

Verwood

Our Monthly Newsletter

April/May 2026

Hopefully you enjoyed last month's Newsletter and that you will let us know if we need to change anything. This month we are including items for later in the year and a section on Other Goings On in case you might be interested.

What do we have to look forward to in May

Craft Workshop

Wednesday 6th May at 2pm.

Wendy Jefferies will be showing us how to create a mini photo display board.



Please bring your choice of photos. Images will be available to clip out smaller images from larger photos

Costs £2 payable on the day. All materials provided

Booking is essential for this workshop and will be confirmed via email..

Please contact craft@verwoodu3a.org.uk to book your place.

ROYAL MINT AND COAL MINE AT HERITAGE PARK

Tuesday 26th May 2026

Join us on a visit to Cardiff to visit the Royal Mint Experience and then travel 8 miles to a Welsh Coal Mining Experience at Rhondda Heritage Park Museum. Food and drink are available at both sites. You may want to take snacks for the journey home.

There will be a short break on both the outward and return journey.

DEPART: The Hub, Verwood, at 8.00 am and Rhondda Heritage Park 4.00 pm

COST: £47 40p per person to be booked and paid 10th May 2026.

TO BOOK: email: sylvia.travel@verwoodu3a.org.uk or phone 07919022196

Further information on the website

Travel Through My Lens

'Islands of the South Atlantic'

Thursday 21st May

This month

The next meeting of Travel Through My Lens is at 10.30 on 21st May. Verwood resident Di Bartlett will share the wonderful sights of the Islands in the South Atlantic Ocean, rarely visited by tourists, from South Africa to Tobago. Di and her husband, Alan, completed an eleven-year circumnavigation on their 48ft sailing boat, 'Moonfleet'. They visited the very remote islands of St Helena, Ascension Island, Fernando de Neronha Archipelago and Isle du Salut (Devils Islands). This is a rare chance to see and hear about at first hand beautiful parts of our world that most of us are unlikely ever to have the chance to visit.

Book a seat by emailing Colin travel.colin@verwoodu3a.org.uk or Carolyn travel.carolyn@verwoodu3a.org.uk

Our speaker has provided four photos to publicise the talk.



What have we been doing in April

Card Making

Wednesday 1st and 16th April

Again another lovely morning. Thank you to my talented group.



Craft Workshop

Thursday 2nd April

Thanks to Diane Northam for helping us to create such lovely arrangements!

Janine Mills

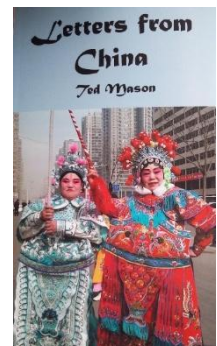
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Diane Northam

Travel Through My Lens

16th April at 10:30

A super talk by Ted Mason at the Travel Through my lens group. Thank you to the many of you who came to listen. Carolyn Whitlock



Future Events

Trip to OSBORNE HOUSE, ISLE OF WIGHT on Thursday 11th June

To include a "mini cruise" across the River Solent (ferry) to the Isle of Wight and a visit to Osborne House.

Features are the Royal Apartments, the twin desks where Queen Victoria and Prince Albert worked, the magnificently decorated Durbar Room, the Swiss Cottage, the pleasure gardens, the Victorian Walled Garden and the Royal Family's private beach.

We will leave Osborne House at 4.00 pm in time to catch the ferry back to the mainland

Cost: Seniors (65+) £57.35 Adults £60.20

English Heritage members £35.55

Closing date: Thursday, 28 May 2026

Contact Sue Wallis by email: sue.travel@verwoodu3a.org.uk or phone: 07947 641650

For further details please see Website

Other Events of Interest Outside U3a

Wednesday April 27th Community Connects



Last Wednesday of each month in the Hub's café

A social evening to help residents meet others, discover local groups and get more involved in community life.

Each evening will feature a different interactive talk, demonstration or activity led by local clubs, societies or charities

Tickets are available on a first come, first served basis and include a drink and nibbles.

Contact The Verwood Hub on 01202 828740

Saturday 2nd May

WEST MOORS COMMUNITY
MEN'S SHED

FIRST MEETING & AGM

SATURDAY 2 MAY
10:00 - 13:00

WEST MOORS MEMORIAL HALL

- ✓ Woodworking & DIY Projects
- ✓ Repairs & Restorations
- ✓ Crafting & Hobbies
- ✓ Social & Mental Wellbeing Support

ALL WELCOME - MEN & LADIES!

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Wednesday May 6th
Verwoodians on Waste
Green Gram event at The Hub

These eco-friendly products save you money, reduce plastic waste, stop harsh chemicals entering our rivers and seas and protect your family from chemical residue

The session starts with a short presentation to understand why making your own is so important. Then a visit to a selection of tables to make an all-purpose cleaner, wood polish, a cream cleaner and how to "brew" air freshener at home. You will take home what you make together with the "recipes".

Tickets £5 per person (The ticket price includes all ingredients).
7.30 pm to 8.30 pm in The Hub Studio 1

Allergen warning: Please note that WALNUTS will be used during the sessionf