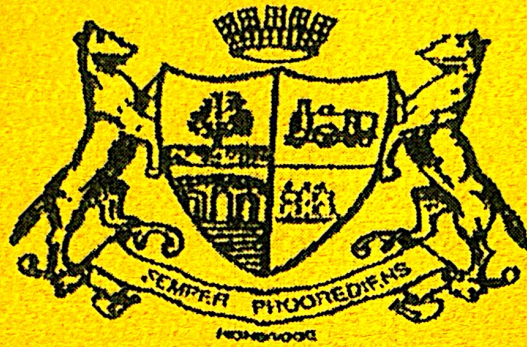


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Editorial

In last months' magazine it was announced that in November we would be able to celebrate our **TENTH BIRTHDAY**. We are looking to you our members to put forward suggestions on how best we can celebrate this occasion.

Now is the time to remind you all that your **Membership Fee** for 2009/2010 is due in April, it remains unchanged at £6.00.

Would you please, when paying your subscription fill in the form on Page 9 and hand it to the Membership Secretary with your subscription; this will be greatly appreciated. It not only helps us to have a true up-to-date record for you but it also gives the Membership Secretary a little more time when filling in the Club's main register. Thanks.

In the November/December issue of the magazine there was included a note relating to an agreement within The North Somerset Association of U3A's this stated that: -

"Members of U3As within the Association may attend one group of another U3A, within the Association, without paying the joining fee of that U3A. They will, however, need to pay the required subscription for that group's meetings."

U3As belonging to the Association are: - Bristol, Cheddar Valley, Chew Valley, Highbridge, Norton Radstock, Wells, Weston and Woodspring,

e.g. You may be interested in learning Latin but we in Highbridge do not have a group that teaches Latin. Therefore you would need to obtain permission to join a group within a Club that does, by contacting their Hon.Sec. or the person that teaches that subject to see if there is a vacancy.

The Brief History of the U3A of Highbridge-the first 10 years

In the last issue I gave a few notes on the early history of this club, why it formed and having read the Minutes from past Committee Meetings and Club correspondence I found that much has happened over the years; it made for interesting reading. The Club was fairly slow taking off; because there was already a club in the area (Burnham) so there was not a sudden rush of members. A slow start enabled the founder members to see what the reactions of the locals would be and to proceed accordingly. During the latter part of 1999 everyone was 'finding their feet' and in the New Year it became more established.

Editorial continued

2000. The Wednesday Coffee Mornings were moved from the Community Hall (Room 4) to Southwell House because it was larger, and very important in those days, cheaper. For this reason the Art Group, tutor Jean Berry, also moved to Southwell House from Room 1 at the Community Hall and is still there on Thursdays. Due its popularity and over crowding it was proposed another Art group be started on a Tuesday, this group is also still going strongly.

In the September a General Meeting was held and a Committee was elected this comprised Roy Preston (Chairman), Fay Johnson (V-Chair), Bob Ramsey (Treasurer), Sylvia Shepherd (Secretary) plus 4 others. During the year a Newsletter was produced, a Skittle Group was started (Fay Johnson in the meantime had become Fay Burston). Bob Ramsey resigned as Treasurer because he was about to leave the area.

The Groups were doing well and comprised Keep Fit & Scrabble (15), Art (12), another group run by Ann Young and Phil Lyes was started as stated earlier, this is still on a Tuesday. Creative Writing (7), Skittles (18), Strollers (10), Swimming and Cycling were not doing too well. A Social Group was envisaged to run trips and outings. In the November I was invited to join the Committee to replace Bob Ramsey.

Southwell House became very busy on Wednesday mornings with more and more turning up for the Coffee Morning. It became a regular weekly meeting place because members knew there would always be a welcoming coffee and biscuit plus someone to talk to. Some weeks there was a raffle that provided a very wide assortment of prizes. Membership at the end of the first full year stood at 76.

2001. The first Luncheon Club was held at the Highbridge Hotel, being well supported, Committee Meetings were held at the Royal Artillery Inn before the Skittles began. The Club's Constitution was discussed and approved. Membership was growing and a Play Reading Group had started.

At the A.G. M. three new members were voted onto the Committee, these were Pat Gray, Phil Lyes and Ethel Titford. In the May there had been a Foley Day Fair at which the Club had had a few stalls, profit from any sales would be put towards the purchase of a printer so that the club could be independent of outside printers.

An Art & Craft Exhibition was held on the 24th November in the Community Hall this raised the profile of the Club. New groups included Ceramics, Gardening and History.

The first Newsletter/Magazine was issued in September 2000 and there was a report on the Gardening Clubs' evening visit to Ray & Doreen Reddish's when Ray gave a talk on bee keeping. The Writing Group lead by Roy Preston took it in turns to hold meetings at members' homes.

2001 continued

December was the next issue and a trip was organised to the Walpole Landfill Site where the guided tour included a commentary on how the site was operated. In view of the present problems concerning recycling it would no doubt interest some of you to know what happens to the waste that is collected from as each week.

2002

Apparently the Arts & Craft Exhibition held in November 2001 was considered a success, the entries had been high in both in quantity and quality. There had been demonstrations in Sugarcraft, Aromatherapy and Bee –keeping.

At the A.G.M. members were told that the Capitation Fee required by the Trust had gone up from £2.00 to £2.50; the photocopier purchased by the Club had nearly paid for itself. The Chairman (Roy Preston) had had to stand down as his term of office had expired and Fay Burston was voted in as Chairperson. Halfway through the year the membership was now 72. The newly formed Social Group had got off to a good start and was busy organising trips, one of the first being a Canal Boat trip on the Bridgwater/Taunton Canal—a sell out. Also a cruise on the Balmoral out around Steep and Flat Holmes. At the end of 2002 membership was 90.

Well that is enough for this issue, further instalments to follow.

New Groups?

The Third Age Trust that has recently provided a booklet for Clubs that wish to set up **Creative Writing** (or **Writing for Pleasure** if you prefer) Groups. A member, upon seeing this booklet, has offered to liase with others who may also be interested so that they may form a group. He will not be a 'Leader' but is someone who is interested in writing and is prepared to help others who may wish to take up this activity. Please contact Ken Burston if interested.

Also: -

Patchwork & Quilting

Ann Lismore is thinking about starting up a Group for members who are interested in this activity. The group will cater for those who can already quilt and those who wish to learn. It would be held at Southwell House on the first 3 Tuesdays of the month, say from 10.00 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.

If you are interested please ring Ann on 787607 for further details.

Another suggestion for a group is **Fishing**. I know that one or two of our men members are keen fishermen so why not get together and make arrangements to meet sometime and try for a few 'tight lines'.

Again let me know if you would like to set something up.

There is a P.S. on Page 8

The U3A and its Principles

In November 2009 we will celebrate our 10th Anniversary and this might be a good time to remind ourselves of the principles of the organisation.

We aim to promote the concept of 'Life-long learning and personal fulfilment' through a self-help movement.

It is the hope that all members, no matter their experience or background, will find it possible to take an active part in whatever group they may chose to join.

The values that we consider important when conducting our affairs are: -

Independence. Mutual support. High standards. Self-evaluation.

The success of a U3A is dependent upon the willingness of its members to take a lead in and share, within a group, their own skills, knowledge or interest.

One does not have to be an expert but should be able to encourage members within its groups to achieve and aim for better things. Age must not be a barrier to learning, we can all learn something each day no matter how insignificant it may seem.

Others wishing to join a club can measure its success by the way its members are involved in its activities; who should also be encouraged to openly discuss club matters. Fellowship is important and we should ensure that there is an atmosphere of fun and enjoyment pervading all activities.

One of the strengths of the U3A and one that I feel is strong within this Club is the **support given to members by members**, long may this continue.

Stop Press!

Last Friday (27th February) whilst attending a meeting for the North Somerset Associations of U.3.A.'s we were advised that **First Great Western** has introduced an off-peak travel scheme that may be of interest to some of you.

Are you over 55? If so, with **CLUB 55** you are entitled to return off-peak travel anywhere on the First Great Western network for these fares: -

Club 55	£25 Return (standard)
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Your ticket is valid for return travel up to a month from the date of outward travel; so why not take a short break?

You can take advantage of this opportunity as many times as you like during the promotion period, which is between **01st February and 07th April**.

There is no membership fee to join **CLUB 55**

You can buy your ticket by calling Telesales on 08457 000 125

Visit to Snowdrop Valley

After their energetic walk along the Old Strawberry Line at Winscombe on a nice fresh morning early in February the Strollers, during their customary break for a well-earned cup of coffee, discussed possible future walks. Why not a visit to Snowdrop Valley on the Quantocks, the Snowdrops will soon be in full bloom.

We visited the Snowdrop Valley web site to ascertain what facilities were available and, upon finding that parking was free and that a mini bus service operated down into the valley we agreed to set a date and we looked forward to the day out.

Little did we realise then that the weather would soon cause so much havoc; after the first falls of snow we decided it prudent to again visit the web site to check on whether all was well, only to find that the snowdrops were under eighteen inches of snow and the valley was blocked by fallen trees. In fact the site would be closed at least until 17th February so our visit was off. However, the weather improved, the snow, most of it, disappeared and after checking the web site on the 17th Feb we found that the valley was again open so the trip was on, but we had to go on Friday 20th.

Promptly at 10.00 a.m. 12 Strollers left Highbridge and, taking the high road over the Quantocks, arrived at Wheddon Cross at 11.20 a.m. After parking the cars and putting on our boots it was onto the bus and off we went down into the valley.

The valley on both sides of the stream was covered in Snowdrops that, unfortunately by their very nature, do not present themselves well in black and white.

The footpaths very muddy following the wet conditions but we all made our way safely along the route that has been set out.

After lunch in the village hall we returned home, tired but glad that we had made the effort.



Two Strollers, being more energetic than the others, also went up to the top of Dunkery Beacon, trudging through snow in the process; there was still a lot of the white stuff across the Quantocks and Exmoor.

Grass Roots by Grace Galton

Laurie stood nervously in the wings at the Village Talent contest.

Her music struck up and she stepped barefoot onto the stage, hips swiveling, skirt swaying and her graceful hands telling the stories of Hawaii.

Loud cheers and wolf whistles greeted her entrance and a voice called out.

"Meet me after darlin'. I'll take you back to your grass roots!"

Glass Beads by Grace Galton

'Gypsy Queen Zarenda sees all' proclaimed the banner.

Pushing aside the glass bead curtain Kath entered. Facing her was a woman; her headdress trimmed with silver coins.

Kath pushed dripping hair from her forehead at the first thunderclap sound above.

In a broad Irish accent the gypsy proclaimed.

"Holy Cow! An' haven't oi left the weeks washin' on the loin?"

Annual Lunch

92 members and guests attended the Annual Lunch that was held on Wednesday 25th February at the Beachcomber Inn. Brean. The catering was again first class everyone was served quickly the carvery was excellent. 'Seconds' were available for those that had sufficient room for them but there were very few takers.

Our Chairman Tony Webb welcomed us all and thanked those assembled for supporting this, the Clubs' annual function. He wished all an enjoyable lunch and, on behalf of us all, thanked Fay Burston for making the arrangements.

Fay had compiled a quiz to keep everyone fully occupied whilst waiting for their lunch. Following the dessert and coffee the answers to the quiz were distributed so that the 'teams' (four in a team) could check each other's results; the winners were Margaret Wall, Sally Williams, Carole Loveridge and Betty Lambert.

Activities came to an end with the raffle, members leaving for home to probably put their feet up and sleep off the excellent lunch.

P.S. to Club News. I wish to thank Joyce Beard for sending me the E-mail that provided the up-to date information on member Betty Worthy and her recent heart bye-pass. Joyce also states that Pat Grey valiantly took over Betty's role in running the Board Games Group—Thank you Pat.

During 'Valentine' week the Keep fit and Board Games Groups held a quiz and competition and the £50.00 raised is going to the British Heart Foundation

Two members have 'been in the wars' lately; Maureen McLaren broke an ankle just before Christmas but now getting about again. Another casualty is Pam Scales, she broke her left ankle following a mishap with a dog whilst out walking.

Finally Joyce apologises to anyone who turned up as usual on Tuesday 3rd February only to find the meetings were cancelled due to the atrocious weather conditions.

The U3A of Highbridge

The U3A of Highbridge is a self-help educational and social organisation in which people who are over 50 years of age and no longer in full time gainful employment, can establish themselves into groups where they may broaden their experiences and keep both mentally and physically active.

Membership Application/Renewal

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Surname.....

Address.....

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Postcode.....Telephone No.....

New Member.....Renewal.....Previous Membership No...

Hobbies and other interests.....

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Membership Fee £ 6.00 by cash or cheque made payable to "U3A of Highbridge"

Signature of Applicant.....Date.....

Please return the completed form with subscription to the Membership Secretary---

Our Coffee Morning is held every week at the Highbridge Community Hall, Market Street, Highbridge. From 10.00 am to 12.00 am

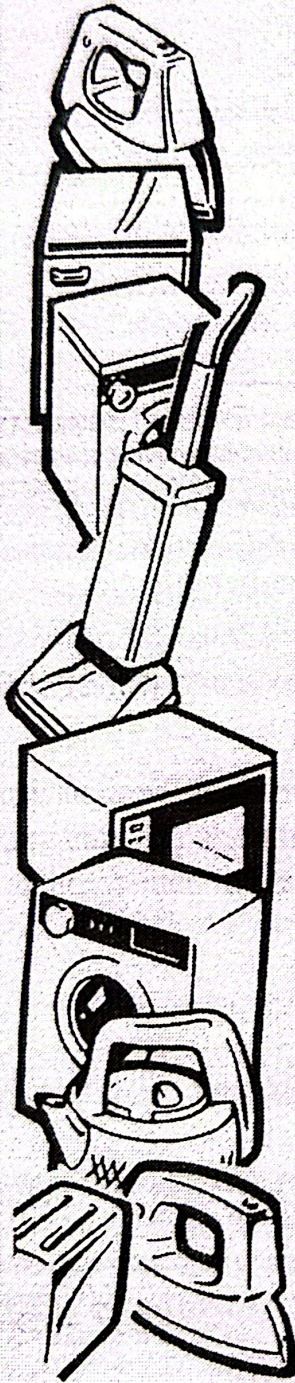
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Are you a fully paid up member of another U.3.A? Yes.....No.....

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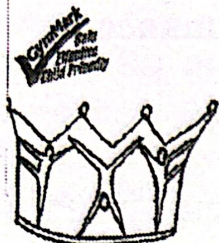
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Correspondence

Below is a copy of the letter received from the Head Coach of the Monarch Acrobatic Gymnastics Club thanking us for our donation; this was made to them following our successful Arts & Craft Exhibition.



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04 December 2008

Dear Mr Webb and all Club Members,

The Gymnasts and Coaches of Monarchs Gymnastics Club would like thank you all for the very generous and completely unexpected donation of £140. We are going to use the money to replace some worn and ageing safety equipment. As safety in the gym is of the greatest importance to us, your donation is greatly appreciated.

Yours sincerely

T. Merrett

Tony Merrett (Head Coach)

The following copy of a letter received from Jean Berry who is the tutor of our Thursday Art Class is self-explanatory, she had asked for a copy of my painting so, on behalf of the class, I mounted it and presented to her with our compliments.

4, Paddock Drive,
HIGHBRIDGE
TA9 3LQ

Dear U3A Members,

I was extremely pleased to receive a beautiful framed picture painted by Ken Burston, which I admired very much, How nice to have recognition for the work I do to help my fellow artists it is so rewarding. Thank you all so much and Ken keep up the standard you have achieved and your work will be admired by lots of people.

*Yours Sincerely
Jean Berry.*

Proposed Social Activities for 2009

The Social Group is proposing to run the following trips.

Firstly there are two theatre trips: -

Show: - "Fun of the Fair" starring David Essex
At: - Bristol Hippodrome---Matinee Performance
Date: - 27th May Wednesday
Meet: - Bank Street Car Park at 12.30 p.m.
Price: - To Be Advised

Show: - "We will Rock You"
At: - Bristol Hippodrome ---Matinee Performance
Date: - 7th October Wednesday
Meet: - Bank Street Car Park at 12.30 p.m.
Price: - £26.00

Day Trips

To: - Bath Sightseeing and shopping
Date: - 19th March. Thursday Price (coach only) £6.50 #
Coach to leave Bank Street Car Park at 10.30 a.m.
Coach to leave Bath for return journey at 04.30 p.m.

To: - Cothay Manor Gardens---near Wellington
Date: - 30th April. Thursday Price (coach only) £5.50 # or ##
Coach to leave Bank Street Car Park at 01.00 p.m.
Coach to leave Gardens for return journey at 05.00 p.m.

To: - Gloucester Sightseeing at Docks/City and shopping
Date: - 21st May. Thursday Price (coach only) £7.00 ##
Coach to leave Bank Street Car Park at 09.30 a.m.
Coach to leave Gloucester for return journey at 04.30 p.m.

To: - Plymouth Sightseeing and shopping
Date: - 18th June. Thursday Price (coach only) £9.00 ##
Coach to leave Bank Street Car Park at 08.30 a.m.
Coach to leave Plymouth for return journey at 04.30 p.m.

Price based on 16 seat coach
Price based on 32 seat coach

Strollers Programme

The suggested strolls for March and April are:

March 13th A visit to **Portishead**, Vour Orchard who has suggested this stroll feels it will provide us with an interesting morning and, perhaps to most of us, it may be an 'eye-opener'; there has been a lot of development along the front.

March 27th We return to **Ashcott Corner** and take the route along the old railway line to finish up at the **Sharpham Tea Rooms** again. We can only hope that the weather is as warm as it was last June when we first did this walk. We could be lucky and see migrating birds/wildfowl arriving on the Levels at about that time. There will be, of course, the opportunity to sample the fare at the Tea Rooms.

April 10th This is Good Friday so there are no specific plans for a stroll on that day. However, we retain the option to arrange a walk if members wish to take advantage of any nice weather that we may have?

April 24th A stroll along the **Bridgwater/Taunton Canal** as far as the 'Boat and Anchor'. We will be parking in Bridgwater at a place for which a route plan will be provided so that we will all know where it is.

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Christmas Day---2008**by Janet Holderness**

June Adamson and Janet Holderness decided to do something different on Christmas Day. June found out from The Big Issue magazine that there was a charity in Bristol that opens up a shelter over the Christmas period called "Caring at Christmas." We sent for their application forms that were pretty stringent, as they have to know that the volunteers are genuine and we were allotted the lunchtime slot.

We attended the volunteer training day on the 20th December and were pleasantly surprised at how many young volunteers there were. It was certainly very interesting and quite an eye-opener! We were told that they do get quite a lot of homeless people coming into the shelter who are on drugs or have alcohol problems and perhaps even mental problems. However, there are also many who are lonely or find it difficult coping with life, including those who served overseas in the forces.

The shelter itself provides beds for overnight stays for up to 36 guests plus food and clothes.

We started our shift at 11 a.m. and were kept very busy in the kitchen. We did manage to get out of doing the washing up!! We were mostly cutting up vegetables and we both spent quite a long time heating up Christmas puddings and custard in the very small microwave oven! All the Christmas dinners were consumed by the guests and we just managed to grab ten minutes to sit down and have a couple of bananas for our lunch, which helped our diets!

In the main hall the guests were coming and going all day, playing snooker, cards, and games and watching television. Over the Christmas period there was an average of 35 people staying each night and a total of 1,595 meals were provided.

We did make contact with the guests towards the end of our shift whilst we were serving them the Christmas puddings and custard through the hatch. Most of them thanked us for what we were doing.

Both of us thoroughly enjoyed the experience and would certainly do it again.

Janet Holderness

Useful Information

To those of you who take holidays on the continent the following information will be very useful; it was recently been brought to our attention that the **EUROPEAN HEALTH INSURANCE CARD** issued to many people expired last year. The expiry date is shown on the bottom right of the card.

If it is your intention to retain this facility so that you can continue visiting the continent it is essential you ring 0845.605.0707 to get the card renewed.

Skittle Xmas Party

The Skittle Group held their annual Christmas Party at the Royal Artillery Arms on Friday 19th December. The usual skittle matches were held for the Roy Preston Memorial Cup—for the highest score—this was won by Brenda Hooper. The Rowell Cup for the highest total score for the year (466) was won by Betty Worthy with Pete Worthy getting the cup for the most attendances (23).

After the skittles a quiz was held, Sallie Park won this.

Beryl Hearn won the Christmas Hat competition and the Vintage Hat prize went to Ray Reddish; the usual free raffle then followed with all 16-group members receiving a prize. Landlord Lee once again put on a very good buffet lunch, there being a variety of food; the party ending at about 4 o'clock.

Doreen Reddish

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Betty Worthy Betty who is leader of our Board Games and co-leader (with Ray Reddish) of our Skittle Group was rushed into hospital on the 20th December and was found to have had two heart attacks and it was determined that she would need a bye-pass. Unfortunately before this could take place the hospital found it had the Norovirus in her ward and was forced to keep her in isolation. Eventually after being shuttled between Weston and the B.R.I. Betty underwent a double bye-pass. She was returned to Weston on the 24th February and is expected home in about 10 days. After spending about 6/7 weeks backwards and forwards between hospitals Betty is, no doubt, looking forward to getting home again and resuming her normal life. Her husband Pete will be greatly relieved, as he must be worn out from having to travel from hospital to hospital over the past 2 months. We wish you all the best Betty and look forward to seeing her out and about very soon.

Club Library

Some years ago an attempt was made to set up a library, nothing fancy, just a collection of books, pamphlets, etc. that would cover subjects in which members may have an interest. Although you may not wish to join a group that deals with a certain subject you may be interested in learning a little more about it.

The original library held copies of the Third Age Trust's booklet called 'Source' and various pamphlets on U3A activities, unfortunately some of the items were lost and the scheme died. We have now started to resurrect the idea and now have available books on Computer Operation, Calligraphy and Creative Writing.

Copies of 'Source' are also in the scheme; these cover subjects that have been written by U3A members from Clubs throughout the UK.

There is also a list of CDs and DVD's that are available from the Third Age Trust Resource Centre. All free—you just pay for their return.

Speak up if you need to know more.

Monthly Draw

December	Vi Chick	No 10	only one sheet was sold
January	Tony Webb	and	Pam Turner No 28
All received £20.00			

Editor: Ken Burston

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Distribution: Ann Smith (West Huntspill)

Mary Akers, Fay Burston, Pat Gray, Heather Swift,
Thelma Tripp, Phyllis Walsh, Chris Winter,
Betty Worthy and Marion Wright.

The Social Scene

The next trip is to the Playhouse at Weston-super-Mare to see "South Pacific" this is on Wednesday 1st April an evening performance starting at 7.30 p.m. Weston Operatic Society is presenting the show.

On Thursday 2nd July there is the trip to Bristol to see "West Side Story" this is also an Evening Performance. It is modern version of Shakespeare's Romeo and Juliet and was a great success when it first appeared in London some 50 years ago.

Please Note: -Trips of all types can only be run if we get enough 'bums' on seats, for theatre trips it is usually at least 30 bookings, other trips may not be so critical but it depends upon the venue and the price of admission. The Club is not in a position to financially sponsor a trip, so please be aware that unless you book early as requested and hand over your cheque, a trip may have to be cancelled.

At the start of another year this is a good time to remind members about: -

INSURANCE: U3A members, and U3A members only, through the payment of their subscriptions upon joining the Club, are indemnified, i.e. are insured against Public and Product Liability.

Although it is obviously some way off we can report that the Club is taking advantage of a Majestic organised Tinsel and Turkey Trip to Chester. Members will be staying at the Alveston Hall, Cheshire from Monday 16th November for 5 days. About 20 members going on the trip so it should turn out to be a real jolly 'do'.

Personal note

Having watched the B.B.C.'s "Any Dream Will Do" programme I was looking forward to seeing one of the finalists -Craig Chalmers. However, when we saw the show back in January Alistair Brummer played the lead, he has a good strong voice and played the part well, but where was Craig? Apparently whilst we were on our way home he was being interviewed on B.B.C. 'Points West' at 6.30 (obviously pre-recorded) and gave the impression he was appearing in two shows a day---on Wednesday 14th January he didn't.

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Please Note. The Social Group have recently discussed a programme of events for this year, the details were given on Page 12.

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GROUP ACTIVITIES

Card Making 1st Mondays and 3rd Wednesdays

At: Southwell House
Dates/Times: See 'Group News'
Cost: £2.00
Contact: Rose Bateman (795906)

Floral Art 4th Tuesday

At: Southwell House
Time: 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.
Cost: £1.50
Group Leader: Jean Williams (785240)

Art Every Tuesday

At: Southwell House
Time: 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm
Cost: £1.50
Group Leader: Phil Lyes (784629)

Keep Fit Every Tuesday

At: Gospel Hall, Old Burnham Road
Time: 2.15 pm to 3.15 pm
Group Leader: Joyce Beard (783913) All Welcome.

Board Games Every Tuesday

At: Gospel Hall, Old Burnham Road.
Time: 3.15 After Keep Fit until 5.00 p.m.
Group Leader: Betty Worthy (795823)

Coffee Morning Every Wednesday

At: Highbridge Community Hall
Time: 10.00am to 12.00am
All are welcome, come along, meet up with friends, and see what we have to offer.

Luncheon Club

Nothing is planned for this month just yet but as soon as information is received about a proposed lunch, a notice will go on the board.

Art Every Thursday
 At: Southwell House
 Time: 1.30pm to 4.00pm
 Cost: £1.50 Tutor: Jean Berry (785840)

Skittles 1st and 3rd Friday in the month
 At: Royal Artillery Inn
 Time: 11.30am to 1.00pm
 Group Leader: Ray Reddish (785411) and Betty Worthy (795823)
 Lunches available

Play Reading Fourth Friday in the month.
 At: 4 Brue Crescent. Burnham-on-Sea.
 Time: 10.00am
 Play: To be advised
 'Producer': Tony Webb (787483) New members welcome-especially men

Family History Tutorial Workshop on first Thursday in the month
 At: Southwell House
 Time: 10.00 a.m.- 11.00 a.m.
 Facilitator: Roger Ouston (795007)

Strollers 2nd and 4th Friday in the month
 At: Start-Bank Street Car Park
 Time: 10.00 a.m.
 Stroll: Stout footwear is recommended.
 Group Leader: Fay Burston (782529) or Ray Reddish (785411)

With all of the foregoing it is advisable to check with the Club Notice Board or with the Group Leader to ensure the activity is being held, especially with outdoor events

Social Events 2009

N.B. Prices quoted for all days out are subject to a minimum of thirty seats being occupied on the coach.

- Show: -** "South Pacific"
At: - Playhouse. Weston-super-Mare
Date: - 1st April 2009 Wednesday
Meet: - Coach will leave Bank Street Car Park at 6.00 p.m.
Price: - £16.50 each if 16 members attend
£17.60 each if 12 members attend
- Show: -** "Westside Story"
At: - Bristol Hippodrome-----Evening Performance
Date: - 2nd July 2009 Thursday
Meet: - Coach will leave Bank Street Car Park at 05.45 p.m.
Price: - £30.00
- Holiday: -** Tinsel & Turkey
At: - Alveston Hall Chester
Date: - 16th November 2009
Meet: - Coach to pick up at St Johns' Church—Time to be advised.

Please note the NEW booking arrangements
 Cheques must be made out to "U3A of Highbridge Social Club"
 For further details of all trips etc. please contact either Vi Chick (784033)
 or Roy Bryant (783780) or at the Wednesday Coffee Morning.

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