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### Speldhurst Village Website

Our website includes a calendar of village events, a photo gallery, some village history, a selection of local walks and cycle routes, past editions of Speldhurst News and more.

Why not take a look at: [speldhurst.org](http://speldhurst.org)?

# Welcome

Dear Readers,

Welcome to the September issue which is packed with news from an update on the amazing work going on to bring the Chapel project to life with the Post Office set to move into its new home by 2025 (see pages 6-7 and how you can help).

Special mention to the Speldhurst School drama club for putting on a performance of “Oliver” with all proceeds donated to the Chapel project. What a tremendous gesture—well done to everyone involved.

John Fitzsimmons is also looking for help for the churchyard’s annual tidy-up—with details on page 5.

Good luck to all those starting a new school year or going off to university soon—we wish you well.

This is my last issue editing the Speldhurst News and I would like to thank all involved in putting together this magazine—it has been a great privilege working with you all over the last 7 years, especially my co-editors Maria & Judith.

Over and out!

Sara

**News Editors: Maria Turner, Sara Turner, Judith Malim**

Please remember that copy for the **October 2024 edition** should be sent **before 10th September 2024** to: [speldhurst.news@gmail.com](mailto:speldhurst.news@gmail.com). Word, Publisher or pdf files preferred. Thank you.

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# Diary at a Glance

## September

Mondays	Library 2-4.30pm	
Mondays	Bumps and Babes	p.4
Wed & Fri	Praise & Play	p.4
Mon 2nd	Full Council Meeting SPC	p.15
Sat 7th	Speldhurst Flower Show	
Fri 13th/Sat 14th & Fri 20th/Sat 21st	Churchyard Clear up	p.5

## October

Sat 19th	Lifeboat Coffee Morning	p.8
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# News & Announcements

## What's on in Speldhurst for the Under 5's in September

Bumps and Babes is a group for Mums with babies up to 18 months old which meets fortnightly on Monday mornings in each other's homes. After our break in August, we start up again on Monday 9th September.

If you are looking for a social group in the village for under 5's, especially as we currently don't have nursery provision in the village, Praise and Play, the St Mary's Church Toddler Group, is the place for you. We meet weekly, in term time, in the church on Wednesday and Friday mornings. The Wednesday group will run from 9.30-11am starting on 4th September and the Friday group from 9-10.30am starting on 6th September. We'll have a craft, some time to play and a short story and song time as well as giving the little ones a chance to ring the church bell, which they absolutely love. So do come along. All are welcome.

From September we will ask for donations for refreshments.

For more information about either of these groups, especially if you are new to the village, contact Jenny Fitzsimmons on 07891 318123 or at [jenny50fitz@gmail.com](mailto:jenny50fitz@gmail.com)

## **SPELDHURST NEWS**

### **EDITOR REQUIRED**

Would you like to be part of a team of Editors who voluntarily produce this magazine? If you have an interest in the community and would like to get involved please contact either:

Maria 01892 863394/07753 322550

Judith 01892 864268/07966 024860

We would love to speak with you and explain more about the role

Hi to all churchyard strimming enthusiasts, past, present and future. Here is my annual call for assistance.

As most of you already know, part of the churchyard grass is left uncut during the year as a nature conservation area and the grass is only cut once in the autumn.

Last year spreading the strimming work over a longer two week period with smaller groups worked well, so the plan is to do the same again this year with two Friday/ Saturday sessions the first on 13th & 14th September and the second on 20th & 21st September.

I will arrange for Anthony Hare's trailer to be there for the second session for loading up. Previous week's strimmings will be piled near the Barden Road gate to load the following week.

The grass is very thick this year but lately its has been dry and easier to cut so I've had a go already and may add another earlier strimming date in nearer the time to get ahead of the game, if that suits some of you.

We have 2 church strimming machines and PPE but if you have any useful additional tools of your own which you can bring (trimmer, rakes, shears, barrows, gloves, loppers, secateurs) that would be useful.

Refreshments will be provided.

If you are able to help for a few hours, please confirm your availability by phone or e mail which will then help me to put a rota together (see contact details below).

Your efforts in past years have been very much appreciated and make a big difference to our churchyard tidiness also helping to reduce maintenance costs, so I look forward to seeing you there for as much time as you can offer.

Many thanks

John Fitzsimmons for St Mary's Church  
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07814 412984

## UPDATE ON CHAPEL PROJECT

### Community Share Offer

THANK YOU , THANK YOU to all of you who have chosen to support the Community Share Offer. Both existing and new members of the Community Benefit Society have made a magnificent effort on behalf of this worthy cause by raising just short of £150k.

Since then much has been done behind the scenes to fulfil the requirements to enable the purchase of the Chapel by the Speldhurst Parish Council.

We are also very grateful to the Elba Foundation who have now paid to the Community Benefit Society their pledged funding of £228k, which leaves us just shy of our preferred total of £400,000.

The Community Share Offer is still open should you wish to participate, it is not too late. It was necessary to set a deadline of July to establish speedily whether or not this project could succeed, and as has been proved the Shop and Post Office is very much still needed, so come and join ..... You will be welcome.

Our partners, Speldhurst Parish Council are progressing towards the purchase of the Chapel.

Builders are currently putting together quotes, an application for planning permission is in and we're hopeful to have this project actually under way shortly.

We have an in-principle agreement to an extension to the lease at the current premises until December 2025 so if all falls into place, we should be able to plan for a smooth and brief transition when we relocate to the Chapel in 2025.

Now to you, the people of the village. Our team has worked tirelessly to get us this far. Whilst some of the formalities are now in the hands of others, we would like to ask:

Can you help?

We are looking for extra pairs of hands to be available to help with all manner of tasks. We are not asking for huge amounts of your time, but if you are willing to assist we need you.

For example .....

**Communications:** This can be anything from posting info through doors, to putting entries on Facebook or Instagram.

For those who don't use social media, we need a monthly post in the Speldhurst News and a few notices posted in various spots throughout the village just to keep people informed.

**Gardening:** You may have noticed that the Chapel grounds have been given a hair-cut recently. We need people who are happy to put in a little time to help keep the gardens tidy until we break ground, to do a bit of clearing as and when the weather permits.

**Research:** There will come a time when some research will be required, for all manner of things. If you don't mind trawling the internet or making some phone calls on behalf of this project, you may be the person we want.

**Fundraising:** As already mentioned, our preferred total for fund raising is £400,000. This will enable us to comfortably achieve our goal of delivering the project with bells and whistles. If you do not wish to become a member, but wish to raise funds to assist this project, do tell us your ideas. Every penny counts, as shown by the Drama group for Speldhurst School, who put on a production of Oliver and all tickets receipts were donated to this project.

**Clearance:** We need volunteers to help remove some of the unwanted items from the chapel and either take them to a charity shop, sell them or take them to the council tip. There may also be other instances when we would like to call upon those with appropriate vehicles to help with moving items for this project.

If you would like to be involved, even if you are not quite sure how yet, please give your name and email address or phone number to the Village Shop, stating Volunteer Help. Someone from the Committee will then be in contact. Don't forget, you are not signing up for anything more than you may wish, but we would be extremely grateful for your enthusiasm and assistance.

We are also always looking for volunteers to come onto the Build Committee as well. If this is of interest, again do let us know by popping into the shop with your name, email or telephone number.

We are getting there ....

Debs Cambridge  
Chapel Project Build Committee

## LIFEBOAT COFFEE MORNING

Please put SATURDAY 19th OCTOBER in your diary!

This is the date of our annual coffee morning to raise funds for our lifesaving work at sea, on rivers and inland waterways and on beaches. We will have Lifeboat Christmas cards, calendars and diaries for sale, together with our usual souvenirs and gifts. We will also be selling cakes, books, toys and a very fine selection of Bric a Brac. There will be a tombola and lots of colouring and activity sheets, badges and other freebies for our younger visitors.

Please come and see us from 10 am until noon and enjoy free tea, coffee and biscuits.

Jan Pierce



### Thank you from the Village Shop

Last Friday the Speldhurst Shop staff and volunteers wished our fabulous shop manager Jo-Anne Dekker, not a good bye, but a “see you later” Jo -Anne is changing her career and is leaving her full time post at the shop, to start a new career in a school in Tunbridge Wells. However, she is not leaving us entirely. Jo-Anne will be taking on a role in the shop on Saturdays, and will also be volunteering on the Build Committee for the move to the Chapel. Jo-Anne has already spent many hours working with the committee and they are delighted that she is still very keen to offer her skills and expertise in delivering our new premises.



Jo -Anne was presented by Julie with a gift and flowers, before leaving for Scotland on a well deserved holiday. We wish her well and will welcome her with open arms when she returns in a couple of weeks.

Speldhurst Village Shop



# OLIVER



A huge thank you to the Drama Club from Speldhurst School who performed Oliver at the end of the summer term in aid of the Village Shop Chapel project. I was so impressed by the confidence of the young performers and thoroughly enjoyed it.

Their generosity just demonstrates how much the village shop is appreciated and their ticket takings were very gratefully received.

Thank you.

Debs Cambridge  
Speldhurst Shop Chapel Project Committee

# Fete Logo Design Competition!

The Speldhurst Fete Committee is pleased to open a new competition to design a logo for our Summer Fete.

All residents of the village (of all ages and talents) are welcome to submit an entry. The winning logo shall be used in our future publicity and advertising across the village and online.

Submissions can be made digitally to [Speldhurst.f8@gmail.com](mailto:Speldhurst.f8@gmail.com) or physically to 17 St Mary's Lane. The designer's name and contact details must be submitted alongside entries.

The logo may include the words 'Speldhurst Village Fete' or may be wordless.



**1st Prize:**

**Your logo adopted by the Fete, Free entry for you family, 25 Grand Draw tickets, and Unlimited Bouncing!\***



**2nd Prize:**

**20 Grand Draw tickets and Unlimited bouncing\***



**3rd Prize:**

**10 Grand Draw tickets OR Unlimited bouncing\***

## Deadline:

## Monday 4th November

The smallprint:

Digital submissions should be set at 300 dpi.

The Committee will not be able to return submissions once entered.

The Committee may make adjustments to the winning design, or replicate for sizing purposes.

For copyright purposes, the winning design shall become the intellectual property of Speldhurst Fete Committee in perpetuity.

\*All prizes are capped to a "family" of 5 (any 2 adults, and any 3 children) and limited to Speldhurst Village Fete, 21st June 2025. 'Bouncing' is each child's choice of all-day access to the bouncy castle or assault course.

# CALENDAR OF CRAFTS

All workshops held  
here in Speldhurst



NORTHERN  
LIGHTS

SEP  
17

OCT  
10

RESIN  
POPPIES



SWEET  
TREES

NOV  
26

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT  
JULIE ON 07917 606542 OR  
EMAIL - GIFTSBYJULIEP[AT]GMAIL.COM

## Speldhurst Book Group

Formed in Dec 2022 the Speldhurst Book Group meets once a month in the Village Hall library on a Monday afternoon, on this occasion the normally rather quiet library becomes a place of debate, chatter, opinions, laughter and literary discussion. Since the beginning, we have read a wide range of novels (and tackled some poetry), from authors including Amor Towers, Michael Frayn and Ian McEwan. We have discussed some classics, *Middlemarch*, and some

modern prize winners, *Demon Copperhead* and *Lessons in Chemistry*. Each book has given us much to talk about and our chats about plots, characters and settings have revealed a lot of interesting stories about each other too, all this happens with much laughter, good cheer and fun. Rusthall library kindly provide support by collating our chosen books and we thank Speldhurst library too for hosting us each month.

Happy Reading!

Jane Bamgbola



# Nature Watch

Now is the time that birds are starting to think of migration back to their winter quarters. Due to climate change some that migrate are tending to overwinter, it is a changing world. The first birds to go are swifts after breeding. There has been a much larger number of records of swifts at Bough Beech nature reserve this summer. It looks as if the weather has caused a big drop in insect numbers making them return to feed over the reservoir. Standing on the causeway when it's quiet the swifts would fly over the road at head height and quite close.

In the village we have a shortage of House Martins this year. There are normally two nests close to me but none this year. There have also been few swallows. I am sure that this is due to the weather being wet and cold when they arrived which made them go elsewhere. It's not only birds that move this time of the year, but the foxes are also entering a dispersal period. After young foxes get to an age where they can look after themselves, they are kicked out by Mum and Dad to find their own territories before the breeding season next year. Dispersal helps them make sure they can find enough food in the winter, stops inbreeding and helps to find a mate. This is when several young foxes get run over. If they survive their first winter, they have a good chance of a long life.

The Butterfly of the year for me so far is the Gatekeeper with up to 10 seen together in the garden. They have 2 white dots in the black spot on the wings that makes the difference between them and Meadow Browns and are often seen around field gateways hence the name.

Alan Ford





## NEWS FROM SPELDHURST PARISH COUNCIL



The Speldhurst Primary School end-of-year service is one of Councillor Paul Curry's favourite occasions as Parish Council Chair. It is when he presents our Jubilee award for 'Olympic Spirit' to a pupil or pupils who have achieved something remarkable by contributing to their community, raising money for charity, or overcoming a challenge in their life. This year the award went to Amy Willis and India Lucas.

This summer Amy and India put their love of running to good use and took part in the Pretty Muddy Kids 5k in Maidstone, in aid of Cancer Research. The girls wanted to challenge themselves and raise money for a charity that helped save

the lives of so many of their close family and friends. As well as running, they had to take on a series of muddy obstacles, including commando crawling under nets, and climbing giant inflatables. They finished the course in under 40 minutes and raised over £400 for Cancer Research. Congratulations, Amy and India – we hope you are as proud of yourselves as your family, friends, and school must be!



## 🔥 ADVICE ABOUT BONFIRES 🔥

Residents have asked what can be done about neighbours who light bonfires on fine weather days during daylight hours. If you are bothered by a bonfire at a neighbour's property, you can ask Tunbridge Wells Borough Council for advice by emailing [ehadmin@midkent.gov.uk](mailto:ehadmin@midkent.gov.uk)

Before you do so, bear in mind that the GOV.UK website says local councils can only act against a resident lighting bonfires if they believe the smoke counts as a statutory nuisance that "unreasonably and substantially interferes with the use or enjoyment of a home or other premises or injures/ is likely to injure health."

We also encourage residents to follow this guidance from TWBC: "If you are bothered by a bonfire...approach your neighbour and explain the problem...they may not be aware of the distress they are causing...if you find it difficult to approach your neighbour you may get advice from West Kent Mediation Service, who can help resolve neighbour disputes. If this fails, please contact us."

## PURCHASE OF SPELDHURST CHAPEL



The parish council is in regular contact with Speldhurst Community Shop to discuss and agree on next steps following their successful fundraising efforts. We are also in regular dialogue with the owners of the Chapel property and the purchase remains on track.

## FULL COUNCIL MEETINGS – EVERYONE WELCOME

7.30pm, Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September, Speldhurst Village Hall.

## TO CONTACT THE PARISH COUNCIL

Call the Clerk, Katie Neve on 01892 862927/07760 769513 or email [clerk@speldhurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@speldhurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)

For helpful information, visit [www.speldhurstparishcouncil.gov.uk](http://www.speldhurstparishcouncil.gov.uk)



## Speldhurst CEP Primary School News



September – and the start of a new school year at Speldhurst. I hope you have had a good summer break and enjoyed the Olympics. It's inspiring to see the elite athletes pushing themselves to the limit both physically and mentally to aim for Gold.

Closer to home we have our own sporting 'heroes' – four intrepid dads – Damien, Doug, Owen and Ed - who embarked on a gruelling 100km walking challenge across the South Downs to raise money to support Speldhurst School's counselling and wellbeing programme. On Friday June 21<sup>st</sup>, the fathers of reception children in Pippin Class, set off



from Arundel at 4.30pm. It was a sunny afternoon, but the good weather wasn't to last as they trekked overnight through very wet, cold and windy conditions to complete the first leg of the journey, reaching the 50 km mark in the Plumpton area by breakfast time. Then with blisters patched and warm again, they continued the second half of the walk. Sadly, Doug had to

drop out at the 62km mark after succumbing to a knee injury picked up in training. The other three arrived at the finish line in Eastbourne on Saturday night, having been on the move for 27 hours 30 minutes and walking 120,000 steps each. The team said of the experience "We've been completely overwhelmed by the support we've received from the village and entire school community. The wellbeing and counselling programme is a vital service, we're just pleased we have been able to do our bit to continue to fund it for our children."



Congratulations and a VERY big thank you again to all four dads – and we hope you have recovered from your injury, Doug. And if you, dear reader haven't had the chance to donate already and would like to do so, the QR code below is still active and will take you to a fund-raising site to leave a donation.



Well-being comes in many forms – and we are fortunate to have allotments in the village. As part of learning for their topic, Sow, Grow and Farm, the Year 5s from Crispin Class visited Speldhurst's allotments to learn from locals about what they're growing, how they go about it and what the benefits are. They were even allowed by one gardener to pick some broad beans - yum!

Another school visit

last term was to Sevenoaks Wildlife Reserve. It was a gorgeous sunny day and Year 4 children in Empire class took part in many fun and educational activities. They waded into the river to measure the depth and velocity of the water and enjoyed pond-dipping to discover many exciting insects and aquatic creatures.



Meanwhile back in the classroom Year 3 in Bramley class had a chance to re-cap their learning from earlier in the year on Romans with a visit from Gabby of English Heritage who is based at Lullingstone Roman Villa. She brought in lots of interesting artefacts from Lullingstone and the children had to work in teams to try and discover what each of the artefacts would have been used for, impressing both Gabby and their class teacher Mr A V-T with their knowledge and perception.

And finally, Speldhurst Primary School Orchestra got the chance to show off their musical skills in the annual orchestra workshop at Skinners School. The event has been going for 13 years and is a wonderful opportunity for children to play in a much larger orchestra with pupils from other schools. Over 70 children took part from 10 local schools and after a day of rehearsal, they gave a concert to an enthusiastic audience of parents and carers. Many thanks to Yvonne Smith who runs our school orchestra and took the children to this special event. And that is all for this month dear reader. You can probably tell that whilst recovering from a broken shoulder I've watched too many box sets – including episodes of the romantic historic drama Bridgerton!!

Sara Andrew Communication Governor





## A Letter from St Mary's



### **“IT’S BETTER TO EAT KEBABS WITH FRIENDS THAN SALAD ON YOUR OWN”**

The American TV show, “*Friends*” ran for 10 seasons. If you missed it, you could spend the small matter of 5,191 minutes of your life catching up with the whole series. This immensely popular sitcom is so well loved for several reasons [despite finishing in 2004, it was still the favourite TV programme for young people in the UK in 2019], but at the heart of it is the sheer power and dynamism of friendship.

In the words of Christian poet Phil Knox:

*We’ve got computers for a fiver,  
Cars without a driver.  
We’ve got louder, faster, further, more,  
A bigger network than ever before,  
But we need friends.*

Friendship is one of the best things ever created. It is a building block of society. It helps prevent conflict and riots and [as we’ve seen recently in our own country] it brings people together to help clear up the mess created by violence. Friendship has a huge impact on our mental health, wellbeing and happiness but many of us feel lonely or suffocated by the pressure of life. In John’s Gospel Jesus referred to his followers as “*friends*”. He said, “*You are my friends if you do what I command. I no longer call you servants because a servant does not know his master’s business. Instead, I have called you friends.... This is my command that you love one another.*”

Friendship is not about the number of contacts you have on social media. It is a celebration of how profoundly good it is to know and be known and a reminder that in the age where we are only a few clicks away from anyone else on the planet, that the pursuit of deep, close relationships with a circle of friends really matters.

We ache to connect and be connected but close friendship does not just happen by accident: it takes a conscious effort. Here at St. Mary’s, we aim to push back against the relentless spread of individualism and isolation and build a village community built on relationships. At our Sunday services and throughout the week in our network of Home Groups we invite people to be welcomed into life-enhancing friendships.

To find out more please visit our website or contact [revjohnp@outlook.com](mailto:revjohnp@outlook.com).

That poet again,

*May we raise our game and drop our cover,  
Invest our energies in one another.  
May we still be there when the rain starts to fall,  
And [in Jesus] accept the most important friend request of all  
Because we need friends.*

September 2024 Rev John P

# September 2024



St. Mary's Church, Speldhurst | St. John's Church, Groombridge | St. Martin's Church, Ashurst

## 1st September

- 10 am Big Church Camping Weekend at Speldhurst School Field for St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 11am Matins at St John's, Groombridge

## 8th September

- 10 am Summer Services: Morning Worship at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 11am Holy Communion (BCP) at St John's, Groombridge

## 15th September

- 8 am Holy Communion (BCP) at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 10 am Summer Services: Holy Communion (CW) at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 6pm Evensong at St Martin's, Ashurst

## 22nd September

- 10 am All-Age Worship at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 11am Holy Communion (CW) at St Martin's, Ashurst
- 6 pm Evensong at St Mary's, Speldhurst

## 29th September

- 10 am Holy Communion at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 11am Harvest Festival at St Martin's, Ashurst

## Funerals:

20th August Laurie Trayling at St Mary's, Speldhurst

## Interment of Ashes

- 19th July Dorothy Margaret Smith at St Martin's, Ashurst
- 12th August Iris King at St Mary's, Speldhurst
- 12th August Patricia Felix (Lofty) at St Mary's, Speldhurst

## Weddings

2nd August Joshua Hillman & Charlotte Bartholomew at St Mary's, Speldhurst



The Church Office can be contacted on 01892 861187 / 07960296027  
or [admin@speldhurstchurch.org](mailto:admin@speldhurstchurch.org)

See our website: [www.speldhurstchurch.org](http://www.speldhurstchurch.org)

St Mary's Facebook page: [facebook.com/StMarysSpeldhurst/](https://facebook.com/StMarysSpeldhurst/)





## To Read, not to Read or to Dig

There must be as many motivations for gardening, growing your own fruit and vegetables or any activity in our gardens and allotments as there are gardening books – which means thousands.

There may be some common motivations i.e. creating an open leisure space, eco-principles, organic grow-your-own ambitions – though being self-sufficient and living the “Good Life” is hardly attainable with anything less than a small-holding.

And it seems that for just about every motivation, there is a source of information with packed with advice and with detailed information on technique.

The trouble is that just about every book, magazine, radio and / or tv programme provide us with huge amounts of information advising us what we need to do in our garden – why, when, where how ... to the point that it can become an overload and overbearing.

If we pay too much attention to the experts, we’ll never stop, and gardening will no longer be “fun”. One of the first things we often do – and we see recommended in books – when taking on a plot is to dig it.

A good dig over can be a good idea as it breaks up the soil and allows the removal of roots from perennial weeds. However once completed, just watch the weeds grow back again.

Having been an allotment holder for some years, I have seen a lot of holders come and go. Perhaps the problem is that we tend to create a lot of work for ourselves, and this can become overwhelming.

So not only can the initial dig be back-breaking effort, but it is followed by the need to constantly weed. Leaving the plot for a while will result in a mini jungle that can be just as hard to clear as it was in the first place. And the weeds will compete with the vegetables that have been planted.

So, as well as potential positive outcomes, digging also has its problems.



If you are interested in these topics / types of discussions, there is a Facebook page where we go into a lot of this type of stuff. It is called Speldhurst Allotmenters & Gardeners, and the web address is: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/305824050847755>. Hope to see you there.

And finally:

If you are interested in acquiring an allotment and doing your bit grow your own food and save our planet, please contact Mark Oddy on 01892 862746.

If there is any topic you would like to address relating to matters gardening or horticultural, please send an email to [kytehouse@stepex.co.uk](mailto:kytehouse@stepex.co.uk).

If you would like to submit something for this article, please also email it to [kytehouse@stepex.co.uk](mailto:kytehouse@stepex.co.uk).

A poster for 'Race Night' with a black background and teal dotted patterns. At the top left is a white silhouette of a horse running. At the top right, the words 'SAVE THE DATE' are written in a curved, teal, sans-serif font. In the center, the words 'RACE NIGHT' are prominently displayed, with 'RACE' in teal and 'NIGHT' in white. Below this, the text 'COME AND HAVE FUN AT OUR RACE NIGHT AT THE SPELDHURST VILLAGE HALL AND HELP RAISE ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT THE CHAPEL PROJECT' is written in teal. Underneath, 'Tickets just £10 including your first drink and nibbles' is written in white. A horizontal line separates this from the date and time, '16 TH November 7:30 PM', which is also in white. At the bottom left, contact information is provided in white: 'FOR MORE INFORMATION, SPEAK TO MARTHA (07866 207068) OR JULIE (07917 606542)'. At the bottom right is a white silhouette of a horse running with a jockey.

## SPELDHURST VILLAGE CLUBS & ORGANISATIONS

Age UK Lunch	Jan Mann	863931
Allotments	Mark Oddy	862746
Beavers	Jo Smith	518706
Bowls Club	Debbie Moon	861317
Bridge Club	Heather Hughes	863367
Brownies	Louise Scott	862972
Bumps and Babes	Jenny Fitzsimmons	541200
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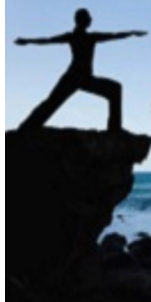
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