



## **Hello Cheadle U3A Members**

Welcome to the March 2019 eNews

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Items for the next eNews before **9am Thursday, 28th March 2019** please. It would be helpful if people sent their news items in good time, otherwise they risk not getting them published.

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Do visit our [WEBSITE](#) on a regular basis. It contains a calendar of events, information on activities, how to contact committee members, group leaders and much, **much** more.

### **COFFEE MORNING** ([Webpage](#))

PLEASE REMEMBER THE COFFEE MORNING ON **WEDNESDAY, 13th March 2019**

### **CYCLING GROUP** ([Webpage](#))

The group has been planning our 2019 programme. Keep an eye on our Webpage showing twice monthly rides March to October catering for all abilities. An **INTRODUCTORY RIDE** on Monday 18 March from Hulme End along the Manifold old railway track, traffic free. This should appeal to all categories of riders. We shall divide the route of 16 miles so that those who only want to do, say 5 miles, will be escorted back to the Tea Junction cafe at Hulme End to indulge in tea and cake til the others return, a little later.

**PARKING IS FREE AT THE CAFE**, on the understanding that we all patronise their catering after the ride!

We hope to attract some new riders, so come along and try us out. We are a friendly lot, but not very fit.

Further details from Joan Charles 01538 753545

### **Ukulele Group** ([Webpage](#))

Accordions and Ukuleles!

On Saturday 2 March members of the Ukulele Group (UKE3A) are taking part in a Charity Concert at the Methodist Church at 7.30 pm. This is a joint concert with the North Staffs Accordion Band and several of our own U3A members play in this band also. Tickets are priced at just £5 and will be on sale at the February coffee morning or ordered from Barry on 01538 755796 or Vivienne on 01538 266956.

### **Dining Club.**

Sadly, Mavis Williams has had to give up co-ordinating this monthly group of diners. The co-ordinator liaises with members and arranges venues once a month. If anyone is interested in organising this popular group please contact the Group Leaders' Co-ordinator, Helen Wainwright on 01538 753326.

### **BARN DANCE** ([Event](#))

Our social event for the spring is a Barn Dance with music from The Weasel's Revenge Folk Band with caller Sylvia Fisher. It will take place on Saturday 13th April at 7.30pm until 10.30 pm in Cheadle Guild Hall. Tickets will be on sale at the next U3A coffee morning or please

ring Ann Mundy on 01538 308049 or email [ann@themundys.org](mailto:ann@themundys.org).  
Tickets are £4 and it's bring your own drinks and nibbles.

### **Guitar Group** ([Webpage](#))

Sadly, after a long discussion between members, it has been decided to disband. There will be no more Vital Sparks. The spark has gone!

### **Piece of Cake** ([Webpage](#))

Just to let you know that the 'Piece of Cake' group continues to thrive and all have a good time at the monthly meeting of the group.

At our December Christmas meeting we invited Chairman Chris Mawdsley and Barry and Dorothy Barnett to join us. As well as enjoying some excellent food we were entertained by Roy (Hedges) who read some entertaining monologues. ([View Pictures](#))

Glenys Hedges

### **Drama Group.** ([Webpage](#))

We are still rehearsing hard for the One Act Festival at the Mitchell Theatre in Hanley in March. We are entering two plays this time. This event is open to the public if you wish to come along and support us. This will take place on Tuesday 26th March 2019 at 7 p.m. Admission fee £5

Marge Stanley,  
Leader.

### **Short Walks-List for 2019** ([Webpage](#))

Date	Venue	Leader	Contact Details
<b><u>First Half of Year</u></b>			
4 Mar	Ipstones	June and Mick	
11 Mar		Tony and Glen	
18 Mar		Fay Wright	
25 Mar		Pat and Dorothy	
1 Apr	-----		
8 Apr	Coach Trip Bakewell/Chatsworth	Alan and Beryl	Confirmed
15 Apr		Janet and Phil	
22 Apr	Easter Monday	No Walk	
29 Apr		Dot and Judy	
6 May	May Bank Holiday	No Walk	
13 May			
20 May	Greatgate	Eric and Margaret	
27 May	Spring Bank Holiday		
3 June	-----		
10 June		Gwen and Helen	
17 June	Oakover/Mapleton	Alan and Beryl	
24 June		Gill and Joy	
1 July	-----		
8 July	Leek	Eric and Margaret	
15 July			
22 July	Weavers Hill	Alan and Beryl	

Please contact Group Leader for further details.

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### **SPEAKERS**

We are seeking a volunteer to co-ordinate obtaining speakers for one-off events for the whole U3A.

Anyone interested, please contact Helen Wainwright on 01538 753326.

### **'Not all at Sea'**

This is the name of a new singing group which has just been formed. Thus far we have only had two sessions. The purpose of the group is to sing mostly sea shanties, though as the name suggests, not exclusively songs of the sea. It is mostly a male voice singing group but again not exclusively so as many women do sing shanties. We meet on a fortnightly basis in the Methodist Chapel from 7.45 to 9.15 pm. Clearly an ability to sing is required and we will be singing some harmony parts though this is not too complex just yet. If you are interested please contact the group leader in the first instance to discuss things. There are plenty of vacancies at the moment and keen singers will be made welcome.

The Group Leader is Barry Barnett, assisted by Shirley Stacey. Barry can be contacted on 01538 755796.

### **CRIBBAGE**

U3A member is looking for one or two people to form a cribbage playing group (willing to meet at his house). If anyone is interested in joining him please contact the Groups Co-ordinator, Helen Wainwright, on 01538 753326.