GENERAL HISTORY

The group organises its meetings around particular themes. Our current theme is the quite challenging one of "time". At our March meeting we considered "The myths of time travel". Time travel crops up in literature, films and TV programmes. Although it has never been achieved in reality there is a relationship between speed of movement and the passage of time which does have minor effects on astronauts.

In May (there was no April meeting) we looked at the policy of manufacturing and delivery "just in time". In the post war era this was applied to industrial production as part of a policy to reduce warehousing and costs and more recently has spread to retailing. This led to a wide discussion about its benefits and disadvantages, and globalisation and impacts in the modern world including that for consumers. Soon the group will be thinking about what our new "theme" should be.

Our normal meeting time is the first Thursday in the month at 2.00 pm. If you are interested please contact Malcolm