estate Planning with David Cawley: Probate, Wills and any other legal topic you would like discussed.

Mar 2nd Bach Remedies with Korin Lumpe: how they come about, how they work and a chance to try them.

Apr 6th Medieval Instruments: Michael Withers will give a talk and then demonstrate various instruments.

May 4th Hastings in Wartime with Ken Brooks.



Coffee mornings are held every Friday (except Christmas Day) from 10:30—12:30 where you may expect coffee, cakes, books and interesting people to talk to.

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