

## News

Meeting fees have been increased to cover hall costs and expenses. Guests now pay £7 and members £5 for entrance.

## Membership

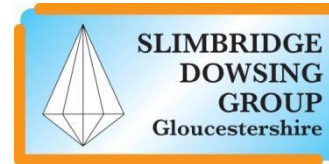
We have several vacant positions available on the committee, please contact us if you wish to be considered to become part of our team. Membership fees will remain at £10 for 2023 and we hope as many of you as possible will join our dowsing community this year. Membership forms are available at our face to face meetings at Whitminster Village Hall or from our membership secretary.

## Library / Resources

The library is a key membership resource which can be actively utilised at our face to face meetings. We are expanding it into a centralised resource for more than just books. There is other equipment available to borrow. As the Pandemic restrictions have now been loosened, our resource is available again. Some members now allow others to share their own libraries where they wish to. Please see insert for Lawrence's book review.

### Slimbridge Dowsing Group Committee

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# Newsletter

## Slimbridge Dowsing Group

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## Issue 62

**July - September 2023**

**Chairman's Message** - Please see insert

## July Programme

### July 15th 2023. Minchinhampton Tracks and Features Field Trip with Jayne Tovey.



Jayne has a story on "Coffin Cottage" which she will narrate to us before we set off. The story is based on facts, hearsay and her own detective work and research. The walk will include a few historical features in Minchinhampton and take in some rare old kissing gate stiles, some waymarkers, node stones and daddypuffs and more narrative as we walk. Jayne will also show us an old well, stiles and lead us across the countryside to view other features, many on ley lines for dowsing and exploring the energy.

The walk commences around Minchinhampton village on roads and pathways but then the walk goes across fields, some with very steep inclines. Walking boots or strong footwear are definitely needed and walking poles, if you have them would be a good idea. We shall be away from facilities for quite a long time so a packed

lunch and a drink is definitely recommended - further details including where to meet will be available nearer the time.

### **July 25th 2023. Informal Community Meeting - Via Zoom**

This is our community forum and we welcome input from members on topics for discussion. Opens at 7pm.

The Zoom Meeting details are: Meeting ID: 863 9610 3366 Passcode: 020828

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## **August Programme**

### **No on site meeting planned for August.**

Although we might be able to organise another field trip. We will keep you posted.

### **August 29th 2023. Informal Community Meeting - Via Zoom**

This is our community forum and we welcome input from members on topics for discussion. Opens at 7pm.

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## **September Programme**

### **September 9th 2023. Creative Kinesiology with Stefanie Kay.**

We welcome Stefanie "Tini" Kay who is a member of The Creative Kinesiology Association and The Kinesiology Federation. During tonight's talk she will introduce us to the concept of muscle testing with demonstrations and examples

of some techniques for self testing to help uncover spiritual, emotional, physical nutritional and energetic blockages.

Tini will bring along some literature and examples of some of the resources used in Creative Kinesiology as well offering demonstrations on willing volunteers and, of course, there will be plenty of opportunity to ask questions.

### **September 26th 2023. Informal Community Meeting - Via Zoom**

This is our community forum and we welcome input from members on topics for discussion. Opens at 7pm.

The Zoom Meeting details are: Meeting ID: 863 9610 3366 Passcode: 020828

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**Meetings at Whitminster Village Hall, School Lane, Whitminster,  
Gloucestershire. GL2 7NN. On the second Saturday of the month.  
9:45 for 10:30 am start unless otherwise stated. £5 members, £7 guests.**

## Chairman's Message - NL Issue 62

It has been an eventful few months since I last wrote my Chair Report.

In March we welcomed Emma Farrell whose extensive knowledge and expertise in herbalism, shamanism, geomancy and the magical and wisdom traditions of our islands promised a very interesting talk.

We were not disappointed. Emma's relaxed easy style was much enjoyed by the group and we aim to have her back before the end of the year to continue the conversation.

Shortly after the March meeting, I had the opportunity to go and sleep on the mountain at Carningli with Laurence Main. I was excited to experience this at the Spring Equinox but to be honest it was a bit of a washout! Least said, the better and I am hoping for another opportunity when the weather is a little kinder.

The speaker for our April meeting hit a small hitch when we realised a double booking was on the cards. One speaker we have been talking about for some time is Kate Smart, Chair of Malvern Dowsters and regular speaker at many events such as Adrian Incledon-Webber's Earth Energies weekend at the beginning of June. Kate gave us a fascinating talk focused around her trip to Egypt just as lockdown was ending. Kate is a landscape architect who designs gardens in a holistic and biodynamic way and we hope to invite her back soon to give another talk on one of her many areas of expertise.

At the end of April, I was one of the speakers at the BSD Conference held at The Cube in Malvern. Given some of the challenges of working with the BSD in recent years, I was delighted to have this opportunity. My talk on Energy and Consciousness was very well received and the four workshops on Causative and Witness Dowsing I delivered were full of fun and I think the attendees also learnt something!

Other speakers included Veda Austin live from NZ talking about how the image of consciousness can be held in water and Amy Murphy-Watts whose insightful talk on the power of nature through flower essences and dowsing was fascinating.

At the beginning of May I headed to Glastonbury for Megalithomania. I have been wanting to attend this for some time and this year, Laurence Main asked me to help him run his Leyhunters stall. There were some fascinating speakers and I bumped in to a few of our members as well. It was here that I met Gwendolyn Awen Jones who was there as part of a tour of the UK promoting her new book *Callanish the Crown: Stonehenge of the North*. As you now know, this meeting led to a number of further encounters including two evenings where Gwen shared some of her fascinating insights on Callanish, healing, life and COVID.

Our May meeting took the form of a field trip to the magical Hill at Miserden. This was a great opportunity to learn and practise our dowsing skills both locally and remote. We will write up this as a separate report as it was so fascinating and with such interesting results.

Last weekend, I attended Adrian Incledon-Weber's Earth Energies weekend where I again had the opportunity to publicise the Earth Energies Zoom Group.

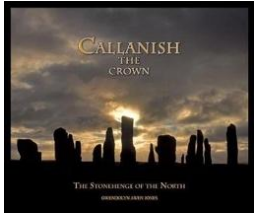
As you can see it has been a busy few months. I have made some great connections with really interesting people and this has been good for building out our pool of potential speakers for the rest of the year and beyond. The success of our trip to Miserden is a good reason to have more field trips both for our monthly meetings and outside of this if members and friends are interesting in meeting up for some dowsing. For anyone in the Bristol area, the Bristol Dowsters are meeting at 7pm on Friday June 16th for some dowsing on the downs - all welcome.

We have had a few members out of action during this time due to ill health and we wish them all a speedy recovery. In particular all our best wishes to Rob Gerrish who has been a mainstay of the Slimbridge Dowsters Committee for many years now and has still managed to keep on top of our Media and Communications despite being unwell and undergoing treatment. Also to our newest committee member Dave Foxton who has also been out of action for a while.

*Paul*

## Book Review by Lawrence Wadsworth

### Callanish The Crown – The Stonehenge of the North – by Gwendolyn Awen Jones



This book answers many questions about stone circles, their purpose and how they are all connected. In essence though, it is about the stone circle at Callanish on the Isle of Lewis in the Outer Hebrides.

Divided into four parts, the first part provides us with a time line putting into context the age of the stone circle.

We learn of its location, and that of other megalithic sites nearby, and how peat partially covered the stones until 1857 when the stones were fully revealed. Previous researches and surveys are mentioned, noting that one researcher had found that many stone circles created precise geometric shapes, so called sacred geometry. Finally we are given detailed solar and lunar alignments of the circle relating to their various phases.

In part 2 the author talks about her inner vision, and we learn of her journey to Mexico where she was taught how to use her special gift and become a natural healer. On her return she studied ancient sacred knowledge, and learnt dowsing. She tells us that we are electromagnetic beings and that the earth is a giant dynamo interacting constantly with us, the sun, the planets and the cosmos. Around the earth are pulsating magnetic lines of force, crossing and forming nodes at sacred sites, where the energy of these ley lines are magnified, especially at the solstices and equinoxes.

It was on a visit to Glastonbury Tor in 1986 that the author was given a clear vision of a web of light radiating out across the land connecting ancient sites which each had an etheric crystal above it radiating at a unique frequency to the site. Some areas of the web were shimmering with light whilst others had become dark, and she saw this was due to the stone circle being damaged or destroyed. Any disruptions to the Earth grid lines then affecting the balance of life. In her vision she was shown the stone circle at Callanish, the Crown of Britain, with the energies locked, and saw that this was the most important site to bring back online. We learn also of the series of dreams and intuitions she had about

the Callanish stone circle and how to unlock its mysteries before she travelled there.

The author tells us of her journey to Callanish, and with two male companions was able to break the dark energies that had bound the site. Having completed their task before the solstice dawn, the author stands with her back to the central stone facing the sun as it rises, and shares with us her inner vision at the time. This is probably the most profound and magical part of the whole book as we learn that as the intensity of the sun increased, arcs of light connected each stone to a huge sphere of light spinning clockwise above the circle radiating out across the land. Then at sunset that evening, her inner vision sees a beautiful silver-blue vortex of light begin to spin anti-clockwise around the stones, focused downwards charging up a large blue energy sphere deep in the earth below the circle. This lunar sphere slowly spinning anti-clockwise interacts with the clockwise rotating solar sphere above, creating the double helix form of DNA, the source of all life.

In part 3 of the book the author returns again to the Callanish stone circle in 2016 to reconnect with the site and finish the work of recording the stones. The author is an accomplished photographer and artist, and one of the delights of the book are the stunning photographs that capture every aspect of the stone circle and its different moods. In part 4 we are given detailed photographs of every stone and drawings giving their relative position to each other.

This is a beautifully presented book that not only serves as a guide to this megalithic site, but gives meaning as to why it is there, and its purpose in relation to us and our planet Earth.