



Honiton u3a Bulletin

April 2026

April 15th Monthly Talk: The Wonderful World of Glass

Our monthly talk on **April 15th** is by Dr Francis Burroughs, an acknowledged expert on the history of glass. He will bring along items from his own personal collection.

The talk is at The Beehive. Doors open at 1.30 p.m. and the meeting starts as usual at 2 p.m. Please bring a slip of paper with your name on it to put in the box provided when entering the auditorium.

The cafe will be open before and after the meeting for refreshments.

A full list of this year's monthly talks can be found at the end of this Bulletin.

Honiton u3a Photography Showcase

We would like to invite you once again to submit one photograph, which must have been taken in the month of April, either this current month or in April of a previous year.

Please give your photograph a title, add the name of the photographer and submit it to: u3aphotoshowcase@btinternet.com by the end of April. A selection of photographs will be included in the PowerPoint slide show at The Beehive before our May Monthly Talk.

Group Vacancies

Looking for an interest group to join? Why not join one of these?

Book Lovers The group meets on the first Monday of each month at 2 p.m. in the group leader's home, there is a small annual fee for the monthly supply of books that come from the central library in Exeter.

Philosophy The group meets in a member's home on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 2 p.m. It doesn't matter if you have 'no knowledge whatsoever of philosophy' – the purpose of the group is to learn and share and, most importantly, to have some fun.

To find out more contact Jackie Moran.

Honiton u3a Volunteering

Volunteering can be great fun and gives you an opportunity to meet other u3a members and really get involved with what your u3a is doing. There are many different roles within the u3a that need volunteers.

To find out more contact Richard Sperry.

Honiton u3a Monthly Talks 2026

April 15th: The Wonderful World of Glass by Dr Francis Burroughs. An acknowledged expert on the history of glass, featuring items from his own personal collection.

May 20th: Restoring the Balance by Kate Jellying and Lisa Ward from the Barn Owl Trust.

June 17th: An Audience with Lady Katherine by Rosemary Griggs, making a welcome return visit to Honiton u3a. Travel back in time with Lady Katherine, and learn about her life in Tudor Devon and the amazing clothes she wore.

July 15th: Sidmouth Toy Museum by Ian Gregory, a Trustee of the Charity.

August 19th: Summer Social, for members only.

September 16th: Mayday in July by Jim Rider, an author and musician living in Honiton. The talk describes the forced landing of a Vickers Viscount airliner near Ottery St Mary in 1980.

October 21st: Fur, fins and feathers by Rupert Kirkwood, describing some of the wildlife he has seen from his kayak around South West England. Rupert is making a welcome return visit to us.

November 18th: The Real World of Jane Austen by Stewart Raine

December 16th: Christmas Social, for members only.

Speakers are subject to change at short notice. Any changes will be notified to members through the Bulletin.