UPDATE

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Around The Region

Celebrations!

White Cliffs Country u3a celebrated their **30th Anniversary** with an afternoon tea at a local golf club.





Jubilations !

Ashtead u3a celebrated its 20th Anniversary at its October meeting. There was a celebratory cake and the first photo below shows the cake being cut by some of the original committee members from 2006 and past Chairmen (Diana Seabold, Richard Norton, Graham Wiseman and Pauline Wiseman).

The second photo shows the current Chair, Marianne Fletcher, lending a hand! The cake was large enough to be enjoyed by the approximately 100 members attending the meeting."

Crowborough u3a also celebrated their 20th Anniversary

They had an afternoon mini-folk festival with entertainment supplied by their Sea Shanty, Folk and Singing for Pleasure Groups. In August, they had an evening event with a local magician who kindly judged their cake baking competition before getting the party started with some audience participative works of wonder.

Promotions !

On 16th October Thatcham u3a held **an Open Afternoon** to showcase what they do. Almost 30 interest groups were represented and their four music groups performed.







Several new members were signed up on the day and many more took away information.

Congratulations!

Botley, Hedge End u3a's Quizzing group



took part in the fundraising event held by St Peter's Church in Curdridge with one team taking first place!

Deliberations !



Each member evaluates three or four **bottles of wine** focussing on aroma and flavour and attempts to guess the details of the grape, the region, the background of the wine, etc. 'Expert' comments, are then provided. Occasionally, they get the grape and region correct! Sometimes they share memories. Here they are supporting England in this summer's FIFA world cup semi-finals.



Concentration !

The Isle of Wight u3a has a group called **Crazy Golf and More**,

The picture is entitled " Trying to concentrate whilst being intimidated by a dinosaur"

Waterlooville u3a Annual Lecture

Learn about the origins of Bonfire Night and its importance to the Sussex town of Lewes.

Refreshments will be available after the talk.

See the poster for full details of the Talk.

Please send an email to lindazika84@hotmail.com to book a seat.

Please include your u3a in the email.

Happy Halloween and Happy Bonfire Night!

