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March General Meeting

It was unfortunate indeed that the speaker from the British Marine Life Rescue Service had to cancel at the 11th hour. Covid is still with us and causing trouble!

Enter member Steve Sylge on a white horse, with a presentation on Full Fibre with BT – something we are all going to be forced to confront at some time soon when BT finally switch off the old copper wire phone lines.

Many thanks to Steve for a very informative and helpful talk – and the KitKats too!

NEWS FROM THE GROUPS

National Trust – Thursday March 18th - **Chartwell** – meet in the coffee shop 10.30a.m. Looking forward to cherry blossoms!

Garden Group – Friday April 26th - **Fittleworth House** – Near Pulborough. A 3 acre tranquil, romantic, country garden, walled kitchen garden growing a wide range of fruit, vegetables and flowers

Rummikub – Friday April 12th - 2pm to 4pm at the Dial Post Village Hall. £2 per person but for the time being, no refreshments are on offer.

Please let Terry Rowell know if you are coming – important for setting out the tables!
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Quiz Group – Tuesday 16th April – 2pm to 4pm at Dial Post Village Hall. Quiz Masters Frank and Barbara will be taxing your memory banks this month.

Girls Chat * – Tuesday 9th March **Discussion** - Tuesday 9th March – both at The Topsy Fox - 11.00 a.m.

* Re-branding is all the rage – this is the group formerly known as Girls who Gossip!

Out and About

Although Out & About is listed as a group, you are all members!

APRIL – Thursday 11th April - RSPB Reserve Pulborough Brooks – post code RH20 2EL. 10.30a.m.

The cost per person is £3.00 – free to RSPB Members.

Wellies or walking boots are advised as are binoculars. Maybe we'll see lots and lots – maybe not. Wildlife totally ignores our longing for spectacle

Advance info for your calendars - we now have a date for the Chichester river cruise - Thursday 11th July. This is already fully booked but Colin will run a reserve list in case people have to cancel later.

CARD CRAFT FOR MARCH

Jennie says

This month we returned to the "Double Z card" It is very straight forward , no special cuts, just two pieces and just a couple of folds. A card that lends itself to many occasions. Cards by Anne, Jennie, Sandra and Sue.



Anne



Jennie



Sandra



Sue



The National Trust Group opened their season by visiting Nymans Gardens, always a favourite. The Camellias and Magnolias were absolutely splendid!



And In Other News...

A couple of the April u3a Online Learning Zooms

Thursday, April 11

A Remarkable Woman: The Arts and Crafts Designs of May Morris

Presented by Helen Elletson, curator of Research and Development at the William Morris Society.

Wednesday, April 17

The Road to Clean Water: Beginnings of a sewage system in Victorian London

The great stink of the Thames in 1858 convinced parliament to clean it up so Londoners could drink clean water. Enter Joseph Bazalgette.

Thanks to all contributors. All contributions gratefully received by the editor! Please send your articles/ideas/ photos (if showing u3a members, remember to get their permission first please) for the May Newsletter to me by Friday 26th April.

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Thank you *Gabi*

