



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE



AINTREE U3A

MAY 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

At our meeting in April, 83 members were treated to a detailed and very interesting talk by Jim Finn on the "Life of Frankie Vaughan" the Liverpool born singer/entertainer.

7.5.19 AGM

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

ANNUAL SUBS

If you have not paid subs by the AGM we will assume you are not renewing and will take you off the membership list.

WELFARE

If you know of any member who is bereaved or ill, please contact Liz Wilson on 474 6843 or any committee member.

U3A OFFICIALS

Chair Tony Byrne 526 8815

Vice Chair: Ian Roxburgh 474 6665

Treasurer: Ann Carter 523 2697

Secretary: Mike Morris 520 3100

Welfare: Liz Wilson 474 6843

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We still need names on our tea/coffee making rota for the monthly meeting. Remember the more names we have the less often your turn comes round!!

Our next MONTHLY meeting will be on **TUESDAY, 4 JUNE 2019** at 2.00 p.m.

ART ACTIVE

Leader: Eddie Caldwell 526 8288

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE (unless otherwise stated)

Days & times: Tuesdays 14:00 - 16.00 fortnightly.

Next session: 14 May

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 792 4806

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Days & times: Tuesdays, 7 & 21 May - 10 a.m. to 12 noon. Great way to socialise with people.

CINEMA GROUP

Leader: Carol Whiteley 531 7066

The upcoming Silver Screen films :-

When Information is received details will be put up on Noticeboard in the Centre.

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

It is recommended to arrive early and purchase your tickets immediately, as the auditorium only accommodates half the amount of people as compared to pre-installation of the reclining seats.

COMMUNITY GARDENING

Leader: Marion Elson 286 5267

Asst: Margaret Wagner 531 7449

We weeded the beds recently and litter picked around the area. The beds have looked splendid this year. We continue to develop the embankment near Mostyn Avenue - it's hard work keeping the weeds and brambles at bay. If you can spare 1 hour volunteering come and join us.

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: 20 May.

CROCHET GROUP

Leader: Connie Cain 526 0575

Dates & times: Thursday, 16 May and Thursday 30 May.

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: 13 May (**9 a.m. start to be confirmed**). 20 May (**9.30 a.m.**) 3 June (**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

Nothing planned at present.

INTERESTING BUILDINGS GROUP

Leaders: Liz Wilson 474 6843 and Ann Carter 523 2697

At present just trying to firm up a date for tour of Bluecoat Chambers in town. Members will be contacted when finalised.

OUT & ABOUT

Leaders: Marion Elson 286 5267

Margaret Wagner 531 7449

1) A shopping trip to Jak Hanson in Wrightington 8/5/19. Cost £10.50 - couple of places left on the coach. Pick up at Old Roan station at 10.30 a.m. Cost includes tip for the driver. We aim to be back by 16.30 hrs.

2) Proposed trip to Bramall Hall and Gardens (Stockport) on 10/7/19. Costs to be confirmed but should be:

Coach - £10.50

Self guided tour of the hall £3.75

Put your name down and costs must be paid at June meeting. 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: Thursday 9 May - St Nicks Nursing Home 3 p.m.

SPANISH

Leader: Rylda Blake 526 7513 - a teacher is needed for this class. If anyone is interested please speak to Rylda. In the meantime this class is in abeyance.

U3A DINERS

Leader: Jan Jones 07815614857 - a two-course meal has been planned at the Bella Italia, Ranelagh Street, on Thursday 23 May at 2.15 p.m. Meet at the Old Roan station at 1.30 p.m. to catch train into Liverpool. Or meet at the restaurant. Jan will inform us of the cost at the meeting. Full payment will be required and will be taken after the AGM. This deal **does not** include a drink so if you wish to have a drink will you please make sure you have loose change to pay for any you may order. Please note **NO meal changes or re-funds**.

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. New members are enjoying the practice and playing well.

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: Willaston (6 miles) on 16 May, Birkenhead (3 miles) on 30 May and Sutton Manor (6 miles using members' cars) on 13 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 - Next meeting in member's home on 11 May at 6 p.m. We are veering from our usual wines this month and having a gin appreciation night!!!!

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, 14 May 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 U3A conference and AGM in Preston 4th June, No charge for this event. Venue right by Preston Station. Anyone can attend.

BIG SING - QUAKER MEETING HOUSE IN TOWN - 5TH SEPTEMBER.

An opportunity to sing together with Halle Orchestra conductor. Cost £15. Last year's event was an incredible success. See Liz for details.

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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.

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