



## Hello Cheadle U3A Members

Welcome to the **January 2018 E-news**

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*Items for the next E-news before 9am **Thursday, February 1st** please.*

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Do visit our **WEBSITE** on a regular basis. [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.

### COFFEE MORNING

**THERE WILL BE COFFEE MORNING WEDNESDAY, 10TH JANUARY - (Webpage)**

### SOCIAL EVENTS

#### VERSE AND WORSE (Webpage)

The special session of Verse and Worse which should have taken place on Tuesday Dec 12th and was cancelled due the ice and snow has, as advertised in the e-mail flyer issued at the time, been rearranged for Tuesday Jan 23rd. As before the venue is the Oakley Room at the back of the Guildhall and the rendition will start at 10:30 am until approximately 12 o'clock. Local published poet Paul Fox will be entertaining us with his humorous poetry some of which he may accompany on his 12 string guitar. If you are expecting Keats, Wordsworth or other classical poetry then you will be disappointed unless it is a parody. One thing is sure, however. If you haven't heard him before then you are guaranteed a fun session which will put a smile on your face, just right for a winter morning. Just ask those who have. The cost is £2 which will include tea/coffee and biscuits and will defray Paul's travel expenses etc. All are welcome, it is not necessary to be a member of the poetry group for this session so please come along and enjoy Paul's unique brand of poetic humour. He will bring a selection of his books along to purchase if you so wish. They are small books and make excellent small presents and he will, we are sure, autograph them should you so wish. Paul donates money from his book sales to a local hospice.

Any further details can be obtained from Alan and Barbara on **01538754208**

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#### CONCERT in aid of HOMELINK.

The Ukulele group with guests are presenting a concert on **Saturday 3 March 2018 at 7.30 pm in the Methodist Church**. Tickets are priced at just **£5** to include light refreshments. All proceeds are for the support of Homelink.

This will be the by now familiar, jolly sing-along with the ukulele group but also with other guests offering poetry and instrumental music to give variety to the evening. This might just be a fun way to kiss Goodbye to the Winter!

Barry Barnett will have tickets at the next coffee morning (on 10 January) or you can order them by telephoning him on **01538 755796**.

This concert will be one of the early events in Cheadle Arts Festival Month and further details of this will follow in due course.

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#### ADVANCE NOTICE

Cheadle Arts Festival March 2018 The Cheadle and District Arts Forum, who have staged the Cheadle Arts Festival Week for the past ten years have proposed that the whole month of March be utilised for Cheadle Arts Festival this year.

The established events, namely the Cre-8 Day for crafters will take place on Saturday 10th March and the Jazz Night that evening, and the Showcase for artists will be on Saturday 17th March. The High Street Gallery, which is unique to Cheadle will be held between those two dates, but the rest of the Month is open to anyone wishing to stage an Arts Event – art/craft/music/dance!

Anyone who would like to take advantage of this will be included in our advertising leaflets. These will be distributed throughout Cheadle and surrounding villages.

Details of events should be presented at the Meeting of the Arts Forum on Tuesday 16th January 2018, or let Stella (secretary to Cheadle Arts Forum) know beforehand on **01538 702097** or [mrs.stellaheritage@gmail.com](mailto:mrs.stellaheritage@gmail.com) The leaflets will need to be prepared, printed and distributed in February so it is essential that all details are recorded by January 16th.

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## SHORT WALKS - ([Webpage](#))

Hello Short Walkers ,

Happy New Year to you all, I hope you enjoyed the festive season and that you are looking forward to getting out walking again. Our Walk Programme has been circulated and is on the Cheadle U3A website. I hope that the gaps will be filled in as time goes by.

Plans are afoot to hold our Spring Lunch and Coach Trip again. The lunch is scheduled for 26 March at Alton Castle in Alton and will be very similar in price and choice as last year. The coach trip will be financed by walkers as Cheadle U3A are unable to support it.

Our programme for January is as follows:

Date:	Start:	Leader:	Contact:
8 Jan	Consall Nature Park	Alan and Beryl	01538 703161
15 Jan	Berry Hill	Chris B	07790 689173
22 Jan	Whiston/Foxt	Eric and Margaret	753750 / 756453
29 Jan	To be advised	-	-

Best Regards

Alan Mendelson, Short Walks Leader, Telephone: **01538 703161**

## RAMBLING GROUP - ([Webpage](#)) - ([Gallery](#))

Rudyard (18-12-17) ( <a href="#">PhotoLink</a> )			
Date:	Details: ( <i>For Milage contact leaders</i> )	Leader:	Contact:
JAN 9	ALTON	ROSE & TERRY	01538 752705
JAN 16	XMAS WALK DILHORNE	PHIL	01538 756256
JAN 23	THORPE	PETER D.	01538 723556
JAN 30	FROGHALL	DAVE B.	01538 756975

## JANUARY PUB STROLL ([Webpage](#))

Date:	Details:	Leader:	Contact:
January 17	The Queen's at Freehay, ST10 1RF	Margaret and Michael	01538 755183

## ARCHITECTURE ([Webpage](#))

Happy New Year Historians, I have a cracking programme for you, worked on it all over Christmas, lovely.

We meet again on the 17th to look at the Byzantines and the emergence of Islam and the building of mosques. I was pleasantly surprised at the beauty of the interiors of mosques, they are highly decorous and colourful compared to the basilica churches of the time. Hagia Sophia was built in Constantinople, the centre of the Roman Empire, as a church, and later converted to a mosque. A wonderful building and a great influence on future churches, as were the Islam mosques in one important respect, which will be revealed. Byzantine art is beautiful, what little is available from this Dark Age, strongly influencing architects and artists of the nineteenth century. As the Roman Empire loses its control and influence, the Anglo Saxons take over control of England, only to be superseded by the Normans, practicing a developed form of Roman architecture we call Romanesque. We will look at that in February, already on the drawing board, fascinating.

Join me in this important period of European architecture in its embryonic stage towards Gothic architecture.

**David Slade MA RIBA DPAGB**

## NEW GARDENING GROUP

Lots of members are showing interest in this proposed group. Ring me on **01538 753248** so I can take your name. Many thanks.

Val Egerton

## MUSIC ENJOYMENT - Alan Lewis - ([Webpage](#))

As I previously informed you in last month's E-news and at the December coffee morning my group is moving to **Wednesday Jan 24th at 10 o'clock in the Guildhall**. The full list of Wednesdays when the group will meet is on my Music Enjoyment site which is easily accessed from the Cheadle U3A home page. I have not yet fully decided on the programme for the first week but it is quite likely to be a performance of one of Puccini's most popular and loved operas La Boheme, assuming I can get the DVD for that day. Should I be unable to I will have an alternative. The following two weeks I shall show the performance of Matthew Bourne's Sleeping Beauty ballet which I had to

cancel before Christmas due to the bad weather. As those who have seen his ballets will know, this one is no exception. It is described as a Gothic Romance and has many features not normally associated with a classical ballet. Prior to the actual ballet there is an interesting documentary about the ballet which is well worth watching. All are welcome to come along as there is no restriction on numbers in this group.

Any further information can be obtained by ringing me on: **01538 754208** or email: **[alan.lewis@theadleu3a.org](mailto:alan.lewis@theadleu3a.org)**

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### **MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS** (*Webpage*)

Hello everyone,

Membership renewals are going well thanks to you all. We are now into the grace and favour time. I shall soon be asking Tutors to check cards. If you haven't renewed I shall be at the coffee morning on 10th January and look forward to meeting you there.

Regards, **Val Egerton** (*Membership Secretary*)

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