



## Hello Cheadle U3A Members

Welcome to the **March 2015 E-news**

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Items for the **April E-news** to Sarah before **9am, Thursday, April 2nd** please.

Look out for our **Doclinks** and **Photolinks** - let your fingers do the clicking!

Visit **OUR WEBSITE** [www.theadleu3a.org](http://www.theadleu3a.org). It contains a calendar of events, information on activities, how to contact committee members, group leaders and much, **much** more.....

**Help to keep our "hard copy" members up to date - be a "buddy".** **SHARE** this information with a friend or neighbour if you know they are not on the internet. Why not drop them off a copy next time you pass so that as many members as possible receive this information update.

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## Notice of the 18th Annual General Meeting Wednesday 22nd April 2015, 10.30 am at the Guildhall, Cheadle

The agenda for the AGM and the minutes of the 2014 AGM will be sent out in March with the Spring Newsletter. The AGM is your opportunity to offer your support to, and show your appreciation of Cheadle U3A. It's your chance to help to decide who will lead and manage the organisation by choosing who gets elected to the management committee. It's also an opportunity for you to vote on issues that affect you and to voice any ideas, improvements or concerns you may have. Last but not least, your presence demonstrates your appreciation of your Chairman and his committee for their work in managing the affairs of your U3A over the past year.

This year there are 3 committee vacancies. Please consider whether you can contribute a little more to our U3A by serving on the committee. If you would like to stand you need to be nominated by another member in writing and the nomination should be sent to the Business Secretary. Please see the committee nomination page insert in the Spring 2015 Newsletter for more details.

In order to be quorate our constitution requires us to have 10% of the membership or a minimum of 50 members (whichever is the lesser number) present at the AGM otherwise the meeting cannot go ahead. So please make a note of the date and time of the meeting in your diary and come along to support your U3A. It will only take 2 hours of your day, leaving you the remainder to spend to enjoy the many splendid activities your U3A has to offer!

### MEMBERSHIP NEWS - (Webpage)

By the time you read this, February the 28th 2015 will be a thing of the past. That date marked the end of the Period of Grace for 2015 renewals, and was the final deadline. Regrettably, members who missed it should note the following:

1. They are no longer members of the Cheadle U3A.
2. Third Age Trust magazines will not be sent to them.
3. Our local monthly E-news will not be sent to them.
4. They should not attend meetings.
5. Group Leaders will be expecting them to leave Activities because:
  - a) There could be insurance problems with non-members.
  - b) Paid-up members on waiting lists will be joining groups.
6. They must not attend special showings of films at the cinema.

Naturally, we would rather those members hadn't left. Good luck in the future to all leavers, I'm sure you will be missed.

Membership Sec. Chris Beesley (07790 689173) - [membership@theadleu3a.org](mailto:membership@theadleu3a.org)

### COFFEE MORNING Wednesday, 11th March, 10am - 12pm at the Guild Hall. (Webpage)

Committee members and Group Leaders will be available for consultation. Meet your friends, exchange books and jigsaws, book Holidays and Trips, buy home-made greetings cards in aid of "Douglas MacMillan", plus "Cheadle Fairtrade Group" stall. \*See below for the following three items:- Get your tickets for the \***QUIZ NIGHT**, donate to \***Cheadle Food Bank**, easy to make \***Little dresses for Africa** made from pillow cases.

### CYCLING - Joan Charles - (Webpage)

There will be a meeting at 8, The Birches, Cheadle. ST10 1EJ on Thursday 12th March at 7.30 pm. All would be welcome **especially any new recruits**. Come along and hear what we do. More details from: **Joan Charles 01538 753545**

### \* QUIZ NIGHT WEDS 25TH MARCH 2015 - 7PM GUILD HALL

Tickets are £1.00 each and will be on sale at the March Coffee Morning. Bring your own refreshments. Teams of up to 6 people. If you want to reserve tickets to pay for and collect at the door on the night, please ring:

**John and Lynn Smith on 01538 756314.**

NB. Can the team who won the Quiz last year, please get in touch, so that we can retrieve the trophy.

### \* CHEADLE FOOD BANK

Still needs non perishable foods for families in Crisis. Imagine suddenly being made redundant and having to wait weeks before any benefits are sorted out. Or having to flee an abusive partner. Foodbank is just a stopgap but is a lifeline to those in crisis. Please place food in the box by the door at Coffee Morning or drop some cash into the tin.

### \* LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA

Many thanks for such a wonderful response last month. If you have any completed dresses to hand over, bring them along to Coffee Morning. If you want to help and need some pillowcases or material, there will be some on display. Help yourself.

**Sound advice about sewing!** - from a 1949 Singer sewing machine manual ([Photolink](#)) . Thanks Doreen.

## SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE

### DRAMA AND SONG EVENING - FRIDAY 24TH APRIL 2015 - CHEADLE ACADEMY 7.30 pm

Showcase of the Drama Group's recent competition entry plus sing along entertainment from the Ukulele group. Tickets will be on sale soon at £2 per adult and £1 for children.

### CREAM TEA - SAT 6TH JUNE 2015 2.30 - 4.30 pm GUILD HALL

This very popular event will feature a variety of entertainment comprising words and music, plus a delicious cream tea, provided by Dawn and her helpers. Tickets will be £3.50 per person.

### MURDER MYSTERY SUPPER - SAT 31 OCT 2015 7 pm CHECKLEY VILLAGE HALL

Celebrate Halloween in style this year solving a whodunnit entitled "Murder at the Stables". Uncover the dastardly murderer and enjoy a gourmet supper in the company of your fellow sleuths. Tickets will be £7.50 per adult, bring your own drink.

### BARN DANCE - FRIDAY 20th NOVEMBER 2015 GUILD HALL 7 pm

Live music from the U3A Weasels Revenge Ceilidh band with Sylvia Fisher as caller. A fun night of barn dancing and great exercise! There will be a bar available, but bring your own supper. Tickets £3

### RAMBLERS - ([Webpage](#)) - ([Gallery](#))

City Walk (09-02-15) ( <a href="#">PhotoLink</a> ) Tean (23-02-15) ( <a href="#">PhotoLink</a> )		Consall Woods (02-03-15) ( <a href="#">PhotoLink</a> )	
Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
09/03/15	Wildboardclough	Gordon	01538722634
16/03/15	Shugborough	Angela	01538751094
23/03/15	Tissington	Bill	01538752467
30/03/15	Earl Sterndale	John	01782395271
06/04/15	(BH)	TBA	-
13/04/15	Reedsmere	Mike P	0153875753979
20/04/15	Alstonefield	Dave F	01538753572
27/04/15	Biddulph	Phil	01538756256

### PUB STROLLS ([Webpage](#))

Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
Mar 18th	The Greyhound - Burston ST18 0DR	Margaret & Michael	01538 755183
Apr 15th	TBA	Bryan & Janet	01538 360852
May 20th	Robin Hood - Bramshall ST14 5BH	Les, Wendy & Sheila	01538 753851

## NEW FRONTIERS

*This is a repeat of a notice which initially appeared in the October 2014 Newsletter. A few people have shown an interest in starting the group. Are there any more out there?*

"Are you, like me, interested in the amazing, and sometimes worrying, discoveries, inventions and hopeful schemes? Let's share some of them and discuss our responses to them. If interested in this DIY programme, NEW FRONTIERS. We could start on Wednesday the 25th of March, initially for 4 meetings to take place on the fourth Wednesday of every month".

For further info contact: **Phil Silk 01538 757020**

## **TRAVEL AND LANDSCAPE - Season Starting Soon!** - Phil Boyer - ([Webpage](#))

The final meeting of this winter is on **Thursday March 12th** at Tean Church hall, usual time **1.30pm**. It will be a very colourful one with lots of landscapes to view.

**Betty & Ron Carnwell** will be showing their **Black Sea Cruise** and Ron says that they were refused entry into Ukraine!!

Phil will show the classic scenery of the **Italian Amalfi Coast around Sorrento** and wishes to add that after a steep climb both he and Sandy had literally a breathless(!) view from the top of Mount Vesuvius, of Pompeii and the Coast.

Finally **Vaughan Richardson** will show another of his American extravaganzas and will tell us about his **tour of the North West USA** when he spotted Yogi Bear (Better than the average bear, BooBoo!) in Yellowstone Park, another very volcanic region.

All welcome, and this packed programme will start promptly at 1.30pm. View some photos on the [webpage...](#)

Contact: [TandL@theadleu3a.org](mailto:TandL@theadleu3a.org)

## **MUSIC APPRECIATION**

A "taster" session for the new Music Appreciation Group will be starting on Monday 13/4/15 until 18/5/15 from 2 - 4 p.m. in the Guild Hall (Main Room) If this is successful then I propose starting the group proper in September, probably fortnightly. More details contact [Alan Lewis 01538 754208](tel:01538754208) or email [alan.lewis@theadleu3a.org](mailto:alan.lewis@theadleu3a.org)

## **HISTORY OF ARCHITECTURE** - David Slade - ([Webpage](#))

In March we look at the current period of architecture and what an exciting period this is. We cover Lords Foster and Rogers, two of the most dynamic architects in the world and they are producing some delightful architecture, arguably the most beautiful architecture of all time. We also look at the sculptural architecture of Zaha Hadid, gravity defying but beautiful, I wonder if it will date very quickly?

In April I will be giving an illustrated talk on "how the monasteries were built and the daily lives of the monks who lived in them" so if anyone outside the group would like to come along to that they are welcome on the third Wednesday at 10.00 in the Guild Hall.

Contact: [david.slade@theadleu3a.org](mailto:david.slade@theadleu3a.org)

## **NOT STRICTLY BARBERSHOP** ([Webpage](#))

are performing at Biddulph Methodist Church, Victoria Centre, Station Rd. on Saturday March 21st 7.30 start. The concert is in aid of Multiple Sclerosis Research. All welcome.

## **OTHER EVENTS**

### **CHEADLE ARTS WEEK 4th - 12th April**

#### **The Cre-8 Day SATURDAY 4th APRIL 10-4pm**

open to any crafters interested in putting on a stall, hands-on, demonstrations. Open to all.

#### **PHOTOGRAPHIC COMPETITION**

for young people. Two age groups - up to 12yrs and 12 - 16yrs. Subjects ANIMALS/PETS and LANDSCAPE/CHEADLE. Prizes to be awarded. Photos to be in for the CRE-8 DAY on 4th and judged by the public attending and then Prizes awarded at the SHOWCASE DAY 11th APRIL.

#### **Junior Section of the C.A.T.S.**

will be performing Songs from Musicals on the Saturday evening 4th April.

#### **SHOWCASE DAY Saturday 11th April**

Calling all Artists. All welcome!

#### **JAZZ NIGHT Saturday 11th**

in the Guild Hall George Galway brother of the flautist James, will be with us again for a super night's Jazz - it was a cracking night last year.

#### **"Choirs night" Thursday 9th APRIL at The Venue, High Street Tean (Formerly the Tean Village Hall)**

#### **HIGH STREET GALLERY**

artists displays in shop windows. More info from [Stella Heritage 01538 702124](tel:01538702124)

#### **MOORLAND VOICES**

Concert at Seighford St Chads Church 7pm on Saturday March 7th. All welcome.