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London Chilterns

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**Dec 2020 Dear Diary**

Monthly Bulletin from SI London Chilterns Region

**President Helen Byrne’s Message for the Year is**

**“Celebrate the Past, Create the future”**

**Please keep on sending details of your events for us to share including any events you have planned for the 2021 Soroptimist International Centennial.**

**To publish in Dear Diary and/or on the SILC website please email:** **silondonchilterns@hotmail.com**

***Please also send all of your Christmas/New Year messages for Clubs in the Region for inclusion in the Jan Dear Diary instead of sending separate messages.***

***“SI London Chilterns*** *wishes the Members of all the Clubs in London Chilterns Region a very Merry Christmas and a happy, peaceful, successful and inspiring Soroptimist Centennial in 2021.”*

***“SI Aylesbury & District:*** *To our Sister Soroptimists in London Chilterns Region*, *Sending very best wishes for a safe and peaceful Christmas and a successful Centenary Year 2021 xxx”*

***“SI St Albans & District*** *would like to wish you all a very happy Christmas and a happy, healthy and peaceful 2021. Instead of sending Christmas cards we are making a donation to the Soroptimist International President’s Appeal* ***The Road to Equality****.”*

*“****SI Slough Windsor and Maidenhead*** *wish Regional President Helen and all the Club members of the Region: Season’s Greetings, a Happy New Year, and a healthy 2021”*

**Events in our Region**

**SI London Chilterns** [**www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns)

**Sat 12 Dec - SILC Human Rights Day Celebration/Conference on Zoom - 10am to 1pm** –information here [www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/2020/11/09/hr-day-2020/](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/2020/11/09/hr-day-2020/)

Our speakers are: Kimberley Lamb, Head of Bedfordshire Violence and Exploitation Reduction Unit and Johanna Raffan MBE SIGBI President for 2020-21 (and Member of SI Thames Valley in our Region). Please book on Eventbrite, all are welcome – the link is here:

[www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/soroptimist-international-london-chilterns-region-human-rights-day-tickets-128241506799](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/soroptimist-international-london-chilterns-region-human-rights-day-tickets-128241506799)

**SI St Albans & District** [**www.sigbi.org/st-albans**](http://www.sigbi.org/st-albans)

**1-24 Dec – Virtual Balloon Race – the balloons will be released on Christmas Day. Each balloon costs £3** and you can buy as many as you like, either for yourself or as gifts for others. For all the information please click here [**www.sigbi.org/st-albans/2020/balloon**](https://eur04.safelinks.protection.outlook.com/?url=https%3A%2F%2Fsigbi.org%2Fst-albans-and-district%2F2020%2Fballoon%2F&data=04%7C01%7C%7C2a4fcb7449e84a81811f08d8955f4ac2%7C84df9e7fe9f640afb435aaaaaaaaaaaa%7C1%7C0%7C637423585020371196%7CUnknown%7CTWFpbGZsb3d8eyJWIjoiMC4wLjAwMDAiLCJQIjoiV2luMzIiLCJBTiI6Ik1haWwiLCJXVCI6Mn0%3D%7C1000&sdata=cfYaBiDS8aM9ZUfLQP3zzWDeYgXzdNbr2PRrZkFYrSI%3D&reserved=0)

Funds raised are for Herts Domestic Abuse Helpline and St Albans and Hertsmere Women’s Refuge [www.hertsdomesticabusehelpline.org](http://www.hertsdomesticabusehelpline.org/) and [www.sahwr.org.uk](http://www.sahwr.org.uk/)

**SI St Albans & District** [**www.sigbi.org/st-albans**](http://www.sigbi.org/st-albans)

**Sat 23 Jan – Fun Charity Quiz Night goes virtual!** 7.30pm to 9pm in aid of St Albans and Hertsmere Women’s Refuge plus Club Charities. See website for booking info [www.sigbi.org/st-albans/2020/zoom-quiz](http://www.sigbi.org/st-albans/2020/zoom-quiz) Email: sistalbans@hotmail.com or tel: 07834345796

**SI Hertford and District** [**www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district**](http://www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district)

**Fri 5 Feb – THE NOT-SO-SERIOUS-QUIZ NIGHT** - even though our usual quiz night had to be cancelled the replacement event by Zoom was so successful that we are repeating it! Our new date is FRIDAY 5th FEBRUARY and will again be a Zoom event. Please contact Anne Miles at contrannie@btopenworld.com We look forward to seeing you.

**Looking Ahead**

**SI Slough, Windsor & Maidenhead** [**www.sigbi.org/slough-windsor-and-maidenhead**](http://www.sigbi.org/slough-windsor-and-maidenhead)

**Sun 21Mar 2021 – Charter Anniversary Lunch** Stirrups Hotel near Maidenhead with a three course meal and a welcome drink and tea or coffee at £40.  There is a choice of 3 menus.

**26/27 Mar 2022 - Diamond Anniversary** – planning in progress…

**SI Hertford and District** [**www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district**](http://www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district)

**APRIL 2021  Weekend  23 - 25th April** will be a **Friendship Weekend** to celebrate both the **Soroptimist International Centenary and our Club's  65th Birthday.** Our birthday lunch will be on Saturday, 24th April, and we hope to see many friends from our Region.  So please make a note of the date now.

**SIGBI Conference** [**www.sigbi.org/llandudno2021**](https://sigbi.org/llandudno2021/)

**Thu eve 28 Oct to Sat eve 30 Oct – SIGBI Conference Llandudno**

**SI London Chilterns** [**www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns)

**Sat 6 - Sun 7 Mar 2021 Women of the World (WOW) Festival, Southbank London TBC**

**Sat 13 Mar 2021 - Zoom - SILC Region Meeting and celebration of International Women's Day**

**Sat 12 Jun 2021 - Milton Keyes - SILC Region Meeting**

**Sat 9 Oct 2021 - Lancaster Hall, London - SILC Region AGM/Conference**

**Monthly Meeting Details of the Clubs in SI London Chilterns Region**

**NB Most Face to Face Meetings are suspended due to COVID-19**

**– please contact the Club directly to confirm any arrangements**

**SI Aylesbury & District,** [**www.sigbi.org/aylesbury**](http://www.sigbi.org/aylesbury)

**1st Wednesday at 7pm**

Community Room at Tesco Extra, Broadfields Retail Park, Bicester Road, Aylesbury HP19 8BU.

Chartered 14th June 1958

**SI Bedford,** [**www.sigbi.org/bedford**](http://www.sigbi.org/bedford)

**3rd Monday at 7pm**

Meet at St Andrews Church Centre, Kimbolton Road, Bedford MK40 2PF.

Chartered 6th October 1931.

**SI Hertford & District,** **[www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district](http://www.sigbi.org/hertford-and-district)**

**1st and 3rd Monday, meet at 7.15, for 7.30pm start.**

At The Hertford Club, Lombard House, Bull Plain, Hertford SG14 1DT.

Chartered on 28th April 1956

**SI High Wycombe & District** [**www.sigbi.org/high-wycombe-and-district**](http://www.sigbi.org/high-wycombe-and-district)

**1st Tuesday at 7pm** Chartered on 1st January 1962

At Brewers Fayre Papermill, London Road, Loudwater, High Wycombe HP10 9YL.

**SI London Central and South West** [**www.sigbi.org/london-central-and-southwest**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-central-and-southwest)

**2nd Tuesday at 7pm** Chartered on 5th May 1927 & 27th July 1927

Number 63 (Soroptimist) Ltd., 63 Bayswater Road, London W2 3PH.

**SI London Greater** [**www.sigbi.org/london-greater**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-greater)

**1st Thursday, meet at 6.30, for 7pm start.**

Number 63 (Soroptimist) Ltd., 63 Bayswater Road, London W2 3PH. Chartered on 14th February 1924

**SI Milton Keynes** [**www.sigbi.org/milton-keynes**](http://www.sigbi.org/milton-keynes)

**3rd Tuesdays 5.45pm** MK SNAP, Walnut TreeMK7 7DE Contact sorptimistsmk@gmail.com

**SI Newbury & District** [**www.sigbi.org/newbury-and-district**](http://www.sigbi.org/newbury-and-district)

**1st and 3rd Thursday [except August] at 7.30pm**

St Georges Church Annex, Wash Common, Newbury RG14 6NU. Chartered on 1st January 1956

**SI Oxford & District** **[www.sigbi.org/oxford-and-district](http://www.sigbi.org/oxford-and-district)**

**3rd Wednesday, meet at 6.30 for 7pm start.**

The Coach House, Quarry Road, Headington, Oxford OX3 8NU. Chartered on 1st January 1958

**SI Slough, Windsor & Maidenhead** **[www.sigbi.org/slough-windsor-and-maidenhead](http://www.sigbi.org/slough-windsor-and-maidenhead)**

**3rd Wednesday at 7pm**

Fredrick’s Hotel, Shoppenhangers Road, Maidenhead SL6 2PZ. Chartered on 1st January 1961

**SI St Albans & District** [**www.sigbi.org/st-albans**](http://www.sigbi.org/st-albans)

**2nd and 4th of most Mondays at 8pm**

**Chiswell Green United Reformed Church Hall, Watford Road, St Albans AL2 3HG**

email: **sistalbans@hotmail.com** or Tel Jane: 0783 4345796. Chartered 1st January 1957

**SI Thames Valley** **[www.sigbi.org/thames-valley](http://www.sigbi.org/thames-valley)**

**3rd Tuesday, meet at 7.30pm.**

Bourne End Library, Bourne End, Buckinghamshire SL8 5SX. Chartered on 31st March 1990

***Dates of Region Meetings/Conferences 2020/2021***

*12 December 2020 – Zoom 10am to 1pm - Celebration of Human Rights Day*

*13 March 2021 - Zoom timings TBC - Celebration of International Women’s Day*

*13 June 2021 - 10am to 4pm Milton Keynes*

*9 October 2021 - 10am to 4pm at Lancaster Hall Hotel - AGM*

**The programme and back-issues of Dear Diary are available on the Region website** [**www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/programme/**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/programme/)

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