



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE



AINTREE U3A

JUNE 2019

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NOTICES

JOIN US FOR OUR MONTHLY MEETING ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 14:00 – 16:00 HRS

MONTHLY SPEAKERS

- 4.6.19 Pat Ascroft "Trekking in Croatia"
- 2.7.19 Derek Arnold "The True Story of the Marie Celeste"
- 6.8.19 Ray O'Brien "Story of the Sit-Com"
- 3.9.19 David Hearn "Liverpool and the Slave Trade"
- 1.10.19 Andy Johnson "The Giants"
- 5.11.19 Gordon Bartley "Fish & Chips, Little Ships etc."
- 3.12.19 Christmas Party

WELFARE

If you know of any member who is bereaved or ill, please contact Barbara Shaw on 281 1159 or any committee member.

U3A OFFICIALS

- Chair Carol Whiteley 531 7066
- Vice Chair: Ian Roxburgh 474 6665
- Treasurer: Ann Carter 523 2697
- Secretary: Liz Wilson 474 6843 (Temporary)
- Welfare: Barbara Shaw 281 1159

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We still need names on our tea/coffee making rota for the monthly meeting.

Our next MONTHLY meeting will be on **TUESDAY, 2 JULY 2019** at 2.00 p.m.

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

76 Members attended our 6th AGM meeting held on 7 May 2019. Ann Carter presented her Treasurer's report and explained the balance sheet. The bank balance is healthy.

According to the U3A constitution all officers must stand down after 3 years. The Chair, Tony Byrne, and the Secretary, Mike Morris, stood down.

Carol Whiteley was then elected unanimously as Chairperson. Ian Roxburgh remains as Vice Chairperson.

Liz Wilson agreed to take on the role of Temporary Secretary until someone takes on the role on a permanent basis.

Ann Carter remains as Treasurer and Sylvia McCormack Vice Treasurer. Liz Wilson remains as Group Co-ordinator. The following have agreed to remain on the Committee:-

Pat Caldwell (Membership Secretary), Carol Whiteley (Publicity), Marion Elson and Margaret Wagner (Social Secretaries), Neil Foley (Web Editor) and Rylda Blake (Newsletter Editor).

ART ACTIVE

Leader: Eddie Caldwell 526 8288

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE (unless otherwise stated)

Days & times: Tuesdays 2.00 - 4.00 p.m., fortnightly.

Next session: 11 June

Summer break: August, September (resume 10 September 2-4 p.m.)

BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS

Leader: Jane Jones 526 2530

Venue: MAGHULL PARISH HALL

Days & times: We meet every Monday at 13:00 and play until 15:00 at a cost of £2 per session. **REMINDER** that Bridge is now held in Maghull. However any Aintree members wishing to give this game a go should contact Jane who will initiate a refresher course if needed.

CARD MAKING

Leader: Pat Williams 208 7171

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Days & times: Tuesdays, 11 & 25 June - 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Great way to socialise with people.

CINEMA GROUP

Leader: Carol Whiteley 531 7066

The upcoming Silver Screen films :- Tuesday 11 June - "The Aftermath" - a film set in Germany about life after World War 2.

Tuesday 18 June - "Fighting with the Family" - a brother and sister born into a wrestling family and their quest for the unattainable goal!

Both films commence at 12 midday. Cost £4 per person and includes free tea/coffee and biscuit.

It is advisable to arrive early and purchase tickets immediately, as demand is usually high.

COMMUNITY GARDENING

Leader: Marion Elson 286 5267

Asst: Margaret Wagner 531 7449

All the troughs at the Centre have been refilled and the area by the car park has been weeded and well watered. Any group using the Centre please water the troughs if they are dry (watering can in cupboard under sink unit) - thank you.

We have cleared another area by Mostyn Avenue (near the sub station) - all the litter and general detritus removed and trees cut back - bulbs will be planted later in the year.

CRAFTS

Leader: Lesley Darley 284 3385

Asst: Kim Davies 523 8325

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Days & times: Third Monday in the month 13.00 - 15.00 hrs.

Next session: 17 June.

CROCHET GROUP

Leader: Connie Cain 526 0575

Dates & times: Thursday, 6 June and Thursday 20 June.

The class will be held fortnightly on Thursdays 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. and will be held at Connie's home.

GENTLE KEEP FIT EXERCISE

Temporary contact: Mike Morris 520 3100

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Days & times: Mondays 09.30-10.30 a.m. (**BUT NOT BANK HOLIDAYS**) **FIRST** Monday each month commences at 9.00 a.m.

Next sessions: 10/17/24 June (**9.30 a.m.**) 1 July (**9 a.m. start**).

Gentle is our byword. All exercises done at your own pace.

GOLF

Leader: Ian Roxburgh 474 6665

Venue: Mossock Hall Golf Club

Days & times: Fridays 12:00 -

13:00 - Everyone is welcome. The only stipulation is to contact Ian directly, prior to the day, as due to the nature of the lesson it could be cancelled.

HOLIDAYS

Leader: Jane Jones 526 2530

SEE DETAILS ON BACK PAGE

HOW DO I?

Leader: Sylvia McCormack 526 6194

Tuesday 25 June 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

I've booked the Centre, lets try to have a go at looking at our mobiles, our tablets, i-pads etc. Please come along if you need help or if you can give help to someone, we all know a little that we can pass on and perhaps learn something new at the same time. Anyway come along and enjoy a chat and a cuppa. Ring Sylvia 526 6194 if any problems.

INTERESTING BUILDINGS GROUP

Leaders: Liz Wilson 474 6843 and Ann Carter 523 2697

Tour of Bluecoat Chambers on Wednesday 5 June starting at 1 p.m. Please be there for 12.45 p.m.

OUT & ABOUT

Leaders: Marion Elson 286 5267 Margaret Wagner 531 7449

Visit to Bramall Hall on Wednesday 10 July. Cost is now £15.00 (includes driver's tip and entrance fee to Hall). Pick up coach at Old Roan station at 11.00 hrs - the Hall does not open until 13.00 hrs but we can walk around the grounds or visit the restaurant or bring your own picnic. We will depart at 16.00 hrs.

If you have to cancel your booking please contact Marion or Margaret as soon as possible.

SINGING FOR FUN

Leader: Eddie Caldwell 526 8288

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE (unless otherwise stated)

Days & times: Fridays 10 a.m. - 11.45 a.m.

Next session: Friday 28 June

Summer break - July-August

Resume Friday 30 August - Subject to bookings received, which you will be informed about.

SINGING FOR FUN/ contd...

The Singing Group performed a very successful concert at St Nich's Nursing Home in Netherton, in May, when all the residents enjoyed an afternoon of songs from the shows and Liverpool ballads. The Group were highly praised by the Centre staff, and we are awaiting some photographs for our website.

We are pencilled in for a big event in 2020 when we may be performing with other choirs. Watch this space!

The Group requires more members, particularly men, and we still require a keyboard player. All enquiries to Eddie on 0151 526 8288.

U3A DINERS

Leader: Jan Jones 07815614857 - a two-course meal has been planned at **Chamber 36**

(**Oriental street food**) which is situated at the end of Berry Street by Chinatown on Tuesday 11 June at 2.30 p.m. Cost is £11.50 (for starter and main course) and pre-order is required. Meet at the Old Roan station at 1.30 p.m. to catch train into Liverpool. Or meet at the restaurant. Full payment will be required and will be taken at the meeting. Please note **NO meal changes or refunds**.

UKULELE GROUPS

Leaders: Liz Wilson 474 6843 (Group One) and Connie Cain 526 0575 (Group Two)

Group One - meet every Tuesday at the Methodist Church 6.30 p.m. - 8.00 p.m.

Group Two will continue to meet in member's home on a Monday 2-3 p.m.

WALKING GROUP

Leader: Mike Morris 520 3100

Days & times: Fortnightly on Thursdays.

Next walks: Sutton Manor (6 miles using members' cars) on 13 June. Bootle (2 miles) on 27 June. Meet as usual at Old Roan station at 9.40 a.m. for each walk.

WINE APPRECIATION

Group One Leader: Liz Wilson 474 6843 - Will appreciate wines and dine at Ego at the Punchbowl on 12th June at 6.15 p.m.

Group Two Leader: Carol Ingham 531 9690 - this Group will attend Marks & Spencer event on 12 June and will be meeting at member's home on Wednesday 26 June at 7.30 p.m.

WRITING FOR PLEASURE

Leader: Iona James 526 7832

The Writing for Pleasure group is meeting on Tuesday, 11 June between 11.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m. at the Centre. Do you find pleasure in the written word? Enjoy a good story? Thought you could do better? Come along and find out, we would love to meet you. The group meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at the Centre.

PLEASE NOTE:

All activities are taken at your own risk. You are responsible for ensuring your own safety.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

Watch this space. (Temporary contact is Mike Morris, 520 3100).

Members please check **North West U3A website** for events in the area.

NORTH WEST REGION EVENT - THE BIG SING - QUAKER MEETING HOUSE IN TOWN - 5TH SEPTEMBER.

Organised by Conductor of Halle Orchestra. Cost £15. Register online at North West U3A events or I have few registration forms. Contact me (Liz Wilson) if you wish to go.

RECENT ADDITIONS TO WEBSITE:

Audio of Ukulele Group 1 performing - Click and listen directly within the site:

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/groups/ukulele/group1>

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HOLIDAY DATES FOR YOUR DIARIES

We still have a twin cabin available on our Danube Cruise departing on the 17th September this year.

April 24th 2020 - Enjoy a Murder Mystery break at the Hallmark Derby Midland Hotel in Derby. Our three day break will give you a chance to be Poirot or Miss Marple, Columbo or Vera or even Sherlock Holmes if you choose! Cost will be in the region of £230/240. Further details will be available at the Holiday Desk from 7th of May when booking opens.

September 2020 - At the request of a few members a trip has been arranged to the Somme and Passchendaele battlefields of northern France. The five day trip will be escorted by a professional guide and will be based in Arras. We need a minimum of 35 people to ensure this trip goes ahead so if interested please let me know at the Holiday Desk.

For full details of any of these breaks please contact Jane Jones on 526 2530 or ask at the Holiday Desk.