



Hello Cheadle U3A Members

Welcome to the November 2019 eNews

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Items for the next eNews before **9am Monday, 25th November 2019** please. It would be helpful if people sent their news items in good time, otherwise they risk not getting them published. Please remember that the next e-news will be for both December and January.

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*)

The next Coffee Morning will be on **Wednesday, 13th November at 10.00a.m.**

BRIDGE For BEGINNERS

Have you played card games when younger and want to have a go at playing Bridge?

I am starting a second beginners Bridge course of sessions at the end of January 2020.

You will need to be able to give time to practice at home (by yourself) and the determination to persist for up to 10 months to cover the basics. Are you up for it?

Please contact me if interested. I will need at least 5 members to make the sessions viable, while I can take a maximum of 8 members. If you have contacted me previously or wish to return to this course, please also remind me.

Steven D Booth (*01782 392972*)

Ramblers Group (*Webpage*)

Date:	Start Point:	Leader	Phone:
Nov 4th	Sandon	Angela	01538 751 094
Nov 11th	Thorpe	Brian	01538 753 719
Nov 11th	Oakamoor	Mike P.	01538 753 979
Nov 25th	Shugborough	Norman	01538 754 671

Phil Lawton

BOWLING GROUPS (*Bowlina1*) and (*Bowlina2*)

rooms with steps. Please contact Dawn Maley on 753578 or Margaret Plant on 752756.

Thanks, **Margaret & Dawn**

CYCLING GROUP (*Webpage*)

After the Baconfest and meal out, the group will put away their lycra for a while, until a meeting in February to plan the 2020 programme.

New recruits are always welcome. Contact Joan Charles **01538 753545** and check out our *Webpage*.

Walking Netball (*Webpage*)

Please note:

Sessions will take place on Friday mornings 10-11 am.

Walking Hockey

The first session of walking hockey took place at Leek High School on Monday 21 October. The feedback I have received so far is that it is too far for most people to go. I have done some research and we can buy a coaching set of hockey equipment for £169 plus postage. If there are enough people interested, and prepared to pay £17 a head, we could put it on ourselves at South Moorlands Leisure Centre on the astro turf pitch. If you are still interested, and would like to buy into the scheme, please email crumpjennyann@hotmail.co.uk and I will get this set up asap.

Please contact **Jenny Crump** on **01889 5056743** for either of these groups.

Architecture Group (*Webpage*)

We meet again on the 20th November to look further at the High Victorian, that dynamic people who expressed themselves in architecture by copying past styles, but adding a dynamic tension to those styles, never envisaged by the classical or medieval architects. Libraries, banks, stations, town halls all become subject of the High Victorian style until towards the end of Victoria's reign the style becomes tiresome and a group of artists and architects say enough is enough we desire arts and crafts in our built environment. This is most reflected by a band of brothers that William Morris gathered around him, who worshipped the hand crafting in place of the machine. This soon leads on to an age of delightful architecture in Lutyens, Voysey and the Garden Cities.

David Slade davidaslade@aol.com

Reading for Pleasure Group 1 (*Webpage*)

This group meets on the last Thursday of the month (see the website for the correct dates). Currently I have 2 vacancies for this group. I supply the books from the library for the group to read. Members have 3-5 weeks to read it. We then meet at the fire station community room to discuss the book.

If you are interested in joining us please telephone me on **01538 757 133**

Lesley Hall

Writing Group No. 2 for Beginners (*Webpage*)

This well established Writing Group for Pleasure has now been given a name change in order to attract everyone who has fancied putting pen to paper (or finger to computer) but haven't plucked up the courage.

We are a very friendly crowd who enjoy listening to each others works and

experiences, travelogues, poetry, book reviews, desires and so much more. The writing prompt is given for the forthcoming month and members own ideas are always welcome.

This Group meets on the last Tuesday of the month (Dates for 2020 see below) in the cosy room at the Fire Station from 4pm to 5.30pm. Parking is limited but it is never a problem to park in the streets close by.

Meeting Dates:

28th January, 25th February, 31 March, 28th April, 26th May, 30th June, 28th July, nothing for August, 29th September, 27th October, 24th November, 29th December

Pamela Barford

Cheadle U3A Travel Group (*Webpage*)

Today I want to let you know about a trip to Scotland leaving on the 27th February.

This 5 night holiday is staying at the Duke Of Gordon Hotel in Kingussie. There will be entertainment most nights and it is on a bed breakfast and evening meal basis. The coach pick up point will be in Cheadle and there will be one included excursion namely the train journey from Fort William to Mallaig. This will be by diesel train. There will be 2 other optional excursions available.

The cost of this 5 night break is £209 for a double or twin room per person and £259 for a single room

For more details about the above, please do not hesitate to contact me, on **01538 756583**, or **Email**

I will be in my usual seat at the next Coffee Morning, please come and say hello.

Pammie Mellor

Cheadle U3A Art Group (*Webpage*)

ART CLUB NEWS - Winter Exhibition 2019

Roll up, Roll up to the Art Club's Fantastic Winter Exhibition! Paintings and cards for sale. Live music (10.00-12.00) from the excellent Cheadle Community Band. Refreshments and raffle. Free entry. All welcome. Cheadle Guild Hall. Saturday 9th November. 10am - 4.00pm.

Enquiries to Viv **07718 585 279**

Vivienne Cowie

DRAMA GROUP (*Webpage*)

U3Act will be performing two plays for you on Saturday, 23rd November 2019 at 7.30pm. Both plays were performed, to great acclaim, at this years National One-Act Drama Competition at the Mitchell Theatre.

Tickets are now available from Roy Scott and cast members, and will also be on sale at the coffee mornings in October and November, price £5.

SEWSOCIAL (*Webpage*)

We meet weekly at Freehay Village Hall, Wednesday, 1pm to 3pm.

I run occasional workshops but on the whole members work on their own projects (dressmaking/upholstery/cross stitch/embroidery/crochet & knitting etc.) within this knowledgeable, supportive & friendly environment.

With my recycling hat on, I would like to arrange a group within the group, of people to make MORSBAGS. These are shopping bags, sewn from recycled/donated fabric, bedding/curtains etc. They are given away free, with the aim of reducing single use plastic waste. I have given some out

Cheadle Foodbank. So if you have a sewing machine that is gathering dust at the back of your cupboard, you could come and join us making these very simple tote bags. I will provide the labels.

I would also like to put a call out to anyone who has any fabric they can donate to the cause. I can collect from the local area.

There is a rag wreath planned in November.

The first 11 MORSBAGS have been delivered to the Cheadle Food Bank. We could do with more MORSBAG makers, come along and join us. We have a donated machine that can be used & have plenty of room at this lovely venue.

Thank you

Allison Maryon

Gardening Group (Webpage)



Val (Group Leader)

We had such a good time answering quiz questions and I was told you all liked the cake. My grateful thanks to Neil and Doreen, Liz and all of you. I shall look forward to planning our next years itinerary. You are all a pleasure to work with. Keep gardening and planning for next year.

U3A BIRD WATCHING GROUP 2019 (Webpage)

Seven of us eventually found our way to this elusive reserve hidden away in the Wirral and despite adverse forecasts the weather was kind to us and for a brief period the sun even managed to break through.

We mainly watched from the Inner March Farm hide where most of the species were recorded. Our highlight was a flypast from 2 Marsh Harriers which were close enough to give us splendid views. There were also hundreds of Black-tailed Godwits and some Ruff and some Redshank right in front of the hide. In all the group saw 32 species.

For further information please contact **Val Williamson** by email: (valwilliamsonuk@talktalk.net)

CheadleU3A Christmas Party
Dancing to the U3A Guitar Group "The Young Ones".
7.30pm - 10.30pm.
Saturday 7th December 2019, Guild Hall Cheadle
Tickets £5 (Bring your own refreshments)

Tickets are available at the November Coffee Morning (Wednesday, 9th) or reserve by ringing **Peter Moss** on **01538 753 072**.

VOLUNTEERS REQUIRED

If you are able to help organize the **U3A Christmas Party** on **Saturday 7th December** please contact **Peter Moss** on **01538 753 072** or speak to him at the **November Coffee Morning**.

ITALIAN lessons

Welcoming either Beginners or "brush-up" existing knowledge, to be offered by the Italian Club on a Thursday evening between 10.15 and 11.15.

If you are interested, please contact John direct on **01782 385 299** or email [John Hughes](mailto:John.Hughes@btinternet.com)

EDITORS NOTE

We do need some help with the setting up of the Guildhall for our coffee mornings. Able bodies to hump chairs and tables would be gratefully welcomed.

I have been asked to remind all you good people that we still need more committee members and a membership secretary for next year. Without a membership secretary, and committee members, this group would not be able to function. The answer lies in your hands.

MEMBERSHIP (Webpage)

Well, it's that time of the year again. You should have received your renewal forms now and my team and I will be at the next 4 coffee mornings to receive your forms and collect payments for 2019/20. It is likely to be busy, so I would crave your patience. If you cannot make it to the coffee mornings, but want to pay me at my home then please ring me first.

Thank you for your support.

Val (Membership Secretary).

The Modelmakers (Webpage)

will be in attendance at the November coffee morning and will be displaying some of their skills. Come along and see what can be done.

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