



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE



AINTREE U3A

NOVEMBER 2019

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a>

NOTICES

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

MONTHLY SPEAKERS

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, 7 JANUARY 2020 at 2.00 p.m. (No meeting December 2019)

Despite our appeal no-one has yet come forward to take on the role of Secretary. We have however members shadowing our Treasurer and Membership Secretaries with a view to fulfilling these roles. Without volunteers coming forward we will not be able to continue to function as a U3A.

72 Members attended our October meeting and enjoyed the talk given by Andy Johnson on "The Giants".

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: Tuesday, 12 November and 10 December.

BRIDGE FOR BEGINNERS

Leader: Jane Jones 526 2530

Venue: MAGHULL PARISH HALL

Days & times: Bridge Group meetings restarted in September.

CARD MAKING

Leader: Pat Williams 208 7171

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE

Days & times: Tuesdays, 12 & 26 November - 10 a.m. to 12 noon. We will continue to work on Christmas cards.

CINEMA GROUP

Leader: Carol Whiteley 531 7066

Nothing planned at present. It is hoped the Silver Screen showings will recommence soon. NOTE The web editor has embedded the Fact cinema "tweets" in the cinema group page which will enable members to check what's on now and the coming weeks.

COMMUNITY GARDENING

Leader: Marion Elson 286 5267

Asst: Margaret Wagner 531 7449

We have tidied up the plot by Mostyn Avenue and planted bulbs in and around the area.

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: 18 November. We will be working on a new necklace project.

CROCHET GROUP

Leader: Connie Cain 526 0575

Dates & times: Thursdays, 7/11, 21/11 and 5/12/2019. The class is held fortnightly on Thursdays 2 p.m. - 3 p.m. and will be held at Connie's home.

GENTLE KEEP FIT EXERCISE

Group Leader: Marion Elson

Deputy: Margaret Wagner

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.**

Dates for next sessions:

Mondays, 11/18/25 November (all 9.30 a.m. start) and 2 December (9.00 a.m. start), 9 December (9.30 a.m. start) (Please note 9 December is the last session of 2019. We will start up again on Monday 6 January 2020 (9.00 o'clock start). Gentle is our byword. All exercises done at your own pace.

GOLF

Leader: Ian Roxburgh 474 6665

Venue: Aintree Golf Centre

Days & times: Times and days vary so contact Ian to confirm attendance during the week before so planned sessions can be confirmed. There is a cost depending on your status (£6.50 to £8.50) for 9 holes, our usual round, which takes approx. 2 hrs.

HOLIDAYS

Leader: Jane Jones 526 2530

SEE DETAILS ON BACK PAGE

HOW DO I?

Leader: Sylvia McCormack
526 6194

Next session: Tuesday, 19 November 2 p.m. - 4 p.m. Come along for a natter and a cuppa. No meeting in December.

INTERESTING BUILDINGS GROUP

Leaders: Liz Wilson 474 6843
and Ann Carter 523 2697

Visit to Lady Lever and Port Sunlight, Wednesday, 13 November, 10.34 train from Old Roan. All welcome to come if you fancy a leisurely day out and lunch. Just turn up. The visit to the World of Glass was a great success and enjoyed by all. Some pics on our website.

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

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

OUT & ABOUT

Leaders: Marion Elson 286 5267

Margaret Wagner 531 7449

Christmas Party 3/12/19 - cost £20 - money must be paid at November meeting. Holy Rosary - doors open at 12.00 hrs - put your dancing shoes on!!!

SINGING FOR FUN

Leader: Eddie Caldwell 526 8288

Venue: AINTREE COMMUNITY CENTRE (unless otherwise stated)

Dates & Times: Friday 29 November, 10.00 a.m. to 11.45 a.m. Important **ADDITIONAL**

DATES, for Christmas Carols' rehearsals.

Wednesday, 13 November

Wednesday, 20 November

Wednesday, 4 December

All 7 - 8 p.m. at the Centre

It is most important that all singing members attend rehearsals for the following singing events:

Saturday, 7 December at the Methodist Church, Woodlands Hospice Carol Concert 7.30 p.m.

And Thursday, 12 December 2.00 p.m. at St Nicholas Nursing Home, Netherton.

SPANISH This class is in abeyance as a teacher is needed. Anyone interested contact Rylda Blake on 526 7513

UKULELE GROUPS

Leaders: Liz Wilson 474 6843

(Group One) and Connie Cain 526 0575 (Group Two)

Group One - continue to practice Tuesdays at the Methodist Church 6.30 p.m. - 8.00 p.m. Few Christmas gigs on calendar. We welcomed Mick and Don to our group recently.

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

U3A DINERS

Leader: Jan Jones 07815614857 - No meal planned for November (as Christmas menus at most restaurants). We will start again in January 2020.

WALKING GROUP

Leader: Mike Morris 520 3100

Days & times: Fortnightly on Thursdays.

Next walks: - 14 November - Moreton and Leasowe (3 miles), 28 November - Freshfield to Ainsdale (5 miles) 12 December - Maghull/Running Horses, Lydiate (4/6 miles). Good walking boots are recommended for all walks.

Meet as usual at Old Roan station at 9.40 a.m. for all walks unless otherwise notified.

WINE APPRECIATION

Group One Leader: Liz Wilson 474 6843

Will meet Thursday, 5 December at 7 p.m. at member's home. Christmas theme this month.

Group Two Leader: Carol Ingham 531 9690 - Will meet Wednesday, 27 November at 7 p.m. at member's home.

WRITING FOR PLEASURE

Leader: Iona James 526 7832

The Writing for Pleasure group is meeting on Tuesday, 12 November between **11.00 a.m. - 12.30 p.m.** at the **Methodist Church**. Do you find pleasure in the written word? Enjoy a good story? Thought you could do better? If anyone is interested please come along to talk and listen to see if it is for you. The group meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month at **Methodist Church, Altway. (This is a change of venue).**

PLEASE NOTE:

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

Thank you to all the group leaders who have collected an emergency contact number from their group members. Don't forget to start taking photos of your Christmas projects and send to Neil our webeditor on webeditoraintreeu3a@gmail.com All photos are welcome from any group. It makes the website far more interesting.

HOLIDAY INFORMATION

Please contact Jane on 526 2530 for more detailed information.

BATTLEFIELDS TOUR

This five day break to the Somme (France) and Passchendaele (Belgium) areas will be taking place September next year. Bookings for this break started on 3rd September this year. Places still available on this tour.

ISLE OF WIGHT

Booking for this holiday 6th-13th June 2020 opened on 1st October.

ADDITIONAL ITEMS

Aintree Village Summer Festival 11 July 2020.

Any donations for the Aintree Summer Festival "Hook a Bag" stall for adults and children can be left at the Centre. Thank you to all who have donated so far. Let's make the Festival an Aintree Success!!

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

Latest additions to Website:

Photographs - Interesting Buildings Group visit to the Metropolitan Cathedral Liverpool (August 2019) and two photographs of the Walking Group, one of which was to Lydiat (July 2019)

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/groups/walking/past-walks>
(<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/groups/walking/past-walks>)

NW U3A Event - The Big Sing - September 2019

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/news/thebigsing>
(<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/news/thebigsing>)

Newsletter - September and October editions:

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/newsletter>
(<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/newsletter>)

Timeline of Activity - A selection of Aintree U3A activities over the last five years. You can view it via a link at the top of the Home page or directly via the Gallery:

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/gallery> (<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/gallery>)

You can click on the flags at the bottom of the timeline or click the arrow on the right-hand side to progress through the selection.

Group Activities by Category - Members and potential members alike have long been able to search for groups by the day of the week that groups meet and by an A-Z listing of groups. Now, a new option has been added. It is now possible to search via a broad range of subject headings reflecting group activity - Creative, Physically Active, Visits to Places, Musical and Other:

<https://sites.google.com/site/aintreeu3a/groups/group-activities-by-category>
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Alternatively, if you click on the Groups tab at the top of any page, you will find the relevant link on the Groups page.

PLEASE NOTE:

Members can now follow Aintree U3A on **Twitter** - the **Twitter** logo is in the footer of all pages of the site.

