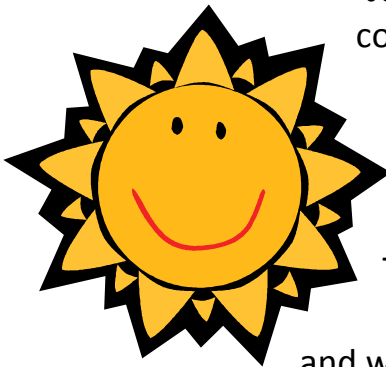


From the New Committee

At the Committee Meeting on 16 May:



- Julie Seidel was elected Chair, 2013/14. In addition, she will continue in her role as Group Coordinator.
- Committee members volunteered for roles. (See back page).
- Our Open Days will take place during the last two weeks of August 2013 (see notice below).
- Provisional details of next AGM are: Harman's Cross VH on Thursday 15 May 2014.
- The next newsletter will be out in the first week of August and will include an updated list of groups in time for the Open Days.
- The next committee meeting will take place on 23 September.

AGM: At the AGM, which took place prior to the Committee Meeting, the retiring Chair and Secretary / Editor were presented with gifts and thanked for their work for Purbeck U3A. In reply, Janet thanked the Committee and said how much she had enjoyed her role over the past eight years. Nigel thanked the Committee for their support and for that of the Membership. He would not be returning to the Committee this year and wished the new Committee well.

Group Leaders' Meeting: Most group leaders were present as well as Sally Carter who has been leader of a poetry group since the start of Purbeck U3A in 1998. We wish her well in her new home, nearer to her sons in the London area and thanks to Jim Humberstone who has taken over the group.



Day Trip: PANT has spaces on a trip to Hampton Court Flower Show on Thursday July 11, cost £45. Please contact Jean Fernley: jean.fernley@ntlworld.com The coach will leave Swanage at 08.30 and arrive back at 17.30.



PURBECK U3A OPEN DAYS 2013

Wednesday 21 August: The Corn Exchange, Wareham










Wednesday 28 August: Mowlem Committee Room, Swanage



Bring your friends and **renew** your membership. Meet group leaders and **sign up** for groups running in 2013/14.

Help with refreshments at both venues would be appreciated. Volunteers contact Chair asap please.
2014 U3A Pocket Diaries will be available price £2.

Group Notices

More information on web at: www.purbecku3a.org.uk

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|  | <p>MEETING POINTS – Juliet Greves; Harmans Cross Village Hall, 4th Thursday, 10.00 – 12.00/12.30 Lots more info on our website at: http://meetingpoints.purbecku3a.org.uk email: meetingpoints@purbecku3a.org.uk Transport is available.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 27 June: Your <u>questions</u>, both serious and light-hearted will be answered by a panel of people with (hopefully) widely differing views. Anything goes! <p>PLEASE could you email your question/s via meetingpoints@purbecku3a.org.uk so that we can prepare a list. UPDATE: There's time still to email the questions you would like answered by the panel. Questions already received range over a variety of topics – keeping fit in our later years, organ donation, education for the 21st century, assisted dying, women ruling the world, alternative sources of energy ... and yours!</p> |
|  | <p>ARCHAEOLOGY– Robin Humphries, Sandford Community Hall, 4th Friday 10 – 12 email: archy@purbecku3a.org.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 28 June: Saxon Defences of Wareham – Lilian Ladle • 26 July: Visit to Water Supply Museum, Sutton Poyntz pumping station. • August Field Trip (or in July). |
|  | <p>COMPUTING, INTERMEDIATE - John Hale Sandford Community Hall, 4th Wednesday 10.15 – 12.30 Info at: www.purbecku3aComputing.org.uk email: computing@purbecku3a.org.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 26 June: Any Questions – John Hale |
|  | <p>CYCLING FOR SOFTIES – Ros Ham; 2 & 4 Tues 9.45 for 10.00 for 12 miles / 2 hours. Email: rosalind.ham@talk21.com</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • We ride predominantly on country roads with only gently undulating hills which may mean short walks for some riders but this gives us a time to chat! • Off-road, the rides are generally on wide gravel tracks or bridleways and sometimes there may be a need to dismount. Most rides are a mixture of on and off road and no-one should feel out of their depth. • We start at good parking locations and often have a coffee or drink at the end of the session. • If you would like to join us or have a trial ride, please contact Ros. No rides in August. |
|  | <p>DISCUSSION GROUP – Diana Morgan; 2nd Thursday 2.30 – 4.30 Understanding Contemporary Affairs in their historical background. email: discussion@purbecku3a.org.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13 June: What and Why is there the present sea change in Politics? Please bring your own ideas to discuss this. • 11 July: Why is there a sea change in religion? With a short introduction by John Ponter, • No meetings August and September. • 10 October: <u>Ideas Please!</u> Suggestion – an in depth study about the EU. |
|  | <p>FOLK SONG GROUP – Paul Lurie; 2nd Friday 2 pm in members' homes. email: folk@purbecku3a.org.uk The group listens to CDs of folk music. New members welcome.</p> |
|  | <p>LUNCH CLUB – Marion Morris; bi-monthly, last Sunday of month, 12 for 12.30. It is essential to contact Marion to book and not wait for her to contact you. The final date for booking is 22 June. Kemps need to know numbers at least a week in advance. Email: lunch@purbecku3a.org.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 30 June: Kemps, Wareham. (Last till autumn term). |
|  | <p>PHOTOGRAPHY – Tony Smith; 3rd Tuesday 10-12, Meeting Room, Harman's Cross Village Hall email: photography@purbecku3a.co.uk <u>New members welcome.</u> All abilities. Check out our new website at www.purbecku3a.org.uk</p> |
|  | <p>SCIENCE & TECHNOLOGY – John Churchill; 3rd Wednesday, 09.45 for 10.00 – 12.00, Parish Hall, the Quay, Wareham. Info at: http://technology.purbecku3a.org.uk/ email: sandt@purbecku3a.org.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 19 June: The History of the Torpedo – Geoff Kirby • 17 July: Surface and Undersea Operations in the Oil Industry – Charles Miller • August: No meeting. • 18 September: New Term. |

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|  | <p>TAI CHI – Allen Morgan; weekly on Wednesdays from 2.30 – 4.00 pm. Swanage Youth and Community Hall, High Street, Swanage. Email: taichi@purbecku3a.org.uk New members welcome.</p> <p>Much advice is given about the need for exercise to maintain health. The Tai Chi and Chi Gong class is designed to maintain health through a series of simple energy exercises. These can be accomplished by everyone even if, by necessity, sitting in a chair. The Chinese state that disease occurs when energy does not flow throughout the body and the exercises are designed to accomplish this flow of energy.</p> <p>More of you are very welcome at my class.</p> |
|  | <p>U3A K9s Ros Ham; rosalind.ham@talk21.com 3rd Thursday, 10 – 12 Various locations.</p> <p>We are a group of walkers with dogs who like to walk and socialise on a monthly basis for approximately 1.5 hours from a good parking area where we can unload our pets in safety and try to walk where there are few farm animals and well away from cliffs. This is not always possible so the dogs should have good recall and be well controlled!</p> <p>We sometimes park in an area with a café and often stop for a coffee at the end of the walk. Good walking boots, sticks, leads etc. are required. The leader for the sessions rotates and through this we are exploring the canine aspects of the Purbecks. Contact Ros for details. No walk in August.</p> |
|  | <p>WALKING GROUP – David Gerry; 3rd Monday. 09.50 for prompt start at 10.00 – noon.</p> <p>Non-members welcome but insurance covers first visit only. Suitable footwear essential. Rainwear and walking pole/s or sticks recommended. There may be stiles to negotiate. Bring a drink. Start points will have parking available. Please try to car share. No dogs.</p> <p>email: walks@purbecku3a.org.uk Next meeting September..</p> |

Notices

Visit to Monkey World 8 May

Well, the weather was not brilliant, in fact it was decidedly chilly, but the rain held off as we went round the site. The fourteen of us who decided to visit Monkey World had a most enjoyable and informative afternoon and realised it had been well worth booking the guided tour.

Our guide, Mike, second from the left, kept us amusingly informed about the lives and previous experiences of the animals rescued.

In the foreground of the main picture is the memorial to Jim Cronin



one of the founders of Monkey World.

One of our group made good use of a mobility scooter available for hire.



Photos available courtesy of John Hale.



**Purbeck U3A Wine Appreciation
Master of Wine session – June 17th 2013.**

We are very lucky again to be able to invite a Master of Wine, Susan Hulme to come to lead the last session of the year on June 17th. She will be introducing Turkish wines to the group and there will be a 'Questions and Answer' session too.

We very much enjoyed her session in December and so we are all looking forward to this evening. Invitations have been sent to the neighbouring Poole and Dorchester U3A Wine appreciation groups too. If any Purbeck U3A members are interested in joining us, please contact Ros Ham rosalind.ham@talk21.com to secure a place. This will be the last meeting until September when Roger Bartley will lead.

Mah Jong for Beginners

A Beginners/Refreshers course in Mah Jong is taking place on Mondays afternoons during June at Harmans Cross Village Hall and there is space for one or two more. If you haven't already signed up to this 4 - 5 week course commencing 3rd June and would like to learn to play or improve your skills with this exciting and fun game please contact the Group Leader without delay.

Purbeck U3A Mah Jong Group meets fortnightly at Harmans Cross throughout the year and the course is intended to instruct Beginners/Refreshers to a level that they are easily able to continue playing with the wider Mah Jong Group - we play to British Mah Jong rules but with a local variation. Most members also play in house groups between the Harmans Cross fortnightly meetings.

Group Leader: Clive Bacon; email at mahjong@purbecku3a.org.uk.

New Members

Welcome to Purbeck U3A: Wareham: Myrna Gomez-Maria, Jacqueline Riley, Maggie Surtees, Theresa Baldwin and Maeve Baker 😊

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