

Edition 38 - 16th May, 2026



Hi,

Welcome to this week's edition of the Dean Scene.

Due to the tragic local events of the past few days, I have removed this week's **History Corner** which would not have been appropriate and instead we have the history of our Charity of The Month... **The Marsden Charity**.

Today's Surfers Against Sewage protest and Beach Clean at Rottingdean Beach has also been cancelled and there will be a moment for **silent reflection** on Rottingdean Beach at midday today for anyone who would like to join.

I was hoping to celebrate Mark Earthy's achievement on last Sunday's Marsden March but I know Mark will feel more comfortable postponing this news at the moment.

Our thoughts are with the victims, their families and loved ones at this sad time.

Best Wishes,

Lisa Staples

What's Happening In The Deans This Week...



Following the tragic news that three young women have lost their lives this morning in the seas off our coast in Brighton, Saturday's paddle out protest and beach clean at Rottingdean has been CANCELLED.

Our thoughts are with the three victims, their families and friends at this very sad time.

There will be a moment of silent reflection on Saturday at midday on Rottingdean beach for anyone who would like to join.

The protest will be rescheduled for a later date.

Thank you for your understanding at this sad time.

13 May 2026

**St Wulfran's Church
Ovingdean
Sunday 17th May
4pm**



BONFIRE SERVICE AND 
BARBECUE
SUNDAY 17 MAY 4PM
ST WULFRAN'S CHURCH OIVINGDEAN,
IN DAPHNE'S FIELD (through the churchyard)
In church if wet

- 3.30pm Children's craft and activities
- 4pm– 4.45 pm Live music and praise
- Barbecue—hot dogs and burgers
- Toasting marshmallows round the bonfire
- Barbecue, tea, squash provided
- Bring chairs/picnic rugs

Bring your family and friends!

This will be held in Daphne's Field (through the churchyard) or in the church if wet.

**Friends of Beacon Hill
Friday 22nd May**



Come and join the friends of Beacon Hill!

All Work Sessions are 10:00 to 12:00 at the Beacon Hub on Beacon Hill. We are there on the second Tuesday and fourth Friday of each month so come along!

We ask people to bring secateurs if they have them, to wear sturdy footwear and have good gardening gloves. We provide tools for scrub removal.

The Pilates Corner

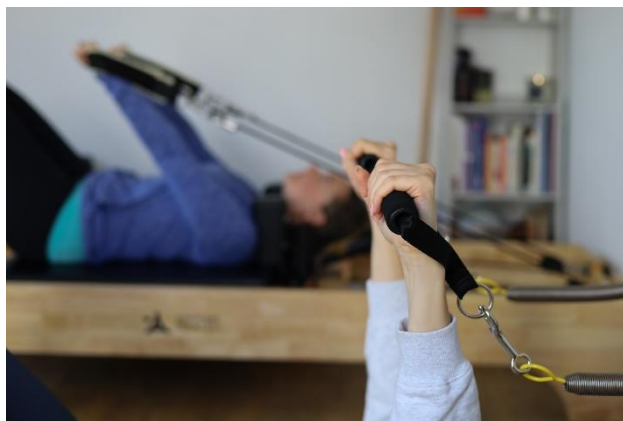
Observe. Get curious. Connect and re-centre.

Make moves mindfully with **Pilates** and movement teacher
Anna Pearce at The Pilates Corner.

A nourishing space to get curious about, strengthen and move your frame, **The Pilates Corner** is a small, specialised, fully equipped studio guided by principles of accessibility of language, movement and sensorial experiences for all. Located in the heart of **Rottingdean Village**, it offers one-to-one or small-group Pilates classes that are – as described by existing clients – playful, rewarding and transformative.

Anna's pilates teaching career spans more than ten years and is constantly evolving. Her classes are designed to bring about awareness, guiding you with kindness towards ease of movement while challenging the body with (and through) motion.

For further details of what's on offer, or if you have any questions, please don't hesitate to get in touch at the link below or visit our website: <https://www.pilatescorner.co.uk>



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St Martin's Church
Saltdean**



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Holy Cross Church Pet Blessing Service



Pet Blessing Service

A Celebration of Animals

Pets and cuddly toys
welcome

4pm, Sunday
24th May

Come and celebrate
the special place our
animal friends hold
in our hearts

Holy Cross Church,
Downsway, Woodingdean
BN2 6BD
www.woodingdeanholycross.org.uk



[Visit Our Website](#)

Nuffield Health 'Understanding Snoring & Sleep Apnoea' Tuesday 19th May



Mr Simon Watts
Consultant ENT Surgeon

Meet the Expert: Understanding snoring and sleep apnoea in
adults and children

 Nuffield Health Brighton

 Tuesday 19th May 6pm

 01273 624488



Free Health Talk – Open to Everyone

Struggling with snoring? Worried about your child's sleep? Want to understand the signs, causes and treatment options for snoring and sleep apnoea?

Join us for an informative Meet the Expert session with Mr Simon Watts, leading ENT surgeon at Nuffield Health Brighton Hospital. This free event is ideal for anyone looking to learn more about sleep-related breathing issues in both adults and children.

Mr Watts will cover:



What causes snoring and sleep apnoea



Symptoms to look out for in children and adults



When to seek help



Diagnostic options and treatments



Lifestyle changes that can improve sleep

You'll also have the chance to ask questions during our Q&A.



Free to attend – everyone welcome.

Spaces are limited, so early booking is recommended.

Call 01273 624488 or email: brighton.enquiries@nuffieldhealth.com

Email For More Info

Charity of the Month

The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity



How the Royal Marsden started.....

Since opening our doors in 1851 as the world's first hospital dedicated to cancer, we have led the way in transforming how cancer is understood and treated—shaping care not just in the UK, but around the world.

Today, our history is not just something we look back on. It is a living legacy that continues to drive innovation, improve patient outcomes, and inspire the future of cancer care.

Our beginnings

The Royal Marsden was founded in 1851 by surgeon William Marsden, who recognised the urgent need for specialist cancer care at a time when treatment options were limited and often inaccessible.

Originally known as the Free Cancer Hospital, it was the first institution of its kind anywhere in the world—established with a mission to provide care for all, regardless of means.

This commitment to specialist, compassionate care remains at the heart of everything we do today.

Pioneering cancer care

Throughout our 175-year history, The Royal Marsden has played a defining role in many of the breakthroughs that have shaped modern cancer care.

From early surgical techniques to advances in radiotherapy, chemotherapy and personalised medicine, our clinicians and researchers have consistently pushed boundaries to improve outcomes for patients.

Our long-standing partnership with The Institute of Cancer Research has been central to this progress—bringing together world-leading research and clinical expertise to translate scientific discovery into life-changing treatments.

A global leader today

Today, The Royal Marsden is recognised internationally as a centre of excellence in cancer care, research and education.

We treat tens of thousands of patients each year across our sites, while continuing to lead research that is shaping the future of cancer treatment worldwide.

Our work extends beyond our hospitals through education, partnerships and our role in advancing standards of care globally.

175 years—and looking ahead

As we mark 175 years, we are reflecting on the people, breakthroughs and moments that have defined our history—and looking ahead to what comes next.

Cancer care continues to evolve at pace, and The Royal Marsden remains at the forefront of that change. From early diagnosis and precision medicine to new therapies and technologies, we are committed to improving outcomes and experiences for patients now and in the future.

Our 175th anniversary is not just a celebration of the past—it is a moment to build on our legacy and shape the next era of cancer care.

[Visit The Royal Marsden Cancer Charity Website](#)

Brighton Male Voice Choir

BRIGHTON MALE VOICE CHOIR

- Wide range of audiences from corporate venues to private parties
- Supporting local and national charities and events
- Extensive music repertoire

New members welcome

- To those men who would like to sing in a friendly relaxed atmosphere
- No audition, not necessary to read music
- Rehearsals 7.00 -8.45pm Thursdays at the Woodingdean Methodist Church, The Ridgway, Woodingdean, BN2 6PA
- Contact our Membership Secretary Jeff White swanjeff.white@gmail.com or call 07544903027

Give us a call you may enjoy yourself and realise a long held ambition. Come and watch a practice.

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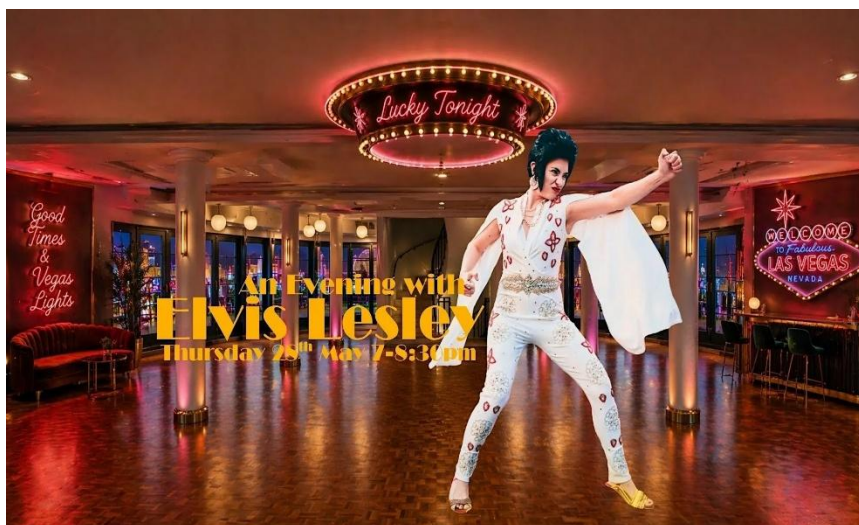
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An Evening With Elvis Lesley

Saltdean Lido

Thursday 28th May



She's here! Elvis Lesley is in the building!

Join award-winning comedian **Tracey Collins** (*Audrey Heartburn*, *Shell Suit Cher*) as returns to Saltdean Lido with her electric musical comedy show: *An Evening with Elvis Lesley!*

This hilarious one woman show follows Elvis Lesley as they prepare to leave their day job in the UK and gyrate their way back to the bright lights of Las Vegas! Featuring brilliantly reworked songs, surreal stories, heart-stopping hip gyrations, and a whole lotta chaos.

Will they nail that famous lip curl, sensuous croon, and jiggy legs? Come and find out — and witness Elvis as you've never seen them before!

Important: All seats and tables are **unallocated** and available on a **first-come, first-served basis**, so make sure you arrive early to grab your spot on the dance floor!

[Book Tickets](#)

Dogtember!

Saltdean Lido

Book Your Tickets Now!



Tickets for Dogtember'26 (our tenth year!) are now Live!

The event is spread over 4 weekends from 12/13th September and we have four 90 minute sessions and one Quiet session each day.

If you want to swim with your dog in our 40m heated (!) pool, you'll both need swim tickets, but if you prefer to stand poolside and throw a ball (provided), then a swim ticket for your dog & a spectator ticket for you is fine.

Children under the age of 16 are NOT allowed in the main pool, for H&S reasons, though they're welcome in the splashpool, on a spectator ticket.

A full list of breed meet-up sessions has been posted in our Saltdean Lido Dog Swimmers Facebook group.

You can book with confidence now as, because we realise that things can happen unexpectedly, tickets bought now can be changed to an alternative session (subject to availability) nearer the time.

This event is organised, run & stewarded by volunteers as a fundraiser for the Saltdean Lido Trust, a registered charity, and is proudly sponsored by [Petgevity UK](#)

Fetch your tickets here:

[Book Tickets!](#)

The Spanish Lady
Saturday 30th May
Supporting Rottingdean & Saltdean Lions



Charity Pop Up for
Alzheimer Society
Sunday 24th May
10am - 2pm

CHARITY POP UP
PRE LOVED CLOTHES, SHOES BAGS &
ACCESSORIES
SOME HOME & GARDEN ITEMS
SUNDAY 24TH MAY
10AM - 2PM
1 BEACON COURT
OVINGDEAN, BN2 7AY
Raising funds for Alzheimer Society
CASH ONLY
**Alzheimer's
Society**

**Nuffield Health
Wednesday 3rd June
6pm**



Mr Adam Ajis
Consultant Foot & Ankle Surgeon

Meet the Expert
Walking without limits: All about ankle arthritis

 **Nuffield Health Brighton**

 **Wednesday 3rd June 6pm**

 **01273 627051**
01273 627075



**Jazz at Woodingdean Methodist Church
Saturday 6th June**



**JAZZ AT
WOODINGDEAN
METHODIST
CHURCH**

Saturday June 6th
MUSIC STARTS 3pm

Imogen Ryall Voice
Roderick Hart Piano

Suggested Donation £6

Tickets available from 01273 887618
or 01273 304812

All Proceeds Go To The Church

  woodingdeanmethodistchurch.co.uk

Woodingdean Carnival Saturday 4th July



Woodingdean Carnival Parade 2026!

We are looking for local groups who would like to walk in this years parade.

If you'd like more details please get in touch!

[Sponsorship Opportunities](#)



Would you like to be a 2026 sponsor for Woodingdean Carnival?

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