

Saving Selsdon Wood

A few Notable **saviours of Selsdon Wood** (and their famous relatives) and also the date of the recent [Selsdon Gazette Articles](#) that give more details.

- **Alice Mabel Bonus** (1873-1938): Treasurer of Selsdon Wood Preservation Society ([April 2022](#))
- **Anna Kingsford** (1846-1888) (nee 'Annie Bonus' aunt of Alice Bonus): Famous Author, campaigner, Doctor, ambassador, influencer ([April 2022](#))
- **Isabel Bonus** (1857-1941) (sister of Alice Bonus): Artist and collaborator of books with famous **M.E.M Donaldson** photographer ([April 2022](#))
- **Sir Lawrence Chubb** (1873-1948) Secretary of the Selsdon Wood Preservation Society, The National Trust, The Commons and Footpaths Preservation Society and helped the National Playing Fields Association ([May 2022](#))
- **Malcolm Grahame Sharpe** (1868-1948) Chairman of the Selsdon Wood Preservation Society, architect, also key campaigner in preserving Croham Hurst, Purley Beeches, South Hawke, Woldingham and Kenley Common, *Littleheath Wood* and compiler of 'rights of way'. ([June 2022](#))
- **Ernest Alfred Earl** (1874-1954): Solicitor and Executive Member of the Selsdon Wood Preservation Society ([June 2022](#))
- **Arthur M F Beadell** (1872-1957): Local naturalist and "leading light" in saving Selsdon Wood ([June 2022](#))
- **Winifred Mary Hudson** (1878-1973): Executive member of the Selsdon Wood Preservation Society, Mathematician (Her sisters, aunt, mother, father and brother were also outstanding at Mathematics) ([July 2022](#))
- **Hilda Phoebe Hudson** OBE (1881-1965) (Sister of Winifred Hudson): Famous mathematician and pioneer in work on prevention of infectious diseases and improving the design of WW1 aircraft wing design. ([July 2022](#))
- Early **RSPB** Story 1889– The Croydon origins of the society ensured strong support for a pioneering bird sanctuary in Selsdon ([October 2022](#))
- **Etta Lemon** (1860-1953): Famous Pioneering RSPB campaigner, war hospital manager, Magistrate ([October 2022](#))
- **Sir Julian Sorell Huxley** (1887-1975) – Famous Scientist, bird watcher and supporter of the Selsdon Wood Campaign, 'brain of Britain'. ([April 2023](#))
- **William Coker Iliffe** – newspaper magnate, resident of Farleigh, supporter of the Selsdon Wood Campaign ([April 2023](#))