



GENERAL MEETINGS Of u3a Horsham



WILL BE HELD 2.15PM TUESDAY

19 SEPTEMBER 2023 and 21 NOVEMBER 2023

AT THE HOLBROOK CLUB NORTH HEATH LANE HORSHAM RH12 5PJ

**19 SEPTEMBER: PETER GRIFFITHS:
45 Years Flying and Frightened of Heights**

Peter started flying in 1967 for BOAC the forerunner of British Airways. He flew by compass, sextant and a certain amount of hope. He joined Cathay Pacific Airways in 1975, based in Hong Kong, where he stayed for 29 years. This is the second part of his talk (from Sept. 2021) which will be humorous, serious and very enjoyable.

**21 NOVEMBER: DR. JAMES TAYLOR:
Grace Darling and the Fine Art of Saving Lives at Sea**

2024 marks the 200th anniversary of the Royal National Lifeboat Institution. Darling's daring rescue of steamship passengers off the Northumberland coast in 1838 brought her international fame. Learn more about her bravery and short life (she died aged 26) living in the Brownstone & Longstone Lighthouses. Grace became the poster girl for the RNLI and was the first woman awarded a medal for gallantry.

The Holbrook Club is situated on bus routes 51, 61 and 200.
Ample free parking is available.

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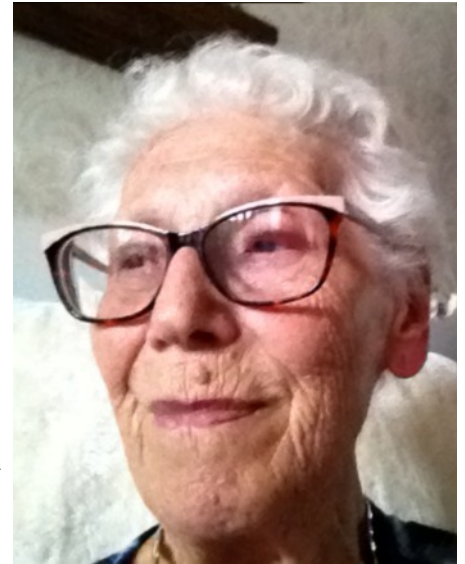


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As they say in Yorkshire:
If it's not raining when you go out, take an umbrella.
If it is raining, please yourself!

CHAIR'S LETTER



Dear Member,

I am pleased to have this opportunity to introduce myself to you as the new Chair of Horsham U3A. I am Shirley Carpenter, I have lived in Horsham for 37 years and have been a member of Horsham U3A since I retired. I believe the U3A is an excellent organisation that gives retired people many opportunities to learn new skills and meet new people in a friendly and social atmosphere. There is the further opportunity to share skills and special interests by setting up new groups. So when I heard that Horsham U3A would have to close I, like you, was shocked and I immediately contacted George to say that I would be willing to help. I was pleased to hear that at least one other member had come forward too and we attended an interview with the Committee and so, here I am!

You will no doubt want to know if I am experienced enough and have the skills to take on this position. There isn't enough space to give you all the details of my career and life experiences but here's a 'taster'.

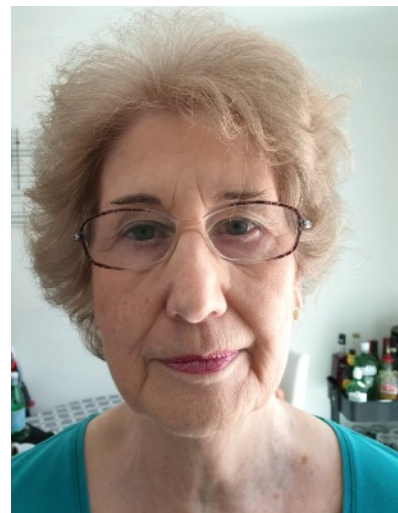
The most important committee I chaired was the Policy & Finance Committee of Mole Valley District Council. I served as a district councillor for fifteen years. I also chaired the Swimming Bath sub-committee and within two years Dorking had the swimming pool they had been waiting 30 years for! I became the first lady chair of Dorking Dramatic & Operatic Society. I also performed and directed several shows both in Dorking Halls and the Green Room. Theatre has always been one of my interests and, after I stopped being a councillor, I went to work for Mole Valley as Entertainments Officer and Manager of the Dorking Halls. Two years later I interviewed for London Borough of Sutton and became Theatre & Community Lifestyles Manager operating the Secombe Theatre, Charles Cryer Studio Theatre and three public halls. The Council wanted to close the Secombe, but we did so well that it stayed open for the next 12 years and was the first theatre in England to gain a Chartermark for excellence in its own right. I'm proud of that. Councils are always under pressure financially and eventually the Secombe closed. I've gained other voluntary committee experience by serving as secretary for Capel Choral Society (singing is another of my interests) and Brockham Bowls Club for ten years up to 2021 (another of my interests). I am currently Treasurer for the Dorking Ladybirds Choir. Workwise I was Company Secretary for a football club and a Lottery run for the club. After retirement I worked as a certificated Civil Celebrant.

I would like you to know that I will do my best to support and promote our U3A in Horsham and it is my aim to meet as many of you as I can by attending one of your group meetings.

Sincerely

Shirley Carpenter Chair, Horsham u3a

SECRETARY'S NOTES



A big thank you to those members who took the time to email me following the announcement that Horsham u3a was not closing, saying how pleased they were and sending good wishes to our new committee members. Chair is now Shirley Carpenter, Vice Chair Simon Hill and co-opted member is Nigel Phillips. We hope they will enjoy being part of our team.

The question arose as to whether we should change our General Meetings from bimonthly to monthly. This has now been resolved and the meetings will remain on a bimonthly basis. Dates for 2024 are on page 6 of this Newsletter.

Committee Meetings, however, are now being held monthly instead of bimonthly, which hopefully will mean shorter agendas and shorter meetings and any problems being solved more quickly.

Changes at the book stall can also be expected. Pam and Simon Hill have offered to take over from Pam and Mike Brakes, who have done sterling work over many years. I'm unsure at the time of writing whether this will happen at the September or the November meeting.

We are hoping to start up a **RUG** group, **Really Useful Group**, consisting of volunteers willing to help wherever and whenever. Details are in an article on page 9 of this Newsletter. Think about it!

You may be interested to know that Crawley u3a are holding an Open Afternoon on Friday 8 September at 2.30 pm in the Friary Hall, Haslett Avenue West, Crawley RH10 1HR. Several of their groups, which ones unknown at the time of writing, are offering guest membership without having to become an associate member.

Finally, is there anyone out there with a knowledge of websites who would be willing to manage ours, keeping it up-to-date and being part of our team of dedicated volunteers on the Committee?.

Mike Harrod or Tony Bailey would love to hear from you - soon!

Kind regards

Shiela Campbell

Secretary



The committee wish to **WELCOME** all these first-time members who have joined us recently:

John Berry
Gloria Bonner
Mick Carrington
Ken Clark
Nick Hall
Craig James
Jeremy Lyons



Kelly McCartney
Ann & John Raymond
Graham & Pauline Robinson
Ros Scofield
Sue Stevens
George Workman
Gill Wylie



FUTURE GENERAL MEETINGS 2024 Dates for your diary:

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| Tuesday 16 January -
The View from the Wings | Brian Freeland |
| Tuesday 26 March AGM -
Secrets, Sex, Scandal & Salacious Gossip of the Royal Court | Sarah Slater |
| MAY - OPEN EVENT - | NO SPEAKER |
| Tuesday 16th July 2024 -
Investing in Art & Antiques | Rupert Toovey |
| Tuesday 17th September -
JUMP | Tony Turner |
| Tuesday 19th November -
Secrets of the Royal Pavilion | Jackie Marsh Hobbs |

Please continue to send in your articles.

I would be pleased to hear any suggestions for changes you would like to see to improve your newsletter. Thank you, Anne.

spideranne@live.co.uk

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The Social Side of Horsham u3a is Being Reinvigorated

We **REALLY NEED** two more enthusiastic members to augment the social team. This would not be too onerous as David would deal with the bookings and Esme will ensure that the bookings are kept on a spreadsheet for ease of continuation in the future.

Since Covid stopped most activities, we have not done much in the way of outings. We have decided to try to get outings organised again now that life is back to normal. At present we plan to have a mix of outings, some just needing the coach fare and some using a company who will provide Blue Badge guides and coffee stops and sometimes lunch too. All can be as flexible as we wish.

The intention is to have four outings per year on the third Tuesday of the months when there is no General Meeting. They will be advertised in the Newsletter prior to the date of the outing, with a

list of possible outings in the Winter Newsletter with an annual holiday as usual organised by Avalon Travel in September.

All communication regarding bookings can be made either to David Bowyer by email or to Esme Cloherty by email or telephone. At present cheques will be taken for payment on a first come first served basis and sent by post to David Bowyer at 30 Millfield, Southwater RH13 9HS.

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Telephone 01403 266934. You can always talk to me.

Esme Cloherty, Horsham u3a Social Section

DIARIES FOR 2024

I have five diaries left at £4 each.
If you would like one please telephone me on
01403 266934 to reserve one.

Thanks

Esme Cloherty





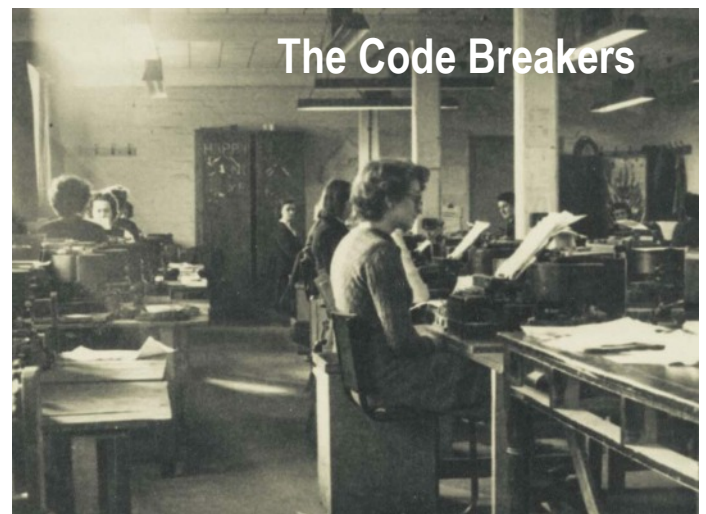
BLETCHLEY PARK VISIT

On a lovely sunny morning we boarded the coach for Bletchley Park. This is the first outing we have done for some time and everyone was in good spirits. We arrived at the Park and either aimed for coffee or to book the tour. The tour was fascinating and hosted by Harold who should have been an actor. He made the tour fascinating and I am sure he told us snippets of information we probably would not have found out for ourselves.

All of us who had been born pre Second World War were aware of Alan Turing and the great work all the people there were doing, thereby shortening the war. I don't think we were aware how many people worked there during the war; around 9,000 men and women, probably mostly women. The logistics of feeding and housing so many people was staggering. Many people lodged in local houses around the area. It has taken until now for some of the secrets to emerge as everyone had to sign the Official Secrets Act on entrance and this had to be kept for LIFE.

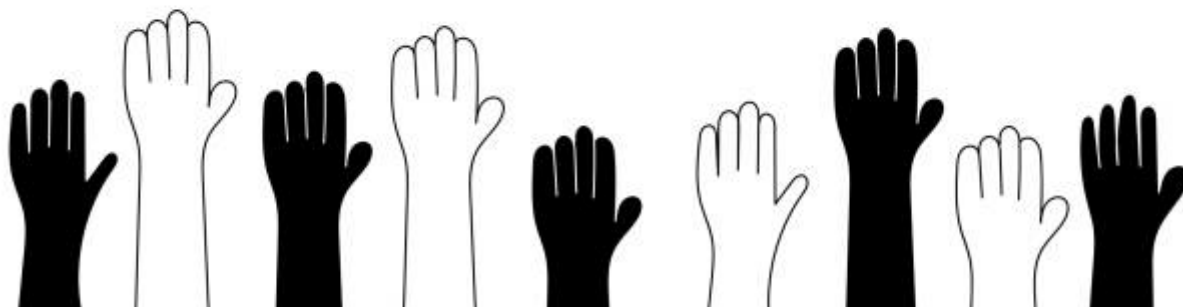
The Social Section is planning to do more coach outings next year now that life has settled down. There will be a programme advertised in the Winter Newsletter to let you know what we are planning. We need enthusiastic support to make things viable as we used to be pre-Covid.

Esme Cloherty Horsham u3a Social Section





MANY HANDS MAKE LIGHT WORK IF YOU JOIN RUG



RUG is the acronym for our newly set up **REALLY USEFUL GROUP**.

There are currently a handful of us beavering away, mostly unnoticed but greatly appreciated, keeping Horsham u3a and its activities ticking over. We are looking for people who don't want a regular commitment or responsibility for any specific jobs, but who would be prepared to pitch in and lend a hand as and when required.

As is applicable to every role in Horsham u3a, in modern parlance, it's a zero hours contract but with no monetary reward, just satisfaction that you're doing a good job and will be appreciated by all of us.

The tasks that you could assist with centre on our bi-monthly general meetings and other ad hoc events held throughout the year. There may even be some run-of-the-mill admin.

It would be enormously helpful for us to have a pool of people to call on so that we can spread the load and not be totally dependent on the same people always doing the same jobs. No special skills are required and there are no "dirty jobs." The only criteria for joining **RUG** are a friendly manner and a willingness to be helpful and surely those two attributes apply to everyone in Horsham u3a, don't they?

Contact me if you want to join the new **RUG** and be **REALLY USEFUL**. Please put **RUG** in the subject line of your email (so that my email rule works)! I'm looking forward to hearing from you.



Jenny Faulkner

Membership Secretary

Email: membership@horshamu3a.org.uk



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Contact Mike Harrod or Tony Bailey, details on the back cover.

'ASSISTANCE DOGS' Review by Marlene Chase

Talk by Jim Cook, Canine Partners, at General Meeting on 18th July 2023

The slogan for Canine Partners is "Amazing dogs. Transforming lives". It is a national charity creating and supporting life-changing partnerships between amazing assistance dogs and disabled adults.

The talk covered all the stages in the life of the dogs, starting from the breeding programme and the brood dogs, puppy procurement and fosterer volunteers, to the work of satellite trainers visiting to check progress. The dogs spend 12 months with the puppy trainer. Varied training is provided by satellite trainers and may include travelling on buses, visiting fun fairs, libraries and other public places. Assistance dogs of course have the right of access to all such venues. They then return to the centre for five months of tailor-made Advanced Training, four dogs at a time, so as not to over-tire them.

Then there is the important stage of "partner matching", the graduation period. three to five applicants are matched with the same number of dogs. The dogs do the choosing, and the trainer watches while dogs and applicants play together, to assess if there is any chemistry between them.

Applicants bring a variety of physical disabilities and the dogs have been trained in tasks specifically chosen to provide maximum help. Jim described an astonishing number of those to us, covering situations both outside and inside the home. These vary from pressing buttons for pedestrian crossings and lifts and assisting at an ATM, to opening fridge doors, emptying washing machines, picking up dropped items and bringing phones. They are even trained to take their own food bowls to the sink.

Aftercare procedures include four visits to a home per year, with adjustments to training to allow for changing needs. Sometimes a new canine partner



is brought in, and the old partner may sometimes be kept on as a family pet.

The dogs are chosen from the retriever family and are trained to use their mouths and noses. Jim gave us some examples of individual dogs which have

become famous, including Teddy Edwards (awarded for saving partner's life) and Doyle, the "posy" dog (presenting posies to VIPs, including Margaret Thatcher), and provided a fund of amusing tales of others less famous.

At the beginning of his talk, Jim had mentioned that the Canine Partners charity would have celebrated its 30th anniversary in 2020, but, sadly, Covid intervened and celebrations were cancelled and fund-raising efforts dried up. This led eventually to the closure of the Midhurst Centre, while in-centre training and breeding programmes were put on hold. Support for the charity relies solely on donations with no government funding. The dogs are owned by Canine Partners, which for legal reasons receives £1 from the human partners for the duration of the partnership, with the £1 returned at the end.

The talk emphasised the benefits of the partnership system - not only do the canine partners provide practical assistance in a number of daily tasks, but they also boost independence and thus confidence and self-esteem.

We were given a heartwarming overview of the scope and importance of this charity's work. Sadly, we did not get to meet one of the canine partners, but, as Jim pointed out, we would then have focused on the dog and perhaps not listened to his talk!

HELLO FROM PAM, YOUR GROUPS' CO-ORDINATOR

MESSAGE FROM GROUP LEADERS:

If you have decided to leave a group of which you have been a member, please would you, out of courtesy, tell the group leader of your decision. This means that he/she will be able to fill the vacancy as soon as possible either from the waiting list or when a new member enquires about joining the group.

MESSAGE TO GROUP LEADERS:

When members join or leave your groups please will you tell me: groups@horshamu3a.org.uk.

THESE GROUPS HAVE VACANCIES:

If you would like to join any of them please contact the group leader listed below and quote your membership number when enquiring.

- Bridge for Fun** – Suzie Kidd
- Bridge Intermediate** – Gillian Rantell
- Coffee & Chat** – Jill/Adrian Lovett
- Cycling** – Tim Hossack
- Golf** – Malcolm Smith
- Jazz & Big Band** – Frank Chard
- Local History** – Jill Lovett
- Mahjong 1** – Norah Campbell
- Mahjong 2** – Brenda King
- People & Their Times** – Bob Dommett
- Photography for Fun** – Jill Lovett
- Science & Technology** – Derek Reynolds
- Scrabble** – Gillian Rantell
- Short-Mat Bowls 1** – Paul Davies
- Short-Mat Bowls 2** – Chris Mason
- Short Walks 1** – Mary Breeze
- Spanish Conversation** – Sarah Kane
- Theatregoers** – Celia Keiller
- T & V 4** – Lynne Standing
- Travellers' Tales** – Jill Lovett
- Ukulele** – Rita Norris
- Writing for Pleasure 2** – Krystyna Hollis

The majority of group leaders are in favour of this being a regular feature in the newsletter. In order for this to happen, would all group leaders make a diary note to tell me if you have vacancies in your groups about a week before the deadline date for each newsletter. The deadline date is always shown on the back page of the newsletter: the next one is Monday 20th November so I shall need to hear from you by Monday 13th November at the latest please. Thank you for your co-operation with this.

Pam Johnson

Groups' Co-ordinator Contact: groups@horshamu3a.org.uk

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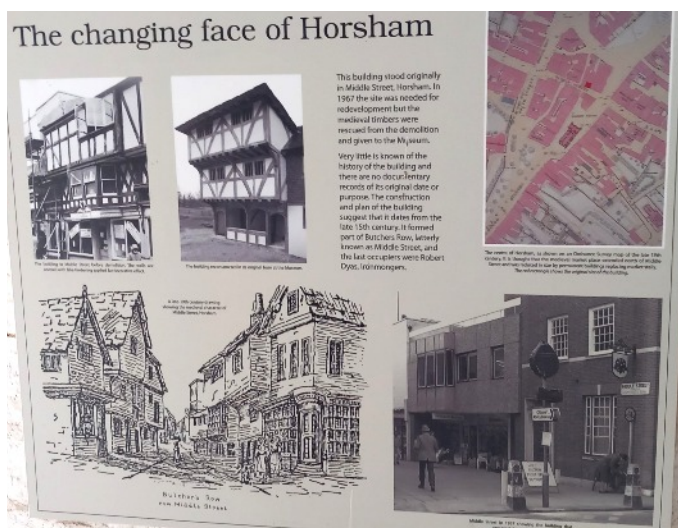
JOINT MEETING OF TOWNS AND VILLAGES - Groups 1 and 2 Weald and Downland Museum, Singleton

We met up in the car park on a bright, sunny day and made our way through the picnic area to the houses and buildings of the Victorian Era. The site covers 40 acres of Sussex downland and houses some 50 buildings that were once homes, gardens and workplaces, some dating back to Anglo-Saxon times. The buildings have been relocated from their original sites from all over Sussex and further afield. Well-informed guides told us how each house had functioned in its day. The working mill, originally from Lurgashall, was fascinating and we learnt about many of the crafts and industries of the time. The museum holds a huge range of artefacts with in-depth explanations of their uses, for example, horses' harnesses, tools and household items used in the past by our grandparents. Of particular interest was a medieval shop from Horsham. Originally in Middle Street, the building was moved during redevelopment in the 1960s.

As the museum is also the home of the Repair Shop, we were distanced from the building itself as they were filming on the day of our visit. However, we spotted Jay Blades in his familiar black and white gear and, later on, were treated to friendly waves from some of the artisans as they made their way to lunch, including one of the instantly recognisable "bear" ladies. Most of us were hoping to have had a glimpse of Will, but no luck!

What a good job we were not visiting on the following day as the Goodwood Festival of Speed was taking place and the roads would have been gridlocked. We returned to Horsham through Midhurst!

Esme Cloherty and Liz Baguley
Towns and Villages Group 1



Photos by Mavis Holden

GROUP NEWS

TOWNS & VILLAGES 1

Group leader Margaret Bailey

So far this year:

January our post Christmas meal was at Cottesmore Golf Club. As the heavens opened we gazed out at a flooded golf course where play had been suspended for several weeks. We sat together in very pleasant surroundings and indulged our taste buds.

February we visited Sussex Heritage Garden Centre at Hassocks where again we were able to indulge our taste buds, as well as select a few plants in anticipation of gardening being resumed. It was interesting to see the collection of pre petrol or electric lawn mowers when once the only means of cutting the grass was pushing heavy mowers around. It brought back memories of the smell of cut grass and straight mown lines.

March As well as more indulgence this time we needed to stimulate our brain cells as David had arranged a joint quiz with T&V2 at Rookwood Golf Club. Each person had a question sheet. Sometimes the answers were arrived at by joint discussion but great fun was had by all.

April was a visit to Dorking. We were shown around by two very knowledgeable museum guides. Dorking developed in Roman times as a staging post on Stane Street. This was the route for soldiers who had landed on the south coast, as the river provided a cutting through the Downs to get to London. Dorking then developed as a thriving market town. It was the childhood home of Daniel Defoe, and home of Mayflower pilgrim William Mullins.

May Standen House at East Grinstead was our venue. The house is a 19th century example of Arts and Crafts architecture built by William Morris for a wealthy London solicitor. There are many examples of Morris's carpets, wallpapers and

textiles inside the house. The house and magnificent gardens are set in the glorious Sussex countryside which in the sun was delightful

June We visited Great Ote Hall which from 1537 to this day has been owned by the Godman family. The surrounding land is farmed, and the house and gardens are used as a wedding venue. The present owner welcomed us warmly to her home with coffee on the terrace as she told us some of the history of the house, before taking us inside. Many of the old features still remain. We were then able to wander round the grounds in the sun feeling not like day trippers, but very much like house guests.

July We went to the Weald & Downland museum at Singleton which is a living museum of restored buildings with activities recreated from country life from 1300- 1910. The oldest was an Anglo Saxon hall house and the most recent an Edwardian tin chapel. We were able to walk leisurely around the spacious grounds and enjoy seeing the variety of reconstructed buildings in our own time.

Sill to come

Shere, Sussex Prairie Gardens, planning meeting with guest speaker and to put us in the spirit of Christmas a visit to Polesden Lacey which should be well decked with lights and decorations.



GROUP NEWS

STROLL IN THE RESERVE **Group Leader, Heather Glenny**

This happy, chatty group meets on the first Thursday morning of each month at the Warnham Local Nature Reserve for 10 a.m. Our purpose is to gently walk around different areas of the reserve noting any interesting birds, flowers, fungi, insects or other natural history sightings that we see, and then we return to the café, discuss what we have observed over a cup of coffee before we disperse around 12.30.

What is great about meeting monthly is that you see the changes in the scenery and natural history throughout the year and learn what to expect to notice at certain times of the year. In addition to that, year on year it can be noticeable how climate change is affecting what we see and when we see it.

Our group has become knowledgeable about local wildlife over time and we are happy to share this knowledge and our observations with others.

Heather Glenny
Email : heathereglenny@gmail.com



YOUR CONTRIBUTION TO THIS NEWSLETTER IS NEEDED



**PLEASE SHARE YOUR STORIES AND
UPDATES WITH ANNE:
spideranne@live.co.uk**

GROUP NEWS

EXPLORING TOWNS AND VILLAGES – 6

Leader: Veronica Cackett – 01403 738103

Our June visit was to:

Salvington Mill near Worthing.

The mill is somewhat hidden from view and the winding road to the top of the hill gave spectacular views which were even better on the way back. The mill has limited opening times, normally two Sunday afternoons in the summer, but guided tours are available at other times for groups.

A very cheerful group of volunteers had put out tables and chairs for us to sit at and enjoy tea and coffee and delicious home made cake before the tour. We were split into two groups; one group starting on the ground floor and the other up the steep steps into the mill itself. The guides were very knowledgeable and enthusiastic and we all learned a lot.

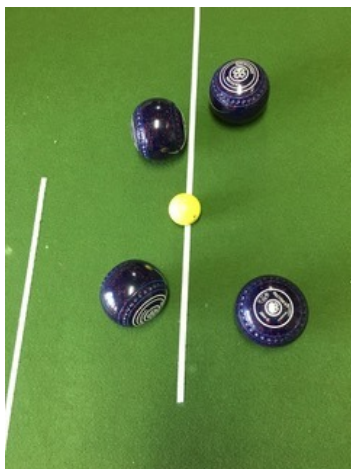


The current mill was probably built around 1756, but a previous mill existed on the site in 1615. It worked for about 150 years until it was closed down in 1897. Worthing Council purchased the mill in 1959, and some restoration work was done in the 1960s. It was damaged in the 1976 gale and The High Salvington Mill Trust was formed to restore it to its former glory. Grinding started again in April 1991 and souvenir flour is sold in their shop, weather permitting. (They need a very strong wind to make the sails turn due to houses and trees disturbing the flow.)

A very enjoyable morning in the sunshine, and well worth a visit.

Julie Mitchell

SHORT MAT BOWLING 1



This group will again resume activities from Monday 9th October at Horsham Bowling Club behind the Tythe Barn on Pondtail Road. Bowling will take place as before from 14.00-16.00. The cost of each Monday session will be £4 which will include tea/coffee and biscuits.

No equipment is required; bowls will be supplied and you can bowl in either flat bowling shoes if you have them or socks! Coaching will be provided for beginners and all standards are welcome!.



The group leader is Paul Davies who will be ably assisted by other experienced members of the group.

We look forward to seeing both old and new faces on **Monday 9th October**

Paul Davies pauldavies_22@yahoo.co.uk Tel: 07484 835439

GROUP NEWS

EXPLORING TOWNS AND VILLAGES – 6

Leader: Veronica Cackett – 01403 738103

Our July Visit to Bosham was a return visit for some, as it was the first place our group visited way back in June 2009. We met for coffee and cake at Wendy's Cafe in the arts and crafts centre, a collection of little shops featuring a wide range of goods and well worth a look.

We started our visit by the notorious car park where our guide told of one unlucky couple who, on a visit to the church, decided to stay for the service. Unfortunately some local people searching for the owner of the lone car in the old car park failed to find them before high tide. The photo shows the car park and the mark on the road where the tide reaches twice a day. There is now a larger car park a safe distance away!

Our excellent guide had stepped in at the last minute for a friend who was unwell. He was very knowledgeable and interesting and knew the history of the area. The tide was out when we arrived and we were able to walk along the path in front of the houses on the waterfront and were amazed to see from the brick walls how far the tide rises twice a day, but fortunately the houses back on to the path and are accessed from the road behind when the tide is high. The area is very picturesque and it would be interesting to visit again some time when the tide is in!

Julie Mitchell



USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR U3A NEWSLETTER READERS

From **Shiela Campbell**

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Community Link Personal Alarms	01403 215230
Horsham Area Community Car Scheme	01403 250202
Horsham & Crawley Counselling Group	01403 217900
Horsham District Council (General)	01403 215100
Horsham Hospital	01403 227000
Horsham Library	01403 224353
Silver Line Helpline	0800 470 8090



ARE YOU GETTING MORE SCAM CALLS AGAIN?

This is a good site to check/report the numbers.

<https://who-called.co.uk>

Contributed by **Isobel**



I KNOW SOMEONE WHO CAN...

Gary Cooper holds the list of local contractors and workers who have been recommended by other u3a members.

If you are in need of having anything done, give **Gary a ring on:**

01403 241620.

He would also be interested in hearing from you with any recommendations.



MESSAGE FROM THE HORSHAM U3A COMMITTEE

COVID 19, flu and other viruses are with us and although some may display mild symptoms, it may be more severe for others.

Therefore, the Horsham u3a committee asks you to please not attend meetings and events if you feel unwell or have cold/flu symptoms.

We trust you will use your judgement to keep each other safe.

Thank you, *Shirley Carpenter* Chair, Horsham u3a.

Meet Your Committee for 2023/2024

Officers/Trustees



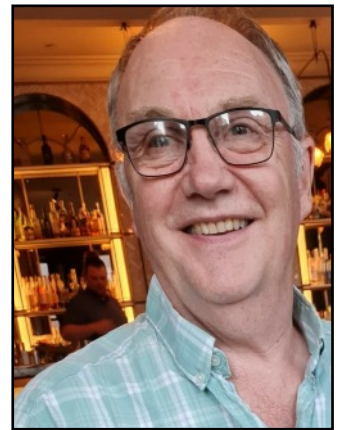
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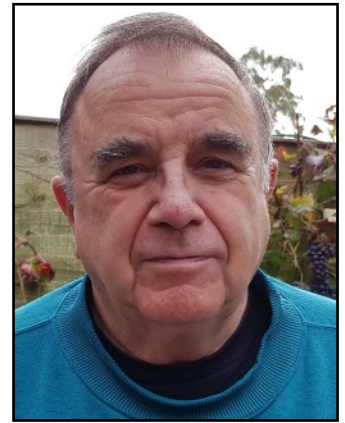
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We are still looking for a replacement website manager. Call Mike Harrod or Tony Bailey



Obituaries

It is with deep regret we have to announce the death of the following
Horsham U3A members:

Brian Abbott
Diane James
Pat Upton

Our thoughts are with their families and friends at this sad time.

If you have any news, views, comments or contributions,
THE FINAL DATE FOR THE NEXT NEWSLETTER IS:
Monday 20 November 2023

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