



Wroxham and District  
Membership Number:  
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### **NEWSLETTER MAY 2016**

Following our AGM we extend a warm welcome to our new Chairman, John Long, and our new Secretary Sue Badger, and thank them for being prepared to take office. Margaret Cobbold continues as our efficient Treasurer, and the committee members are: Marlene Corke, Mary Long, Bob McKee, Jane Monks, Corrie Mould, Maggie Richardson and Di Stagg.

Preceding the business of the meeting we were treated to a charming performance by Ted Doe on `cello and Penny Doe, singer accompanied by Matthew Bond at the keyboard, and I am sure those present will remember that "the marmite's with the jam"! Following the meeting three new interest groups were formed, all the details are below.

**The next General Meeting** is on **17<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30 pm at The Hub** when John Bryant will speak about "The Life of a Fighter Pilot".. John will donate any fee to Marie Cancer Care.

#### **Activities**

**Walking** Always on the first Monday of the month. **2<sup>nd</sup> May** meet at South Walsham free car park at 10 am. The walk is 3 – 4 miles long and can be muddy, and you could bring a picnic for lunch by the broad. If you are coming ring Maggie Lomax 01603 783870

**Music:** All are welcome at the home of Brian Keane, Prior Thatch, Beech Road, Wroxham on **Weds 4<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> May and 1<sup>st</sup> June at 2.30** for a relaxing 2 hours of listening to recordings of mostly classical music. Brian 01603 782774

**Painting for Pleasure** meets at the Hub on alternate Wednesdays at 2.30- 4.,30. Hopefully the weather will be good enough to venture out somewhere. We are small in number and would love other people to join us, no matter what standard.

**Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> and 25<sup>th</sup>.** Bob McKee 01603 783639

**Photographic/Camera Club** 3rd Friday of the month. Mary Long writes "The group enjoyed an interesting afternoon at its meeting in April. The subject was "Sea and Beach" and we had some interesting photos, and then discussed the rule of 'thirds'. **On 20<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm** at The Hub we are looking forward to some different angles for

the subject "Churches". We are a mixed ability group and welcome new members."  
Mary 01603 722254

**Eating Out** should perhaps be renamed **Lunch Out** in view of a new dining group starting. **April 29<sup>th</sup>** we meet at 'The Green Man at 12.30. Ring Corrie 782755 if you have not yet let her know. On **Friday May 27<sup>th</sup> at 12.30 pm** we shall meet at Stokesby Ferry. A notice will be put out at the next General Meeting to sign up, by then we may have more information on how to get there and who to contact as Corrie will not be available.

**Evening Dining** will have its first outing on **Wed 29<sup>th</sup> June** at a Spanish restaurant in Acle. The plan is to try different national cuisines. More details in the next newsletter. Contact Maggie Flatman 01603 783091

**Bird Watching** There will be **no meetings in May** as Di cannot attend, but there is plenty of bird activity around to watch! The group usually meets the 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday for an outing, and 2 weeks later on a Friday for talking about birds in Bouchon. Di Stagg 01603 784214

**French Conversation** all levels of French speakers are welcome at Bouchon (opposite Hoveton station) **every Thursday at 3 pm**. Jane Monks 01603 782496

**History Group** meets the last Thursday of the month ie **26<sup>th</sup> May at 2 pm** at the home of Anne den Engelse, 20, The Avenue, Wroxham. New members very welcome. Anne 01603 782293

**Play Reading** meets the first Tuesday of the month, ie **3<sup>rd</sup> May at 2 pm** at the home of Ann Wilson, Carousel, Ashmanhaugh. Their next play has 38 parts, so they would welcome more people! 01603 782293

**Petanque** has decided to move to what they hope is a smoother pitch at Hoveton Village Hall car park on **Monday 9<sup>th</sup> May at 2.30 pm**. New members are very welcome, bring balls if you have them, otherwise some will be available. Dennis Cobbold 01603 784650

**Book Club** Jane Monks is hoping to help people whose eyesight is not so good with audio books. Ring her if you are interested on 01603 782496

**Chess** is a new venture: the majority of people who have shown interest are beginners, so now may be the time to join. **The proposed initial Chess meeting on 9 May has been postponed until further notice, since so few intending members were able to come on that day.**

Contact Philip Hogbin 01603 782496

**Gardening** The group is hopefully being resurrected with a meeting at Corrie Mould's home on Wednesday **4<sup>th</sup> May at 3 pm** to look round her garden and have a cuppa, and decide on a programme. All welcome. Corrie 01603 782755. Corrie's address is Cypress House, 25 Staithe Way Road, Wroxham

Our new chairman, John, has asked me to continue to write the newsletters, so please continue to provide me with any information on developments.

Corrie

As the newly appointed Chairman I would like to record my own thanks and those of all the members to Corrie for all that she has done in both starting the Wroxham Branch and being its first Chairman. The fact that it has, in just three years, attracted 74 members and has a number of interesting groups operating says a great deal about Corrie's enthusiasm, energy and organising ability. Very many thanks Corrie, from all the members.

John