

These talks may either be on Zoom or in the Flavel auditorium + Zoom until the covid crisis ends. Start 10.30 am.

January 14th 2021

Death of Venice? – Peter Edwards

(La Serenissima) is often seen under several feet of water. Does it inundate the whole of Venice? Is the water rising or land sinking? How often, and why, does it happen? And ultimately? Our speaker will be looking at the major problems leading to Venice's flooding, the effects on its architecture and population and the solutions implemented and proposed so far. Perhaps Moses can part the waves and save La Serenissima.....

February 11th 2021

Old Dartmoor – Paul Rendell

The editor of Dartmoor News invites us to come on a wonderful journey and look at things that have changed over the years from travel to houses to villages and towns. Paul Rendell will be using old postcards and photographs of Dartmoor to help bring back memories of the 'Good Old Days'.

March 11th 2021

The Great Exhibition of 1851 – Adam Hart Davis

The Industrial Revolution had been gathering pace for some 75 years, and in 1851 the movers and shakers staged a 'Great Exhibition of the Works of Industry of Nations.'

March continued.....

Six million people flocked into London to visit the Crystal Palace, and marvel at the envelope folding machine, the leech-powered tempest prognosticator, the stuffed elephant, the Koh-i-Noor diamond and 13,000 other exhibits, not to mention public lavatories, where 327,000 people chose to spend a penny.

April 8th 2021

Agatha Christie: Her Life and her Deadly Poisons – Janet Sellick

Agatha Christie's life was as dramatic as her fiction. Janet Sellick will reveal her deadly dispensary of poisons. Agatha's books were only outsold by the Bible and Shakespeare. Find out how Torquay's famous daughter came to enjoy worldwide success and leave a legacy both local and global.

May 13th 2021

Restoring the Balance – David Ramsden

David Ramsden, Head of Conservation at the Barn Owl Trust, will show how the changing farming practices impact on the lives of barn owls. David will illustrate the close links between barn owls and people and show the environmental consequences of everyday human activities.

June 10th 2021

The Human Face of Dartmoor Prison

Glossing over the origins of the oldest working prison in the UK, its initial purpose and its first occupants we take a closer look at some of the events, staff and "characters of the last 150 years. Although there is a darker side to Prison Life, I will be including some anecdotes and stories which will present a lighter side to the subject

July 8th 2021

Cybercrime snapshot

Providing an insight into cybercrime in Devon and Cornwall, with the latest local and national threats and advice and guidance on how to protect yourselves whilst online

September 9th 2021

A Photographic Tour of 50 gems of South Devon.

Gary Holpin is a professional photographer who has explored Devon extensively. He presents a whistle stop photographic tour of his pick of the gems of our beautiful county. Some are well known such as beautiful Regency Sidmouth but many are hidden gems like Scorhill stone circle or Brentnor church.

October 14th 2021

New Orleans to New York." A Musical Journey from Jazz to Musical Theatre.

Pianist Roger Browne, will be creating live jazz interpretations of the music, written for the stage, by greats such as George Gershwin, Cole Porter, Jerome Kern, Irving Berlin and Jimmy Van Heusen, whilst relating hilarious stories of the people, places and events that have coloured this remarkable life making music in Europe and the USA.

November 11th 2021

Being a Yeoman Warder

Our Speaker John Keohane was Chief Yeoman Warder, the most senior member of the Sovereign's Bodyguard based at the Tower of London, and often referred to by visitors as "Beefeaters". One ceremonial role of the Chief Yeoman Warder involves the nightly closing down ceremony of the Tower known as the Ceremony of the Keys.

December 9th 2021

The Clown Prince of Denmark

Jim Redman will give a brief biography of the famous Danish musician/comedian Victor Borge with video excerpts from his performances on Television and on stage.

Special Interest Groups:- Contact conveners for further information or visit :- <http://u3asites.org.uk/dartvalley>

Archery Colin Payne	Tuesday am 07919 933891
Architecture Mike Trevorrow	4 th Thursday am 01803 752928
Art Group Pat White	Mon am 07929 271658
Book Groups Val Church	Thurs pm 01803 834280
Bridge David Burgess	Tuesday am 01803 832108
Classics Steve Williams	1 st & 3 rd Thurs am 01803 833017
Climate Change Steve Smith	1 st Mon pm 01803 771123
Cryptic Crosswords Gwendolyn Alker	3 rd Tuesday am 01803 833270
Digital Photography Alan Machin	Monday(irregular) pm 01803 833849
French Conversation Joan Edwards	2 nd & 4 th Wed pm 01803 833348
Garden Group SueAlbone	3 rd Tuesday pm suealbone52@gmail.com
Geology Tim Freeman	2 nd Wednesday pm 01803 832663
German Conversation Ingrid Sidell	Monthly Thurs am 01803 770870

History of Art Penny Bowles	3 rd Fri pm 07931 845114
Ipad for Beginners Suzie Dodsworth	Dates vary - Wed am 01803 770134
iPad Grads Alan Machin	Dates vary Mon pm 01803 833849
Italian Conversation Tasha James	Fri pm 0795 7509351
Let's Play Cards Danny Rushbrooke	2 nd Monday am 01548 580942
Local History tba	1 st Mon pm
MahJong Elaine French	1 st & 3 rd Friday am 01803 832304
Medau Yvonne Cottam	Wednesday pm 01803 835251
Music Lindsay Charlesworth	1 st & 3 rd Wednesday pm 01803 834592
Pitch & Putt Jennifer Wright	Dates vary – Tues or Thurs 01803 445247
Pub Lunches Alan Cole Alan Drew Mike Dodsworth	Wed am 01803 752902 Thurs 01803 833219 Tue am 01803 770134

Scrabble Diane Emberson	2 nd & 4 th Fri 01803 771033
Singing for Pleasure Avril Dowding	Tues pm 01803 712440
Spanish Conversation Steve Smith	Monday am 01803 771123
Sports Morning Yvonne Cottam	Wednesday am 01803 835251
Sunday Lunch Group Anne Taylor	2 nd Sunday 01803 363257
Views on News Christine Milsom	Friday am 01803 843834
Walking Linda Barker	Monday am 01803 269549
Wine Tasting Anne Taylor Bill Riddell	Monthly pm 4 th Thurs 01803 363257 1 st Mon eve 01803 752049
Writers Val Depledge	3 rd Monday am 01803 834323
'Open-to-all' activities at the Flavel	
Yoga Amanda Dyer	Monday pm & Thursday am 07851 033762
Zumba Leanne Smith	Monday am leanne@winners2000.co.uk



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2021 Programme

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