

Gulp!

We are losing our tea lady, Ann Jones, after many years – Ann was one of the original SDG members and has made tea and coffee since our inception in 2008. She has rarely missed a meeting except under special circumstances, and has been as reliable as she is indispensable.

How do you replace the irreplaceable? Is there someone out there who would like to step into Ann's shoes?

As I always said at every AGM while I was Chairman, if the entire Committee disappeared, Ann would be the first member we would miss!

A Call To Arms!

This is my penultimate Newsletter. The next one - Number 40 – being the October to December 2018 issue, will be my last after 10 years as Editor.

I am rather proud of this, it is something of an achievement, thanks to all the contributors and speakers over the years.

Our next Newsletter Editor has not yet stepped forward, but we live in hope. No one is expecting it to be in this format or even this, ahem, professional. As you know, I worked in publishing during my career, I continued to publish books during my retirement, and I invested in the



professional software to do it, which cost £1,000 to buy. My replacement will hopefully put his or her own stamp and style on future Newsletters.

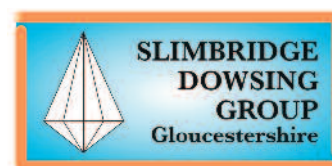
This is also an opportunity to look to the future of the Group. We already have a reputation as one of the most active and successful Groups in the country. Even though it was agreed at November's AGM to reduce meetings from two a month to one, we can and will continue as successfully as before.

As with anything worthwhile, it will take a lot of commitment and dedication from a lot of people – this is your chance to be one of them.

Trish Mills

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Chairman's Report

I sat in the centre of the Rollright Stone circle last week for the Summer Solstice and realised the year is flying by. Mid-summer already. We have had a busy programme so far and another three months with three talks, external excursions, and a number of new members who are always welcome.

Our first talk or dowsing practical by the Bards of Avalon, David and Bea, was fascinating. To see people try dowsing with healing was amazing.

Hopefully in the second talk I managed to add a bit of 'real life' and to inspire the need to look at your own life to see how your personal journey is unfolding. As you have seen, the last few months have not been devoid of connection with Earth the hard way! Incredible evidence of synchronicity and healing for me and many others! Connection, healing and synchronicity are everywhere when you open your eyes.

The third talk on Reading Stonehenge by Colin Parker was a real eye-opener – you could feel the 'By jove, he's cracked it' from his discoveries. Having been at Stonehenge for last year's summer Solstice, I can see exactly what Colin was illustrating. How he would explain the myriad beliefs and characters at the Solstice would make another talk!

We have also had three field trips run by members: to a church, a haunted old Inn and a Roman site. Due to my leg I could not be there but when I spoke with Barry and Elaine the Ram Inn sounded fascinating, and

made an experienced dowser realise the results he was getting was more accurate than his brain. A lesson to us all – Go first with what you feel, not what you think, no matter how difficult that may be.

Speaking of busy programmes, we are working on next year's programme. Thank you to those who have sent thoughts and ideas to me and other committee members – Keep them coming – it's your group.

We do have one fly in the ointment though – Slimbridge Village hall has already double booked us twice despite our being the first booker! It seems those issues didn't go away so the Committee will review things at our next meeting.

Recently I went to a fascinating talk at Bristol Dowsers given by Gordon Field, a Tree Dowser, another way to connect with like-minded people. So without diluting our own group, don't forget there are other interesting talks about, which can also enhance our group, so let's help support dowsing by supporting them, and bring new ideas back with us.

I'm sorry to end on a sad note, but I have to say a massive thank you to Ann Jones, who has to sadly pass on the baton as our trusted refreshments officer – Ann, you leave a big cup to fill. This is probably one of the most important roles on the Committee, as it provides not just tea but a communication point to help join us all together. If there is anyone who would like to take this on then please come and collect the baton from me.

Paul Syrett

Slimbridge Dowsing Group Programme July–September 2018

Thursday 12th July **Opening the Psychic Doorway via Extrasensory Perception, Working with Angels, Friends & Helpers**

with Christopher Strong*

You will no doubt recall Christopher Strong's talk for us in October 2017, which was so well received we booked him for this workshop there and then!

Christopher will show us how to work with our angels, friends & helpers, and how to appoint Angels, receive psychic messages and more.

Christopher Strong is a retired professional dowser with 40 years experience, and is always happy to share. He continues to give weekend workshops during the term at the College of Psychic Studies in London.



Saturday 28th July **How to build a house with a little help from Dowsing** with Jon Martin

Jon modestly says his talk is about the highs and lows of building a house, but he will also be speaking about his experiences of how dowsing can help make decisions with the design, building materials, earth energies and spirit of place, to name but a few.

The Tree House in Dursley was featured on the Grand Designs programme with Kevin McCloud on 23rd October 2016. It has won awards and is remarkable in that several people wanted to buy the vacant plot of land but could not get planning permission because they wanted to fell too many of the trees. Jon's design meant he did not need to fell any trees at all!



The completed tree house above. Right: Jon and his wife Noreen lived on site in a caravan for the duration of the build.

Please bring dowsing rods or a pendant to dowse with, as the talk is interactive so you can have a go at map dowsing for known underground objects and locations.



Unless otherwise stated, Meetings at Kingshill House, Dursley on 2nd Thursday 1.45 for 2.30pm and 4th Saturday 9.45 for 10.30 am

Thursday 9th August **Dowsing the Post Houses on Keith's Farm, Arlingham** with Barry Goldring and kind permission of Keith Jones.



Last time we visited Keith's farm, we found the first post house, and previously we had found the last two. So now we need to fill in the gap and record the remaining two. The nearby Roman main road has to be located, and the first part of the drive to the posting houses. In the next field we believe there may have been stables and possibly a Roman fort. There may also be some ancillary buildings - Rob Gerrish found indications of a couple on our last foray. So lots to do.

Beginners are particularly welcome

so we will make provision for some training too.

Directions: Leave the A38 following the signs to Frampton-upon-Severn. Continue through Frampton and over the canal bridge, immediately taking the left turn to Arlingham. At the Red Lion turn left, past the church (on your right) then take the next turning left (at the end of the brick wall). Continue along this bumpy road for about half a mile until you see our cars.

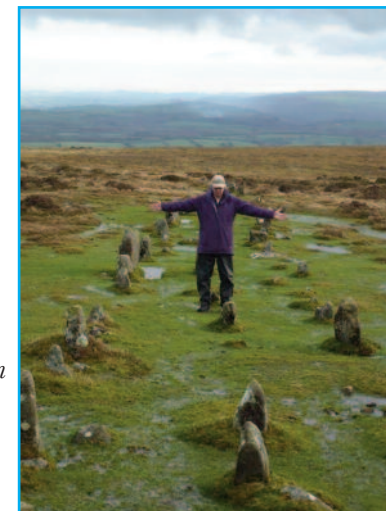
Saturday 25th August Bank Holiday - NO Meeting

Thursday 13th September **Experiencing the Prehistoric Stone Rows of Europe** with Peter Knight*

Peter Knight returns to Slimbridge Dowzers to give another informative and inspiring Powerpoint presentation. He will look at the enigmatic prehistoric stone rows across Europe and the UK. Many are astronomically aligned, but also with local geographical features, and most can be found to have powerful dowsable earth energies flowing along them.

We are meant to walk stone rows as an immersive experience, as our movement across the landscape is carefully and mindfully choreographed. Peter will draw on his profound experiences amid stone rows, which have led to him receiving messages from the land and being gifted with poetry.

Peter has been leading tours of profound sacred sites for over 20 years, is the author of 11 books on ancient sacred sites and ancient wisdom, and the organiser of the annual Convention of Archaeology and Earth Mysteries. www.stoneseeker.net



Saturday 22nd September - NO Meeting

* visiting speaker