

Sept / Oct 2023

Keeping you informed of group activities, events, trips and meetings.

Today's speaker is.....

..... Guy Bartlett.



Guy is an aviation historian and trainer, whose talk is entitled "Smoke on Go!" It is about the Red Arrows display team, and he says that his talk will add extra sparkle to our meeting, by using film footage, technology, music, humour and a genuine passion for the subject.

Red Arrows pilots are amongst the most highly-qualified and experienced within the Royal Air Force. During the display season

the Red Arrows perform between 75-85 air displays, and more than 100 fly-pasts. Each pilot is hand-picked and only a very few will be given the privilege of representing the RAF, both in the UK and abroad. Their Hawk aircraft are essentially the same as those used by the Advanced Flying Training students at Royal Air Force Valley, with the exception of smoke generators and a slightly uprated engine.



On Fri 13th October, our speaker will be Andy Smith.

Andy is a double-amputee who suggests that life with a disability - whilst often challenging - can have its lighter side! He has a number of talks, and we have chosen.

'Dogs ... and Holidays!'

Love dogs, or hate them, Andy Smith respectfully and poetically suggests that the human race has a lot to learn from its canine companions. The average British pooch enjoys a life of unparalleled ease and luxury ... despite being somewhat smelly, noisy and expensive to run.



And if you're still having to live a 'dog's life' in a 'dog eat dog' world, then what you probably need is a thumping good holiday - with, or without, Fido, Rover or Mutt at your side!

Gravesend, Northfleet & District



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The deadline for notices, articles or photographs for next month's newsletter, which **Mick Brookes** will be editing, is:

12 noon on **Wed 4th October 2023**. (Deadline, not a target)

Please e-mail items to: grv.u3a.editor@gmail.com

GROUP MEETINGS ANNOUNCEMENTS



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Ramble **Fri 15th Sept.** *with Tony*



River Medway and Motney Hill.

Tony Smith is leading our 5 ml ramble, which for the most part is a fairly flat walk along the Medway. It also includes woodland, a nature reserve and orchards, as well as some good views.

If you'd like to join in, please contact Colin as normal.

Meet at 10am at the Riverside Country Park, Rainham Rd, Rainham, Gillingham ME7 2XH.

Parking is free..

Colin Nice (contact details at end of newsletter).

Walkers take part at their own risk.

Lunch Bunch **27th Sept** *with Maggie*

Lunch will be at 12:30 at the Sultan Solfrasi, New Road, Gravesend.

Maggie Hart (contact details at end of newsletter).



Hike **Fri 29th Sept.** *with Colin*



Hoo, Upnor and the River Medway.

Please note that this walk is 1 week earlier than normal.

This lovely 7 ml walk, starts from Hoo and follows the Saxon Shore Way almost the whole length of the walk (it loops round), with spectacular views along the Medway. Visiting Lower and Upper Upnor, the walk is a real mix of fields, river, beach and woodland. There are some hills to climb and it could be muddy on the beach section, where the tide has receded.

If you'd like to join in please contact Colin.

Meet at 9.30am at the shopper's car park in the centre of Hoo (approx. post code ME3 9BE). In Hoo "town centre," cross the mini-roundabout and there is a shopper's car park pretty much on the roundabout.

Colin Nice (contact details at end of newsletter).

Walkers take part at their own risk.

Sunday Lunch Bunch **Sun 8th Oct** *with Marilyn.*

Sunday Lunch Bunch will be meeting at 12.30 at Beefeater Woodlands.

Marilyn Pascoe (contact details at end of newsletter).



Quiz Night **Sat 7th Oct** *With Stan*



7.30pm at Cobham Bowls Club, The Street, Cobham

We are again meeting at Cobham, which has the benefit of a bar at club prices. Following feed-back, we will be setting a quiz with easier questions, Multiple Choice, True or False etc with prizes for the top 3 teams. As there is a bar please bring just your own nibbles.

To attend please contact Stan to advise him, as places are limited to 60, so it is essential to **register**.

Please do not just turn up, last time we ran out of chairs!

Hope to see you for a fun night. Only £2.

Stan Morris (contact details at end of newsletter)

Solos
Sun 8th Oct
with Linda

Waverley Paddle Steamer
 Thames River Trip

Linda Howe (contact details at end of newsletter).



Christmas Lunch
Wed 6th Dec
with Maggie

will be at 12:30 at Bartella's on 6th Dec. and will cost £30 plus tip.

Maggie Hart (contact details at end of newsletter).



Afternoon Tea
with Maggie

will not take place this month as the college is not yet up and running, but hopefully will be back next month, so longer to look forward to it.

Maggie Hart (contact details at end of newsletter).



Dusk Strollers will start from:

2nd Tuesday at Wetherspoons, opposite Gravesend Library with Barbara Blum.

4th Tuesday in the Windmill area with Paul Shovlar.

Everyone welcome, more so if you know local history!

Kindly email Barbara to make initial contact. Texts not acknowledged unless

Number is recognized.

Barbara Blum (contact details at end of newsletter).



NEW



GROUP

Fresh Water Fishing

This new Fishing group is open to everyone and some members that have already signed up have some kit to lend to anyone interested in giving fishing a try.

Fishing can be technical, but doesn't need to be.

Basic equipment: a 10 to 13 ft float rod with open faced reel, and a selection of different size floats.

A selection of shot weights and hooks, from 12 to 20 (small). Maybe a landing net, in case you hook a big one!

You can also use a ledger or feeder rod, for bottom fishing. Baits used include maggots, worms, sweetcorn and bread. Possible venues Shorne Country Park & Tea Pot Island, Yalding. Irregular meeting dates - group to decide.

Please contact Graham to advise interest.

Graham Saunders (contact details at end of newsletter).



Guided Walk of Cold War Bunker.

Gravesend Borough Council working with our U3A have arranged a local guided tour exclusive for our U3A. Tour of the Cold War Bunker on **Wednesday 20th September at 10.15am – cost £5.**

If you haven't already signed up please contact Steve Nolan to book your place.

Steve Nolan (contact details at end of newsletter).

NEWS FROM OUR MEMBERS



Snakes Alive.

I took my lawn mower from the garden shed to cut the grass, and this is what I found, a three foot snake. It's not every day that you find one of those in the shed.

It turned out that it was a North American Corn Snake. Assuming it didn't come over on the QE2, then it must have escaped from somewhere. That's when I did something really silly. I picked it up, with the hoe, and put it into the shrubs, so that I could cut the grass. That was the last we saw of it, until it surfaced a few days later, under the recycle bin. This time I was a bit braver, picked it up with gloves, and put it into a bucket, from which it made every attempt to escape.

We decided to take it to the reptile centre at Millbrook Garden Centre, but, for some reason, Doreen refused point blank to hold the bucket on her lap. Pleased to say it all ended well for the snake as they promised to find it a good home.



Dennis Neighbour.

NEWS FROM OUR GROUPS



Fully Loaded Group.

Our last meeting at "The Pantry" was met with a tear in our eyes. We have been visiting it for about six years in different guises. We first went there as a pre get together to the Genealogy meeting and, of course, the enjoyment of the "Fully Loaded" bacon sandwich. It was then decided to have this as a group in itself, as the Genealogy group had folded. We decided to continue as a lunch group, with high intellectual subjects to discuss. With a heavy heart, we then heard that they were closing. We are now looking for a new location (we think we have found one, but at time of writing, it has not had a test run).



Ben Winder

Quote of the Month:

"If you elect a serial liar and conman, a narcissist, bully, wannabe mobster with the vocabulary of an emotionally insecure 9-year-old, you can't really be shocked at how it turned out, can you?"

Charlie Sykes (American Journalist). I'll leave you to work out to whom he's referring.

Walks in August - Roundup

Our special summer program of all-day walks has been a tad disastrous this year. Early in August, our lovely planned country walk from Sissinghurst through Cranbrook had to be cancelled and substituted with a very different, but fascinating, 6 mile walk through London's Docklands and the Isle of Dogs.

There were 25 of us, with a good number having not previously visited the area. We marvelled at the sheer height, immensity, modernity and yes, beauty of the buildings that have been constructed in harmony with the lovely waterside. It was simply eye-popping, not to mention the indoor Mediterranean roof garden and the charming Canary Wharf garden, complete with its raised stream and punctuated with fountains. Further south we walked through open land and parkland before spending time relaxing by the Thames for lunch, before making our way back on a circular route.



Our other all-day special was to be a lovely walk around Hampstead Heath. Unfortunately this, too, had to be cancelled because of the forecast of severe, torrential storms and weather warnings of potential flooding. Recently announced rail strikes have also now forced the abandonment of our planned September walk between Sandwich and Deal. Oh well, the best laid plans.....

The good news is that the Hampstead Heath walk has now been rescheduled for Fri 20th Oct, so all is not lost!

Colin Nice

Geography – South Korea.

This month we studied South Korea, each of us, as ever, with a different aspect to research and report back on. The country forms the southern part of a roughly rectangular peninsula, and is about 150 miles from west to east and 250 miles north to south. Highland covers about 70% of the country, particularly in the north and east, which is interspersed with arable plains. Weatherwise, the Spring and Autumn are the best times, the Winter being relatively cold (below freezing), and Summers being hot, humid and very wet - in July an average of about ½ inch rain falls per day!

Economically, it's a powerhouse, and now the world's 12th largest economy, heavily based on electronics. Huge, famous electronics companies are South Korean, including Samsung, LG, Daewoo while the motor industry includes names such as Kia, Hyundai, and Ssangyong. They have also become the world's biggest shipbuilders with over 50% of the world's market share.

Amidst all this industry, and despite a population density double that of the UK, South Korea has twenty two established national parks, protecting their remaining wildlife. All in all, we found our South Korean studies very pleasant!



Photography 1: "P.H.O.T.O.G.R.A.P.H.Y."

We were taking photos beginning with the letters of PHOTOGRAPHY this month. Y proved to be tricky for some of us, but here's a selection of our efforts.

Colin Nice



Creative Writing – Story of the Month.

The Chinese New Year Party – by Mike Swift

The Chinese New Year Party
Is such a grand affair
There's food and drink a' plenty
More than enough to share

They sing and joke the night away
And dance with gay abandon
Apart from poor old slithery snake
Who has no leg to stand on.

Swinging from the chandelier
Bananas in his jaws
A friendly, furry animal
Called up to him 'What's yours?'

'I'll have the largest cake you find'
Said greedy, grasping monkey
'You won't my friend from down
below
You're looking rather chunky!'

The furry one who spoke to chimp
Thought no one else could see
With finger buried up his nose
He set his bogeys free

And wiped them on the carpet.
'I saw you, dirty rabbit.
Please stop that now, I beg you!
It's such an awful habit!'

Fed up with his bragging
They start to drift away.
'Who else has climbed Mount
Everest
In only half a day?

I've climbed most peaks in record
time'
Through gritted teeth, said tiger.
'Don't lie! You took the cable car
When going up The Eiger!'

One sits and tries so hard to speak
But no one makes him out
He really has a croaky voice
Which causes him to shout

He stumbles to his feet and yells
'I'm really bright, of course,
I've had this stinking cold all day.
It's left me rather ho(a)rse!'

'Can we put the TV on?
I'm bored with all this chatter!
How about some party games?'
'Oh, stay and have a natter.'

'I want to watch 'Eastenders' now!
Whatever's on the box.
Get out my way, I'm coming
through.'
Said great big burly, ox.

'That vodka cost me fifty quid!'
He squealed in porcine voice
'It's watered down to nothing
There was no other choice.'

It caused much ribald humour
The others saw the joke
Whilst he just sat and muttered
That poor pig in a poke.

One staggers on from room to
room
With eyes both glazed from drinks
He waves his tankard in the air
'I'll have one more' he thinks

'Where's the Pinot Grigio?
I really need a booster.
Oh, there it is, right in my hand.
I am a silly rooster!'

Another tumbles down the stairs
And shouts 'I can't be certain
The smallest room is well ablaze
I've set fire to a curtain!'

'Have another drink, my friend,
Try whatever's in this flagon.
You can't be blamed; it's not your
fault
You daft fire-breathing dragon!

Judging by the way he walked
Or staggered cross the floor
He wouldn't need another drink
Although he begged for more

'My wife of 40 years has left
With memories of the past.
So I intend to sup my fill
And end up well rat-arsed!'

Attendees get more amorous
As night gives way to day
One member thinks he may have
pulled
He thought he heard her say

'I really love your whiskers.
Those horns sure float my boat.'
'It's just your lucky day, my girl,
I'll go and grab my goat! (sorry,
coat)

'I've tried so hard to fit them in
And yet just one remains
I've struggled with a final verse
And racked and racked my brains.

I need some sleep: tomorrow
Perhaps I'll feel inspired
Forgive me if I say 'Goodnight
I really am dog-tired!'

London Theatre Group.

Dear members,

We have had a great response to our latest theatre trips, with 22 going to see "Witness for the Prosecution" on September 28th. and 33 members going to see the "Lion King," (for which we have one spare ticket) on November 8th. I have received the tickets for the Lion King, and will email them to members. You can either print them, or save them to your iPhone and show them at the theatre. I will email travel arrangements nearer the time, as industrial action is still ongoing. I am still waiting for tickets for Witness for the Prosecution.

Payment: In future, please make cheques payable to Gravesend U3A, as the Social Account is only used for events organised by the Social Committee.

Best wishes, **Jan Rees**

Visit to see Moulin Rouge at the Piccadilly Theatre.

Despite our Hi Speed train being cancelled we still made it to the Piccadilly Theatre on time to see Moulin Rouge the Musical (as opposed to the Baz Luhrmann film), which featured upbeat tracks from pop icons such as Madonna and Elton John to put a contemporary twist on a classic musical).

The setting is Montmartre in 1899, when a young composer, Christian, becomes infatuated with Satine, the glamorous star of the Moulin Rouge nightclub, and when they meet they fall in love. Inevitably, the "baddy," the Duke of Monroth, tries to buy Satine's love by purchasing the ailing nightclub and in so doing, unites the Bohemian team (including Toulouse-Lautrec) at the Moulin Rouge to salvage its future.

At the opening of the show we are faced with a ravishing set which is a garishly pulsing wonderland of Belle Époque neon, inhabited by can-can dancers and Harold Zidler, the over-the-top master of ceremonies, who fires confetti at us from his cane.

There are over 50 well known songs, from Diamonds are Forever to Lady Marmalade, all mashed together with frenetic dance routines performed by scantily-clad cast members.

Those of us who went, thoroughly enjoyed the spectacle, because that is what this show aims to be, but as the story line is weak, it relies on the exuberance and talent of a tightly knit cast to pull off a true tour de force. We were all thoroughly exhausted and exhilarated in equal parts by the time we elbowed our way through the early evening London crowds to make our way home.

Jan Rees

MEMBERS' JOTTER FOR RECORDING TRIPS / WALKS BOOKED AT THE MEETING

Trip/Walk	Date	Details	Cost	Organiser

Photography 2: “Benches and Signs (re-visited).”

Benches – mundane perhaps, and everywhere, but you will see some gems, like the one outside the shabby former Debenhams in town. Signs, again everywhere – from cardboard to Leicester Square neon, authoritarian, silly, sad, surprising and even downright provocative, but part of our ever changing world, which we like to ‘capture’ in our monthly themes.

Joan Porter



Ann Buttle



Ann MacEwan



Ken MacEwan



Ben Winder



Joan Porter



Peter Buttle



Jill Pritchard



Rob Porter



Alan Scott

The Garden in September

Each month of the year brings its own special beauty and joy in the garden. There is one month, however, which has its own loveliness quite incomparable to any other. That month is September.

To begin with the light is very different to other months. Everywhere has a distinctive golden sheen, which enables you to instantly recognise that this is September. The month begins with the dying embers of Summer, as late season flowers pervade the garden, arguably even nicer than they were in August. But by its end, Autumn is definitely here, with heavy dews on the lawn in the early morning.

What flowers give September its special beauty? There are of course the Dahlias, Rudbeckias and Helenium's, which started flowering in August and will continue doing so this month. But others also appear. One such is the Chrysanthemum. For some incomprehensible reason many people regard them as somehow old fashioned. This is a quite unjustified criticism. They are a beautiful flower coming in a vast array of colours. Some are at home in the border or container, while others are suitable for the greenhouse, especially the wonderful Japanese incurved varieties. They can be grown from seed, from cuttings or by division. In short, they are a versatile plant, and no garden should be without them.

Many other flowers make their appearance this month. Michaelmas Daisies, Sedum Spectabile and the many varieties of Clematis Viticella should all be in flower. Also, if you like ornamental grasses, September sees Miscanthus, Stipa Gigantea and Carex among many others reach the zenith of their growth and they look particularly at home with other border flowers.

Not only does September mark the turn of the year, it also sees the pace of activity in the garden increase. Many jobs now fall to be done, but don't worry if you can't do them all by the month end. They can also be carried out in October if you haven't the time:

1. **Plant Spring flowering biennials:** Sweet Williams, Foxgloves, Forget-Me-nots and Wallflowers will all benefit by being planted in borders and containers this month. If you're clearing a bed or border, make sure you add some compost or manure to the site before planting to re-vitalise the soil. These flowers like to be planted in drifts to maximise their beauty. If you can get them in now, they will have plenty of time to get established before autumn and winter make the soil cold.
2. **Plant Spring bulbs:** Allied to getting the biennials planted is making provision for Spring bulbs, such as Daffodils and Crocuses (but not Tulips; the planting of these bulbs should wait until November). Garden centres will be selling these bulbs by the bucket (in some cases literally) and they look stunning growing with biennials. Try to plant the bulbs two or three times their own depth and do make sure you mark the planting area with a label otherwise, if you're anything like me, you won't remember where you put them!
3. **Prune summer fruiting raspberries:** These will have finished fruiting by now and therefore will need to be pruned. Pruning consists of cutting down to the ground all the canes which fruited this year. You will then be left with new canes, which are a much lighter colour than the old ones. These will produce next year's fruit and need to be tied into whatever form of support you are using.
4. **Plant out Spring cabbages:** If you sowed these in July, they should now be planted out in the vegetable garden. Put them about 6 inches apart and make the planting firm. In early Spring you can harvest alternate plants and eat them as Spring greens leaving their neighbours to mature into Spring cabbages in later Spring - delicious!
5. **Plant garlic:** People often think of garlic as sun drenched Mediterranean plants, but in fact they like a period of cold weather to grow well. That is why September planting is important. Break the bulbs into individual cloves and plant them 4 inches apart, such that the tips of the cloves are just below soil level. You should be able to harvest the garlic next June/July when the leaves have yellowed.

Enjoy gardening in this most joyous of months.

Robert Vanderwindt

Social Diary dates:



2023

Forthcoming events:

Sat 30th Sept:	Murder Mystery Evening at the Three Daws, Marilyn Pascoe Town Pier Gravesend. Cost £25, incl supper. <u>Payment due</u>	
Sat 14th Oct:	Barn Dance.	Steve Nolan/ Alan Scott
Tues 24th - 29th Oct:	Holiday to Cheshire with Jewels Tours.	Marilyn Pascoe
Wed 1st Nov:	Day trip to The Poppy Factory.	Marilyn Pascoe
Tue 28th Nov:	Wisley Glow Festival with Jewels. Only one place remaining!	Sue Northcott/ Anne May

2024

Thurs 1st Feb:	Brick Lane Panto and Tea. Cost approx, £70 - £74.	Linda Howe
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Murder Mystery Evening The Three Daws on Saturday 30th September Cost approx. £25 p.p. (inclusive of Fish & Chip/Sausage & Chip Supper)

Organiser : Marilyn Pascoe



We are arranging a Murder Mystery Evening, performed by the Alternate Shadows Players, a local company with over 20 years' experience.

The Three Daws has been chosen as the venue, as there is a car park nearby and it is on a bus route. The Three Daws has agreed to supply a sit-down supper for us, and this is included in the cost. The murder format has not been decided yet, but will keep you in suspense and guessing until the last moment.

This is a first for Gravesend & Northfleet U3A., so we hope that you will join us for a fun evening. Please add your name to the sign-up sheet if you are interested.

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New Terms of Trade

Effective immediately, whenever you sign up for any Social Committee event, you need to pay by the next monthly meeting in order to confirm your place. Payments for Social Committee events can be made at the Social Committee tables at our monthly meetings using the following methods:

(1) By card using the SumUp terminals.

(2) By cheque, which should always be made payable to '**Gravesend u3a Social a/c**'.

You can also always contact the relevant Event Leader (by phone or email) to arrange to send them a cheque by post.

**Visit to RHS Glow at Wisley
Including Cream Tea - with Jewels Tours
Monday 27th November 2024**

Cost: £57

Pick Up at Cascades

Organiser : Sue Northcott

Wander an enchanting route around the garden, and see some of Wisley's iconic sights in a new and dazzling light. Pick up a treat from the Village Square before heading to Seven Acres to see the illuminated wicker alliums, globes and arches.



The Glasshouse will be filled with light and fun, with a Christmas beach theme, and outside, the Glasshouse Lake will sparkle with disco balls. Rock Garden and Oakwood will be all aglow, while the Alpine Meadow becomes a 'field of fire'. Enjoy the Wisteria Walk lit in a haze of purple, before the grand finale of fire and water at the Laboratory.

This evening event will be lit by subdued lighting all around the walking areas. There are inclines, some of which are acute, so please choose your steps and footwear carefully.

**Brick Lane Pantomime presents -
Peter and the Loose Boys
+ a Special Afternoon Tea**

Thursday 1st February 2024 2.00 – 5.00 p.m.

Cost: Approx £70 - £74

Organiser: Linda Howe

Matinee show with a delightful afternoon tea served during the interval

As you know, Linda has organised this event in the past and it has been very well received. Linda has agreed to organise this for all U3A members, and has asked for an indication of numbers before booking any tickets.

Please sign at the general meeting if you are interested in this 2024 extravaganza about Peter and the Loose Boys.



Calendar of Group Meetings and Events –

MONDAY 11 SEPT

10:15 Ten Pin Bowling – Arthur Partington
14:00 Jazz Appreciation – Brian Edwards
14:00 Cycling – Peter Buttle
19:30 Modern Jive – Alan Scott

TUESDAY 12 SEPT

10:00 Philosophy – Jean Stephens
12:30 Petanque – Joan Porter
14:00 Cribbage 2 – Anne Stott
14:30 Gravesend Bowls – Paul Shovlar
17:30 Dusk Strollers

WEDNESDAY 13 SEPT

10:00 Mah Jong 2 - Sandra Parker
12:00 Pop over picnic Cascades – Joan Porter
12:00 Solos Lunch – Linda Howe
14:00 Badminton – Sandra Parker
15:00 Guitar Acoustic – Bill Bennett

THURSDAY 14 SEPT

10:00 Cribbage 1 – Brian Edwards
10:30 Low Impact Fitness – Lynne Scott
14:00 Cobham Bowls - Dennis Neighbour
14:00 British History – Mick Brookes

FRIDAY 15 SEPT

10:00 Ramble – Colin Nice
14:00 Pool – Tony Tigg
14:00 Canasta - Sylvia Stickings

MONDAY 18 SEPT

12:00 Ukele – Alan Scott
14:00 Rummikub 1 – Anne Pilkington
19:30 Modern Jive – Alan Scott

TUESDAY 19 SEPT

10:00 Committee Meeting
10:00 Spanish Intermediate – Jan Rees
12:00 Fully Loaded Lunch Club – Ben Winder
14:00 Reading – Margaret Groom
14:00 Genealogy – Peter Buttle
15:00 Gravesend Bowls – Paul Shovlar

WEDNESDAY 20 SEPT

10:00 Mah Jong 1 – Linda Mei Stevens
10:15 Cold War Bunker Tour – Steve Nolan
11:00 Tame Your Tech - Ali Meherali
14:00 Music Appreciation – Carol Edwards
14:00 Badminton – Sandra Parker
15:00 Guitar Acoustic – Bill Bennett

THURSDAY 21 SEPT

10:00 Creative Writing 1 – Penny Collins
10:00 Crossword Club – Ray MacLean
10:30 Creative Writing 2 – Sally Spellman
14:00 Cobham Bowls - Dennis Neighbour

FRIDAY 22 SEPT

10:00 Birdwatching – Irene Robson
14:00 Wine Appreciation – Brian Edwards

MONDAY 25 SEPT

10:00 Psychology – Lin Fridd
14:00 Rummikub 2 – Sandra Parker
14:00 Cycling – Peter Buttle
14:00 Readers' Forum - Carol Edwards
19:30 Modern Jive – Alan Scott

TUESDAY 26 SEPT

12:30 Petanque – Joan Porter
14:00 Painting – Judy Dutfield
14:00 Bridge – Anne Stott
15:00 Gravesend Bowls – Paul Shovlar
17:30 Dusk Strollers – Barbara Blum

WEDNESDAY 27 SEPT

12:30 Lunch Bunch – Maggie Hart
14:00 Badminton – Sandra Parker
14:15 Line Dancing – Linda Howe
15:00 Guitar Acoustic – Bill Bennett

THURSDAY 28 SEPT

10:30 Senior Elastixs – Jan Elci
10:30 Armchair Traveller – Sally Spellman
14:00 Geography – Colin Nice
14:00 French Conversation – Anne Stott
14:00 Cobham Bowls - Dennis Neighbour

FRIDAY 29 SEPT

09:30 Hike – Colin Nice

SATURDAY 30 SEPT

Murder Mystery Evening – Marilyn Pascoe

MONDAY 2 OCT

10:00 Photography 1 – Colin Nice
12:00 Ukelele – Alan Scott
19:30 Modern Jive – Alan Scott

TUESDAY 3 OCT

10:00 Poetry Appreciation – Theresa Johnston
10:00 Spanish Intermediate – Jan Rees
10:00 Model Making – Chris Hewlett
14:00 Local History – Joyce Bell
14:00 Rummikub 3 - Anna Burroughs
15:00 Gravesend Bowls – Paul Shovlar

WEDNESDAY 4 OCT

10:00 Film – Jean Stephens
11:00 Tame Your Tech - Ali Meherali
13:00 Art apprec'n. – Robert Vanderwindt
14:00 Badminton – Sandra Parker
14:15 Line Dancing – Linda Howe
15:00 Acoustic Guitar– Bill Bennett

THURSDAY 5 OCT

10:30 Solos Coffee Morning – Linda Howe
14:00 Cobham Bowls - Dennis Neighbour

FRIDAY 6 OCT

14:00 Table Tennis – Tony Tigg

SATURDAY 7 OCT

19:30 Quiz Night – Stan Morris

SUNDAY 8 OCT

Waverley Paddle Steamer – Linda Howe
12:30 Sunday Lunch Bunch – Marilyn Pascoe

MONDAY 9 OCT

10:15 Ten Pin Bowling – Arthur Partington
14:00 Jazz Appreciation – Brian Edwards
14:00 Cycling – Peter Buttle
19:30 Modern Jive – Alan Scott

TUESDAY 10 OCT

10:00 Philosophy – Jean Stephens
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13:45 General Meeting CP