

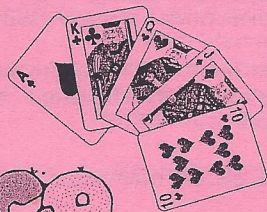
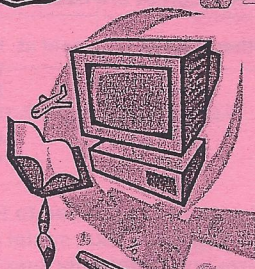
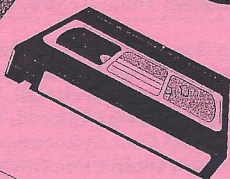
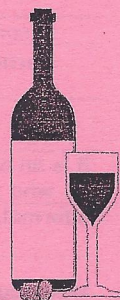
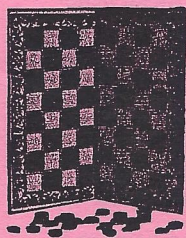


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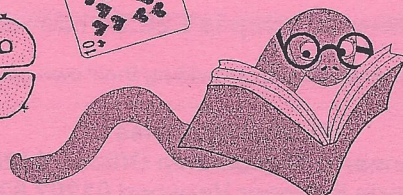
Ferndown and District

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

**Classes in Ferndown, Verwood
and West Moors**



DANCE



2003 – 2004

AUTUMN TERM

15th September – 5th December 2003
(Half Term 27th October – 31st October
AGM and Christmas Party Monday 8th December

SPRING TERM

5th January – 2nd April 2004
(Half Term 16^h – 20th February)

SUMMER TERM

19th April – 28th May 2004
(Bank Holiday 3rd May)

Ferndown and District U3A is an independent group affiliated to the
Third Age Trust, the national body of the
University of the Third Age.

It is an all-voluntary movement which caters for the interests of those over 50 who are no longer in full-time employment. Courses are relaxed and informal, there are no entry qualifications and no examinations.

Most Courses are held at Ferndown Youth Centre, Mountbatten Drive

Other courses are held at King George V pavilion, Peter Grant Way, Ferndown
West Moors Youth Club, Bond Avenue, West Moors
St Anthony's Church Hall, West Moors
United Reformed Church, Manor Road, Verwood
Methodist Church Rooms, Vicarage Road, Verwood
Verwood Youth Club, Howe Lane, Verwood

Members are entitled to four sessions per week, and members may attend the regular walks, social events, monthly sessions and outings. Single term and fortnightly sessions count as half.

Annual Membership is £28.50 (Non-returnable)

(Individuals are responsible for providing their own course materials)

Further enquiries :

Mrs Edith Stannard, Membership Officer 01202 870592
Mrs Valerie Falconer Verwood 01202 824396

ARTS and CRAFTS

ART DISCUSSION (*Celia Phillips*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesdays 11.15 - 12.30.

Looking at pictures, sculpture and buildings is a joy that is increased when shared with others. This is an opportunity to share this enjoyment and knowledge of art in all its forms.

ART WORKSHOP (*Anne Dyer/Jill Francis*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesdays, 10.00 -12.30.

Come and join us to paint in a friendly environment and gain encouragement and advice from others. No tuition.

BEADWORK (*Elizabeth Sympson*)

West Moors Youth Club, Wednesdays, 1.30 – 3.00.

Learn to make beautiful necklaces and chains in just four weeks (the class could continue if you get the bug). Just bring a tray with you – we supply the beads.

CRAFT (VARIED) (*Elma Champion and Jay Smith*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 11.15 – 1.00.

This course offers members an opportunity to learn new skills.

DRAWING AND PAINTING WORKSHOP (*Doris Owen/Barrie Goode*)

Ferndown King George V Pavilion, Tuesdays 11.15 - 1.00.

The main objective is to acquire the skills to draw or paint what we like best. Most kinds of paint and pencil are used and most subjects tried. We hope to provide some tuition.

DRAWING AND PAINTING WORKSHOP (*Beatrice Barr*)

West Moors Youth Centre, Wednesdays 11.15 - 1.00.

This is a course for people who enjoy painting to meet and share ideas as well as painting with others of like minds. Some tuition will be given as required.

FUN WITH PAINT AND PASTELS (*Angela Forrest*)

Verwood United reformed Church, Mondays 1.30-3.00

Intermediate standard required. Some tuition and sharing of ideas.

SUGARCRAFT (*Rita Steel*) 1 term

At home in Ferndown, Wednesdays 2.00 – 4.00.

Marzipan, ice and decorate your Christmas cake to your own design - plenty of ideas and help given. Fun with marzipan modelling and flowers and foliage in petal paste.

ASTROLOGY

ASTROLOGY I Beginners (*Pat Hutton*)

Verwood (Home in Verwood), fortnightly Tuesdays 10.00-12.00 1st and 3rd week

An introduction to the ideas and meanings of astrology.

ASTROLOGY II Intermediate (*Pat Hutton*)

Verwood (Home in Verwood), fortnightly Wednesdays 10.00-12.00 1st and 3rd week

For those with knowledge of the subject.

BRIDGE

Please see separate leaflet enclosed for details of Bridge this year and use the Bridge application form as well as the registration form on the back page of the main brochure. As in previous years, every effort will be made to admit students to the course of their choice. However to avoid overcrowding and excessive disparities in the skill level, a panel of bridge tutors will take the final decision on allocation.

COMPUTING

COMPUTING for All (Sheila Goode)

Ferndown Middle School, Thursdays 5.00 – 6.00.

A hands on computer course which will be held in the computer room at Ferndown Middle School. We shall use Microsoft Office and Broadband Internet. Learn how to make a database of names and addresses, to mail merge, to create folders and to e-mail. The software used is compatible with Microsoft Works. All standards welcome. 15 places are available for tuition each Autumn and Spring term. Other members may come along and use the Broadband facility by phoning Sheila on 01202 861132

COMPUTING FOR BEGINNERS (Gwenda Bennett)

Verwood Library Wednesday 9.30-11.30, fortnightly 1st and 3rd weeks each month

Technophobic? Come and learn how to use computers as a tool. We explore accessing the Internet, using e mail and simple word processing using Verwood Library's excellent facilities which are available for all to use during opening hours. Limited to 7 people per term.

DANCING

COUNTRY DANCING (Brian Hawkins)

Verwood Methodist Church Rooms Thursday 1.30-3.30 fortnightly 1st and 3rd week

Covering 17th Century to modern English folk, some Scottish and some American contras and squares. Prior knowledge not required, instruction given.

FOLK DANCING (Margaret Thomas)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursdays 11.15 - 12.45.

You may remember this from school days as Country Dancing or you may have admired the dancing in the Jane Austen productions on television, as in *Pride & Prejudice*, etc. These are the sort of dances you will meet in our class ranging in date from the 1600s to the present day.

FOLK DANCING (Daphne Brown)

West Moors Youth Centre, Wednesdays 9.30 - 11.15.

The dances, dating from the 1600s to the present day are those which you may remember as 'Country Dances' and also those presented so elegantly on the television in the Jane Austen adaptations. This is English Social Dancing, a happy part of our heritage where people come together to share in a very enjoyable group activity and the more people, the more the enjoyment. The aims during the year are to teach the necessary steps, style and movements, and to introduce a variety of dances which have been enjoyed by people over the centuries and which are still danced today in Folk Dance Clubs throughout the country.

LINE DANCING (Beginners) (Mary Dainton) 2 terms

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 1.30 - 2.30.

Join this class to learn the latest dances!

LINE DANCING (Advanced) (Mary Dainton) 2 terms

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 2.45 - 3.45.

Come along and have some fun - no partners needed.

DISCUSSION GROUPS

CURRENT AFFAIRS (*Jackie Burns*)

Ferndown Youth Centre Thursday 11.30-12.45

Members will enjoy a full and free discussion of important topics chosen by the group.

CURRENT AFFAIRS (*Randall Garnsworthy*)

Verwood United Reformed Church Monday 3.00-4.30

The group discuss matters of interest in the news in an informal atmosphere.

DISCUSSION GROUP (*Celia Phillips*)

Ferndown Youth Centre Thursday 9.30-11.00

You are invited to join us to talk discuss and learn about a wide range of subjects – from Art and Books to Victoriana and Zoology. Be prepared to find out how much more you know than you thought.

FLOWERS

FLOWER ARRANGING (*Marilyn Nourse*)

Ferndown Village Hall Annexe, Tuesdays 12.00 - 1.30. fortnightly starting 16th September
Flower arranging for the home, using colour, texture etc. For beginners and the more experienced.

FLOWER ARRANGING FOR BEGINNERS (*Sue Dalton*)

Verwood United Reformed Church, Thursdays 3.00 - 4.30. fortnightly 2nd and 4th week.
All welcome.

GARDENING (*Barbara Gooch and Jane Lake*)

Ferndown Youth Club Monday 1.30-3.00 monthly 2nd week

Verwood United Reformed Church, Monday 1.30 – 3.00 monthly 4th week

A get-together to talk about gardening. We will visit some members' gardens and some gorgeous NGS gardens in the summer months.

GAMES

CHESS for Beginners (*Daphne Brown*)

West Moors Youth Centre, Wednesdays from 11.00 – 12.30.

Come along to learn the basic skills of this fascinating game of strategies and tactics in an attempt to outwit your opponent and capture the King, whilst at the same time defending your own. Sessions will include instruction, analysis, problem-solving and some game-play. No previous knowledge required - just a desire to keep on exercising the 'old grey matter'.

SECOND YEAR CHESS (*Daphne Brown*)

Ferndown Youth Club Tuesday 9.30- 11.00

A follow on class for last year's beginners.

CHESS CLUB

West Moors Youth Centre, Wednesdays from 9.30 – 11.00.

No tuition at this Club, just come along and play.

SCRABBLE (*Janet Wild*)

Verwood United Reformed Church, Thursday 3-4.30 fortnightly 2nd and 4th week.

All abilities are welcome.

SCRABBLE AND BOARD GAMES (*Beatrice Barr*)

King George V Pavilion, Thursdays 9.30 - 12 noon

It will be mainly scrabble with the introduction of Rummikubs, Triominoes, etc. Please bring games you wish to play to each session.

TABLE TENNIS

Wednesdays 9.30 - 12.30. Ferndown Youth Centre (Margaret Hart & Margaret Syson)

Fridays 10.00 - 12 noon West Moors St Anthony's (Bill Orme)

Fridays 9.30-11.30 Verwood Youth Centre (Ron Clements)

No need to be an expert, all standards are welcome. We have two tables at Ferndown and Verwood and three at West Moors.

HISTORY

ASPECTS OF ENGLAND IN 19C (*Tom McConnell*)

Ferndown Youth Centre Tuesday 1.30-3.00

The talks will cover England from roughly 1800-1914. Scotland and Wales will be excluded because of my ignorance; some Irish history will be included.

ASPECTS OF LIFE IN THE MIDDLE AGES (*Derek Mills*)

Verwood United Reformed Church, fortnightly Thursdays 9.30-11.00. 2nd and 4th weeks in month. Term 2 starting Jan. 2004

The links between England and France (1066-1485) and their relationship during these turbulent times.

FAMILY HISTORY USING COMPUTERS (*Graham Ledbrook*)

St Leonards (Home) Wednesday 1.30-3.30

Using the resources of thousands of Internet web sites to help trace your family tree, and outputting the results, the course will also cover the scanning of old documents and pictures. We will also cover the repair of documents and images.

GEORGIAN LONDON (*Valerie Falconer*)

Verwood United Reformed Church. Thursday 11.00-12.30 (One term - September)

1715-1820 was a time of great change in London, the centre of British Society. We will look at some of the events, interesting personalities and writers of this colourful century.

KING RICHARD THE THIRD (*Babs Creamer*)

Ferndown Youth Centre Tuesday 3.00-4.30 term 2 and 3 starting January

There are two King Richards - Shakespeare's brilliant creation of hunchbacked evil and the man who really lived. Both are fascinating. We will look at both and also consider his alleged crimes - including the most famous of all English mysteries - what really happened to the Princes in the Tower?

THE WAY WEST (*Barry Wye*)

Verwood United Reformed Church Thursday 11.00-12.30 (One term - January)

This course is a study of the mass migration to North America in the 19C and early 20C and the movement westward.

GLORIOUS WESSEX (*Valerie Falconer*)

Verwood United Reformed Church Thursday 1.30-3.30 Fortnightly 2nd and 4th weeks in month.

As so many of us are newcomers, this will be an opportunity for us to investigate the rich heritage of our surroundings, the geography, the history, the people and the writers. We shall visit the towns or areas of our choice and share our knowledge of this lovely area.

KEEPING FIT AND HEALTHY

KEEP FIT (*Pat O'Riordan*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 9.45 - 10.45.

The aim of the class is to improve shape, mobility, strength, stamina, circulation and confidence. Please wear suitable clothing and bring a towel or mat for floor work.

~~**PREVENTION + WORKSHOPS**~~ (~~*Joanie Puckeridge*~~)

Verwood United Reformed Church, Thursdays 9.30 - 11.00

We begin each term with four discussions on a health promotional topic, followed by practical sessions to increase stamina, strength and flexibility. The remainder of the term will be practical sessions only.

LANGUAGES

FRENCH FOR BEGINNERS (*Maria Gonzales*)

Ferndown Youth Centre Wednesday 1.30-2.45

This class is for people with no previous knowledge of French.

FRENCH INTERMEDIATE (*Solange Burge*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesdays 3.15 - 4.30.

This class is very supportive - standard between O and A level.

FRENCH CONVERSATION (Advanced) (*Enid Rothwell*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.45. Starting 23rd September.

For anyone who has enough French to have a go at keeping up a conversation, or discussing a French newspaper article; willing to try it out and have (some) mistakes corrected.

FRENCH CONVERSATION (*Geraldine Taylor*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.45.

This group caters for those who find the fluent group too hard. You will be expected to join in as much as possible with conversation and reading. Please be prepared to subscribe to 'Ostre Manche' (French magazine). This group is NOT for beginners; some fluency is required.

FRENCH CONVERSATION (*Della Oakley*)

Verwood United Reformed Church, Thursdays 11.00-12.30, term 1 - starting 25th September

This is a mixed ability conversation class, some knowledge is required.

FRENCH STUDIES (*Jenny Daniel*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.45.

For those interested in reading French books and studying grammar.

GERMAN STUDIES (*Jenny Daniel and Rosemary Dark*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 11.15 - 12.30.

Self-help group, about intermediate level. A little grammar, reading and conversation.

GERMAN (mixed ability) (*Charles Hawkins*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesdays 9.30 - 10.45.

Not for beginners. If you have some knowledge or are 'rusty', this is for you.

SPANISH (COLLOQUIAL) (*Maria Gonzales*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Mondays 1.30 - 2.45.

No grammar necessary, or taught, during this course.

SPANISH INTERMEDIATE (*Maria Gonzales*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursdays 11.15 - 12.45.

Students must have a certain knowledge of Spanish grammar. Two books - '501 Spanish Verbs' and 'One Thousand Spanish Words' - are a must.

LITERATURE AND BOOKS

BOOK CLUB (*Betty Wraw*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesday 1.30-3.00 fortnightly 1st and 3rd week.

We will select a book to read and discuss each month, and at the other meetings will consider a particular author, film or TV adaptation. The first book we will look at will be *The Shipping News* by Annie Proulx.

POETRY FOR PLEASURE (*Pat Davies*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesday 3.15-4.30

Members bring along poems they find interesting and, in this way, we meet old favourites and make new discoveries. At least once a term we take a closer look at one specific poet. There is no competition to produce your own poem, but these are always welcome.

PLAY READING (*Jo de Havilland*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday 2.00-4.00

Each session will finish with discussion of the chosen play and perhaps the course will lead to a performance at the end of term play.

READING GROUP (*Gwenda Bennett*)

Verwood (Home) Monday 1.30-3.00 Third in the month.

Expanding literary horizons by choosing books to read which interest the group. We read one book each month provided in general by the library and discuss it at our meetings.

SHAKESPEARE (*Audrey Confrey*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesday 3.15-4.30

This is an interactive study group taking a leisurely journey through the text of Henry IV Part II. Bring along your own copy of the play, hopefully one that contains Line numbers e.g. Wordsworth Classics.

WORDPLAY (*Sue Laughton*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesday 1.30 - 2.45. Fortnightly 2nd and 4th

This class is for those interested in how English can be used. So please bring a pen, paper and dictionary if you have one. Each session will include a short writing exercise on such themes as description, made up words, political correctness, dialogue, etc. No writing experience necessary.

MONEY

CHOOSE YOUR OWN INVESTMENTS (*Edward Whittingdale*)

King George V, Tuesday 9.30-10.30

We all need pension funds, unit trusts and investment trusts. They can provide a balanced investment answer to our needs, but they cost us an extra layer of management charges. As an alternative perhaps you should choose some of your own investments using simple principles. We shall aim to analyse businesses and business development and thereby we hope suitable investments. What do you think of Marks and Spencers for example?

YOUR MONEY IN RETIREMENT (*Robert Browning*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 3.15 - 4.30. Term 1 for 7 weeks

This course examines the various investment opportunities available and their relevance to your particular needs. Subjects include: investment income, how to use your assets to

their maximum potential, how to invest wisely in the stock market, personal tax, and many others. Two guest speakers cover investment tax and the stock market. It is important to realise that the maximum benefit is obtained by attending all lectures where possible. Summary notes will be provided at a charge of £2 for photocopying.

MUSIC

MUSIC APPRECIATION WORKSHOP (Joan Waugh)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursdays 2.00 – 3.45.

If you like Classic FM you will enjoy the opportunity to learn more about composers and their music and grow in your musical taste. We are a friendly group who enjoy listening to a varied selection of music mainly classical. We have visited two operas and a Johann Strauss Gala and plan regular outings to local theatres sharing cars for transport.

MUSIC HALL SONGS (Chris O'Donoghue)

Ferndown Village Hall annex Tuesday 9.30-11 one week 9.30-12.30 the other

You are invited to come to the noisy room at the village hall to join in some popular songs from the Old Time Music Halls.

TECHNICAL TOPICS

ASTRONOMY (Graeme Nash) Starts ~~23rd~~ 15th September

Ferndown Youth Centre, Mondays from 2.00 – 4.00.

This one-year course deals with all aspects of astronomy. Topics considered include some basics of the earth's place in the universe, the history of astronomy to 1900, instruments and observing techniques, the solar system, the sun, the stars, galaxies and cosmology, including the origin of the universe. Weather permitting, observations of the sun (using safe filters) and Venus are made. The presentation is informal with use made of view graphs, slides, models and astronomical equipment. No previous knowledge of astronomy is assumed. Active participation by course members is encouraged and extra topics suggested by them are warmly welcomed

CAMERA WORKSHOP (Ann Williams)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday 1.30-2.45 fortnightly 1st and 3rd in the month

This is a new workshop in which people who enjoy photography of all kinds can help and encourage each other to increase that enjoyment. Some meetings will be on location and others will be at the centre to look at pictures in a creative way. Everyone is welcome despite how much or how little experience they have and whatever their type of camera. Input from members will be welcomed.

HISTORY OF SPACE EXPLORATION 1957 - 2002 (Brian Ford)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesdays 9.30-10.45.

The tutor of this course has been interested in astronomy and space flight since 1954 and he would like to share his interest in this fascinating subject. The course is an overview of unmanned and human space flight from Sputnik 1 to the International Space Station. No previous knowledge of astronomy or other sciences is necessary. The course will be a mixture of lectures, visual presentations and hopefully discussions. It will appeal to those who have curiosity and interest in all aspects of space exploration.

INVESTIGATING NUMBERS (Brian Ford)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 9.30 - 10.45.

This course will appeal to people who have an interest in numbers and those who would like to find out how working with them can be enjoyable. It is not intended for people with advanced maths qualifications; a basic grounding in numeracy is all that is required and calculators may be used when necessary. The course is based on a variety of investigative puzzles involving numbers and for those who like a challenge, algebra.

Guidance will be given at the start of each session. Course members can then work on the investigation either on their own or with others. Each session will end with a discussion of the results. The course will not be rigid and members may suggest investigations or problems for the rest of the group to solve. The objective is that the sessions should be thought provoking, but more importantly FUN.

MAP AND COMPASS (*June and Richard Buxton*)

Indoors at Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday 11.15 - 12.00.

- or outdoors all morning, meet at 9.15 a.m. in Ringwood car park

Learn how to read a map and use a compass - no prior knowledge required. It won't be all theory, when it's fine the group will be going outside, relating the map to what they see around them, walking around two miles. The course will be based on the OS Outdoor Leisure map 22 (New Forest) 1:25,000 scale. If you haven't got a copy, don't go out and buy one, or a compass for that matter.

UNDERSTANDING SCIENCE (*Sheila Goode*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday at 11.15 - 12.30.

This is a course for those who feel they missed out on science and would like to look at the basic principles and link those ideas to modern developments which are transforming our lives. Some simple demonstration experiments and no maths.

WRITERS

CREATIVE WRITING (*Barbara Bateman*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday 9.30- 11.15 This group is for people who like to express their feelings through prose or poetry, or try their hand at creating characters, situations or stories. Members give each other lots of encouragement and help. Most writing is for our own pleasure and beginners are most welcome.

WRITERS' CIRCLE (*George Lorimer*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Thursday 9.30-11.00

No formal lessons are given but an essay subject is chosen each week, but members may choose their own subject. Whilst not everyone will have an essay every week, those submitted are read aloud, stimulating discussion on writing and kindred subjects. Some have had work published, whilst others prefer to write purely for enjoyment.

CREATIVE WRITING CIRCLE (*Colin Gregory*)

Verwood United Reformed Church, Thursday 9.30-11.00 Fortnightly Starting 2nd October

Come and develop and improve the skills of Creative Writing by exercise, practice and discussion, in a supportive atmosphere structured to encourage writers of all levels of experience.

MISCELLANEOUS

DRAMA WORKSHOP (*Colin Culham*)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 11.15 - 12.45.

This group deals almost entirely with improvisation - that is unscripted drama. The members of the group will be given unlimited scope to explore ideas, character, feelings, and to make full use of the imagination through the playing of drama games and the creation of improvised situations. This type of work will help, if necessary, to eliminate shyness, self-consciousness, diffidence, and help towards a fluency of communication. A drama workshop can be serious or lighthearted, depending on the mood of the moment. It should always be creative and enjoyable. It is not intended to be a traditional drama club where public performance is the main objective, but some time will be given to the Christmas entertainment.

HOLIDAY GROUP (Audrey Confrey)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Tuesdays 1.30 - 2.45.

This is a mainly social group which meets to discuss holidays and excursions and to share experiences. While it may be of interest to single members, it is hoped that people in partnerships will also be interested in joining. The pooling of ideas may lead to some group holidays being arranged

PASSPORT TO THE LAND OF WINE (Gerry Lewis)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Wednesday 1.30-2.45

This course allows members to obtain a comprehensive framework of information and guidance about the wines of the world. This all-consuming subject will be presented in an interesting and easy way, particularly for the beginner. We should all take the opportunity to sample the wide variety of good quality wines so readily available to us, both at home and on our holidays.

PHILOSOPHY WORKSHOP (Terry Baker)

Ferndown Youth Centre, Mondays 3.00 - 4.15.

We are a small group of people interested in contributing to discussions on philosophical matters. There is a short introductory talk lasting perhaps 20 minutes or so, and then the group as a whole considers and discusses that topic in some detail. No point of view is barred, but consideration and respect for others is a requirement.

IN ADDITION

SATURDAY SINGLES SOCIAL GROUP (Pat O'Riordan)

Primarily this is a group of members who, because they live alone, meet for a pub lunch the second Saturday in each month. In addition, arrangements are made to attend the theatre, ballet, cinema, etc. on an ad hoc basis.

PUB WALKS (Various leaders - volunteers please!) Last Friday each month

A walk of four or five miles is organised, finishing at a pub for lunch. Watch the noticeboards for details.

VERWOOD LUNCHEON CLUB (Ron Bennett) Third Wednesday each month

Members enjoy lunch together at various locations .

Outings and trips are arranged from time to time - check the noticeboard regularly.

We very much regret that our art Teacher, Mike Rex, died in June. His gentle but knowledgeable tuition was highly valued by his classes over several years.

There are nine other U3As in Dorset, and new ones are starting up every year. Other local branches are:

Poole - 01202 380113, Bournemouth - 01202 303777 and Christchurch - 01202 480493.

The U3A National Office is at 19 East Street, Bromley, Kent BR1 1QH
tel no 020 8466 6139



Bridge for fun

Ferndown, Verwood and West Moors Bridge details 2003-2004

As in previous years, every effort will be made to admit students to the course of their choice. However to avoid overcrowding and excessive disparities in the skill level, a panel of bridge tutors will take the final decision on allocation. It will still be possible to transfer between courses during the year when vacancies arise.

Every one joining the U3A must fill in a registration form from the back page of the prospectus. If you want to apply for bridge you must also fill in the form at the end of this leaflet. Please use a bridge form for each person. Applications received by the 14th August will be dealt with as if they arrived on the same day.

Applications received after 14th August will be dealt with at the end of the week in which they arrive.

All classes are expected to use Basic Acol / Standard English (Weak N.T., weak take outs & Stayman)

Basic Bridge Class (Richard Buxton)

Ferndown Youth Centre Thursdays 1 – 30 to 4 – 00pm

We will start at the very beginning so no prior knowledge is necessary; beginners will be given priority. There will be a structured approach with simple handouts to guide you. Learn to play this fascinating game in a friendly environment. Once you can play bridge you can find social outings available most days of the year.

Improver's Bridge Class (Tim Lines)

Ferndown Youth Centre Wednesdays 1 – 30 to 4-00pm

Consolidate what you already know, learn a few new tricks and deal confidently with the main problems that arise in bidding and play. To join this group you should be able to open the bidding and respond correctly in the majority of circumstances.

Improving Improver's Class (Bill Orme)

Ferndown Youth Centre Mondays 1 – 30 to 4 – 15pm

Now that you can play this wonderful game and wish to develop your skills, come along and play with others in a relaxed atmosphere, because bridge can be fun.

To join this group you should be able to open, respond and rebid correctly in the majority of circumstances. (Not for more experienced players)

Improvers Bridge Club (Bill Orme)

Ferndown King George V Pavilion Tuesdays 1 – 30 to 4 – 15pm

Once you have completed the basic bridge course come along and practice with others of a similar standard. Some guidance will be available, but the intention is to consolidate what you have learnt rather than to break new ground and to have an enjoyable social afternoon. To join the group you should be able to open the bidding and respond correctly in the majority of circumstances.

Chicago Bridge Clubs

Verwood

Mondays 3 – 00pm to 5 – 00pm (Benny Way)

West Moors Youth Club

Wednesdays 1 – 30 to 4 – 00pm (Bea and Maurice Barr)

Ferndown King George V Pavilion

Thursdays 1 – 30 to 4 – 00pm (Bill Carver)

We will adopt the Chicago method of changing table and scoring. This allows varying numbers to be accommodated; you do not need to come with a partner. The aim is to have an enjoyable social afternoon.

To join these groups you should be able to open, respond and rebid correctly in the majority of circumstances. No instruction or guidance is to be expected in these groups.