

The Village Diary

The essential guide to East Dean and Friston events
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There is a full list of regular activities in the Village Hall

Every Wednesday Village Market 10.00 am – 13.00 pm
Fruit, veg, eggs, fish, breads, cheeses, venison, dog treats, cuisine from around the world,
local crafters and an onsite cafe
Contact Miranda - mirandabearns@aol.co.uk

January 2026

Friday 2nd Village Hall	Short Mat Bowls Every Monday starts 2.00pm - 4.15pm & Fridays from January 2nd 2.00pm - 4.15pm No dress code just flat soled shoes. No equipment required	Frances Mace 01323 423137
Tuesday 6th Village Hall	Allegro Dance & Exercise re opens after Christmas on 6th Jan. All welcome. Visit www.allegrodanceandexercise.co.uk for more details.	Sarah 07566 205770
Wednesday 7th Village Hall	Market closed re opens Wednesday 21 st January 2026	mirandabearns@aol.co.uk
Thursday 8th Village Hall	Afternoon Tea 2.30pm–4.00pm For residents of East Dean and Friston £3.00	Stephanie Carter 01323 422124
Thursday 8th Village Hall	Parish Council Planning committee starts at 6.30 followed by Parish Council at 7pm. Public comments are welcomed at 7pm normally first Thursday of the month	Phil Burgess 07974 253672
Saturday 10th Village Hall	Whist Drive 7.00pm. Come along to a fun evening no experience required. Please book. £7.00	Frances Mace 01323 423137
Tuesday 13th Village Hall	Gardening Club 2.00pm for 2.15pm – A talk entitled “Creating a lush foliage garden “ by Philip Oostenbrink	Tony Deadman 01323 423736
Saturday 24th Village Hall	Micheldene WI Coffee morning 10:00 - 12:00 for existing and potential new members. If you're thinking of joining, come along and meet us!	Susan Ray 01323 422208
Tuesday 27th Village Hall	Local History Group 2.30pm Mike Keller takes us “Down the Line to Brighton” — A history of the London,Brighton And South Coast Railway.	Valerie Jones 01323 638906
Thursday 29th Village Hall	Coffee Morning 10.30 am – 12.00pm Normally last Thursday of each month for local residents £3.00	Paul Seeley 01323 422361
Saturday 31st Village Hall	Film Matinee “The Penguin Lessons” 1.00pm for 1.30pm cream tea included Tickets £12 Community event for the Village Hall Trust. Please book.	Jo Taylor 01323 423622
Saturday 31st Village Hall	Film Evening “The Penguin Lessons” 6.00pm for 6.30pm Homemade meal, bar (card preferred). Tickets £15 Community event for the Village Hall Trust. Please book.	Jo Taylor 01323 423622

February 2026

Monday 2nd Village Hall	Micheldene WI 7.30pm Speaker Alan Jackson “Anything to Anywhere - the unsung heroine pilots of WW2.”	Susan Ray 01323 422208
Thursday 5th Village Hall	Village Lunch 12 for 12.30pm For residents of East Dean and Friston, booking required 5 days in advance with Mary Gottlieb 01323 422004 £10	Jenny Wilcox 01323 422197
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Tuesday 10th Village Hall	Gardening Club 2.00pm for 2.15pm A talk entitled “Succulent obsession” by Geoff Stonebanks	Tony Deadman 01323 423736
Thursday 12th Village Hall	Afternoon Tea 2.30pm–4.00pm For residents of East Dean and Friston £3.00	Stephanie Carter 01323 422124
Tuesday 24th Village Hall	Local History Group 2.30pm "The Future of Black Robin Farm"	Valerie Jones 01323 638906
Thursday 26th Village Hall	Coffee Morning 10.30 am – 12.00pm Normally last Thursday of each month for local residents £3.00	Paul Seeley 01323 422361
Saturday 28th Village Hall	Quiz Night 6.30 for 7pm. Tickets £15 to include Ploughmans, complementary drink & £3 of raffle tickets. Profits to the Village Hall Trust. Please book.	Stephanie Carter 01323 422124

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VILLAGE HALL MANAGER Tina Woodley Roberts

tina@edfvillagehall.org.uk 07542 683045 9 am-5.30 pm Monday to Friday

March 2026

Monday 2nd Village Hall	Micheldene WI 7.30pm Speaker Stuart Corner on "The Secret Life of the Honey Bee."	Susan Ray 01323 422208
Thursday 5th Village Hall	Village Lunch 12 for 12.30pm For residents of East Dean and Friston, booking required 5 days in advance with Mary Gottlieb 01323 422004 £10	Jenny Wilcox 01323 422197
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Tuesday 10th Village Hall	Gardening Club 2.00pm for 2.15pm Annual General Meeting - followed by a film "Ponds & Water Features"	Tony Deadman 01323 423736
Thursday 12th Village Hall	Afternoon Tea 2.30pm-4.00pm For residents of East Dean and Friston £3.00	Stephanie Carter 01323 422124
Sunday 15th Village Hall	Antiques & Collectors Fair 9.30am - 2pm Many interesting stalls selling a good mix of Antiques and Collectables Proceeds to East Dean Friston Bowling Club	Frances Mace 01323 423137
Saturday 21st Village Hall	Table Sale 9.00am----12.00pm Clear your unwanted goods you have been hording. Proceeds to East Dean & Friston Bowling Club Book a table	Frances Mace 01323 423137
Tuesday 24th Village Hall	Local History Group 2.30pm AGM followed by a talk - topic and speaker to be confirmed.	Valerie Jones 01323 638906
Thursday 26th Village Hall	Coffee Morning 10.30 am – 12.00pm Normally last Thursday of each month for local residents £3.00	Paul Seeley 01323 422361

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