

# May 2024

Would you like to meet people and try new things? Fancy going to the Cinema but have no-one to go with? Like eating out with friends? Then you need us!

We are a group of new friends from all walks of life. A mix of ages and abilities. If we want to go to a film, or for a day or meal out, we invite the others so we can enjoy events together.

We love Sunday roasts and Curries!

We are book worms, theatre addicts, walkers, cyclists, and lots more.

Members are singles or couples or groups. All are welcome.

We meet on the second Wednesday of each month at 8pm in the Woodlands Edge pub (Known locally as "The Wedge"), in West Swindon.

We meet a second time each month at the Sun Inn (East side of town) on the 4th TUESDAY of each month .

**Membership is just £12 a year.**

We are affiliated to the national Association of IVC clubs and have the opportunity to join in events around the Country.

If you want to join us, come along to the next meeting.

## Upcoming events

Thu 02 May	Constellations
Fri 03 May	Book Club
Sun 05 May	Sunday Lunch Club
Tue 07 May	Day out in Oxford
Wed 08 May	Pub Night at the Wedge
Fri 10 May	SFOL—Marcus Du Sautoy
Sat 11 May	SFOL—Tony Hawks and more
Thu 16 May	Kelmscott Manor
Thu 16 May	42nd Street: The Musical
Sun 26 May	Sunday Lunch Club
Tue 28 May	Pub Night at the Sun Inn
Thu 30 May	Message in a Bottle
Sat 01 June	Midsummer at the Barn Theatre
Sat 08 June	Middlewick House Open Garden

## Sunday Lunch Club

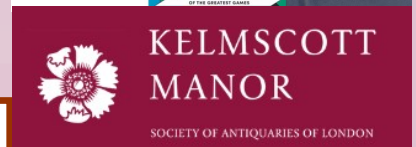
Brenda has arranged for our next lunch to be at the Lydiard Park Hotel on May 5th.



We are also having a second roast this month on 26th May at Colin and Jaki's home. Numbers will have to be limited!

Hoping the Bank Holiday will bring us better weather and we can even dine outside.

Details to follow after the 5th.



**Tuesday 7th May**

## **Oxford by Bus**

Join Pat for a day out in Oxford by bus.

Leaving Swindon at about 10am.  
First stop coffee & cake!

A choice of different sight-seeing options follow throughout the day followed by a meal.

Please let Pat know if you would like to take part.

### **SIVC Website**

All members can access pages on the website that are not visible to non-members.

Do log in and make sure you have more up to date information as events are added throughout the month.

### **Constellations**

Another event for early May at the Barn theatre followed by a meal in a local pub. Please contact Brenda if you are interested.

Thursday 2nd May—2.30pm.

### **Thursday 16 May**

#### **Kelmscott Manor**

Join Richard and Penny and visit the home of William Morris a leading member of the Arts and Crafts movement. The Manor is a beautiful Cotswold house and gardens by the Thames in the village of the same name. There is some lovely pre Raphaelite paintings by his friends and Arts and craft furniture. For lunch there is a cafe or alternatively the village pub The Plough is very good with seats in the pub garden

### **Pub Nights**

**08 May 2024 - The Wedge**

**28 May 2024—The Sun Inn Coate**

These are our regular monthly get-togethers where we can meet new members, organise events and just catch up.

Starting at 8pm—all are welcome!

The Wedge is in Peatmoor village centre in West Swindon

The Sun Inn is near the entrance to Coate Water park.

### **Book Club—May 3rd**

**'The Life Inside: A Memoir of Prison, Family and Learning to be Free'**

by Andy West.

Through its blend of memoir, storytelling and gentle philosophical questioning, readers will gain a new insight into our justice system, our prisons and the plurality of lives found inside...'

**Venue: The Runner, Wootton Bassett Road, Swindon SN1 4NQ**

### **Sat 01 June**

**Midsummer (A play with songs)**

Another event at the Barn Theatre

A musical romantic comedy set in Edinburgh. Two opposites Helena and Bob meet. What ensues is a helter-skelter weekend in which they lose themselves and their inhibitions.

Pat has organised this event and there will probably be food and drinks somewhere afterwards!

### **Message In A Bottle - Live**

Sadler's Wells and Universal Music UK present Message In A Bottle, the breathtaking new dance-theatre production by five time Olivier Award nominee, Kate Prince, to the music of 17-time Grammy Award winner, Sting.

This will be screened at the Cineworld at Shaw Ridge, Swindon SN5 7DN.

Please let Pat know if you would like to join her on 30th May.

### **Photo competition**

Congratulations to Pat for winning the Spring category of the last competition with Gaby in 2nd place.



And to Lindsay for his winning entry in the Horizons category, with Denise & Richard in joint 2nd place.

### **Also Thursday 16 May.....**

**42nd Street: The Musical**

This legendary Broadway musical theatre classic, is being broadcast at the Cineworld in Shaw Ridge, Swindon. Organised by Brenda—do contact her if you would like to go along.

**Friday 10 May —Saturday 11 May 2024**

### **Swindon Festival of Literature**

Richard and Lindsay have arranged visits to this festival. Full details are on the website and do contact them if you are interested.

(Friday) **MARCUS DU SAUTOY** – followed (for those who wish) by a visit to a local pub for lunch / drinks.

(Saturday) **Tony Hawks in conversation and Flash fiction slam**

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