

ISE VALLEY NEWS

Kettering, Northants

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Hello Everyone

Special welcome to our new members.

If anyone is interested in a golf group, provisionally meeting once a month then please let Joy or myself know.

Please can I ask if you come in the back door, please make sure you check in at the desk.

Also we need to start a rota for tea making at the monthly meetings, one person has come forward anymore please see myself or June. Also at the end of the meeting please make sure you take your empty cups and plates back to the counter. The bins are just in front of the tea counter, thank you.

The committee are always happy to hear your suggestions, please keep making them.

Joan and I will be meeting shortly to do a proposed list of trips for next year, to gauge interest.

Thank you.

Jill
Chair

If you have anything you would like to see in the newsletter, or if you have anything to include please contact Joy by email joy.knight2@tinternet.com or 07535 446758, or see me at the group information table at the monthly meeting.

Art Group

Not much to report this month as we've had a summer break. While some of us gave our brushes and paints a break some kept practicing.

A few of us are joining a portrait session in the Artworks unit in the Newlands centre. Several happily joined Wanda, who is in our group & Bob on their 60th Anniversary celebrations which was delightful. We look forward to meeting up again on Monday 11th September at **1.30pm**, earlier than usual as the hall has another group meeting on that day.

Tessa

Ten Pin Bowling

This month we welcomed a new member, Mark, and showed him that we can actually bowl!

Seven of us scored over 92 including Mark. There were new PB's for Pat, Jenny and Dypsey, which made it quite an exciting session. Lots of enthusiasm and encouragement makes our sessions worth joining.

Dai Johnson

Lunch Club

The August Lunch club was organised by Jenny at Kettering Golf Club. Twenty-four of us sat down for dinner with a lovely view of the course. We all enjoyed our meal and a big thank you to Jenny for organising it for us. there won't be a meal in September so the next meal will be in October, and Doreen will be organising it for us. Menus will be available at the October meeting, and everyone is welcome.

Book Club

The book we read this month was "Not a penny more, Not a penny Less" by Jeffrey Archer. It is the story of four men conned out of money by an American Billionaire. They each come up with a plan to con the man out of the money he had cheated them of, the only proviso being that in the end they got exactly the money they had lost. The ending of the book is a surprise and opened the possibility of a sequel which was never written, On the whole the group had enjoyed it though some had found the scenarios a little contrived. The characters were well drawn, and the scenarios varied and developed. It was the first book he wrote, and he went on to write some well received books.

Lindsey Cole

Speakers for September and October

The speaker in September is a local man Dr Paul Wharin he will be telling us about a child cancer unit in Africa which was set up by a Kettering GP and his sister, hence the title of his talk " From Warkton to Cameroon".

October's talk will be by Monica Ozdemir from the Kettering Civic Society.

Looking forward to seeing you all!

Penny

Craft n Coffee

We had another enjoyable morning craft-ing, including a new visitor who will hopefully be joining us. Thanks to Anne for the suggestion of December meeting being a lunch meeting which is now booked further details to follow.

Next meeting is 26th September.
Joy

Attention Crafters

Josie has a variety of off cuts of material including upholstery. If interested, please contact her on 07592 348501

Short Walks – 17th August, Mawsley

Well, this time we walked round Mawsley without getting wet or muddy. In fact the weather was just right sunny with a light breeze. 17 people turned out for it too. Great! Even I made it, it was tough but it's fairly flat and has several points where the walk could be shortened. Teddy had his friend Dizzy.

We walked out of the village and took a path that passes through a field of beans for cattle feed then one of corn that was being harvested by the time we came back. Then we are out in open countryside. We walked on farm roads for a while with corn fields both sides. One field didn't have its usual compliment of sheep. Much relief with Teddy and Dizzy not that they are any trouble. On up the only hill which I'm pleased to say caused me little trouble. At the top we turn left on the road that has little traffic and start to make our way back. Passed the farm and cross the fields this time with combine harvester and tractors working. We colonised the cafe. It is

quite small, but it coped very well with us all. Talk continued till 1.30pm!

Wanda, Bob and Teddy

Advanced Camera group

At the August gathering we discussed how creative we'd been to produce some interesting photos which will be on display at the September monthly meeting. Pat talked to us about how to take the best photos of architectural features using angles and taking light into consideration. This project is our next homework.

Jenny

Spanish

Our meetings are fortnightly at St Andrews church rooms Thursdays at 1:45 to 3:45pm. If you want to join us you do need some knowledge of Spanish. If you are a beginner, you could use the internet to further your knowledge. You do not need qualifications.

Contact Geraldine on 01536 481203

RIDDLE

It can be said, to be gold is to be good.
To be stone is to be nothing. To be glass
Is to be fragile. To be cold is to be cruel.

What am I?
(Answer on page 6)

Joke Corner

A man staggered into the Dr's Surgery.

He had three knives protruding from this back, his head was bleeding from a gunshot wound and his legs had been badly beaten by a hockey stick. The Dr's receptionist booked at this pitiful sight and said,

"Do you have an appointment?"

I'm thinking about opening kennels for certain breeds of dogs but not sure where to start. Anyone give me a few **pointers**?

What did the pirate say on his 80th birthday?
Aye Matey

QUIZ

Missing Vowels (capitals and countries)

- 1 LNDN NGLND
- 2 VNN STR
- 3 SL NRWY
- 4 STCKHLM SWDN
- 5 LM PR
- 6TLLN STN
- 7 QT QDR
- 8 BGT CLMB
- 9 NWDLH ND
- 10 SLMBD PKSTN
- 11 THRN RN
- 12 JKRT NDNS

By Penny Smith

Answer on page 6

Calling all Golfers

Richard Burgess is thinking
Of starting a Golfing Group.
If you are interested, please speak
To Richard or see Jill or Joy
At the group activities table

Theatre Trip

On Wednesday 30th August, 27 of us set off for the theatre in Milton Keynes. The weather was dry but chilly. Great journey until we got to Milton Keynes and then the minibus started coughing! The driver managed to get us to the theatre but warned us that we would be going home in a different vehicle! We later found out that a hose carrying water to the back of the engine had failed – no one's fault.

We went off for some retail therapy and then lunch. Arriving back at the theatre in plenty of time for the show we found our seats. The show was full of singing and dancing and thoroughly enjoyable. Ice creams were gorgeous but expensive but who cares on a day out.

I have seen 42nd Street before when we had a trip to London and really enjoyed it, which was why I thought it a good idea to see it again. But it was a completely different show and someone mentioned that they had a job to follow the story. I agree, it was a bit odd in places and time/days changed with hardly any mention – one minute they were somewhere and in the next scene somewhere completely different minutes later – it was hard to follow. Apart from that, the show was full of positivity, and I think that everyone enjoyed it.

We came out to find a new coach waiting for us and had an excellent journey home. Next show is in November and is Drifter's Girl in Leicester.

Sylvia

The Dog and the Shadow

It happened that a Dog had got a piece of meat and was carrying it home in his mouth to eat it in peace. Now on his way home he had to cross a plank lying across a running brook. As he crossed, he looked down and saw his own shadow reflected in the water beneath. Thinking it was another dog with another piece of meat, he made up his mind to have that also. So he made a snap at the shadow in the water, but as he opened his mouth the piece of meat fell out, dropped into the water and was never seen more.

Beware lest you lose the substance by grasping at the shadow.

AUGUST QUIZ ANSWERS

Cardiff

13

Once (in 1966)

Euro

26 (actually it's 26.2, but we'll accept 26)

The Oscars

On your feet, they're shoes.

1066

Vincent Van Gogh

100th

RIDDLE ANSWER – A HEART

Answer to Missing Vowels (capitals and countries)

- 1 London England
- 2 Vienna Austria
- 3 Oslo Norway
- 4 Stockholm Sweden
- 5 Lima Peru
- 6 Tallin Estonia
- 7 Quito Equador
- 8 Bogota Colombia
- 9 New Delhi India
- 10 Islamabad Pakistan
- 11 Tehran Iran
- 12 Jakarta Indonesia

By Penny Smith

Activity Groups and Leaders

Day/Group	Leader	Telephone	Venue	Frequency	Time
Monday					
Art Group	Tessa Bellamy	07854 864632	St Andrews Church Hall	Monday	2-4pm
Book Club	Margaret Turnbull	01536 511139	Village Hall Barton Seagrave	3 rd Monday	1.45pm
Camera Club (advanced)	Jenny Goddard Pat Johnson	01536 482972 01536 483398	Member's home (Ise Lodge)	Monday following Monthly meeting	2pm- 4pm
Canasta	Margaret Hall	01536 512215	Kettering Bridge Club	Every Monday	2pm- 4pm
Mah Jongg/scrabble	Linda Law	01536 659091	Barton Seagrave Village hall	2 nd & 4 th Monday	1.45 - 3.45
Play reading group	Rosalind Bridges	01536 741466	Venue and date vary	Normally 1 st Monday	2pm- 4pm
Recorder Group	Mary Cooper Sue Hartley	420336 357676	Member's home	2 & 4 th	2.30- 3.30
Tuesday					
Camera Club (Beginners)	Julie Bates	01536 725538	Member's house	2 nd Tuesday	2pm
Ukelele Group	Alan Bailey	01933 350147	Member's house	Fortnightly	10-12
Travel	Geraldine Hardwick	01536 481203	Varies	3 rd Tuesday	2pm
Craft n Coffee	Joy Knight	07535 446758	Stirrup Cup Barton Seagrave	4 th Tuesday	10.30- 12
Wednesday					
Lunch Club	Pat & Dai Johnson	01536 483398	Varies	Alternative Months 3 rd Wednesday	12.00 for 12.30
Thursday					
Ten pin bowling	Dai Johnson	01536 483398	Thunder bowl	Following monthly meeting	12 midday
Coffee Morning	Sylvia Dale	01536 411865	Stirrup Cup Barton Seagrave	Every Thursday	10.00a m
Spanish	Geraldine Hardwick	01536 481203	St Andrews Church Hall	Fortnightly	2-4pm
Short Walks	Wanda & Bob Moffatt	01536 659236	Varies	3 rd Thursday	10am
Friday					
Singing for Pleasure	Lynda Harris	01536 528940	St John's Church Hall	Fortnightly	10- 12.00

To enrol in any groups, please contact the Group Leaders. Coffee morning is the exception - anyone is welcome.

Trips

Day Trips Jill Burgess 01536 515045

Theatre trips Sylvia Dale 01536 411865

Timings at the Eden Centre

Main meetings – 2nd Wednesday of the month at the Eden Centre

Doors open – 1.15

Chair's Chatter – 1.55

Speaker - 2pm

Raffle – 3pm

Finish – 3.15pm

To all members

If you are aware of anything affecting one of our members, such as important birthdays, anniversary or illness and feel that a card from the u3a would be appropriate, then please contact one of the committee.

Newsletter Editor

Please send contributions by 5pm, 30th of the month to joy.knight2@btinternet.com If you can get them to me earlier, that would be appreciated as the newsletter fills up and it is often a job to get the last contribution in.

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