

# Highcliffe Community Association

at Greystones House



**News and Programme of Events  
DECEMBER/JANUARY 2019/2020**

## SECTION MEETINGS

Art	Monday am.	Languages French	Monday am.
Art	Tuesday am.	Languages French	Tuesday am.
Art	Tuesday pm.	Languages Spanish	Wednesday am
Art	Wednesday pm.	Literary	Wednesday pm.
Bridge Duplicate	See text	Machine Quilting	Friday pm
Bridge Rubber	Friday pm.	Mahjong	Thursday pm.
Canasta	Thursday evening	Men's Forum	Thursday am.
Cards – Bolivia	Monday pm.	Men's Shed	Tuesday pm.
Carpet Bowls	Monday pm.	Music	Monday pm.
Carpet Bowls	Friday pm.	Petanque	Tue.pm. Wed.noon Fri.pm
Chess	Monday evening	Photographic	Thursday am.
Chi Kung	Friday am.	Quilting	Tuesday am.
Craft	Thursday pm.	Rambling & Ambling	See text
Cribbage	Wednesday pm.	Rockin' Robins	Tuesday evening.
Dancing Ballroom	Tuesday pm	Rummikub	Tuesday pm.
Dancing–Circle	Monday pm.	Sewing	Monday am.
Dancing-Country	Thurs. evening	Sewing	Wednesday am.
Darts	Tuesday pm.	Table Tennis	Monday am.
Discussion	Tuesday pm.	Table Tennis	Thursday am.
Drama	Thursday pm.	Table Tennis	Saturday am.
Family History	Monday pm	T'ai Chi	Thursday pm.
Flower Arranging	Wednesday am.	Whist	Wednesday pm.
IPad/iPhone Help	Wednesday am.	Wine Circle	Friday evening
IT Forum	Wednesday pm.	Yoga	Tuesday am.
Kurling (indoor)	Thurs. am.	Yoga	Wednesday am
Ladies Forum	Friday pm.		

**For more details of section meeting dates and times refer  
to relevant entry in Section News**

**Highcliffe Community Association  
Greystones House, Waterford Road, Highcliffe  
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Registered Charity No.278035

An Independent organisation run voluntarily by members for members and financially self-supporting

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**HIGHLIGHTS for DECEMBER/JANUARY**

**Every Friday** - "Music. Live" – in Room 1 from 10.30am

**Every Friday Morning** - Your Nu.2.U. Clothes Shop is open on the first floor

**Friday 6 December – Film – Yesterday**

Doors open 6.30pm performance 7.00pm

Member's tickets priced £4.00 non-members £4.50

**Friday 13 and 20 December – Christmas Tombolas**

**Friday 20 December – End of Term Party** - Mulled Wine, Mince Pies

**Wednesday - 15 January** – Afternoon Quiz at 2.15pm

**Sunday 19 January 2020 – Highcliffe Castle - Active Highcliffe**

**Saturday 25 January – Quiz and Chips**

## **INFORMATION FOR ALL MEMBERS**

Your Executive committee would like members to be aware that there is the possibility of a change to HCA's constitution and charity status. This has arisen due to the reservations about council representatives being trustees of the organisation.

This has led us to using the voluntary services of a legal advisor in these fields who has studied our constitution and standing orders. He has visited HCA and presented his findings to both the Exec and Council meetings.

To this end, a group from the Executive are formulating a new constitution and hope to have a draft copy to bring back to the council representatives in the New Year. As you can appreciate this subject has led to a huge amount of work by members of your executive but the hope is that the whole subject, both Constitution and Charity status can be finalised at an Extraordinary General Meeting of HCA before the end of this financial year. If you would like to know more please talk to your council representative for more information

## **PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE**

Betty & Tony

Welcome to the December 2019 and January 2020 issue of the Newsletter. We take this opportunity to wish everyone a VERY MERRY CHRISTMAS and HAPPY NEW YEAR.

The past year has been full of a variety of social activities to compliment various groups that we attend. On behalf of all members we both would like to thank the Executive Team and all HCA Volunteers for their imaginative programme and the hard work that goes on behind the scenes. The running of the association is truly a team spirit of leadership, co-operation and hard graft for the benefit of us all. However, in our capacity as Presidents it has been an eye-opener to discover how many of the responsibilities are shouldered by so few people who

cheerfully stretch their energies on our behalf. We certainly do need more volunteers please; not only for the day to day running of Greystones, but for the administration as well.

A huge "thank you" to the Executive and all of our wonderful Volunteers.

The older I get – the better I was !

## **CHAIRMAN'S CHAT**

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## **SECRETARY**

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Linda (271604)

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Jan (276450)

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Norman (275674)

# ASSOCIATION MATTERS

## MEMBERS NOTICE

### Extra-ordinary General Meeting

Thursday 30 January 2020 @  
16.30pm

This will be a one subject meeting  
to Discuss / approve a new  
Constitution for  
Highcliffe Community Association.

Linda Norman - Secretary

### LETTING NEWS

Email: [lettings@highcliffeca.co.uk](mailto:lettings@highcliffeca.co.uk)

Pauline (273563)

Christmas Closure HCA will be closed  
from the 20 December to 6 January.

**Note:** The building will not be heated  
during this period.

### RECEPTION

Lynn (07754 216164)

### MEMBERSHIP

Email: [membership@highcliffeca.co.uk](mailto:membership@highcliffeca.co.uk)

Mavis ()

### TEA AND COFFEE SERVERY

Barbara (620811)

I would like to wish all the wonderful  
kitchen volunteers a very Happy  
Christmas and New Year and thank  
you all for all you do to make the  
Servery the success it is.

We do still have vacancies on the rota  
and if anyone can spare a morning or  
an afternoon once or twice a month,  
please contact me.

### EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE

Maurice (07789 888354)

Martin (07974 542815)

### IN MEMORIAM

Mavis ()

I am sad to report the death of the  
following members :-

Bill McGrath  
Yvonne Martineau  
Amelia (Millie) Carson  
Paul Butler

Our thoughts and sympathy are with  
their loved ones and friends.

## GENERAL INTEREST

### TOMBOLA 13 & 20 December

Please could all donations be given in  
at Reception.

### QUIZ & CHIPS

The event will be on Saturday  
25 January 2020 with the normal start  
time.

Tickets will be available from Tuesday  
7 January 2020.

Teams will consist of 6 people. If you  
wish to enter as a team please ask a  
single person to purchase the tickets.

We will join groups of less than 6 and  
any individual entries to make up  
teams.

### Nu.2.U. LADIES CLOTHES SHOP

Open Thursday 1.15 – 4.00pm

Friday 9.30 – 12.30 pm

Shop Team: Angie, Mary, Chris, Hazel.

Make that budget in this Season of  
Spend go further. Make a contribution  
to your Association

Have it all and look after 'number one' - at your NU.2. U. Shop. Enjoy the pleasure of a new outfit or dress up those old glad rags for those special social occasions in Dec & Jan. Get warm gear for those cold months ahead. Enjoy that delicious feeling that comes from knowing you look great from compliments received. Bring friends on a Friday morning so they too can browse and indulge without 'breaking the bank'

As always - We look forward to seeing & personally wishing you this Season's happiness.

#### **4 Men 2 Shop**

Managed by John Crimes

#### **LIBRARY CORNER**

Barbara ()

All the regular users have probably noticed that I have had a "move around" which has made more room for paperback fiction and DVD's (which are our most popular sections in the library).

#### **PLEASE NOTE:**

History and War and Politics are now beneath the hardback fiction books.

Poetry, Music, Film and Theatre are now on the reference shelves.

DVD's and Speaking Books can now be found on the shelves under the Autobiography books.

Paperback fiction now starts with "A" in the shelves that the DVD's used to be in, and carry on in alphabetical order onto the smaller bookshelf and then on to the large bookshelf and then finishes with S - Z on the two shelves under the window. Hopefully I have explained this clearly and you have no difficulty in finding which section you require.

#### **DONATIONS;**

My thanks must go to all our customers who have donated "As New" paperback books and also to the lady who has brought in all the DVD's and DVD box sets, which include Ab Fab etc. Also, Many thanks to those who have donated "complete" jigsaws. Our library would not be what it is without all your generous donations.

Unfortunately, again, I can only request 'as new' and latest paperbacks and up-to-date DVD's plus 'complete' jigsaw puzzles.

At least, with the extra room I have created there is more room for paperbacks and I will not have to put one book in and take one book out. I hope you will find it so much easier without the books all being so tight together.

**REMEMBER** - Anything borrowed from the library is now only 20p per item for up to a 3 week loan. If you take out a box set and it takes you more than three weeks to watch, then just put another 20p into the Trust Box.

**A VERY HAPPY CHRISTMAS AND NEW YEAR TO YOU ALL.**

#### **PUBLICITY**

Chris (271453)

Workshop Invitation.

**Friday 13 December** from 3pm to 5pm at St Marks Church Hall.

The Parish Council wishes to gain an understanding of residents views and ideas on how the Parish area should look in the future. Members are welcome to attend.

**Sunday 19th January 2020** from 11am until 3pm. **Active Highcliffe** at Highcliffe Castle to showcase HCA along with other local organisations. Many of our groups are taking part and

we hope to boost our membership on that day.

## QUIZ

Audrey (278643)

The next Quiz is on 15 January at 2.15pm.

All good wishes for Christmas and the New Year and I look forward to seeing you in January.

## BINGO

Every Saturday

GREYSTONES HOUSE

Eyes down at 1.30pm.

## SECTION NEWS

### ART – Monday am

Contact - Jeanne (271810)

Meetings – 10.00am Monday Weekly

### ART – Tuesday am

Contact – Barbara (273740)

Meetings – 10.00am Tuesday

### ART – Tuesday pm

Contact – Margaret (280162)

Claire (01590 643635)

Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly

### ART – Wednesday pm

Contact – Barry (272878)

Meetings – 2.00pm Weds. Weekly

### BRIDGE – Duplicate

Contact – Phyl (612337)

New members (experienced or improvers) and visitors are always welcome.

Website

[www.bridgewebs.com/highcliffe/](http://www.bridgewebs.com/highcliffe/)

Details on how to navigate around the website are shown on Home Page.

**Duplicate** - Monday & Wednesday evenings 6.15 pm for 6.30 pm start. A

'Host System' operates for players without a partner, except on Teams and Saturday Social Bridge evenings; new members and visitors are always welcome.

### Special dates and announcements:

**Swiss Teams** on 2 December 2019 and on 6 January 2020

Players must write their names on relevant list. Team Coordinator Kate Pocknell contact 01425 839243

**Xmas Party Nights** Wednesday 4 & Monday 9 December 2019 - 6 pm for 6.30 pm start. Please arrange to play with a partner as there will be no Host and add your contribution to the list at Greystones

**Saturday Social Bridge** - Dates to be announced based on demand

**Ladder Pairs** - None in December. Wednesday 22 & Monday 27 January 2020 - are normal Duplicate evenings. Results are shown as a 'Ladder'.

### Hosts for December 2019 & January 2020

Monday	Wednesday
	December
02 Teams-No Host	
	04 Xmas party-No Host
09 Xmas party-No Host	
	11 Michael Price
16 Myra Goodwin	18 Liz Puxley
23 Closed till 6 January	

January	
06 Teams- No host	08 Evelyn Dawtrey
13 Shirley May	15 Carol Forsdyke
20 Pauline Lazenby	22 Patsy Taylor
27 Hugh Gallacher	29 Mike Thacker

A Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to all HDBC member

### **BRIDGE – Rubber**

Contact – Martin (276971)  
Or Steve (07922 120918)  
Meetings – 12.45pm Friday Weekly

### **CANASTA**

Contact – Olive (274813)  
Meetings – 6.30pm Thursday Weekly

### **CARDS – BOLIVIA**

Contact – Avril (276346)  
Meetings – 1.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Monday

### **CARPET BOWLS**

Contact – John (277553)  
Meetings – 2.00pm Monday 2, 9, 16 Dec.  
6, 13, 20, 27 Jan.  
2.00pm Friday 6, 13, 20 Dec.  
10, 17, 24, 31 Jan.

The Autumn luncheon at the Lord Bute on 24 October was attended by 19 members and enjoyed by all.

We still have some vacancies for the Monday session. If anyone would like to join this enjoyable section, then please contact me.

On behalf of the Carpet Bowls Section Committee, I would like to take this opportunity to wish everyone a very Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

### **CHESS**

Contact – Ron (277514)  
Meetings – 7.00pm Monday Weekly

### **CHI KUNG**

Contact – Karen (07786 304105)  
Meetings – 11.30am Friday Weekly  
4.15pm Tuesdays Weekly

### **CRAFT**

Contact – Brenda (278842)  
Meetings–1.30pm Thursday Weekly  
The run up to the festive season brings out the Christmas ideas – wreaths, pinecones, gifts, cards and more....

Join us on a Thursday if you are or would like to be “crafty”. A fun and supportive group in our lovely building. Donations of wool gratefully received.

### **CRIBBAGE**

Contact – Eric (621334)  
Meeting–1.30pm Wednesday Weekly

### **DANCING TUITION. Ballroom and Latin**

Contact – Graeme (07874 327087)  
Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly  
(except first week in the month)  
First Time is a free taster session.  
Professional tuition from Dawn [of Dawn Dance]  
O.K. GUY'S- New Year resolution -come dancing-could be your best decision ever.  
Dance - it's got it all- great social fun, mental / physical exercise, personal satisfaction, group appreciation & encouragement.

If we could welcome two more men it would make for group perfection. Adventure awaits the brave with the pleasures of learning new skills or resurrecting old ones.

And in dance Men have the 'lead role'.

### **DANCING – Circle**

Contact - Nancy (277920)  
Meetings – 2.00pm Monday

### **DANCING – Country**

Contact – Denise (629704)  
Meetings – 7.30pm Thursday 5, 12, 19 Dec.  
then 2 Jan.

No dancing on 26 Dec. but we'll be back the following week on 2 January.  
A happy Christmas to everyone.

### **DARTS**

Contact – Wendy (271390)  
Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly  
- 7.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

### **DISCUSSION**

Contact – Jill (280247)  
Meetings – 2.00pm First Tuesday  
The meeting began with feedback from the recent extraordinary council



meeting regarding the change to the charity status of HCA.

There followed an in depth discussion on Dementia. This month, November, Christchurch officially became a "dementia friendly" community. Dementia can affect all ages, not only the elderly as is commonly thought, and can have as many as 100 different variants. It was suggested that a speaker from Alzheimer UK is invited to our February meeting to talk about this huge subject that can affect us all. Watch the noticeboard for further information.

We also talked about whether we are having too many children and the acceptance (or not) of same sex couples appearing on Strictly Come Dancing.

We would like to wish everyone at HCA a very happy Christmas and extend a warm welcome to all to our very enjoyable meetings on the 1st Tuesday in every month.

## **DRAMA**

Contact – Beryl (275535)  
or Mary & Eddie (278790)

Meetings– 2.00pm Thursday Weekly

We have now completed our study of Chekhov's four great great plays by reading and acting out 'Uncle Vanya'. Our dear Eddie played the title role throughout, managing to capture successfully the frustration of this generous and noble character as he realises that his brother-in-law, whom he had respected and admired was a 'sham' spouting stale philosophy and worthless rhetoric.

Bringing us in to the 20th/21st century, Tom is directing David Hare's West End hit 'Amy's View' which was a triumph for Judi Dench. We shall be sharing out her part among our several talented performers, but the 'chaps' are

not entirely 'in the back seat' as one of them leads our main protagonist into the Lloyds Bank scandal. In the New Year 2020, Barbara is directing us in the sparkling farce 'Boeing-Boeing' which promises many witty exchanges and much lively humour.

So, with a programme suited for all tastes we invite any new members to join us on 9 January, you will be very welcome.

But before that, we wish members in all sections of HCA a Happy Christmas and Good New Year.

## **FAMILY HISTORY**

Contact – Jean (277905)  
Meetings – 2.00pm 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday

Our next meeting is on Monday 16 December Room 2 at 2pm, when Geoff Bush will give his presentation "Food Through the Ages". All welcome. This is the last meeting this year so I wish you all a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year.

Our January meeting is on Monday 20th in Room 2 at 2pm when the group will discuss "The Area Where You Grew Up".

## **FLOWER ARRANGING**

Contact – Daphne (275674)  
Meetings – 10.00am 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday

The design subjects for the December and January meetings are as follows:-

4 December – Christmas is around the Corner

18 December – Christmas is Here

15 January – Wooden it be Lovely

## **IPAD / IPHONE HELP**

Contact – Derek (07437 705015)  
Meetings – 11am Wednesday Weekly  
Learn what MORE your Ipad and phone can do for you.

## **IT FORUM**

Contact – Norman (275674)  
Meetings – 2.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

Our meeting subjects for December and January are as follows:-

11 December – Brief discussion group and Xmas nibbles

8 January - TBA

22 January – Discussion Group session. A general discussion of any computer matter raised by a member or new features in the computer world. Non section members are always welcome to join us at any meeting subject to an attendance fee of £2

### **KURLING (indoor)**

Contact – Hazel (540228)

Meetings – 10.00am. 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday

### **LADIES FORUM**

Contact – Margaret via Greystones

Meetings – 2.00pm 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday each month

Christopher LeGrand gave a superb talk on The Beauty and Romance of France in November . On December 13th, Hazel Taylor gives a presentation on Water Aid. This will be followed by drinks and nibbles (don't forget to bring your contribution !)

Our first talk in the new year is on 10 January when we have a return visit from Valerie Young with a talk entitled Everything Stops For Tea .Sounds intriguing !  
Meanwhile have a happy holiday.

### **LANGUAGES**

Contact – Christine (275861)

Meetings – 10.00am Monday Weekly

- 10.30am Tuesday Weekly

- 10.00am Weds. Weekly

**French, Mondays – 10 a.m. (Mr. Clive Sampson)**

**French, Tuesdays – 10.30 a.m. (Mrs. Frances Morley)**

There is a vacancy for one person in the class. If you are interested, please contact Christine on the above number'.

We are continuing with the Maigret Murder Mystery book and also learning that there are many English words that have a different meaning in the French language.

The term will finish on 10 December with celebrations at Frances' home, and the Spring term will begin on 7 January 2020.

Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year to all.

**Spanish, Wednesday – 10 a.m. (Mr. Nicholas Hester)**

The class is full and there is a waiting list.

There will be NO Spanish class on the 4th or 11th of December.

### **LITERARY**

Contact – Tom (272822)

Meetings – 2.00pm Wednesday 4

It was intriguing to look into Charlotte Bronte's Shirley a little more closely and, at last, I was able to reveal David Jones's link with Sidmouth from personal research.

For December I am intrigued by Philip Pullman's DARK MATERIALS and I have said we may contribute to Highcliffe Day at the Castle on 19 Jan. I have an image from Fahrenheit 451 in mind!

### **MACHINE QUILTING**

Contact – Susy (275403)

Cherry (272593)

Meetings– 1.00pm Every Friday except 2<sup>nd</sup>.

We are working on personal projects.

We will have some examples of our work on Sunday 19 January 2020 at Highcliffe Castle. 11-3pm.

We have 2 vacancies in our group. Beginners are very welcome, come and learn and fall in love with the art of patchwork and quilting.

## **MAHJONG**

Contact – Rowena (278248)

Meetings – 1.30pm Thursday Weekly

It's Christmas at the end of this month and Greystones closes on Friday 20 December for the Christmas break, opening again on Monday 6 January 2020.

As it's coming up to Christmas how about trying Robin (not illustrated but listed at the back of the book on page 60) – a chow in the first suit, two chows in a second suit, and a chow and a pair in the third suit. Or perhaps Red Waratah – a pung of red dragons, a pair of green dragons with a pung in each suit, but the pung of bamboos must be red, i.e. 1, 5, 7 or 9. Tricky! This hand is exposed so at least you can pung a discarded tile which helps. An easier hand to try is Knitting – 7 pairs in 2 different suits, e.g. characters and bamboos or bamboos and circles.

Why not come along to Greystones on a Thursday afternoon and join in the fun. Whether you have played before or are a complete novice you will be very welcome.

## **MEN'S FORUM**

Contact - Mike (277370)

or Ron (277739)

Meetings – 10.30am Thursday 19

The speaker at the December meeting will be John Combes who will give part II of his presentation on "Exploring the Dorset Stour".

Partners are always welcome at our meetings, but especially at this one each year as it is followed by the section Xmas lunch at the Carpenters Arms in Bransgore. All members should have received details and applications should be returned by the end of November. Any queries or problems please ring Ron or Mike.

Meeting fees £3 for members, £3.50 for visitors. Members and partner £5. The fee includes the raffle.

Tea/coffee/biscuit – 50p.

We wish everyone a happy Xmas and happy and healthy New Year.

## **MEN'S SHED**

Contact – John (07547 922246)

Meeting – 2.00pm 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday

## **MUSIC**

Contact – Mike (270378)

Meetings – 2.00pm Monday 9 Dec.

Monday 13 and 27 Jan.

All meetings start promptly at 2.00pm. everyone welcome.

On 9 December Jeanette returns, after recent surgery, to play keyboard followed by Don also Mike with harmonica.

Highlights for Friday Live leading up to Christmas closure:

29 November - Dave Jones playing keyboard.

6 December, a welcome return of the Dorset Accordion Orchestra also with Don on keyboard.

13th features pianist John Crimes with a wide selection of popular tunes. Closure day on 20th provides a good excuse for an END OF TERM PARTY! Mulled wine, coffee and mince pies - on the house - in addition to live music. What more could you wish for!

Reminder- both Fridays 13th and 20th are TOMBOLA days so please assist with provision of suitable prizes.

Wishing all music lovers a very melodious and harmonious Christmas. Watch the notice boards for JANUARY PROGRAMMES.

## **PETANQUE**

Contact – Carol (280154)

Meetings – 1.00pm Tuesday Weekly

1.00pm Friday Weekly

Contact – Bernard Gilbert (07578 967622)

12.00pm Wednesday Weekly

Thanks to all our members who weeded and tidied, it really is so good to work and play together.

Friday is full but we still have a few places left for our Tuesday sessions. I would appreciate it so much if you could arrive at 12.50pm so we can organise the draw for the teams, for a 1.00p o'clock start. A very warm welcome to Bernard who has set up a Wednesday group at 12 noon. Keep warm and have fun.

### **PHOTOGRAPHIC**

Contact – Anna (274926)

Meetings – 10.00am Thursday

Email: [anne.hutton27@sky.com](mailto:anne.hutton27@sky.com)

Thursday 12 December 2019 Room 11 at 10:00am

Programme Planning for Spring 2020 – followed by Projector-showing of our photos brought in by members on memory sticks, then our eats and drinks.

Thursday 9 January 2020 Room 11 at 9.45am

Review and Hanging of photos of our Theme as chosen in our November 2019 meeting. Bring along 1 photo, ready framed for hanging (18inches below the hooks please). Please be prepared to say what inspired you to take that photograph and how the final image was produced etc.

Dates for your Diary: -

Thursday 13 February 2020

### **QUILTING – Tuesday**

Contact – Anna (274926)

Meetings – 9.30am Tuesday Weekly

Email: [anne.hutton27@sky.com](mailto:anne.hutton27@sky.com)

We are well on our way with our Charity Quilts. A nine-patch block, blue and yellow for the boys and pink and a matching colour for the girls. These are fun to do and much appreciated by the Charities. We will have our 'Christmas Party' in our December Meeting and in

January we will go on quilting with renewed pleasure and more ideas.

### **RAMBLING & AMBLING**

Any alterations to the Walks Schedules will be advised by E-Mail and put on the HCA Web Site. Walkers should ensure that their E-address is with the appropriate Walks Co-ordinator.

New members are always welcome to our friendly group, with a special welcome to those interested in organising walks.

It is with sadness we say Goodbye to the delightful sociable Yvonne Martineau. A past Finance Office and great supporter of our Group, she will be missed.

A Chairperson is needed to take over from Mike who will be hanging up his 'Chairman's boots' at the AGM in March. Are you the one to take us forward into the next decade?? Please speak to Mike and arrange to 'meet your Team' at the Jan committee meeting.

### **Members Social Events.**

Book for all events at the R&A desk in Room 3 - every Friday morning.

Skittles on 9 Dec, 20 Jan & 17 Feb.

Annie's Christmas lunch 11 Dec fully booked

Lord Bute Lunch 12 Feb - book from 10 Jan.

### **RAMBLES.**

Contact – Nigel (277456)

### **December 2019 & January 2020**

Walks start at 1000hrs and are about 5 miles, unless otherwise stated. Any alterations will be advised in the first instance by email, then website. Contact the leader if you have any queries. New members always welcome to our friendly group.

## December

### Wed 4th - Stockley Inclosure

Leaders - Ann & Bryn Male (274363 / 0777 330 6035)

Meet - Stockley CP, Ref 345/018. A35 to Holmsley Underpass towards Brockenhurst. Continue through Brockenhurst & TR at level crossing, then immediate L into Mill Lane. At end T Junct, TR onto B3055. CP approx. 2.5 miles on LHS.

### Wed 11th - Xmas Lunch at Annies

Leaders - Barry (0774 291 6442) & Heather (0759 731 1393) Kerrison  
Meet Acres Down CP, Ref 267/097. On A35, turn L on RH bend just before Lyndhurst. After approx. 2 miles, turn L at crossroads signposted 'Acres Down,' then go thro' ford & continue to CP on LHS.

### Wed 18th - Broomy Plain, Milkham Inclosure & Linwood

Leader – Nigel Hicks (277456/0789 675 0059)

Meet – Broomy Walk CP, Ref 197/099, 1.5 miles north of Ringwood on A388, TR at crossroads signed 'Moyles Court' & 'Linwood.' Follow signs for 'Linwood &', after passing the Red Shoot Inn, the CP is on RHS.

Alternatively

At end of Bolderwood Drive turn L. Continue under main road A31 and carry straight on to meet single track road (passing places). Go past gravel track on RHS, which leads to High Corner Inn, and Broomy Walk CP is on LHS.

## January 2019

### Wed 8th -Fritham

Leader - David Price (275900)

Meet Fritham CP, Ref 230/141. On A35 turn L into Bolderwood Ornamental Drive. At far end, turn L at T Junction. After going under A31, take first R signed 'Stoney Cross'. After 2 miles TL at T Junction & then thro' Fritham. CP is on L, 100yds after Royal Oak pub.

### Wed 15th - Keyhaven and Efford Bridge (6 miles)

Leader – Nigel Hicks (277456)

Meet – New Lane, Milford, Ref 298/911. At Milford turn R down side of The Green, then L into Keyhaven Road. After 600m, turn R into New Lane. After 0.5 mile park on verge on LHS. In full, carry on past bend & park on LHS.

### Wed 22nd – Linford Bottom

Leaders - Barry (0774 291 6442) & Heather (0759 731 1393) Kerrison

Meet – Linford Bottom CP, Ref 182/073. Take B3347 Burton to Ringwood Rd & at roundabout before junction with A31, take the 3rd exit onto Southampton Road. Carry on for approx 0.60 mile, then take LH turn onto Gorley Road (signposted 'London Tavern'). After approx 200 metres, take RH turn onto Linford Road (also signposted 'London Tavern'). Go past the London Tavern, & after another 250 metres take LH fork (signposted 'Poulner Baptist Church'). You will still be on Linford Road, so continue for approx 1 mile until you reach the turn off (LH side) to the CP.

### Wed 29th – Walk to be advised if offered

#### AMBLERS

Contact – Trish [280427]

Monica sends her thanks and appreciation to all.

Please read Social Events under main heading Rambling and Ambling. Walks begin at 10am unless stated otherwise. Please ring walk leader with any queries.

**Wed. 4th. - Milford on Sea.**

Milford Village C.P. Ref: 292/918  
Leaders: Francis [620312] & Linda.  
From Highcliffe take A337 towards Lymington. Pass Lidl's on your Right then at next roundabout [Before Tscos] turn Right onto B3058 signposted Milford. Continue to Milford Village Centre and Turn Right at Village Green to go straight across at crossroads into Sea Road [with Smugglers Inn on your Left.] Village C.P. is soon on your left. Parking permits etc. or pay £2.30 for 3hrs. OR park in side roads if possible. Meet at Community Centre on Left of C.P. exit.  
Toilets. Approx. 3miles, mainly flat.

**Wed. 11th. - Annies Christmas Lunch And Walk.**

Acres Down C.P. Ref: 267/097 Lunch 12.30 for 1pm only for those who have booked. A Walk will begin at 10.30am whether or not you have booked lunch.  
Leaders: Trish & David [280427]  
Take A35 towards Lyndhurst and TURN LEFT at Swan Green opposite the 'Swan Inn' on the right hand bend before Lyndhurst. After approx. 2miles turn Left at the sign for Acres Down. Proceed past Annies Restaurant and park in Acres Down C.P. at end of Lane.  
Undulating. Approx. 3miles.  
Note: Walk 10.30am

**Friday 13th. - Booking starts for Skittles on Mon. 20th. January**

**Wed. 18th. - Mudeford Wood Community Centre.**

C.P. Ref: 184/933  
Leaders: Chris & Peter [272367]  
Proceed along Lymington Road towards Sainsburys..At Hoburne roundabout turn first left towards Mudeford. Continue a short way along then turn Right into Brabazon Drive, follow this along, turn Left into Valiant Way, then Left again into Pipers Drive. Centre is at end of this road.  
A walk through woods [could be muddy] then down to All Saints Church where Tea/Coffee has been booked for us. Walking back partly along beach and local roads.  
Approx. 2.5miles. Flat.

**Wed. 25th. - No Walk.** But - We Wish you All a Very Happy Peaceful Christmas. From 'The Angells'

**January 2020**

Wishing you All A Very Happy & Healthy New Year  
To Come

**Wed. 1st January 2020 - Brownhill Enclosure.**

C.P. Ref: 227/995  
Leaders: Trish & David [280427] 11am  
Start - Take A35 and after passing 'The Retreat' [Formally East Close Hotel] on your Right. In approx. 1.75miles take next turning Right onto B3058. C.P. is on Left after 100 yards or so.  
Approx. 3 miles. Undulating.  
Please Note Walk Starts at 11am !  
To allow for a Lie-In !!

**Wed. 8th. Highcliffe Castle to Mudeford.**

C.P. Ref: 204/932  
Leaders: Trish & David [280427]

Meet at Castle C.P. 50p 'Winter Charge'  
Approx. 3 miles. Mainly Flat. Toilets.

**Friday 10th. - Booking Starts** for  
The Lord Bute Winter Lunch on 12  
February,

**Wed. 15th. - Anderwood.**

C.P. Ref: 248/058

Leader: Christine [278470]

Take A35 towards Lyndhurst. After  
PASSING Holmsley Junction turning,  
continue on A35 [for approx. 3.50  
miles] then take Next Left turning.  
Anderwood C.P. is approx. 1 mile on  
Right.

Undulating. Approx. 3 miles. Toilets.

**Wed. 22nd. - Cadman's Pool, Oaknell  
Plain and Sluffers Inclosure.**

C.P. Ref: SU 230/122

Leaders: Chris & John [838767]

Take A35 towards Lyndhurst and Turn  
Left at Bolderwood /Rhinefield  
crossroads junction towards  
Bolderwood. Pass the Bolderwood C.P.  
and continue under the A31. Take the  
1st Right hand turning [Stoney Cross]  
and C.P. is approx. 1.25 miles on left.  
This is flat, open heathland walk with  
panoramic views.

Approx. 3.8 miles.

**Wed. 29th. - Walk to be Advised**

**ROCKIN' ROBINS**

Contact – Joyce (277077)

Meetings – 7.00pm Tuesday 3, 17

We plan to have our Christmas get  
together at 6.00pm at our last meeting  
before Christmas – 17 December. To  
make it easier this year we are asking  
all members to donate £1 so that we  
can purchase the food,

PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN  
DRINKS and GLASSES, CUPS etc.

There is nobody in the kitchen to do the  
washing up!

**RUMMIKUB**

Contact – Margaret via Greystones

Meeting – 1.30pm 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Tuesday

Only one session in December on 10th  
before Christmas, then after the break  
there are two sessions in January on  
13th and 20th. Look forward to seeing  
you then. Meanwhile have a happy  
holiday!

P.S. Still time to bring in contributions  
for the Friday Tombola!

**SEWING**

Contact – Karen (839519)

Meetings – 10.00am Monday. Weekly

10.00am Wed. Weekly

Despite the awful weather we have had  
a good attendance and members are  
busy making items for Christmas. We  
all enjoyed the autumn tea, arranged by  
our wonderful Social Secretary at The  
South Lawn Hotel, where we were fed  
and watered with mouth watering  
delights and are now looking forward to  
the Christmas Tea. This year it will be  
held at a members home. Wonder what  
secret Santa will bring? Christmas  
greetings and hopes for a Happy,  
Healthy New Year to you all. We still  
have space for new members, any  
ability accepted.

**TABLE TENNIS**

Contact – John (274813)

Meetings – 9.30am Monday Weekly

- 9.30am Thursday 5, 12, 26 Dec.

9, 16, 23, 30 Jan.

- 9.30am Saturday Weekly

It has been a changeable Autumn  
weather wise but we have all made the  
most of our facilities here at  
Greystones. We are very fortunate to  
have the Association on our doorstep,  
many thanks to all who contribute to the  
running and organisation of the events  
here. There is always something to

tempt and entertain us in our community. Three cheers to all who volunteer and make our lives more enjoyable. Not forgetting Maurice of course who keeps the building tip top. Wishing all who use this grand building 'A Merry Christmas' and a 'Happy New Year' from the Table Tennis Club.

### **T'AI CHI**

Contact – Lucy (01590 682149)

### **WHIST**

Contact – Olive (274813)

Meeting – 1.45pm Weds. Weekly

### **WINE CIRCLE**

Contact – Jenny (240082)

Meetings - 7.30pm Friday 13

At our last meeting Steve Roberts gave us a potted history lesson, or as he put it, “a duffers history”. He raced through the centuries recounting things that perhaps we did not know, which made it all the more interesting.

Well, Christmas is upon us once more and we are looking forward to our December meeting when we shall eat, drink and be merry. I hope everyone has a really good Christmas and a Happy New Year.

“Drinking good wine with good food in good company is one of life’s most enjoyed pleasures”.

Michael Broadbent

### **YOGA**

Contacts

Tuesday – Denise (629704)

Meetings – 10.00am Tues 3 Dec.

then 7 Jan.

Term ends on 3 December and we meet again on 7 January. Hope you all enjoy a happy Christmas & New Year and return ready to work off our indulgencies

Wednesday – Sandy (270786)

Meetings – 10.00am Wed. 4, 11 Dec.

Wed. 8, 15, 22 ,29 Jan.

## **AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS**

### **ACTIVE HIGHCLIFFE**

At Highcliffe Castle on Sunday 19 January 2020 from 11am until 3pm we have been invited to showcase HCA along with other local organisations.

This is an excellent opportunity to show the many and varied groups that we have at Greystones and we hope that as many as possible will take part either through demonstrations or by exhibits created within these groups.

We would wish as many groups as possible to take part and hopefully boost our membership numbers. Participation is free to all our groups and volunteers on the day. Don't let us miss this golden opportunity. All interested groups please contact:- Chris Nichols 01425 271453 or Pauline Pegram 01425 273563

### **CHRISTCHURCH PROBUS CLUB**

Contact – David Dunsmore (838672)

We meet at 10.15am on the 1st Tuesday of every month at the Christchurch Harbour Hotel, Mudeford Road. Interesting speakers, excellent lunch, welcoming, friendly atmosphere and regular social events.

Visit our website:-

[www.probuschristchurch.org.uk](http://www.probuschristchurch.org.uk)

or contact our Secretary, David Dunsmore on 838672 for more information.

### **CHRISTCHURCH HISTORY SOCIETY**

Contact – Geoff Bush (272773)

The talk on the 3 December is about Hurst Castle and how it has been there from the times of Henry VIII to the present day. The first talk of 2020 occurs on 7 January and is 'A short



history of Bournemouth Gardens' by the Nursery Manager for BCP Council. Talks are held at Clarendon Road School (plenty of parking) and start promptly at 7.30pm. A list of our talks for the year can be found on the notice board at the disabled exit door on the ground floor.

### **FRIENDS OF CHRISTCHURCH & HIGHCLIFFE LIBRARIES**

(Christchurch Lib. 01202 485938)  
(Highcliffe Lib. 01425 272202)  
Contact - Vera Billups (276552)  
-Jan Clarke (277635)

### **HIGHCLIFFE DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP**

Contact – Sally Palmer (07541 331881)  
We are a completely self-funding independent group supporting people from the Christchurch area who have any type of Dementia.

We meet on the first and third Wednesdays of each month at St Mark's Church Library in Hinton Wood Avenue, Highcliffe, from 2 pm until 3.45 pm . The venue is warm and comfortable and parking is free. Carers and those being cared-for are made very welcome.

The programme is wide and varied and is always well-received. Refreshments are served and there is free time to chat and make new friends. This is so helpful to those dealing with the isolation which this illness can bring.

A Clinical Nurse Specialist who has a wide experience leads the group. She is always available to deal with confidential problems. We also have good contact with a Senior Carers Caseworker who can answer any questions about help from Social Services.

Wednesday, 4 December

Members' Christmas Meal at the Amberwood.

Wednesday, 18 December  
Sherry, mince pies and Christmas Carols with Alison at the piano.

**NB** Change of dates just for January 2020 to avoid New Years Day  
Wednesday 8th and Wednesday 22nd  
Details to be given later.  
Do come and join us.

### **HIGHCLIFFE FRIENDS IN NEED**

Contact – Cressida Belbin (279328)  
Volunteer Car Service

### **HIGHCLIFFE & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY**

Contact –Judy (01202 477350)  
The Highcliffe & District Horticultural Society meet on Monday 2 December for their Annual General Meeting & Christmas Buffet.

Meetings are held in St. Mark's Church Hall, Hinton Wood Avenue, Highcliffe, and commence at 7.30 pm.

### **HIGHCLIFFE MEDICAL CENTRE**

Patients Participation Group  
Contact – Michael Williams (07484 778364)  
or highcliffepgg@gmail.com

### **Weekend Surgeries**

Christchurch Primary Care Network provides a weekend GP and nurse access service between 9am and 5.45pm providing emergency primary care appointments. This operates out of Christchurch Medical Practice once a month and Highcliffe Medical Centre three times a month.

It is important that patients contact 111 to book an appointment so that they can be directed to the correct surgery. This is not a walk in service.

For more information, contact the medical centre or go to the website: [www.highcliffemedicalcentre.co.uk](http://www.highcliffemedicalcentre.co.uk)

### **HIGHCLIFFE ROTARY CLUB**

Contact – Dave Foot (613652)

### **HIGHCLIFFE THEATRE GROUP**

Contact - CELIA ROSKILLY – 272566

### **HIGHCLIFFE WOMEN'S INSTITUTE**

#### **Amberwood**

Contact – Betty Mumford (278090)

### **NEW FOREST ORGAN SOCIETY**

Contact – Pat Heath Heath (611438)

## **New Website.**

As many members will be aware, a new website has been designed for the Highcliffe Community Association.

**The aim of the new site** is to increase awareness of HCA activities, both within the organisation, and to the wider Highcliffe community; to this extent we have already had new members joining via the site, although they still have to present themselves to pay for their membership fee—it is hoped that in due course they will be able to pay on-line, not only for membership, but for activities and events within Greystones.

**Forthcoming Events** are displayed by month, and if any Section has a “special event” please let the webmaster know so that it can be advertised; similarly, the site has the ability to display **photographs**, so please feel free to let the webmaster have photos of walks or outings, works of art, or anything your Section might like to let others see!

**Each Section** has its own area, so please check it for accuracy.

It is recognised, that initially, members may find it difficult to “sell ourselves”, but we need to be proud of the thriving organisation that we are, and the need to promote ourselves to the wider community.

If you are viewing this on-line, [click here](https://www.highcliffecommunityassociation.co.uk/) to view the website;

<https://www.highcliffecommunityassociation.co.uk/>

Please feel free to email the webmaster with any constructive comments or suggestions.

**Webmaster (Graeme Stringer):**

[webmaster@highcliffeca.co.uk](mailto:webmaster@highcliffeca.co.uk)

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### **ROYAL NAT. LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION**

Highcliffe Branch

Contact Jan Wilson (271202)

### **TWYNHAM PROBUS CLUB**

Contact – Alec Payne (01425 838259)

## **NEWSLETTER PREPARATION DATES 2019 / 2020**

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