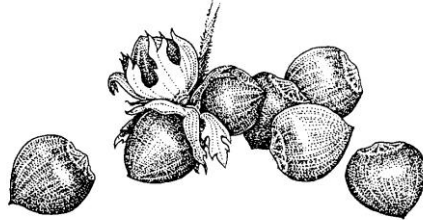


In a Nutshell

THE NEWSLETTER FROM THE FRIENDS OF STANDEN ESTATE:

NUTS ABOUT STANDEN!



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In this edition of In a Nutshell:

Invitation to the Bluebell BBQ, notice of the FOSE AGM on Thursday 10 May, the 2013 FOSE calendar, FOSE work wear and wider developments in volunteering for the National Trust.

First two reminders that need your immediate action - if you have not already done so:

**VOTE NOW FOR SUSAN HODGSON SHORT- LISTED FOR THE
NATIONAL TRUST OCTAVIA HILL 'LOVE PLACES' AWARD
CLOSING DATE 9TH APRIL**

Susan's work at and for Standen has been short-listed for NT's Octavia Hill awards. The final choice of award is made in response to a public vote. That is where you come in. Follow this link: nationaltrust.org.uk/octaviaawards/. Don't delay.

CLAY PIGEON SHOOT BY WEIRWOOD RESERVOIR!!

"USE OF EXISTING LAND AND WOODLAND FOR CORPORATE ACTIVITIES
AND ENTERTAINMENT COMPRISING CLAY SHOOTING, ARCHERY AND AIR
RIFLE RANGE"

To comment go to

http://www.wealden.gov.uk/Wealden/Planning_and_Building_Control/Planning_And_Building_Control.aspx

and search for WD/2012/0251/F.

Then click on the application number to view planning documents including comments and objections already entered. Comment by 10/04/2012.

INVITATION BLUEBELL BARBEQUE SUNDAY 29 APRIL 11 TO 3:30: RSVP BY SUNDAY 15 APRIL RSVP@FOSE.ORG.UK

In addition to the BBQ, we will be offering for your enjoyment

Sale of food and soft drinks

Children's Games, Tombola

Plant & Gift Sales

Woods Craft Demonstrations

Plus

Guided Woodland & Garden Walks & Talks

All volunteers at Standen are invited. Meet volunteers from other groups, find out what they do and tell them about what you do. Bring your family and friends. Who knows, maybe they will want to join us as volunteers themselves.

Your invitation is attached with this newsletter.

We will need to know numbers for catering.

RSVP to rsvp@fose.org.uk or to the FOSE tray in the tea room stating number coming and any vegetarians.

In addition your help is appreciated in the form of:

- Cakes - cup cakes might be easier to serve.
- Plants to sell - vegetables plants in particular labelled including the variety, please. Bring them on the day if you can. We will be setting up from around 8:30.
- Tombola prizes - please check those sell-by dates - we have all won bottles past their sell-by dates!
- Help Keith Rogers and Roy Page with the BBQ
- Help serve teas/coffees/soft drinks
- Craft demonstrations
- Guides for woodland and garden walks.

Offers of help by 15 April please. Organisers are meeting on 16th to finalise arrangements

FOSE CALENDAR FOR 2013

With the continued the success of the FOSE calendars for 2011 and 2012, we are already thinking about 2013. So if you have some good shots of the garden or woods, perhaps with some seasonal interest, lets see them. Apart from being high resolution, photos need to be landscape and preferably 16:9 ratio.

E mail photos to Andrew Hibbert mailto:support@fose.org.uk

NOTICE OF FOSE AGM THURSDAY 10 MAY 7:30PM

The FOSE annual meeting will take place on 10 May in the Barn Restaurant at Standen. Apart from the usual formalities of electing the Committee and Officers and approving the accounts, James our President usually gives an illustrated talk about past successes and forthcoming developments, interspersed with his usual humour. So come along if you can. Full agenda and nomination forms will follow nearer the time.

We are looking for new committee members to help run FOSE. We meet six times a year at 7:30 on a Monday evening in the convivial surroundings of the Old Mill at Dunnings. To find out more, speak with any of the existing committee. We are:

James Masters (President), Susan Hodgson (Chairman) Elaine Boot (Vice Chairman and membership secretary). Sheila Spencer (Treasurer) and Tim Roberson (Secretary).

Other members are Anthony Fisher, Carolyn Hibbert, Andrew Hibbert, Lynda Goacher, Roy Page, Keith Rogers, Anne Scutt and Karen Thomas.

Sheila (treasurer) and Lynda are standing down after six years on the committee. Karen is standing down because of other commitments that including helping with our Standen bees. Tim is standing down as secretary but will represent FOSE on the Volunteer Development Group.

NEW RANGE OF FOSE WORKWEAR

Thanks to Elaine, we have identified a new locally based supplier for FOSE badged clothing. Our new supplier *Wealden Workwear* is located on the Imberhorn Industrial Estate so the ordering process is much easier. Before you order you can see the quality and you will no longer have to guess sizing. Many of you will have already seen the range that is on offer, tried it on and placed orders. Don't worry if you missed the first round of orders. There will be further opportunities. Orders will be taken at the BBQ.

	Cost (£)	Available sizes
Polo shirt	£9	Ladies 10, 12, 16, Men's XS, S, M, L, XL
Basic fleece	£18	Ladies: XS, S, S, M, L Men's S, M, L, XL, XXL
Dickies lined fleece	£27	Men's
Soft shell jacket	£27	M, L, XL
Gilet	£20	M, L, XL
Waterproof Jacket & Trousers	£50	S, M, L
Beanie Knitted Hat	£6	

WWW.MY-VOLUNTEERING.ORG.UK

This is the new web site for NT volunteers. At present there are some difficulties logging on. I will keep you informed of progress.

TWO NEW ADMIN ASSISTANTS FOR STANDEN

Starting on 27 March, there will be two new staff with lots of experience of working with volunteers. Liz Robinson will be full time, 5 days per week. Bleau Hudson will be part time, 4 days per week, 1 $\frac{1}{2}$ to 2 days volunteer work. Bleau has volunteered at Standen and been a paid employee at Sheffield Park.

STANDEN VOLUNTEERING DEVELOPMENT GROUP

The Volunteer Development Group at Standen is chaired by Nicky Ingram (property manager). Your garden representatives are Fiona Fisher, Alison Smith, David Kirby and Tim Roberson. Nick or Carolyn are the garden staff reps. Much of the credit for getting the Group up and running goes to Holly Millett who has now moved to Chartwell.

The Group is looking at the systems for the management of volunteers to be put into place now the new admin staff are in post. Benefits include better recruitment and induction procedures and better communication with volunteers across the property, freeing up the garden office from those admin tasks like processing our travel claims.

So if your e-mail address changes, make sure the Volunteer Admin Team knows about it or you may miss out on opportunities or events across the property.

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<http://www.spendandraise.com/fose/>

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