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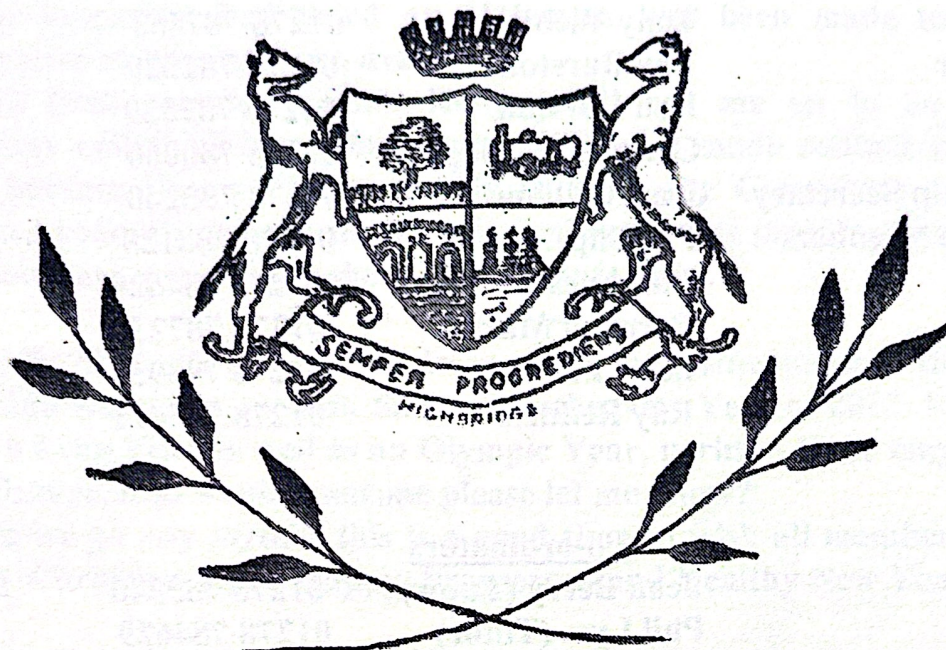
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Editorial

Well! What did you think of the yellow cover on our September/October magazine? Hope you are happy with it because we now have enough yellow paper for the next 6 or 7 issues. (12 months)

A few issues ago I commented on the fact that because the Paper Mill Co's shop at Street had closed our supply of coloured paper, used for the cover of the magazine, had dried up. Attempts had been made to find an alternative supply but to no avail.

A call from member Gillian Kenyon-Gill put me on to an Internet company called Viking. (*Thank you, Gillian*). I made contact with them and, because they prefer to supply in bulk, the Committee agreed we obtain a years supply of both the coloured and white printer paper.

We now have a stock that should take us into 2013.

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Being the November/December Issue of the magazine makes it the last for 2011 and we must now look forward to the New Year of 2012. It happens to be a Leap Year as well as an Olympic Year, perhaps there may be some significance, if so would someone please let me know?

Before we go any further this is a good time to wish all members a Very Merry Christmas and a Happy, Prosperous and Healthy New Year.

Also, on behalf of the Committee Members I thank each and every one of you for your support during 2011. It has not been what you might call a momentous year; but I feel we have done pretty well.

## **Chairman's Comments on year 2011**

This issue will bring us into the festive season so on behalf of all the Committee may I wish you all a very 'peacefun' Christmas; I say 'peacefun' because I feel it has more depth than happy.

Our membership remains fairly static, as do the groups, although two new groups were formed this year, unfortunately the Play Reading has had to close.

The Open Day was a great success and I am sure you would like me to thank Pearl on your behalf for all the hard work she put into it.

I must mention the visit we made with the RAFA to the National Memorial Arboretum. It was a most moving and may I say a most thought provoking experience; and I would most certainly recommend it to everyone young and old.

Finally, as we go into the New Year may I ask you all to take a look at the Coffee Rota for Wednesdays when you visit the kitchen; please add you name to a vacant date?

Thank you:

Tony.....Chairman



### **Editorial (continued)**

Curious to know what did happen during the year I decided to do a quick Review of 2011 by looking at past issues of the magazine.

At the start of the year we experienced very un-Somerset weather with there being frosts and snow. Unfortunately this delayed the completion of the modernisation/renovation of the Beachcomber Inn and in turn caused us to delay the date of our Annual Lunch. Instead of it being in mid February it was put back until April, the delay did not affect the success of this great social gathering.

The social theme of the Club continued in June when we again enjoyed the Cream Teas at Wick Farm (3 this year) and an American Picnic in July. In May we held our Annual General Meeting and welcomed onto the Committee three new members, Pat Clipstone, Pearl Price and Bernard Martin.

At this point we thank the three Committee Members that retired this year, firstly Beryl and Roy Bryant who joined the Committee many years ago and during their term organised, with Vi Chick, social and theatre outings that were enjoyed by members. We must not forget the numerous holidays they arranged including a number of Tinsel & Turkey events. Beryl and Roy have put in many hours over the years to ensure that we had the successful social atmosphere for which we are now known.

We also thank Sylvia Shepherd for her support; Sylvia was Club Secretary during its early years and helped set up a lot of the groups that we now enjoy. They have returned to West Huntspill after living in France for a few years. Sylvia did rejoin the Committee but now finds that life pressure coupled with the work involved in making their home as they want it, restricts her movement somewhat and she felt, like Beryl and Roy, that she should make way for some younger Committee Members.

### **Group News**

At the start of the year the "Away Day" team of Vour Orchard and Carole Loveridge had presented us with a programme of places to visit, the first was to Bath and the weather that day conspired against it being a 'bright' start to the season. Later trips did fare better.

In March members visited the Wetlands & Wildfowl Park at Slimbridge, in May we went to the St Fagan's Rural Life Museum in Wales, followed in June by a trip to Weymouth and then a trip to Dawlish in August.



### **Group News (continued)**

A day at Morwellham Quay in September had been looked forward to for some time and it did not disappoint us; (report later) next came the West Somerset Railway journey to Minehead in October. The final "Away Day" for 2011 was to be the Christmas Market trip to Worcester in December.

This is a good time to express on behalf of all who have supported and enjoyed the days out to thank Your Orchard and Carole Loveridge for organising the trips and resolving the problems that occur when arranging this type of event. We look forward to their programme of trips for 2012.

During the year three new Groups were formed, these were for Calligraphy, Writing for Pleasure and Somerset Villages.

The Calligraphy Group after a slow start eventually acquired six members and they are becoming quiet proficient, samples of their work was on show at our Open Day.

The Writers, although enthusiastic, but are suffering a bit of a 'writers block'; we have not given up hope, trusting they will soon present us with some of their jottings. I understand they may soon add to their numbers?

When it was suggested we form a 'Somerset Villages' Group it was decided to hold it on the fifth Friday in the month, there being just four a year. The first to North Curry proved to be a popular choice and it has, hopefully, set the standard for future, the second visit was to Somerton.

The New Age Kurling Group that started last year is gaining in support, its leader Stan V-W is now fully mobile following his knee operation and has re-taken the reins. We thank Sybil and Lyn for 'holding the fort' whilst Stan's was indisposed. The members certainly enjoy their Monday afternoon sessions as we discovered recently when dropping in to photographically record their activity for the 'Open Day'.

Regrettably we recently lost the Play Reading Group due to lack of support, Tony Webb has kept it going for some months with just a handful of members but the end could not be avoided. Thank you Tony and Joan you both have tried very hard, more than that we cannot expect.

On Monday 17<sup>th</sup> October the Luncheon Club met at the Berrow Inn and the members held their first group lunch for some time, enjoying the opportunity to sit and socialise with their fellow members.



### **“AWAY DAYS” for 2012?**

The following are some suggestions for next year, purely suggestions, so please study it and let Your Orchard or Carole Loveridge have your comments. If you think you know of some interesting alternatives that might appeal to members, somewhere exciting, now is the time to say so.

The list comprises: -

A visit to Cockington Court Country Park & Village Torquay is on offer and/or time in Torquay. Some of you may prefer the latter and have a look around Torquay and the sea front.

Step back in time and see a unique collection of memorabilia from days gone by at the Oak Ham Treasures, Portbury, or Bristol shopping.

This is close at hand and could possibly be a half-day trip?

Trago Mills at spring time to buy plants at their new and very large Garden Centre, or shopping in Exeter.

Bristol- visit the S.S. Great Britain and Georgian House, or shopping.

Highclere Castle home of the T V Drama Series “Downton Abbey”

Take a leisurely horse drawn canal boat trip on the Great Western Canal at Tiverton.

Cardiff Castle and shopping. Brixham. Salisbury Cathedral and town

Barnstaple and Tarka Trail Walk. Bridport the Market and West Bay.

Comment by Editor: -When the Club went on the canal trip at Tiverton some years ago it was Springtime, daffodils were blooming in canal side gardens giving the event a great relaxing atmosphere.

Members who attend the weekly Coffee Morning will have an opportunity to see this list and give their comments on its suitability or otherwise.

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Magazine adverts: -

You may notice that we have another new advert in this issue, the donations received for the advertisements helps to defray our expenditure in respect of paper and printing ink. Paper is not too expensive, but replace toner for our printer is, so every little helps!



## Away Day to Morwellham Quay

On Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> September we headed for Devon full of anticipation that the day would be fine and dry; it was until we left the A30 and crossed the edge of Dartmoor on our way down to Tavistock. Our Coffee break at the Old Well Garden Centre just off the M5 (J27) had proved to be a good idea by our driver, it was a change from the usual set up and most of us bought something useful including of course coffee and toasted tea cakes.

Over Dartmoor we ran through typical moor weather, damp and misty but upon reaching our destination the weather had improved. Your announced that a train was due to leave at 12.30 to go down the copper mine, the next being 1.30, so we decided to take the earlier tour and eat later.

The train driver/guide gave us a short introduction into the history of the mine and off we went, it is just in Devon, we looked down on the River Tamar the other side of which is Cornwall; the lower shafts of the mine's workings are now permanently flooded.

We got aboard the little train and rattled and bumped along the track into the dark, damp mine, stopping occasionally to be told the conditions under which the miners worked. No trains or lighting for the miners they had to walk into the mine and climbing steep ladders up to or down to the shaft on which they were working. Something I think most of us did not appreciate is that the seams of copper are vertical not horizontal like coal, therefore the miners had to climb and hang on and chip away at the seam. The 40 minutes in the mine were quite sufficient for most of us and it was nice to see daylight again.

Upon exiting the mine we headed for The Ship Inn and lunch. After satisfying their appetites every then set off the see as much as they could before 5o/clock.

There is a lot to take in, the Docks and Quay, the Tamar ketch 'Garlandstone' moored there, the large waterwheel and the Manganese Mill where a continuous video told the story of the village.

The recent B.B.C. "Edwardian Farm" series was filmed here and in 'Ruth's Edwardian Farm' cottage a talk was given on what life was like in the mid 1800's. A group of us visited the village school; this had been set up in the 1840's and we received a talk and lesson from the 'school teacher'.

"Good afternoon children" "Good afternoon Miss" We sat quietly and upright on the hard wooden benches paying attention to everything 'Miss' said.

Children were required to pay 1p per week to attend school and they sat in the 5 rows of benches, 4's, 5's 6's 7's and 8's all being taught by the one teacher who could earn the princely sum of £50.00 per year. At the age of 8 children left school to start work to earn their keep.



### **Morwellham (continued)**

We were given a verse to learn "Good, Better, Best, never let it rest until your Good is Better, and your Better Best" Slates were then distributed and we had to write out "Good handwriting is essential"----we just about passed. The class comprised, Brenda Hooper, Betty Andrews, Vour Orchard, Sally Williams, Billy Conibeer, Fay Burston and Ken Burston



Betty demonstrated the 'Fools Cap' so called because it was made from a fools cap sheet of paper; Sally and Billy were called to the front of the class for slouching and had to show us how this was discouraged by holding across their backs a shaped wooden contraption.

We thoroughly enjoyed this 'school' experience, the 'teacher' was great, and quite a character, and we will remember this little episode for some time.

In 1970 the Tamar Valley and Morwellham Trust was formed to preserve the area's history, work is still in progress on much of facilities such as the Farm, Blacksmiths, Workers Cottages, Museum, etc.

It had been another great day out, the weather could have been better but the sun did come out after lunch and coats were quickly dumped on the coach.

On the journey back to Highbridge/Burnham we all relaxed and before long a few had dropped off, it had been a long day.

Thank you Vour and Carole, we look forward to some more like this.



## **Armed Forces Memorial Arboretum**

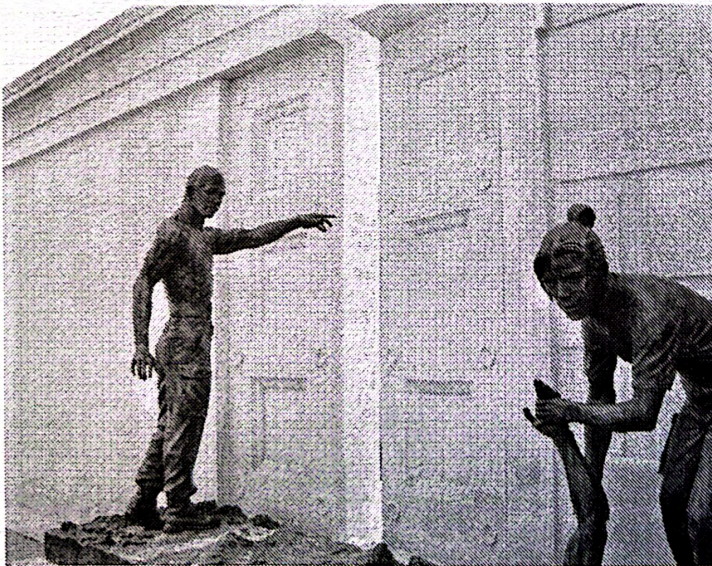
The members that visited the Memorial Arboretum on Thursday 22<sup>nd</sup> September were amazed by the enormity of the site; it is situated near the heart of our nation, 150 acres of beautiful wooded parkland and gardens.

Upon arrival we thought how on earth are we going to fill the 3 hours before it was time to leave, we soon found that this would not be a problem; in fact we could have spent many more hours in this spiritually uplifting place.

The National Memorial Arboretum is the UK's year round Centre of Remembrance which honours the fallen, recognises service and sacrifice and fosters pride in our country.

There are over 200 significant unusual and moving memorials representing military and civil services, it honours over 16,000 UK Armed Services Personnel who have died in the service of their country since, yes, since the end of WWII. You may remember seeing on television the Basra Memorial Wall where those who died in Iraq were named; that wall was dismantled, brought to the UK and re-built here at the Arboretum.

A Land Train carries visitors round the site, the driver giving a commentary as you slowly pass the memorials that organisations/regiments have provided to honour personnel killed in the various wars where we have been involved. From Palestine in 1945/8 to Korea 1950/3, to Northern Ireland 1969/2007 and the to present day in Afghanistan; the list is endless.



The man is pointing to an inscription that states:

“A shaft of sunlight passes through this space on the eleventh hour of the eleventh day of the eleventh month”

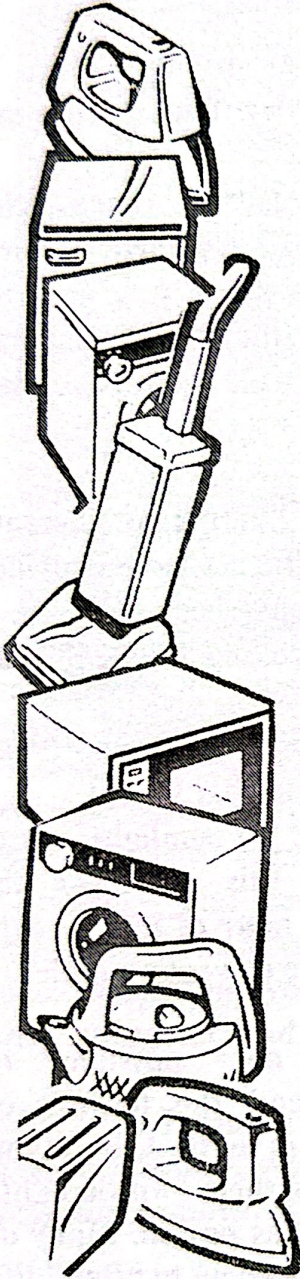
It is not possible to comprehend the feelings of the visitors to the Arboretum, each have their own thoughts on what has passed. Many of them have come to “find” the name of a lost colleague or a family member and are enriched by the fact that they were successful.

We sincerely thank the Royal Air Force Association (Burnham-on-Sea and District Branch) for giving us the opportunity to join them on their trip, should any of you get an opportunity to visit the Arboretum don't miss it.



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### The Group Open Day

Some months ago Pearl Price said she would be happy to organise an Open Day later in the year so that our various Groups could show the members who don't belong to a group what they get up to. It was agreed that we hold it on October, not too close to Christmas, as we have found, from experience, that pre-Christmas do's don't work in this area.

So Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> October was decided upon, we knew it would clash with some activities but if you have something going on every day you expect to clash with something.

During our weekly Coffee Mornings Pearl worked her charms on members inviting them to help organise this 'once in a while day' and asked Group Leaders to provide examples of their groups' work. As the weeks went by groups set out to produce items that would, hopefully, give a good insight into what its members did during their craft sessions.

On the Monday prior to the BIG DAY Pearl ran through the programme and we agreed that there was nothing else we could do, it now all depended upon what the groups came up with, the weather, and, most of all, would anyone bother to turn up.

Well, we need not have worried. By 9.00 am the hall was buzzing with activity, tables were laid out, display boards that told all what we did were positioned and the 'catering staff' were busy sorting the refreshments, we were going to be BUSY! (Continued on Page 12)

# Sandra

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### **"Away Day"**

The trip to Worcester Christmas Market on Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> December will be the last "Away Day" for 2011.

Although there will be a Market on the Thursday it does not open until early afternoon, this would greatly reduce your 'viewing and buying time' so it was decided to change the trip day to the Friday when the markets open at 11.00 am.

The coach will depart Highbridge (Market Street) at 09.45 am and Morrison's (Pier Street) at 10.00 am arriving in Worcester giving everyone more than sufficient time to get in a full day experiencing the atmosphere.

The stallholders dress in Victorian costumes and there are Craft stalls---Food--Hot Chestnuts and the usual Xmas Fare.

Cost: - £10.00 per person

The coach will leave Worcester at 05.00 pm to bring you, and your purchases back the Somerset, arriving at about 06.00 ---6.30pm.

Mobile phone numbers that may be needed in a case of emergency are: -

Vour Orchard 07870426376-----Carole Loveridge 07913384402

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### **The Group Open Day** (Continued from Page 11)

At 10.00 am the days were opened and the public started to drift in. Soon, we were being asked about our activities, when and where does the ---- Group hold its meeting? Members, who did not belong to a group, found that they were interested in the subject after all and decided to join.

As the morning progressed the public continued to arrive and members were kept busy describing their various activities and telling them what the U3A and the U3A of Highbridge was all about. The Tombola proved to be very popular; the prizes were disappearing at a steady rate. The handicrafts, such as Patchwork & Quilting and Crochet were creating quite an interest with visitors. Refreshments were available for those who wished to linger and the hall was a hive of activity well into the afternoon. During the day we had obtained a number of new members and a lot of interest in our activities; it had been a good exercise and all our members had done a great job in making sure the public was well received.

Pearl, you did a great job, thank you. A big thank you also to all the members who came to help set up and run this event publicising the Club, you did us proud. We also thank those members who came along to support the event.



### Strollers Programme

So far this year we have managed to hold most of our proposed Strolls without too much bother, however when we feel the weather is not suitable for strolling we would adjourn to Wetherspoons or similar. Here we enjoy a coffee and 'put the world to rights'.

The suggested strolls for the next two months are: -

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|---------------------------|-----------------------------------------------------|
| November 11 <sup>th</sup> | Halford Glen and autumn colours.                    |
| November 25 <sup>th</sup> | Charterhouse on the Mendips                         |
| December 9 <sup>th</sup>  | Cannington Village.                                 |
| December 23 <sup>rd</sup> | Christmas lunch at Wetherspoons has been suggested. |

Strollers leave the Bank Street Car Park in Highbridge at 10.00 am for their walk.

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## Christmas Cards

I nearly forgot! Some months ago it was suggested (by whom I'm not sure) that it would be a good idea for the Club to produce its own Christmas Cards.

The Art Groups would paint suitable Christmas scenes, these could then be scanned and reduced to a suitable size and the Card Making Group could then make the cards. Now that they have attended the Calligraphy class they should be able to provide their own texts.

Under a little pressure from Jean Berry (the tutor of the Thursday Art Group) its members decided what sort of picture to paint and they are now available. Ideally the cards should have been completed some time ago so that they could be available for sale at our recent 'Open Day'.

Unfortunately problems got in the way, hospital visits, holidays, etc, this resulted in the production programme going awry.

However, better late than never, the paintings have been done, scanned and computerised. Copies of the pictures have been produced and are, at present, being made into cards. As soon as there are sufficient available they will be put on display at the Coffee Morning.

It is appreciated that most members' will probably purchased their cards but if you can support your fellow members by buying a few, your support will be very encouraging. Next year we could try again, but a lot earlier.

## Wanted

Write-ups on Club activities, snippets of information that may be of interest to others, in fact anything that you feel would be worth sharing with the members. From time to time member Phyllis Walsh supplies me with articles that come in very useful when I have spaces to fill, they are very much appreciated.

You do not need to be a 'creative writer' just let me have something you have seen that 'tickled your fancy' it could also give others a chuckle.

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Member Hilda Turner has appreciated my efforts e.g.

"I should like to give Ken a huge vote of thanks for continually producing such an informative and interesting magazine.

I, for one, didn't mind at all that it had a white cover this time!

Thanks Ken."

Thank you Hilda, the white cover was, hopefully, to be a temporary measure and as you may have seen from earlier in the magazine we did manage to find another supplier. Yellow is the colour now for the next year at least.

Family History (Genealogy)

Research into one's family history is probably the fastest growing and most popular hobby or pastime. We all know something about ourselves; when we were born, where we went to school and so on. How many of you know the same about your parents? Or your grandparents—some people do not know their grandparents' Christian names, because they only ever the names 'Grandma or Grandpa'. Hardly any of us know anything about our great grandparents—perhaps we have seen a photograph in an album and that's it.

When either of our parents died, we remembered that there were all sorts of questions that we had meant to ask of them but never did. When my father died, his older brother gave me an outline family tree with names that I had never heard of. I decided that my children would not be equally left in the dark and decided to explore my family. That was 27 years ago, and I'm still at it! If you get stuck on one line such as my ancestor, Peter Owston, who died in 1568, then try another line. Just last month, my mother's father's family opened up having stuck in 1889 for many years.

You never know what you will find. I was born and brought up in Edgware in Middlesex. My wife was born and brought up in Sale, Cheshire. Some years ago, I found out that my direct ancestor David Ouston, was a grocer and coal merchant in Saturday Market Square in Beverley, Yorkshire in 1805. My wife's direct ancestor, Edwin Julian, was a shoe and boot maker a few doors away at the same time. Very eerie.

If you would like to know more, then come to my Family History Workshop at 10.00 am on 10th November in upstairs Committee Room of the Highbridge Community Hall. It will last 1 hour and cost £1.00.

I look forward to seeing you.

Roger Ouston

U3A Holidays

I have received a request to tell members about the following; Wells U3A have arranged two holidays and have said that if anyone is interested would they please contact the persons concerned direct.

The first is a holiday to the Lake District on 21st to 24th May 2012 to visit some of the most interesting and finest gardens in the UK. The holiday is by Brightwater Holidays and the cost will be from £335.00. Details obtainable from Brightwater Holidays quoting Wells U3A 01334/657155.

The second is to Assisi, Italy from 12th to 18th September 2012 by "The Unpackaged Travel Co" of Wells It will visit Assisi and surrounding villages, details may be obtained from: - Pam Roper on 01749/676825.

Mendip Hills Study Day

The North Somerset Association of U3A's has organised the study day, which will be held at the Draycott Village Hall on 1st March 2012.

For those of you who may wish to know more about the 'Mendips' this could be a welcome opportunity to learn something about the history and make-up for the range of hills that, in a way, dominates our skyline.

The Speakers are: -

Professor Simon Haslett on the "Geology and Landforms of the Mendip Hills" from 09.45 to 11.00 followed by coffee and biscuits 11.00 until 11.20

Then: -

Professor Jodie Lewis on "Prehistoric Mendip" 11.30 to 13.15

Lunch from 13.15 until 13.55

Then: -

Chris Sperring "Wildlife of the Mendip Hills" 14.00 to 15.15

Cost: - £9.00 per person, includes coffee and lunch

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Somerset Villages Group

Looking ahead into 2012 I note that the four months that have 5 Fridays are: - March---June---August--- November.

Bernard Martin the Group Leader will be discussing ideas for visits because there are numerous interesting villages in Somerset, giving us a wide range from which to select some interesting places, does anyone have a favourite village that they feel would warrant a visit from our members?

Without going too far a field we have villages like Stogursey, Nether Stowey, East and West Quantoxhead, Kilve plus others over the Quantock Hills like Bishops Lydeard.

If you have an interesting village in mind please let us know, we can then plan to visit it sometime next year.

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Cost: £2.00
Facilitator: Ron Turner 787231 & Ken Burston (782529)

Card Making

At: Southwell House
Days/Times: 1st Mondays and 3rd Wednesdays
Monday 10.00 'til 12.30 p.m. & Wednesday 02.00 'til 4.30
Contact: Rose Bateman (795906)

Kurling

At: - Highbridge Community Hall
Time: - 02.00 p. m. to 03.30 p.m.
Contact: - Stan Vousden-White (781567)

Art

At: Every Tuesday
Southwell House
Time: 1.30 pm to 4.00 pm
Cost: £2.00
Group Leader: Phil Lyes (784629)

Floral Art

At: 4th Tuesday
Southwell House
Date/Times: 10.30 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.
Cost: £1.75
Group Leader: Jean Williams (785240)

Keep Fit & Quiz

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

Board Games

At: Every Tuesday
Gospel Hall, Old Burnham Road.
Time: 3.15 until 5.00 pm (After Keep Fit & Quiz)
Group Leader: Betty Worthy (795823)

Patchwork/Quilting

At: Every Tuesday
2 Church Close, East Huntspill
Times: 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 p.m. or 2.00 p.m. to 4.00 p.m.
Cost: Free of charge at present
Facilitator: Ann Lismore (787607)

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

Crochet Wednesday (9th November & 14th December)
 At: - Highbridge Community Hall (Room 4)
 Time: - 10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
 Contact: - Lorita Gainford (789374)

Mosaics Tuesday (Ring Group Leader)
 At: - Highbridge Community Hall (Room-4)
 Times: - 10.00 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.
 Cost: - £2.00 per class
 Facilitator: - Alison Joyce (784633)

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

Genealogy Next Meeting 10th November
 At: Room 1 at Community Hall
 Time: 10.00 a.m.- 11.00 a.m.
 Facilitator: Roger Ouston (795007)
 Cost: - £1.00

Skittles 1st and 3rd Friday in the month
 At: Crossways Inn-West Huntspill
 Time: 11.30am to 1.00pm
 Leaders: Ray Reddish (785411) and Betty Worthy (795823)

Play Reading Discontinued

Strollers 2nd and 4th Friday in the month
 At: Start from Bank Street Car Park
 Time: 10.00 a.m.
 Stroll: Stout footwear is recommended.
 Self-regulating Contact No 782529 in event of a problem

Somerset Villages 5th Friday in the month
 At: - Start from Bank Street Car Park
 Time: - 10.00 am
 Facilitator: - Bernard Martin (787230)

With all of the Groups 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. Also, please contact a Committee Member if you have any doubts regarding an activity.

“Away Days” 2011

Worcester Christmas Markets

Date: - **Friday 2nd December 2011**
Pick-up: - **Highbridge-Market Street-----09.45 am**
Morrison's-Pier Street -----10.00 am
Return: - **from Worcester-----05.00 pm**
Cost: - **£10.00**

This trip is now SOLD OUT, a reserve list is available should there be any cancellations.

Cheques-----Should be made payable to: - “U3A of Highbridge”

Please add your name, address and phone number on the reverse of the cheque.

This: -

- a) helps to identify you on the passenger list, and
- b) if a trip is cancelled we have your details to hand so that you can be informed immediately.

This trip to Worcester brings us to the end of the “Away Day” Calendar for 2011.

We have enjoyed some great days out, visiting Bath, Slimbridge Wildlife Centre, and St Fagan's, Morwelham Quay and, most recently, a West Somerset Railway journey to Minehead; plus the seaside resorts of Dawlish and Weymouth.

See Page 6 for suggested “Away Day” outings in 2012