

Woodside



Newsletter

July 2024

MEETING AT THE STANBOROUGH CENTRE WATFORD

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Hello everyone

As I am writing this, the glorious Summer weather has certainly arrived - but who knows what the weather will be like when you are reading it? We will also have a different political party leading the Government, if the polls are to be believed. In addition, we will have recently enjoyed (endured?) four weeks of European football. Curiously, my son-in-law's four weeks of parental leave was from 14th June to 14th July, which he maintains he had no idea exactly coincided with the EUROS when he booked it months ago!

The warmer weather also brings its challenges for the elderly. Yesterday I had a call saying that the Care Home had phoned for an ambulance for my mother - aged 96 - as her blood pressure was very high. The paramedics attended but suggested the probable cause was dehydration and with extra fluids this was soon resolved. It is always worth checking that the elderly or more frail are having enough fluids - ice lollies, jellies and watermelon are often popular - when the temperatures rise. Enjoy the fine weather if you can, and I hope to see many of you in August in Joyce's garden. *Heather*

Today's Speaker:- **'Body In The Bag!'**

To help the environment please remember to bring your own drinking vessel.

Speakers Report

We had our AGM at our June meeting, and so, instead of a Speaker, we had performances

from our Drama Group followed by The Shedettes, who form our Singing Group. First up were the Drama Group with a series of very funny sketches.

The first one showcased the difficulties involved with trying to get a Study Group off the ground. It was very close to what actually happens, but was presented in a humorous way. The second sketch

was written and performed by Alan, who was applying for a job as a trainee bus driver. The long suffering recipient of his phone call was finally informed that Alan couldn't drive at all!. The subject of the next sketch was something that we have all experienced; the loss of keys and the hunt to find them. Next came the experiences of a poor chap trying to buy some new shoes from a shop window. The assistant was extremely vague and confused. The final sketch was of a headmaster informing a parent that

their child had expired at school. This turned out to be a prank. I felt that our Drama Group is going from strength to

strength. They were very funny and entertaining.

The Singing for pleasure group, also known as The Shedettes, performed next. They were

ably led by Ady, with lots of oldies but goodies; "Da do ron ron", "I am sailing",

"Bye bye love ", "Only you", "Will you still love me tomorrow", "Those were the days" and "Sing". They gave a spirited

performance with lots of audience participation. I know they are very popular locally where they perform for care homes and social groups. The Drama group and Shedettes perform for us twice a year. Firstly following our AGM and then at our December meeting. It is an absolute tribute to them that they produce a well rehearsed and completely different programme for each occasion. Many thanks to all of them from all of us.

Louise



EARLY NEWS

Christmas Lunch

I know it is only July but the committee have been organising the annual Christmas lunch for 2024. This year we have decided to hold our Christmas lunch at **The Aldenham Golf and Country Club** on **Wednesday December 4th**. As there will be no August meeting we will be taking bookings at the September and October meetings. The cost of the lunch will be **£31 per person**. This will include a three course meal plus coffee and mince pies. The menu will be available for you to see when you book. *Dave Daniels*

Murder Mystery Group

The Murder/Mystery group met on the evening on May 18th 2024 to establish who murdered the Late Lorraine Lockwood, together with the motive for the demise of the victim five years earlier. Following the champagne reception, family members and associates of the deceased, including the local physio (Madame Rose), Lorraine's Lawyer, her Best Friend and extended family members managed to solve the clues which were available, and to avoid the 'red herrings/false information', to determine that Madame Rose (Val May) committed the crime. The evening was complete with a fish and chip supper followed by apple pie and/or strawberries with cream and good camaraderie between the suspects. We anticipate trying to solve another mystery in late August

John Simpson

GARDEN PICNIC

Tuesday 20th August at 2pm

As there is no monthly meeting in August our Business Secretary Joyce is opening her garden for all members to bring a picnic and enjoy a social afternoon. There is some limited parking in front of Joyce's house and parking is permitted in the road but she recommends parking at the top of the nearby common and walking up. Let's hope for a sunny (or at least dry) afternoon.

**'The Red House', 12 Chipperfield Road
King Langley, WD4 9JA**

Garden Visits & Weekenders



The Garden Visit's Group and The Weekenders had a social gathering in Greenwood Park on Friday 28th June. It was nice to get together over lunch and have a catch up. Thank you to Teresa and Linda Roberts for organising.

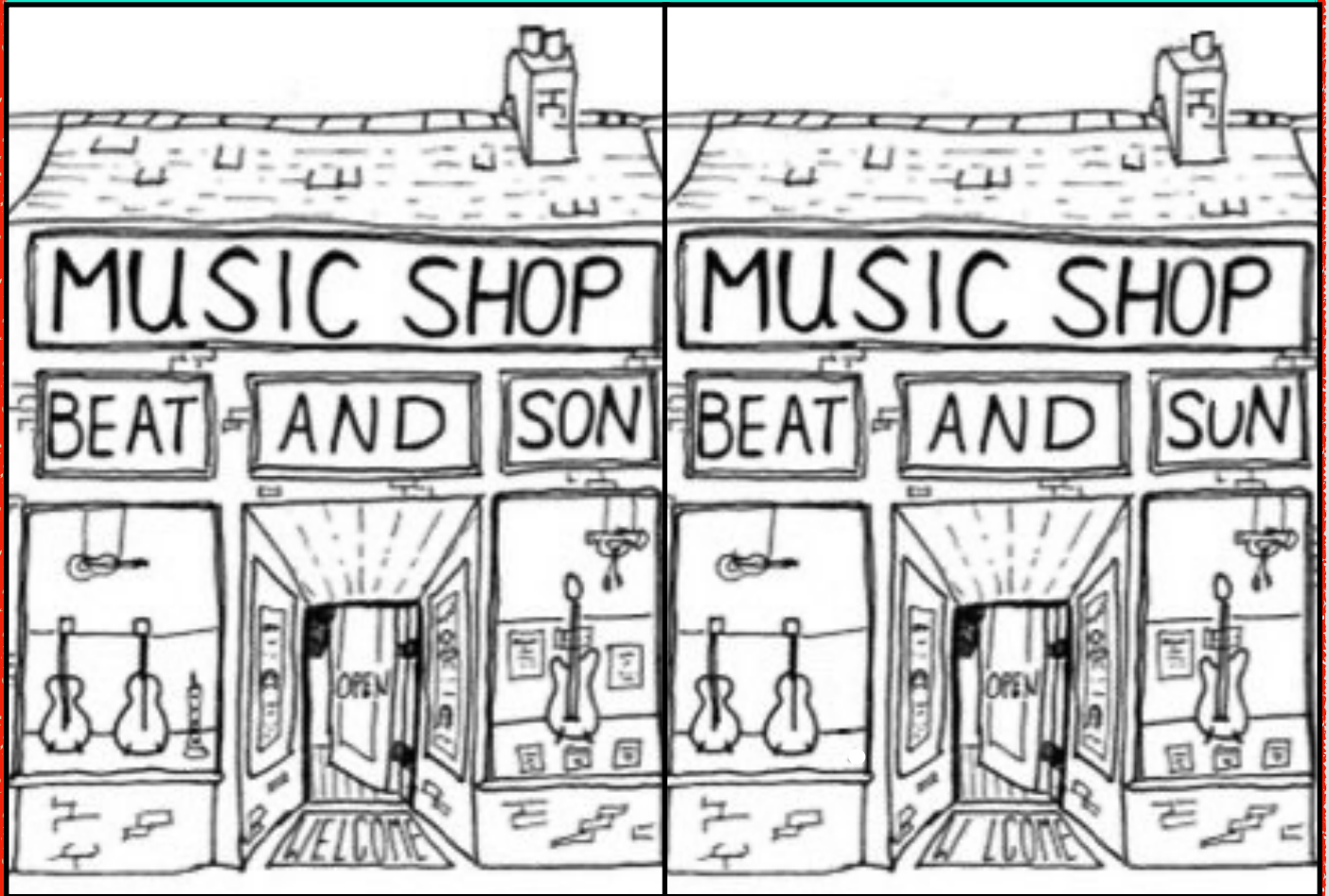
Alison

Can You Find These Wimbledon Champions?

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 MURRAY
 CASH
 PERRY

Spot The Difference!



'Doodle Art' by Pam

There Are Seven Differences
Answers At Bottom Of This Page

Alexa Joke

What's a geriatric?

A German footballer scoring 3 goals!

Spot The Difference Answers

- 1, Clarinet In Left Window Missing 2, The 'E' In Welcome Mat Missing
- 3, Chimney Pot Missing
- 4, Tile On Roof Missing 5, Picture In Right Window Missing
- 6, 'Sun' Instead Of 'Son' On Sign 7, String Holding Up Violin In Left Window Missing

Interest Groups Contact Details

Art	Contact: Sue Walters on 07989 250483, Group meets fortnightly 10-12am at Tanners Wood Hall.
Badminton	Contact: Susan Coultrup on 01923 334387. Group meets weekly on a Wednesday at Woodside Leisure Centre 2-3pm (This is a joint group with SWH)
Books	Contact: Libby Crawford on 01923 247847. Group meet every 3rd Wednesday at 10.30am
Bridge Improvers	Contact: Judith Evans on 01923 260354 or 07960 642651. Group meets 1st and 3rd Mondays at 1.30 - 4.30 at Asda Room 3 (this is a joint group with SWH)
Bus Pass Travel	No trips planned at present. John Simpson is currently looking into places to visit.
Canasta	Contact: Denise Branton on 07786 391534. Group meets 3rd Tuesday of the month at Asda Community Suite at 2.00pm
Craft	Contact: Jo Bromwich on 01923 443758. This group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month at Abbots Langley Cricket Club at 10 until 12 am
Creative Writing	Contact: Ian Woolcott on 07505 769911 (Details to be advised)
Doodle Art	Contact: Pam Cotton 07876 384026. Group meets 1st Tuesday of the month at the Royal Oak, Abbots Langley 11am. Stay for lunch and a chat.
Drama	Contact: Joyce Holton 07795 193405 This group meets on a Tuesday at Asda Community Suite, 10.00am until 11.30am
Family History	Contact: Bea Luffrum on 07711709039. Group meets monthly on the 1st Wednesday morning at members houses (this is a joint group with SWH).
French	Contact: Heather Lace on 07951937064. Group meets fortnightly on a Monday at 2.30p at members houses
Garden Visits	Contact: Teresa Brunswick on 07712 710811. Watch out for news of visits at the General Meeting.
Line Dancing	Contact: Judy Lovell on 01923 893368. Group meets 1st and 3rd Mondays. First session 10.15am. Second sessions 11.15am (This is a joint group with SWH)
Listening To Music	Group meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at 2pm. Contact: Lawrence Pearlman on 07752 367664 or email pearlyman58@gmail.com
Local Theatre Group	Contact: Pam Young on 07811 219936. Trips to be advised. Payments to be made at the time of putting your name down for a trip. Travel will be shared vehicles.
Lunch Group	Contact: Joyce Gray on 01923 263213 or rejoyce.gray@gmail.com Monthly. Days and venue vary.
Mexican Train	Contact: Bernice Caffrey on 01923 672359. Group 1 meets every 4 weeks on a Thursday at 2.00-4.00pm. Group 2 meets every 4th Monday 2.00-4.00pm
Murder/ Mystery	Contact: John Simpson on tel.no 07531 542605 - Group meets on a ad hoc basis in group members homes.
Pathfinders	Contact: Patrick Turner on 0923 263511 or 7954640263. Meets on 4th Thursday morning of the month. (this is a joint group with SWH)
Philosophy	Contact: Jeanne Johnson on 01923 263598. Group meets monthly on 1st Monday 2.00-4.00pm. (This is a joint group with SWH)

Interest Groups Continued

Photography	Contact Ken Jones on 01923 264855. Group meets most months at a venue to be decided, to take a photograph and have a social time at a local cafe.
Play Reading For Fun	Contact: Derek Giles on 01923 270971. 4th Wednesday at Asda at 10.00am -12.30pm and again 1st Monday at Asda at 2.00pm - 4.30pm (This is a joint group with SWH)
Pub Lunch And Darts	Contact: Ken Cotton 01923 269720. Group meets at the Unicorn, Abbots Langley. Meets On 1st Tuesday Of The Month
Quiz	Contact: Glen Price on 07787155461 meeting at YMCA Haines Way at 7.00pm on the third Thursday of the month.
Spanish 1	Contact: Sue Brown on 01923 661516. Group meets fortnightly on Friday at 11.00 - 12.00am at the Royal Oak, Abbots Langley.
Sewing	Contact:Tina Photi on 07427866825. Group meets Wednesday at 10.00-12.00am at Tina's home.
Sequence Dancing	Contact: Janet Moles on 07835 260967 Next meeting Friday 9th December at All Saints Church Hall from 2.00pm until 4.00pm.
Sign Language	Contact: Sue Hickson on 07958 669311. Group meets 1st & 3rd Friday of the month. 2.00-3.30pm. Contact Sue for venue.
Singing for Pleasure	Contact:Ady Shaw 01923 518021. Group meets fortnightly on Thursday at 10.00am -11.30am at Asda.
Social Outing Group	Contact: Joan jgillett43@gmail.com Mobile: 07881 768793
Table Tennis	Contact: John Simpson on 07531 542605. Group meets fortnightly at 10.00-12.00am at the YMCA Haines Way.
Ten Pin Bowling	Contact (initially) Bernice Caffrey on 01923 672359. Group meets on the 2nd Monday of the month at Hollywood Bowl at 2.00pm starting on the 11th September
Trips	Contact: Martin Rodel on 01923 442417. Available trips advertised at General Meetings.
Ukulele	Contact: Trevor Boardman on 01923 244016. Group meets 1st, 3rd and 5th Thursday and 2nd, 4th and 5th Wednesday at 2.00pm at Tesco Extra Community Room (this is a joint group with SWH)
Weekenders	Contact: Teresa Brunswick on 07712710811. Watch out for news of visits at the General Meeting.
Woodside Walk Five	Contact: Derryck Croker on 07941 401421 for details of next meeting. Group meets monthly on the 2nd Wednesday. (This is a joint group with SWH)
Wednesday Walkers	Contact: Derryck Croker on 07941 401421 Group meets on the 4th Wednesday of the month (This is a joint group with SWH)

**We are always looking for new interest groups
If you have any ideas then please speak to Bernice at the
general meeting**



General Meeting Talk Coming In September

'Bee Keeping' By Kate MacNish & Chris Bromwich

Refreshment Rota:-

September

Table Tennis and Ten Pin Bowling.

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drink from and will save using plastic
cups.



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Next General Meeting
September 17th 2024