



Welcome to the latest edition of our E-Newsletter,

Our August Meeting

As you are all aware our August meeting was cancelled so that members could attend the funeral of our friend and member Terry Howard. Approximately 100 people turned out to celebrate Terry's life and his contribution to so many other lives through his membership of our and several other groups including the New Milton RLNI.

As is often the case one finds out facts about someone after they have gone and in Terry's case we learnt that he was an accomplished pianist and a very good artist.

Terry was a practising Christian and devoted much of his life to helping and supporting others less fortunate than himself in terms of their health and welfare and he will be sorely missed by his family and all who knew him.

The August Meeting speaker was to have been Bill Coombes who was going to present a talk entitled "The International Space Station" – a close-up look at what goes on in the Space Station. Hopefully we will be able to arrange for him to come to our meeting during 2019.

September Meeting

The September meeting will be held on Thursday 6th September and our speaker will be John Ellis with a talk entitled "The History of the Car: "The Birth" – This covers the very earliest days of original invention and leads up to the early post World War 1 period of the 1920's. This is talk 1 of a series of 4 further talks which will be scheduled over the next 18 months.

Membership of Men's Get Together Group

As we are receiving visitors on a regular basis it has been agreed that a visitor's first meeting would be free but they must join the group and pay for any subsequent attendances.

Most Members have now renewed their membership of our group but for those who were unable to do so, please come prepared with the membership fee which remains at £16 (for

the 9th year) to 31 March 2019 at our September meeting. For those paying by Cheque, please make it payable to “Men’s Get Together”.

Members should be aware that although the finances of the group remain healthy currently, the Committee will be considering an increase in the membership fee at some point in the next year or two to cover the increasing costs of good speakers etc.,

Community Centre Membership

Members of our Men’s Group are reminded that a pre-requisite for being a member of the Men’s Group is that you must be a member of the New Milton Community Centre.

The committee would like to thank the many members of our group who have already renewed your membership of the New Milton Community Centre and those who have not renewed their membership should do so for the year to December 31st 2018 by talking to the team on the front desk.

Visits by Members to Attractions

The Committee and particularly Frank Willett will be happy to receive suggestions from members of Attractions that they think could be of interest to the Group. These could include places previously visited or places people wish to visit. The Committee will also be checking local coach company one-day trips to see if any may be suitable.

So far the following places have been suggested:

- Swanage Railway
- Hurst Castle
- Amberley Museum and Heritage Centre
- Seaton Electric Tramway
- Abbotsbury Swannery
- Fort Nelson - Portsmouth

Any other suggestions will be gratefully received and all can be discussed at the next meeting.

Members Talks

If any members of our Men’s Get Together Group have histories, experiences, interests or hobbies which they think could be of interest to the members in general and would be happy to give a presentation at a future meeting please talk to Dane Thomas at a meeting.

Men's Shed Organisation

The Men's Shed Organisation is an expanding group of meeting points for men which started in 2013 and is now a registered charity with over 400 branches across the UK. There is a meeting being held on Thursday 20th September at 7pm in the New Milton Memorial Centre in Whitefield Road, about setting up a Men's Shed locally. See included flier for full details or visit www.menssheds.org.uk for more information.

HELP US GET OUR MEN'S SHED GOING!

A Men's Shed is a place where men can meet, socialise and work together and may even benefit the local area at the same time. A typical Men's Shed is equipped with workshop tools, but it is also a place to meet friends, relax, have a cup of tea and a good old chat. Working together helps general wellbeing, encourages a healthy and active lifestyle and helps beat loneliness.

We are looking for gentlemen who would like to help us set up a Men's Shed in the New Milton, Milford, Hordle or surrounding areas. We are holding a meeting about it on:

**Thursday 20th September
7pm**

**New Milton Memorial Centre,
Whitefield Road BH25 6DE**

**Come along and find out more
- we'd love you to join us!**

Contact our Men's Shed steering group on...

01425-614665 newmiltonmensshed@btinternet.com

For more information about Men's Sheds generally, visit...

menssheds.org.uk

EU Data Protection Regulations

To date only 40 members have completed and returned the GDPR form that all members were asked to complete and return. Blank copies will be available at the next meeting for members to complete then.

A full multipage document is displayed on the Noticeboard in Reception for the information of any member who wishes to see the full details of the EU General Data Protection Regulations.

Unfortunately, should any member not wish to complete the document and return it then we will be unable to communicate with them by post, phone or e-mail nor will we be allowed to hold any such details about them and thus they will no longer receive the monthly MGT Newsletter which I e-mail to you. Additionally, I will be required to delete any details we hold at the moment.

Sending out Monthly Newsletters

I am aware that there are some members who do not have e-mail addresses, so I will be hand delivering or posting the monthly newsletter to them. If you acquire an e-mail address or change it at any stage, please let me know so that I can update your details. Thanks.

Look out for our notice board in the hall at our meetings, where we advertise all of our activities and news of recent events etc.

I look forward to seeing you all again at our next meeting.

Kind regards,

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