Highcliffe Community Association at Greystones House

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News and Programme of Events
December 2026/ January 2027

Sections at a Glance

Please note that not all groups run every week – contact the leader in "section news" for more details

Art	Monday am		Jigsaw Together	Tuesday am
Art	Tuesday am		Ladies Forum	Friday pm
Art	Tuesday pm		Languages French	Monday am
Art	Wednesday pm		Legs, bums and Tums	Tuesday am
Beetle Drive	Wednesday pm		Machine Quilting	Friday pm
Bingo	Saturday pm		Mahjong	Thursday pm
Book Group	Thursday am		Music Therapy	Thursday am
Bridge Duplicate	Monday evening		Needles	Wednesday am
Bridge Duplicate	Wed evening		Pétanque	Monday pm
Bridge Social	Friday pm		Pétanque	Tuesday pm
Bridge Beginners	Monday am		Pétanque	Wednesday pm
Bridge Rubber	Friday pm		Pétanque	Thursday pm
Bridge with Help	Monday am		Pétanque	Fri am and pm
Bridge Intermediate	Monday evening		Pétanque	Sunday pm
Canasta	Thurs evening		Photography	Thursday am
Cards – Bolivia	Monday pm		Pilates	Wednesday am
Carpet Bowls	Monday pm		Poetry	Wednesday am
Carpet Bowls	Friday pm		Quilting	Tuesday am
Chess	Monday evening		Rambling & Ambling	Wednesday am See Section Text
Craft	Thursday pm		Rockin' Robins	Monday pm
Creative Writing	Tuesday am		Rummikub	Tuesday am
Dancing – Ballroom, Latin & Sequence	Tuesday pm		Scrabble	Thursday am
Dancing - Circle	Monday pm		Swinging Sixties	Wednesday pm
Dancing-Country	Thurs evening		Table Tennis	Monday am
Darts	Tuesday pm		Table Tennis	Thursday am
Darts	Thursday eve		Table Tennis	Saturday am
Discussion	Tuesday pm		Tai Chi	Monday pm Thursday pm
Drama & Play Reading	Thursday pm		Whist	Wednesday pm
Flower Arranging	Wednesday am		Yoga	Monday am
Fun Chair Exercise	Wednesday am		Yoga	Tuesday am
IT Forum	Wednesday pm		Yoga	Wednesday am

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Message from the Chairman

As you read this the Christmas festivities will probably be well underway!

We will have our Jigsaw fair this weekend, our tree will be displayed at the Castle Christmas tree festival and our tree will be in reception. The Christmas raffle will be drawn on Friday 18th December. If your section is having a pre-Christmas celebration don't forget to let Barbara know if you need the kitchen. We will close on 18th December and welcome groups back from Monday 4th January.

Next year, among the many exciting activities on offer we will be participating in the Highcliffe and Walkford Nature Festival. There is more detail later in this newsletter.

As we draw to the end of the year it is encouraging to see that we now have over 1100 active members. We rely so much on our volunteers: thank you to everyone who has helped in any way over the year.

I wish you all a very Merry Christmas and a Happy and Healthy 2027.

Advisory Council / Members Meetings

Anyone can come along to hear about developments at HCA and put forward any views – positive or negative!

All Sections should send a representative.

Next Advisory Council / Members Meeting dates

TRUSTEES AND MEMBERS MEETINGS 2026

Trustees Meetings (Tuesdays)	Members meetings (Thursdays)
12.1.27	11.3.27
9.2.27	10.6.27
9.3.27	16.9.27
13.4.27	16.12.27 - provisional
11.5.27	
8.6.27	
13.7.27	
10.8.27	
14.9.27	
12.10.27	
9.11.27	
14.12.27	

HCA Opening 2027		
Closes	Opens	Reason
FRIDAY 18TH DECEMBER 2026	MONDAY 4TH JANUARY	CHRISTMAS
THURSDAY 25th MARCH	TUESDAY 30th MARCH	EASTER
MONDAY 3rd MAY	-	BANK HOLIDAY
MONDAY 31st MAY	-	BANK HOLIDAY

HONORARY PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Looking out at The Grey Havens from 'our little world' set by the ever-changing and challenging sea, another calendar year nears its completion. May the re-birth of the sun - if it happens - set the seal on sorrows, and comfort where it can with some true merriment, joy and peace for all who participate in and serve this community - and solar system. (AND - may the monstrous puppets of our collective unconscious become human beings with hearts!)

HAPPY NEW YEAR.

Tom (Hon. President)

NEWSLETTER EDITOR'S MESSAGE

For this December/January issue we welcome back Jan Ball to carry out the bulk of the editing. Jan specifically requested editing this Christmas issue, so thank you, Jan, for your great support.

For this issue we welcome another of the Creative Writing Group, Colin Seager, for his short 500 word story. This time the theme, suggested by another member of the Group, is 'Blue' but how this should be spelt is being left to the authors, so I wonder if anyone will choose 'Blew' or maybe even 'Bloo'!

We also have another thought-provoking but uplifting poem from local Highcliffe poet Chrissy Greenslade, in her 'Pause for Thought' series, and this time it has a Christmas theme, and is entitled 'You Are Never Alone'.

Local historian and regular member of the HCA Photography Section, John Lewis, is continuing with another of his 'Local History Corner' series and he tells me in advance this time will be mainly a series of photographs through time showing the changing scene of the car repair garage at Sea Corner, Highcliffe, which I imagine many of us can remember before it was closed and replaced with a block of flats.

Again also, Andy Dunn will be continuing his extracts from his monthly Swinging Sixties presentations which he gives on the third Wednesday of each month.

P.S. At the time of writing, before Copy Deadline, I haven't, as yet, seen some of these additional articles as the Group meetings to which they are related unfortunately fall after the official newsletter copy deadline, so can only speak about what we are likely to see in this issue.

Graeme (Lead Editor)

Newsletter.editor@highcliffeca.co.uk

FUTURE EVENTS

GREYSTONES FILM CLUB

Daytime films will be shown on the 1st Thursday afternoon of each month, doors open at 1.30pm film to start at 1.45pm

Evening films will be shown on the 3rd Friday of each month 6.30 for 7.00pm start.

For details of the films to be shown please check on the notice boards in Greystones or ask at reception

There will be no charge for admission but to cover overhead/administrative costs (printing of tickets, a free raffle, choc ice etc) it is suggested that a donation of £5 be payable for reserving a seat.





All films are subtitled.
Please support this new group.

DATES FOR YOUR SOCIAL DIARY

Event	Date	Tickets on Sale
Quiz and Chips	Saturday 5th December	Monday 2nd November
Tickets £14 bring your own drink and glasses. Doors open 6:30pm for 7:00 start.		

MORE DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Highcliffe and Walkford Nature Festival 27th May - 6th June
See pages 22 and 23 of this newsletter for more information.

NEW MEMBERSHIP OFFER

From January 1st 2027 until 30th April 2027 the cost of the remaining 4-month period for the current 2026-2027 Membership will be reduced to **£5**. This membership will be valid up to 30th April 2027.

NOTE: 2027-2028 Membership starts 1st May 2027 valid until 30th April 2028 at full price for 12-month period.

Applications can be made in person at Reception payment by Cash or Cheque, or via the website payment by BACS.

BT LANDLINES

The UK's traditional landline network is due to close in January 2027.

Make the move to Digital Voice well before the deadline for switchover, so your BT services are not disrupted.

If BT gets in touch with you about switching, make sure you confirm an appointment soon.

Still need to book your appointment or need some help? BT customers can call the customer service team on 0330 1234 150 or simply dial 150 from their landline.

Not a BT customer but have questions? Contact your phone provider directly for advice and support. Discover more on the BT website.

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thelma.price@highcliffeca.co.uk

Please let me know if there is a change of contact details for your section or if you do not need your usual room booking on any date. There are now some rooms available, so if you are interested in starting a new section, please let me know.

RECEPTION

Lyn (274301) Hazel. (540228)
Reminder to all groups:
If you open doors & windows, or alter the radiator settings, please change everything back when you have finished your session. Many thanks.

MEMBERSHIP

Email membership@highcliffeca.co.uk

www.highcliffecommunityassociation.co.uk

The Membership team would like to wish all our Members a Happy Christmas and we look forward to seeing you in the New Year. We would also like to thank everyone who has donated via Gift Aid, 730 of you kindly ticked this option on your membership applications. We have received 148 new member applications since 1st May this year.

Are you looking to meet new people, explore new hobbies and interests, or revive previous interests? We have many sections available for you to try, check out the section lists within this Newsletter or on our website for information.

Please see our notice within this Newsletter regarding our offer for New Year memberships. Pass the message onto your neighbours and friends.

Membership Renewals and New Memberships can be done online via our website if paying by BACS or via Reception if paying by cash or cheque.

Sandy Gale, Membership Secretary

TEA AND COFFEE SERVERY



Barbara (620811)
barbara.thacker@highcliffeca.co.uk

We have a number of recipe books in the kitchen. You are welcome to take one for a donation to Greystones.

Thanks to everyone, especially the wonderful band of volunteers, for their continual support of the kitchen. Volunteers are always needed, if you can spare an hour or more a month.
Barbara

PUBLICITY

Janet Davies (07545 173120)

As I do every month I have taken the newsletter up to the village various estate agents, dentists and doctor.
I keep our Facebook page up to date and I can see we are getting a lot of views
Our Friday live is proving popular which is lovely to see people coming together

and making our new members who come along on that day welcome.
When an artist plays a well-known song/tune it's good to see people getting up for a dance (me included).
Thank you to Gordon and Graham who come along to set the room up for this morning I appreciate it. Also, to the ladies who sell the raffle tickets on the Friday morning thank you.
I would like to wish you all a Very Happy Christmas and a Happy 2027
Janet

NEW 2 YOU LADIES BOUTIQUE

Opening times:

Tues 9:45am - 11:45am
& 1pm - 3.30pm
Friday 9.30 - 12.15



All of our lovely volunteers wish you a very Happy Christmas and New Year.

We are very grateful for all your support throughout the year. 100% of all the money raised through your donations and 50/50 sales go to help continue to run Greystones. Thank you.

Thank you and Merry Christmas. X

LIBRARY CORNER

I hope you have all visited the library to collect your free copy of one of Chrissy Greenslade's books of poetry. There are still some copies left so first come first served.

The library now has for sale at just 20p some jigsaw puzzles that are surplus to requirements. These will be stored just under the surplus books that are for sale under the payment box. As with the surplus books, please do not return them to the library.

If you are interested in the history of Highcliffe and the surrounding areas, there is a selection of booklets on the top of the bookcase (jutting out) opposite the door. These can be borrowed at 10p per item.

DON'T FORGET to stock up on books and jigsaw puzzles to see you over the Christmas period until Greystones reopens.

Have a wonderful Christmas and New Year.

Best Wishes

Barbara Griessel - Librarian

IN MEMORIAM



Contact Sandy

membership@highcliffeca,co.uk

Ted Marchant, a one time chairman of Greystones, sadly died on 4th November. He had been an enthusiastic rambler and cyclist as well as a keen member of Mudeford Sailing Club.

SECTION NEWS

Photocopying for your section

If you require any photocopying for your section please follow these steps:

Place the master copy of the document(s) with

- The date of the initial request
- The name of the section leader
- The section name
- The number of copies you would like

This should be left in the hanging file in the bottom drawer of the grey filing cabinet and it will be dealt with as soon as possible.
When the task is complete the copies will be placed in your section file (with your register)

ART – Monday am
Contact - Diane (01202 426472)
Meetings – 10.00am Monday Weekly

ART – Tuesday am
Contact – Rosemary (274056)
Meetings – 10.00am Tuesday Weekly
There are now vacancies for this session. We are a friendly group but sadly lost quite a few members this last couple of months. Moved away and illness.

ART – Tuesday pm
Contact – Claire (01590 643635)
Meetings – 2.00pm Tuesday Weekly

ART – Wednesday pm
Contact – Barry (272878)
Meetings – 2.00pm Weds. Weekly

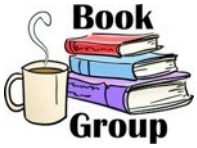
BEETLE DRIVE
4th Wednesday in month
Time: 2.pm start.
Contact Monica 07739 420244
Susan 07504 255754

As we play in teams of 4 per table, we have a max attendance of 24 so please don't delay in registering to avoid disappointment. The cost is £2 to join the group, this is an annual fee. Plus, to attend each beetle drive please pay £2 on the day, £1 of which goes towards running the group, prizes etc and the other £1 goes to Greystones. There will be a short break during the event for refreshments. Cake will be provided free of charge; drinks are available from the kitchen as usual.

All members are welcome including any that would like to trial the first session free. But please remember to put your name down on the list in reception as numbers are limited to 24. We look forward to enjoying a fun afternoon with you. There will be a prize for winner and runner up.

BINGO – Saturday 2pm
Contact–Brian Lockyer 07889 247360
We are a very friendly group, and all are welcome. We can be contacted by texting Brian on the above number.

BOOK GROUP
Contact Helen
helensnow10@gmail.com
Meeting 3rd Thursday of the month, 10 am



Each month, we choose a book to read and discuss, and we will also have time for a cuppa followed by shared recommendations. We hope to cover a wide range of books and hopefully to sometimes step outside our comfort zone! Happy reading, Helen

BRIDGE – Duplicate Bridge
Membership Secretary John Lee-279257

For detailed information on the Duplicate Bridge Group visit www.bridgewebs.com/highcliffe

Club Play: Mon. & Wed. evenings 6.00pm for 6.15pm start. Host system operates.

Social Bridge: Fri. afternoon 1.20pm for 1.30pm start. Partners available.

Absolute Beginners: Mon 9.30am Contact – Thelma-501587. There are still spaces available and it is not too late to start.

Bridge with Help: Mon 9.30am Contact – Shirley 273684. For members new to Duplicate Bridge wishing to gain experience in table play and etiquette.
Intermediate Bridge: Monday evening 6.30pm. Contact-Thelma or John.

BRIDGE – Rubber Bridge
Contact – Martin (276971) or Steve (07922 120918)
Meetings – 1.30pm Friday Weekly

CANASTA
Contact - David (07971 444463)
Meetings - 6.00 for 6.30pm until 9.00pm Thursday Weekly.

We are a friendly group who enjoy an interesting and absorbing game as well as a good laugh along the way.

New learners as well as experienced players are very welcome.

We begin to assemble every Thursday evening at 6pm. Play is from 6.30 pm until 9.00 pm with a tea break halfway through the evening.

We would love you to give it a no obligation try, you will be surprised at how quickly the three hours fly by.

CARDS – BOLIVIA
Contact – Carol (627763)
Meetings – 1pm Mondays

CARPET BOWLS – Monday
Meetings – 1.30pm Monday
Contact Linda 07401261568

We now have vacancies on Mondays. Starts at 1.30pm. Why not come along for a fun afternoon, and make new friends at the same time.

CARPET BOWLS - Friday
Meetings - Friday. 1.30. weekly
Contact - Hazel (540228)

We are now full but have a waiting list if anyone is interested in joining our friendly, welcoming group.

CHESS
Contact – Ron (277514)
Meetings – Monday and Tuesday 7.30 pm to 10.30 pm weekly.

The chess section will be meeting on Monday evenings at 7.30 this year for both social play and match play. New members of all standards are always welcome. Please come along on any Monday for a trial run or contact me for further details.

CRAFT
Contact – Brenda
Email: CRAFT to bimarv@gmail.com
Meetings – 1.15-3:15pm Thursday weekly.

CRAFT - A LITTLE WORD WITH A BIG HEART!
We have Die Cutting machines, dies, rubber stamps and ink pads for you to easily create beautiful cards. Learn new techniques to decorate boxes, create special notebooks, Tea bag

folding, Bargello, Decoupage, Napkin art, making beads with paper and other skills. Alternatively, bring your own projects to work on and enjoy the chatter with like-minded people.

If you are interested, please contact Brenda by email to arrange a taster session heading your enquiry 'CRAFT'. Let your imagination work for you!

We look forward to hearing from you - Brenda and the Craft Group.

CREATIVE WRITING
Meetings – 4th Tuesday every month at 10.30am.
Please contact Ken Smith if you are interested in this new group.
ken.here@outlook.com
tel: 07443 580230

DANCING - Ballroom & Latin
Contact - Adele (07512339601)
Meetings - Tuesdays 1:30 – 4:00pm Weekly, Room 1



The Tuesday ballroom & Latin dance sessions are now being led by our professionally ISTD trained teacher

We are changing the Ballroom Latin dance sessions to include an Improvers/ Experienced dancers class:
New times

1:30 - 2:15pm, Ballroom Basics, £5pp

2:15 - 2:45pm, Social practice, £2pp

2:45 - 3:00pm, Tea break

3:00 - 4:00pm, Improvers/Experienced dancers, £5pp

Ballroom basics is aimed at new starters/returning dancers concentrating on the foundations.

Improvers/Experienced dancers – increasing knowledge with more challenging figures, and new sequence dance once a month.
Please contact Adele with any queries.

Telephone: 07512339601

adele.stepintime@gmail.com

www.stepintimedance.uk

DANCING – Circle
Contact - Nancy (07714 200621)
Meetings – 2.00pm. The 1st, 3rd, 5th Monday of the month.

Do pop in if you would like to see what Circle Dance is all about and no it's not like Line Dancing!

We dance to a selection of music from around the world around a meaningful centrepiece. All steps are taught, and you do not need a partner. Some dances are lively, some are slow and meditative. You do need to have a reasonable level of physical fitness to participate, and previous experience of dance is useful but not essential.

DANCING – Country
Contact – Jan (01202 427523)
Meetings - Thursday evenings 7:00 for 7:30pm start

Our November Dance of the Month XAckley proved to be exacting to start with but thanks to our callers we nearly got it exactly by the end of the month. We now look forward to our Christmas party on 17th December with a bring and share supper and

musical entertainment - and dancing of course. We re- start after the break on 7th January.

DARTS



Meeting – Tuesday 1.00 to 4.00pm
Contact Sue (07955 762696)

Meeting – Thursday 7.00pm
Contact Brenda (839789)
Both sessions have vacancies for new members.

DISCUSSION

Contact Jan (01202 427523)
Meetings – 2.00pm First Tuesday of the month in Room 14.

DRAMA APPRECIATION & PLAY-READING

Contact - Eddie and Mary (278790)
Meetings: 2nd, 3rd, 4th & 5th Thursdays at 2pm.
Not surprisingly most plays are about personal relationships and reflect so many historical attitudes - from the rampant opportunism of Restoration England (Wycherley) to suburban infidelity in the Seventies (Ayckbourn) - and now the great fun of chaperoned propriety in CHARLEY'S AUNT (Brandon Thomas). Our group is really enjoying this farcical old chestnut - or rather Brazil nut!

FLOWER ARRANGING FOR FUN

Contact Chris (272367)
Meetings 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month. 10am-12 noon



Though we are low in numbers we have still enjoyed creating flower arrangements themes like Halloween and Fireworks. With Christmas approaching we will be designing door wreaths and table decorations as well as celebrating with an afternoon tea at the Castle.
We have been joined by one new member but could really do with some more.
Happy Christmas and Peaceful Healthy New Year to everyone

For further details get in touch with Chris on 01425 272367

FUN CHAIR EXERCISE

Ring Viv 07786 435333
We meet every Wednesday morning at 11:45am for a 45 minute class.

This is low level exercise for people who are unfit and would enjoy partaking in a class to gain more strength in both top body and legs. All done to music and with a little apparatus to inspire more movement. Standing behind the chair is also encouraged at some point in the class.

This section has become very popular with members embracing the opportunity to improve their range of movement. For more information please contact Viv 07786 435333

IT FORUM

Contact – Mike (mike.thacker@highcliffeca.co.uk)

Meetings 2–4pm on 4th Wednesday of the month



Members are welcome, either on a regular basis, or only occasionally if they have a problem related to IT which the forum may (try to!) solve. If the latter it would be helpful to receive, beforehand, an indication of the problem so that we can invite Bill Gates to attend the meeting as well!
£2 per year to join and £1 per visit. First visit is free.

There will not be a meeting in December (HCA closed); the meeting on 27th. January will largely focus on Apple devices (iPads, phones etc).
If you need any guidance, please feel free to attend, but prior warning of your question/problem would be helpful.

JIGSAW TOGETHER
Contact: Wendy by email Coleswendy1@gmail.com or Seonaid, (Shona) (07981572299).
2nd and 4th Tuesdays 10am to 12noon

Our Jigsaw Group has proved to be a popular section, but we still have a few places available. If you are looking for a light-hearted couple of hours, chatting, making up puzzles, and enjoying a cuppa then give us a try. First session free. We have a good range of puzzles to suit all levels of complexity, different sizes, large/ standard and odd shape pieces. You can choose to sit with one puzzle or move around to try others, and chat to new friends.

LADIES FORUM
Contact – Cherry (01425 274184)
Meetings – 1.45pm 2nd Friday each month.
At our November meeting Ladies' Forum was off to the Fair with Kay Townsend. Kay gave us some background on the history and development of Fairs before briefly telling us about the Fairground family into which she was born. She then went on to tell us about her dual life working in the community but maintaining her connection with Fair; she is still attending some with her stall which includes a coconut shy. The Diamond Divas choir will be entertaining us at our members' Christmas party in December.

If you are interested in joining us or have any other enquiry. please contact Cherry, 01425 274184.
We meet on the second Friday of the month at 1.45p.m. for 2.00p.m. start.
Members Annual Subscription £2.00.
Members' Monthly Meeting Fee, £3.00
Visitors' Meeting Fee, £3.50

LANGUAGES - FRENCH
10a.m. Monday, weekly Clive Sampson 279029

We have a few vacancies for accomplished French speakers able to maintain conversation in this language. Please phone Clive if you are interested.

LEGS, BUMS and TUMS
Weekly, Tuesdays 9 am sharp – 9.45
Cost is £6.00 payable to Mel plus the standard £1 for HCA, weekly fee.

Annual group membership subscription £2.
Contact Mel 07966 571938

We exercise to music including resistance and strength training which is good for muscles and bones, so please join us, both men and women. There is no mat work.

MACHINE QUILTING

Contact - Susy (275403) or Cecilia (672367)
Meetings - 1 to 4 pm Every Friday except 2nd
Again we have had a good year. Many quilts have been sewn for our Charity of Care leavers. We enjoy making them. Some are fairly easy to sew others are more complicated. A few of our ladies like to sew the more difficult ones and have no problems at all with them. However all are lovely and beautifully cut out for us by Sue Bugler and her helpers, which makes our lives easier!
Sadly one of our members Pamela has died suddenly and we are missing her very much. She was one of our best quilt makers and a lovely person. And now on we go to next year and hope that all will be well.

MAHJONG

Contact – Rowena (07788 944828)
Meetings - 1.30pm Thursdays weekly



Our Mahjong sessions continue to be very popular but we can always find space for any newcomers wishing to have a go and join us. You would be made very welcome.

Whilst there are many hands with 1 of each wind in the book it always seems to be rather harder to find hands with 1 of each dragon. It's easy enough if you have the makings of 1-9 in the same suit but is not what do you try for? There is The Professors (page 19) – 3 mixed chows with 1 of each dragon and a pair of your own winds or Dragons Breath (page 24) – 5 pairs in the same suit with 1 of each dragon and one dragon paired.

MUSIC THERAPY

Contact meryljones@yahoo.co.uk or 07703 333542
We continue to welcome new members to our fun singing group where we sing well known songs and accompany ourselves with a variety of percussion instruments. We are increasing our advertising to attempt to reach a wider audience. If you know anyone who might benefit from a morning of music please come along or pass on our details. Thank you. Our meeting for the remainder of 2026 is on December 17th (Xmas party!) and the first session back in 2027 will be on the 21st January.

NEEDLES GROUP

Contact Lee on 07444 562082
Meet 9.30am every Wednesday.

Welcome to our new members. We have been busy discussing and making

Christmas decorations for the HCA Christmas Tree at Highcliffe Castle.

We are also continuing on our own projects, including the pattern making, where we have assistance from a member of the group. We also knit, crochet and embroider, as well as alter clothes taking advice from members and a bit of a natter as well.

New members are always welcome, just come along, bring your own project and have a lovely natter at the same time. Please contact Lee on 07444562082 if you'd like to know more.

PETANQUE

All meetings are held weekly.
Contact Carol (280154)
1.00pm Tuesday
1.00pm Friday
Contact Mike (01425 280421)
1.00pm Monday
1.00pm Wednesday
1.00pm Sunday
Contact Terry (07413 755468)
1.00pm Thursday
Contact Margaret (07887 742634)
10.00am Friday

Carol's groups on Friday and Tuesday afternoons can accommodate 24 players and always has room for new members, so please come along if you want to enjoy this competitive enjoyable game. We are a friendly bunch, you can be new to the game and we provide all the equipment so please pop along for a fun afternoon or call me on 01425 280154

PHOTOGRAPHY

Contact–Jeff Palmer (07970 608011)
Meetings – 2nd Thursday each month.
Room 11: 10.30 – 12.30
Our next meeting is on Thursday 19th December. We start by reviewing our photographs for Christmas/ Thanksgiving challenge followed by a presentation from Jacky & John on indoor still life photography tips. Everyone welcome.

PILATES

Contact Debbie (07523 408368)
Meeting Wednesday 8.45-9.45am

The Wednesday group is full.
If you are interested in joining a Friday group, please contact Debbie or sign up on the notice board.

POETRY

Susan c/o Greystones
Meeting – 10.30am on 3rd Wednesday of the month

This is a poetry reading and discussion group which meets at 10.15am on the 3rd Wednesday of the month. Group members decide on a topic for the month and poems are researched or written ready to present to the group.

Suitable for anyone with an interest in poetry.
Books can be provided for anyone new to the subject.
Cost is £1 per meeting
Class currently full - waiting list in operation

QUILTING

Contact – Anna (01202 809700)
Meetings – 9.30am Tuesday Weekly
Email: anne.hutton27@sky.com

Christmas will be soon upon us. We have been busy creating and sewing Christmas tree decorations to be hung on our Tree in the Christmas Tree Exhibition in Highcliffe Castle. Our Tree will be among other Christmas Trees in a competition for the most popular Tree.
We had a good year and quite a few new members have joined us and have settled in well. They are a great asset. We wish you all a Happy Christmas and a Happy New Year.

RAMBLES AND AMBLES

RAMBLES for DEC 2026/JAN 2027

Rambles Coordinator - Sarah (07596 956200)
Unless otherwise stated walks start at 10am at the car park mentioned and are between 5 & 6 miles long. Any alterations or updates will be advised to members by email. Contact the walk leader or rambles coordinator if you have any queries. New members are always welcome to our friendly group. Please note that dogs are not allowed.

Wednesday 2nd December
ANNIE'S RAMBLE followed by CHRISTMAS LUNCH
Leaders – Barry (07386903082) & Heather (07918891141)
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 and continue onto CP on LHS.

Wednesday 9th December - Leader Nigel (07896 750059)

Broomy and Sloden Inclosures (Just under 6 miles with several gradual inclines)
Meet - High Corner CP, Ref 199/104. (This is NOT The High Corner Inn CP) At end of Bolderwood Drive turn L. Continue under main road A31 and carry straight on to meet single track road (passing places). Go down gravel track on RHS sign posted 'High Corner Inn' & CP is on LHS. (Note – The CP is quite small so car share as much as possible)

Wednesday 16th December - Leader Diana
Brockenhurst Byways
Leader - Diana (07749 206567)
Meet - Whitemoor Pond CP Ref 277/024. From the A35, TR into Rhinefield Ornamental Drive and CP is 4km on the RHS. (From Brockenhurst, take Rhinefield Road past the Forest Park Hotel and Whitemoor Pond is the first CP on LHS after leaving Brockenhurst.)

Wednesday 23rd December - Merry Christmas!

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Wednesday 6th January - TBA

Wednesday 13th January - Leader Nigel (07896 750059)
Highcliffe Woodlands (Hinton Common, Chewton Common and More)
Meet - Terrington Avenue, Highcliffe, between Marston Grove & Ashmore Grove, Ref 202/943. From Hinton Wood Avenue towards Hinton Station,

TL into Carisbrook Way, then first right into Hurstbourne Avenue, then first left into Marston Grove by the pine trees. Turn right into Terrington and park in road.

Wednesday 20th January - Leaders – Barry (07386 903082) & Heather (07918 891141)

Fritham

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 turn L at T Junction & then turn L (signposted 'Fritham') through Fritham village. CP is on L, 100yds after Royal Oak pub.

Wednesday 27th January - Leader Diana TBA

AMBLES for DEC 2026/JAN 2027

Contact – Graham (07858 569656) Our walks normally start at 10.00 am and are generally 3 to 4 miles long. Any changes will be notified to members by email.
Unfortunately, dogs are not allowed. Members are responsible for their own safety.

Wednesday 2nd Dec
TBA

Wed 9th Dec @10.30 am
Highcliffe Cliff Top CP, BH23 5DF
Leader: Graham
Christmas walk along Highcliffe beach and return to Greystones. Details to follow by email.

Wed 16th Dec @ 10.00am
Hawkhill Inclosure CP ref SU351 019 (SO42 7WB)
Leader: Graham
Travel northward on A337 to Brockenhurst, over the the railway crossing and after half a mile TR onto B3055 at Balmer lawn. Continue for 3.4 mls and Hawkhill CP is on your left. Walk is 3.2 mls long including some gradual inclines on gravel tracks and forest paths. Coffee stop half way.

Wed 23rd Dec
TBA

Wed 30th Dec
TBA

Wed 6th Jan 2027 @ 10.00 am
Wilverley Plain CP SU 253 011
(BH25 5TZ)
Leader: Graham
Travel north on A35, turn Left signed for Burley and past the Old Station Tea Rooms, then Right, signed for Brockenhurst and Sway. Follow the road for 1.6 mls and keep left at the Sway turn off, then the CP entrance is a further 150 mtrs on your Left past ' lonely tree'.
Walk is 3.8 mls on mostly good paths and passes through Markway Inclosure and Ferny Knap (coffee stop) before returning across open heathland to the CP.

Wed 13th Jan
TBA

ROCKIN' ROBINS



Contact – Meryl (277325) or Jenny (272628)
Meetings – 2:00pm
2nd & 4th Mondays
We are a large singing group who sing songs from the shows, modern pop songs, older classics and everything in between. We are accompanied on the keyboard by the lovely Mark and led by the lovely Meryl. Always an afternoon of fun. We are currently at full capacity but please contact us and we will pop you on our waiting list.

RUMMIKUB

Tuesday – 1.30pm to 4 pm
Contact Margaret via Greystones
This year has flown by and already we're thinking of Christmas!
We've enjoyed playing each week throughout the year. We are very fortunate to have dance music playing in room 1, which makes for a relaxing afternoon.
In addition, with Greystones being a listed building and having thick walls, we managed to keep reasonably cool during the hot weather!
I do hope you all have an enjoyable Christmas and look forward to seeing you in 2027.

SCRABBLE

Contact: Seonaid (Shona) Phillips (07981572299)

Our Scrabble group meets on the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 10a.m in room 11.
We welcome new members including those who haven't played before.

SWINGING SIXTIES

For more information, please contact Andy Dunn.
andydunn1953@hotmail.com

At 2pm on the third Wednesday of every month, Andy Dunn will deliver a PowerPoint presentation covering many topics through this fascinating decade, which will include film extracts, and bits and pieces from memory lane. Please be aware that some video shown are now not politically correct, but what you must remember is this is how it was at that time, so please don't take offence.
Andy will tell you about the weather, the news at that time, including radio and television programmes, what was at the cinema and of course music at this time. You will see old television adverts, the cost of things in those days, and the changes in our lives as things that we now take for granted were an invention in those days.
It is a rolling programme, and it will be delivered week by week, starting from 1960. This NOT intended to be a lecture, but also an opportunity to say about your memories, and to have FUN.
For further information – contact Andy by email – andydunn1953@hotmail.com

TABLE TENNIS



Contact John (274813)
Meetings 9.30am
Monday weekly
9.30am Thursday 1st, 2nd and 4th weeks only
9.30am Saturday

We are looking for any new members wishing to join our group. Pop along and see if you can rekindle an interest you had to leave behind due to other pressing commitments. We are of mixed ability, friendly, patient and sociable. Spare bats are available.

TAI CHI (BEGINNERS)
Contact Patrick 07814 609556
Monday 4:15-5:15 and 5:30-6:30
Thursday 3:30-4:30pm
Please contact Patrick 07814 609556 for details.

WHIST
Contact Olive (07528 103874)
Meetings 1.45pm Wednesday

We are a friendly group who enjoy our whist drive every week. New members are always welcome.

YOGA
Meetings –
Monday 11.30am
Wednesday
10.00am



Contact Debbie
(07523 408368)

Tuesday 10.30am and
Tuesday 11:45am CHAIR YOGA
Contact Kerri to book (07838 929021)
Kerlip20@hotmail.com

AFFILIATED ORGANISATIONS

PHOENIX HOLIDAY GROUP
A not for profit club for seniors arranging days out and UK holidays. We meet on the first Friday of each month at Greystones Hall, Waterford Road, 2.30 to 4.00. Also meet on the third Friday of the month at The Community Centre, New Milton, 10 - 12 noon. Come and meet us for a friendly cuppa and chat.

HIGHCLIFFE HORTICULTURAL SOCIETY
Enquiries to Linda Law on 07769 748187.
www.highcliffehorticulturalsociety.co.uk

HIGHCLIFFE FRIENDS IN NEED
Volunteer Car Driver Scheme (for residents in BH23 “4” and BH23 “5” postcodes
If you need transport to your medical or other healthcare appointments, please call our dedicated number 01425 524100 between 9.30am-12.30pm (Monday - Friday) and one of our Coordinators will try to find you a volunteer driver. Please book a week in advance where possible, minimum 2 weekdays notice. Users will be invited to make a suggested voluntary donation to cover driver’s costs. Please note we are unable to take clients in wheelchairs and those requiring assistance attending appointments will need to be accompanied by a friend or carer.
Website: http://e-voice.org.uk/hfin

CAN YOU HELP? HIGHCLIFFE FRIENDS IN NEED
More Volunteer Drivers are urgently required. This is a much-valued service for those locals who can no longer drive themselves or use public transport to get to their medical appointments. There is no regular commitment,

drivers are offered journeys which they can accept or decline, if not available. Drivers are reimbursed for their petrol expenses. If you would like to join us, or need more information, please contact the Chairman Rod Hatcher on 01425 270898.
Website: http://e-voice.org.uk/hfin

DRIVING MISS DAISY
A companion travel service for all types of appointments, outings and errands. We help with everything from hospital appointments to shopping, out for a walk or drive, going to social gatherings or family occasions. We have wheelchair accessible vehicles and are experienced in supporting people with mobility considerations. Our friendly Companion Drivers can provide support and assistance throughout your appointment or when out and about.
To find out more about our service and prices you can contact us via;
Tel 07411 218 747 Email Christchurch.highcliffe@drivingmissdaisy.co.uk
Facebook.com/drivingmissdaisychristchurch
www.drivingmissdaisy.co.uk/christchurch

HIGHCLIFFE BOWLING CLUB
Situated in Nea Meadows Nature Reserve.
Come and join our friendly club, for more information please contact us by email. hbc25membersec@gmail.com to arrange a visit.

HIGHCLIFFE MEDICAL CENTRE
Blood Test Appointments – Update

Following a consultation process between primary and secondary care (GP surgeries and the hospital), we are glad to let you know that **all required blood test appointments can now be offered here at the surgery**.

Blood tests may be requested during an appointment with a clinician, or you may receive an invitation from us as part of your **annual review** or **medication monitoring**.

If you are invited to book a blood test, please do so **as soon as possible** to help us keep your care up to date and reduce the need for follow-up reminders.

Please also remember to **cancel your appointment** if you can no longer attend or it is no longer required, so we can offer the slot to another patient.

Thank you for your patience and understanding while this service has been reviewed.

HIGHCLIFFE MEDICAL CENTRE PATIENT PARTICIPATION GROUP
Contact – Sheila Burgess
ppghighcliffe@gmail.com

LONELINESS
Across our local area, several dedicated organisations continue to offer valuable support for those who may be feeling isolated — through social groups, creative activities, practical help, and friendly conversation. **Age Concern**, Age Concern Christchurch has closed as of April 2025. Age UK Advice Line 0800 678 1602 for Enquiries

Christchurch Community Partnership provides a range of activities including lunch clubs, coffee events, and seated exercise classes. They also offer community transport services and one-to-one support through their Community Connections team. If you or someone you know is feeling lonely or would benefit from local support, you can contact the Social Prescribing Team through any of the Christchurch PCN surgeries – Highcliffe Medical Centre, Farmhouse Surgery, Christchurch Medical Practice or Stour Surgery. We're here to help connect you with the right services.

COMMUNITY NEWS

Highcliffe Residents Association meetings will be held on:
22nd April, 29th July and 29th October 2027 at 7pm at the Old School House, Highcliffe.

Highcliffe and Walkford Nature Festival
Earlier in 2026, Highcliffe and Walkford Parish Council decided to designate the area as a nature village.
So, Highcliffe and Walkford is now set to host its first Festival of Nature in May/June 2027.
The aim is to celebrate the area's unique natural environment and encourage local nature recovery.
There will be opportunities to take part or contribute to events, activities and initiatives that will take place throughout the year.
As a major community group we will aim to participate fully in the festival. We will be hosting a talk during the week. It would be good if as many sections as possible found ways in which they could contribute, either during the year or during the actual festival.
For more information and to share your ideas please contact me, Thelma: chairperson@highcliffeca.co.uk.

FOR YOUR INFORMATION

There have been several reports from local residents who have lost money due to fraudulent orders placed via their online shopping accounts. Criminals take over a victim's account and place large orders using the victim's stored card details. Luckily, many retailers send alerts when orders are placed so some residents have been able to act quickly to prevent losses – but not all.

Some Ocado customers seem to be affected – but it could happen at any time to anyone who shops online with any retailer.

Ocado have kindly issued a statement that includes reassurance to their customers that "*there has been no data breach nor cyber-attack on their internal systems, databases or infrastructure…Our analysis shows that these incidents result from "credential stuffing" or similar where criminal reuse login details obtained from breaches from other third-party websites*."

The advice is, as always, to use strong passwords, do not use the same passwords for different accounts, change passwords

regularly, and do not store payment details on online shopping accounts.

For further advice about shopping safely online, please see: https://www.ncsc.gov.uk/guidance/shopping-online-securely



Zero Tolerance Statement

Unfortunately, some of our receptionists have been upset by the conduct of some members in relation to car parking and access to the building. We believe that everyone should be treated with dignity and respect and be free from any form of bullying, harassment, or discrimination. This extends to our contractors, suppliers and visitors.

To support this, we have a zero-tolerance approach to bullying, harassment and discrimination. This means:

- **We'll not tolerate any form of bullying, harassment or discrimination, and we'll take responsibility to speak up if we see or experience it**
- **We'll treat all allegations seriously**
- **We'll always take appropriate, proportionate and timely action**
- **We'll learn from our experiences to help continually improve**

Emergency Evacuation

Please could all centre users make sure that they are aware of the emergency evacuation procedures at Greystones displayed in all rooms and in the section leader pack.

- Nearest fire exit and route…and the fire assembly point. The register should be taken outside and everyone checked as having exited the building.
- Rescue waiting area if upstairs and cannot use the stairs (lift not in use in an emergency evacuation).
- Personal evacuation plan if assistance is needed to exit the building.

If you have any queries contact Pauline.pegram@highcliffeca.co.uk or ring 07702198809

Swinging Sixties by Andy Dunn



This was the second week of Andy's presentation, and he continued where he left off, beginning from 18th April 1960 when Ban the Bomb protesters started on Good Friday 15th April, from the Atomic Weapons Research Establishment at Aldermaston, Berkshire, and covered, a distance of 52 miles to protest. This demonstration was Britain's largest against nuclear weapons at that time, and tens of thousands of protesters, estimated at between 60,000 and 100,000 people, gathered in Trafalgar Square, in London for a mass rally, and organised by the Campaign for Nuclear Disarmament (CND).

The following month, pupils around many schools in the UK were allowed time out to watch on television the marriage of Princess Margaret to photographer Antony Armstrong-Jones at Westminster Abbey. It was extra special as it was the first royal wedding to be televised.

The Post Office Telephones had party lines in the UK, primarily to reduce costs by sharing a single telephone line between multiple households. This solution was necessary due to limited investment in the telephone network, which resulted in a shortage of individual lines, especially in rural areas. Party lines allowed more customers to have a service for a lower monthly cost, though at the expense of privacy, as all users on a shared line could potentially listen in on conversations.

Party lines were phased out in the UK, with their disappearance accelerating in the 1970s and 1980s as new digital exchanges and greater investment in the network replaced the need for sharing lines.

Later in May 1960, the Royal Variety Performance at the Victoria Palace was the first to be televised and will probably always be remembered as the Sammy Davis Junior show. "In eight electrifying minutes", wrote the Daily Sketch, "this entertainer made the word 'star' seem inadequate".

The Queen had a breathtaking evening's entertainment. There was wonderful comedy from the Crazy Gang, who greeted Her Majesty in the foyer dressed as Yeoman of the Guards; plus Harry Worth; Charlie Drake; Jimmy Edwards; Frankie Howerd; and Bob Monkhouse.

There was stunning music from Ivor Emmanuel and the Pontcanna Children's Choir with songs from Wales. For the young at heart, the organisers had arranged a 'focus on youth' with Lonnie Donegan, Adam Faith and Cliff Richard and The Shadows.

With that galaxy of talent on display, it was a fitting first year for the Royal Variety Performance to be broadcast on television.

On 25th May 1960, the Avro Vulcan bomber saw the introduction of the improved Vulcan B2 version, which featured more powerful engines and a larger wing. The

first of these new B2 models, XH558 (later nicknamed "the Spirit of Great Britain"), first flew on 25 May 1960. The Vulcan was a key part of the UK's Cold War nuclear deterrent, and by 1960, the fleet was evolving to counter new threats.
In June, Eddy Cochran's "Three Steps to Heaven" reached the number one spot and "Cathy's Clown" now had dropped to the number 6 position.
The most played song in 1960 from the list of Billboard magazine's Top Hot 100 songs of 1960 was Percy Faith's "Theme from a Summer Place".
On 4th June 1960, Bradley Walsh was born. He is an English light entertainer, television actor, comedian and former professional footballer, and is best known as companion Graham O'Brien in Doctor Who; as detective Ronnie Brooks in Law and Order: UK; as Danny Baldwin in Coronation Street and as the presenter of the ITV gameshow ,The Chase and the variety show Sunday Night at the London Palladium. Andy then showed an hilarious clip from "The Chase".
Then Andy talked about a disaster at the Six Bells Colliery was a colliery located in Six Bells, at the village of Abertillery, in Gwent, Wales, when an explosion took place in the West District of the Old Coal Seam, caused by an ignition of firedamp.
Coal-dust in the air ignited and the explosion spread almost throughout the district. Killing 45 out of the 48 men who worked in that district of the mine, the tragedy would have been even worse had it not been for maintenance work taking place on the O10 face, where otherwise 125 men would have been working.
It is now the site of the artistically acclaimed Guardian memorial to those events, although the memorial primarily commemorates those who died at Six Bells, it is dedicated to all mining communities wherever they may be.
Oliver! premiered at the Wimbledon Theatre for a preliminary engagement before opening at the New Theatre, now the Noel Coward Theatre, formerly the Albery. It ran for 2,618 performances, a record for a musical in London at the time.
Did you know that actor Sid James turned down the part of Fagin, as the timing of the production coincided with his own attempts to move away from the shady and roguish roles for which he was well known.
And finally, Andy finished with the "tea break disputes" of 1960-1961, a series of notable industrial clashes in the UK where workers took strike action to defend their paid mid-morning and afternoon tea breaks. As manufacturing and construction industries modernised, unions strongly resisted attempts to reduce or restrict these breaks. At Massey-Fergusson in Coventry, 4,000 workers adopted the nationally agreed 40-hour week by giving up a tea break and finishing half an hour earlier each day. However, the company wanted to return to a 42½-hour week because some workers on continuous production lines continued taking tea breaks despite an approved trolley service. Workers argued it was impractical and unhygienic to eat and drink beside a moving assembly line. In No. 10 Downing Street, Prime Minister Harold Macmillan complained that strikes over tea breaks reflected declining British productivity, while building projects, including refurbishment work at Downing Street, were often delayed by builders "brewing up" and taking extra breaks.

BLUE

By Colin Seager (Creative Writing Group)



Who knows what's round the corner. Although it is the rarest hue in the natural world, you're never far from something blue, or something derived from this primary colour. To be in the presence of a sky with a low palette of cerulean under soft white cumulous pillows that look up to an infinite wash of cobalt, can banish anyone's blues.

What a joy it was to learn that in this summer's Big Butterfly Count the Holly Blue sustained its momentum, being one of only four of those creatures to have increased their numbers since last year. In many gardens will be found flowering plants and shrubs, such as ceanothus, hydrangea, agapanthus, lavender and others, on which shades of aquamarine, duck-egg blue, Prussian blue, ultra marine, and Wedgewood abound. Although not exclusively, if they could talk, essential pollinators like honeybees and bumble bees, would say how much they like blue and bluish blossom.

For me, the colour, no matter what its shade, is my favourite. I seek it out. Rather than use exhausting and damaging air miles to wallow in the beauty of a Caribbean Sea, I can go to a Cornish cove and watch sparkling sunlight dance on its wonderful water. And, if I'm in luck, I'll be able to find nearby wild cornflowers to add to my delight.

I have often wondered why I have had such a life-long attachment to the colour. Perhaps it started when I first discovered it in the adoring eyes of my mother, and from those early days knew that seeing them would provide comfort, nourishment, safety, and love.

I guess it could have been simply because I was a boy, and my parents followed the convention of the day, as often my clothes were shades of blue. When the family moved to a larger house I had my own bedroom. It was no surprise that it was the dominant colour of the newly decorated walls. Having more space the family expanded, first with a brother, and later with a new pet: a Siberian Husky, resplendent with its unusual blue eyes.

As tradition demanded the pupils of the boys' grammar school I attended were split into four competing houses: Saxons, Danes, Romans, and Normans. Each with their own colour Standard, green, red, yellow, and blue; always paraded with vigour on sports' days and inter-house cricket and football matches. On day one I became a member of the Normans.

And so, it continues. If I look in my wardrobe, today, there is preponderance of many of its shades. Magically, part of my business success can be attributed to the association with it. Made rep of the month more often than any of my colleagues, particularly during the summer months, I knew that I had an exclusive advantage. When the sky is mainly blue I'm so relaxed a potential client will more readily respond with the simple request of 'where do I sign.'

This month's theme chosen by the Creative Writing Group was 'Blue' but without a defined spelling, so could be 'Blew' or even 'Bloo' (perhaps someone's pet dog). At the time of newsletter editing, with the meeting scheduled for later this week, we wonder what each member of the Creative Writing Group will choose; this is one of the articles which Colin has kindly contributed to the newsletter ahead of the meeting – Editor

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CAR PARKING

Please park in the designated bays on the Greystones House side of the car park when you are attending a Greystones Activity. As a member, you can obtain a parking permit on membership renewal or from reception; please display this. There are limited spaces so please car share with others; this will help with the parking, your transport costs and the environment. Please do not park at HCA (Greystones) if you are not attending a group here and are going off the premises. Please note that all cars are parked at owners' risk at Greystones House.

SAFETY

There have been a couple of minor slips on the steps to the front door of Greystones. For your safety, if you find the main entrance access difficult, please use the ramp. Thank you

Local History Corner – Memory Lane by John Lewis

Last month I mentioned that my father purchased a property in Wortley Road from the owner of Sea Corner garage Mr Netherclift. Below is a picture of the garage c1930s and below that in Edwardian times.





Sea Corner Garage was a prominent landmark at the crossroads of Lymington Road and Waterford Road in Highcliffe.

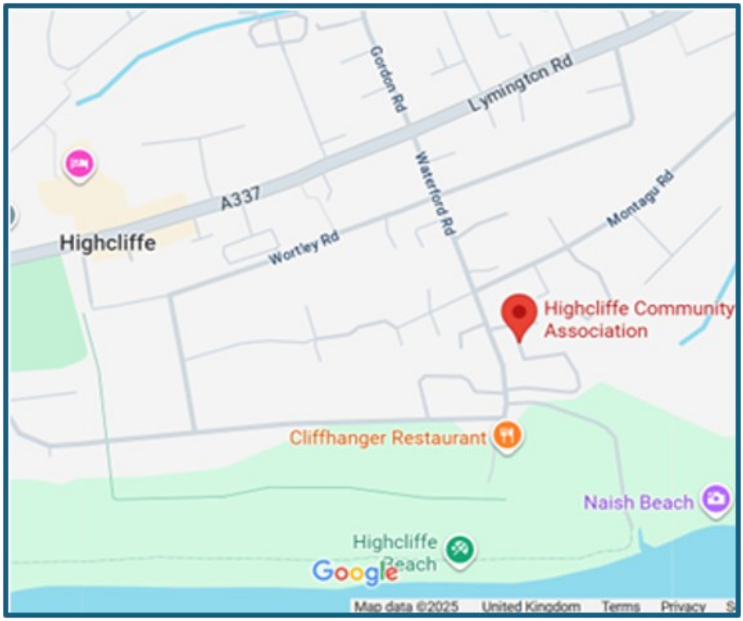


Sea Corner Garage in 1979.



Some of you might remember Pigotts the ironmongers where dad worked in the 1970s


Christmas Word Search
Can you find all 10 Christmas words?
Words may be horizontal, vertical or diagonal.
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Merry Christmas!



The location of the Highcliffe Community Association in Waterford Road

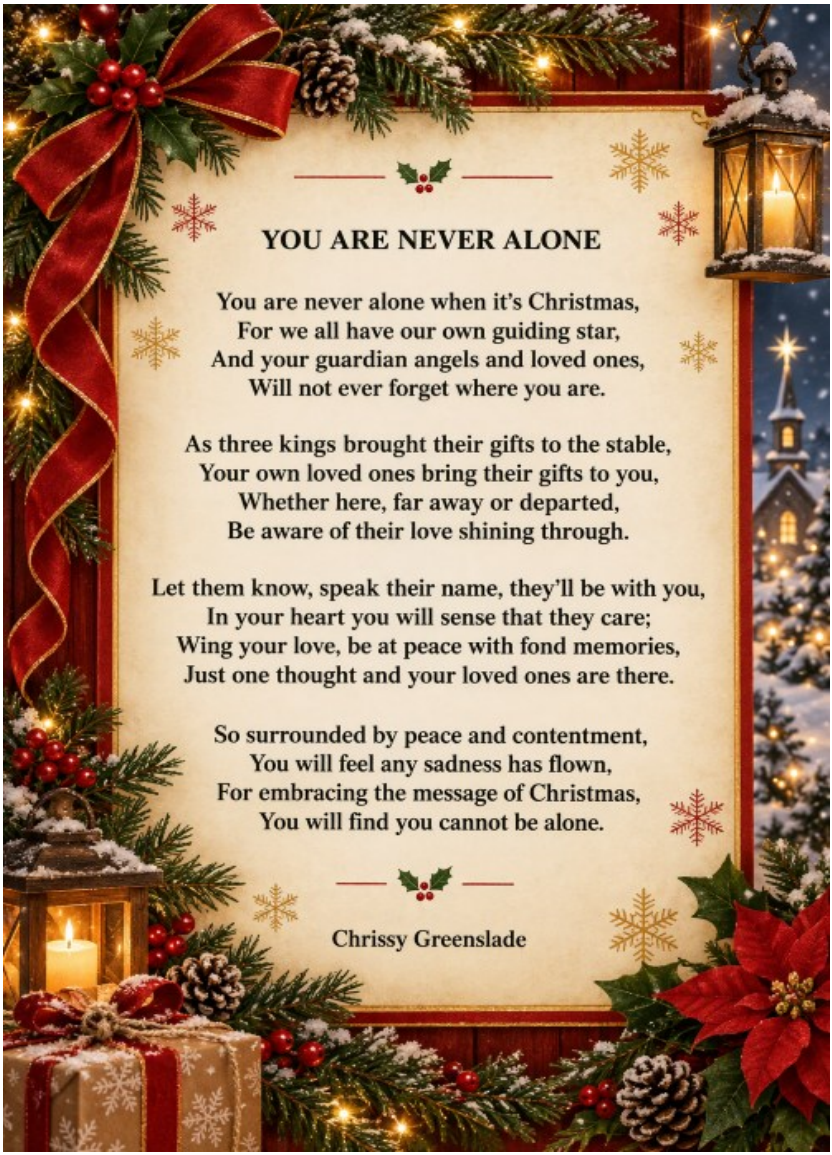
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PAUSE FOR THOUGHT – Christmas Poem



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