

Diary for March, 2020

Monday 2nd	British Dramatists and Influences "School for Scoundrels" – Patricia Moyes	Probus Village Hall 10.00 am to 12 noon
Tuesday 10th	Local History The St Austell Bread Riots of 1847	Tregony Church Hall 10 am to 12 noon
Wednesday 11th	Italian Conversation	Roseland Parc, Tregony 2.00 pm – 4.00pm
Friday 14th	Patchwork/Mixed Crafts, Jewellery	Probus Village Hall 9:15 am to 12 noon
Monday 16th	Monthly Meeting Truro Samaritans	Probus Village Hall 10.00 am to 12 noon
Tuesday 17th	Margaret's Meanders Lost Gardens of Heligan	Meet at 10.30 am in the cafe
Wednesday 18th	Book Club "The Ghost Road" – Pat Barker	Roseland Parc – Tregony 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm
Wednesday 25th	Italian Conversation	Roseland Parc - Tregony 2.00 pm – 4.00pm
Thursday 26th	Luncheon Club	The Hewas Inn, Sticker Meet at 12.00 pm for 12.30pm
Friday 27th	Patchwork/Mixed Crafts, Jewellery	Probus Village Hall 9.15 am to 12 noon

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NOTES

British Drama

This month we've a comedy. The film "School for Scoundrels" was based on the "Gamesmanship" series of books by Stephen Potter. The screenplay was by Patricia Moyes, a very successful writer of detective stories, and she was assisted by Peter Ustinov with whom she had worked in the Intelligence Service during the War. It features most of the greats in British film comedy in the 1950s: Terry Thomas, Ian Carmichael, Alastair Sim and Dennis Price.

Local History

The 1840s were known as the "hungry forties" with poor harvests across Northern Europe. Ireland and Scandinavia were worst hit with thousands of deaths, but Cornwall did not escape unscathed. Miners often intervened to enforce a lowering of the grain price. One of worst riots was in St Austell in June 1847. We'll look at the beginning of the riot, its course and the reaction of the authorities.

Book Club

This month's book is set at the end of World War 1. "The Ghost Road" by Pat Barker won the Booker prize.

Monthly Meeting

Two volunteers from Truro Samaritans are coming to talk about their activities and the organisation in general. This is sure to be a fascinating session about a group that does vital work.

Margaret's Meander

Margaret's Meander on 17th March will be Heligan Gardens, hoping for a reasonable day to enjoy a walk amongst the Spring flowers.
She will be in the cafe from 10.30am onwards, looking forward to some company.

Italian Conversation

Native speaker Fulvia helps and inspires us to improve our Italian along with much fun and laughter.
We are currently preparing a topic at home, ready to talk about it at the next session, with the emphasis on Italian conversation.

Luncheon Club

You can be sure of an excellent lunch at our venue on March 26th), the Hewas Inn, Sticker. They do provide half portions. Meet at noon for 12.30 but please let Janet know if you are intending to come (01872 580610) so that she can confirm with the pub how many will attend.

Genealogy and family history

The intention is to arrange more sessions of this popular group.