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**June 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.**

**Please email any entries for the next edition to:** [**silondonchilterns@hotmail.com**](mailto:silondonchilterns@hotmail.com) **by Monday 28 June 2021 – please also send anything for the SILC website.**

**SI London Chilterns** [**www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/12jun**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/12jun)

**Sat 12 Jun - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and Celebration of our Soroptimist Centenary - Hosted by SI Milton Keynes - Zoom 2-5pm** This event promises to be a fun and inspiring Celebration of SI’s Centenary with, among other things, a play about the history of Soroptimist International and a meet up online with founding club **SI Oakland in California.** Don’t miss it! Please click on the website where you need to book your place on Eventbrite – there is also a brilliant video trailer for the play [**www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/12jun**](http://www.sigbi.org/london-chilterns/12jun) - bring your own cake and glass of something for the toast.

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

**Mon 7 Jun** Although still enjoying meetings by Zoom, not yet face-to-face, we would welcome any friends who wish to join us. Our speaker will be Christine Roach, Chair of Herts Domestic Abuse Helpline. Please contact us via our website for details and links.

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

**Tue 15 June Zoom 7pm for 7.15 pm start** guest speaker from **Commonwealth War Graves Commission** Please email Alison for zoom log-on details [sithamesvalleysecretary@gmail.com](mailto:sithamesvalleysecretary@gmail.com)

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

**Mon 28 Jun** **online** **7.30pm to 9pm “How memories are made, making the most of your stuff in the home”** see website for more info [www.sigbi.org/st-albans/2021/art-of-giving](http://www.sigbi.org/st-albans/2021/art-of-giving) Email [sistalbans@hotmail.com](mailto:sistalbans@hotmail.com)  or phone Jane on 07834345796

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

**Mon 5 Jul** Although still enjoying meetings by Zoom, not yet face-to-face, we would welcome any friends who wish to join us. We welcome Dr Sham Qayyum, a legal academic from University of Hertfordshire to discuss  'Inter-sectional Diversity'  including race, religion, ethnicity and the law. Please contact us via our website for details and links.

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

**Mon 12 Jul – Evening Event**– we will hear from **Richard Radcliffe** – husband of **Nazanin Zaghari-Ratcliffe** who has been detained in Iran since 3 April 2016. For more info Email [sistalbans@hotmail.com](mailto:sistalbans@hotmail.com)  or phone Jane on 07834345796

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

**Sat 11 – Sat 18 Sept** – Arts, Crafts and Soroptimist History event to be 11-18 September in the Gallery at the Milton Keynes City Centre Church. It will include stalls to put our crafts on for sale, a section for an arts and history exhibition.

**Soroptimist International**

**Fri 1st to Sun 3 Oct - 100th Anniversary of Soroptimist International** [**www.100.soroptimistinternational.org/si100**](https://100.soroptimistinternational.org/si100)

**Registration for the celebration is now open, and we encourage you to sign up as soon as possible to receive the greatest savings!**

* Early Bird Registration: Closes 14 June, 2021 / $40.00
* Regular Registration: 15 June - 14 September, 2021 / $50.00
* Last Minute Registration: 15 September - 2 October, 2021 / $75.00

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

**Fri 29 and Sat 30 Oct afternoons SIGBI Conference Llandudno – online** – plus a party on Saturday evening to celebrate the Soroptimist centenary…

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

**Sat 20 Nov - new date for the 65th Anniversary Celebrations**. The Club would love you to join them. More details later.

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

**Sun 21 Nov** – join SITV to celebrate Thirty [one] years of services to women locally, nationally, and internationally. Like many celebrations, this event was postponed in 2020 with the date moving a couple of times. Hopefully, we will be able to celebrate this November! Charter lunch will be at the River and Rowing Museum, Henley-on-Thames.

Reception time 12 noon, for 12.30pm lunch. The cost per head is £50.00 to include a welcome drink and a glass of something special for the toast, a prize draw ticket, a small donation to charity. Enquiries to [sithamesvalleysecretary@gmail.com](mailto:sithamesvalleysecretary@gmail.com)

**Looking further ahead…..**

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

**Sat 26 - Sun 27 Mar 2022 - Diamond Anniversary Weekend**

There will be a celebratory lunch at Ditton Park Manor, Langley, on Sun 27 March.

**Soroptimist International Convention Dublin Thu 27 – Sun 29 July 2023 “Challenge the Future”** [**sidublin2023.com**](http://sidublin2023.com)

**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](mailto: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**](mailto: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 12 Jun 2021 - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and celebration of the SI Centenary – Hosted by SI Milton Keynes - 2pm to 5pm on Zoom**

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

**Sat 11 Dec – Zoom – SILC Region Conference - Human Rights Day**

**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/)