

CHAIRPERSONS' WELCOME LETTER NOVEMBER 2022.

Hello Everyone.

Well we know winter is well on its way with the rain and wind! I do love seeing the trees change colour though, all the golds, yellows and russet hues. Halloween is now behind us and so soon will Bonfire Night. It is Christmas already in most of the shops, but I like to wait until December. November is a month for planning the festivities and the year ahead as we cosy up in front of the fire, trying not to put the heating on, in a cuddly blanket.

It was very nice to see several people from Brixham arrive to our last monthly meeting, and the feedback I received was very favourable, so thank you for making them feel welcome. I look forward to seeing you on Tuesday.

Carole Gíffen

ART GROUP

As we do not have an Art Group, anyone interested can join the group at Livermead and Preston run by Maggie Tolkein. It is held at Preston Con Club on the 2nd and 4th Monday of the month

from 2-4pm. It costs £1 each. Please contact Maggie beforehand, as places are limited and people may have to go once a month (staggered).

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Monies for the Christmas Lunch have to be paid by 8th November. This is because we have to give the hotel a month's notice of numbers and it will be too late by the December Meeting. Menu choices have to be in place two weeks before the 15th December, and as our meeting is on the 13th, again, because of the way the dates have worked out it will be too late. I will be on the desk to take your payment and orders for the menu. Although, if you are unable to attend this month's meeting, please send your choice by email by the beginning of December to the Chair.

SPEAKERS

November - Rowcroft December - Theresa Moorin

HANDCRAFT GROUP

Come along and support our group, a new member joined last month, so, why not find someone else to com along and join?? URBAN EDGE CAFE on WEDNESDAY 24^{TH} at 13.30, get those fingers moving!!!

SOCIAL GROUP

Come along to the URBAN EDGE CAFÉ in VICTORIA STREET at 13.30 on second Friday each month and share your memories of the past year – where you have been and what you enjoyed -, and plans for the winter!! New folks have shown an interest in joining u3a, so come along and welcome them.

GARDENING GROUP

For the time being the gardening group is closed until the spring, thanks,

MUSIC APPRECIATION

The next meeting is on November 21st 10.30am to 12.30pm in "The Hut" at the rear of St Paul's Church, Preston. Via Locarno Avenue. TQ3 2DH

There is free parking outside the hut and more parking in main car park. Novembers Meeting will be Pot Luck with members choosing a number and hearing the corresponding music and maybe a music quiz as well. If you enjoy music (of any genre), you will be more than welcome.

The cost is £3 which covers the room hire. It also includes tea or coffee and a biscuit or two.

Thanks Geoff Simpson - Group Facilitator

GROUPS' LISTING – dated NOVEMBER 2022

There are some amendments to the groups list, PLEASE obtains your copy from the booking desk.

DECEMBER SPEAKER MEETING

'Santa is coming to town!!', how many carols have you heard in November, even October??!! Now in December we have our own Christmas celebration, at our usual meeting, but!!, this one has a couple of interesting participants. We are welcoming THERESA MOORIN and her 'friends', so, come along in good voice for some singing, and let's enjoy a different kind of Christmas presentation.

CANASTA - now meet on the 1st and 4th Monday of every month at 11am in the cafe at the PALACE THEATRE. Contact Sue Hoggett.

MAH JONG

Our next meeting will be held on Wednesday 9 November at the Paignton Club starting at 10.30a.m. Everybody welcome. If you would like to know more please contact Sue Hoggett.

TECHNO BOD STILL REQUIRED

Is there a member out there who has computer knowledge who would be willing to help other fellow members if they are experiencing any computer problems? If so please speak to any committee member at the next meeting.

Thank you.

TORBAY CARERS -CELEBRATION DAY -PAIGNTON LIBRARY -SATURDAY 19th NOVEMBER - 10.30 -14.00.

"Activities, music, arts and crafts, stands, free coffee and cakes for carers, carers' advice and much more."

NEW COMMITTEE FOR 2023 – 2024!!

Oh yes, it's that time of the year again when we have to think of our future. Your present committee 'retires' at the AGM in APRIL, and so, a new committee will need to be elected at that meeting!! So, we need ask ourselves, what can I bring to the committee and am I willing to serve our fellow members for 12 months??? Further details from Carole Giffen or Rodger Smith.