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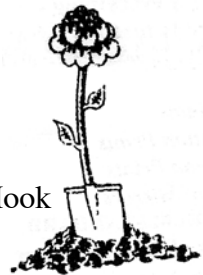
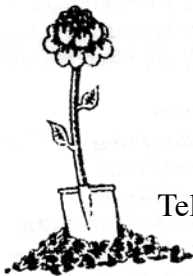
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Full details of the roads falling within each of the Selsdon wards can be found on the home page of the SRA website <http://selsdon-residents.co.uk>



Editor's Note

Hello everyone and welcome to the July Selsdon Gazette. I was so pleased to receive more emails from residents this month, whether it was in response to an article in last month's gazette, a personal recollection of living in Selsdon for nearly half a century, a plea for help or a warning about drones being used illegally. Many thanks to those of you who have already paid their subscriptions to the Selsdon Residents' Association, but it is not too late to set up a standing order or put some money in an envelope. We do need your subscriptions to fund our splendid Christmas Lights and other events.

As the summer holidays approach for our youngsters, I have included details about this year's reading challenge at the library, some free events being put on for them by the Council in Croydon and a minibeast walk in Selsdon Wood. I hope that you are all keeping your sunflowers well-watered so that you can enter our 'Grow the Tallest Sunflower' competition. Continuing the gardening theme, we have our horticulturists from Sanderstead giving us a list of jobs to do this month.

We have more from Ian Leggatt about the Costains housing developments in Selsdon; this time about their selling techniques. Janet Sharp explains the thinking behind the new logo for the SRA. An appreciation of trees features heavily in this Gazette with our poem from Mary Gill, Ted Forsyth's Nature Notes and the three new wood carvings to be seen in Selsdon Wood. We hear from many of our local groups including the Selsdon Centre for the Retired, Selsdon Contact, Selsdon & Sanderstead Rotary and the SRA litter pickers. We are very lucky to live in an area with so much on offer for residents.

There is not an August Gazette, so you have two months to send me your news, photos, grumbles and praise! I would particularly love to hear from the younger generation, so please compose a poem, tell me what you like (or not like) about living in Selsdon and forward your best photos taken in the Selsdon area, to me at selsdongazettesra@gmail.com Finally, it would be great to meet you at the Friends of Selsdon Wood Open Day and SRA Community day on 8 September.

Have a good summer.
Chris Jones

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SHOULD BE WITH THE EDITOR NO LATER THAN
20TH AUGUST - PREFERABLY BEFORE! ☞

SRA NEWS 'n' VIEWS

Litter Pick



As part of the Big Clean Up some residents and Brownies took part in a litter pick around Selsdon. Most of us generally found less than on previous litter picks, which is pleasing, but it was still a worthwhile exercise. Look out in the coming months for another street clean that you could help with and enjoy a free tea or coffee kindly supplied by Wetherspoons afterwards.

Election

As I write we are still in the lead-up to voting on 4th July, but as you read this we may/will have a new government and MP. Interesting times!

Subscriptions

Our treasurer is busy counting envelopes and we thank you for all your donations either by envelope or standing order. Keep them coming. Next year will see the Selsdon Residents' Association reach our centenary. Something to really celebrate!

If you have forgotten to pay your SRA subscriptions, please use the standing order form printed on the back cover of this Gazette and deliver it to an address below. Remember to use the first line of your address as the reference. Alternatively, you can pay online from your bank account to ours using the bank details on the SO form. If you want to use cash or a cheque, please put the cash/cheque into an envelope with your name and address on the front and deliver to one of these addresses:

Tudor Library/Selsdon Post Office, Addington Road.
Burchells Chiropractic, 30 Farley Road.
Croydon Physio, 1 Upper Selsdon Road.

Selsdon Centre for the Retired Office off Sainsbury's foyer
Selsdon Contact, lower floor of Sainsbury's building.

12A Abbey Road
11 Benhurst Road
16 Brent Road
21 Birdwood Close
6 Cowley Close
121 Farley Road.
10 Foxearth Road.
42 Kersey Drive.
116 Littleheath Road.
60 Old Farleigh Road.
53 Queenhill Road.
48 Ravenshead Close.
24 Southviews.
28 Upper Selsdon Road
20 Wagtail Gardens.

Enjoy your summer and we hope to see lots of you at the Selsdon Wood's Fair on Sunday 8th September from 12 till 4pm. You could even have a stall for a small donation. Any enquiries can be sent to selsdonwood@gmail.com

Sheila Childs, Chair SRA



Sunday 8 September (from 12 - 4pm)
Friends of Selsdon Wood Open Day
and SRA Community BYO Picnic and
Fun & Games Afternoon

**Yes, the Selsdon community event of the year
is happening on 8 September!**

There will be goods for sale from local craftspeople, including Lorcan – a local tree wood carver. There will be the usual quality white elephant stall, books and tombola stalls. The Guides and Brownies and Friends of Littleheath Woods will also have stalls – and others

we have no room to mention here so please come and see for yourself!
Hot drinks and snacks will be provided as usual by the Scouts to augment your BYO picnic.

There is room for those of you who would like a space for a table or two to sell or display your own items.

We make no charge for the 'pitches' but simply ask for a donation to FSW funds to enable us to repair seats, paths and buy tools needed to do the work the council relies on us to carry out in order to maintain the wood as a pleasant environment for all to enjoy. Please contact FSW to enquire or book your place by sending an email to selsdonwood@gmail.com or text to 07979 00 2547 and we will then reply to you with more details.

Please come along to judge the FSW Annual Photo competition (see FSW website for details of entry – and remember to send your entries to govierh@gmail.com by 20th August). Winners will receive cash prizes of **£50 first, £20 second and £10 third**.

FSW will offer a short-guided walk and a nature-themed Storytime session for the children and there will of course be the afternoon fun activities (for all ages!) organised by the Selsdon and Sanderstead Rotarians.

Please watch the notice boards and social media for details of the programme for the day nearer the time. Additional stall holders will also be advertised in this way.

We hope for good weather and a good attendance - but please come whatever the colour of the sky and the temperature to show the Selsdon community spirit is still thriving regardless!

Linda Morris pp FSW and SRA

Selsdon Residents' Association

Grow the Tallest Sunflower Competition 2024

**Open to all residents of Selsdon,
especially those with green fingers!**



Your sunflowers should now be responding to the sunnier weather, but keep them watered regularly. The flowers will soon be appearing.

Remember to take a photo of your tallest sunflower, preferably with you alongside it.

Measure its height from ground level to its tallest point and send the measurement and photo to the editor of the

Gazette selsdongazettesra@gmail.com by the **20 September** with the grower's name and address. The tallest sunflowers will win the prizes.

This photo shows the progress of the editor's sunflower, now over 1 metre tall!



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COUNCILLORS' NOTES

UK SHARED PROSPERITY FUND

Late last year Croydon Council confirmed that they would be allocated money from the Government's UK Shared Prosperity Fund, this will mean that over the next three years, work will be carried out to support local businesses and help our high streets. As part of this work, over £500k of the fund will support community regeneration projects in Purley, Thornton Heath, Selsdon and New Addington.

Selsdon has been allocated £90k towards improving our local area:

Opportunities identified:

- 1) Improvement and greening of Addington Road and Forestdale
- 2) Selsdon Recreation Ground pathway (to increase visibility)
- 3) Wayfinding and signage to promote existing to historical/green spaces

High Street improvements:

- 1) Public art opportunities to activate the High Street
- 2) Green space creation
- 3) Seating and public furniture
- 4) Wayfinding and signage to promote existing green and historical spaces

Croydon Council's regeneration team will be engaging with local stakeholders to discuss plans and to listen to ideas. Alternatively, if you have any ideas please contact your local Councillors.

VOLUNTEER WEEK

A big well done to local residents who took part in the big litter day clean up in Selsdon. 25 bags of rubbish were collected in total which is great going. If you would like to volunteer or find out about becoming a Street Champion go to www.croydon.gov.uk/environment/dont-mess-croydon/street-champions

CONTACT YOUR COUNCILLORS

As a reminder, the venue for our monthly surgery has changed. Residents can now find us in the Jubilee café downstairs from Sainsburys. A private room is available should there be a matter which cannot be discussed in public. The timing is unchanged at 10am till 11.15am on the first Saturday of the month, except January and August.

We are happy to 'meet' residents online so if you have any issues you wish to discuss with your councillor please get in touch by email:

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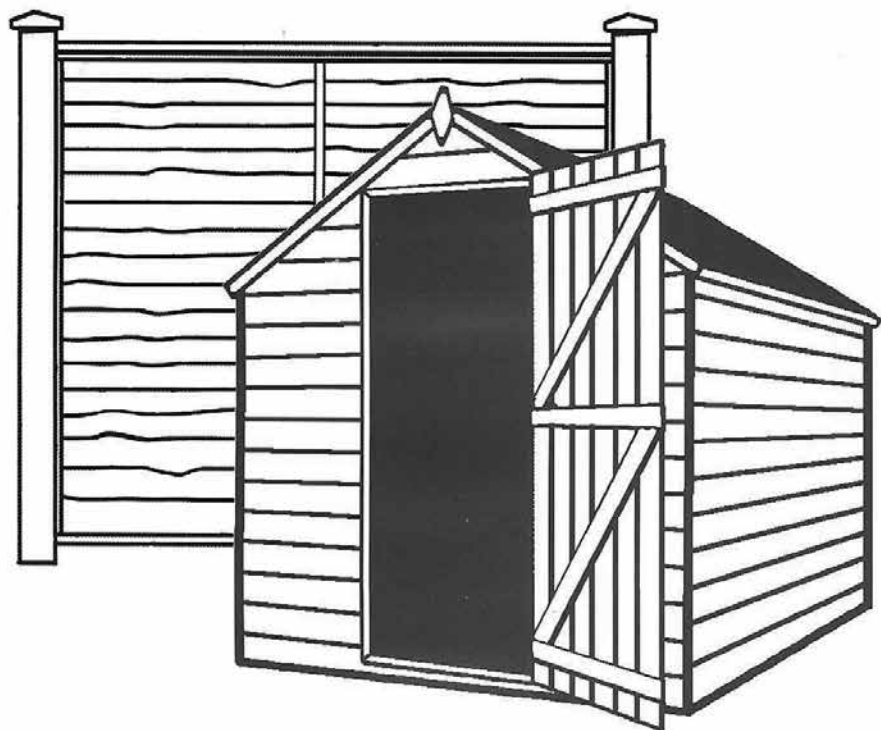
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24/01926/GPDO - 123 Addington Road South Croydon CR2 8LH
Change of use from retail (Class E) to residential (C3) in the form of 2 flats. Application for Prior Approval pursuant to Class MA of Part 3 of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted Development) (England) Order 2015 (as amended).

24/02012/CONR - 202A Addington Road South Croydon CR2 8LD
Retrospective application (Sec 73a) to Planning permission ref 18/06122/FUL granted 18/04/2019 for Erection of four storey building including basement comprising 2 residential units at first and second floor level, office at ground floor level and storage in basement and provision of associated parking (Further explanation not forming part of the formal description of development set out above: The alterations involves changes to refuse and cycle storage arrangements (Condition 2); window details and general facade materials treatment (Condition 3) and landscaping and boundary treatment (Condition 4) of planning permission 18/06122/FUL).

24/01967/HSE - 65 Arundel Avenue South Croydon CR2 8BL
Erection of a single storey rear extension.

24/01830/GPDO - 7 Chestnut Grove South Croydon CR2 7LL
Erection of single storey rear extension projecting out 6 metres with a maximum height of 3.45 metres

24/01682/LP - 9 Copse View South Croydon CR2 8HL
Erection of detached outbuilding.

24/01758/HSE - 45 Greville Avenue South Croydon CR2 8NN
Conversion of existing garage to a habitable room, and upgrade of a side wall to create an enclosed porch. All with new pitched roof above.

22/00024/LE - 15 Kersey Drive South Croydon CR2 8SX
Use of part of dwelling (Class C3) as an ancillary private and taxi hire booking service

24/02099/LP - 44 Kingswood Way South Croydon CR2 8QQ
Erection of a first floor rear extension

24/01813/LP - 136 Littleheath Road South Croydon CR2 7SF
Conversion of existing garage to habitable room

24/01810/OUT - 14 Suffield Close South Croydon CR2 8SZ
Outline Planning Application (all matters reserved) for the Erection of a detached dwellinghouse, along with the demolition of existing single storey side conservatory on the main dwellinghouse (to be retained).

*(Remember that you can use this website to view planning applications
[http://www.localplanningapps.co.uk/croydon/sra/anupdate/planning table.html](http://www.localplanningapps.co.uk/croydon/sra/anupdate/planning%20table.html))*

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News from our Local Police

Here are the number of the top crimes reported during April 2024 for our local police wards.

Crime	Selsdon and Addington Village	Selsdon Vale and Forestdale
Violence and sexual offences	11	18
Burglary	8	
Shoplifting		7
Anti-social behaviour		11
Vehicle crime	9	
Other	24	22
Total number of crimes reported in April 2024	52	58

Selsdon & Addington Village Police Ward: Priority areas and Action taken in June 24

Priority Identified	Action Taken
To proactively patrol Selsdon and Addington Village Ward to reduce violence within the Ward. Patrol known hot spot areas that are cause for concern on our Ward.	High visibility patrols are taking place across various shifts to produce effective results.
The ward and neighbouring wards have been subject to Catalytic Converter thefts over the past few months. We will actively patrol roads on the ward that are being repeat victims of this crime.	Mobile patrols being conducted across a variety of shifts to remain vigilant and also visible for the community.

Burglary on the whole has been very quiet on the ward. We will endeavour to keep it that way with priority patrols in targeted areas. We will visit every Victim of Crime and give reassurance and Crime prevention advice.	Have conducted a plain clothes operation targeting burglaries which has been very successful in reducing the crime.
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Selsdon Vale & Forestdale Police Ward: Priority areas and Action taken in June 24

Priority Identified	Action Taken
High visibility patrols in the known areas of violence in the ward, to deter violent crime.	High visibility patrols are taking place across various shifts to produce effective results.
The ward and neighbouring wards have been subject to Catalytic Converter thefts over the past few months. We will actively patrol roads on the ward that are being repeat victims of this crime.	Mobile patrols being conducted across a variety of shifts to remain vigilant and also visible for the community.
Attend every victim of burglary and provide reassurance advice. High visibility patrols of hotspot locations.	Have conducted a plain clothes operation targeting burglaries which has been very successful in reducing the crime.

Drop In Surgeries

St Francis Church, Broadcombe CR2 8HR

12-1pm Wednesday 24 July

12-1pm Wednesday 31 July

Please do not hesitate to contact your local police team if required:

Emergencies – 999, Non-emergency crime - 101

All phone numbers for each individual team are no longer used. Residents should use the following email addresses:

Selsdon & Addington Village:

SelsdonandAddingtonVillage@met.police.uk

Selsdon Vale & Forestdale:

SelsdonandForestdale@met.police.uk

Failing that, residents can also go onto the Met Police Website and send in an e-mail which will come to each team. In this way all calls are logged and it stops calls from being missed.

When there was an answer machine, the teams were finding that they were coming back from rest days and found that residents had left messages that were Emergency calls. This is why residents are directed to 101 or 999 to stop this from happening.

Good Time for Gardening – July

Summer ... as I write we are still waiting for it to arrive. The summer months can throw out a few surprises — make sure tall plants and climbers are well supported in case of bad weather, as high winds and heavy rain can wreak havoc.

A few further pointers to jobs for this time of year:

- (If it's been hot!!) Water at dusk to reduce evaporation and use mulch to retain moisture around plants. Terracotta pots are prone to evaporation so dampen the pot down to keep roots inside cool and damp.
- Deadhead **bedding plants** and perennial plants to stop them self-seeding and to encourage further flowering. Faded **perennial plants** can also be cut back to keep borders tidy.
- Cutting back growth in hanging baskets can encourage new flowers and foliage and will revive the display. Make sure you feed your baskets well after doing this.
- Cut back **hardy geraniums**, lupins and **delphiniums** after the first flush of flowers to encourage new growth and further blooms.
- Continue to tie in and train new growth on **climbing plants**.
- Divide clumps of **bearded Iris** so they have time to form roots and flower buds for next year before the cold weather arrives.
- Deadhead your **roses** to keep them looking tidy. Leave the flowers in place if your rose produces attractive hips (seed pods).
- Deadhead **sweet peas** regularly to keep them blooming. Water daily in dry weather.
- If we're experiencing prolonged dry weather, set your mower blades higher to reduce stress on the grass. If your lawn is infested by ants,



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- Keep **bird baths** topped up in hot weather.
- Remove floating blanket weed from your pond plants by twirling it around a stick or garden cane. Before composting it, pile the weed close to the pond for a few hours so any displaced creatures can crawl back into the water.

Frederick, Cedric and Sunflower Sid
www.sandersteadhorticulturalsociety.org.uk

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SRA Logo



The sharp eyed amongst you will have 'spotted' a new logo for the SRA on the cover of the June Gazette. As many other organisations use the initials SRA, even our neighbouring area of Sanderstead, we thought it may be useful to find something unique for us. Our logo will help identify us when the occasion/need arises and even communicate something about who we are.

As Selsdon is particularly blessed with acres of green woods, most notably our 'bird sanctuary', it seemed appropriate to find something which brought those to mind, so our new logo/mascot is a friendly green woodpecker with a heart-shaped back. You may spot the logo popping up from time to time. We hope you like it.

For those old enough to remember, there used to be a charming children's TV programme which aired in the 1970s called 'Bagpuss'. A character on the show was 'Professor Yaffle' - his name based on the country name for a green woodpecker, 'yaffle' being its laughing call. The toy bird (according to Wikipedia at least) was based on British mathematician and public intellectual Bertrand Russell. In a happy coincidence and convoluted link to Selsdon, I have spotted that Bertrand studied maths at Cambridge University, as did Selsdon Wood saviour Winifred Hudson and her similarly exceptionally gifted mathematical family members (though not

exactly at the same time). Her father even was a maths professor there at one time, though whether he also bore any resemblance to 'Professor Yaffle', I couldn't say!

A few other logos from local groups around Selsdon are: Friends of Selsdon Wood – a woodland plant, Friends of Littleheath Woods – Greater Spotted Woodpecker on a tree, Croydon High Girls School – Ivy leaf, The Village Club (Selsdon) – a green tree, Greenvale Primary – a Sandpiper bird on a red background, Selsdon Primary – a fox on a shield on blue background, Selsdon tennis club – a tennis ball for the 'o' of Selsdon, Addington Palace golf – Bishops Mitre, Croham Hurst golf – navy tree. There are of course many more logos around Selsdon and the surrounding areas once you start to look.

Selsdon in general has distinctive manmade 'landmark' images too that immediately spring to mind when we think of our 'village', such as the Selsdon 'Triangle' 'traffic tree clock and car railings', the carved bear in Selsdon Wood, the Selsdon Park hotel/mansion house, St John's clock tower and flagpole. Of course - not forgetting the SRA's Selsdon High Street festive cross-street lights!

Janet Sharp

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Costains Selsdon Housing Developments. Sales Techniques and Unique Selling Points

We have seen how Costains spent almost 15 years creating much of the Selsdon that we know now. We have seen in previous articles the obvious pride which Costains expressed in their descriptions of the quality and attributes of their houses, but how did they sell them and what were their unique selling points?

Costains had an innovative approach to selling their houses. Their Sales Director (who had a house in Upper Selsdon Road) eschewed Estate Agents selling Costains Houses as "he considered the best people to sell houses were the men who had built them and he put forward a novel proposal that all office staff, general foremen and trades foremen should be invited to join a Sales Club." "The unexpected but most desirable outcome of this procedure was that when trades foremen were taking

potential purchasers around the houses, they came to realise the advantage of a high quality product and would-be-purchasers were quick to realise that they were in direct contact with the man who actually built the houses and were proud of their workmanship."

The Costains Foremen went above and beyond: "Members of the Sales Club also helped to choose wallpapers (at up to 1/6d per roll), ensured that electricity, gas and water services were turned on, arranged for milk to be on the doorstep on the day the new owners moved in." The Sales Club operated from September 1925 up to the second World War and the Costains operatives were assisted in their endeavours with frequent talks on salesmanship with a manual and a postal learning pack. It is not clear whether the sales team were on commission but it may have been a canny move by Mr Peachey, the Sales Director, to avoid Estate Agents fees. Interest rates were stable and last month we saw the minimum deposit terms for buying a Costains house. Costains also had a savings plan:

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From the Costains Sales Brochure

developed by the Residents' Association. This community life, the business of making a garden out of primordial woodland and the felicities of early married life, transformed the whole texture of living."

Max and May lived in Littleheath Road.

Who could resist living in such a perfect spot?

As an added incentive, and to newly-weds in particular, Costains offered a deposit savings plan.

In 1929 Max Davidson married May and they visited prospective houses in London in a 20 mile radius from Charing Cross. Young Max was a bank clerk. He records:

"This extensive estate ...compared with the usual speculative building of the period was very attractive. The purchasers of the houses were nearly all young civil servants, or of similar social standing, and a vigorous corporate life was being

What else did Costains do to make life easier and more pleasant for the new Selsdonians? What were their unique selling points?

The early pioneers were offered a free Silver Birch tree. In September 1937, Costains were offering a free gift to each purchaser of one of their new houses completing within the next month. On offer was a choice of such luxury goods as a carpet sweeper, bathroom cabinet with mirror, a bin with lid and foot pedal or a lavatory brush and stand. It is not recorded how attractive the prospective purchasers found the gifts.

Costains also supported the new residents in other tangible ways. The original Costains Estate Office at Number 1 Queenhill Road functioned as a free Library which was supplied with books from Surrey County Council and opened twice a week. The library functioned until 1929, when it moved into the new temporary school.

In early 1926 Costains were operating a private bus service for Selsdon residents. The route taken was from Queenhill Road down Upper Selsdon Road to South Croydon Station, stopping at the Croham Arms. Farley Road was under construction and had a narrow gauge railway bringing building materials up to Selsdon. The East Surrey Traction Company (ESTC) had decreed that they would not put on a bus service to Selsdon until Upper Selsdon Road was widened. The Costains bus operated from February or March 1926 to November 1926 when the ESTC commenced a single decker service.



Costains private bus pictured outside No 2 Queenhill Road, at its junction with Upper Selsdon Road, where it ran down to the Croham Arms for South Croydon Station and back.

The bus was hired from Chelsham Garage. The service was initially free but as so many wives were taking the bus to meet their husbands from work leading to the bus being too full and heavy to make it back up the hill to Selsdon, a nominal 2d fare was levied.

We shouldn't forget the open spaces which Costains gifted to the residents, via the Urban District Council: Queenhill Road Playspace and later, in



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Ian Leggatt

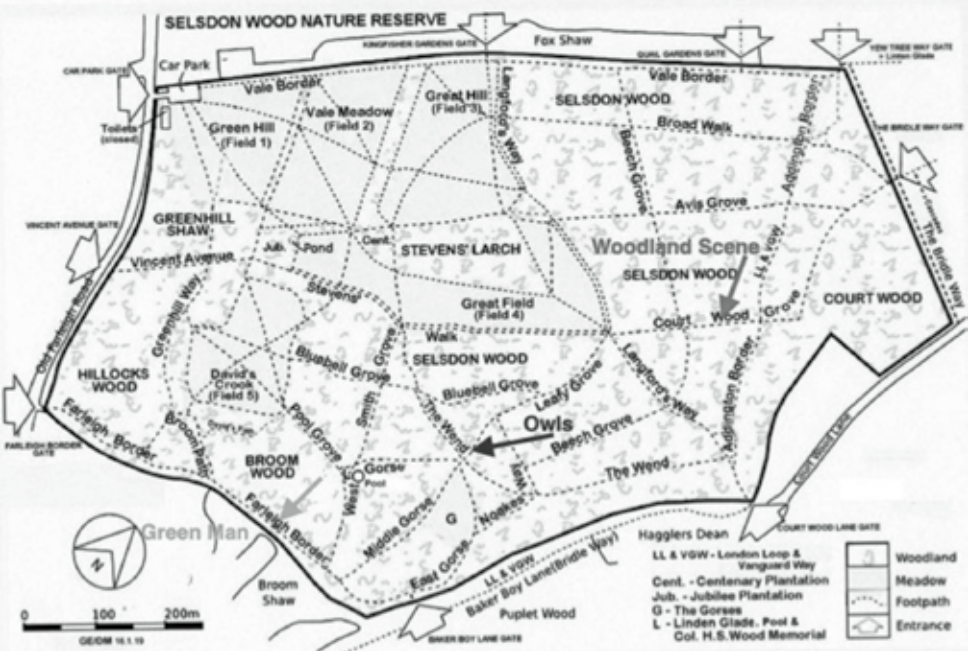
*What about the ease with which the new residents could travel to Croydon, London or farther afield? And where else were Costains building?
To be continued.....*

Again, Thanks to Ted Frith’s journals and BT and CW for copy of the sales brochure.

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What is Going on in the Woods Today?

The answer to this question for Selsdon Wood is, wood carvings. There are three to spot:
The Green Man along the Farleigh Border.
Owls along Leafy Grove , near the crossroads with the Wend
A wood land scene along Court Wood Grove.





I have found the first two on my walks in the wood but have still to see the woodland scene. This photo shows some rabbits and a fox from the scene, while the Green Man is shown below.



Why not go Wood Carving spotting in Selsdon Wood during the Summer Holidays?

CJ

Glanville Fritillary



Our cover photo for this month's Gazette shows a rare butterfly, the Glanville Fritillary. This was taken in May at the London Wildlife Trust's Hutchinson's Bank, nestled between New Addington and Featherbed Lane. No customers visit this Bank to withdraw wads of notes or pay their bills. For Hutchinson's Bank is a 34-acre nature reserve, the largest stretch of chalk grassland surviving on the edge of London. Just four miles south of our bustling town centre of Croydon, it is designated a Site of Metropolitan Importance for Nature, a Local Nature Reserve, A Conservation Site and it is also Green Belt land. This is the best place on the English mainland for seeing the Glanville Fritillary and attracts many visitors.

It is a beautiful orange and brown chequered butterfly, with a pattern

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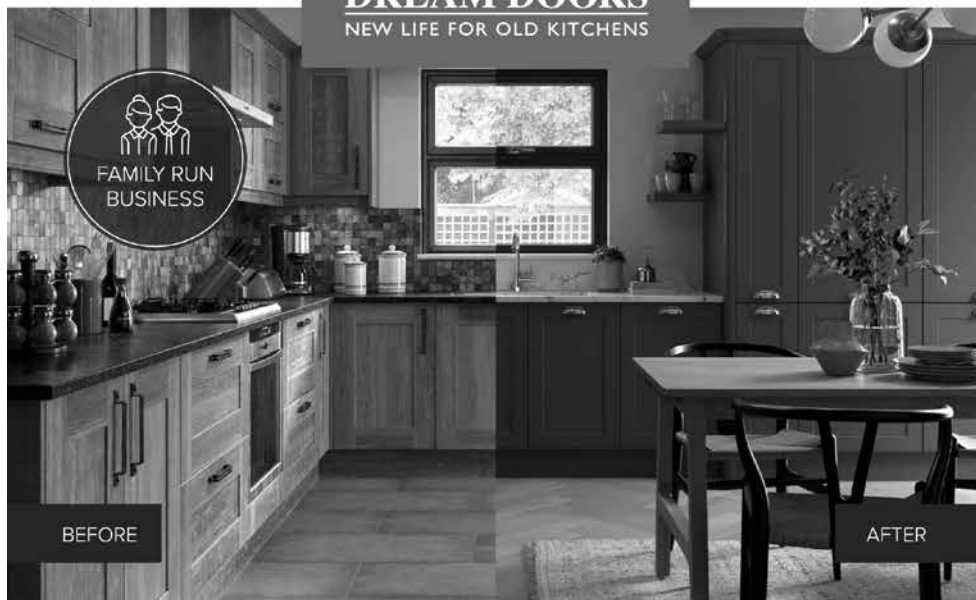
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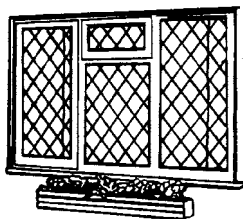
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of cream and orange bands and black marks on the underside of its wings. It's a sun-loving butterfly, which flies on warm days with little to no wind, and hides away amongst grasses on cooler, windier days.

The Glanville Fritillary favours habitats where the topsoil is regularly disturbed, allowing its larval foodplant (ribwort plantain) and nectar sources (such as dandelion, hawkweeds, bird's-foot trefoil, and thrift) to flourish. For this reason, it is often encountered on cliff sides, where the regular erosion of the cliffs creates the perfect disturbed conditions. The butterflies often form small discrete colonies, with little contact between them.

It was originally called the Dullidge fritillary, as it was found in Dulwich. Then the plantain fritillary, after the foodplant of its caterpillars. And then the Lincolnshire fritillary. Finally, in the 18th century, it was re-named the Glanville fritillary to commemorate Eleanor Glanville, an eminent butterfly enthusiast whose will was contested by her son on the grounds that any woman studying butterflies could not be of sound mind. He won the case, too!

The Glanville Fritillary remains a vulnerable species as there are only a handful of core breeding areas in the UK, and we are fortunate to have one of these on our doorstep.

CJ

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Chocolate Quiz

Sunday 7 July is World Chocolate Day and is a day for enjoying and celebrating the introduction of chocolate to Europe, for which we are all very grateful. How much do you know about some of our favourite chocolates?



1. As of 2020, how many different colour Smarties are there?
2. Which brand of sweetened hazelnut cocoa spread has been manufactured by the Italian company Ferrero since 1964?
3. How many segments are there in a Terry's Chocolate Orange?
4. Which confectionery first sold in the UK in 1937 is the "lighter way to enjoy chocolate"?
5. Which chocolate bar was first manufactured in 1932 in Slough, England?
6. Which chocolate bar is "Full of Eastern Promise"?

7. Which Flake-style bar covered in milk chocolate were introduced by Cadbury as a single bar in the early 1970s but repackaged in 1984 as a twin bar?
8. In the UK, what did Snickers change its brand name from in July, 1990?
9. The shape of which chocolate bar, with rounded ends and three arrows or chevrons on top, was registered as a trademark in 2003?
10. Which brand of dark chocolate produced by Cadbury is named after a village on the south side of Birmingham?
11. Which famous mountain is the logo of Toblerone?
12. Which confectionery launched in 1937 is described by the company as the perfect combination of smooth chocolate and slow melting caramel in a bite sized piece?
13. Which chocolate bar containing hazelnuts, nougat and caramel was removed from boxes of Celebrations in 2006?
14. Which Belgian chocolate brand and manufacturer is best known for its seashell shaped pralines?
15. Which African country supplies more than 30 percent of the world's total cocoa?

With thanks to the site Freepubquiz

Answers after Nature Notes

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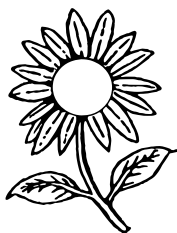
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A huge thank you to the group of residents and 9th Selsdon Brownies (St Johns) who carried out a Community Litter pick around the area of the High Street and neighbouring streets on the morning of Saturday 8 June. This event was in support of 'Big Help Out' national initiative. As previously, their efforts have really helped to clean the area and improve the vista. This received much support and many a "thank you" from passers-by.

Thank you also to the staff at Wetherspoon and their generous support of free tea/coffee/ water for volunteers.

Andrew Baxter

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We welcome your letters so do **please get in touch** if you have something to share with Selsdon residents.

Please remember to state your name, address, contact number and publication anonymity requirements in **all** correspondence to the Editor. Anonymity can be granted on request, but anonymously sent letters/e-mails will not be published.

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Here one of our resident alerts us to our rights concerning low flying drones.

Dear Editor,

I'm a local resident who witnessed an estate agent flying his drone close to the ground, trespassing through my garden and possibly 13 other gardens on Wednesday 5th June. When confronted, he claimed he had the right to be there. In short, I've contacted the relevant authorities who have advised me to file a police report, as he was indeed trespassing. I think all local residents should be informed of their rights.

Andy Simpson of Littleheath Road.

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Dear Editor,

In the June Gazette, the article 'A look back in past Gazettes' interested me because it reminded me of a song broadcast sometime in the 1940s

regarding eggs. The words were as far as I can remember:

*I had a lot of chickens, a large chicken run,
But owing to conditions, I'm now down to one.
I give her all the tit-bits, the dear little thing,
And just to keep her up to scratch, I go to her and sing.
Hey little hen when, when, when, will you lay me an egg for my tea?
Hey little hen when, when, when, will you try and supply one for me?
Get in your nest, get it off your chest,
Do your very best, I can do the rest.
Hey little hen when, when, when, will you lay me an egg for my tea?*

I can even remember the tune, but I promise that I won't sing it!

Eric Shaw

P.S. I've broken my promise. Every Wednesday I volunteer at the Wandle Industrial Museum in Mitcham and I told this story to a colleague and sang the song! You have my apology.

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Here one of our residents recalls living in the Selsdon Vale Estate and near to Selsdon Wood for nearly 50 years.

Dear Editor,

In 1976 my family moved to Linnet Close on the new estate of Selsdon Vale. Our house was near the top of the Vale and in 1976 with only part of the estate built, Sandpiper Road and others in the lower part of the Vale used to be covered in mist in the morning, including the new school which had only just been opened. Once houses had been established the heat from these stopped the mist and I have never seen it since.

In those days we did not have the 443 bus, so one had to walk to the shops to get buses from there. It was great when the 443 was established and run by Metrobus, and always running on time. I don't think the present service is as reliable. The arrival of the bus increased traffic through the estate because traffic could now follow the bus on its journey through, whereas before people could never work out where to go.

Selsdon Woods or the Bird Sanctuary as we knew it was under the care of Mr Squirrel and Mr Badger, Council Officers who were based in the office by the car park and always ensured paths were regularly cut and the woods in general were properly cared for. Bit of a different situation now, with us relying on the Selsdon Woods Volunteers. In the 1990s the Council established the annual festival which used to take place in the top field, with all sorts of events and things to do and see. Again, this has now gone, but we do have an event that takes place by the car park at the start of September.

Another memory which comes to mind are the rabbits that were seen and used to live in the verges between the first and second field. Unfortunately, these were wiped out by the Myxomatosis virus that spread through the UK, and they have never reappeared. Along with deer, foxes and badgers, we are fortunate to have many varieties of birds and squirrels. Until recently we had an albino squirrel that lived at the Forestdale end of the Woods, but I have not seen it for about 18 months. Regretfully, the Council and police do not do enough to reduce the fast speeds of vehicles in Old Farleigh Road and we lose many of these animals killed on the road. This could be resolved in part by speed cameras along the southern section of Old Farleigh Road by the Woods.

In 1987 we had the bad storm which brought down many trees in the Bird Sanctuary, Old Farleigh Road and the surrounding area and for those living beneath trees in gardens and along roads, it was frightening. You could hear the sounds of large trees falling and hitting other trees and buildings. By 1987, I was living in Old Farleigh Road and was woken up by the storm, I gathered the family in the lower centre room of the house for safety and listened to the frightening sounds of trees falling. When morning came and the storm had ended, we went out to see many huge trees were laying across the road. Fortunately, we suffered only minor damage. Walking along the road today you would not realise this had taken place.



More recently, we have seen some attractive cuttings taking place on tree stumps along the paths of the Woods, showing owls and other animals. These and the beautiful Bluebells in the Spring add to the attraction and pleasure of those walking these fabulous Woods.

Mike Gillott

Dear Editor

Please would you add this short plea from the Friends of Littleheath Woods in the next Gazette:

At present we have no-one regularly keeping records of bird sightings in the woods. We are looking for a keen birdwatcher to help us out. If you think you are able to help then please contact us via our website - www.folw.co.uk Thank you.

Shirley Shephard

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Here our regular contributor, Jessica Blake, reflects on the elections and urges us all to enjoy these longer days of the year.

THE THRUSTING HUSTINGS

Hoorah, the hustings are nearly over, as I write this.

I think of them as “thrustings”, because so much we are all being endlessly told are slanted views, one way or another, and thrust at us through TV, newspapers and the internet. However, the really good thing is that we can democratically vote for our government at most every five years. Imagine living in a country where you cannot do this. Take Russia for example, where those who oppose the government can end up in prison and even die there.

There is Iran, Burma, North Korea and many others, where the opposition disappears - mostly into jail, sometimes the politicians die while there so the “leader” is returned to power. Our politics seem quite innocuous in comparison.

Anyway folks, whoever gets into power in the UK will have been elected democratically.



Now is the time to go and walk in a public garden or stroll around a common or meander around a park - and relax! The weather at last seems

to be improving. As I write the Solstice is nearly here. The crowds at Stonehenge are gathering and there is now a defined walk around it, to



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keep people getting too close to the stones. Wonder if that makes it more relaxed at the Solstice? Really, I believed everyone would like to touch those stones. Suppose some idiots started to carve their names into the rock? "Joe was here 2024".

It is fascinating to look out of the window at around 11.00 pm and still be able to see the flowers and trees clearly, because it is so light. In Scotland it is possible to play golf at midnight, using yellow golf balls; just in case your idiotic playmate manages not to get their ball straight onto the green and you need to help search for it! Perhaps a passing owl will help.

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Poetry Corner

Mary Gill's poem this month celebrates National Tree Day which this year is on Sunday 28th July.

TALKING TO TREES

Some people,
even kings and princes,
talk to trees –
and I have always mocked them.
What do trees know?

But trees can live for many centuries -
I shall be lucky if I survive one.

Perhaps we should respect their wisdom -
these venerable trees.
What have they seen?
What have they felt?
Here is my witness -
a gnarled and ancient tree.
Long before the Industrial Revolution,
it took root on this spot.



When it was born
there were no mills or factories,
no internal combustion engines,
no jet aircraft,
no space rockets,
a lot less people.

If I could learn to speak Tree
it could tell me about climate change first hand.
It could tell me how its life began—
Alone in the midst of the common-land?
One of many in an ancient wood?



Did it witness bloody battles?
How many lovers met beneath its shade?
How many small boys attempted to scale its height?
How many endangered birds nested in its branches?
How many extinct insects sheltered within its bark?

I might ask how it felt when they built the first factory,
ran the first train.
Was it scared when the first jet flew overhead?

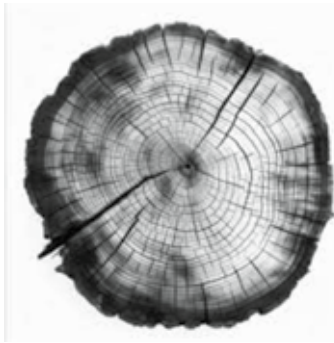
I could learn a lot if I spoke to trees
and they deigned to answer.

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Nature Notes from Ted Forsyth Trees

When an acorn falls in a suitable place, or is planted by a Jay storing potential food for the winter, it will eventually start producing roots. The initial roots are seeking water and nutrients but as roots thicken and spread, they take on the additional task of stabilising the tree and holding it up as the sapling grows. Other tree species develop their own characteristics: Ash produces a tap root which grows deep into the soil to produce stability, while Birch has a rather flat root system and the tree tends to topple easily in very high winds.

The surface of the sapling is protected by a waterproof skin which is



initially smooth but can change character as the sapling grows. Growth not only occurs upwards as the stem stretches up towards the light but the diameter of the stem also increases. As growing conditions are different in summer and winter a cross-section of a tree will show a series of growth rings which enable an estimate to be made of the age. On an Oak, the bark develops a rough fissured surface as the diameter increases, but on a

Beech tree the smooth surface is retained even on a mature tree. This difference in surface character can be used to identify a tree species even in the absence of leaves.

Just as animals will take nutrients from their food and gases from the air, to enable them to grow so will a tree. Beneath the bark is a layer in which there is a food transport system consisting of two types of tube, one of which carries materials upwards towards leaves and branches while the other receives the results of photosynthesis in the leaves and transports it down towards the roots. Water and minerals, such as nitrogen, phosphorus and manganese, are taken from the soil by the fine feeding roots, while at the other end of the system the energy of sunlight is used to combine water and carbon dioxide through the process of photosynthesis to create sugars which carry the carbon necessary for growth. Waste products, including oxygen, are released into the atmosphere by the leaves.

Trees become dormant in winter after fluids are withdrawn from the leaves causing them to fall from all species except the needle-leaved conifers and evergreens like Holly and Laurel. Windy conditions in winter will cover the paths with the debris of many small fallen branches and even an occasional complete tree. Beech and Horse Chestnut are both well known for having a tendency to lose very large branches. Where a branch breaks off there can be an opportunity for decay to set in and eventually to produce a hole which can



be used for nesting by birds ranging in size from small tits to jackdaws or owls. Decay can also start at ground level and can lead to ancient Oak trees surviving with a completely hollow centre where the dead heartwood has gone but the fluid transport system still functions in the living material under the surface of the bark.

A living Oak tree plays host to a multitude of munching creatures. Aphids, leaf hoppers and weevils suck sap from the leaves; many moths and a few butterflies lay their eggs on the tree and their caterpillars eat the leaves; minute wasps lay their eggs in the developing acorn buds and produce a range of galls; some bush crickets spend their lives on the tree, etc.

Where a tree falls and can be left to decay, or where a tree is felled and the remaining stump begins to decay, life still goes on as fungi take over and are joined by creatures like woodlice.

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Answers to the Chocolate Quiz

1. Eight (red, orange, blue, green, yellow, pink, violet and brown)
2. Nutella
3. 20
4. Maltesers
5. Mars
6. Turkish Delight
7. Twirl
8. Marathon
9. Bounty bar
10. Bournville
11. Matterhorn
12. Rolo
13. Topic
14. Guylian
15. Ivory Coast

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We've been busy over the last few months since we've been in the Gazette, putting on lots of new live music events and extra Bingo sessions (one Wednesday per month) for our lovely clients, as well as arranging for some of our favourites to come back again!

We've had lots of fun and our numbers have been increasing gradually. We've put on two fabulous retail events when we brought the shops to our clients, some of which find it hard to get out and about by themselves for very long. We feel sure that these popular events will return again in the Autumn.



Our D-Day memorial afternoon tea was one of our best events of the year so far, with a wonderful live appearance by none other than Sir Winston Churchill, aka Brian Holdom (see photo) - he gave a rousing speech and read a couple of very moving D-Day poems to our guests, who thoroughly enjoyed it. This was followed by a lively sing-a-long by the amazing Barry Stevens, who has such a great voice, a large range of songs and has a lovely way with our clients - He's now a firm favourite and we'll definitely ask him back to the Centre.

Lots of lovely home-cooked lunches have been served and lots of friendships made over the last few months. If you know anyone who would benefit from attending the Centre, pop along for a chat and a cuppa to see how it all works.

As we grow in numbers, the need for more volunteers becomes apparent. If you'd like to help us out by volunteering for just a couple of hours a week, we'd be very grateful. Our shifts are in 2hr sessions, so are quite manageable for the newly retired! There are many opportunities to help, so pop in to see us in the office and we'd love to discuss your experience and how you can help us. There are also chances available to drive our mini-bus if you have the right driving qualifications. We'd love to meet you and chat about how it's so rewarding to help out in the community. Please call Craig, Jane or Sarah on 0208 651 1111 or email selsdon.centre@btinternet.com for further details.

Looking further ahead, our annual Quiz is on 15th November at St John's Church Hall. Please contact Susan (or leave your phone number on our answerphone) if you wish to book a table of 6 and she'll call you back. It'll be lots of fun with great prizes for the winners.

Contact
Selsdon Community Centre
132 Addington Road
South Croydon, CR2 8LA
Tel: 020 8651 4944
Fax: 020 8657 2268
Email: info@selsdoncontact.org.uk



Are you okay for getting your shopping?

CONTACT, your local Neighbourhood Care Scheme, run regular shopping bus trips to Sainsbury's Warlingham. The round trip takes approximately three hours. Our buses currently run on Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday afternoons. This service is especially for people who are unable to supermarket shop for themselves, carry their own shopping and otherwise have to rely on other people choosing their shopping for them. We provide a door to door service with helpers on board to assist on/off the bus and to help instore. We can accommodate wheelchair users as well. On many occasions these journeys become a social outing for our clients, with lasting friendships being formed.

In addition to regular shopping bus trips to Sainsbury's Warlingham, we also run a once a month shopping trip to West Wickham town centre. For this trip, you will be dropped off and be able to wander around the shops and be given a meeting point before your journey home. A few of the regulars, enjoy a much-deserved pub lunch and a chatter before leaving. If either of the above Shopping trips interest you, please give us a call or call into the office and see us. We can provide further information. We can be found on the lower ground floor of the Selsdon Community Centre/Sainsbury's supermarket store.

*Selsdon Churches Neighbourhood Care Registered Charity 1124346.
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What's Next ?

We are revving up for a busy Summer & Autumn period
Don't miss out, please join us for our exciting events

Friends of Selsdon Wood Open Day and SRA Community Day – Sunday 8th Sept
Selsdon Wood 12.00-16.00 – Come along and join in the fun.

Hobby Fair Saturday – Saturday 14th September 2024

St John's Community Hall, Selsdon. 12:00-16:00 - Come along & meet
many different groups, clubs & organisations which you could join.
Free Entry - come along & have refreshments, enjoy our event.

**Sanderstead Community Day Sat 28th Sept 2024 – Sanderstead
Recreation Ground**

11:00-16:00, Free Entry, amazing number of stalls, entertainment, food & drink.
Come along & have a great fun day for all the family

Craft Fair Saturday 16th November 2024 – All Saints Sanderstead Church Hall
12:00-16:00, Free Entry, Come & see our stalls, enjoy our refreshments &
enjoy a jolly good day out with the family. Don't miss out, have a super fun day.

If you would like to join Rotary for any of our exciting events, to put
something back into our community, or just seeking fun & fellowship,
contact Wendy Parr, Secretary 07774 186 792.

Facebook - <https://www.facebook.com/rotarycroydonsouth/>

Website - <https://www.rotarysandersteadandselsdon.com/>

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SELSDON AFTERNOON TOWNSWOMEN'S GUILD



We are a friendly group of over 60 members. We meet
from 1.30 – 4.00pm on the third Friday of each month in the
Community Hall, St. John's Church, Upper Selsdon Road,
Selsdon.

On July 19th Rennia Jenkins will speak about Handling History.
On August 6th, just for this month, we will meet in the morning from 10.00-12.00 for our Summer Coffee Morning.
Tony Weeks will be with us on September 20th to tell us about the Blue Watch.

There are activity groups to join, such as Handicrafts, Drama, Lunch Club and the Literary Group, and there is always time for refreshments and time to meet other members.

Why not come and join us?

Christine Holland 02086574861

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Friends of Selsdon Wood 
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SUMMER EVENT 2024



Mini-Beast Hunt – with Roger Hawkins
Wednesday 14th August @ 2pm

This event is great fun for families with children aged 5-12. All are given collecting pots and taken on a walk to explore the fields and hedgerows for minibeast of all varieties.

They take their finds to our team of experts who will name each specimen.
Come to have fun in the sun and learn all about minibeasts!

Meet in Selsdon Wood car park off Old Farleigh Road

Get your entries in for our 2024 Photo Competition!!

Each entrant may submit up to 6 photographs taken in Selsdon Wood between 20th August 2023 and 19th August 2024. As usual the winners will be chosen by a secret ballot of the visitors to the FSW Open Day on 8th September. Winners will



receive cash prizes of £50 first, £20 second and £10 third. Closing date - 20th August 2024.

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SUMMER READING CHALLENGE 2024

MARVELLOUS MAKERS



This is a national initiative run by The Reading Agency with public libraries every year aimed at keeping children reading over the summer. As 1 in 4 children cannot read well by the age of 11, hugely limiting their life choices and skills, the Reading Agency is on a mission to change this.

How it works

Children are challenged to read 6 books and collect rewards for reading anything that they enjoy from the library. Marvellous Makers starts on Saturday 6 July and finishes on 14 September 2024. Children, aged 4-11, can sign up at their local library or online, and it is free to take part. They receive rewards and a certificate once completed!

Online

Go to The Summer Reading 2024 website and join up. Set your reading goal and read anything you like! Each time you finish a book, add it to your profile and leave a review. Unlock rewards for your reading including a new online badge and a certificate when you reach your Challenge goal!

At Your Local Library

Visit your local library and ask to sign up. A librarian will give you a special collector folder when you start your Challenge. Set a reading goal and read anything you like. Each time you finish a book, visit the library. You will collect special stickers and rewards for reading books. This year's Challenge is called Marvellous Makers and it's all about creativity! From dance to drawing, junk modelling to music, there's something for everyone. This year's theme has been developed in partnership with a leading arts charity, Create.



Costa Del Croydon: A free Seaside Escape in the Heart of the City

Experience the beach without leaving Croydon
1-28 August, Level 3 of Centrale's Multi-storey Car Park

Get ready to feel the sand between your toes without leaving the city! From 1st to 28th August, Costa Del Croydon will transform the top floor of Centrale's multi-storey car park into an urban beach paradise, offering a unique blend of seaside fun and city vibes right in the heart of Croydon.

Event Highlights

- Dates: 1st – 28th August
- Open 7 Days a Week
- Session Times: 11:30am – 3:00pm & 3:30 – 7:30pm
- Location: Level 3 of Centrale's multi-storey car park

Activities and Attractions

Families can look forward to a variety of activities that guarantee fun for all ages:

- Giant Sandpit: Perfect for kids to play and build sandcastles.
- Cozy Beach Hut Seats: Relax and enjoy the seaside atmosphere.
- *Bungee Trampolines: Exciting and safe fun for all ages.
- Water Splash Zone: Cool off in the summer heat.
- Competitive Games: Bingo on the beach, *hook-a-duck, *mini Go Karts, and table tennis.
- Family activities: Dance workshops, Arts & Crafts & Storytelling



***Fees apply for Bungee Trampolines, Go Karts and Hook-a-duck**

Tickets

The beach is free to attend with walk-in space and pre-booked tickets available. Tickets can be pre-booked weekly starting from July 25th. Secure your spot to enjoy this unique seaside experience in the city.

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Sign up now for Summer Camp



Age 8-16? Enjoy sports, arts and crafts, board and computer games, plus many more fun activities at Young Croydon's free summer camps. Running Tuesdays to Fridays, 30 July to 23 August, at Fieldway Community

Hub, New Addington, and Samuel Coleridge Taylor Centre, South Norwood.
For more information and to register, email [**Holidayyet@croydon.gov.uk**](mailto:Holidayyet@croydon.gov.uk)

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IS THIS THE OPPORTUNITY THAT YOU HAVE BEEN WAITING FOR?

Dear Residents,

I wanted to let you know about a brilliant new volunteering opportunity that we have at the 1st Selsdon and Addington Scout Group who meet in the Scout Hut hidden in the car park of St. John's Church.



We rely on people like you playing their part to give young people opportunities to dream big, give new activities a go, and build skills for life. You can help make a difference and build our community in Selsdon and you don't even need to work directly with our young people. Interested? Then read on...

You don't need to be Bear Grylls to volunteer. We're looking for people to help out in all sorts of ways in our meeting place and behind the scenes. At the moment, we'd especially love people to join our newly created Trustee Board. A Trustee works with others on the Board behind the scenes, keeping an eye on the bigger picture, making sure the Group runs smoothly and that leaders are able to deliver an exciting program, much like a School governor does.

Scouting happens when a lot of us give a little. You're not signing up for a lifelong commitment and the Trustee Board will meet no more than five times a year. It would be wonderful to have Trustees from our local community! You don't need any previous Scouting experience or connection to the Scout Group - in fact we would love a wide range of people to give us a breadth of experiences.

If you need further motivation research shows that volunteering is also good for you and your mental health! What better reason to join in!

If you have any got questions or want to know a bit more, please get in touch with me by calling 07855 735722 or emailing [**gsl.1stselsdon@gmail.com**](mailto:gsl.1stselsdon@gmail.com)

Best wishes,

James, Group Lead Volunteer



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HOLIDAY AT HOME 2024 - CORNWALL

A summer event for Seniors. Whilst we don't actually leave Selsdon, we do all we can to create a holiday atmosphere for our guests with entertainment, meals, music and a variety of crafts and activities. Cornwall is our theme this year.

This will be our 18th holiday. Why not give it a try?
It's held at Selsdon Baptist Church on these dates:

July 29, July 31, August 2, August 4.

You can come for one day or come for it all. £15 per day covers meals, refreshments, and all other expenses.



You can collect a brochure from the church office at Selsdon Baptist Church on weekdays from 9.30am to 12.30pm or ask for one to be sent to you on 020 8651 4308.

A SELECTED LIST OF SELSDON ORGANISATIONS

CHURCHES

St John the Divine (C of E)	Parish Office	020 8657 2343
Selsdon Baptist Church	Office	020 8651 4308
St Columba's (Roman Catholic)		020 8657 3747
St Francis (Church of England)	Monks Hill	020 8657 7864
Croydon Jubilee Church	Office	020 8651 2807
Forestdale Church, Forestdale School		0777 255 9797
Selsdon Christian Fellowship		020 8668 9779
Church of Jesus Christ of LDS		020 8651 2211

DOCTORS & EMERGENCY CARE

Farley Road Medical Practice	020 8651 1222
Queenhill Medical Practice	020 8651 1141
Selsdon Park Medical Practice	020 8657 0067
Croydon University Hospital	020 8401 3000
New Addington Minor Injuries Unit	020 8251 7225
Purley War Memorial Hospital	020 8401 3515

POLICE

Selsdon & Addington Village: SelsdonandAddingtonVillage@met.police.uk
 Selsdon Vale & Forestdale: SelsdonandForestdale@metpolice.uk

CLUBS, GROUPS & CHARITIES

CONTACT (Neighbourhood Care)	Jasmine Singh	020 8651 4944
Selsdon Centre for the Retired	Craig Anderson	020 8651 1111
Croydon Hearing Resource Centre	Office	020 8686 0049
Croydon Vision		020 8668 2486
Cruse Bereavement Care Helpline		080 8808 1677
Friends of Littleheath Woods	Ian Leggatt	020 8651 1140
Friends of Selsdon Wood	www.friendsofselsdonwood.co.uk	
Sanderstead Plantation Partners	michaellishmund@gmail.com	
Friends of Kingswood	www.friendsofkingswood@hotmail.co.uk	
Girlguiding (Rainbows, Brownies, Guides & Senior Section)		0800 999 2016
1 st Selsdon & Addington Scout Group (Beavers, Cubs, Scouts)	https://girlguiding.org.uk/get-involved	
	www.1stselsdon.org.uk	
2 nd Selsdon & Addington Scout Group	www.2ndSandAScoutGroup.org.uk	
Croham Valley Explorer Scout Unit	Christopher Dean	tinkerscorner@aol.com
Arts Society Croydon Area	Jean Aarons	https://tascroydonarea.org.uk
Parkinson's UK Croydon & District Branch	Roy Court	07704 683373
Rotary Sanderstead & Selsdon	Wendy Parr	07774 186792
RSPB Croydon Local Group	John Davis	020 8640 4578
Selsdon Art Group	Fiona Hooper	07973 412952
Selsdon Bridge Club	Bob Steadman	07545 384899
Selsdon Centre Bridge Club	Betty Borfiga	020 8656 4212
Selsdon Community Hall	Cottie Campbell	selsdonhall.info@gmail.com
Selsdon Flower Club	Maureen Browning	020 8651 5821
Selsdon Townswomen's Guild(pm)	Christine Holland	020 8657 4861
Sanderstead Horticultural Society	www.sandersteadhorticulturalsociety.org.uk	
Sanderstead Local History Group	sandersteadlhg@gmail.com	
Selsdon Tennis Club	Geoff Littlewood	020 8651 4748
St John's Wives	Jane Guglielmi	020 8657 6672
66(Selsdon) Squadron Air Training Corps	Rob Cleeter	020 8651 5958

The SELSDON RESIDENTS' ASSOCIATION

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Please tick this box to give us your permission to retain your personal details for our records.

Please pay the Selsdon Residents' Association now and on 1st June annually until further notice from me, the sum of

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