

# The Annual Storrington White Stork & Nature Festival 9.30am to 3.30pm

## EVENTS AROUND THE VILLAGE

**09:30 – 09:45 Place Villerest**, Corner of Old Mill Drive & High Street  
Stork mural and interpretation board reveal by Lady Emma Barnard of Parham.

- Isabella Tree (Joint owner of [Knepp Wildland](#))
- Neil Moore ([Guy Leonard Estate Agents](#))
- Daryl Bennett (Freelance street artist [@SinnaOne](#))

**10:00 – 10:45 Storrington Primary School**, Spierbridge Rd, RH20 4PG  
Fancy dress street parade starts 10:15 from School to Recreation Ground

**10:45 – 11:15 Chanctonbury Leisure Centre entrance**, Spierbridge Rd, RH20 4BG

Welcome and event opening

- Virginia Hicks (Storrington & Sullington Parish Council Vice-Chair)
- Charlie Burrell (Joint owner of Knepp Wildland)
- Patrick Barkham (The Guardian columnist)
- Folk orchestra and choir perform original stork music by Eileen Sephton

**11:15 – 11:30 Entertainment Centre outside Leisure Centre entrance**

Press and photo opportunity

**11:30 – 15:15 Various activities inside Leisure Centre and outside at the Recreation Ground**

*See detail programme timings below*

**15:15 – 15:30 The Studio inside Leisure Centre**

Thank-you and take-home messages with choir singing original stork songs

# ACTIVITIES IN AND AROUND THE LEISURE CENTRE

## FIXED EXHIBITS (ALL DAY)

- Parish Council's Helpdesk (for general enquiries and in case of any incident)
- White Stork Project (table stall in foyer with [LIVE Nest Webcam](#))
- Eco Theatre (Clive Cobie, [Tree Circles](#))
- Eco Milk Float (Carrie Cort, [Sussex Green Living](#))

## INDOOR TALKS (11:30 – 15:30)

*Offered by Knepp Wildland Foundation & White Stork Project.*

*The first session is chaired by Patrick Barkham, columnist for The Guardian*

11:30 – 12:00 Knepp Rewilding Vision: Isabella Tree interviewed by Patrick Barkham, with special guest Jordi Sagartal, ornithologist from Spain

12:05 – 12:50 White Stork Project: Laura Vaughan-Hirsch,  
Cotswold Wildlife Park: Richard Wardle and Warsaw Zoo: Paulina Debska

Between the talks: "[Soundscapes of Hope](#)" by Sound Artist Hazel Reeves

*The 2nd session is chaired by Morag Warrack, Councillor Horsham Trafalgar*

13:00 – 13:30 Bird migration research, Aldina Franco (Univ. East Anglia)

13:45 – 14:15 White-tailed eagles, Tim Mackrill (Roy Dennis Wildlife Foundation)

14:30 – 15:00 Weald to Waves, and Gardening for Wildlife: Libby Drew (Director: Knepp Wildland Foundation) and Kate Bradbury (Author and TV presenter)

15:15 – 15:30 Take-home messages, Virginia Hicks (Vice-Chair Storrington and Sullington Parish Council)

15:30 – 15:45 Gathering Light Choir perform original stork music

# ACTIVITIES IN AND AROUND THE RECREATION GROUND

## MAGICAL MUSIC (11:30 – 15:00)

Coordinated by Claudia Fisher

11:30 – 12:15 Sussex Folk Orchestra

12:30 – 13:10 Nick Penny Harp Harmonies

13:20 – 13:30 The Dance Hut

13:40 – 14:20 Gathering Light Choir

14:30 – 15:00 Steyning Grammar School band

## OUTDOOR ACTIVITIES

A range of engagement activities are planned and will emerge as the day unfolds!

White Stork Project volunteers will be available all day for interaction and queries.

- **Nature education and crafts:** near Spierbridge Rd., hosted by Emma Beard Forest school/youth engagement: microscopes, stork and owl pellets, feathers, skulls, weaving, leather pouch making etc.

- **Conservation grazing:** meet the adorable Dexter cows which create amazing biodiversity through their feeding and behaviour

- **Birds of prey:** Behold these raptors close-up in their static and 2x 30min aerial displays

- **Our canine companions:**

- Scruffts-style fun dog show and competition for everyone!
- Dog training and behaviour to help control your dog
- Vets impart their knowledge on chemical treatments, CPR resuscitation etc.

## • **Sports:**

- *Archery:* Try your hand or just watch the youngsters (by the Storrington Scouts)

**We hope you will fully enjoy the wide variety of activities and public engagement!**

## **STALLS - around the Recreation Ground (see Stall Map & Guide):**

A vibrant selection of stalls featuring wildlife education and conservation groups, local community organisations, and independent artisan makers. Discover handmade crafts, art, jewellery, designer articles and plants, plus specialist food producers offering jams, chutneys, chilli sauces, and more.

## **REFRESHMENTS:**

We aim to provide a wide range of sustenance throughout the day to suit all tastes and pockets. Please bring your own refillable mug/water container.

- Leisure Centre – Hot and cold drinks and snacks
- Cricket Club – Alcoholic and hot drinks at the Clubhouse
- Football Club – Alcoholic drinks and bar food upstairs in the bar

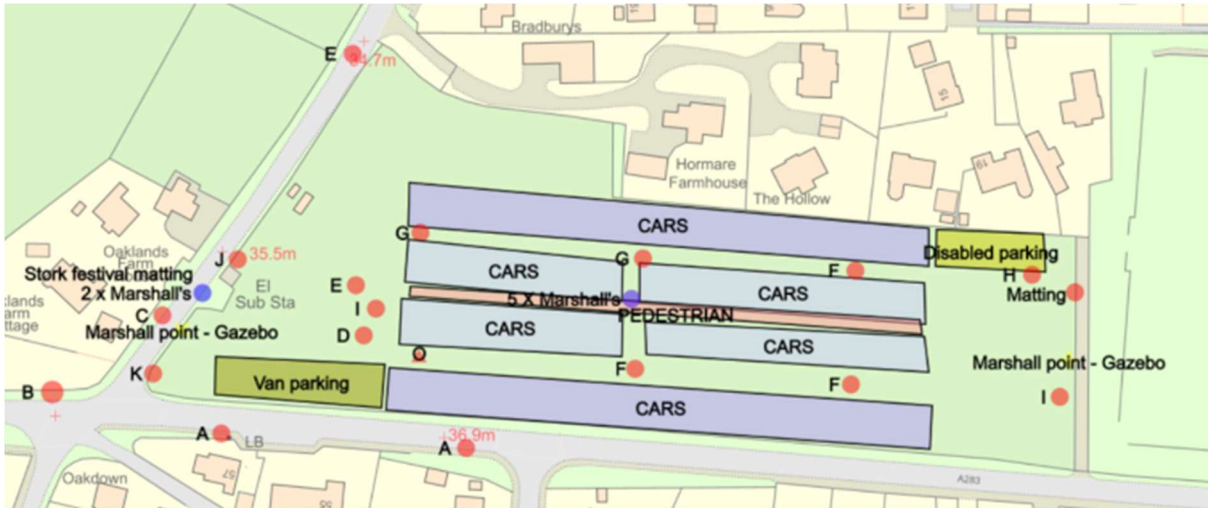
Behind the Leisure Centre:

- Pizza Oven – Wood-fired including gluten-free and vegan options
- Summit Tasty – Gourmet loaded fries
- Bakery – with sausage rolls, quiche etc.
- Mid Sussex Super Cream – Sustainable electric ice cream van

## **TOILET FACILITIES:**

- Inside Leisure Centre (DISABLED)
- Inside Football Club (includes DISABLED)
- Inside Cricket Club

**PUBLIC CAR PARKING:** The public car parking for the festival will be at the Hormare field off Hurston Lane accessed from the A283 Pulborough Road. Access gates will be open 7:00am to 17:00pm. Alternative parking is available in the Storrington town car parks – usual charges apply.



**STALLHOLDER ARRANGEMENTS:** Need a stallholder ticket in windscreen. Offload only from Leisure Centre parking area according to your allocated timing. Parking for the day is at the Hormare field off A283. A map will be added nearer the time. Storage of equipment and goods is available by prior arrangement only on Friday, 22nd May (13:00pm – 16:30pm). Stalls may not be dismantled before closing at 15:30pm.

*On the day the Leisure Centre Car Park is reserved ONLY for blue badge vehicles and VIPs, refreshment vans and 2 eco-vans. Blue badge holders and VIP/Stallholder tickets must be clearly displayed in your car windscreen.*

**EMERGENCY SERVICES:**

- St John’s Ambulance with First Aiders
- Fire brigade
- Police services