



Hello Cheadle U3A Members

Welcome to the **March 2017 E-news**

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Items for the next E-news before 9am Tuesday, April 4th please.

Do visit our **WEBSITE** on a regular basis. www.cheadleu3a.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. We encourage you to use the **online PDF** file to print out a copy as this ensures the format remains accurate. You can click on the link at the **top of this page** to obtain a PDF copy of this e-News from our website!

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

THERE IS A COFFEE MORNING WEDNESDAY, 8TH MARCH - (Webpage)

GROUP NEWS

SHORT WALKS - (Webpage)

Short Walks Shedule (avg. Distance 4miles)

Date:	Start:	Leader:	Contact:
6-Mar	Whiston	Eric and Margaret (1)	01538 753750/ 756463
13-Mar	Alton – Walkers Lunch	Alan & Beryl (2)	01538 703161
20-Mar	Froghall	John and Sandra (1)	01782 394955
27 March	TBA	Pat and Dorothy (1)	07941 737923
3 April	Endon	Mel and Lesley (2)	01538 757133
10 April	TBA	Arthur and Mick (2)	750950/754259
17 April	Easter Monday	No Walk	-

Alan (Short Walks Leader), Telephone: 01538 703161

RAMBLING GROUP - (Webpage) - (Gallery)

Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
Froghall (06-02-2017) (PhotoLink)		Froghall (20-02-2017) (PhotoLink)	
Longnor (13-02-17) (PhotoLink)			
FOR MILEAGE PLEASE CONTACT LEADERS			
MAR 13TH	TBA	CYRIL	01538 751747
MARCH 20TH	HARTINGTON	BRIAN	01538 753719
MAR 27TH	BARLASTON	ANGELA	01538 751094
APR 3RD	HARTINGTON	ANDREW	01538 756094
APR 10TH	BOSLEY	PETER D.	01538 723556
APR 17TH(BH)	ABBOTS BROMLEY	PAT	01538 723050

PUB STROLLERS (Webpage)

Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
March 15	The Greyhound, Burston ST18 0DR	Shirley/Pat	01538 361929

Leaving Leisure Centre Car Park at 10.15 am.

ARCHITECTURE (Webpage)

On Wednesday the 15th March we will be looking at architecture of the 20th C and the magnificent if unusual, Antoni Gaudi, the skyscrapers of America and the new technologies of the steel frames, at England emerging from the two world wars exploring the problems of housing needs, and the new churches by George Pace and the building of Liverpool Cathedral. Following the bankruptcy in

England after the world wars England declines as an architectural leader but in the latter half of the twentieth century England once again produces world leading architects.

David Slade MA RIBA DPAGB

TRAVEL AND LANDSCAPE (*Webpage*)

The last meeting this winter is on Thursday 9 March at 1.30 pm at Tean Church Hall, Hollington Road.

Vaughan Richardson presents **GIBRALTAR** and Beryl Slade shows **TYPICAL TUSCANY**.

Phil Boyer

DRAMA GROUP NEWS (*Webpage*)

U3Act is again entering the All England One Act Drama Festival. Our play "Moth to a Flame" was written by two of the group, Val Egerton and Roy Scott and will be performed on Wednesday 22nd March at the Mitchell Arts Centre at 7pm. We will welcome all your support at this event. The group is at present busy rehearsing for this production.

Marge Stanley

CYCLE GROUP PROGRAMME 2017 (*Webpage*)

Look at our webpage to see our full programme for this year. We start on Thursday 6 April with our easy Hulme End - Waterhouses ride, culminating in refreshments at the Tea Junction at Hulme End. Days of rides will vary. Some will be fairly local with others further afield. Why not join us, we welcome riders of all abilities, with standard or electric bikes? This is an easy-going group, with the emphasis on fun and laughter.

For further details contact *Joan Charles* tel: **01538 753545**

MEMBERSHIP NEWS (*Webpage*)

By the time you read this, February the 28th 2017 will be a thing of the past. That date marked the end of the Period Of Grace for 2017 renewals, and was the final deadline. Regrettably, members who missed it should note the following:

1. They are no longer members of the Cheadle (Staffs) 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. I wish them all good luck in the future.

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

SOCIAL EVENTS

Tickets for these events are available at the monthly coffee mornings.

Saturday, 25 March an Evening of Nostalgia.

7.30 pm in the Guildhall. Music of the 60s and 70s, Song, dancing, a Mini-Quiz, Archive Film and more.....

Tickets @ £4 available at the coffee morning on 8 March or from Barry Barnett on **01538 755796**. Bring your own drinks and nibbles and have fun!

Saturday, 13 May, Beetle Drive and Hot Supper.

7.30 pm in the Guildhall. Relax and have fun, prizes on offer, food included, bring your own drinks. Tickets priced at £4 and available from Barry as per details above.

CHEADLE ARTS WEEK EVENTS

Saturday, 11 March - is the Cre-8 Day open to any crafters, admission free.

Saturday, 11 March. - Jazz Concert. 8.00 pm in the Guildhall. Music by two groups – Lee and Friends plus the Wabash Jazzmen. Bring your own drinks and nibbles.

Tickets @ £5 available from Lee Slater at the coffee morning or from Lee on **01782 394325**. Proceeds to Donna Louise Children's Hospice.

Sunday, 12 March - The Flower Club is holding a Tea Dance, with Brian Stoddard MC-ing

Wednesday, 15 March - is the Flower Club Demonstration by Sue Dix and competition for the members.

Friday, 17 March - is Reading Night at the Cafe 16

Afternoon Tea (DocLink)

I hope I do not miss anyone out from this list, if I do I must apologise now.

Thank you for all the donations. The bakers made all the beautiful cakes, sausage rolls, the sandwich makers, and all the helpers who gave their time to make the afternoon tea go off so well.

We all enjoyed our U3A Barbershop entertainment. **THANK YOU.**

I hope everyone who attended the afternoon tea enjoyed themselves.

Dawn Maley

Sunday, 19 March - Spring Concert by Alton Handbell Ringers and UKE3A (Cheadle U3A Ukulele Group)

2.30 pm in the Guildhall. Tickets @ £5 to include tea and cakes. Tickets from Barry at the March coffee morning or on 01538 755796 or from Wendy Walters on **01538 702888**. Proceeds to Donna Louise Children's Hospice.

Saturday, 22 April - AGM 2017

We are going to hold our 20th Anniversary AGM and we're going to include some exhibitions from our art and craft groups. A complimentary light buffet lunch will be provided after the AGM and the Guildhall will remain open to give you ample time to examine the exhibitions and socialise with your fellow members.

Our memories of the start of U3A 20 years ago (20th Anniversary Programme)

During a meeting of the Town Forum 20 years ago Helen Wainwright and Lynn Hacket told us about an organisation called U3A explaining the activities and classes etc. We thought "What a good idea, we would be interested in joining!" At the end of the meeting Helen was approached for more information. She explained that as we did not have a local U3A we needed to start one.

This was discussed this with those present and it was decided to call a meeting to decide on a course of action. This was done and in no time an enthusiastic committee was formed. It was necessary to find people prepared and willing to pass on their expertise to small groups. This was achieved by an advert in the local paper. With some trepidation, and with the help of Helen and Lynn, the committee arranged a joining day at the Zion Rooms. Amazingly and to everyone's delight over 100 members enrolled.

We left the committee after a number of years to let others add their contributions. We will never forget our part in the beginning of what has become a wonderful success.

Long may it continue!

Marge and Don Stanley

CHEADLE FOOD BANK NEWS

Current shortages are:-

Tea, Rice, Beans, Soups, shampoo for men and women, AND, of course, any spare cash.

Thank you for your continued support.

FOR SALE

Clavinova electric piano for sale, full working order, plus stool. Would suit a beginner.

Any offers? Ring Sarah **01782 302310**.

