



Bournemouth and District

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Notice of AGM Tuesday March 25th 2025 - details back page



Yet another year has passed and all the members of the Bournemouth Committee would like to invite you to this year's AGM. For our AGM in March CSPA's General Secretary, Sally Tsoukaris will be coming to speak to us, so please come along if you can. Agenda for AGM on the back page. (No charge for AGM but we do ask for £4 at all other meetings to help pay for the room, speaker and refreshments)

Inside this newsletter are details of our talks. We have quite a variety of topics booked for the spring and summer so hopefully there will be something there to interest you and for you to enjoy.

Our monthly meetings are continuing at 10.45 am on the fourth Tuesday of the month (this is not always the last) on the ground floor in the newer part of the building at:

St Mark's Church Hall, Wallisdown Road, Talbot Village, Bournemouth, BH10 4HY
Bus stop: St Mark's Church. As well as any normal public bus you can catch any UNI bus: they are not just for students. <https://www.unibuses.co.uk/services>
Plenty of parking at the church, at the back as well as the front of the building.



Bournemouth Programme February 2025 to August 2025

25th February 2025 - Paul Sturgess "A Year in the Countryside"

Paul is a well known local speaker and photographer who will give us a talk illustrated by beautiful slides of the Dorset countryside.



25th March 2025 Bournemouth and District AGM Speaker - Sally Tsoukaris - CSPA General Secretary

22nd April

Paula Harmon

"Dressed for Detection"

The female characters in Paula's historical mysteries follow prevailing fashions but still have to solve mysteries and tackle crime. Would their clothes hinder them? Or would it be perfectly possible to manage, corsets and all? Paula gives an illustrated talk about what her characters might have worn and how they surmounted any inconvenience their clothes might have posed.



27th May 2025

John Clarke

Our recently appointed CSPA Wessex Regional Representative

John will give a brief resume of himself and how he sees his role developing as he becomes accustomed to it.

Followed by:

27th May 2025 - Brian Margetson

"A Celebration of Trams Around the World"

Dead and almost buried during the fifties in the UK, the tram has come out fighting. Seven systems are now up and running nationally. Elsewhere in the world, the tram has managed to hang on and in most cases is now flourishing.



24th June 2025 - Richard Hutley

"NIKOLA TESLA-The Maverick Hungarian"

The man who Electrified the World. Genius? AC Current, Death Rays, Lasers, Wireless, Anti Gravity, Hydro power, UFO's etc! The forgotten man of Science.



22nd July 2025 - Brian Margetson

"Crossing the Severn"

Sit back, grip your seats and let Brian take you on the perilous voyage through man's attempts to secure a reliable means of crossing the Severn Estuary. Two major ferry crossings, one tunnel and three bridges later, we may have finally cracked it.



August – no meeting



Just in case you missed this in “The Pensioner”
CSPA Travel Insurance has now been updated
 Excerpt from CSPA Website where you can find full details

We, and CSIS have listened to all your feedback over the past year and we are very excited to announce that CSIS has launched a new travel scheme for CSPA members from 1st July 2024.

The new scheme

This is an annual fit to travel scheme, with no medical screening requirement, but you must be medically fit to travel and able to comply to the [eligibility statement](#).

The scheme is available exclusively to CSPA members, that are UK residents aged between 50-79 (no upper age limit once you have joined the scheme).*

Annual rates

	Individual		Couple		Family	
	Europe	Worldwide	Europe	Worldwide	Europe	Worldwide
50-59	£169.99	£199.99	£219.99	£239.99	£249.99	£279.99
60-69	£259.99	£299.99	£309.99	£359.99	£369.99	£419.99
70-79	£339.99	£399.99	£409.99	£479.99	£489.99	£559.99

The new scheme has a fixed renewal date of the 1st July 2024 and a set price (see above) for the year. As part of our ongoing commitment to providing quality products at a competitive price and considering member feedback, we are pleased to announce that any members wishing to join the Over 50's travel insurance scheme part way through the year, can now do so at a reduced rate.

This change has been introduced to ensure all members can join the scheme without cost being a barrier. Once you have joined the scheme, you will be invited to automatically renew your policy on an annual basis at the full cost, on July 1st 2025 so that you can travel in the knowledge that you have cover in place for your trips throughout the year.

What if you don't fit the criteria for the new scheme

If you cannot comply to the eligibility of the new scheme or the cover is not suitable, CSIS are able to offer range of other more suitable options. Give them a call on 01622 7766960 option 5 or email CSPATravel@csis.co.uk

How to join the new scheme

The scheme officially launched on the 1st July 2024, and is available to buy instantly online via the CSIS website by clicking the button if you use the link below.

<https://members.cspa.co.uk/travel-insurance/>



Please use this form to nominate a committee member.
FORM OF NOMINATION: Bournemouth and District CSPA

NAME:

POSITION:

PROPOSED BY:

NOMINEE'S CONSENT:

Bring with you to the AGM or post it in time to reach Liz Malin before the meeting:
Harvest Cottage, North Street, Winterborne Kingston,
Blandford Forum, Dorset, DT11 9AZ
Tel: 01929 472441 Email: lizmalin1@gmail.com

NOTICE OF BOURNEMOUTH AND DISTRICT GROUP

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**THE 70TH ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING of
CSPA Bournemouth and District Group** (Our 71st year) will be held at:
St Mark's Church, Wallisdown Road, Talbot Village, Bournemouth, BH10 4HY
Tuesday March 25th 2025
10.45am refreshments, 11.00am meeting starts

Guest Speaker ~ Sally Tsoukaris, CSPA General Secretary

AGENDA

1. Apologies
2. Minutes of Annual General Meeting 2024
3. Matters arising
4. Officers' Reports
5. Motions
6. Election of Officers, Committee & Scrutineer
7. Any other business

The AGM is your opportunity to comment on Alliance business at Group or National level. We would like to hear your views. Motions for discussion should be sent to reach the Secretary **by 18th March 2025**.

ELECTION OF OFFICERS AND COMMITTEE

The Group Constitution provides for a Group Executive Committee of 15 Officers and Members to be elected at each Annual General Meeting. We are far fewer than 15. If you wish to make any nominations, please complete the enclosed form and send it to reach the Secretary **by 19th March 2024** or bring to the **AGM on 25th March**. Please obtain the consent of your nominees before submitting their names for election.

Group Executive Committee and Officers 2024-2025 who are available to be on the committee 2025-2026

Chairman:	Ron Manley
Vice-Chairman:	Vacant
Secretary & Speaker Organiser:	Liz Malin
Treasurer:	David Foster
Deputy Treasurer:	Vacant
Cashier:	Ernest Whatmore
Scrutineer:	Bob Tanner
Newsletter Editor and Raffle:	Marilyn Whatmore
Refreshments:	Vacant
General Committee Members:	Les Mondry-Flesch
	Vacancies

WE REALLY DO NEED MORE COMMITTEE MEMBERS to keep the group going. If you feel you could help in any way, however small, please volunteer or speak to one of the current committee members before the AGM.