

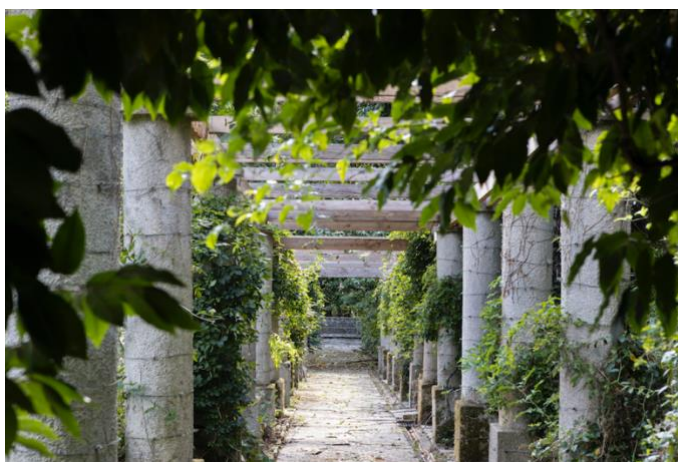
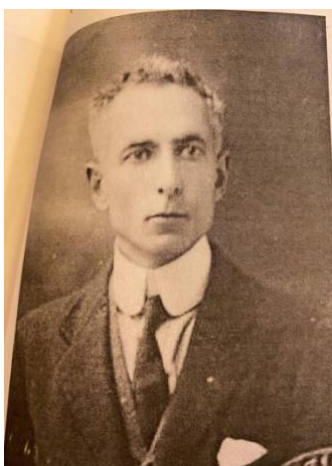


## Livermead and Preston Newsletter

### March 2024

#### Next Meeting Wednesday 27 March 2024

Our speaker will be Angela Dodd-Crompton talking about the Little Italian Garden at Great Ambrook



**Arthur Graham creator of the Italian Garden**

#### **Lots of Paperwork to Collect this month!**

- For those of you who haven't already picked up your membership forms – you will be able to pick one up at the General Meeting.
- Notice of the Annual General Meeting in April will also be available along with Nomination forms for you to choose members of the committee for 2024-2025.
- For those of you who have already paid your membership for the coming year your Membership Cards will be available to collect.

Our April meeting is our **Annual General Meeting** when you get the opportunity to vote in your choice of committee members to carry on the work of Livermead and Preston u3a.

*There will be entertainment from Theresa Moorin and friends before the business of the AGM and light refreshments after the close of the AGM.*

## News From Our Groups.

**New Groups:** Coffee Mornings and Garden Visits enough interest has been shown in these two new groups so there will be initial meetings arranged after the AGM to discuss how these groups will go forward.

**Discovery Group** – **Shaldon Zoo visit on Tuesday 9 April (please note change from usual date).** Meeting up in the Car Park on A379 Torquay to Teignmouth Road - well signposted – at 10.15am. Our January speaker Zak Showell will be acting as tour guide. *If you need a lift, or can offer a lift, and/ or if you are planning on attending please contact:*

**Group Facilitator: Colin Porter on [colintippy@gmail.com](mailto:colintippy@gmail.com)**

**Handicrafts Group** – We are a small group who love to try new crafts. None of us are experts but we are willing to 'have a go' often with results that surprise us all by how good they turn out! If you have a skill to share, or just want to try something new please come along and join us! Our next meeting is on **Tuesday 23 April at 2pm** in the bar area of **Preston Conservative Club.**

**Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 078247 00886**

**Lunch Club** – the next meeting will be on **Thursday 11 April at The Harvester, Beacon Quay, Torquay, TQ1 2RD at 12.30pm.** New members welcome. As we need to book places please contact :

**Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 01803 322319**

**Music Appreciation** – this group is a joint group with Paignton u3a and takes place on 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month at **The Hut at the back of St Paul's Church, Locarno Avenue, Paignton, TQ3 2DH.** The next meeting is on **Monday 15 April, 10.15am**

**Group Facilitator: Geoff Simpson. Email: [tipdodger@gmail.com](mailto:tipdodger@gmail.com)**

**Needles and Natter** – This group is in danger of falling by the wayside due to lack of members. We are a very friendly group – do more nattering than working if the truth be told! Bring along your own work: knitting, crochet, embroidery, loom knitting, patchwork, - anything to do with needles really! We meet in the café in Paignton Library on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of the month and our next meeting is on

**Monday 15 April at 2pm**

**Group Facilitator: Linda Skipper 078247 008869**

### Walking Groups

Livermead and Preston u3a do not have any walking groups at present but we have been contacted by South West Coast Path Connectors Project and they are offering two types of walks that anyone can join – you just have to turn up!

- **Tuesday 2 April 11 am meeting at Decoy Park Ticket/Tuck Shop Newton Abbot.**  
1 hour flat walk with slightly uneven, muddy surfaces.
- **Tuesday 16 April - Lupton House towards Greenway House** – free parking. Meeting in front of Lupton House at 1pm. 2hr 15mins, inclines and declines (very muddy in wet weather).9
- **Tuesday 23 April Roundham Loop meeting at Harbour Lights Cafe, Paignton at 11am.** 1 hour 15 minutes, mostly flat. One notable ramped decline.
- **Tuesday 30 April – Paignton to Brixham.** Meeting at Paignton Rail Station. 3hours – a long but glorious walk – returning by bus.

**Walk Leader Stuart Riddle – look out for bright blue polo shirt!**

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