

Slimbridge Dowsing Group Newsletter February 2022

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Communication

Dear Members and Friends,

What a 2 months it's been.

Paul our Chairman being taken into hospital before Christmas and having 2 operations at the Bristol Heart Hospital and the onset of the COVID variant OMICRON.

Paul is recovering at home at the time of writing, getting used to his new pacemaker.

OMICRON however had caused us to cancel our face to face meetings in January and February. However, technology to the rescue and we revert to holding ZOOM meetings again.

Our new Vice Chairman David Howard has stepped into the breach and many thanks David for your new role in the committee meetings.

Thanks also to Suzanne for covering the Treasurer role with Terry advising as a previous treasurer.

Thanks to our members who came to support the AGM and vote in the new committee.

Kind Regards

Editor

News

I welcome our newly elected committee members:-

Chairman	Paul Syrett	paul.syrett@icloud.com	
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Non Officer Committee Members	Terry Dellbridge	cyrusterry2@gmail.com	

We are still looking for someone to fill the position of Treasurer. Please contact Anna to apply and be considered.

We give our thanks to our previous committee members from last year, who have had to face a difficult time with COVID and poor health. Again thanks to Steve Sanderson, Barry Goldring, Colleen Dunmall and Jacki Storey.

About the committee:-

Paul Syrett

Dowsing has become an integral part of my life since joining Slimbridge Dowsing Group in 2017. I worked for many years in IT and Business Transformation, but now focus on my Energy Healing work which involves working with individual clients, groups, buildings, animals and much much more.

I have been Chair of the group for 4 years and work, together with the rest of the committee, to put on talks, events and field trips which we trust will appeal to our members and friends, expanding their knowledge and capabilities in these subjects. We welcome anyone, from novice to experienced dowser alike to our group and am happy to have a chat with anyone who would like to know more. You can contact me on 07836 588027 or through my website <u>www.SpirlTman.me</u>.

Suzanne Nickolay

I am a dowsing novice. Being a part of this group and connecting with the members and friends has been a wonderful and life affirming experience. I've learned so much and made some good friends along the way.

I work in the City and pre-lockdown, had very little time to do anything outside work and family. Covid has given me a chance to stop and enjoy life in the Cotswolds. It's also given me the time to learn more about how I can use this ancient skill and in the process, discover more about myself and the world around me.

David Howard

I have recently retired from a career in I.T. I am a complete novice and have been a member of the group for 3 years. I am fascinated by the world of dowsing in its many forms. My particular interest is the art of water dowsing and I hope to develop my skills in this area. My experience as a member has always been one of a welcoming group that was non judgemental and included a broad sweep of ideas. As a committee member I will continue to support that ethos.

Anna Howard

I have been part of Slimbridge Dowsing Group since 2018, and became secretary in 2019. I came to dowsing prior to joining the group from a magickal and spiritual background. I'm particularly interested in earth energies, healing, and working with animals and nature. Being a part of SDG is fascinating, there is such a wealth of knowledge and experience not only from our guest speakers, but from our members too. There is always so much to be learned. Being part of a welcoming community like SDG has been inspiring!

Rob Gerrish

Having retired in 2012 after a career as an Electrical Engineer, I followed up my interest in dowsing by joining the Slimbridge and Bristol Dowsing groups in 2013.

I already had some experience using dowsing to find pipes, drains and cables as a part of my work at Cadburys. I expanded this on meeting many very talented dowsers at both groups, some of whom are sadly no longer with us. I am always open to new ideas so if you wish to improve on the communication processes we have with the membership please tell me.

Teresa Dellbridge

I am Catering Officer for the group and I see my role as helping to provide a welcoming, convivial atmosphere, as well as beverage, biscuits and meal bookings. I came to dowsing 28 years ago, and was absolutely blown away to see my pendulum swing! I'm a counsellor, hypnotherapist and healer, and I've written over thirty books on Nature Worship and related topics. My main interests are using dowsing to connect with the web of energy that surrounds us, and to help heal ourselves and our planet. Being part of a group of like-minded souls means a lot to me. I'm happy to have a chat with anyone interested but unsure, and I can be contacted through my website teresadellbridgewellbeing.co.uk

Terry Dellbridge

After working as a Forester at Chatsworth and for the Duke of Westminster in North Wales, I became Head Forester at Berkeley Castle and subsequently Tortworth. I loved being outdoors, close to the land and listening to its whispers. I came to dowsing through water divining, some 30 years ago, and have been fascinated to learn that there are many other ways of using the art. Archeological dowsing especially appeals to me, and I have thoroughly enjoyed tracing the contours of local Roman settlements, and having my findings supported by other members. Naturally I feel a close affinity with trees, and I love spending time in our woodland, in Wales, contacting the spirits of the earth. I value the work of the group in promoting knowledge and experience of dowsing.

Lawrence Wadsworth

I have been retired for quite some time now, having worked in the electronics industry in a number of roles, including Research and Development, Human Relations, Product Management and Sales and Marketing. I was fascinated when Uri Geller started bending spoons, but it was on holiday in the Isles of Scilly when a dowser showed me the energy emanating from a local labyrinth that I became interested in dowsing. However, it was on moving to Slimbridge some eight years ago, and joining the SDG, that I really began to appreciate the scope, and the variety of applications that dowsing could be used for.

2022 Programme

The Programme has now transitioned back to online Zoom meetings until March at the earliest for face to face meetings.

<u>4th Tuesday - Zoom connection</u>

Our monthly Zoom talk & meeting moves to the 4th Tuesday of the month replacing the face to face meetings for now. We are scrapping the community Zoom as we will be able to chat after the presentation. Although we can always arrange ad hoc Zoom chats as required. **What are your thoughts?**

February Programme

Tuesday 22nd of February. 7.30pm for a 7.45pm start on Zoom.

Teresa Dellbridge – HONOURING NATURE'S CYCLES



Nature - worship is now, in fact, the spiritual path of many individuals, who are inspired by the land and feel moved by the energies within it. This talk looks at the cycle of seasonal festivals, also called The Wheel of the Year, and explores its relevance to all of us. The eight festivals of the Wheel are times of celebration, rich with myth and mysticism, folklore and...fun!

This talk also looks at such misunderstood beliefs as paganism, Druidry, Wicca and similar, honouring the beauty and meaning to be found in the natural world.

The relevance of nature-based spirituality and seasonal cycles to dowsers will also be explored, and questions answered.

There will be a live Q & A session after the presentation.

The meeting is free of charge and can be viewed through Zoom via the link below.

https://us02web.zoom.us/j/86396103366?pwd=K1l1S3ZJeWNvQ0hveTdyR1oyazFKZz09

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

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 are loosened, our resource is to become available again. Some members now allow members to share their own libraries where they wish to. There is a magazine share now running.

Book Review by Lawrence Wadsworth

The Essential Dowsing Guide by Dennis Wheatley



Sometimes it is good to "go back to basics" to check one's understanding of a subject, and this comprehensive introduction to dowsing certainly enables the reader to do this.

The author Dennis Wheatley, an electronics engineer, had a reputation as one of the top dowsing teachers in Britain, and lectured and wrote widely on the subject, and made many television appearances.

His book starts with a general introduction to dowsing, it's history, what it is, and how it is achieved, and even gives names of famous dowsers in the past. He then devotes chapters on the mental aspects of dowsing, and then the physical aspects. The rest of the book is given to

the various applications that dowsing can be applied to. He covers Earth Energies in some detail, along with water divining. He also introduces high frequency vibrational dowsing, and concludes with chapters on Geopathic Stress Zones and Electromagnetic Radiation.

The book is full of interesting facts and information about dowsing that will stimulate many readers to delve more deeply into the subject. Each chapter concludes with a section on putting into practice the theories presented, and therefore provides many opportunities for the reader to develop their own practical dowsing skills.

The book is published as a small slim paperback, which lends itself to be slipped into a pocket or bag, and hence taken out or about.

What's in a photo

Why don't you connect to it through the picture and see what you can feel / find. Dowsing is an excellent tool to do this.

A couple of questions you may like to ask / Find out. But don't be limited by these questions - see what **YOU** get.

- Its location ?
- What's nearby ?
- What else can you see/feel/connect to?
- What's the pattern nearby



Again what's in a photo

Connect again - What do you find? \rightarrow

- What is it ?
- Where is it ?
- What is special about it ?
- A Name?

This is a real test of your dowsing and we would love to know your answers.

Please bring them to our members' talk where we can discuss or email one of us so we can circulate to everyone.



Membership

As a reminder to all members with paid subscriptions for 2020, your membership had been automatically extended to December 31st 2021. The payment has been deferred until March until we can meet in person again. You will be required to fill in a membership renewal form with your payment for accounting and data protection legislation purposes.

Contact our membership secretary Anna Howard for a membership form and details of how to renew your membership/join up. We have designed new membership forms to ensure that we are fully GDPR compliant and will be asking all members to complete the new forms in due course.

For anyone reading this newsletter who is not currently a member, the annual fee is only £10, so please join us in 2022.

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