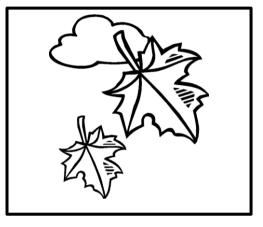
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NEWSLETTER.....September 2012

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Autumn Term 2012 Overview and Groups List



Autumn Term 2012 Dates for your Diary

29 August: Open Day Town Hall, Wareham from 10-12.

31 August: Open Day All Saints Ch., Ulwell Rd, Swanage 10-12.

7 September: Bridge for Fun (p2) N.B. new name /day - Friday / time - 10-12.30.

10 September: 1st meeting Singing Songs for Pleasure in Swanage.

17 September: Walking Group – pay and display car park, West Street,

Corfe. 10.00 start.

19 September: Science & Tech. – 'Harvesting Energy from the Wind'.

9.50 for 10.00 start.

24 September: October Newsletter

out.

26 September: Intermediate Computing – first meeting. Start

10.15.

27 September: Meeting Points, Harman's Cross VH. 10 – 12. 'Dorset Buildings Ancient and Modern'.

28 September: Archaeology – first

meeting.

30 September: Lunch Club - Kemps

Hotel, Wareham. Tel. Marion: 554433

Welcome to Purbeck U3A Open Days 2012

Wednesday 29 August, Corn Exchange, Wareham Town Hall

Friday 31 August All Saints Church, Ulwell Road, Swanage

Open from **10 -12**

Come along and sign up for groups. Bring your friends.

Refreshments

From the Chair:

Hello again for the start of another year. After all the excitement, and dare I say inspiration, of the Olympics it's time for you to be inspired to do something new this year. Even if you are an existing member (who has remembered to sign up before 1 September) make a point of coming to the open day and having a look at a group you never thought you'd be interested in. You'll be surprised at yourself!

Are you brimming with good ideas for a new group? Why not talk to Julie our, new group co-ordinator? She would be only too pleased to give you help and guidance about how to start.

As usual we have tried to get as much publicity about the open days as possible but word of mouth is the very best so tell your friends and acquaintances and get them to come.

I hope you all enjoy Purbeck U3A this year and I 'm looking forward to meeting you at one the social meetings. *Nigel*

From the Treasurer:

- ✓ Group leaders who use halls please make sure you have booked and informed the Treasurer before
 - 1 September.
- ✓ <u>Diaries for 2013</u> are now in. If you have ordered one, Treasurer will have them available at Open Days or contact him by phone or email (see p 6).

Meeting Points programme Autumn Term

All meetings held from 10 - 12 in Harman's Cross Village Hall

More information on the website: www.purbecku3a.org.uk

Thursday 27 September: Dorset Buildings Ancient and Modern, Donald Melvin.

Thursday 25 October: Discussion in the Round – Ros Kayes

Thursday 22 November: The Power of Humour in Everyday Life, Nick Thomas. (This promises to be a morning to cheer

you through Christmas festivities - and beyond)!

27 September: Dorset Buildings; Ancient and Modern, Donald Melvin, 10.00am, Harmans Cross Village Hall.

The first Meeting Points of the new academic year! Every member of our U3A is very welcome at these monthly meetings when you can catch up with what's going on in U3A, meet friends old and new and be entertained by a speaker or "event". New members are especially welcome; just introduce yourself at the door and someone will show you round.

This has been chosen as a topic of general interest with recognition of the former success of our U3A Architectural Heritage group, as well as to follow on from Dorset Architectural Heritage Week which runs from 5-13 September.

Donald Melvin, artist and former lecturer in Architecture and Design at Bournemouth University, studied at Glasgow School of Art and has a wide range of interests which include painting, drawing, furniture making and jewellery. Recently he has exhibited paintings at Blandford, some of which he hopes to bring with him to Harmans Cross. He will inform us about our built environment and encourage us to think about our surroundings. Swanage will feature: have you marvelled at those bargeboards amongst other local buildings of architectural merit? Will you recognise them? Will we agree about their distinguishing features?

FROM THE GROUP COORDINATOR

Welcome to the start of a new academic year for Purbeck U3A. Below you will find a full list of all the Groups available to you. Have a look through it and you may be surprised at the variety of groups we run from Archaeology to Wine appreciation via Jazz, Languages, Literature, Painting, Photography, Poetry, Tai Chi and Textiles and many others.

We also have new groups starting in September; Scrabble, Finance, Folk Music and a second Play Reading group – see the Group list for contact details.

Our new Finance group subtitled 'The Need for Prudent Handling of Money by Government and the Future of Britain' is a workshop based discussion group with a sequence of related topics. If you want a bit of exercise then try our Walking Group, Table Tennis or Cycling. For those interested in music we've Music Appreciation or Singing.

Computing for Beginners has become a victim of its own success as its members have made so much progress that they can no longer be considered beginners and have moved on to the next level. If you want to learn to surf, google and email, then join Computing for Beginners.

Meeting Points meets monthly; always with an interesting topic, starting at 10am with coffee and time to meet other members before the meeting starts. The choice is yours and whatever you choose you will be made very welcome by our Group Leaders.

If you have studied or have a keen interest in a topic, could you lead a group for us? I would help you plan and support you. What about Astronomy, Sociology, Philosophy or Psychology? Or even Antiques, Badminton, Board Games, Film, Gardening, Golf, Museum & Gallery visits, Opera, Sporting forum, Theatre – could you lead any of these? If you feel that you could, please contact me (<u>julieu3a@hotmail.com</u> or telephone 01929 481683).

Julie Seidel

Purbeck U3A Groups List 2012 / 2013

This list is updated August, December and March see our website: purbecku3a.org.uk & updates in our newsletter.

- Please contact group leaders / co-ordinators direct for more exact times and frequency and to find out if there is a space in the group(s) you wish to join.
- Please show a **current membership card the first time you attend** a session so your number can be recorded. **This is essential for insurance purposes**. <u>However, you may attend one 'taster' session without membership.</u>
- Please be considerate: inform your group leader if you will be unable to attend a session.
- Let your group leader know if you find you are unable to attend regularly so waiting lists may be reduced.

Group name / contact email	Location	Day/Time	Details & Contact name
Archaeology	Wareham	Monthly 4 th Fri	A self-help group with speakers.
Max 30 approx	Sandford Community Hall	10-12	
archy@purbecku3a.org.uk			Robin Humphries
Art Appreciation	Wareham	Fortnightly Tues	Studies of art in general with use of videos,
	Home	10-12	guest speakers & visits.
art@purbecku3a.org.uk			Shirley Mansell
Book Group 1	Swanage	Monthly 4 th	Do you enjoy reading & talking about books?
Max 12	Home based	Thurs 10-12	Books chosen by members.
swanagebooks@purbecku3a.org.uk			Rosemary Gilbert
Book Group 2	Wareham	Mthly 1 st Thurs	As above in the Wareham / Wool area.
warehambooks@purbecku3a.org.uk		10-12	,
			Theresa Cook
Bridge for Fun	Wareham	Weekly Friday 10	For those who have played a bit and would like
bridge@purbecku3a.org.uk		- 12.30	to revive their game. Help available.
		NOTE NEW DAY	Carol Worledge
Computing for Beginners / Improvers	Harman's Cross Village Hall	Fortnightly 1 st /	Caters for absolute beginners to those that are
computerbasics@purbecku3a.org.uk		3 rd Fridays	knowledgeable but not expert. eg create folders,
		Beginners 9-	attach photos to emails, backup data, computer
		10.45	maintenance.
		Improvers 10.30-	
		12.15	Paul Lurie
Computing – Intermediate (not for	Wareham	Monthly 4 th	Aimed at users who would like to discuss more
beginners)	Sandford Community Hall	Weds 10.15 -	advanced aspects of computing. Wireless
		12.30	broadband available. Website:
computing@purbecku3a.org.uk			<u>www.purbecku3acomputing.org.uk</u> John Hale
Creative Textiles	Wareham	Weekly Tues	We do everything in the sewing / textile line.
Max 20	Carey Village Hall	(except 2 ^{nd)}	Pat Bailey
textiles@purbecku3a.org.uk		10.00-12.30	Margaret Taylor
Creative Writing	Wool	Every 4 weeks	Bring a sample of your work to 1 st meeting.
writing@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	1.30-3.30	
		st. rd	Barrie Weeks
Cycling for Fun & Fitness	Purbeck	Fortnightly 1 st /3 rd	Cycling on and off road, 20-25 miles.
Max 18/20	Various start points in and	Tues 10.00 start	David Sansom
cycling@purbecku3a.org.uk	around the area.	nd	Peter Smith
Discussion Group -	Swanage	Monthly 2 nd	A lively and stimulating group with an
Max. 16	Home based	Thurs 2.30-4.30	introductory speaker leading.
discussion@purbecku3a.org.uk		nd	Diana Morgan
Finance	Swanage	Monthly 2 nd Tues	A series of seminar discussion workshops
	Home based	10-12	dealing with a pre-circulated sequence of topics.
	-		Alan Smith
Folk Music	Various	TBA	Members bring and listen to their favourite folk
	Home based		music.
	1	111 - 2 -	Paul Lurie
French Improvers	Wareham	Weekly Tues 2-4	Text book grammar; vocabulary practised. Some
Max 11	Home based.		homework.
french@purbecku3a.org.uk	Manakana	14411 = 1 = 1	Shelagh Capon
French Conversation	Wareham	Weekly Fri 2-4	Group members organise the programme.
frenchcon@purbecku3a.org.uk	Methodist Church Hall	100 11 11 11	Ken Embleton
French Intermediate	Wareham	Weekly Weds 10-	Everyday language skills starting with some
french@purbecku3a.org.uk	Methodist Church Hall	11.30	knowledge.
	1	111 - 11	Shelagh & Tony Capon
German Intermediate	Wareham	Weekly Tues 10-	Videos & material from BBC Deutsche Direkt,
german@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	12	Michael Thomas tapes etc. used.
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History	Wareham	Fortnightly Fri 10-	Presentations by group members.
history@purbecku3a.org.uk	Methodist Church Hall	11.30	Wendy Adams

Italian Improvers Max 7	Wareham	Weekly Mon 10-	Michael Thomas Italian.
Italian@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	12	John Baker
Jazz	Swanage	Monthly 1 st Thurs	Programme follows members' interests. Talks,
Max 18	Home based	2-4	outings to live Jazz meetings etc.
jazz@purbecku3a.org.uk			John Challis
Just Desserts Max 8	Various	Monthly last	For those with a sweet tooth!
<pre>puddings@purbecku3a.org.uk</pre>	Home based	Friday 2 pm	Paul Lurie
Literature Max 8	Wareham	Fortnightly Thurs	Biographies, novels, poetry, plays discussed.
literature@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	2.30-4	Ann Gaudin
Lunch Club	Various local pubs /	Dates in	If you are interested in attending, Marion would
Max 20	restaurants; usually on a	newsletter.	like confirmation 3 weeks beforehand.
lunch@purbecku3a.org.uk	Sunday	Meet 12.30.	Marion Morris
Mah Jong	Wareham area	Weekly	Serious play throughout the year in a friendly
Max 10	Homes based.	Mon 2-4	environment. Ring to register interest. Clive Bacon
mahjong@purbecku3a.org.uk	1,4, 1	II = 1	
Mah Jong for Beginners	Wareham area	Weekly Thurs 2-4	A course for beginners with little or no
Max 10	Homes based		experience. Register your interest for inclusion
mahjong@purbecku3a.org.uk			in the group. Maxine Bacon
AA - II - B - I - I	Harman's Cross Village Hall	Monthly 4 th	Open to all members of Purbeck u3a. Travel
Meeting Points	Harman's Cross Village Hall	Thursday 10.00 –	assistance given. Talks and venue advertised in
meetingpoints@purbecku3a.org.uk		12.00	newsletter etc. Information at:
		12.00	http://meetingpoints.purbecku3a.org.uk/
			Juliet Greves
Music Appreciation 1	Wareham	Fortnightly Mon	Listen to varied musical recitals with descriptive
Max 16	Home based	2 pm	notes. Talks & visits.
music1@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home basea	2 p	John Sansom
Music Appreciation 2 Max 10	Wareham	Fortnightly Weds	Members bring and discuss favourite music.
music2@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	2.30 – 4.30+	Mary Curtis
Music Appreciation 3	Wareham	Fortnightly Tues	Members discuss their favourite music.
music3@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	2.30 - 4	Parry Jones
Painting Club Max 15		Fortnightly Mon	Members bring work for help; try new ideas.
painting@purbecku3a.org.uk	Swanage Mowlem Committee Room	10-12	Alan Smith
Photography	Wareham	Mthly 3rd Tues	Creative photography for all types & experience
Photography	Methodist Church Hall	10 - 12	of camera user.
photography@purbecku3a.org.uk	Wethoust Church Hair	10 - 12	Tony Smith
Play Reading Max 15	Wareham	Fortnightly Tues	Classics to 'whodunits' and comedies.
plays1@purbecku3a.org.uk	Home based	2-4	Parry Jones
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riay Neading 2	Home based	2-4	Jean Edwards
Poetry 1	Wareham	Monthly Weds 2-	Poetry reading using a theme, subject, poet,
Max 12	Home based	4	format. Members choose 3 poems.
poetry1@purbecku3a.org.uk		-	Sally Carter
Poetry 2	Wareham	Fortnightly Tues	Members read aloud poems of own choice on
Max 8	Home based.	10-12	previously selected subject.
poetry2@purbecku3a.org.uk			Shirley Mansell
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Table Tennis	Harman's Cross, Swanage	Weekly	A mixed ability group.
tabletennis@purbecku3a.org.uk	HX Village Hall	Mon. 10-12	Paul Lurie
Tai Chi	Swanage	Weekly Weds	Tai Chi and Chi Gong. Gentle exercises suited to
taichi@purbecku3a.org.uk	Youth and Community	2.30-4.00	retired people.
	Centre, High St, Swanage		Allen Morgan
U3A K9s (Dog Walks)	Various in Purbeck area.	Mthly 3 rd Thurs	Walk your dog with us. Ring for details.
K9s@purbecku3a.org.uk		10-12	Juliet Greves
Understanding Nature (2 Groups)	Wareham	Mthly 1 st Weds/	Learn about nature round and about.
	Furzebrook VH	3 rd Thurs 9.45-	
nature@purbecku3a.org.uk		11.45	Peter Orchard
Walking Group	Various	Mthly 3 rd	Leisurely walks. Dogs allowed unless otherwise
walking@purbecku3a.org.uk	See newsletter for venues.	Monday 10 – 12	stated. Register interest, please.
			Steve Gent
Wine Tasting	Harman's Cross VH (HXVH)	Mthly 3 rd Mon	Most aspects of wine production & selection.
wine@purbecku3a.org.uk		6 for 6.30 - 8.30	Small charge to cover costs each session.
			Rosalind Ham

Timetable of Groups

Key: S = Swanage based, W= Wareham/Sandford /Wool based, F=Furzebrook village hall, HXVH = Harmons Cross Village Hall, V= various

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	
	<u>Mornings</u>				
Italian Improvers (W) Singing for Pleasure (S) Painting Club (S) Table Tennis (S-HX) Walking Group (V)	Art Appreciation (W) Cycling for Fun and Fitness (V) Recycling Softies Creative Textiles (W) German Interm. (W) Poetry 2 (W) Photography (W)	French Intermediate (W) Science & Tech. (W) Interm. Computing (W) Understanding Nature (W)	Book Group 1 (S) Book Group 2 W) Cross Stitch (W) Dog Walking Meeting Points – Social Group (HXVH) 4 th Th Understanding Nature (W)	Archaeology(W) Bridge for Fun (W) Computing for Beginners History (W)	
Afternoons					
Mah Jong (W) Music Appreciation 1 (W) Wine appreciation (evening group) HXVH (S)	Creative Writing (W) French Improvers (W) Play Reading 1&2 (W) Music Appreciation 3 (W)	Music Appreciation 2 (W) Poetry 1(W) Singing for Fun (W) Tai Chi (S)	Discussion Group (S) Jazz (S) Literature (W) Mah Jong Beginners (W) Short tennis (F) K9 walks (V)	French Conversation (W) Just Desserts Scrabble (W)	

NB. Some groups appearing on the same weekday meet monthly on different weeks.

Also, our (Sunday) Lunch Club: To book a place, it is essential to contact Marion Morris at least three weeks beforehand...

New Members

Welcome to Purbeck U3A: **Swanage** area – Alan and Jane Rogers and Janet Butcher-Weisner; **Wareham** area – Ian and Imogen Battey, Wendy Brown, Mike Hickmott and Patricia Plyte. [⊚]

Committee Meeting

The Committee Meeting on 8 June was primarily an induction meeting for the new Trustees. Open Days were discussed in detail including publicity. It was hoped that members would come along with friends. Members are reminded to renew before 1 September. Next meeting: Monday 3 September.

STOP PRESS! There may be the opportunity to join the Purbeck Association of the National Trust (PANT) on some of their under-subscribed visits. Spaces will be advertised by email. Details as they happen.

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Autumn Issues of our Newsletter

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Mon. 24 September (October Ed)	Wednesday 19 September	Important Dates, new groups
Mon 26 November (December Ed)	Wednesday 21 November	Christmas party details; early spring events

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