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The Valley Diary

who, what and where in the Lavant Valley

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Singleton School Tree Planting

As reported in last month's edition of Valley Diary, the school celebrated the 40th anniversary of its present site and building by planting 40 trees. This photos shows busy people doing just that! The Friends of Singleton School raised funds to buy them, and Suzanne and Paul Andrews from Drovers provided help and support with the project. A planting scheme was drawn up by David Chase, until recently gardener at Drovers, which included a variety of species from each continent as well as native British trees, set out in groups around the grounds. On 3rd December the children helped to plant the trees under David's expert direction, as he engaged them with interesting facts about the trees and how to care for them.

The Diary...

February

Sat.12th Bring & Buy Coffee Morning - Singleton Village Hall: 10-12
Mon.14th East Dean Parish Council Meeting - 7.30pm - Wests Showroom, East Dean
Mon.14th - Fri.18th Half term Activities: Weald & Downland Museum: Creative Arts
Thu.17th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Looking Forward to Spring: Monica Lucas
Sat.19th Horticultural Society Event: Open Garden - Jan & John Elliot - 11.30-1pm: Singleton
Sat.26th Children's Disco & Karaoke evening - Singleton Village Hall - 6.30-9pm - £1 entrance

March

Sun.6th Mothering Sunday & Local Resident's Day: Weald & Downland Museum
Sun.6th Horticultural Society Event: Stand at Mothering Sunday & Local Resident's Day: Weald & Downland Museum
Fri.11th Bingo Evening - Singleton School Hall - 6pm-8pm - 50p entrance & 25p per game

Singleton Village Church Fete Date Announced

This is planned to take place on Saturday 3rd September at 2pm again on Sheepwash Meadow on the Chichester Midhurst Road, Singleton, again by kind permission of the Singleton Cricket Club. The Committee formation is being planned and any willing participants are invited to make contact with either the Chairman (Paul Andrews on 811733) or Secretary (David Mather on 811451 or email jdmather@tiscali.co.uk. More news later. Please watch this space!

Bring & Buy Coffee Morning

Saturday 12th February
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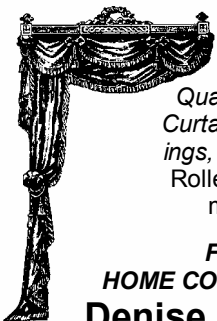
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Thu.17th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Dowsing & Health: Rosemary Hudson

Thu.24th Singleton School Spring term ends

Fri.25th - Mon.28th Easter Fun & Festivities: Weald & Downland Museum

April

Mon. 11th Singleton School summer term starts

Thu.21st Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Concorde Experience: Roger Bricknell

Fri.22nd Horticultural Society Event: Open Garden - Martin & Kate Shaw - 6.30-8.30: East Dean

May

Sun.1st - Mon.2nd Food Fayre: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.7th Singleton VE Day Celebration. Details to follow.

Sat.7th Horticultural Society Event: Plant Sale - 10.30: East Dean Village Hall

Fri.6th - Sun.8th Olah Roma - Traditional Gypsy Festival: Weald & Downland Museum

Mon.9th East Dean Parish Council AGM - 7pm - East Dean Village Hall

Sat.14th - Sun.15th West Dean Gardens Event: Wholly Herbs

Sun.15th Sustainability Event: Weald & Downland Museum

Thu.19th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Quiz Night & Resolutions

Mon.30th - Fri.3rd Jun Half term Activities: Weald & Downland Museum: The Natural World.

June

Sun.5th Heavy Horse Spectacular: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.11th Horticultural Society Event: Garden Competition & Rose Show

Thu.16th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Archaeology of the Trundle & Street Clutter

Fri 17th Horticultural Society Event: Vegetable Evening - 6.30-8.30pm: East Dean Allotments

Sat.18th Barn Dance: Singleton Village Playgroup Committee

Sun.19th Father's Day - Countryside Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.18th - Sun.19th West Dean Gardens Event: The Gardne Event

July

Sun.3rd Early Music Afternoon: Weald & Downland Museum

Thu.21st Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Summer Party

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Fri.22nd Singleton School summer term ends

Sun.24th Rare & Traditional Breeds Show: Weald & Downland Museum

Wed.27th Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

August

Wed.3rd Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.6th - Sun.7th West Dean Gardens Event: Chilli Fiesta

Wed.10th Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

Wed.10th - Sat.13th Tom Jones - Evening Open Air Theatre: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.13th Horticultural Society Event: Annual Show

Tue.16th St Roche Service: Trundle

Wed.17th Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

22nd - 31st Aug. Gordon Rushmer - Local Artist: Exhibition: Weald & Downland Museum

Wed.24th Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

Wed.31st Children's Activities: Weald & Downland Museum

September

Sat.3rd Singleton Village Fete

Sat.3rd - Sun.4th West Dean Gardens Event: Totally Tomato Show

Sat.10th - Sun.11th The Wood Show: Weald & Downland Museum

Thu.15th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Boxes for Romania: Felicity Heath

October

Sat.1st - Sun.2nd Autumn Countryside Celebration: Weald & Downland Museum

Sat.15th - Sun.16th West Dean Gardens Event: Apple Affair

Thu.20th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Sarah Mayhead Flowers: Sarah Mayhead

Mon.24th - Fri.28th Half term Activities: Weald & Downland Museum: The Natural World.

November

Thu.17th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Annual Meeting

Sat.19th - Sun.20th Pig to Pork: Weald & Downland Museum

Thu.24th Horticultural Society Event: AGM & Winter Talk Event

December

Sun.4th Tree Dressing: Weald & Downland Museum

Thu.8th Singleton & East Dean WI - Singleton Village Hall - 7pm - Christmas Party

Mon.26th - Mon.2nd Jan. A Sussex Christmas: Weald & Downland Museum

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www.singletonvillage.com/levindown.html

LEVIN DOWN HELPERS NEWS

Working parties over the winter have progressed well. In September some clearance was undertaken around the Juniper in Compartment 3 – and we were also pleased to learn of Richard's success with Juniper cuttings – we hope to plant them out in the spring. We have had a couple of tasks in Compartment 4, where we made inroads into the blackthorn,

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EAST DEAN FOOTBALL CLUB

Cowfold 0 East Dean 2

A win away at Cowfold on 15th January is recorded with goals from Ansley & Freeman. "A clinical individual goal and a moment of magic! Good lead up play from Peter Kearvell led to Peter Ansley scoring from close range with the right foot."

Henfield 2 East Dean 4

Saturday 22nd January saw another away game, this time with Henfield. "East Dean hoped to pick up all three points in this bottom of the table clash. With two players not available, other players recently rested got their chance to stake a place back in the team. Goals from Arron Freeman, Peter Ansley, Peter Kearvell & Morgan Thomas gave the team all three points on their travels for the second game running. Freeman's goal resulted from a fine passing move involving many players, including good lead up play from Reed. Freeman added the final touch from 18 yards out. The only bad news from the match was centre half Nathan Freeman has a serious ankle injury and will be out for a month or more."

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FIRST SUNDAY

8.00am Eucharist SINGLETON
9.30am Eucharist WEST DEAN
11.00am Family Eucharist EAST
DEAN

*6.00pm Evensong & Sermon
SINGLETON

SECOND SUNDAY

8.00am Eucharist EAST DEAN
9.30am Eucharist SINGLETON
11.00am Family Eucharist WEST
DEAN

*6.00pm Evening Prayer Said
SINGLETON

THIRD SUNDAY

8.00am Eucharist SINGLETON
10.00am Valley Eucharist
odd months EAST DEAN
even months WEST DEAN

*6.00pm Evensong
odd months WEST DEAN
even months EAST DEAN

FOURTH SUNDAY

8.00am Eucharist EAST DEAN
9.30am Eucharist WEST DEAN
11.00am Family Worship
SINGLETON

*6.00pm Evening Prayer Said
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FIFTH SUNDAY

10.00am Valley Eucharist VENUE
AS ANNOUNCED

* Evening Prayer is at 4.00pm from
the last Sunday in October until the
end of February.

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time, you will be
glad to hear! In fact,

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until the other morning when we were
walking the dog and we saw the most
wonderful sight: It was a Red Kite
soaring in the sky. It was a really grey
and windy day but this marvellous bird
was wheeling and diving, fighting against
the wind, It's forked tail twisting and
turning like a rudder. What a superb
display it was. We felt very privileged to
have seen it.

We are certainly seeing more birds of
prey in the last year or so. In fact, David
saw a Hen Harrier on another day and
we have also seen a Peregrine Falcon
flying up there. This last had a jesse on
its leg, so it was obviously a visitor and
not a very welcome one as far as the
pigeons were concerned.

Oh, and one more thing, a Badger ran
across our path one very dark, grey
morning, I think it thought it was still
night, the light was so bad. I was so
pleased to see it, as that is the first live
one I have seen. Mostly you see just dead
ones beside the road. Very sad, anyway
that was yet another reason for going out
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Rosemary

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The group is publishing a book of local peoples' memories recalling life in the villages throughout the war and how they celebrated VE Day 1945.

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