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Keep planters regularly feed with liquid fertilizer, & water even if there has been rain. Meanwhile this is the time to cut back spring shrubs & keep the paths of a woodland garden clear & well defined. Keep new shrubs & perennials well watered if summer rains fall short. With the warmer weather have come the weeds & weeding is a daily chore.



In the vegetable garden sweet peas are at their best while pole beans & runner



beans are about to burst into production. New beetroot are coming in & leeks are beginning their summer growth. Pumpkins & summer squash are showing their fruit. Onions will be harvested in three weeks & potatoes are ready for digging. Tomatoes & summer squash have been planted up in the greenhouse. They are carrying plenty of immature fruit. Keep them well watered & nourished with regular liquid fertilizer.

Even though conditions have been dry slugs & snails are much in evidence. There is no substitute for vigilance & regular late evening slug patrols are productive. Feathered friends can help & a few peanut feeders will attract them to the garden. Woodpeckers can be particularly entertaining. The rabbit is perhaps a worse problem!

A recent visit to the Cotswolds for a wedding showed a very different, gentler landscape. No rhododendrons or azaleas were to be seen but flourishing roses & orchards, & stone walls lifted the eye from village to village across the valleys.



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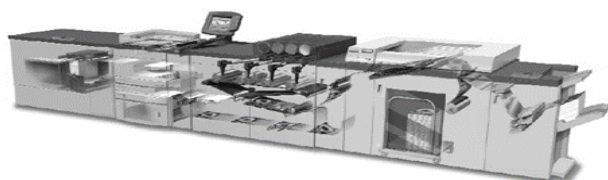
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Cuppa & Chat

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Cuppa & Chat has grown again this year with even more villagers using it as a way to meet together.

If you are free on a Monday morning & have often thought about coming along then do take the next step & come along & join us.

Like' us on Facebook: Colgate and Faygate Cuppa and Chat

Check out local information and events on our web site: <http://colgateandfaygate.community21.org>

FUNDRAISING EVENT - 7th September 2015

In September we will be having our annual fundraising morning. This year the chosen charity is **Age UK Horsham District** who support Sarah-Jo, our Village Agent, fulfil her role providing access to all kinds of information for Colgate & Rusper residents.

Let her know of any difficulties which she may be able to minimise with the support of Age UK Horsham District, whether it is: -

- ◆ Transport Issues
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Colgate Village Fete

From the feedback I have received everyone enjoyed the fete, despite the rain at the start which quickly developed into a dry & pleasant afternoon, where all were able to sit & listen to the Jazz Band, browse the stalls & enjoy cream teas & homemade cakes.

Many thanks to everyone - stall holders & visitors who contributed to raising a grand sum in excess of £2,000.

A special thank you to the many helpers who worked extremely hard setting up & putting away the equipment.

Pat Stillwell



Pictures 1 to 3 courtesy of Sheila & Vic Marley.

Picture 4 is from Susannah Quinlan & Catherine Pinder who are raising money for The Team Margot Foundation which was set up by the family of Margot Martini who was diagnosed with leukaemia aged 14 months. She needed a stem cell transplant but had no match within her family. She therefore needed to rely on the benevolence of a stranger having joined a donor register. We are campaigning to raise awareness of the need of individuals to join a register to increase the chances of someone like Margot finding a match & hopefully saving their life.

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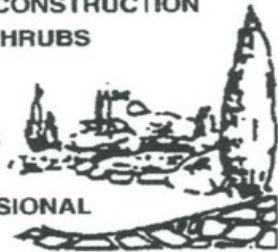
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September 2015

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| Sunday | 13th | TBC | Morning Prayer |
| Sunday | 27th | TBC | Harvest Thanksgiving |

We hope to have a Songs of Praise service on September 13th. Please let Nick know if you have a favourite hymn & why?

Clergy Day Off

Nick is here to serve the needs of the community. He is pleased to hear of new people moving in who may need visiting and welcomed by the Church.

Holy Communion can be arranged for the sick or housebound.

He tries to take just one day off each week and it would be appreciated if he is not contacted on a Thursday.

Do you have any harvest pictures from previous years that you wouldn't mind being used in the magazine or on the front cover, could you please e-mail them to the editor, Julie Stace at cfparishnews@gmail.com.

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From the Rev. Nick Flint

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Like many, I was delighted to hear that Bishop Mark's spiritual journey has recently brought him to recognize the ministry of female bishops, priests and deacons alongside their male colleagues. This change of heart for a public figure is a courageous step. Following the season of ordinations Bishop Mark's reflections below resonate powerfully with me as I recall an elderly lady, a complete stranger, telling me, when I was in my late teens 'I can see in your face that you are going to be a priest!'. Such an affirmation, alongside that of others was the kind of significant encouragement echoed in what Bishop Mark' has to say this month, fresh from the season of ordinations:

EVERY SAMUEL NEEDS AN ELI

Parishes look forward to the arrival of deacons who come with fresh ideas and enthusiasm as well as their individual gifts and they generally offer their new curates a very warm welcome.

The new deacons, of course, are naturally excited to begin a ministry for which they have spent two or three years preparing either at theological college or through one of the residential courses, but this is bound to be mixed with a few nerves about the responsibility they are undertaking.

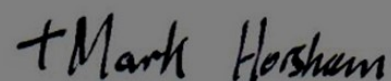
That there *are* any deacons to ordain each year is dependent upon the church calling people into its service.

We are an 'apostolic' church, that is to say a church which has 'sending people out' in its DNA. Jesus called people to follow him and then made 'apostles' of them by sending them out in the service of others.

It is members of the Church who observe and discern in one another those gifts which are necessary in ordained ministry and so it is members of the Church - you and me - who must help people understand that God may be calling them to ordained ministry.

Sometimes it may be in quite young people that we discern a potential ordinand, but it is often an older and more mature Christian that is able to point out what God is doing; think of the call of Samuel in the Bible book of the same name.

Perhaps you are that older mature Christian. Every Samuel needs an Eli.



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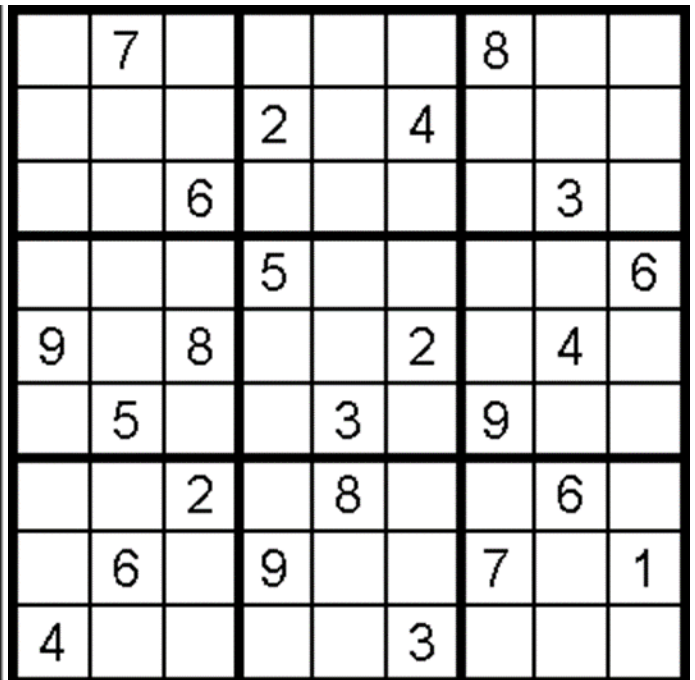
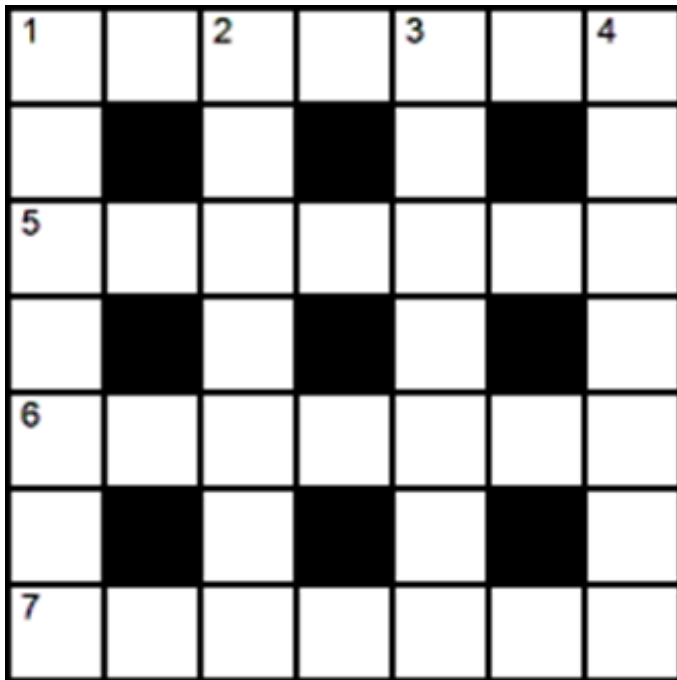
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- 5. Inactivity
- 6. Idiom
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Colgate Parish Council News.....

Colgate Parish Council has 2 new Councillors.....

The Parish Council are pleased to announce that there are two new councillors sitting on the Council. Cllr Steve Wong & Cllr Stephen Davies were co-opted on 13th July at the last Council Meeting. There is one vacancy left that will be advertised later this year but if you are interested please contact the Clerk for more information.

At the last meeting the speeding issue along Forest Road was discussed & councillors are keen to progress traffic calming. With the recent restructure at WSCC all requests have to be referred to the Highways Department. The Clerk has written to Highways in this regard & awaits a reply. Mention was also made about HGV's using Park Road as a cut through & the destruction of the kerbs brought about by the vehicles. The Clerk has also asked Highways about weight and/or width restriction along Park Road.

Many residents attended the planning meeting held on 1st July to discuss the Wellsprings development. For those of you who could not attend the Council objected to the application & more details on this application & other planning matters can be found on the Parish Council's website.

The Colgate Parish Council's website is being developed & we welcome any feedback on it. You can find out about the Council by using the following website address: -

www.colgatefaygate.com

The next Parish Meeting is at Faygate Village Hall at 7:30 14th September.

Everyone is welcome & we look forward to seeing you there.

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News from PCSO Tracy Bicknell.....



Summer Crime Prevention

Keep cool - Although the number of burglaries across Sussex is falling, there is always a rise during the summer because of insecure doors & windows.

Stay secure - Don't make it easy for burglars.

Summer is a time of warm days when windows, doors & garages are often left open, & tools & valuables may be left lying around outside.

The most common causes of opportunist summer burglary involve offenders that: -

- ◇ Enter an insecure front door while residents are in the back garden.
- ◇ Enter doors that are closed but unlocked at night while residents are asleep.
- ◇ Reach through windows to take valuable items.

Summer burglary prevention tips

- ◇ If you are out in the back garden, ensure that your front door is secure.
- ◇ Put your garden tools & games away into a secure garage or tool shed after using them, they could be used to break into your home, or your neighbours.
- ◇ When you leave a room unattended, close the windows & doors - especially on the ground floor.
- ◇ If you want to leave windows open while you sleep, fit window restrictors so they cannot be fully opened, or make sure they are not large enough to allow access to a burglar.
- ◇ Keep all wallets, purses, credit cards, car keys & other valuables out of sight.
- ◇ Consider fitting outside security lighting or a visible alarm to help deter burglars. Even using pea shingle or gravel on a driveway & spiky plants in garden beds can help.
- ◇ If you park your car out in the countryside, take your bag or wallet with you & don't leave other belongings on view in your car. Even an old coat left in sight could tempt someone to break in.

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All welcome to guided, **FREE**, sociable, HDC walks led by trained volunteers; no need to book, just turn-up at the starting point. Programme booklet containing over 250 walks is available from the Walks Co-coordinator on 01403-215284 or online www.horshamhealthwalks.co.uk. Beginners are recommended to contact the Walk Leader to discuss suitability. All walks can be wet & muddy in places. Forthcoming walks in the Colgate Parish & neighboring areas are as follows: -

Every Monday 10:45am: North Heath, Horsham – gentle 2 mile walk around the riverside. Suitable for slow & new walkers. 1 to 1¼ hours. Meet at the **Sussex Barn pub car park off North Heath Lane. Leaders Ann & John 01403-268885.**

Tuesday 4th & 18th August 9:30am: Buchan Country Park – A 2-3 mile walk in a largely wooded area with some open heathland, meadows & ponds, easy walking with well defined paths, taking 1 hour. There is a Nature Reserve area & the Countryside Centre may be open. (First timers & families welcome). Meet at the **car park (RH11 9HQ)** off the **A2220 Crawley to Horsham** side of the dual carriageway. **Leaders Richard, 01403-230293 or Emmy, 01403-255517.**

Saturday 8th August 10:00am: Roosthole – meet in the Forestry Commission car park on **Hammerpond Road, Horsham, RH13 6PG (TQ208298)**. 3½ miles, various routes, mainly through forest & some open heathland. Some long gentle & short steep hills. 1¾ hours. **Leader Simon 01403-260599.**

Thursday 13th August 10:00am: Warninglid – Crabtree Wealdon Iron Industry Lakes – 5¾ mile circular walk, through woods & farmland, past lakes & furnace ponds. No stiles but a few, short fairly steep hills. Good views. Meet at the **Half Moon car park, Warninglid (TQ250260)**. No dogs. 2¾ hours. **Leader Geoff 01403-258180.**

Wednesday 19th August 10:00am: Leechpool & Owlbeech Woods – various 2 to 3 mile generally easy circular walks, some gentle slopes. Suitable for new walkers & families most welcome. Meet in the **Leechpool Wood car park, (Roffey End) off Harwood Road (B2195), Horsham (TQ194313)**. Dogs allowed on a lead. 1 to 1½ hours. **Leaders Margaret 01403-262311 or Emmy 01403-255517.**

Tuesday 25th August 10:45am: Snowhill Garden Centre – Meet at Haskins Snowhill Garden Centre car park (**RH10 3EY**), for a 4½ mile walk taking 1¾ hours. We will take you on a variety of circular walks in the lovely countryside near Copthorne & Felbridge. The walks can go through open countryside, farmland, or woods & there may be stiles & some gentle inclines. You may wish to visit the café for lunch or afternoon refreshments, or maybe browse around this lovely garden centre after the walk. From **Junc. 10** of the **M23** take the **A264** towards **East Grinstead**. Exit left at the roundabout near the **Dukes Head pub**, heading **north** towards **Newchapel**. Go past the **Copthorne Effingham Park hotel & Haskins Snowhill** is opposite at the next roundabout. They have kindly allowed us to use their car park. **Leader Pat 01342-712591.**



Buchan Country Park



The Roosthole



Leechpool & Owlbeech Woods

From the Editor.....

I have been the editor of your Parish News now for a year & I am hoping you like the changes that have been made?

Appeal to our readers.....this is your magazine & I would really like your ideas for articles for the coming issues? We need some new & interesting material to keep everyone interested.

Is there anything new you would like to see? Is there something you don't like & feel that it could be removed?

Do you have any interesting stories regarding your life in the village that you would like to share with the community?

Do you have an interesting job? Would you be willing a write an article about 'A Day in the Life of'?

Any feedback would be appreciated.

Thank you.

Below are a few idea's for you all to think about.

Does anyone have any pictures of the area that they wouldn't mind me using for the front of the September issue? If so please e-mail them to cfparishnews@gmail.com

Do you have a special birthday coming up?

18th, 21st, 30th etc, etc

Would you like a mention in coming issues or to mention a relative or friend?



Special Anniversary in the near future?
1st, 25th, 40th?
Let me know so we can celebrate with you.

Have you got children?
Is there anything they would like to see?



Any other ideas, let me know at

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Wildlife at the Heart of our Culture

By Mike Russell of the Sussex Wildlife Trust

Birdsong seems to be all over the place these days. 'Tweet of the Day' in the morning on Radio 4 has generated a great following amongst the early risers, while a recent television programme of BBC 4, part of the a 'Slow Season' series, showing the dawn chorus without any commentary of intrusive music was deemed a popular success. Contemporary folk singer Sam Lee has this summer organized live performances alongside nightingales, following on from the famous live broadcasts of the 1920s & 1930s of Beatrice Harrison accompanying a probably somewhat perplexed nightingale on her cello in a Surrey woodland.



I went to a very interesting art installation as part of the Brighton Festival this year. Composer Marcus Coates had recorded the song of a number of common bird species & slowed the speed right down to individual notes & then got human singers to sing those notes while videoing them. He then speeded up the notes to the original song of the birds, resulting in some remarkable footage of the humans not only sounding like the birds but also moving a bit like them as well. In fact, nature was the underlying theme of the whole Brighton Festival programme.

There is no doubt that wildlife has been such an inspiration for musicians, artists, authors & poets as far back as when man started drawing what they saw around them in their caves & a resurgence of interest in this is very evident today. Just think how poor our cultural heritage would be without all the nature that surrounds us in our daily lives, but that is what faces artists in the future as much of our wildlife is in serious decline.

To take just one example, the nightingale. Nightingales have declined by 43% in the last 40 years & there is evidence that the decline is showing. We still do quite well in Sussex but the clear evidence is that their population is shrinking into the southeast corner of England.



When John Keats was inspired to write 'Ode to a Nightingale' he was listening to the nightingales on Hampstead Heath, but it's a long time since any sang there. Thomas Hardy would be hard pushed to hear one in Wessex now. An even worse scenario awaits the turtle dove, as their decline has plummeted by 90% in the same time period & is in serious danger of becoming extinct in the UK within a decade if this decline continues.

So, the need to link that inspiration & conservation of the landscape & species needs to be made much more apparent. Every artist who has been inspired by the natural world, every person who has enjoyed the result of that artist's inspiration should stand up & rally against those who have so much disregard for our natural world.

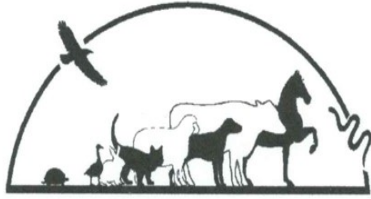
Wildlife is essential to life, the natural world provides everything we need to exist, but it also provides for our soul. I hope those in the future will still be able to have their soul nourished by the song of the nightingale.

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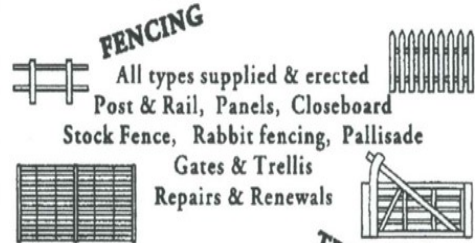
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