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Bembridge Isle of Wight 1st - 5th Sept

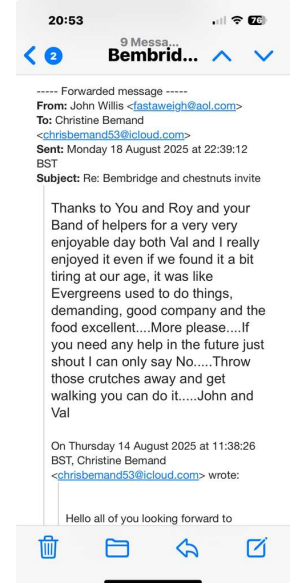
Not long now We are meeting at the Banbury Cross coach park on 1st at 0900 and are looking forward to getting the holiday under way. The weather is hopefully going to be kind and there is lots planned for you but equally lots you can plan for yourselves. We are going to Osborne House as one of the trips and if you have membership cards for English Heritage please bring them. We have negotiated a good group fee so will be able to pay for this trip from funds we have. See you soon

Walk and Eat 19th Sept 10.30 start

Tickets are available from the sports centre most Tuesdays after sports (but not 2nd Sept.) If you can't get there just put the money into the bank account ref: W&E and your name. The deposit is £5 and this will be given back to you at the meal. There are two walks to cater for different abilities but everyone is welcome. The Easington Pub is on a bus route so is easy to access for those of you with no transport. Shirley and Anne will lead the longer walk and Carole and Chris will lead the slower paced shorter walk. If you don't feel able to walk with us then just join us for the social part and the meal. Well behaved dogs on leads are welcome but we do need to let the pub know as they allocate special areas for this and need to make it near the rest of us.

Treasure Hunt and Afternoon Tea

What a day! It would have been even better if the weather had been just a little warmer but that didn't stop anyone. Roy kindly opened up his home, swimming pool and gardens to us all and provided a range of activities. Thank you Roy. The Treasure Hunt provided a challenge for many and John and Pam Willis - The Oldies Team won with a score of 86 out of 100 walking away with the chocolates and wine. Some departed the route early and arrived back for coffee and bacon rolls before beginning their round of activities and I think the photos tell their own story. Thank you to Roys son Scott who kept everyone safe during the archery. Shirley Carole and Annette came over to help with food prep on the Sunday and then on the Monday a car load of helpers arrived a little early and pitched in with making up trays - thank you Chris Kay, Gillian Jones and Ann Mason. Incidentally the tea bread was from Gillian too. Roys son Simon kindly lent the chiller trailer and some comfy seating for you and his daughter in law, Rachel, and grandson Ollie lent some muscle moving furniture around, so a huge thanks to them too. John Willis provided tables and chairs, so many people to be grateful to. Peter Morrissey won the members prize his number having been chosen by John Willis. Although Chris didn't manage to get tickets out to you they have since been put into the end of year draw so you won't miss out on the chance to win a prize. Most of all thanks to those who battled the treasure hunt and enjoyed the afternoon.





Stan Yvonne Jon John and Pam finally make their way back with their answers



Several answers were hidden in plain site in Marsten St Lawrence church. Norma looks as though she has found one.



Chris mans the barbeque whilst Lynette and Sue tuck into bacon rolls and coffee as the first hunters back to site



Scott giving Peter instruction on the archery range. He gave him full marks for perseverance.



Scott gave Chris Kay the vote for best archer with John watching the technique



Jane Holmes takes her turn on the archery course. Time out from amusing her new friend - Charlie the parrot





Lynette, Sue, Norma and Gillian have a go at croquet on the lawn



Chris, Ann, and Ann watch the competition as Margaret takes her aim at horseshoes



Gillian Jones, Jane Holmes and Lynette Langley enjoying their time in the pool.



Jane, Norma, Shirley, Jon, John and Gillian enjoying their afternoon tea and the sun which finally joins us Horray



Stan, Chris, Ann, Sue, Margaret and Chrissie head for tea in the shade of the marquee



Its lovely to see Jon Robinson and Sara Carter, John and Pam Willis and Derek and Mary sitting back, relaxing and chilling after their busy and long treasure hunt. Well earnt !



Christmas Steam Train

December the 7th Leaving Banbury at 11am to go to Kiddminster for a train ride on one of the Severn Valley Railway steam trains. Please contact Lynette Langley on 07907 986268 before 6th September latest for instructions and details.

Cost is £75.00

Skittles and Fish and Chip supper 15th Oct

Tickets for this popular event are now available. Please put your £10 into the account ref: SKI your name or collect tickets on tuesdays at the sports centre (not 2nd Sept as we are away) If you cannot eat fish then please advise what you can eat and we will do our best for you. No caviar I'm afraid!

It will be a relaxed, fun evening to which everyone is welcome at The Chestnuts 1900 till around 2200 hrs.

I just want to remember all of those members who have been experiencing some health and wellbeing issues recently and to wish them all a very speedy and safe recovery. Our thoughts are with you. Win Oxley, Maureen Holloway, Keith Williams, Stan Birchmore and Julia Turner.

We look forward to having you back full strength and thanks to all of those who are supporting them.

From Chris, your chairperson can I thank all of you who are helping me out in small ways whilst I am running a little below standard. Apologies for any shortfalls in service but despite hiccups I am getting there and normal service will be resumed as soon as possible - as they say. And a special thank you to David Wade a very senior Evergreen who cycled over to Wardington to collect his holiday tickets .

Thank you so much for all your good wishes.

AGM Hold the date.

Apologies for publishing the wrong date for this. It will be on the Friday and there will be something after the AGM for your entertainment. No one will try to railroad you into joining the committee but we do have to go through accounts reports, chairpersons report and of course voting for the committee - whether new or old. It is also a chance for you to tell us what you think and what you want so please come along. We are planning something different for after the AGM if we can pull it off. It will also be the members draw for all of the years tickets and we hope to have a few good prizes

Your Committee 2025

Chairperson. Chris Bemand **Secretary.** Mary Evans Young **Treasurer. (Temp)** Chris Bemand
Greeter Shirley Bygrave **Raffles** Anne Jackson **Catering** Carol Duncan
Trips Lynette Langley **IT** Roy Beckham **Honorary** Chris Wood Member Derek Evans

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WALK & EAT

SEPTEMBER 19TH

10.30AM EASINGTON PUB

£5.00 Deposit

Meal at Pub Afterwards

OCTOBER 15th

Skittles with Fish & Chips Supper

7pm at The Chestnuts

£10.00

NOVEMBER 28th

AGM and evening

entertainment 7pm

at The Chestnuts

December 13th

Xmas Party at General Foods with a bar and food