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Highcliffe Community
Association
at Greystones House

SUNDAY 5 APRIL

2.30pm (last dance 4.30pm)

Tea Dance

Live Music

and

Afternoon

Tea



TICKETS: £5 (members)

£6 (non-members)

Available from **RECEPTION**

Greystones House

Waterford Road, Highcliffe, BH223 5JL

Telephone: 01425 271604

News and Programme of Events

MARCH 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.
Art	Thursday am.	Machine Quilting	Friday pm
Bridge Duplicate	See text	Mahjong	Thursday pm.
Bridge Rubber	Friday pm.	Men's Forum	Thursday am.
Canasta	Thursday evening	Men's Shed	Tuesday pm.
Cards – Bolivia	Monday pm.	Mindfulness etc.	Thursday 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.	Pilates	Tues, Thurs pm
Craft	Thursday pm.	Quilting	Tuesday am.
Cribbage	Wednesday pm.	Rambling & Ambling	See text
Dancing Ballroom	Tuesday pm	Rockin' Robins	Tuesday evening.
Dancing–Circle	Monday pm.	Rummikub	Tuesday pm.
Dancing-Country	Thurs. evening	Sewing	Monday am.
Darts	Tuesday pm.	Sewing	Wednesday am.
Discussion	Tuesday pm.	Table Tennis	Monday am.
Drama	Thursday pm.	Table Tennis	Thursday am.
Family History	Monday pm	Table Tennis	Saturday am.
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 MARCH

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

Every Friday Morning-Your 1st Floor Nu.2.U Clothes Shop-Open for your Indulgence.

Friday 6 Film – Downton Abbey

Doors open 6.30pm performance 7.00pm

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

Saturday 7 - Spring Supper & Social

Tickets members £10.00 Non members £11.00

Time 6.30pm for meal to be served at 7.00pm

Wednesday 18 – Afternoon Quiz 2.15pm

FUTURE EVENTS

Friday 3 April – Film – Knives Out

Sunday 5 April – Tea Dance

Saturday 25 April - QUIZ & CHIPS

PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Betty & Tony

What Is A Senior Citizen?

A Senior Citizen is one who was here before the pill, television, frozen foods, contact lenses, credit cards and before man walked on the moon.

For us 'Time Sharing' meant togetherness, not holiday homes and 'chip' meant a piece of wood. 'Hardware' meant nuts and bolts and 'software' wasn't even a word.

We got married first, then lived together, a 'stud' was something that fastened a collar to a shirt, and 'going all the way' meant staying on a double-decker to the bus depot.

In our day, 'grass' was mown, 'pot' was something you cooked in, 'coke' was kept in the coal house and a 'joint' was cooked on Sundays.

We are today's Senior Citizens. A hardy bunch when you think how the world has changed!

CHAIRMAN'S CHAT

Email: chair@highcliffeca.co.uk

It is with regret that we will be saying goodbye to Maurice Cocking on 29 February. Maurice has decided to hand in his resignation due to personal reasons and will be making a clean break from Greystones with regards to the maintenance of the building, but he will however remain a member. Maurice has worked on and maintained the building for the last 20 years and has been on the executive committee for the last 2 years, so on behalf of the whole Association we say thank you for all his hard and dedicated work and wish him and his family well for the future.

We are now looking for a willing volunteer to manage and coordinate

the maintenance required to keep the building and facilities up to the necessary standards. The position is a management role and not necessarily hands on. If you are interested in the position please contact Martin Abbot or Jan Hollowell.

We have a full programme of monthly social events planned for the rest of the year, most of these require some form of catering. We are therefore trying to coordinate a team of people who would be happy to help with the catering so that it does not fall on the same few people every time. If you would like to be part of the team would you please include your name and phone number on the list on the Chairman's notice board. Thank you.

SECRETARY

Email: secretary@highcliffeca.co.uk

On Thursday 30 January we held an EGM to discuss a new Constitution and the possibility of applying for Charitable Incorporated Organisation status. The meeting was attended by 67 members and after discussion and careful consideration both the proposed new constitution and the proposal regarding the CIO application were accepted by the members.

Thank you to all members who took an interest in these very important decisions that your Executive Committee believe will enable HCA to move forward in a positive way.

The next Council meeting will be on Thursday 12 March at 16.30 pm.

It has come to the attention of the Executive Committee that there have been instances when members have not been made welcome into group activities either by words or deeds.

This is disappointing and your Executive would like to remind ALL

members that we are an inclusive organisation and participation in all groups is open to everybody. We hope you will all bear this in mind when dealing with your fellow members and remember that we are not all the same and do not have the same skills and physical ability.

Linda (271604)

TREASURER

Email: treasurer@highcliffeca.co.uk

The banks are now using automated clearing for all cheques and are returning any cheques that are not filled in correctly or have any alterations on them.

Our bank at the moment accept cheques made payable to Highclffe Community Association and HCA. Once we have our new CIO in place and a new bank account they will only accept cheques made payable to Highcliffe Community Association. To prepare for this from now onwards please make all cheques payable to Highcliffe Community Association, please check dates are correct and there are no alterations to the cheque to avoid any cheque being returned. Thank you for your understanding and cooperation.

Jan (276450)

NEWSLETTER EDITOR

Email: newsletter.editor@highcliffeca.co.uk

Norman (275674)

ASSOCIATION MATTERS

HELP REQUIRED

GREYSTONES FLOWERS

We have all appreciated the colourful flower arrangements that can be seen

around Greystones. These are provided by Valerie who until recently has been supported in this work by 1 or 2 assistants. Unfortunately she is now doing it solo and would welcome an assistant or two to help with the positioning of the displays. No particular flower arranging experience is required, although some knowledge would be helpful. The ability to access the second floor of Greystones (otherwise known as the loft) via a short staircase is required (good exercise I am told). If you think you could assist in this very worthwhile matter, please call Valerie on 274516 for more details.

LETTING NEWS

Email: lettings@highcliffeca.co.uk

Pauline (273563)

RECEPTION

Lynn (07754 216164)

MEMBERSHIP

Email: membership@highcliffeca.co.uk

Mavis ()

Membership Table

We need a few more volunteers to help on Friday mornings to sign up new members and deal with renewals.

This is not a difficult task and would be once a month at the most for approximately two and a half hours.

Please contact Chris Nichols. 01425 271453.

Membership renewals

This year, we will be trialling a new membership renewal system whereby members will not be asked to complete a renewal application form.

We will simply print off new membership cards on thick coloured card (with a plastic sleeve) for all current members: these will be in alphabetical order for receptionists to allocate when members renew and pay.

All we would ask is that all members check that we hold their correct information on file. Any change of address, phone numbers, email addresses etc. should still be advised to the Membership Secretary as normal.

Also any member who has signed up for gift aid previously, please confirm that nothing has changed and that the Association can still claim the gift aid back.

Renewals will only be available from 1 April onwards and the cost is £10 as per last year. There will be a dedicated table in the foyer from that date to deal with all renewals/queries.

We will have a rubber stamp with our name on available for cheques and you will need to bring your old membership card with you for us to keep.

We hope this new system proves more efficient for all and look forward to your continued support.

In addition, we are looking to hold emergency contact details for all members, for use in the case of an emergency. Again, this will be requested at renewal for those that wish to supply this information.

Many thanks.

TEA AND COFFEE SERVERY

Barbara (620811)

EQUIPMENT & MAINTENANCE

Martin (07974 542815)

As well as Maurice standing down from his position of Buildings and Maintenance Manager, I will also be finishing my current position as his deputy and Fire Safety Manager at the next AGM - probably no later than June this year. Hence, HCA must find somebody who will take over from me,

particularly the responsibility for the Fire System in the building - preferably before then! For anybody interested, the job involves:

- supervising the team, regularly inspecting and testing the Fire Alarm, Extinguishers, Emergency Lights and Signage
- supervising the 2 contractors who maintain the system
- looking after the paperwork!
- occasionally reviewing and upgrading the system as necessary.

It is a very essential and interesting job and does carry a degree of responsibility. It is also a critical activity that must be done to adhere to current safety standards. I'd be very happy to show anybody interested the ropes!

IN MEMORIAM

Mavis ()

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

Terry Patrick – past President
John Frampton
Bill Vanner
Flora Miller
Rosemary Court

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

GENERAL INTEREST

Nu.2.U. LADIES CLOTHES SHOP

Open Thursday 1.15 – 3.45pm

Friday 9.30 – 12.30 pm

Shop Team: Angie, Mary, Chris, Hazel.
Your shop has a great selection of clothing at amazing prices to suit every occasion - and our unseasonable weather. So why not enjoy the

indulgence of a new outfit with accessories to match?
We look forward to the pleasure of your company.

4 Men 2 Shop

Managed by John Crimes

LIBRARY CORNER

Let me start off by thanking all members for their donations to our wonderful library. Special thanks to the member who donated the DVDs and also to Barry Lash for his welcome donation of new crime paperbacks. Thanks also for donations of travel books.

A reminder for all members borrowing a DVD or hardback book to write it down in the book. There were 4 DVDs taken from the DVD stand and only one DVD was recorded in the book. I really do need to keep a check on these books and DVDs. Paperbacks and jigsaws do not need to be recorded.

As always please only donate as new and latest paperbacks and DVDs. Even though I had a massive clear-out and re-organisation just before Christmas to make room on our shelves for more paperbacks, I find that the paperback shelves are getting very tight again.

Also may I please remind all members borrowing from our library to put 20p per item into the Trust Box on the wall. Everything in our library is only 20p to borrow, including DVD box sets. If you keep an item for more than 3 weeks, then just put an extra 20p in the Trust Box. This small charge helps to pay for electricity and heating in our wonderful facility of Greystones.

Barbara ()

PUBLICITY

Chris (271453)

QUIZ

Next meeting is Wednesday 18 March at 2.15pm. Look forward to seeing you then.

Audrey (278643)

BINGO

Every Saturday

GREYSTONES HOUSE
Eyes down at 1.30pm.

SECTION NEWS

New Group

Mindfulness, Meditation and Breath Work

Meetings: 4.15pm Thursdays

£3 per session paid termly (including £1 group fee)

Ring Debbie 07523 408368 for more details.

ART – Monday am

Contact - Jeanne (271810)

Meetings – 10.00am Monday Weekly

ART – Tuesday am

Contact – Rosemary (274056)

Meetings – 10.00am Tuesday 3,10,17,24, 31

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

ART – Thursday am

Contact – Pat (275563)

Help

Thursday morning Art is likely to close. We are down to two people. We welcome anyone at whatever level. I can be contacted on 01425 275563.

BRIDGE – Duplicate

Contact – Phyl (612337)

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

Website:

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 events; new members and visitors are always welcome.

Special dates and announcements:

The AGM will be held at Greystones on 25 March

Swiss Teams (random) - Monday 2 March

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

Saturday Social Bridge: Will continue if sufficient demand is apparent.

Intermediates Group Every Wednesday - 6.00 for 6.30 pm

Ladder Pairs - Monday 23 and Wednesday 25 March are normal Duplicate evenings. Results are shown as a 'Ladder'.

Hosts for March

Monday

02 Teams-No host

09 Pauline McKay

16 Anne Ponting

23 Alan Ponting

30 Pat Carruthers

Wednesday

04 Mike Caruana

11 Paul Palombi

18 Duncan Mead

25 Val Bendall

BRIDGE – Rubber

Contact – Martin (276971)

Or Steve (07922 120918)

Meetings – 12.45pm Friday Weekly

CANASTA

Contact – Olive (274813)

Meetings – 6.30pm Thursday Weekly

This is a good game and we could do with some new members as we are getting low on numbers. We are a friendly group and are very willing to teach people how to play. So please come and join us or encourage your friends to do so.

CARDS – BOLIVIA

Contact – Avril (276346)

Meetings – 1.30pm 2nd & 4th Monday 9, 23

CARPET BOWLS

Contact – John (277553)

Meetings – 2.00pm Monday

2.00pm Friday

The Spring Lunch at the Lord Bute will be held on Thursday 26 March 2020 at 12pm. The attendance list is on the notice board and I look forward to seeing you all there.

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

March 2020 Dates for the diary are as follows:

2pm Monday 2pm Friday

02-Mar 06-Mar

09-Mar 13-Mar

16-Mar 20-Mar

23-Mar 27-Mar

30-Mar

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

A good start to the new year.....timetable soon to be sorted, some workshops completed and lots of enthusiasm from all members. Thank

you to members who have donated craft materials but we are running short of light coloured knitting wool. If you have any unwanted craft items you would be happy to donate please ring Brenda.

CRIBBAGE

Contact – Eric (621334)

Meeting–1.30pm Wednesday Weekly

DANCING TUITION. Ballroom and Latin

Professional tuition from Dawn [of Dawn Dance]

Contact – Graeme (07874 327087)

Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly
(except first week in the month)

First Time is a free taster session

DANCING – Circle

Contact - Nancy (277920)

Meetings – 2.00pm Monday

DANCING – Country

Contact – Denise (629704)

Meetings – 7.30pm Thursday 5, 12, 19, 26

We shall have our AGM during an extended coffee break on 12 March.

The Spring dance will be on Saturday 28 March – bring and share supper.

DARTS

Contact – Wendy (271390)

Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly
- 7.00pm 2nd and 4th Thursday

DISCUSSION

Contact – Jill (280247)

Meetings – 2.00pm First Tuesday 3

The February meeting was devoted to the subject of Dementia and all members of HCA had been invited. Around 50 people turned up to hear our guest speaker Lydia Brown from Christchurch Dementia Friendly Community Alliance.

Her aim was to inform and develop the audience's awareness of dementia and to explain its many facets. Dementia is not only about loss of memory. It also

relates to communication, speech, behaviour and perception and can affect anyone at any age, not just the elderly.

A show of hands revealed 80% of the audience knew someone with dementia.

Lydia emphasised that you can live well with the condition and that positive interaction and engagement with the person was the best way forward.

Our next meeting will be on 3 March in Room 2 at the usual time of 2pm. A very warm welcome to all.

DRAMA

Contact – Beryl (275535)

or Mary & Eddie (278790)

Meetings– 2.00pm Thursday Weekly

We are currently reading a French farce "Boeing Boeing" by Marc Camoletti. It was a great success in the West End and on Broadway and was made into a film in 1965 with Tony Curtis and Jerry Lewis. Set in Paris it provides an excellent opportunity for our members to show off their skills with great parts including American, French and German air stewardesses, a long suffering maid and two young bachelors.

We would also like to wish Beryl Buteux a speedy recovery after her recent illness and look forward to her welcome return.

FAMILY HISTORY

Contact – Jean (277905)

Meetings – 2.00pm 3rd Monday 16

The next family history meeting is on Monday 16 March Room 2 at 2pm. This meeting is the AGM followed by a talk on DNA by Jean Reece. After Active Highcliffe I'm pleased to say that we welcomed a new member and a visitor to our group. New members are always welcome.

FLOWER ARRANGING

Contact – Valerie (27274516)

Meetings – 10.00am 1st & 3rd Wednesday

The design subjects for the March meetings are as follows:-

4 March – Period Style e.g. Vintage

18 March – Spring Fever

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 2nd & 4th Wednesday

Our meeting subjects for March are as follows:-

11 March – Artificial Intelligence –
What's it all about

25 March – 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. 1st & 3rd Thursday

LADIES FORUM

Contact – Margaret via Greystones

Meetings – 1.45pm 2nd Friday each month

LANGUAGES

Contact – Christine (275861)

Meetings – 10.00am Mon. French Weekly

- 10.30am Tues. French Weekly

- 10.00am Weds. Spanish Weekly

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

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

We have been practising using the future tense of verbs in our conversation.

Crosswords and Rebuses are great fun and are introducing new words into our vocabulary.

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

LITERARY

Contact – Tom (272822)

Meetings – 2.00pm Wednesday 4

'Now I know that Spring will come again, perhaps tomorrow' - Edward Thomas (March). Wil is coming up with quite a few HIDE & SEEK quotes for us. He seems to have a penchant for the 18th Century.

Now what do you think of the BBC's 100 Books that have shaped our lives? We're back to FAHRENHEIT 451.

MACHINE QUILTING

Contact – Susy (275403)

Cherry (272593)

Meetings– 1.00pm Every Friday except 2nd.

MAHJONG

Contact – Rowena (278248)

Meetings - 1.30pm Thursday weekly

It's the month of March so will any of our more experienced players try Windy Chows - 1 of each wind with any wind paired plus a chow in each suit or perhaps Apple Blossom - a pung of white dragons, a pair of green dragons and 3 mixed chows?

All our new members are learning fast and coming along really well with both Ordinary Hand and Seven Twins - 7 pairs of anything. If you fancy having a go just come along on a Thursday afternoon and join in the fun.

MEN'S FORUM

Contact - Mike (277370)

or Ron (277739)

Meetings – 10.30am Thursday 19

The next meeting on 19 March 2020 will be the AGM. We hope to have the programme for the coming 12 months available, but we are looking for a volunteer member to fill a vacant month with a free presentation. Any offers?

Hopefully the AGM should not occupy the whole morning, so would anybody be willing to fill in as the added attraction for, say half an hour or so? Please ring Ron or Mike for either of the two job offers above.

Please let Mike or Ron know if any member would like to stand for election in any of the positions on the committee. It would be nice to have some new faces for the forum positions.

MEN'S SHED

Contact – John (07547 922246)
Meeting – 2.00pm 1st Tuesday

MUSIC

Contact – Mike (270378)9, 23

The family of Brian Mullhane, who sadly died recently, have very kindly donated his keyboard to Greystones. Brian often played at our meetings with his own special, relaxed style of mellifluous medleys.

The format of future meetings was discussed during our meeting today [10th Feb.] A shortage of players was causing difficulties filling all the available “slots”. It was agreed to schedule future meetings with two players instead of three; time allocated by agreement. We are always seeking new talent brave enough to play to a sympathetic, appreciative audience.

The vibrant sound of music from Room 1 during “Friday live” continues to make this a focus for a variety of attractions in Greystones each Friday morning. Guest pianist Pat Neal entertained with his vocal and keyboard skills on a

recent occasion. Also “on the bill” was David Jones the vocalist and guitar player giving a relaxed and accomplished performance. Sad to learn that Terry Patrick passed away three days ago.

Terry was a most active and energetic supporter of Greystones for over twenty five years. An accomplished, classical pianist he made a tremendous contribution to the musical life of the association: organising the Pianists section for many years, singing in the choir and revue, also participating in many of the concerts and activities of the organ/keyboard section. A Past President of HCA Terry will be remembered as a kind, courteous man who always made time for other people and will be greatly missed

PETANQUE

Contact – Carol (280154)
Meetings – 1.00pm Tuesday Weekly
1.00pm Friday Weekly
Contact – Bernard Gilbert (07578 967622)
12.00pm Wednesday Weekly

It may have been wet and windy but we have gained members and had some very enjoyable afternoons. Please try and turn up on time as it makes it difficult to arrange teams when you are late.

PHOTOGRAPHIC

Contact – Anna (274926)
Meetings – 9.45 am Thursday 12
Review session on the theme: Subject: “Photo Starting with the Letter “A””
Please arrive in good time to submit your photograph, and be ready for a prompt start at 10am. Please bring along 1 photo, ready framed for hanging (18 inches below the hooks please) and be prepared to say what inspired you to take that photo and how the final image was produced etc.

We now have a vacancy for new members.

Next Meeting: Thursday 9 April 2020

PILATES

Contact –

Meetings – Tuesday 12.15 – 1.15pm
Thursday 12.00 – 1.00pm

QUILTING – Tuesday

Contact – Anna (274926)

Meetings – 9.30am Tuesday Weekly

Email: anne.hutton27@sky.com

Since our last entry we have taken part in the Rotary's 'Active Highcliffe' Exhibition at Highcliffe Castle as part of the Greystones Community. Our table was set up in the Dining Room of the Castle. The sun was shining behind us and we could not have had a better position. Many visitors and other interested people came to see us and asked many questions. It was very busy and buzzing. Since then we have taken up our threads again and are starting and finishing our quilts, patchworks and other pieces of work.

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.

Members Social Events

Skittles on 16 March

Book at the R&A desk in Room 3 on Friday morning.

RAMBLES.

Contact – Nigel (277456)

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.

Wed 4th - Abbotswell

Leader - Alan Baldwin (01202 765997 / 0790 0326814) and Richard Hucker (07753 892025)

Meet - Abbots Well CP, Ref 178/129 Turn off A338 at Fordingbrigde and then R at T Junction. Turn R immediately after bridge and immediately L to Frogham. Go thro' village and CP is on RHS as road opens up to country. Walk is 5 miles mainly on tracks and includes Hasley, Sloden and Alderhill inclosures.

Wed 11th – Pignal Inclosure

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

Meet – Standing Hat CP, Ref 315/036. From Brockenhurst pick up A337 north, then TR on to Balmer Lane. Keep L and L again and CP on LHS.

Wed 18th - Alderholt and Peaceful Countryside.

Leaders - Carol (01202 475315/07860 472 493) and Terry Eden (07927 886 304)

Meet - Churchill Arms Pub, Alderholt. Ref OS Map 195, 114/125. Post Code SP6 3AA. Arrive in time to pre-order pub food. Park in large tarmac car park at the side of pub.

Pub toilets available at start of ramble. From Ringwood drive north on A338 for 5 miles. Take slip road on L, B3078 for Fordingbridge. Turn L at T junction for town centre and cross bridge. Turn L and in 200 yards turn L to stay on B3078 to Alderholt. The pub is on the RHS in the centre of Alderholt. For those wishing to lunch, tables reserved from 12.30pm. Orders to be taken prior to 10am start of ramble.

Wed 25th – Dur Hill and Holmsley Ridge

Leader – Nigel Hicks(277456)

Meet – Burbush CP, Ref 202/018. On A35 take first L after East Close Hotel towards Holmsley Caravan Park, and then R into Forest Road. Turn R at crossroads and CP is on RHS, immediately after a bridge over the old railway track.

AMBLERS

Contact – Trish [280427]

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. - Tilery Road Car Park

C.P. Ref: SU 308/033

Leaders: Chris and John [838767]

Take A337 to Brockenhurst. In 0.65 miles, after passing over the Railway Level Crossing turn Right onto B3055, signposted Beaulieu [Balmer Lawn Road] Soon, after 0.25 miles, fork Left onto gravelled Tilery Road,

C.P. is 0.12 miles on the Left. This is a small C.P. so please car share where you can. You can park along the gravel road but do not impede access.

Walk approx. 3 miles, on gravel cycle paths, slightly undulating but no mud!! Through Pignal and Pignalhill Inclosures.

Wed. 11th. – Coy Pond Bournemouth

Leaders: Chris and Peter [272367]

Travel by 1a Bus to meet in Bournemouth outside Debenhams at 11am.

Walk is up through Gardens to Coy Pond and return. You may then wish to have some lunch [or shop]!! Returning home at your leisure.

Mon. 16th - Skittles for those who have booked. 6.30pm for 7pm

Wed. 18th. - Milford on Sea.

Milford Village C.P. Ref: 292/918

Leaders: Francis [620312] and Linda.

From Highcliffe take A337 towards Lymington. Pass LIDLS on your Right then at next roundabout [Before Tescos] 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 [passing Smugglers Inn on your left]. Village C.P. is then immediately on your Left. Parking Permits etc. or pay £2.30 for 3 hrs. OR park in side roads if possible. Meet in C.P.

Toilets. Approx. 3miles. Mainly flat.

Wed. 25th. - Rockford and Blashford Lake

C.P. Ref: 159/081 [Alice Lisle Inn]

Leader: Brian [273925]

At Ringwood roundabout go under the A31 then take the 2nd exit A338 signposted Salisbury. After approx. 2 miles at Ellingham Cross Turn Right [signposted Moyles Court] into Ellingham Drove. When road divides turn Right signposted Rockford and Linford. Cross bridge to 'T' Junction and Turn Right towards Rockford. Alice Lisle Inn is shortly on your Right. We have permission to park in their Car Park.

Approx. 3 miles. Maybe muddy in places.

Perhaps Lunch at the Inn after the walk, if desired.

ROCKIN' ROBINS

Contact – Joyce (277077)

Meetings – 7.00pm Tuesdays

Our usual dates this month – 1st and 3rd Tuesday 3, 17.

All welcome.

Good News! Freda is to return to the helm in April.

RUMMIKUB

Contact – Margaret via Greystones
Meeting – 1.30pm 2nd & 4th Tuesday 10, 24

SEWING

Contact – Karen (839519)
Meetings – 10.00am Monday. Weekly
10.00am Wed. Weekly

After a very successful day at Highcliffe Castle, a showcase event of what is available in the area for arts, crafts and sporting groups organised by the local Rotary Club, we now have two new members. Our Social Secretary is busy organising trips to various exhibitions for the Spring months and the room is abuzz with members making dresses, cloaks, blouses, knitting and some ladies busy refashioning favourite items. Will it ever stop raining though, so we can wear our new lighter clothing?

Please note that the Annual General Meeting will be held on the 1 April 2020 at 9.30 am.

TABLE TENNIS

Contact – John (274813)
Meetings – 9.30am Monday Weekly
- 9.30am Thursday 5, 12, 26
- 9.30am Saturday Weekly

We booked the Walkford Skittle Alley for Wednesday 26 February, an afternoon session. Two knockout matches and two team games, and finishing the afternoon with a final knockout with a good money prize to be won. Thank you to everyone who signed up for this social event. We appreciate the hospitality offered by the Walkford, both in food and drink.

WHIST

Contact – Olive (274813)
Meeting – 1.45pm Weds. Weekly
New members and beginners very welcome.

WINE CIRCLE

Contact – Jenny (240082)
Meetings - 7.30pm Friday

YOGA

Contacts
Tuesday – Denise (629704)
Meetings – 10.00am Tues 3, 10, 17, 24, 31
Wednesday – Sandy (270786)
Meetings – 10.00am Wed. 4, 11, 18, 25

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

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

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

CHRISTCHURCH HISTORY SOCIETY

Contact – Geoff Bush (272773)

The next two meetings of the Society will be on Tuesday 3 March and Tuesday 7 April. At the first meeting there will be a talk by Steve Roberts entitled **‘Lesser Known Bournemouth’**, and at the second, Alan Nichols will speak on **‘Lighthouses Near and Far’**. Meetings start promptly at 7.30pm. A full list of talks for our current year may be found on the HCA notice board beside the entrance/exit door for disabled members on the ground floor.

FRIENDS OF CHRISTCHURCH & HIGHCLIFFE LIBRARIES

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

Our last event at Highcliffe library was "The Longest Journey", a wonderful train journey from one country to another on all manner of different inter-connecting trains, given by Howard Nichols, a brilliant speaker. This was over-subscribed due to lack of space, so do please try to book in advance.

We have two events in March:

Christchurch Library: Thursday 12th entitled "Why Magpies are a Potent Symbol in my New Novel", by Eve Bonham, who was a sailor/ocean racer, an auctioneer and a businesswoman.

Highcliffe Library: Thursday, 26 March will be "Espionage, Sabotage and Illusion" by the popular Kathy McNally.

Start time is 2.30p.m. with refreshments served at the end., £2.50 for Friends of the Library, and £4.50 for non-members. We hope to see you there.

HIGHCLIFFE DEMENTIA SUPPORT GROUP

Contact – Sally Palmer (07541 331881)

As most of you know, we are a totally independent group for anyone in the Christchurch area suffering with any type of Dementia, together with a friend or carer.

There is no fee for joining the group but we do have to make a modest charge at our meetings in order to cover our expenses. We do rely on donations and various fund-raising events throughout the year together with our collection tins in local shops. We have also been privileged to be given donations after bereavements.

HIGHCLIFFE FRIENDS IN NEED

Contact – Cressida Belbin (279328)

Volunteer Car Service

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If you need a Driver and car to take you to a GP, Hospital or Dental appointment, we can help you.

Please try to give us at least 2 - 3 working days notice, when you can.

Please ring between 9.30 am – 12.30 pm. – Thank you

Mondays Cherry 01425 275056

Tuesdays Ann 01425280083

Wednesdays Pauline 01425 271520

Thursdays/Fridays

Richard 01425 275066

If you have any spare time and you would like to help as one of our volunteer drivers, please contact me for further information. Thank You.

HIGHCLIFFE & DISTRICT HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY

Contact –Judy (01202 477350)

The Highcliffe & District Horticultural Society meet on Monday 2 March for an illustrated talk "Spring Flowers of the Mediterranean" by Mr. Eric Watson. Meetings are held in St. Mark's Church Hall, Hinton Wood Avenue, Highcliffe and commence at 7.30 pm. Visitors are very welcome.

HIGHCLIFFE MEDICAL CENTRE

Patients Participation Group

Contact – Michael Williams (07484 778364)

or highcliffeppg@gmail.com

Protect yourself from the pain of Shingles. This vaccine helps reduce your risk of getting shingles and reduces the severity of symptoms if you develop the disease.

If you are in one of the following age groups and have never received a shingles vaccination please ask at your GP surgery to have one:

Current age. 70 to 76 and 78 to 79.

77 only if you were born after 1 September 1942. Patients remain eligible up until their 80th birthday. For more information, contact the medical centre, or go to the website 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 (611438)

Live Music For Everyone

Tuesday 24 March

Contact Stewart Langton 618074

or Email: jenart08@gmail.com

First visit to the New Forest, Dutch organist DirkJan Ranzijn. He has appeared many times on Dutch television having his own evening show.

As an international artist Dirk travels all over Europe with the support of the Bohm organ company. A great entertainer and marvellous musician. Entrance £5 for members, £8 for visitors.

ROYAL NAT. LIFEBOAT INSTITUTION

Highcliffe Branch

Contact Jan Wilson (271202)

TWYNHAM PROBUS CLUB

Contact – Alec Payne (01425 838259)

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