

# Lodge Hill News

Aug/Sept  
2017

## RECENT NEWS FROM LODGE HILL AND UPCOMING EVENTS



### LODGE HILL'S FIRST WEDDING SUCCESS!

Lodge Hill has successfully hosted its first wedding! The beautiful couple, Marta and Arek, shared their special day on our 32 acre site with their friends and family.

They had their ceremony in our beautifully decorated Oak Room and then had a delicious hog roast down by our Lodges where they stayed for the weekend.

Both Marta and Arek proved you can have a wedding with a difference here at Lodge Hill by going down the high zip wire! Their guests were thoroughly surprised and wanted a turn themselves!

Thank you for choosing Lodge Hill to host your incredibly special day and we wish you all the best for the future!



#### DID YOU KNOW?

We are on Facebook and Twitter!

Give us a like on Facebook and a follow on Twitter to keep up to date with any events and general Lodge Hill information.



[facebook.com/lodgehillcentre](https://www.facebook.com/lodgehillcentre)  
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### Busy Days at Lodge Hill

What a Summer we've had at Lodge Hill! Our busy season has welcomed many fantastic schools and groups who have enjoyed residential stays and activities in our 32-acre grounds. Whilst some schools have come to us for many years, we have also had the pleasure of meeting new schools who are now fully bitten by the Lodge Hill experience!

It's an absolute joy to see each and every one of you having such a great time and receive your feedback.

My favourite activity was 100% the abseiling, even though I was so scared the first time I wimped out. However, I went back up and showed resilience and finally did it. *Kobi*

We got food every hour and a half  
*Morgan*

It was the best 3 days of my life and something I will never forget  
*Hannah*

### SummerFest 2017!

On Wednesday 9th August, we held a music festival in partnership with West Sussex County Council and Amaze, for young people aged 16-25. The festival was down on our campsite and we had a mix of disabled and non-disabled performers including two DJs, a five piece band, a beatboxer and a six piece funk soul combo.



There was also face painting, bubble pop, a photo booth, juggling, an incredible stilt walker and emergency waterproof ponchos! Our bartending skills were a success with our SummerFest themed mocktails that everyone enjoyed!

We've had some incredible feedback and we even made it into the West Sussex County Times. Despite the downpour, SummerFest was a success and we hope to be back with SummerFest 2018!



## ChallengeU and Asperger's Wales Trip

*"This August we expanded our offsite activities and successfully ran our 4 day expedition with 3 groups. 1 School group from across county schools and 2 Asperger groups. Each presented its own unique set of challenges and we are proud to say that all participants of each programme completed every task culminating with standing on top of a mountain! Activities included: peer relationships, team building, personal responsibility, group domestics and cooking, living together, night navigation, hiking – lots of hiking, mine exploration, waterfalls, mountain day, personal hygiene/feet, reflection. Our teams did exceptionally well and pave the way for future groups to develop and expand upon their experiences."*

-Jamie Gordon, Activities Manager and ChallengeU Coordinator



## DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

### JOIN US AT A FORTHCOMING EVENT

16th September 2017

#### SEND DAY

Activity day for children under 18 with a disability, their family and friends. Come along and meet Oreo the Raccoon and his friends and enjoy a day of activities including a delicious buffet lunch!

25th October 2017

#### SEND DAY

Activity day for children under 18 with a disability, their family and friends. Come along and meet real camels and enjoy a day of activities including a delicious buffet lunch!

3rd December 2017

#### SEND DAY

Activity day for children under 18 with a disability, their family and friends. Come along and meet reindeer and experience sitting in a real sleigh! Enjoy a day of activities including a delicious buffet lunch!

Lodge Hill Presents...

### The Christmas Pudding Concert

Friday 8th December 2017 at 7pm

*A mixture of Christmas Melodies and Readings with Andrew Bernadi and The Gifted and Talented String Academy*

**Guest Reader**  
**Tim Wonnacott**  
 (Subject to work commitments)

FOR TICKETS PLEASE CONTACT LUCY  
 ON 01798 831411 OR ADMIN@LODGEHILL.ORG.UK  
 £15.00 per adult/ £10.00 per child 12 and under  
 Free parking  
 Christmas raffle  
 Festive homemade refreshments provided

*All funds raised will go towards taking a group of young people with Asperger's on a life-changing expedition to Wales*

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 CHANGING LIVES  
 www.lodgehill.org.uk  
 Lodge Hill is a registered charity no: 1087269

### IF WE CAN MAKE IT HAPPEN, WE WILL

Lodge Hill provides a variety of services.

In addition to being an outdoor activity & education centre with residential & conference facilities we also offer:  
**Wedding receptions \* Birthday parties \* Venue hire \* Campsite \* Woodland Lodges**

We welcome any age or group size & have disability friendly facilities & activities.  
 Check our website [www.lodgehill.org.uk](http://www.lodgehill.org.uk) for more information & upcoming events.

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The Lodge Hill Trust is a Registered Charity No. 1071041