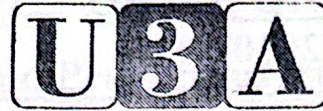


KEN & FAY BURSTON

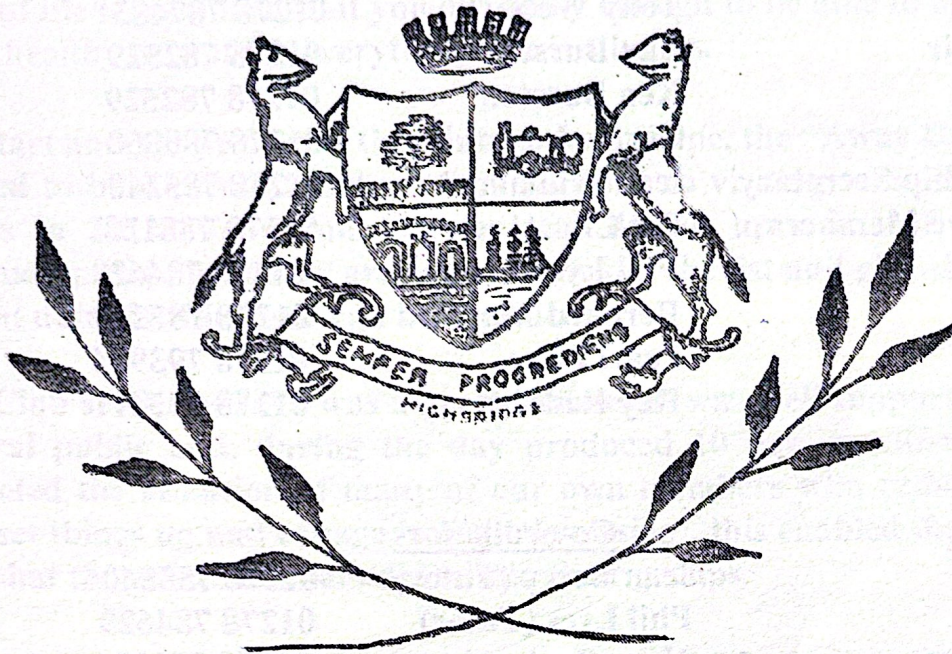
39 SAXONDALE AVE

Bosca.

THE THIRD AGE TRUST



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE



of

HIGHBRIDGE

MAGAZINE

January-----February

2012

ISSUE NUMBER 62

2
WHO'S WHO
2010/2011

Members of the Committee

Chairman	Tony Webb	01278 787483
Vice- Chair	Fay Burston	01278 782529
Secretary	Ken Burston	01278 782529
Treasurer	Carole Loveridge	01278 780060
Membership Secretary	Jean Williams	01278 785240
Committee Members	Pat Clipstone	01278 788128
	Phil Lyes	01278 784629
	Bernard Martin	01278 787230
	Pearl Price	01278 793954
	Ray Reddish	01278 785411

Co-ordinators

Art I	Jean Berry (Tutor)	01278 785840
Art II	Phil Lyes (Tutor)	01278 784629
Away Days	Vour Orchard	01278 788984
Calligraphy	Ron Turner	01278 787231
Card Making	Rose Bateman	01278 795906
Creative Writing	Sylvia Shepherd	01278 780377
.. ..	Kathy Taylor	01278 780171
Crochet & Knitting	Lorita Gainford	01278 789374
Genealogy	Roger Ouston	01278 795007
Floral Art	Jean Williams	01278 785240
Keep Fit	Joyce Beard	Ex directory
Kurling	Stan Vousdon-White	01278 781567
Mosaics	Alison Joyce	01278 784633
Patchwork/Quilting	Ann Lismore	01278 787607
Scrabble/Board Games	Betty Worthy	01278 795823
Skittles	Ray Reddish	01278 785411
Somerset Villages	Bernard Martin	01278 787230
Strollers (self –regulating)	Contact No	01278 782529

Copyright © U.3.A. of Highbridge. All rights reserved. No part of this magazine may be reproduced by any means without the prior permission of the copyright holders.

Note: In accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act 1998 information relating to this Club's members will be held on a computerised database and will be used solely for this Club's business and communications.

Editorial

A Happy Healthy and Prosperous New Year to you all.

At the start of 2012 I wish on behalf of the Committee I wish everyone a healthy and prosperous New Year. One thing we all look forward to at our time of life is good health, if you are lucky enough to be able to maintain a good healthy way of life everything else is a bonus.

We start another year with the Club in good shape, the "Away Days" have proved to be successful and we look forward to visiting some interesting places in 2012. Vour and Carole have drawn up a list of proposed destinations and members are asked to look at the list and give their views so that dates for the visits can be considered.

The Club's "Open Day" was a great success; it was well supported by the general public and, during the day produced 10 new members. It also attracted the attention of many of our own members who came along to help set things up and engage in little 'browsing', this enabled them to find out what the other members did within their groups.

Pearl Price had suggested we hold an 'Open Day'; the intention was to give the residents of Highbridge and district some idea of what their local U3A does. We are aware that a number of local residents do not necessarily know what we do at our meetings. When an interest in our activities is shown it is easy to give a broad view of what we do at our meetings but it is far better to invite them along to see for themselves. This is what we have now done---we do not, contrary to what some may think, sit around chatting and drinking tea.

We thank the Group Leaders who provided an excellent back up to the arrangements and the Craft Groups for providing samples of their work so that the uninitiated could see the high standards that they have achieved.

The Groups that have benefited from the success of the "Open Day" and increased their membership include the New Age Kurling Group, the Crochet Group that has now added Knitting to its activity, Calligraphy, Card Making and Creative Writing.

Note: -

Details of the ANNUAL LUNCH for 2012 are given on Page 9

Editorial (continued)

The Crochet Group not only increased its membership by six, but has now added another activity to its 'curriculum' Knitting, this addition is due to popular demand. With the influx of new interest Lorita has found it necessary to revise her timetable and the group will still meet during our Coffee Morning.

Regular readers of the magazine will know that I have been trying to get our Creative Writing Group restarted for--- oh, it must be 2 or 3 years, but to no avail. However, and again due to the "Open Day" we are back in business. Sylvia Shepherd and Kathy Taylor have been 'doing their own thing' for some months and now their efforts have now been rewarded.

For the 'Open Day' they provided some examples of Creative Writing, poems, etc and found, during the day, that we did have one or two members who interested but who had not actually got around to saying so. Samples of their Poems and Short Stories were, in due course produced and, as a result a meeting was arranged for a few weeks hence. 7 members turned up to the meeting at Kathy's home and they had a very constructive discussion. Kathy and Sylvia both feel that the foundations of the group have been laid and everyone has high hopes that it will take off again. (See Page 6)

The Card Making Group will be much larger in 2012 not only because of the exhibition but also due to a suggestion that the Club had thought of making its own Christmas Cards. Well, it did happen but whether or not it will ever be repeated is another story; it did turn out to be a great success.

Such is the interest that Rose Bateman its Leader said they may need a larger room, we will have wait until the New Year to see if the interest has waned. (See comment later in magazine)

All in all the Open Day generated a lot of interest from both inside and outside the Club. It was found that some members were not au fait with what other Groups did during their sessions but having seen some of the excellent work that had produced, decided they too might consider joining them. Some visitors had taken this opportunity to find out what the U3A did and, as already advised, we gained some new members.

When anyone shows an interest in what we do and expresses an interest in joining in our activities we will obviously welcome them with open arms.

Keep Fit Group

This group celebrated its 12th Anniversary on 9th November, Keep Fit was the first activity organised by the Club before it was officially recognised by The Third Age Trust. The Club became affiliated to the Trust on 20th July 2000.

Joyce Beard has informed me that they celebrated with a "Bring and Share" meal at the Gospel Hall and afterwards started their Christmas sabbatical; they will restart on Tuesday 10th January 2012. I am further advised it is now more a Keep Active Group in that most of the exercises carried out are now done sitting down, being more suitable for those suffering from arthritis. The Group starts at 2.15 pm followed at 2.45 pm by a lighted hearted Quiz, then at 3.00 pm is the Humour Group. Refreshments are taken at 3.15 pm.

Board Games Group

After all the activity provided by the Keep Fit Group the Board Games Group gets started (same venue) at 3.30 pm and normally finishing at 5.00 pm the games such as Scrabble, Upwords, Rummicub Numbers, Rummicub Words, Backgammon and Triominoes take over.

Apparently if you don't know how to play any of these you soon learn! There is always room for extra members and the afternoons entertainment will cost you just £1.00 this price also includes a drink and biscuit---sometimes supplemented by some of the delights produced by the keen cooks amongst them.

Perhaps you might have a favourite game or be given a new one for Christmas that you would like to share---so take it along and they can all have fun learning it. Start the New Year with a new beginning with new friends.

Mosaic Group

This Group will be meeting on the afternoons of the first and third Tuesdays of each month until further notice; they meet in Room 4 of the Community Hall and look forward to an intake of new members this year.

New Age Kurling Group

As already mentioned this Group benefited from the Open Day by obtaining some new members, it meets every first and third Monday at the Community Hall in the main hall. Because the first Monday in January was a Bank Holiday they decided to give that day a miss but will be 'open for business' on the 16th January. The interest in this activity has certainly increased over the past months; its members are having such a fun time on a Monday afternoon and 'spreading' the word.

Creative Writing Group (continued from Page 4)

In order to generate a little interest in the subject Kathy Taylor, wrote an introductory paragraph to a story and then asked members to add a sentence or short paragraph to it. Hopefully, this would result eventually, in a story that had been produced by a group of people, with no one knowing the final outcome. Kathy felt that when the final paragraph has been written the resulting story could prove to be rather interesting.

The experiment was continued during the day and below is the story so far: -

This is it, entitled ----**"The Parcel"**

"It was a cold brisk morning in Highbridge"

"I looked out of the window and snuggled down under the duvet, turned over and went back to kip"

"I peeped out of the duvet and decided it wasn't such a bad day, after all it was"

"A great day to visit the U3A Open Day"

"But, what or who was that lurking behind the door?"

"It was the postman, who had brought me a small secret looking parcel. What on earth could it be?"

"I was not expecting anything, so felt very cautious about opening it. I turned it round and round in my hands, shook it, sniffed it, but couldn't find the courage to open it."

"Curiosity was getting the better of me and I found it more and more difficult to ignore the secret parcel. What, oh what did the parcel contain?"

"I ventured to open it and removed the paper, only to find another layer underneath"

"The layer of paper underneath covered, you'll never guess, a £5.00 pound note"

"I had to go further, there might have been more money?"

"Suddenly several small diamonds fell onto the floor"

"I reached down to retrieve them from the floor---when!!!!"

Continued on Page 7

Creative Writing continued---"The Parcel"

"I became aware that I was no longer alone in my bedroom; I knew someone was watching me, I could feel a strange presence and smell a strange odour, almost like pear drops, and hear heavy breathing emanating from the corner of the room"

"Pull yourself together girl, pear drops? Ectoplasm? No way! The cat's jumped through the bedroom window again and knocked over your make-up. But the heavy breathing? Again the cat, now sat in the corner noisily licking itself, problem solved-----but the parcel, what do I do about that?"

"I studied the wrapping paper, the postmark was South Africa, who do I know in South Africa"?

"But when I looked closely it was not addressed to me---what do I do now"?

"Lay in wait for our happy helpful postman, I'm sure he will be able to advise me what I should do"

??????

Would members please continue the story---write a few lines that would add to the mystery of 'The Parcel', we may end up with quite an amusing story.

Mamma Mia

The Highbridge Festival of the Arts has arranged for this film to be shown at the RITZ CINEMA in Burnham on

MONDAY 16th January 2012

Starting at 2.00 pm

Doors open at 1.30 pm.

Price each ~ £5.00 there is a lucky ticket and will also be a Raffle.

This is a fund raising event for the Festival of the Arts as they are self-supporting, getting no grants from anyone. Tickets can be obtained from: -

Jenny Golding on 01278/785465, at the Ritz Cinema or any Festival of the Arts Committee Member or email- jennygoldingsky.com

Worcester Christmas Market Trip

Carole Loveridge

It was a bright clear Friday morning for our trip to Worcester, and most of us—me included—felt that 9.45 am was not too early a start for us. Our driver Bill was a chirpy, helpful thoroughly pleasant chap. We thought had he had a green outfit and possibly pointed ears he could have been one of Santa's helpers. He got us to Worcester in a couple of hours or so and gave us clear instructions to be back in the same spot for 5 o'clock which was his designated time slot for our collection. Worcester authorities had things very organised keeping the city clear free from traffic.

We headed for the shopping area where the street market was in full flow. Some of us headed for the Cathedral and museum before we spent our money at the market.

The Cathedral was huge and very beautiful, it took us quite a while to see everything, even a visit down the crypt, which they still use and give early morning services; this is where the monks would have been centuries earlier.

King John's tomb is at the Cathedral; he who signed the Magna Carta, in his will he asked to be buried at the church of St Mary and St Wulfstan of Worcester. King John died in 1216 and his tomb has been opened twice, once in 1529 and again in 1797 when they made a study of his body. We marvelled at the age of the tomb and how it has survived wars etc. There were more market stalls in the cloisters selling arts and crafts.



We didn't make it to the museum as time was running out for us, but I am told that those who did manage a visit were impressed.

Most of the folk who sought out the market stalls treated themselves to mulled wine and mince pies which got everyone in the Christmas spirit, the stall holders were all dressed in their Victorian costumes and looked the part.

The weather held for the day until we were ready to come home when a few drops of rain could be felt. At five Bill pulled in and we all piled back onto the coach with our shopping. You had a quiz for us on the way home, you needed to know your TV ads, and it was a bit of fun to end a very pleasant day.

I would just like to finish by saying 'thank you' to you all for patronising our trips, it makes it all worthwhile when you see people have enjoyed themselves, thank you for making it a successful 2011. We, You and I, hope we can follow up with an equally successful 2012.

ANNUAL LUNCH

at

Beachcomber Inn, Brean

on

Wednesday 14th March 2012

Menu

Traditional Roasted Topside of Devonshire Beef

Local Roasted Somerset Turkey

All served from the renowned carvery with a selection of freshly cooked seasonal vegetables and potatoes together with the usual accompaniments

Vegetarian Nut Roast

Served with a terrine of chopped vegetables, herbs, nuts and couscous.

Followed by

Traditional Deep Filled Apple Pie served with Devonshire custard

Banoffee Cheesecake with toffee swirls served with cream

Fresh Fruit Salad a medley of fresh seasonal fruits with double cream

Cheese Platter Tasty Cheddar & Brie with a selection of biscuits

Coffee and After Dinner Mints

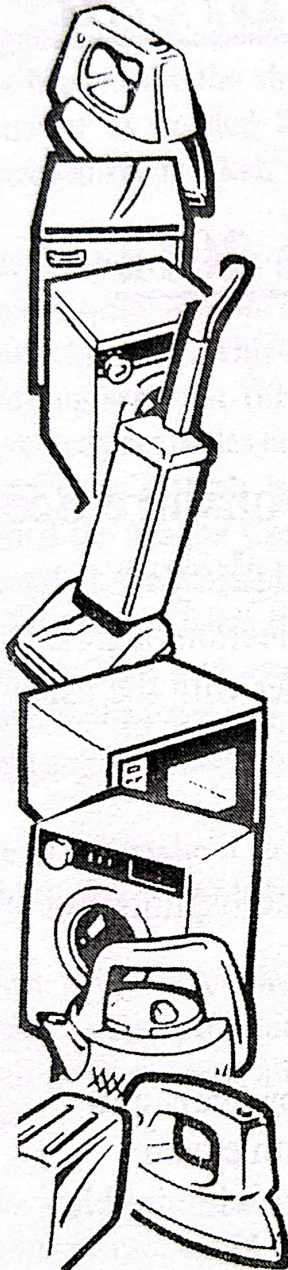
Price: - **Members** ~~~~~ **£10.00**

Guests ~~~~~ **£12.75**

Tickets available from Fay Burston FROM 11th January 2012

Dople's

DOMESTIC APPLIANCE REPAIR SERVICE



- REPAIRS TO MOST MAKES OF WASHING MACHINE, VACUUM CLEANER, TUMBLE DRYER, FRIDGE, FRIDGE-FREEZER, TWIN-TUBS, DISHWASHER.
- AN EXTENSIVE RANGE OF VACUUM CLEANER BAGS AND SPARES
- A WIDE RANGE OF NEW AND RECONDITIONED WASHING MACHINES
- A RANGE OF KETTLES, IRONS AND TOASTERS.
- REPAIRS TO SMALL DOMESTIC APPLIANCES (KETTLES, IRONS, TOASTERS)
- PANASONIC SERVICE CENTRE
- REPAIRS TO MICROWAVE OVENS
- A RANGE OF NEW MICROWAVE OVENS IN STORE
- SUPPLY COOKERS, HOBS, FRIDGES, FRIDGE-FREEZERS AND DISHWASHERS.
- SERVICE AGENTS FOR VAX, DAEWOO, SAMSUNG

16 Abingdon Street • Burnham-on-Sea
Somerset • TA8 1PH

Tel: 01278 780486

**NOTE: - NOW SITUATED AT: -
27 VICTORIA STREET~~BURNHAM**

Skittle Group Christmas Party

Betty Worthy

On Friday 16th December 2011 nineteen group members held their Annual Christmas Party at the Crossways Inn, West Huntspill. As usual we played Skittles first, this was for a cup that is presented every year at this time, it being won by Mary Akers, she also won the year cup for the highest aggregate score for 2011. (Get cleaning Mary)

We also held a Christmas Hat Competition, with many entries, this was won by Beryl Hearn whose hat was 'A Wonderful Creation' There was also a Tombola where everyone won a present.

We then had a dinner that was very tasty, turkey, roast potatoes and all the trimmings; followed by Christmas Pudding and Brandy Sauce or Trifle.

It was a lovely day, we all went home very full and looking forward to doing it all again in 2012.

January 6th is the date of the first meeting for next year

Sandra

Hairdressers

We welcome O.A.P.'s

3 Market Street

Highbridge, Somerset

TA9 3BW

Tel: 01278 784950



-----and finally, it was great to see so many members at our first Coffee Morning after Christmas; thank you for coming. As you are aware, we always have Coffee Mornings over the holiday period unless the Wednesday falls on Christmas Day. We feel that there are many members living on their own who look forward to their weekly visit to chat with their friends. So, we open for business as usual.
A Happy New Year to you all.

This poem had been composed by a member of the Creative Writing Group and was submitted for us to enjoy following our recent 'Open Day'

Caravan

It's cream, its white, its green, its blue,
all of the colours, a wonderful hue,
it roams, it ambles, it rolls, it rides,
a place on the move where I confide.

Sometimes it's bumpy; sometimes it's smooth,
but always it's simply on the move,
for when I'm sad, when I'm glad,
It holds such memories that I've had.

Beautiful wheels and the door is a wow,
It's made with wood but I don't know how,
It's pulled by a horse with reins oh so new,
the people inside---only a few.

The kettle is hung, the pots clash about,
when riding on stones, they make such a clout,
but out in the country where life is so slow,
the world is just awesome, a night time glow.

My home of course is a cute caravan,
our journey is slow, we stop when we can,
a gipsy I was, I'm living my time,
but now it's surreal, complete and just fine.

Rita Harris

#####

Dear U3A

I would like to thank Fay and the Card Making Class for helping the Art Group make our own Christmas Cards.

I had asked the Art Group to draw and paint pictures for the festive season, which they did and Ken Burston then scanned them so that they could be printed and mounted on Christmas Cards.

This has been a great success and all cards were sold out immediately.

Well done to everyone.

Jean Berry (Art Group Tutor)

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: -

- January 13th Cannington village and area.
- January 27th We might try an afternoon visit to Westhay in the hope that we would see the starlings and their astounding roosting displays.
- February 10th Bridgwater and Taunton Canal starting from Morrison's Car Park
- February 24th Strawberry Line starting from Cheddar Cemetery car park that is near the reservoir, turning right at junction of B3151 with the A371

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

JASON SPARY

Specialist in all types of
security & electrical work

Alarm systems

CCTV

Security lighting

Data cabling

Domestic electrics

Local reliable service

20 years experience

Tel Highbridge 07770 404717

23 Paddock Drive, Highbridge, Somerset, TA9 3LQ

“It seemed like a good idea at the time”

I think it was back in the summer that the idea first saw the light of day “Do you think it would be possible for the Club to produce its own Christmas Cards”?

The seeds of the idea took a little time to germinate due to a number of unforeseen hold-ups, Jean Berry (the tutor of the Thursday Art Class); had started the idea by suggesting the Art Class could paint some appropriate Christmassy scenes and these could be printed on to cards.

Around the same time Fay Burston suggested we could, perhaps, combine the attributes of the Creative Writing, Calligraphy and Card Making Classes and write a short story of the exercise. Producing, eventually, a few cards that could be used by the members that made them---it just an idea mind you.

The Art Class did provide the paintings, 12 in all, these were scanned onto a computer and copies (roughly 3x2) were printed on an A4 sheet, which was then shown to Rose Bateman (Group Leader of the Card Makers) who selected 10 she thought would be suitable for cards. Yours truly then printed 8 copies of each selected painting onto card (80 total) and these were then given to the card makers who set about making Christmas Cards.

About 80 cards were produced on the Monday, were displayed on the following Wednesdays' Coffee Morning being offered for sale at very reasonable prices, (bargains in fact) and straight away 64 were sold---‘just like that’. Orders were taken and, eventually over 250 cards were made, however there was a problem; the next Card Making Class was sometime off and the cards were needed fairly quickly.

With the aid of a few volunteers from the Card Making Group we worked flat out over the next weekend in order to meet all the requirements, (I can now make cards if the need arises)

After all expenses had been covered, e.g. paper, card, envelopes, print cartridge, etc, a profit (if you can call it that) was £4.15. This does, of course, exclude labour. Making a profit was not important; the intention was to encourage inter-group activity, which it did successfully.

Whether or not the exercise is ever repeated is a different story, we have however proved that if given a reasonable amount of time and with an adequate number of helpers we can do it. But please don't get any fancy ideas for next year just yet.

Someone did suggest, jokingly we hope, how about making calendars???

A Guide for Consumers

Consumer Direct have produced and issued a leaflet, it is funded by the Government and it is called "Shoppers' Rights". Having recently seen a copy I think some of the information it contains would be of interest to members.

The leaflet sets out general guidelines, how the law applies to you and how to go about getting a satisfactory answer from the trader. It is not possible to go into all the details in this magazine but if do have a problem please do not hesitate to contact me and we will see what actions can be taken to help you put things right. Some of the headings are: -

Buying goods

When you buy something in a shop or street market you and the seller are making a legal contract.

If you have the need to complain later on, it is the seller of the goods---not the manufacturer---who must sort it out. a manufacturer's guarantee does not affect your right to claim against the seller.

Buying sale or 'seconds' goods.

You have the same rights when you buy something in a sale or when you buy 'seconds' goods.

Buying from a private seller.

You have fewer rights when buying privately.

The only rules are that the seller must have title to the goods and they must be as described—if not ask for your money back straight away.

Buying second hand goods.

You have the same rights as when buying new goods.

Buying second hand goods at auction.

What matters here is whether you have the chance to look at the goods before you buy them.

Internet auctions

If buying new goods, the seller cannot restrict your rights.

Buying a service.

When you go to the hairdresser or ask a garage to repair your car—you are buying a service.

You have the right to certain standards.

The foregoing are purely titles of sections and there is a lot more written about each subject, this will follow as space permits.

Mendip Hills Study Day

Wells U3A has organised this study day, which will be held at the Draycott Village Hall on 1st March 2012.

If you wish to know more about the 'Mendips' this could be a welcome opportunity to learn the history and geology of the range of hills that dominates our skyline to the east.

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

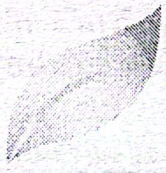
Then: -

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

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

Cheques payable to North Somerset Association @ Hazel Willmott, Swallow Barn, East Horrington, Wells BA5 3EA (01749/673722)

(If you quote your e-mail address when you send your cheque you will receive an e-mail ticket)



GREENACRES ENERGY

- Solar PV Electricity Systems
- Solar Thermal Hot Water Systems
- Voltage Optimisation
- Wind Turbines
- Air Source Heat Pumps
- Uninterruptible Power Supplies (UPS)
- Electrical Installation

01278 781821

www.greener-way.com

info@greener-way.com

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 advising soon where we will be going in March, many of the villages of Somerset are able to provide us with a wide range of interesting buildings, their churches are, in many instances, unique and have interesting histories.

Without going too far a field we have places such as Stogursey, Nether Stowey, East and West Quantoxhead, Kilve and further a field places like Bishops Lydeard, Langport and, on a nice summers day, we might perhaps visit Exmoor and Dulverton?

Monthly Draw

October Derek Hand No 43

November Vour Orchard No 8

Each received £20.00

Editor: Ken Burston

Production: Fay and Ken Burston

Distribution: Ann Smith (West Huntspill)
Mary Akers, Fay Burston, Pat Gray, Pearl Price, Thelma Tripp, Phyllis Walsh, Chris Winter, Betty Worthy, and Marian Wright

Finger nail and Toe nail cutting service

- In the comfort of your own home
- Fully insured
- CRB checked

For more details call Lesley on 01278 789505

GROUP ACTIVITIES

<u>Calligraphy</u>	2nd Monday in the Month
At:	Southwell House
Times:	10.00 am to 12.00 am
Cost:	£2.00
Facilitator:	Ron Turner 787231 & Ken Burston (782529)
<u>Card Making</u>	1 st Mondays and 3 rd Wednesdays
At:	Southwell House
Days/Times:	Monday 10.00 'til 12.30 p.m. & Wednesday 02.00 'til 4.30
Cost: -	£2.50
Contact:	Rose Bateman (795906)
<u>Kurling</u>	1st and 3 rd Third Mondays
At: -	Highbridge Community Hall
Time: -	02.00 p. m. to 03.30 p.m.
Contact: -	Stan Vousden-White (781567)
<u>Art--1</u>	Every Tuesday
At:	Southwell House
Time:	1.30 pm to 4.00 pm
Cost:	£2.00
Group Leader:	Phil Lyes (784629)
<u>Floral Art</u>	4 th Tuesday
At:	Southwell House
Date/Times:	10.30 a.m. to 12.00 a.m.
Cost:	£1.75
Group Leader:	Jean Williams (785240)
<u>Keep Fit & Quiz</u>	Every Tuesday
At:	Gospel Hall, Old Burnham Road
Time:	2.15 pm to 3.15 pm
Group Leader:	Joyce Beard All Welcome.
<u>Board Games</u>	Every Tuesday
At:	Gospel Hall, Old Burnham Road.
Time:	3.15 until 5.00 pm (After Keep Fit & Quiz)
Group Leader:	Betty Worthy (795823)
<u>Patchwork/Quilting</u>	Every Tuesday
At:	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)

<u>Coffee Morning</u>	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.	
<u>Creative Writing</u>	Dates to be agreed by Group Members
At: -	Stear Drive
Time: -	To be advised
Facilitators: -	Sylvia Shepherd & Kathy Taylor(780171)
<u>Crochet & Knitting</u>	Wednesday –See Notice Board for up-to-date details
At: -	Highbridge Community Hall (Room 4)
Time: -	10.00 a.m. to 11.00 a.m.
Contact: -	Lorita Gainford (789374)
<u>Mosaics</u>	Tuesday (Ring Group Leader)
At: -	Highbridge Community Hall (Room-4)
Times: -	02.00 p.m. to 04.00 p.m.
Cost: -	£2.00 per class
Facilitator: -	Alison Joyce (784633)
<u>Art-2</u>	Every Thursday
At:	Southwell House
Time:	1.30pm to 4.00pm
Cost:	£1.50
Tutor:	Jean Berry (785840)
<u>Genealogy</u>	First Thursday in the month
At:	Room 1 at Community Hall
Time:	10.00 a.m.- 11.00 a.m.
Facilitator:	Roger Ouston (795007)
Cost: -	£1.00
<u>Skittles</u>	1 st and 3 rd Friday in the month
At:	Crossways Inn-West Huntspill
Time:	11.30am to 1.00pm
Leaders:	Ray Reddish (785411) and Betty Worthy (795823)
<u>Strollers</u>	2 nd and 4 th 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
<u>Somerset Villages</u>	5 th 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" 2012

In the last issue of the magazine a list of the suggested trips for 2012 was given. Vour Orchard and Carole Loveridge are about to finalise details and a formal programme will be issued soon.

The list comprised: -

Visit Cockington Court Country Park & Village near Torquay and/or time in Torquay.

Step back in time and see a unique collection of memorabilia from days gone by at the Oak Ham Treasures, Portbury or possible 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. A very relaxing and enjoyable afternoon.

Cardiff Castle and shopping.

Salisbury Cathedral and town

Barnstaple and Tarka Trail Walk.

Bridport the Market and West Bay.