



# MUSEUM NEWS

Steyning Museum Newsletter

June 2008

## Museum Diary

- 02.08.08 Garden Coffee Morning  
Rosebank, Jarvis Lane  
10.30 - 12.00
- 11.10.08 Big Draw Day  
Museum & Penfold Hall
- 25.10.08 Autumn Coffee Morning  
Penfold Hall 10.30 - 12.00
- 19.12.08 Joint Social with Steyning  
Society - Steyning Centre
- 17.01.09 Stewards and Helpers Social  
Penfold Hall 11.30 am

## 200 Club

### April Draw:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize = Aileen Fairbanks (£35)  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize = Margaret Martin (£25)  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize = Mary Holland (£15)

### May Draw:

- 1<sup>st</sup> prize = David Humphreys (£35)  
2<sup>nd</sup> prize = David Dryden (£25)  
3<sup>rd</sup> prize = Diana Smyth (£15)

## A Very Successful Coffee Morning

Our coffee morning on 12<sup>th</sup> April attracted a good crowd and equalled last year's record for monies raised. The new development of a plant stall, proved to be a good draw. Well done to all helpers and those who provided items for sale. Especial thanks are due to Helen Coutrouzas as she hands over to Sally Lefroy as secretary of the Social Events Sub-Committee. Helen has led a very successful team for a long time.

Please don't forget the Garden Coffee morning on 2<sup>nd</sup> August. We are again invited to Sarah Leigh's garden at Rosebank, Jarvis Lane.

## Big Draw (art) Day

As many of you know, we had a very successful and enjoyable day last October, as part of the national Big Draw event. More than 100 visitors of all ages came to join in our free art day, all drawing, painting or making their own squares as part of our impressive 'Patchwork of Steyning's Past', a joint artwork of enduring appeal, now on show in the foyer of the Museum. Everybody, whatever their artistic ability, had fun taking part, interpreting many of the Museum's treasure trove of local artefacts.

This year, we are again planning a Big Draw Day, to be held on Saturday 11th October 2008. It may seem like a long time ahead, but as we all know, time really does seem to fly! So make a note in your diaries and be ready to come along and join us. Posters will go up in various locations nearer the time to give you more details.

## The Kindness of People in Steyning

Once again we are the beneficiaries of people's thoughtfulness and trust. Chris came to the Museum one Saturday in April and there, leaning against the outside door, was a carrier bag. In it were four old photographs - two of the church dating back some 100 years Chris believes, and two of Steyning football teams from the 1930s. Sadly, there was no note to say who had been kind enough to leave them for us. If it is you, could you possibly give Chris a call so that he can thank you properly.

## News from the "Outback"

When a Sunday paper plopped through the door of a house in Coonabarabran in the Warrumbungle Mountains, a remote part of New South Wales, the last thing the owner expected to find was an article about Steyning and Saxon Cottage with a recommendation to visit 'a nice

