



Livermead and Preston Newsletter October 2023

Next Meeting Wednesday 25 October

Our speaker will be Bill Hudson, a local man, talking about butterflies and other fauna and flora of Spain.



Take Extra Care at Halloween

Dark nights and people knocking on your door 'trick or treating' is an ideal time for those few unsavoury characters to take a chance and try to take advantage so please be extra careful who you open your door to. If you have a door chain, use it. Better still if you have a video door bell!

Christmas is only 8 Sundays Away!

If like many people you are going to be alone at Christmas now is the time to book your place at our **Christmas Lunch 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). 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.

Following the success of our 2023 calendar we have ordered an updated version for 2024. **The calendar - which will be available at our October General Meeting - will cost £3.00 to cover set up and printing costs.** We have ordered a minimum 10 calendars but can easily order more so, if we have sold out on Wednesday and you want one, please let us know and you can pick one up at the November General Meeting.

Novembers speaker will be from the charity Shelterbox that provides emergency shelter and tools in areas torn by disaster and conflict.

News From The Groups

Art – 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 13 November at 2pm at Preston Conservative Club.**

Group Facilitator: Maggie Tolkien dmtonline@virginmedia.com

Handicrafts Group – sadly our October meeting had to be cancelled but we are all looking forward to our November meeting when one of our members will be demonstrating how to make pebble pictures! **Our next meeting is on Tuesday 28 at 2pm at Preston Conservative Club.**

Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 078247 00886



Lunch Club – Our October Lunch Club had to be cancelled due to most members being otherwise engaged so **the next meeting will be on Thursday 9 November at 12.30pm - venue to be decided.**

Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 07824 700886

Rummikub – Rummikub has moved from the upstairs room into the main ground floor meeting room at Preston Conservative Club. Come and join us! We still meet on the 3rd Tuesday of the month. **Next meeting is on Tuesday 21 November at 2pm**

Group Facilitator: Maggie Tolkien dmtlonline@virginmedia.com

Skittles – the Skittles Group has moved to the 3rd Wednesday of the month. It is still meeting at Preston Conservative Club at 11am. **The next meeting is on Wednesday 15 November**

Group Facilitator: Eunice Nichols champerseunice@gmail.com

Events You Might Be Interested In from Discovery Group Facilitator Colin Porter

Festival of Remembrance Concert on Saturday 11 November at 7.30pm at Central Church, Tor Hill Road, TQ2 5RN. Performances by the Riviera Brass Band and Torbay Police and Community Choir. **Tickets £5 pay at the door with proceeds going to the Poppy Day Appeal.**

This is a very special offering to remember those who laid down their lives in the cause of peace in this country and is very relevant with what is happening in Ukraine and Israel today. This is a well established event and well worth making an effort to attend.

Member : Colin Porter 01803 698377

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 25th October in aid of

Torbay Mencap Society

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Bonfire Night

Bonfire Night will soon be upon us and, as it is on a Sunday you can almost guarantee that there will be fireworks going off on Friday, Saturday and Sunday evenings. If you have four legged friends please make sure they have somewhere safe and secure to hide out until it's all over.



