

Cambridgeshire IVC

Kick start your social life

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Welcome

Welcome to the Cambridgeshire IVC Diary for December, 2024. We hope you will all enjoy the events.

Details of all events can be found in the on-line Events Admin System using the password **yU6N**

Selected events are posted on Meetup to attract new members, see the meetup group Cambridgeshire IVC - In Very good Company.

A word from the Chair

Hi everyone

As we approach the end of November, I'm looking forward to Christmas and the New Year and to celebrating with family and friends. I'm really pleased that we have a full house for the Christmas meal on 5 December at the Crown and Punchbowl, Impington including two new members, Wendy and Jane, who have recently joined. A big thank you to Paul for all his hard work in organizing this year's meal.

Sad news

Caroline Diston has let me know that one of the Bridge players, Ruston Biggs, passed away on 26 November after a long illness. Ruston was a much loved member of the Bridge group - as a true gentleman and a gold bridge player who continued to play with the group until very recently, despite his illness.

Upcoming events

Did you know we host more than 240 events a year across at least 30 different types of activity? Great things coming in December and January include two book discussions (Doors Open by Ian Rankin and The Word is Murder by Anthony Horowitz), concerts, walks, the ADC panto, a CSI reconstruction event, a coffee morning at the Whale Cafe in the Museum of Zoology and Alan's Winter Solstice Quiz. Check out the diary!

Reminder Events and new member promotions

For the period from 1 November 2024 to 30 April 2025, we will award a £10 gift voucher to anyone who organizes 3 or more events in that period. Events that are hosted jointly will only qualify for one of the hosts. Weekly events, such as Bridge and Club Nights are not included in the total. So, get your thinking caps on and get those events in the diary! And please think about agreeing to post your events on Meetup - that's a great way to attract new people to the club.

We are also adding an Introduce A Friend reward. If you introduce a new person who becomes a member of the club, we will reduce your next annual subscription by £10 (only 1 award per year will qualify).

We are retiring the Best Event prize to align with our new fees and promotions. So our final prize will be awarded for October - to be announced next month.

Promoting our great club

Do you have a village newsletter or Community board where we could place a free notice or advertisement? If so, please contact me or Val with the details. Hope to see you soon!

Best regards

Ros

AIVC Featured and Extended Period Events

The Cambridgeshire IVC bulletin now includes featured and extended period events from the Association of Inter Varsity Clubs (AIVC) website.

For more information about the events below that are organised by various IVC Clubs nationally log in to <http://www.ivc.org.uk/>

The website password will be sent to all members by email.

This is a list of featured and extended period events that are worth an early mention.

A WEEK IN TROMSO, NORWAY

Sun 16 Mar 2025 to Sun 23 Mar 2025

AIVC NATIONAL CONFERENCE AND AGM

Sun 6 Apr 2025 to Thu 10 Apr 2025

SUMMER SOLSTICE CAMPING AT SHELL ISLAND

Sun 15 Jun 2025 to Sun 22 Jun 2025

IF:MK - INTERNATIONAL FESTIVAL MILTON KEYNES

Fri 18 Jul 2025 to Sun 27 Jul 2025

Events Calendar

December 2024

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
1	2 19:15pm Cambri	3 20:00pm Tuesda	4	5 19:15pm Club C	6	7 20:00pm Welcon
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15	16	17 20:00pm Tuesda	18 20:00pm Bridge	19 10:30am Coffee	20 19:00pm Solstice	21
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5	6	7 20:00pm Tuesda	8	9	10	11

List of Events

Date	Event
Mon 02- Dec- 2024	<p>7:15PM - Cambridge Footlights Pantomime - Snow White</p> <p>It is panto season again (Oh no it isn't! Oh yes it is!) and the Cambridge Footlights annual show is a regular highlight. This year they are doing Snow White - in their own way!</p> <p>Join Ros and Sue for an evening of laughter, seasonal silliness and fun! We have seats I1 and I2. Meet in the theatre foyer at 7.15 show starts at 7.45.</p> <p>Buy tickets at https://www.adctheatre.com/whats-on/whatsonpanto/cuadcfootlights-pantomime-2024-snow-white/ £17.50</p> <p>From the website;</p> <p>This production will contain innuendo and political humour. While the content is suitable for all ages, it may not be appropriate for younger audiences. Parental discretion is strongly encouraged.</p> <p>Ros Barr ros.barr258@gmail.com 07912530953</p>
Tue 03- Dec- 2024	<p>8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night</p> <p>Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.</p> <p>N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!</p> <p>Alan on 01223 412075</p>

Thu 05-Dec-2024 **7:15PM - Club Christmas Meal at the Crown and Punchbowl, Horningsea.**
This is one of, if not the highlight of our year. A marvellous way to kick off the festive season and we are repeating the highly successful 2023 venue of the Crown and Punchbowl at Horningsea. This seventeenth century Grade II listed coaching inn is a wonderful backdrop at which to meet and early indications are of a highly enthusiastic response. All this backed up by cuisine of the highest quality and superb value. If that is not enough Club is offering a subsidy for all members who book by October 25th, reducing the cost of the three course option from £39 to £30, and the two course from £33 to £27.
A circular has been Emailed to all members with details of the restaurant webpage, advising them how to book, as well as providing a full menu from which to choose their favourite portions. By all means contact me if I can be of further help. I do hope you will make every effort to join us - you will not be disappointed!
Paul Artiss Tel. 07971 661325

Sat 07-Dec-2024 **8:00PM - Welcome Yule:Cantus Christmas Concert -Christmas favourites**
At St Mark's Church, Barton Road, Newnham. 8pm.
For program see:-
<https://cantuscambbridge.wordpress.com/next-concert/>
Tickets from me, £10, or on the door £12.
Please email me if you want a ticket and arrange payment.
Afterwards there may be a party and if not we can visit the pub nextdoor! There is very little parking at the church itself, but there is parking on the Barton Road or wherever you can. However do not park on Millington Road, next to the church, as they employ a private firm monitoring "illegally" parked cars and subsequently imposing large fines!
margaret.duesbury@gmail.com

Tue 10-Dec-2024 **7:00PM - Book Discussion - Doors Open by Ian Rankin**
Join us for an interesting and lively book discussion of Ian Rankin's Doors Open described as a Fast-paced, intriguingly plotted tale of a heist in Edinburgh's art world. This is a stand-alone book, so don't worry if you've never read any of Ian Rankin's novels before.
We will meet in the Castle Inn on Castle Hill in the hour before Club night. Feel free to stay on for drinks after!
Ros.Barr258@gmail.com 07912530953

Tue 10-Dec-2024 **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**
Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.
N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Wed 11-Dec-2024 **8:00PM - Bridge**
Our regular evening of sociable bridge is on again tonight. This week we are in Fen Drayton where Jane is our host. If you enjoy playing bridge in a friendly welcoming environment then do come along. If you would like to join us or would like further details then please contact Jane .
Jane 01954 231568 or jane.bhagat@gmail.com

Sat **7:30PM - Christmas Carol Concert**

14- Royston Choral Soc. will be giving their annual Christmas carol concert (with audience
Dec- participation!) The programme will include Christus Natus Est, a cantata by Cecilia McDowall.
2024 Venue St. Johns parish church Royston. Free parking opposite church in health centre car park.
The ticket price will include free mince pie and glass of mulled wine.
Janet 01763 221 492

Tue **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**

17- Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can
Dec- make it.
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Alan on 01223 412075

Wed **8:00PM - Bridge**

18- Join us for our last sociable bridge evening of 2024. This is being held in Lolworth where Margaret
Dec- D will be our host. If you enjoy playing bridge in a friendly welcoming environment then do come
2024 along. If you would like to join us or would like further details then please contact Margaret D.
Margaret D 01954 782458 or margaret@duesbury.idps.co.uk

Thu **10:30AM - Coffee morning at the Whale Cafe in the Museum of Zoology Cambridge, followed
19- by an optional walk.**

Dec- Join Barbara and Dave for coffee/tea at the Whale Cafe at 10.30 am on Thursday 19 December
2024 followed by an optional walk.
There is usually a nice selection of pastries and cakes.
The cafe is located on the first floor of the Museum of Zoology, New Museums Site, Downing Place,
off Downing Street, Cambridge CB2 3EJ.
The Trumpington park and ride bus stops outside John Lewis and the Museum is a short walk back
along Downing Street.

Join us for a walk afterwards or you may prefer to finish your Christmas shopping.

If you email you are coming we will look out for you.

Barbara email blindsay4848@gmail.com

Dave 07938 858126 (on the day only)

Fri **7:00PM - Solstice Quiz - (Mark 2)**

20- On the eve of the Winter Solstice I am holding a repeat (with a difference) quiz in The Carpenters
Dec- Arms, Cambridge. We will meet at 1900 for some food, followed by a drink and the quiz.
2024 Please let me know if you are coming by 17th December 2024.
Alan Neville - 01223 412075

Tue **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**

07- Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can
Jan- make it.
2025 N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Tue 14-Jan-2025 **7:00PM - Book Discussion - The Word is Murder by Anthony Horowitz**
Join us for an interesting and lively book discussion of The Word is Murder by Anthony Horowitz. This is the first in a series featuring a very enjoyable partnership between a brilliant PI ex copper (Hawthorne) and a fictionalised version of Anthony Horowitz himself! We will meet in the Castle Inn on Castle Hill in the hour before Club night. Feel free to stay on for drinks after!
Ros Barr ros.barr258@gmail.com 07912530953

Tue 14-Jan-2025 **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**
Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.
N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Tue 21-Jan-2025 **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**
Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.
N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Fri 24-Jan-2025 **7:00PM - Murder: Staged**
Venue: Corn Exchange, Cambridge.
Friday 24 January 2025 7.30pm
Summary: Following the success of Crime Viral's sell out UK serial killer tour, research psychologist and psychopathy expert Cheish Merryweather will be bringing to the stage for the very first time - MURDER: STAGED. Featuring forensics, reconstructed real-life crime scene walk-throughs and a deep dive into cases that have not been seen on stage live before. This is an unmissable evening for any true crime fan.
Tickets available online: £23.00 (Sue and Ros have seats R21 and R22)
Meeting point: inside the main entrance by the bar 7pm.
<https://www.cambridgelive.org.uk/cornex/events/murder-staged>

Sue Robinson sue.54.rob@gmail.com 07590 860793

Tue 28-Jan-2025 **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**
Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.
N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Tue 04-Feb-2025 **8:00PM - Tuesday Club Night**
Our weekly get-together to chat and meet up at our favourite pub, The Castle. Hope that you can make it.
N.B. - I am always looking for willing hosts! Please contact me if you would like to help!
Alan on 01223 412075

Club Details and Organisation

Web Sites & Contacts

See our Web Site at: <http://www.cambsivc.org>

The aIVC Website is at: www.ivc.org.uk Login name: **aivcevents** Password: **summer21** (Don't do a reset password as that will change it for everyone).

Club Night

Club Night is held every Tuesday in The Castle Inn, 38 Castle Street, Cambridge CB3 0AJ normally from 8:00p.m. This is a "public" event. There is ample free parking beside the venue in the Shire Hall car park.

Email events

Members can be notified of forthcoming events by email. This is particularly useful when an event is arranged at short notice. Any member of the group can notify the membership by using the **Message Members** menu option in www.cambsivc.org/eventadmin.

Hosting Events

Members are required to host a minimum of 2 events, advertised in the bulletin in advance, per year to qualify for the 50% reduction in membership. The full list of events can be found on the on-line event management system: www.cambsivc.org/eventadmin. To get full details of events you will need the "Diary" password found at the top of this bulletin. We recommend you refer to the guidelines on hosting an event which can be found at www.cambsivc.org/eventadmin/hosting.php.

To put your event in the Bulletin

To enter an event into the Events Diary, go to the Events Admin page: www.cambsivc.org/eventadmin and enter the Events Diary Password that appears at the top of this bulletin, which changes each month. The Events Admin page is also accessible by clicking on the "Event Diary" link on the bottom right of the Events page.

Click the **"Add Event"** button and fill in the form - remember details in the **"Public"** Description filed will also be made available to prospective New Members - so **DO NOT** put personal email, phone or address details in that field - use the **"Private"** contact details field.

To ensure your event makes it into Our Meetup Group (Cambridgeshire IVC - In Very good Company) simply click "Yes" in the appropriate box. If you need to change this at a later date simply email meetup@cambsivc.org.

When complete, click "Enter" to complete the entry. You will then receive an email with a web link and **"Event Code"** which are both unique to your event and allows you to amend or de-activate your event. Events listed in Events Diary will appear in the next bulletin. Please notify members of forthcoming events by email as well as adding your event to the diary. Send details of your event, including the date, time, type of event, event details and the organiser's name and contact details using the Message Members facility.

Please note:

Events sent to all members using the messaging facility as above, generates an email to all members. Events entered into the Events Diary on the website or emailed to bulletin-editor@cambsivc.org are received by the Bulletin Editor only and go into the next version of the bulletin.

Subscription Renewal and Club Payments

You may pay renewal subscriptions or make payment to the club for events by cheque, standing order or by direct bank transfer to Cambridgeshire IVC, account number **86039037**, sort code **09-01-27** ensuring that you include your name and reason for the payment (e.g. "membership renewal") in the payment reference. You should also email the Treasurer with details of the payment you have made and what it is for.

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