

# Fernhurst Furnace Preservation Group

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## Open Weekend 2011 – September 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>

Our only fundraising weekend is fast approaching.

More contributors and more demonstrations for this year's event. We will have music from a group from Milland, glass making and other new contributors.



**June 11<sup>th</sup> 2012!!!**

**Save the Fernhurst Furnace from this type of flood.**

**PLEASE HELP US!**

By being a Friend of Fernhurst Furnace we hope you are keen to help us raise funds and to be a valued helper at the event. If we are successful with our second application to the Heritage Lottery Fund in September we will have to promote several more events per year so volunteers are essential. We don't need long hours but good numbers are vital. Please contact our Volunteer Co-ordinator, John Burrow, at [jsburrow@aol.com](mailto:jsburrow@aol.com)

We also need a major sponsor for the Sealed Knot, suggestions please to Robin for details.

If anyone could bake a few or just one cake we would be most grateful. Please call Carla on 01428 654088 if you can help.

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**Heritage Lottery Fund Application.** Since Open Weekend last year our application for approximately £800k was submitted but refused on various grounds – see above for one reason. The group has been revisiting the application together and was enhanced by Anne Bone from the South Downs National Park – Anne helped to gain the grant for Cowdray Ruins. We have worked hard on a re-submission. We have addressed the shortfalls and have submitted a second application the outcome of which will be known just after Open Weekend following the HLF meeting on 21<sup>st</sup> September.

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**Outside Events.** The FFPG was present at the Tilford Rural Life Museum Rustic Sunday Event as most other events were rained off. We have been booked for a few talks.

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**Volunteer Work Day:** As always we have been promised the invaluable help from the volunteers from the South Downs National Park who help us to prepare the site for Open Weekend. Last year we revealed both aprons to the Southern Spillway. They were covered by weeds and mud.

Many people have said that they wish to help in a 'hands-on' way so here is your chance. Our next Volunteer Day will be Saturday 25th August at 10.00am.

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**Web Site:** Last year I appealed for a webmaster. Mike Newman came forward and has made an excellent job of compiling our site – take a look [www.fernurstfurnace.co.uk](http://www.fernurstfurnace.co.uk)

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**Membership Secretary.** Again last year we asked for a volunteer to be our Membership Secretary, so I am delighted that John Sugden has fulfilled this role so well.

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**Treasurer.** Another appeal has also borne fruit, Margaret Jones volunteered to be our very capable.

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**AGM.** The AGM for Fernhurst Furnace Preservation Group Co Ltd will be held on Wednesday 26th September at 2.30pm in the new Parish Room adjacent to St Margaret's Church, Fernhurst. Following the meeting there will be walk, lead by Ian Russell, along the course of the leat from Furnace Pond to Shulbrede Priory.

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**We really thank all those who help us as well as all of you who are  
“Friends”.**

