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London Chilterns

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**Jan 2021 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 see all the Christmas/New Year messages***

***below received from Clubs in the Region***

***“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 Bedford & District*** *Best wishes for Christmas and a Happy New Year”*

***“SI Hertford & District***  wish all our friends and colleagues in Clubs throughout our Region a very Happy (-and Covid-free!)  New Year and successful continuing work on all our projects.”

***“SI High Wycombe & District***  Merry Chritmas and Happy New Year” with a lovely e-card (not attached)

*“****SI Milton Keynes*** *Well done for all your hard work and for getting through 2020 Merry Christmas and Wishing you all The very best for 2021” with a lovely e-card (not attached)*

*“****Soroptimist International Oxford & District****Wish you all a very Happy and Safe Christmas*

*We have enjoyed all the Zoom opportunities and we hope that next year 2021 we might meet in person face to face. With our very best wishes.”*

***“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*** *“SI Slough Windsor and Maidenhead President Sally and all the Club members wish everyone a peaceful New Year and best wishes for the coming months.”*

**Events in our Region**

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

**Sat 13 Mar - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and International Women’s Day Celebration - 10am to 1pm** details will be published and circulated to Clubs soon.

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

**Tue 19 Jan Club Meeting with guest speaker Ann Beatty**, of the **Steve Sinnott Foundation**. This local foundation aims to aid education for children in less developed countries and partners with other charities to send out educational supplies and support.

If you would like to join us please email Johanna jmraffan@gmail.com for the zoom meeting log-on details [www.stevesinnottfoundation.org.uk](http://www.stevesinnottfoundation.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** 7.30pm to 9pm - 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.

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

**Mon 22 Feb – 7.30pm Speaker Meeting  on Zoom** [**Dr Margaret Ashwell OBE**](http://www.ashwell.uk.com/drmargaretashwell.htm)**will speak about the relationship between food and health.**Margaret is a public health nutritionist and she is also the biographer of **Elsie Widdowson** so we will learn about this inspiring woman too <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Elsie_Widdowson>

**Email:** **sistalbans@hotmail.com** **or tel: 07834345796** to be sent Zoom details

**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)

**TBC 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.

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

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

**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 2021***

**Sat 13 Mar - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and International Women’s Day Celebration - Zoom 10am to 1pm** details will be published and circulated to Clubs soon.

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

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

**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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