

CHAMPS HILL

5th June 2025

15 of us arrived at Champs Hill to see the Peter Iden exhibition, a collection of colourful paintings from his later works, inspired by the Sussex Downs. Over a welcome cuppa the scene was set by Mary Bowerman, Trustee of The Bowerman Charitable Trust, who explained that the paintings had been lent by the artist's widow.

Also on view were many of his earlier works, which were quite different from his later paintings. This included black-and-white sketches of local scenes and villages, some of which were in a very fragile condition. One of our group was delighted to find that his house was clearly visible in one of the sketches.

Unfortunately, the weather was not kind to us. But when the rain began to ease a few hardy souls ventured out into the beautiful gardens to see the many glorious sculptures dotted throughout.