

## **Forthcoming Events**

### **Ghosts & the Paranormal**

Paranormal author **Andy Thomas** will be at the **Adastra Hall, Hassocks** at **2pm** on **Friday 26th October**.

If you care to join him you will hear him speak about '**Ghosts & the Paranormal**'.

Entrance is £2 which includes refreshments - card payment preferred.

### **Sussex Wildlife**

Naturalist **Michael Blencowe** is going to tell us all about the **Wildlife of Sussex**.

This talk is at **HH Methodist Church, Wesley Hall** at **2pm** on **Wednesday 30th October**.

Entrance is £2 which, of course, includes refreshments.

(I am personally acquainted with some of the Sussex wildlife in the form of a couple of foxes who regularly visit my garden)

**Looking ahead to November.**

### **The Art of Trickery**

**Ian Keable**, Gold Star member of the Magic Circle, Speaker, Award winner and Author, will be delivering his talk '**The Art of Trickery**' in which he discusses how Magicians are depicted in Paintings, Prints and Cartoons.

This event will take place in **Burgess Hill, Cyprus Hall** on **Thursday 7th November**. Doors open at 11.30 when refreshments will be available for 50p and the talk will be from **12.30 - 1.30pm**

Entrance is free.

### **Inter Group Quiz**

Our more competitive members will be pleased to know that we will be holding an **inter-group General Knowledge quiz** on **Friday 22nd**

**November at 10am at the HH Methodist Church, Wesley Hall.**

Tables of 4 - 6 members will be welcomed on a first-come basis so interested members should let Diana Cawdery [dianacawdery@hotmail.com](mailto:dianacawdery@hotmail.com) or Jean King [jean672@btinternet.com](mailto:jean672@btinternet.com) know before the November 8th deadline. Please don't just turn up without having first booked a place. There is a £2 entry fee.

## **Charlie Chaplin**

If you missed out on being in the quiz, you can attend a talk on **Charlie Chaplin** given by well known SE speaker **Bill McNaught** in which Bill describes Charlie's rise to stardom. Doors open at **1.30pm** for **2pm** start.

The venue for this event is **Court Bushes Community Hub, Willow Way, Hassocks** and entrance is £2 which includes refreshments - card payment preferred)

## **AGM**

Not the most exciting event of our year I'll grant you, but necessary nevertheless.

I'd like to thank the 70+ members who turned up in person and also the 59 proxy voters, which meant we handsomely exceeded the 92 required for a quorum.

There wasn't anything controversial to propose or discuss so the meeting progressed smoothly and swiftly with all motions being carried unanimously. Following the formalities, Chairman Philip Methell delivered his talk entitled 'The River Ouse - from Sea to Source' which was very well received and was loudly applauded.

Refreshments followed, and I'd like to give special thanks to the RUGs who efficiently and cheerfully performed everything that needed to be done to make sure that the whole morning ran smoothly - which it did.

A copy of the minutes will shortly be going onto our website for general appraisal.

## **Digital Support**

Now I know that this won't apply to you because you're completely tech savvy, but should you have an elderly friend or neighbour who could use some help with setting up emails, on-line shopping, or filling in on-line forms etc., West Sussex County Council run digital support sessions which are held at our local

HH Library.

These are 50 minute, pre-bookable sessions run by volunteers on basic digital queries about tablets, phones or laptops.

These sessions are pre-bookable and occur Tuesdays & Thursdays 2pm - 4pm, fortnightly on Tuesday mornings 10am - 1200, and Wednesday afternoons 2pm - 4pm.

The next sessions are on Tuesday 15 Oct & Wednesday 16 Oct.

To book a session call 0330 222 3455 or email [library.digital.support@westsussex.gov.uk](mailto:library.digital.support@westsussex.gov.uk)

## **Cuckfield Christmas Tree Festival**

So far, there has been a disappointing response to my request for groups to send in a photo of something that appertains to their group interest.

If you remember, I asked for photos to be sent to Mary

Richard [marycrichard48@gmail.com](mailto:marycrichard48@gmail.com) or Marilyn

Bradley [marilyn.bradley@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:marilyn.bradley@hotmail.co.uk)

Mary & Marilyn will then paste your piccies onto card which will adorn our HH u3a Christmas Tree.

They have volunteered to do all the hard work, so lets make their life a bit easier by sending in your pics.

I've found that asking google to show a cartoon of something to do with your group activity works well.

Enjoy your weekend

**Paul**