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FROM THE CHAIR – Lynda Harris

Hot on the heels of the last one, this edition of Kanuta has a slight Christmas feel about it which is a pity when it is only the beginning of October but when bookings are involved these things have to be addressed early.

It is important to note the last dates by which the Theatre and Music performances (pages 2 and 3) must be purchased as this is also the date on which your cheque will be presented to the bank. This means that you can buy them earlier to secure your ticket and 'pay' a little later.

The membership renewals are going well with 53% of full members and 76% of associates having received their new membership card to date. A huge 'thank you' goes to all of you. Another renewal form is on page 4 for those who need it and, **please**, would you remember to enclose a stamped addressed envelope with your cheque.

Finally can I remind those of you with access to the internet to visit our website. There is an excellent write-up of the recent outing to the Morgan Car Factory and you can find reminders of dates and times of everything we do. It is also your first port of call for information about Activity Groups and their Coordinators.

CHRISTMAS AT GORTON MONASTERY

SUNDAY 13th DECEMBER 2015

Join us on a visit to the beautiful Gorton Monastery, Manchester, for a seasonal "Christmas Concert with Carols" performed by the talented Gorton Philharmonic Orchestra.

The concert is at 2.00 pm till 4.30 with an interval break. Seasonal refreshments are available before the concert in the marquee (mince pies, mulled wine, cakes, coffee, etc) but if you require something more substantial (soup, sandwiches, etc) these are available in The Friary Pantry.

The coach will leave Knutsford Bus Station at 11.45 am and return from Gorton at 5.00 pm.

The cost is £23.00 pp which includes the coach fare and concert but not refreshments.

Cheques made payable to Knutsford U3A, together with a booking form, should be sent to Jean Ellis, 21 Willow Green, Knutsford WA16 6AX. Tel No 01565 651222.

PLEASE BOOK EARLY - AT THE LATEST BY FRIDAY 24 OCTOBER

WE HAVE TO CONFIRM OUR BOOKING WITH GORTON BY END OCTOBER

THEATRE AND MUSIC TRIPS

AUTUMN 2015



BOOKING

PLEASE use a **separate booking form** and a **separate cheque** (made payable to Knutsford U3A) for **each performance** and send to Mrs Margaret Hinde, 1 Warford Hall Drive, Great Warford, Alderley Edge, SK9 7TR. For further information telephone 01565 872643 or email info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

‘THE WINTER’S TALE’

By W. Shakespeare

Wednesday, 4th November, 7.30 pm

The New Vic Theatre, Newcastle-u-Lyme

Cost, including travel, **£ 27.00**

Coach will leave bus station at 6 pm

New Vic favourites Northern Broadsides, with their charismatic cast of actor-musicians, return with Shakespeare’s rich, romantic fable of jealousy, love and redemption. ‘From the dark court of a jealous King, to the bright sunshine of a rustic musical festival, it will warm your hearts and lift your spirits’.

Tickets for this event have to be purchased by 9th October. There are only a few remaining!

MATTHEW BOURNE’S ‘SLEEPING BEAUTY’

Music by Tchaikovsky

Thursday, 26th November, 2 pm

The Lowry Theatre, Salford

Cost, including travel, **£39.00**

Coach will leave bus station at 12.30 pm

A ballet not to be missed! A dazzling production of a gothic romance that has smashed box office records across the UK since its premiere.

‘Unforgettable. An eye-popping delight’ – The Observer

Tickets for this event have to be purchased by 9th October. Most of the seats are front circle but I have also booked half a dozen stalls in case anyone would prefer that.

‘THE SOUND OF MUSIC’

by Rodgers and Hammerstein

Saturday, 19th December, 2.00 pm

The Lowry Theatre, Salford

Cost, including travel, **£45.00**

Coach will leave Bus Station at **12.15 pm**

N. B. Please note earlier time of leaving than originally advertised.

The last night of the Proms at the Albert Hall last month featured extracts from the Sound of Music – proving its enduring quality and popularity!

The Lowry's big Christmas production for 2015 is a wonderfully lavish new staging of The Sound of Music, one of the most popular musicals of all time. I have booked a matinee performance in the hopes that some of you might like to bring grandchildren, as well as friends or family. The seats are all central, front circle seats.

Tickets for this event have to be purchased by 5th December.

******* NEW BOOKING *******

THE ACADEMY of ST MARTIN in the FIELDS
Joshua Bell, violin/Director Stephen Issertis, Cello

Friday, 8th January 7.30 pm
Bridgewater Hall, Manchester

Cost, including travel, £35.00
Coach will leave Bus Station at 6 pm

"The two soloists are interestingly different. Bell is more on-edge and brilliant, Issertis more inward, but how well they dovetailed their musical personalities and how beautifully the clean orchestral sound complemented them." - The Daily Telegraph

The main works are Beethoven Symphony No 8 and Brahms 'Double Concerto', with short works from Dvorjak and Schumann. Wonderful!

Tickets for this event have to be purchased by **14th November.**

NEWS FROM GROUPS

LOCAL HISTORY

This group meets on the 4th Thursday of the month for talks and visits to places of historical interest. Talks are normally held at St Vincent's Church Hall, Tatton Street, Knutsford, at 10.30 am. There is a fee of £2 per member per meeting to cover speaker fees and room hire costs. Contact Jean Ellis on 01565 651222.

Thursday 23 October 2014 – Visit to Adlington Hall and Prestbury Church

Thursday 27 November 2014 – Talk by Keith Warrender – "Manchester and Cheshire Oddities"

NO MEETING IN DECEMBER

Thursday 22 January 2015 – Talk to be announced.

Contact: Jean Ellis 01565 651222

WINE GROUP 2

Due to a change of venue and consequent change of meeting night, we have had to sadly say goodbye to a small number of members. We are therefore able to welcome a limited number of new members to our group on a first come first served bases.

From 7th October we will meet at 7.30 pm at St Cross Church Hall, Mobberley Road and from then on, the first Wednesday of each month. Would anyone interested in joining please contact Dianne Nott, Group Coordinator on 07860 272754

U3A DIARIES for 2016 will be on sale at the General Meeting in October.
Price £2.50

GENERAL MEETINGS
Knutsford Methodist Church
Second Thursday of every month starting at 2.15 pm

8th October Lady Mary Mallick - Randolph Caldecott: Children's Illustrator
Extraordinary

12th November Delia Corrie – The Voices of Women in Wartime

Booking Form

I/we would like place(s) for the following event and enclose a cheque for £

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Date and Time

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MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL – September 2015 to 2016 – REMINDER

To renew your subscription please use the renewal form below and send it, with your cheque for £15 per member and a stamped addressed envelope for your membership card(s) to Membership Secretary: **Veronica Gordon at 38 Carlisle Close, Mobberley, Knutsford WA16 7HD**. If you prefer, you can renew in person at the meeting on 8th October.

Membership Renewal: 2015/2016

Please find enclosed my cheque (payable to Knutsford U3A) for: 1-2 (Select as applicable) members @ £15 each - £ together with a SAE for my/our membership card(s)

Name(s)

Address

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Email address(es)

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