

Do visit our **WEBSITE** on a regular basis. 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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RAMBLING GROUP - *(Webpage)* - *(Gallery)*

Alton (22-08-16) <i>(PhotoLink)</i>		Flash (29-08-16) <i>(PhotoLink)</i>	
Oakamoor (15-08-16) <i>(PhotoLink)</i>			
Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
5th September	Chapel Chorlton	Angela	01538 751094
12th September	Biddulph	Phil	01538 756256
19th September	Ashford in the Water	Brian B	01538 753710
26th September	Longnor	Gordon	01538 722634

SHORT WALKS - *Avg distance 4miles (Webpage)*

Date:	Venue:	Leader:	Contact Details:
5 September	Rudyard	Brian, Janet and Shirley	-
12 September	-	June and Mick	-
19 September	-	John and Sandy	-
26 September	-	Peter and Pam	-
3 October	Westport Lake	Mick and Lesley Hall	-

PUB STROLLERS *(Webpage)*

Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
Sept 21	Denstone Farm Shop ST14 5HP *	Shirley/Pat	01538 361929
Oct 19	Bridge House, Alton, ST10 4BX	Margaret/Michael	01538 755183

* Food orders for Denstone will be taken by Margaret Plant at the September Coffee.
 Leaving Leisure Centre Car Park at 10:15

GROUP NEWS

Singing for Fun (Untuned) *(Webpage)*

This group is for those who like to sing in a group whose aim is to have fun and not take it seriously. We start again on Wednesday morning 23rd August, with planned 2 sessions a month thereafter.

Please note this is for both sexes!

Contact Steven on: 01782 392972

Bridge for Fun *(Webpage)*

If you wish to learn or play without any pressure, this group meets most Thursday afternoons at Cheadle Fire station, starting again on Thursday 15th September.

Contact Steven on: 01782 392972

Architecture Group *(Webpage)*

We meet once again on the 21st September to look and expand on Georgian and Regency Architecture, periods of well mannered and proportioned buildings based on classical Renaissance architecture, amended to suit England and copied throughout the British Empire, and in America up to the present time. England had been an agrarian country up until this period when The Industrial Revolution appears and a whole new group of buildings appear to house the mechanisation of manufacturing. We also see the early

signs of Gothic Revival appearing, a style which will revolutionize church building and industrial buildings.
David Slade MA RIBA DPAGB

Art Club News (Webpage)

The Art Club year culminated with our Summer Exhibition in the Guild Hall. We were thrilled that this event was supported by a grant from the Cheadle Arts Forum which enabled us to pay for the hire of the hall, additional tables and a new pvc banner. Around 20 of our 30 members exhibited an impressive display and sales of work and refreshments were brisk!

This year the group and individuals have been very active, exhibiting in an increasing number of locations – the Draycott Arms and the new chiropodists surgery at Blythe Bridge are recent long term venues and we have been invited to show paintings in Cheadle Methodist Church in Autumn.

Group exhibitions have included Cheadle Arts Week and High Street Gallery, Ipstones Show, and Belper Art Trail. Paintings have also been shown at Ashbourne Open Art event, Butterton Café Gallery, Longnor Craft Centre, Foxt Arts and the Art Department Stoke Gallery. One member has had a painting published in the SAA magazine and another is planning to enter the Wildlife Artist of the Year Competition in London next year. Well done all!

During the year we enjoyed a pastel painting demonstration from a local professional artist. We were all inspired by our trip to Patchings Arts Festival, Nottingham and a group enjoyed visiting Buxton Dome Peak Arts Fair. We are looking forward to gathering new inspiration during the summer break and returning to take up our brushes refreshed on September 9th.

Vivienne Cowie

Music Enjoyment Group (Webpage)

This group will restart on Monday Sept 19th in the Guild Hall at 2pm. All welcome there is no restriction on numbers. Initial programme is as follows:-

Mon 19th Sept and Sept 26th. We begin with a performance of **Les Miserables** which will take up the whole of the session on the 19th and the first part of the session on the 26th. We will then conclude the session on the 26th with a look at **Dvorak's** beautiful **Ninth Symphony** (From the New World) from a series of DVD's entitled Discovering masterpieces of Classical music. A chance to learn something about this very popular work and then to watch and listen to a performance.

Mon Oct 3rd. This week we have a performance of **Puccini's** final opera **Turandot**. This is given by The Royal Opera House with the orchestra conducted by Nanasi. This opera is unusual for Puccini in that it has a happy ending. As usual with his operas it contains some wonderful arias.

Mon Oct 10th. This week we turn our attention to one of the most famous ballets in the canon. **Prokofiev's** brilliantly orchestrated score accompanies a superb showpiece by the **Royal Ballet** in a performance originally choreographed by the world famous **Sir Kenneth Macmillan**. The combination of the brilliant music and the superb dancing is irresistible in this performance of a much loved and easily interpreted Shakespearean tale.

See you on the 19th, *Alan*

More Details: alan.lewis@gmail.com or **07900 798 955**

OUTINGS AND HOLIDAYS - Margaret Plant - (Webpage)

September Sunday 11th	Ludlow Food Festival £14 Coach + Entrance
September Wednesday 28th	National Space Centre £11 Coach + £9 Entrance
November Wednesday 30th	Bath Christmas Market £18 Coach

A £5 deposit will be required per person per trip booked. Please book with Margaret Plant at the coffee mornings or by phone: **01538 752 756** , Mobile: **07956 891 894** or email trips.holidays@theadleu3a.org

LEEK U3A - MEMBERSHIP SUBSCRIPTION - REMINDER

This is a reminder of the situation regarding Cheadle members attending Leek U3A activities. We were informed by the Committee of Leek U3A in October 2015 that they are discontinuing the reciprocal agreement for membership subscriptions that they have with their neighbouring U3As. This meant that from 2016 any member of Cheadle U3A who takes part in a Leek U3A activity will be required to pay the Leek U3A annual membership subscription. The Leek U3A subscription for 2016 is £15 but a reduced fee will be charged to members from other U3As, because Leek will not charge them the National Third Age capitation fee, (this has already been paid through their "Home" U3A subscription and is approx. £5).

We (the Committee of Cheadle U3A) regret this decision by Leek U3a but we have voted unanimously not to impose a reciprocal requirement for Leek U3A members to pay our annual subscription. This is because the majority of the Cheadle £10 membership subscription goes towards the payment of a member's Third Age Trust capitation fee and the twice yearly Cheadle U3A newsletters. Members of other U3As have the capitation paid by their own U3A and they do not receive our Cheadle newsletter. They do however contribute to our finances through payment of the £1 group fee.

However, Cheadle U3A members will always have priority over members of other U3As when it comes to allocation of places in Cheadle U3A activity groups. If a group has a waiting list of members from both Cheadle and other U3As the Cheadle members will be allocated places first. If a group is full and has existing members from another U3A in the group who have not paid the Cheadle membership subscription then they will be asked to leave the group to make a space if a Cheadle member wishes to join.

SOCIAL EVENTS

CRAFT DISPLAY AND "HAVE A GO DAY"

Stuck with what to do with the grandchildren during the October half term holiday, or perhaps you just fancy a few hours out doing something a bit different? We have the answer for you!

Come along to our Craft and Have a Go day on Tuesday 25 October from 10.30 am until 4 pm in the Guild Hall. (This is during the school half term holidays). Entry is FREE! Our many craft groups will be demonstrating their work and talents and they will be on hand with their materials, tools and expertise for you to have a go at the crafts yourself. There will be all sorts on offer from calligraphy to paper flower making, sugar craft, card making etc. etc. the only cost will be a small charge for any materials used for some of the crafts. It's suitable for both children and adults but children must be accompanied by an adult. A lovely way to spend some quality time with your grandchildren or friends. Light refreshments will be on sale.

BARN DANCE

A few tickets are still available for the Barn dance in the Guild Hall on Sunday 6 November at 7.30 pm. Tickets are on sale at the September Coffee Mornings or ring Ann Mundy **01538 308049**, email ann@themundys.org

U3A QUIZ

Wednesday 23 November 2016 in the Guild Hall at 7.30 with Quiz master Mr Tim Handley. Tickets are £2 per person. Why not get some members of your activity group together to enter as a Group? See if you can beat the team from the Folk band!

Tickets on sale at the September coffee morning or from **Ann Mundy**.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Afternoon Tea	Saturday 25th February 2017 – Guild Hall – 2 pm
Barn Dance	Saturday 25 March 2017 – Guild Hall -7.30 pm
U3A Showcase Day (A 20th Anniversary event)	Saturday 13 May 2017 – Guild Hall – All Day – more info to follow but this will be our opportunity to show Cheadle and the world what we do. It is envisaged that all of our activity groups will either produce a display or perform at intervals throughout the day.
Murder Mystery	Saturday 28 October 2017 – Checkley Village Hall – a repeat of the popular 2015 event with a buffet supper included.

If anyone has any other suggestions for social events that they would like to organise please get in touch!

A PLEA!!

As summer approaches its close and we're all looking forward to restarting our group activities I thought it an appropriate time to plead for volunteers for the committee. We are currently short of an IT Coordinator and we will need an Assistant Groups Coordinator and an Assistant Treasurer at the next AGM so that they can spend a year getting to know these two functions with a view to taking over when Marian and Lynn step down in 2018. So, if you think you can make a contribution and want to talk it over with someone give Richard (our chairman) or any member of the committee a call. Remember we can't function without an effective committee so **YOUR CHEADLE U3A NEEDS YOU!!**

MEMBERSHIP NEWS (Webpage)

The committee decided at their recent meeting to appoint a new role of Assistant Membership Secretary.

Christopher Beesley (Membership Secretary) will now have Val Egerton to help him in all areas of membership business and renewals. Val has been supporting Chris for some time during the coffee mornings and will now become Assistant Membership Secretary. This process is so that Val can be trained to take over the role on Chris's retirement.

Val Egerton

U3A CRAFT DAY

Why not come along to the Guildhall on Tuesday 25 October 10.30 am to 4 pm and "have a go". All are welcome, some crafts may have to make a small charge.

Please bring your grandchildren, there will be plenty for them to do.

A PLEA

Can I please make an appeal to any of our members who would like to come along to help on our "have a go" crafters day?

Please contact Dawn Maley (evenings are the best time to catch me) on **01538 753578**.

IRMGARD FREESTON

It is with regret that I have to report the death of Irmgard Freeston last Saturday, 27 August.

Irmgard was well known to many members as the Group Leader of the German group. Irmgard was also one of the founders of Cheadle U3A and took this group right from the beginning until quite recently.

I understand from her son, Clive, that the funeral may not be for another fortnight. He has promised to let me or Dawn know when it will take place but he did say that it would be in Stoke-on-Trent. If possible we will publicise any further information on this.

P B Barnett