



Hello Cheadle U3A Members

Welcome to the **April 2015 E-news** - Keeping "In touch with ewe"!

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Items for inclusion in the next E-news to Sarah before Thursday, April 30th please.

Make it habit to visit our **WEBSITE** www.theadleu3a.org. It contains a calendar of events, information on activities, how to contact committee members, group leaders and much, **much** more.....

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Look out for our **(Doclink)** and **(Photolink)** click spots - let your fingers do the clicking!

REMINDER: Notice of the 18th Annual General Meeting

Wednesday 22nd April 2015

at 10.30am in the Guildhall, Cheadle.

Please make an effort to come and support your U3A.

(Tea and coffee served from 10am)

MEMBERSHIP NEWS - (Webpage)

So far this year about eighty new members have joined our U3A, and I am sure there will be more to come. I'm not going to list them all individually, so all I will say is - Welcome to the newcomers, I hope you enjoy a long and happy time with us. Future newcomers can obtain Application Forms from me at the Coffee Mornings, from our web site at theadleu3a.org and from several local libraries. It doesn't take a minute to fill the form in, the membership fee is £10, and I will post your cards to you if you supply a stamped self-addressed envelope. Full instructions are on the back of the printed forms, and lower down the page on the web site.

Membership Sec. Chris Beesley (07790 689173) - membership@theadleu3a.org

COFFEE MORNING Wednesday, 8th April, 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 for charity, plus Cheadle's Fairtrade Society's Stall. Donate to Cheadle's Foodbank.

Buy tickets for "**Drama and Song Evening**" on Friday April 24th at Cheadle Academy 7.30pm. Showcase of the Drama Group's recent successful competition entries (see *below*) plus sing-a-long entertainment from UKE3A. Tickets £2 adult £1 for children.

LITTLE DRESSES FOR AFRICA - Joan Charles

Who would think that you could make a dress out of a pillow case? Many thanks for such a wonderful response. If you have any completed dresses to hand over please bring them along to April's Coffee Morning. Click here **(PhotoLink)** to see some of the results.

RAMBLERS - (Webpage) - (Gallery)

Wildeboarclough (09-03-15) (PhotoLink)		Shugborough (16-03-15) (PhotoLink)	
Tissington (23-03-15) (PhotoLink)		Earl Sterndale (30-03-15) (PhotoLink)	
Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
13/04/15	Reedsmere	Mike P	01538 753979
20/04/15	Alstonefield	Dave F	01538 753572
27/04/15	Biddulph	Phil	01538 756256
04/05/15 (BH)	Mayfield	Rose & Terry	01538 752705
11/05/15	TBA	-	-

APRIL BIKE RIDES - Joan Charles - (Webpage) - (Gallery)

Date:	Details:	Distance:	Contact:
Weds 8 April	Hulme End to Waterhouses & return	14	-

Riders can cut short either of these rides if they so desire. Newcomers very welcome!

Contact by email: cycling@theadleu3a.org

DISCUSSION GROUP The proposed Discussion Group due to take place on Wednesday mornings will not go ahead due to lack of interest. Phil Silk gives his apologies to anyone who had contacted him.

SPANISH FOR BEGINNERS - 4 week taster

Come and enjoy an easy introduction to Spanish language.

When? 1.30pm - 3.00pm, from Monday 1 to Monday 22 June.

Where? Room V2, Moorlands VI Form College, Attlee Road, Cheadle, Staffs.

If there is enough interest we'll start a regular course in September.

Contact: *Sue Fraser* 07794 256842, 01782 302056, Email: sue.fraser@theadleu3a.org

SOCIAL EVENTS UPDATE

CREAM TEA - Sat June 6th 2015 2.30-4.30 Guild Hall.

This very popular event will feature a variety of entertainment comprising words and music, plus a delicious 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 at 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

LOST BOOK AND BOOKMARK! - Di Rushton

Last Wednesday I picked up three books to bring along to the U3A March Coffee morning book swap. Unfortunately one of them was the book that my husband was currently reading and not only that but it had got his favourite bookmark in it which was a present from a friend in Australia. The bookmark was very colourful with an iridescent background. The book was called *Dead Tomorrow* by Peter James. If the person who swapped it could let me have it back when they have finished reading it I would be so grateful. Maybe the bookmark had fallen out of the book and again if anyone found it my husband would be so grateful to have it back.

Please email me on didek@hotmail.co.uk if you can help. Many thanks!

NOT STRICTLY BARBERSHOP

are performing in the lovely Staffordshire Peak District Village of Grindon on Saturday April 25th in the church starting at 7.30. All are welcome.

DRAMA GROUP AWARD

Our recently started Drama Group entered two plays "Tales of the Vienna Woods" and "What's for Pudding?" into the "One Act Play Festival" held at the Mitchell Memorial Arts Centre in March. They were awarded the Adjudicator's Trophy which Marge Stanley accepted on behalf of the group. There were four nominations for best actor - Roy Hedges, Dave Shooter, Mike Deaville and Sue Berrisford, they weren't successful but it is a great achievement even to be nominated. Well done and congratulations to you all!!

NEW MUSIC GROUP ([DocLink](#))

Although this group is designed as a Music Appreciation group, it should perhaps be better described as a Music Enjoyment group. This is for two reasons. Firstly, my aim is to offer (via DVD) for enjoyment, music in the form initially of opera and operetta but also at some stage ballet and to the lesser extent jazz. Secondly, I have a love of music in all these genres but am not technically qualified to instruct in them. Therefore, apart from a brief introduction and summary or synopsis by me for anyone not familiar with the work being shown, the session will consist of 2 hours of watching and enjoying some of the greatest works ever composed. The U3A National Resource Centre has a comprehensive collection of DVD's which can be hired free and it seems a pity that Cheadle U3A does not avail itself of this superb facility.

I am planning a **taster period** of about **5 weeks** starting on **Monday April 13th, 2-4pm in the Guild Hall, Cheadle**, and running through to mid May. If this is successful then I shall start the sessions properly in September. In preparation for the tasters, I have already asked for, and received, DVD's for one of Mozarts finest operas, "The Marriage of Figaro" which I shall show in 2 parts and this will be followed by one of Gilbert and Sullivan's most popular Savoy operettas, "The Mikado" which can be seen in one session. It therefore only remains for you, the audience, to show up on April 13th to enjoy this extravaganza. Further info from:

Alan Lewis (Cheadle U3A President) 01538 754208 or email music@theadleu3a.org

OTHER LOCAL EVENTS

"MUSIC IN SPRINGTIME"

a concert by Cheadle and District Choral Society on FRIDAY, 17th April and SATURDAY, 18th April 2015 at Painsley Catholic College, Station Road, Cheadle at 7.30pm. Tickets £7.50 (to include first glass of wine), under 16s £3.50 Tickets from Donald Cope and Co, Cheadle Car Park or members of the Society.

CHEADLE ARTS WEEK 4th April - Sunday 12th April inclusive

Still lots to see and do! ([DocLink](#))

HIGH STREET GALLERY

Over 50 artists' work on display in shop windows.

HILL TOP ARTS

"Heavens Above" Bishop Rawle School 28th and 29th March

CRE-8 Day

Saturday 4th April 10am - 4pm Guild Hall, Cheadle Crafters, demos, stalls Free admission. Refreshments

SONGS FROM THE MUSICALS

Junior Section of C.A.T.S. Guild Hall, Cheadle 7.30pm Admission £5.00

EVENING OF SONG

Thursday 9th April The Venue, Tean High Street

SHOWCASE DAY

Saturday 11th April In the Guild Hall 10am - 4pm Local artists' work on display Free admission. Refreshments

SATURDAY NIGHT JAZZ

Saturday 11th April 8pm. Lee Slater and friends Admission £5.00 Proceeds to the Donna Louise Hospice

CHEADLE FLOWER CLUB

Demonstration entitled "Treasures of the Severn Gorge" 7.30pm Guild Hall, Cheadle Admission £5.00

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