

# Livermead and Preston Newsletter November 2023

### Next Meeting Wednesday 25 October

Our speaker will be John Pappin from Shelterbox a charity sending emergency aid to countries experiencing war, famine, floods etc.



#### **Discovery Group at Devon College**

On Thursday 16 November members of the Discovery Group toured the Catering Department of South Devon College. One member said "I go there quite often but still found the visit today very interesting and informative. It was also good to have a tasty lunch afterwards that had been prepared by the students."

Group Facilitator Colin Porter email: colintippy@gmail.com

#### Christmas will soon be here!

Our Christmas Lunch is proving very popular, and tickets are selling fast. Your last chance for securing your place is at our General Meeting on Wednesday 22 November. This year our Christmas Lunch is being held at Ye Olde Smokey House, Vicarage Road, Marldon, TQ3 1NN on Wednesday 13 December. Good food, fun, and friendly conversation guaranteed! Tickets available at the General Meeting: 2 Courses £24 or 3 Courses £29 (these prices include a small admin fee). Please make sure you have given us your choices as we have to pre order to ensure we all get served at the same time! If you pay for 2 courses then decide on the day you want another course you will need to pay Maggie Tolkien, our Treasurer the £5 difference as our u3a will be billed for the total cost. Drinks must be paid for individually.

#### 2024 Livermead and Preston u3a Calendars on Sale.

Once again, our 2024 Calendars were well received, and we have had to get more printed to fulfil the number of orders. There will be a few spare Calendars available at the General Meeting on Wednesday 22 November **cost £3.00** so make sure to get yours before they sell out.

## **News From The Groups**

<u>Art</u> – The Art Group continues to thrive. It is a very friendly group with a lot of friendly chatter going on as well as a lot of painting. The next meeting is on Monday 27 November at 2pm at Preston Conservative Club.

Group Facilitator: Maggie Tolkien dmtonline@virginmedia.com

<u>Handicrafts Group</u> – at our next meeting one of our members will be taking the lead and demonstrating how to make pebble pictures! Our next meeting is on Tuesday 28 November at 2pm at Preston Conservative Club. <u>There will be no meeting in December</u> Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 078247 00886



#### **Christmas Dates**

Some groups will be meeting in December, and some will not meet until January 2024. To ensure you don't miss out, please contact your Group Facilitator to find if, and when, your group will meet next.

**The Bands Christmas Concert** – St Marychurch Roman Catholic Church, Fore Street, St Marychurch TA1 4QY, Wednesday 6 December at 7.30pm. *Tickets at special price of* £6 available at our General Meeting on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November in aid of Torbay Mencap Society Member Colin Porter 01803 698377

There will be no General Meeting in December. Our next General Meeting will be on Wednesday 24 January 2024 when our speaker will be Zak Showell from Shaldon Wildlife Trust



#### Christmas Day Lunch For those who will be on their own on Christmas Day the Medway Centre, Medway Road, Barton, Torquay, TQ2 8SA are holding a 3 course Christmas Dinner -plus entertainment, Prize Bingo, Karioke and a Crimbo Goody Bag - on Sunday 25 December from 12 - 4 pm. <u>Free transport can be provided just ask when booking.</u> <u>Spaces are limited so booking is essential.</u> contact: 07928 052 059



