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# GUERNSEY COMMUNITY COURSES



*The German Occupation of Sark*

**Evening & Daytime Courses  
Autumn 2021**

More details and booking form online:  
**[www.wea.org.gg](http://www.wea.org.gg)**



Established in 1982 as an adult education association, WEA Guernsey is a voluntary body, nonpolitical and non-sectarian. It provides a programme of courses and talks to meet the interests and needs of the people of Guernsey. WEA courses are led by qualified or experienced tutors.

New for Autumn 2021 is our stimulating eight-week course on **creating a well-being economy** a chance to learn, enquire and discuss.

Another chance to stretch the grey cells is our series of talks on the history of writing systems from **Hieroglyphs to emojis** and how they have enabled us to communicate.

Chris Oliver will be presenting two talks on the history of the **Royal Guernsey Light Infantry** and two on the wartime **German Occupation of Sark**.

We've got a series on local **Shipwrecks for you**. As an island nation this is a subject close to our hearts and promises to be fascinating.

Look at [www.wea.org.gg](http://www.wea.org.gg) for fuller details of programmes. Keep up to date with WEA on: [Facebook.com/weagsy](https://www.facebook.com/weagsy)

### WEA Membership

Course enrolment gives you membership of the WEA and entitles you to vote at the AGM held each September. See page 10.

### WEA Committee

**President:** Roy Bisson

**Chairman:**

Chris Meinke: T: 07781 101095

**Vice Chairman & Enrolment Secretary:**

Colette Bearder T: 237888

**Treasurer:**

Toni de Kooker

**Management Committee Members:**

Korinne Le Page

### Enrolling on courses - by post or online

Most enrolments are made on the WEA website. This is quick and simple. Alternatively, an enrolment form is bound into this brochure and can be sent with a cheque. All bookings are confirmed with the extra information needed for certain courses.

**Note:** In this brochure when the run of a course is interrupted by a Half Term Break the date is shown in this way: **HTB Date**

*The WEA reserves the right to amend courses without notice.*

## HISTORY SHIPWRECKS AROUND GUERNSEY



### John Paul Fallaize

A highly experienced local diver with an encyclopaedic knowledge of local shipwrecks. In four talks John Paul will examine several of the significant shipwrecks around our shores using pictures and artefacts. This promises to be a fascinating new series.

**4 x 1 hour sessions, 7.30 - 8.30pm on Tuesdays at Les Cotils,  
21 September - 12 October** *Course fee £36.00*

## THE GERMAN OCCUPATION OF SARK

### Chris Oliver

**This is the original classroom course used by professional guides today in Battlefield Tours.**

Covering the period from the arrival to the departure of the German forces, it includes the Commando Raids of Operations Basalt and Hardtack, the murder of the German Army Doctor, loss of life in minefields, crash of the Lancaster Bomber, history of the Dame and her relationship with the occupiers with a self-walking diagram for those eager to explore by themselves. It will be delivered by its original author.

**Les Cotils 7:30pm - 9:30pm,  
Thursday 4 and 11 November**  
*Course fee £25*



*The German garrison leaves Sark on 17th May 1945.  
Courtesy of Guernsey Museums & Galleries, States of Guernsey*

# CREATIVE CRAFT

## GEL PLATE PRINTING

**Tutor: Tracy Wilson**

**An introduction to Gel Plate Printing with acrylic paints. A new creative technique using a gel printing plate – a soft and sticky plate made out of a polymer material.**

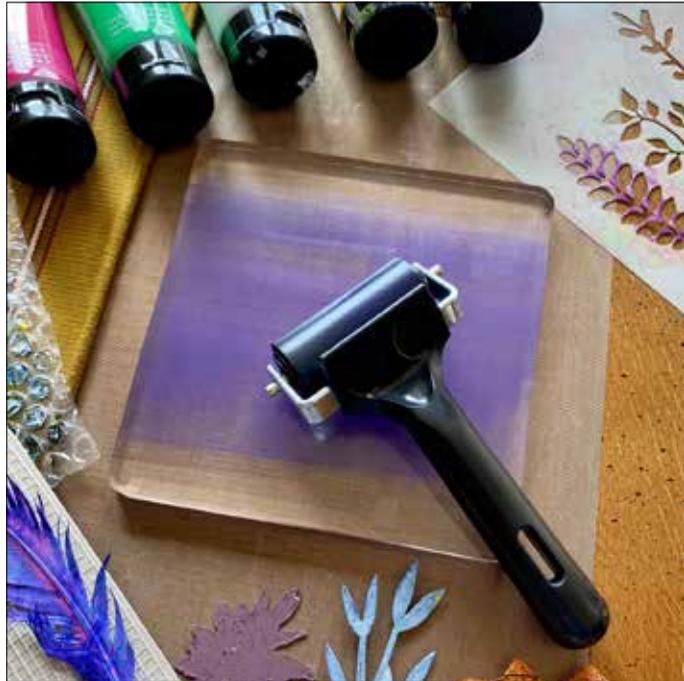
These easy to learn techniques are suitable for all levels and abilities.

Create stunning prints using stencils, household and recycled items as well as natural objects, such as leaves and feathers.

Finished works can be displayed as pieces of art, or made into cards, collages, gift boxes etc. The possibilities are many and varied. All materials are provided.



**6 sessions of 2 hours at Les Cotils 7:00pm – 9:00pm**  
**23 September to 21 October and 4 November**  
**Fee – includes materials £75.00**



# MULTI-MEDIA ARTS

**Tutor: Frances Lemmon**

For Autumn 2021 Frances is proposing to repeat her popular multi-media art course for complete beginners and those with more knowledge and a new 2D and 3D art course for those with more experience of working by themselves on projects.

## MULTI-MEDIA ART COURSE

Looking at drawing, painting, printing, collage and mixed-media we will expand upon existing knowledge whilst also go through some of the basics of measuring, perspective and colour theory.

Aimed at beginners and intermediates who would like to gain confidence to create their own artwork and those who wish to gain new skills.

Frances will supply materials for the first session.



**6 Monday mornings, 9.30-12.00 noon at Les Cotils**  
**From 4 October HTB 25 October. Course fee £90**

## MASTER CLASS: 2D AND 3D ART COURSE

Using the skills of drawing, painting, printing and sculpture we will develop new ways of working by experimenting and combining different media whilst referencing the successful techniques that famous artists employed in the past.



A good working knowledge of colour theory, use of paint and drawing skills are required for this course.

Frances will supply materials for the first session.

**6 Thursday mornings, 9.30-12.00 noon at Les Cotils**  
**From 14 October HTB 28 October. Course fee £90**

## LIFE SKILLS

### CREATING A WELL-BEING ECONOMY

**Jon Buckland**

**Our current economic system doesn't foster well being, people or the planet and has left us neither happier nor healthier.**

In this course we will explore what a sustainable economic system would look like and how a human and planetary focused well being economy would be structured? We will consider how a wellbeing economy might be framed around five fundamental human needs, dignity, nature connection, fairness, participation.

This is a stimulating and highly unusual course with an emphasis on interaction, reflection and discussion. In this eight week course we will explore what we as individuals can do to start to create a wellbeing economy here in Guernsey.

**8 Wednesdays at Les Cotils, 7.30-9.00pm, 6 Oct. - 1 Dec.**  
**HTB 27 October** **Course fee £45**



## GARDENING & LOCAL HISTORY

### GUERNSEY PEOPLE & THEIR GARDENS, 1600 -1900

**Richard Hocart**



Richard explores the history of gardens in Guernsey from the formal gardens of the seventeenth century to the gardens of the Victorians, displaying a wide variety of plants from all over the world.

**Les Cotils, Tuesday 16 November 7:00 - 9.00pm** **Fee £10.00**

## LANGUAGES

WEA's language courses have improved the French, Italian and Spanish of hundreds of Islanders - spare 90 minutes a week and improve your holidays or business immeasurably.



**Language courses run for 2 terms, each of 10 x 90 minute sessions.** **Fee: £150**

A third term will be run if there are sufficient numbers.

There is an opportunity to join these courses at a half way point when the fee would be £75.

**Before enrolment, please telephone the tutors.**  
**Then you can be allocated an appropriate course level.**

### FRENCH CONVERSATION STAGE 1

**Tutor - Colette Bearder** Tel: 237888

**11:00am -12:30pm starting 23 September.**  
**HTB 28 October** at St Martin's Community Centre

### FRENCH CONVERSATION STAGE 2

**Tutor - Colette Bearder** Tel: 237888

**9:15am -10:45am starting 23 September.**  
**HTB 28 October** at St Martin's Community Centre

### ITALIAN BEGINNERS

**Tutor - Maria-Antonietta Beebe** Tel: 256755

**5:45pm - 7:15pm Starting 22 September.**  
**HTB 27 October** at Les Cotils

### ITALIAN CONVERSATION STAGE 2

**Tutor - Maria-Antonietta Beebe** Tel: 256755

**4:00pm - 5:30pm Starting 22 September.**  
**HTB 27 October** at Les Cotils

### SPANISH BEGINNERS

**Tutor - Sandra Noguiera** Tel: 07911 740344

**4:00pm - 5:30pm Starting 22 September.**  
**HTB 27 October** at St Martin's Community Centre

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# HISTORY

## HISTORY OF THE RGLI

Chris Oliver

History of the  
Royal Guernsey Light Infantry  
(Two x two hour evening courses)

The course opens the history of just over 100 years ago that touched every Guernsey family.

Established in 1916 as the only regiment of the British Army to speak French as a core language and without conscientious objectors rights, the RGLI went to France in June 1917 and returned in 1919.

They were pivotal in the defence of the Cambrai sector in 1917 holding the line whilst other British regiments retreated, engagements included Passchendaele and the Battle of Lys – the last great German offensive of the Great War. Over (x) evenings we cover the road that established the regiment and their training, departure to war, the engagements, victories and losses and their eventual return and disbandment.



The course is delivered by the co-founder [www.rgli.org](http://www.rgli.org), author and broadcaster of the BBC radio documentary of the same name.

2 sessions at Les Cotils,  
7:30pm – 9:30pm  
20 and 27 October - Fee £25

## ROYAL GUERNSEY LIGHT INFANTRY “BATTLEFIELD TOUR”

One weekend day by coach 10 – 4pm

Following on from the RGLI History courses, if there is sufficient interest this one day tour of the island will visit many places associated with the history of the regiment.



# Enrolment Form



**Enrolment can be made using this form or directly on the WEA website: [www.wea.org.gg](http://www.wea.org.gg)**

Number & Name of course/s	Fee
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Total fees \_\_\_\_\_ £ \_\_\_\_\_

*If a course is to be given as a **Gift Voucher**, please attach the name and address of the recipient. The voucher will be sent to your address below so that you can add a message.*

Please submit cheques payable to WEA

Name: Mr./Mrs./Ms./Miss \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Postcode: \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address: \_\_\_\_\_

*All courses are free for those on Unemployment and Supplementary Benefit*

**Please return this form with payment to:**

WEA Enrolment Secretary, Mrs. Colette Bearder  
La Laiterie, Les Hubits de Bas, St. Martin, Guernsey, GY4 6SB  
Telephone: 237888, Email: [weaguernsey@gmail.com](mailto:weaguernsey@gmail.com)

The information on this form will only be used by WEA Guernsey for the organisation of its courses.

Should you not wish to receive information about forthcoming courses and WEA events please tick this box:

# Enrolment

Enrolling on a WEA Course is simple.

Many courses are very popular and have limited numbers, so early enrolment is recommended.

- You may complete the form overleaf and send it with a cheque made to "WEA" to the Enrolment Secretary. In this way you may enrol one or more persons on one or several courses.
- Alternatively you may complete the application form on our web site and complete your booking by paying by card or PayPal.
- **All enrolment fees must be paid in full, in advance, regardless of the number of sessions attended.**
- Enrolments cannot be made over the telephone. However enquiries about courses can be made with the Enrolment Secretary on 237888 or by email: [weaguernsey@gmail.com](mailto:weaguernsey@gmail.com)
- For many courses there is more detailed information on the WEA website: [www.wea.org.gg](http://www.wea.org.gg) - take a look.
- For all applications, online or by post, confirmation of enrolment and additional material if appropriate, will be sent out by post or email as soon as full payment is received.
- For internet bookings, **the PayPal confirmation of payment does not indicate confirmation of booking.** You should receive a WEA confirmation within 2 weeks. If not please contact the Enrolment Secretary on 237888 or on: [weaguernsey@gmail.com](mailto:weaguernsey@gmail.com)
- WEA courses are only available for persons over 16 years unless otherwise stated.

- **Refunds.** Should WEA need to cancel or alter a course due to unforeseen circumstances or low enrolment numbers, notification will be given as soon as possible and appropriate refunds made. Because of tutor or venue commitments, WEA cannot refund fees for member cancellations. However, course swaps are possible with 2 weeks notice.
- Courses are free to those in receipt of unemployment or similar benefit, and some verification of this will be required.

## ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING



**Friday 24th September at Les Cotils at 7.30pm**

A brief meeting to conduct the business of the Association but also an opportunity to meet the Officers of the Association and have your say over a cup of coffee. Everyone who has attended a WEA course is a member of the Association.

# SCIENCE

## FROM HIEROGLYPHS TO EMOJIS

A history of writing systems and their decoding

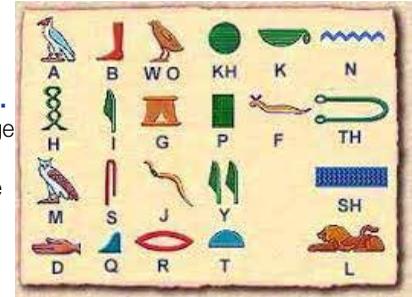
### Stuart Place

A fascinating course looking at **the evolution of writing**. No prior language knowledge or preparation is needed but you will finish the course with:

- ✓ An introduction to **reading** rudimentary words in a number of languages;
- ✓ An understanding of how and why writing systems (including ours) have developed over thousands of years;
- ✓ A practical insight into the decoding of ancient writings, a work still in progress.



**6 Monday evenings Les Cotils,  
7.30pm - 8.30pm 20 - 27 September and  
11 October - 1 November Fee £40.00**



## LOCAL LIFE

### TALKING POLITICS

A politics discussion group

Facilitated by Anthony Gallienne



Carrying on from its first successful term, a discussion group focussing on some of the key political thinkers and ideas that have shaped the modern world. Use will be made of online and written material to explore such themes as representation, democracy and liberty, and the works and views of key thinkers.

The primary aim of the group is to provide a forum for those who wish to discuss political ideas in a non-partisan and objective way. The group will accommodate those with little knowledge through to those well read in the subject.

**6 sessions - 18 October - 22 November  
Les Cotils, 7:30pm - 9:30pm -**

**Fee £35.00**

# LOCAL HISTORY

## FAMOUS GUERNSEYMEN

Continuing our Famous Guernseymen series we have opened the talks out to those with a strong Guernsey connection who were not necessarily Guernsey born.

*Three, 1 hour long evenings at Les Cotils, 7.30 - 8.30pm*

*Course fee for all three talks - £24.00 pre-booked or £10 per talk on the door*



## G B Edwards



### Speaker - Steven Foote

Edwards was born in Guernsey, served in the Royal Guernsey Light Infantry, then read English at the University of Bristol.

Edwards is known for *The Book of Ebenezer Le Page*, which was published posthumously in 1981.

**19 October**

## Sir Edmond Andros



### Speaker - Huub Lau

Edmund Andros (1637-1714) succeeded his father Amios as Seigneur of the Fief de Sausmarez and as Bailiff of Guernsey 1674-1713, while simultaneously serving as governor of various colonies in British America.



From 1704-1708 he was also Lieutenant Governor of Guernsey.

**26 October**

## Ralph Durand



### Speaker - Steven Foote

Adventurer, award winning novelist, and Priaulx Librarian. Not Guernsey born but from an old Guernsey family.

**2 November**

