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# NEWSLETTER

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## Welcome to new members:

Carol Akerman, Christopher Hinton, and Richard Gedge.

## GROUPS and EDUCATION

**Have you filled in your form? If not HURRY!** (See Groups 2004-5)

### GROUP CHOICES

*In the giant constellation of the cosmos of my soul, lurks a secret, aching yearning for a galaxy of learning. How to find the time to pause and wonder at the glories all around? Decision time is here again. To select up to five courses from nearly forty on the menu suggests the opportunity for a feast. And so it is. How far we have travelled from the days of Oliver Twist and his plaintive "I want some more". What is on offer should satisfy the healthiest of appetites. Should we try the Arts, maybe learning of the techniques of Old Masters or indulging ourselves by painting for pleasure in watercolours. Perhaps Latin without tears could be a prelude to brushing up basic French or Italian conversation. Science and Technology could be academically demanding and wood carving with sharpened tools could lead to a village visit to the A and E department. Crosswords can be time consuming but it might be useful to know that 7 UP is LEMONADE, which reminds us that refreshment may be taken with Sunday lunch at a village pub. But NO! WALKING is the course to choose. A brisk walk of five miles, sometimes a little more, in glorious Wiltshire countryside, in the company of others who know the difference between a chaffinch and a crow, discussing current affairs and books that*

*have recently been read, films that have been seen and theatres visited. Stimulation of the mind, exercise of the limbs and there should be less need for alternative healing discussions. At the end of the walk food and a pint of genuine British beer, brewed organically, just as it has been for centuries, served in a genuine Wiltshire pub. YES it is WALKING for me.*

*Alan Wood*

### PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION

Jim Hopkinson will judge our photographs once again if we send them to him, at 93 Castle Road, Salisbury SP1 3RP, by 31 October. Prize Giving and an Exhibition of all entries will be at the November Coffee Morning, so please include a system of naming so that viewers can see who took each picture.

**Categories: Action, Architecture, Landscapes, and Portraiture.**

### GROUPS 2004-5

Many application forms for places on groups from September onwards have now been returned, with a good spread over the groups. If you have missed the deadline of 16 June, you can still apply for a few more days, but of course priority choices cannot be guaranteed. It looks as though most members will have obtained their first choice, at the least. The only problem might be Village Visits, always popular. John Hawkins of Salisbury U3A has taken over this group and has kindly allocated some places to Sarum U3A, stating a preference for new participants. If you find you have not been allocated a place, please do

not sit back and complain. Instead, be a true member of U3A and volunteer to coordinate our own Sarum U3A Village Visits group! Return slips showing Yes or Waiting List, and Group Leaders' lists will be available at our monthly Coffee Morning on **21 July** or a few days later by post. Please keep information about dates, contact numbers etc. safely. Thanks to everyone for their cooperation.  
Jean Lunnon

### ARCHAEOLOGY GROUP & VISITS

*Any member interested in this Spire U3A-run group can join immediately – no need to wait until September. Meetings will usually be held at 10 a.m. at Harnham Memorial Hall, Watersmeet Road and at the next one, on 29 June, Bill Moffat will give a talk on Roman Salisbury. On 27 July there will be a guided visit round Rockbourne Roman Villa, on 10 August there will be a tour of Silchester, with another outing on 28 September. For more details and to book, ring Anne Boutel on 328469.*

### DIGITAL IMAGING COURSE

Next meeting 16<sup>th</sup> July either 10 am or 2 pm  
All enquiries to Peter and Sheila Read 501218

### CROQUET GROUP

More members please!  
Please contact Aileen Manchee 742368

## LOCAL NEWS

Phyll Mullins writes;  
Orders for 2005 diaries now open.  
£1.80 each (red) A block order will be sent from Sarum, so no single orders after that.  
Available end of July.  
Membership Secretary 322570

## OUTINGS and ACTIVITIES

Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> July Visit to Worcester a few places still available.

Price Coach only £8.50

City Museum and Cathedral £13

City Museum, Cathedral and Porcelain Factory (which is not suitable for disabled, 4 flights of stairs) £15

Depart Tesco's 8.30am Coach Station 8.45 am

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July Kingston Maurward there are a few places available.

Depart Coach Station 10.00am Tesco's 10.15am

Leave Kinston Maurward 4.30pm

Price £10.50 (£7.52 if R.H.S. member with card) Lunch Available there.

Thursday 30<sup>th</sup> September Stratford upon Avon

To see Hamlet

Depart Tesco's 8.15am Coach Station 8.30am

Price £30 Coach only £8.50

**Only 5 places left**

*For all of the above book through Rosemary Nicholls on 710260*

## FEATURES

### REGIONAL EVENT

*Friday 22 October Lectures on Architecture* at Southampton Guildhall lecture theatre 10.00 to 12.30 hrs. The first is by the city Conservation Officer, the second by an eminent engineer on modern constructions. Tickets only £4.

## FORTHCOMING EVENTS

### COFFEE MORNING SPEAKERS

June 16<sup>th</sup> David James will speak on [Roman Salisbury](#)

July 21<sup>st</sup> Denise Allen will speak on [Tunisia, the Punic Wars and Carthage](#).

August 18<sup>th</sup> Alan Corkhill will speak on Salisbury Playhouse. "[Beyond the footlights](#)"

## ARTICLES FOR SALE

Small computer desk on castors £10 ono.  
Swivel chair, Blue. £5 ono.  
Office desk 3drawers each side FREE  
**All enquiries Ena Baldock 327774**

Please send all contributions for the Newsletter by the **Wednesday before** the meeting. to the Editor:

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