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London Chilterns

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**Aug 2022 Dear Diary**

Monthly Bulletin from SI London Chilterns Region

**“The Chilterns Challengers”**

**Shared Presidents’ Message for the Year is**

***“Respecting Differences, Celebrating Similarities”***

**Please keep on sending details of your events for us to share.**

**Please email any entries for the next edition to:** [**silondonchilterns@hotmail.com**](mailto:silondonchilterns@hotmail.com) **by 30 Aug 2022 – plus anything for the SILC website.**

**25th of Every Month is Orange Day – UKPAC** [**https://sigbi.org/ukpac**](https://sigbi.org/ukpac)

**UKPAC has joined the UNiTE campaign to mark the 25th of each month as “Orange Day”**, a day to raise awareness and take action to end violence against women and girls.

<https://www.unwomen.org/en/what-we-do/ending-violence-against-women/take-action/unite> As a bright and optimistic colour, orange represents a future free from violence against women and girls

UKPAC has produced posters, postcards and badges which have been sent to Clubs – please email [silondonchilterns@hotmail.com](mailto:silondonchilterns@hotmail.com) if not received. Media info will be sent from UKPAC to Clubs for each month via Region Programme Action Officer Pam Robertson.

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

**Mon 26 Sep – 7.30pm – 9.30pm Zoom – Why the Biodiversity Crisis matters as much as Climate Change and what we can do locally to make a difference.**All are welcome – please see the website for more information: [**sigbi.org/st-albans/biodiversity**](https://sigbi.org/st-albans-and-district/2022/biodiversity/)

**Please book on Eventbrite:**

[**www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-biodiversity-crisis-and-climate-change-tickets-393556968487**](https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/the-biodiversity-crisis-and-climate-change-tickets-393556968487)

**Mon 24 Oct - Divine Chocolate Tasting “Workshop” evening on Zoom - 7.30pm -** Members and friends are encouraged to participate in small groups where possible. £12 per person (tbc) - chocolates will be sent out ahead of the event. To find out more please email [sistalbans@hotmail.com](mailto:sistalbans@hotmail.com)

**Sat 25 Nov to Fr 16 Dec - Join SI St Albans & District’s** [**Orange the World Campaign**](https://sigbi.org/st-albans-and-district/2022/orange22/)– 16 days of activism to end gender based violence. See the website for information: <https://sigbi.org/st-albans-and-district/2022/orange22/> or email [sistalbans@hotmail.com](mailto:sistalbans@hotmail.com)

**Looking further ahead…..**

**Sat 8 Oct 2022 – Zoom - SILC Region AGM/Conference - 10am to 1pm on Zoom**

**Thu 27 Oct - Sat 29 Oct – SI Great Britain and Ireland (SIGBI) Conference Belfast "Climate for Change"** [**www.sigbi.org/belfast2022**](https://sigbi.org/belfast2022/) **full registration fee will remain at the early bird price of £175.00 until 30th September (when conference registration closes).**

Many Members of the Region are planning to stay at the Premier Inn Cathedral Quarter and there will be a Regional gathering – TBC <https://www.premierinn.com/gb/en/hotels/northern-ireland/antrim/belfast/belfast-city-cathedral-quarter.html>

**Sat 10 Dec - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and Celebration of Human Rights Day - 10am to 1pm on Zoom**

**Sat 11 Mar 2023 - SILC Region Meeting/Conference and Celebration of International Women's Day - 10am to 4pm in person at Cecil Sharp House 2 Regent’s Park Road, London NW1 7AY** [**www.efdss.org/cecil-sharp-house**](https://www.efdss.org/cecil-sharp-house) **More details will be available nearer the time.**

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

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

**NB Since COVID Clubs are holding a mix of Online and Face to Face Meetings**

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

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

**1st Wednesday at 6.30pm**

Either by Zoom or at a members House in Aylesbury.

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.**

GSK Allenbury's Sports & Social Club in Ware SG12 0DJ. The Club operates a hybrid model of meetings to attend in person or via Zoom. Please contact the Club by the website.

**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 7.30pm either on Zoom or at**

**Greenwood 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

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**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/)