

# **MID-SUSSEX CALEDONIAN SOCIETY**



**Web site**

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## **NEWSLETTER AUGUST 2025**

### **Recent Events**

#### **The AGM and Social Evening, 27<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

The President, Membership Secretary, Treasurer and Web Manager gave their reports of the year's activities. A large part of the ensuing discussion centered around our plans for the Centenary Celebrations of the Mid-Sussex Caledonian Society next summer. We also asked for suggestions for future events, which were noted, and the Committee will be discussing the possibilities at their next meeting. Our chosen Charity for next year will be The Chestnut Tree Hospice.

Iain thanked the existing Committee for all their hard work during the past year and asked for other volunteers to join them. The existing committee agreed to serve again and they will be joined by Helen Coutts and Terry Bowden.

After the official business we were all able to relax and enjoy the wine and cheese and pleasant company.

#### **The Committee 2025-2026**

President: Iain Millar

Vice President: Andy Burchfield

Treasurer: Paul Moulange

Events Secretary: Jo Stevens

Membership Secretary: Judith Moulange

Minutes Secretary: Jill Thomson

Web Manager: Paul Moulange

Newsletter Editor: Marilyn Millar

Helen Coutts

Terry Bowden

#### **The Walk in the Hyde Estate and pub lunch, 8<sup>th</sup> June 2025**

With Andy and Jo as our guides we set off along the small lane, with woods on one side and fields on the other. Andy pointed out various points of interest, such as the stone cottages originally built for workers on the estate. As well as being used for farming, a more secluded area by a lake is a popular wedding venue. On the day of the walk there was actually a wedding taking place, so we weren't able to go right down to the lake, but we could see that, with the water and rhododendron bushes in bloom, it made a lovely backdrop for the wedding photos. We were very lucky to have the opportunity to visit this private estate and thank Jo and Andy for organizing it.



We then retraced our steps and drove down to the Victory Inn, situated on Staplefield Village Green. There we were joined by other members who hadn't been able to come on the walk and we all tucked in to a delicious Sunday lunch.

### **Programme of Events 2025-26**

**October: Friday 10<sup>th</sup> Oct. Possible Visit to the Hawth Theatre, Crawley.**

**November: Sunday, 23<sup>rd</sup> Nov, Pre- St Andrew's Dance class, Queen's Hall, Cuckfield**

**November: Friday, 28<sup>th</sup> Nov. St Andrew's Night Celebration, Queen's Hall, Cuckfield**

**January: Saturday, Jan. 24<sup>th</sup>, 2026, Burns' Night, Dinner and Dance**

Spring events 2026 have yet to be finalized

**Saturday, August 15<sup>th</sup> 2026, MSCS Centenary Celebrations**