

ELLENS GREEN AND RUDGWICK GARDENING ASSOCIATION



Press Release

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Unveiling in Rudgwick

A small gathering (due to restrictions) saw the President of Rudgwick's gardening association unveil a commemorative plaque on Thursday morning.

The plaque celebrates the villagers who responded to a call last autumn to plant thousands of daffodil bulbs on the greensward on Rudgwick's main street.

The call came from Simon Quail, Show Secretary of the Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association (EGRGA). He had a vision of a sea of yellow welcoming visitors and residents to the village.

This spring, Simon's vision has come to fruition! As you enter Rudgwick from the A281, you are greeted by a swathe of waving daffodils, all planted by gangs of Rudgwick villagers co-ordinated by Simon.

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Captions to photographs:

President of EGRGA Michael Clarke unveiling the plaque

Michael Clarke centre framed on the right by EGRGA Chairman Richard Haigh and by Vice President Kate Robertson to the left

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Background info:

The Ellens Green and Rudgwick Gardening Association (EGRGA) was founded in 1945 and normally organises spring, summer and autumn shows every year. They're all popular, the Summer Show being a classic village event with several marquees, brass band, dog show and lots of other activities.

2020 was the 75th anniversary of the Association. But because of the lockdown, shows were moved online. EGRGA has also pioneered the 'Virtual Open Gardens' concept, which encourages people to view videos of local gardens.

EGRGA brings together communities across the Surrey/Sussex border.