

KANUTA

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From the Chair

The restarting of our activities is gathering pace as can be seen by a casual glance at this Kanuta. This is great news alongside the easing of restrictions and (at the time of writing) reducing number of Covid-19 cases. However, I would ask that all members remain cautious. As explained below it is essential that members don't participate in face-to-face activities if they are showing symptoms- and these symptoms include those typical of the common cold. Also group leaders and event organisers should remember that some members may be initially hesitant about physically meeting many people, particularly indoors and make allowances for this.

We now have a full program of member's meetings in the Knutsford Methodist Church starting with the Town Crier of Chester on Thursday September 9th (please note the early start). Following on from the highly successful trips to RHS Bridgewater (there is some availability for the third trip on September 6th- see below) there is a substantial program of outings and trips advertised in this Kanuta.

I would particularly draw your attention to the action packed 5 day trip to Northumberland planned for June next year. I know it is a long time in the future but as Margaret Hinde explains below, she really needs to know the numbers interested by mid-September to confirm the bookings, so, if you are interested, please don't hesitate to contact Margaret or Lynda to get more information.

Tony Roberts, our webmaster, has done a great job of upgrading our website. If you haven't looked at the Knutsford u3a website recently I urge you to do so. There is a new colour scheme and a much more modern look. However, we also need to upgrade the content so I would ask that group leaders have a look at what is on their section of the website and consider how it might be updated with new text and photos (and before you ask, I do have plans for the section on geology!).

In this Kanuta you will find a number of articles by Roger Brown. Roger, helped by Helen Smith and Stuart Allan (the publicity team) did great work in organising our stand for u3a day as Roger reports below in his inimitable style. There will be a similar u3a stand at Lions on the Heath (Lions Fair) on Saturday August 7th so please come along with friends and family to support your u3a (and keep your fingers crossed for good weather). Roger will also be looking for volunteers to join the team manning the stand- if you are able to spare an hour or so please let him know.

Mark Barley

Important Information for Members who do not have an Email address

Occasionally we have to send out email flyers in between editions of Kanuta if we have outings, theatre visits or other items of interest that members need to know about. We have recently been posting these flyers out to members who do not have an email address but, of course, this incurs cost of postage and printing which is wasteful if those members aren't interested in going on visits etc. Therefore, from now on, we will only post out such flyers if you phone me and request that you continue to receive them.

My phone number is 01565 632904. There is an answerphone so if no one's in please leave a message making sure you give your name.

Sue Allan

Membership Secretary

Re-starting Activity Groups, Outings and Members' Meetings

We are hoping to resume Members' Meetings in the Knutsford Methodist Church in September and also hoping that more Activity Groups, including those that meet indoors, will be re-starting from September. Outings have also been planned over the next few months.

While venues such as KMC may have their own Covid requirements and Group Leaders will be deciding how and when to re-start their groups it is important to remember that our members must also take responsibility for keeping themselves and others safe and must not attend meetings, activities or outings if they show any signs of Covid symptoms which include:

- a headache
- a runny nose
- sneezing
- a sore throat
- a loss of, or change to, your sense of smell or taste
- a high temperature
- a new, continuous cough

We all need to be aware of our own health and act responsibly if we notice any of the above symptoms.

Members' Meetings

Knutsford Methodist Church
Second Thursday of every month starting at 1.45pm

**Please note the new starting time for our Members' Meetings.
The Methodist Church has taken another booking
for the Community Hall at 4pm so we need to be out by 3.30pm.
We are therefore starting our meetings half an hour earlier.**

September 9th

Oyez! Oyez! Oyez!

Our speaker on September 9th will be **David Mitchell**, the Town Crier of Chester. The title of his talk is "**For Crying Out Loud**"

David makes regular proclamations in Chester in summer, crying at noon on Tuesday to Saturday, from May to August. Chester is the only place in Britain to retain this tradition.

David is an award-winning speaker and is a member of the Professional Speakers Association, having given presentations in many town and cities all over Britain.

David has been British Town Crier Champion and was voted third in the World Championship on Vancouver Island, Canada. He has also hosted four World Town Crier Tournaments in Chester.

You may have seen David as the Town Crier in the film Moll Flanders and he has appeared in a number of TV and radio programmes. David, with his wife Julie, has also been the subject of a documentary film.

David's contributions to Chester and Cheshire were also recognised when he was awarded the Chester Chronicle's "Pride of Chester" award as its first recipient.

October 14th

Brian Healey, a speaker from the Arts Society, will give a talk on **Fabergé Eggs (the sunset of the Romanovs)**.

Please note: this talk will be longer than usual so therefore no tea will be served afterwards.

November 11th

Philip Caine will give a talk entitled '**Barrow to Baghdad and back**', giving a humorous account of his career which includes years in the hotel industry, the oil business, running companies in the middle east and finally becoming an author.

December 9th

AGM & social event (details to follow).



Events



Lions Community Fair on The Heath – help needed to man Knutsford u3a stand

This event will resume after last year's absence, a summertime frolic for everyone.

The venue is The Heath, the date will be Saturday 7th August, from 11 a.m. to 4 p.m.

Knutsford & District u3a will be present, we shall wheel out our stand following its first showing on u3a Day outside KMC on 2nd June, and a visit to the former Belle Epoque premises where it featured in the bay window for a few weeks.

You know what's coming don't you? Yes, of course the **Lions on The Heath** knees up! I mean what's coming is a request, an appeal, a beseeching imploring fervent entreaty to volunteer for an hour or two on the day, please. Would you like to be there and get a mention in the next issue of Kanuta?

If you are willing to make that contribution in time, kindly email me at publicity@knutsfordu3a.co.uk or if you don't have email or it has a technical hitch, leave a message – voice or text – on my mobile 07977 245604

Now I'll brace myself for the inundation! Many thanks.

Roger Brown

Knutsford u3a Activity Groups Promotion Day

This event will be held on the afternoon of Monday 6th September.

Some of our Groups will be publicising their activities with the purpose of attracting new members. Further details of Groups attending will be circulated when these are finalised.



Dates for your Diary



Day in Chester

Tuesday, October 5th, 2021

A day in Chester, with optional guided tour of the historic Cathedral - or a day out at Chester Zoo if you prefer

'Les Miserables'

Thursday, April 7th, 2022 7.30 pm

Tickets will be on sale in the New Year – Keep the date!



Outings



Booking Forms for Outings can be found at the end of Kanuta

Afternoon visit to Adlington Hall

Tuesday 17th August 2021

Cost, including transport, £23.00

**Coach departs Bus Station, 11.45 am
arriving back at 5 pm (approximately)**

The origins of the Hall can be traced back to the Saxon times when Earl Edwin built a hunting lodge on the site. This venerable old Hall has been a living reflection of English History and has remained in the Legh family to this present day.

The tour package includes the following:

- 80 Minute group guided tour of the Hall

- Free flow visit to the 60 acre gardens

- Tea/coffee and scone served with jam and cream for each guest

- A4 illustrated guide book per guest to take home.

To book a place for this visit, complete the booking form on page 13

Afternoon visit to RHS Garden Bridgewater

Monday 6th September 2021

Cost, including transport, £20.00 (RHS Members, £12)

Coach departs Bus Station, 12 noon

Following the popularity of two coach trips in July to RHS Garden Bridgewater, a further visit has been arranged for Monday 6th September. The gardens have been developed in the grounds of Worsley New Hall and have received praise and attention from all branches of the media, not least from our members who have already visited them! (See Tracy Cooke's account 'First Stop RHS Bridgewater!' on page 9)

Members of the Royal Horticultural Society do not pay to enter the gardens. Please indicate on the booking form if you are a member and provide your membership number.

RHS Bridgewater offers lunch or light refreshments, with indoor and outdoor seating, for you to buy your own. (Mask and credit card required.) You could, of course, bring your own picnic to eat in the gardens. Picnic tables have been provided.

Currently the RHS are not offering guided tours, so you will be free to wander round the 154 acres at will. Volunteer guides will be situated around the garden. However, in lieu of the tours, the RHS have offered us their published guide, normally priced at £6, at half price when booking. So, we have included one copy, for 2 people to share, with the ticket price. Should you require your own copy, for single use, please add £2 to your payment.

Finally, nearer the time, if you feel you would prefer to follow the coach in your own car, you are obviously welcome to do so – but we will not be issuing refunds for the coach fare! In this case, **please meet the coach in Booths car park and sign in as usual**, so we know you are doing this. Tickets will not be available until we arrive at the garden, so, initially, we need to keep together.

Please note we have a limited number of places, so early booking is advisable. To book a place, please complete the form on page 14. You will be notified if your booking is unsuccessful.



Outings



Booking Forms for Outings can be found at the end of Kanuta

Full day visit to Chatsworth House

Thursday 11th November 2021
Cost, including transport, £39

Coach departs Bus Station, 9.15 am
arriving back at 6 pm (approximately)

Chatsworth House is the magnificent home of the Duke and Duchess of Devonshire and has been passed down through sixteen generations of the Cavendish Family. It sparkles following the biggest restoration for 200 years with its gold leaf and pale yellow stonework which was only completed in 2018.

Upon arrival at Chatsworth you will have time to look around the many festive stalls of the Christmas Market and will then have plenty of time to look around the 105 acres of garden which includes the arboretum, rock garden, fountains, sculptures and many more.

There will then be time for coffee/ lunch in the restaurant or for a picnic if you wish to bring your own and just purchase coffee or tea.

We will meet at the Hall at 3pm where we will have a guided tour of the House which will have been beautifully decorated with hundreds of spectacular Christmas decorations.

We hope to leave the House by 4.45pm and, traffic permitting, should be back in Knutsford by 6pm.

We are only permitted to take a party of 30 people. To book a place please complete the form on page 13.

Holiday in Northumberland

4 Nights / 5 Days, based in Alnwick

Sunday 12th – Thursday 16th June 2022

The Outings Committee are very pleased to be able to offer a holiday in Northumberland to you!

Highlights of the trip include:

Bowes Museum and Guided Tour

Howick Hall Gardens & Arboretum

Bamburgh Castle or Farne Islands Cruise

Newby Hall & Gardens with light lunch

Alnwick Castle & Gardens (optional, pre-bookable)

Lindisfarne & Holy Island (NT)

Amble & Cragside House & Gardens (NT)

We will stay at the 'White Swan' in the centre of Alnwick, because this hotel is so central to all that is on the programme... but our rooms will only be held until the end of September – hence the **need to book now!**

We are working with a long-established tour organiser, 'Simply Groups', which is based in the North of England and is well used to arranging holidays for the u3a. They won a major leisure and travel award in 2020.

Full details are on the website at knutsfordu3a.co.uk/activity-groups-visits/outings-and-visits, together with the dedicated Booking Form. A paper copy is available from Lynda on request.

If you have any questions or want further information, please do not hesitate to contact either of us.

Lynda Harris: 01565 621058 or Margaret Hinde: 01565 872643



Theatre and Music Trips



Booking Forms for Trips can be found at the end of Kanuta

'THE GIRL NEXT DOOR'

by Alan Ayckbourne

Friday, September 17th, 7.30 pm
The New Vic Theatre, Stoke

Cost, including transport, £35.00
Coach departs Bus Station, 6 pm

I do hope this will be a popular start to a new 'back to normal' season! Alan Ayckbourne and the New Vic Theatre are generally a sure fire combination!

Touching, tender and funny, 'The Girl Next Door' is a new play by Ayckbourne, which received excellent reviews when it first opened:-

'In a clever and playful script, the 82 year old dramatist juxtaposes the rationing and blackouts of wartime London with the Zoom calls and social distancing of today..... The prolific playwright is on fine form.'
Mark Fisher, The Guardian.

NUTCRACKER!

Reimagined for the 21st century by Matthew Bourne

Thursday, December 2nd, 2 pm
The Lowry Theatre, Salford

Cost, including transport, £50.00
Coach departs Bus Station, 12.30 pm

'Reworked, refreshed and remarkably vibrant' - The Times

I hope you will all be pleased to see an outing to The Lowry again, and what could be better in December than the 'Nutcracker' ballet, with Matthew Bourne's dazzling choreography, Tchaikovsky's original score and new sets and costumes?

I have reserved a limited number of centre stalls seats for a **matinee** performance, leaving at 12.30 pm prompt. These have been on sale for a few weeks, and there are only a few remaining. Further, I have to finalise payment with the Lowry in early September, so they will not be available after that.

'PRIVATE LIVES'

By Noel Coward

Wednesday, 16th February, 2022, 2 pm
The Lowry Theatre, Salford

Cost, including travel, £45.00
Coach departs Bus Station, 12.30 pm



This is an old favourite which needs little introduction, with well-known stars :- Nigel Havers, ever suave and charming, taking the role which Noel Coward played himself, with Patricia Hodge playing his ex-wife. It should be gloriously entertaining.

(As a quick reminder – it's the one where two newly married couples find themselves on honeymoon on the French Riviera, with their ex-partners on adjoining balconies.)

I have booked a **matinee** performance, as it is for the middle of February, and I have reserved excellent centre stalls seats. I appreciate it is a long way ahead for booking, but The Lowry will only hold these seats for me until mid-September, so we have to book now.

News

New Website for Knutsford & District u3a

Have you seen the eyecatching newly refreshed website? Well if you haven't then it obviously hasn't caught your eye. When you have a moment, please take a look. This is the home page:



Rather jaunty don't you think and a credit to our very own Tony Roberts who laboured on it, back stage, day and night to achieve this result.

The thing is, the content needs updating too. I hold my hand up to this, guilty as charged, I need to update the Family & Social History Group page, having wrested the Group Leader's hat from Allan Jones recently.

If you – as a Group Leader/Coordinator - are willing to make that contribution in words, preferably accompanied by a photo or two, kindly email me at publicity@knutsfordu3a.co.uk or if you don't have email or it has a technical hitch, please leave a message – voice or text – on my mobile 07977 245604 and we can discuss what can be done for your group.

Roger Brown

Eblana String Trio

Those of you who have attended concerts given by Jonathan Martindale, Lucy and Peggy Nolan at Knutsford Methodist Church may be interested to know that their first CD, the King's Alchemist, was launched in June this year at Charterhouse in London.

The CD will be reviewed in the August edition of BBC Music magazine and some tracks have already been played on Radio 3.

The works on the recording are by Gerald Finzi, Sally Beamish (played in Knutsford in 2020), Hugh Wood, Ernest Moeran (played in Knutsford in 2018)

If you are interested in buying a copy at £10, please contact me on 01565 633147.

Margaret Joscelyne

Activity Reports

National u3a Day

We picked a lovely sunny day on Wednesday 2nd June to celebrate National u3a Day. We pitched our tents (Stuart and Sue Allan's gazebos actually – thank you Stuart and Sue) in front of the steps of Knutsford Methodist Church. The best spot in town, as it had been for John Wesley, back in 1738.

Your committee members turned up in the spirit of volunteering to man and woman the stand, the following deserve a mention: Irene Hardy, Wendy Brooks, Stuart Allan, Mark Barley, Adrian Long, Sue Allan, Helen Smith and me (Barbara was unwell), with much appreciated time and help from Carol Goodwin, Sandra Stonehill, Liz Griffin and Shirley Digham. Thank you all.



We were delighted to talk to 40-odd people during our six hour stint. No, not forty odd people! So many stories about the way Covid has affected lives, so much anticipation of how things will or may change, such a need to do something approaching normal again. I am so pleased that u3a can offer so much to this great community that we are very fortunate to be part of, and to share.

Roger Brown

First Stop RHS Bridgewater!

Think of Salford and we may still think of industry and the bleak paintings of LS Lowry. But, as the city continues to develop its new, vibrant image, thanks to RHS Bridgewater, it now has another splendid addition.

The grounds of Worsley New Hall (built in 1840 for Lord Ellesmere but demolished by 1949) have been restored to reflect the land's grand but working heritage. On Monday 5 July u3a Members enjoyed a full afternoon (without masks!) walking round Tom Stuart-Smith's masterplan of over seventeen, identified and varied areas within the impressive Weston Walled Garden. 'Orchard', 'Bee and Butterfly', 'Paradise' - each 'room' (planned by an award-winning designer) provided much to admire with well-placed benches encouraging sitting to enjoy particular favourites. Venture a bit further into the surrounding parkland and there was the Chinese Streamside Garden and Ellesmere Lake.

The Bridgewater Cafe offered a welcome cup of tea and cake before browsing the nearby gifts and homeware and visiting the extremely well stocked Plant Centre.

The Knutsford u3a visits' programme is always eagerly awaited and well supported; it has been greatly missed over the recent, worrying months. Thanks to Margaret Hinde the visit to RHS Bridgewater made a wonderful and uplifting start to celebrate the beginning of a new season. Watch this space – oh, and hands and face of course!

Tracy Cooke

News from the Groups

Scrabble

The Scrabble group meets in the Library on Friday afternoons and would love to recruit a few more scrabblers. If you are interested, please phone me on 01565 633997.

Avril Slade

Recorder Group

The Recorder Group has not yet met owing to Covid but hopefully in September we will be able to get together. If any beginners would like to learn to play 3 notes I would be very happy to drop off a sheet to help them.

If any interested people could let me know which days/times are inconvenient or convenient that could be very helpful before planning our first session.

If you are interested please contact **Carol Goodwin** on 01565 565231

Book Group 2

Book group 2 has room for a few new members. We meet on the third Thursday of the month at 10.30. Although we have been using Zoom during lockdown, we are now hoping to meet face to face again from September. Books are chosen by the group members and we try to have a good mix of classics and modern fiction, along with a sample of members' favourites. We discuss plot, characters, ideas and writing. Our group is very articulate and the discussions are interesting and stimulating.

Recent titles we have read have included;

The Dutch House by Ann Patchett

Small Island by Andrea Levy

The Garden Of Evening Mist by Tan Twan Eng

Girl, Woman, Other by Bernadine Everisto

The Offing by Benjamin Myers

The Fortnight In September by R.C. Sherriff

Persuasion by Jane Austen

If you are interested contact me on 01565 625815 or send an email to info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

Carole English

Climate Change Discussion Group

Few of us can have been unaware of the devastation in the northern hemisphere. This is now universally attributed to global warming and is likely to cause disruption worldwide. Predicting the next area of disruption is difficult. Everyone is entitled to help in finding solutions which can delay the further loss of life. You may ask what I can do to slow climate change. By having your opinion known we may see change in society. The u3a are holding a September fair when the small group who gather monthly to discuss climate change along with many other active groups looking for new members so why not come along.

Tim Donelly

News from the Groups

Drawing and Painting

The group has not met for over a year, but we are hoping to resume in September. We now have room for a couple more members. We meet on Monday mornings in Toft church hall. We have no tutor and simply help each other out when we can. Any subject or media is appropriate.

If anyone is interested phone me on 01565 652948.

Jill Board

Computer Group

We have vacancies for new members.

The aim of the group is to help members who have some basic computer skills, explore what a computer and associated software such as MICROSOFT Office can do and, in the process, become more confident in their use.

Experienced Apple-Mac users are welcome to join us for our many sessions when we explore the features of Microsoft Office.

If there is sufficient demand, we will include sessions on the use of iPhones and iPads.

We are unable to include Android Phones and Tablets because of the many variations between the different brands.

Our meetings take place on alternate Tuesday afternoons. We expect to restart in late September 2021

If you are interested in joining, please e-mail me at info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

Robert Watson

Walking Group 1 - Local Walk on 2nd June

We were blessed with beautiful weather for David and Pat Walton's walk around the Arley estate on Wednesday 2 June. There were seven of us and it was delightful to amble around the lanes and pathways bordered by many wildflowers, as we enjoyed a chat. Our coffee stop, thankfully in the shade, was by a pond (see photo) displaying a water feature, which gave a sense of peace and tranquillity. Home by 12.30, this was a lovely morning walk. Thanks to David and Pat for organising.



News from the Groups

Railways Interest Group - Proposal

There must be lots of +55-year-olds in our u3a who like me are railway buffs.

If so, are you interested in joining a proposed Knutsford u3a ***Railways Interest Group?***

We could cover all aspects of railways from model railways to full size.

We could start meeting very soon using Zoom – with subjects such as:

- Watching the classic 1936 GPO film “Night Mail” also the 1986 50th anniversary BBC film.
- Train trips in Europe we have done - or would like to do before it is too late!!
- My favourite UK loco class – steam and later.
- Discussing our model railways and things we would like to have.
- Antique model trains – Anyone still got their childhood model trains?

If you are interested, please contact me by email at info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

Robert Watson

Singing Group - Proposal

I have just joined U3A and very much enjoy singing. If anyone else would like to join me please send an email to nw.sandal@hotmail.com

I live at Ash Court and the manager would be very pleased to host our singing sessions in the community lounge here.

Naureen Wasset

BOOKING FORMS FOR OUTINGS

Adlington Hall and Chatsworth House – organised by Irene Hardy

PLEASE use a separate booking form and a separate cheque for each outing and send to:

Irene Hardy, Holly Bush Farm, Tabley WA16 0HP

- Write the name of the outing on the back of your cheque
- Make your cheque payable to Knutsford and District U3A
- Send a stamped, addressed envelope if you want your reservation confirmed

You will be contacted if your booking was NOT successful.

For further information telephone 01565 633348

BOOKING FORM – Afternoon visit to Adlington Hall		
I/we wish to join the visit to Adlington Hall on the 17 th August departing Knutsford Bus Station at 11.45am		
I/we would like ticket/s at £23.00		
Name and Address <u>with postcode</u>		
Phone number <small>for track and trace</small>	e-mail	Phone number <small>In case of emergency on the day</small>
Send this completed form and cheque made payable to Knutsford and District U3A to Irene Hardy, Holly Bush Farm, Tabley WA16 0HP		

BOOKING FORM – Full day visit to Chatsworth House		
I /we wish to join the visit to Chatsworth House on the 11 th November departing Knutsford Bus Station at 9.15am		
I/we would like ticket/s at £39.00		
Name and Address <u>with postcode</u>		
Phone number <small>for track and trace</small>	e-mail	Phone number <small>In case of emergency on the day</small>
Send this completed form and cheque made payable to Knutsford and District U3A to Irene Hardy, Holly Bush Farm, Tabley WA16 0HP		

RHS Garden Bridgewater – organised by Margaret Hinde

PLEASE send your booking form and cheque to:

Mrs Margaret Hinde, 1 Warford Hall Drive, Great Warford, Alderley Edge, SK9 7TR

- Write 'RHS Garden Bridgewater' on the back of your cheque
- Make your cheque payable to Knutsford and District U3A
- Send a stamped, addressed envelope if you want your reservation confirmed

You will be contacted if your booking was NOT successful.

For further information telephone 01565 872643 or email info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

BOOKING FORM – RHS Garden Bridgewater		
<p>I /we wish to join the visit to RHS Garden Bridgewater on Monday 6th September departing Knutsford Bus Station at 12 noon.</p> <p>I/we would like ticket/s at £20.00 each I/we would like RHS Member ticket/s at £12 each My/our membership number(s) for the Royal Horticultural Society is/are</p> <p>I would like my own copy of the guidebook <input type="checkbox"/> Please tick here and add £2.00.</p>		
Name and Address <u>with postcode</u>		
Phone number for track and trace	e-mail	Phone number In case of emergency on the day
Send this completed form and cheque made payable to Knutsford and District U3A to Margaret Hinde, 1 Warford Hall Drive, Great Warford, Alderley Edge, SK9 7TR		

Holiday in Northumberland – organised by Lynda Harris and Margaret Hinde

A dedicated Booking Form is on the website here: [Knutsford U3A - Outings, Visits and Holidays](#)

Alternatively, contact Lynda:

Tel: 01565 621058 Email: info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

BOOKING FORMS FOR THEATRE & MUSIC TRIPS

PLEASE use a separate booking form and a separate cheque for each performance and send to:

Mrs Margaret Hinde, 1 Warford Hall Drive, Great Warford, Alderley Edge, SK9 7TR

- Write the name of the performance or outing on the back of your cheque
- Make your cheque payable to Knutsford and District U3A
- Send a stamped, addressed envelope if you want your reservation confirmed

You will be contacted if your booking was NOT successful.

For further information telephone 01565 872643 or email info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk

BOOKING FORM – THEATRE or MUSIC TRIP		
I/We would like to book place/s for the following event and enclose a cheque for £.....		
Event:		
Date &time:		
Name and Address <u>with postcode</u>		
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ACTIVITY GROUPS

If you are interested in joining any of these groups there is more information about them on our website. Please note that, as groups open up again, some meeting details may change and some groups may not be re-starting immediately. You will need to check with the individual Group Leader.

Architecture

4th Tuesday at 3pm. Heath Room
Council Offices, Group Leader: Trevor
Hosking 07950 414490

Art Appreciation 1

4th Wednesday of each month at 10.30
Methodist Church
Group Leader: Margaret Joscelyne
Tel: 01565 633147

Art Appreciation 2

1st Tuesday of each month at 7.30 pm
Group Leader: Jennifer Harrison
Tel: 01565 633578

Book Group 1

4th Monday of each month 2 – 4pm in
members' homes
Group Leader: Joyce White
Tel: 01625 521424

Book Group 2

The 3rd Thursday of the month from
10.30 – 12 in members' homes
Group Leader: Carole English
Tel: 01565 625815

Book Group 3

1st Thursday of the month at 10am
Group Leader: vacant
Tel: n/a

Book Group 4

2nd Tuesday of each month at 10am
Group Leader: Pauline Hales
Tel 01565 650214

Book Group 5

3rd Thursday of each month at 10 - 12
Group Leader: Evelyn Brown
Tel: 01565 331282

Book Group 6 Mainly for Men

No fixed time, meetings arranged to
suit.
Group Leader; John Unterhalter
Tel:01565 873211

Bridge

Fridays at Toft Cricket Club
9.30-12 noon Duplicate Bridge. Please
arrive by 9.20am
Group Leader: Jenny Mathews
07703 741603

Climate Change Discussion Group

Meetings arranged to suit members.
Group Leader: Tim Donelly
Tel: 01565 6333569

Computer Group

Alternate Tuesdays at 3pm Autumn and
Spring terms
Group Leader: Robert Watson
Tel: 01565 633147

Crown Green Bowls 1

Summer Meetings each Tuesday at 10
The Railway Inn, Mobberley
Group Leader: Lee Hough
Tel: 0796 484 6269

Crown Green Bowls 2

Summer Meetings each Friday 10.30
The Railway Inn, Mobberley
Group Leader: Paul Buttrick
Tel: 01565 650381 or 07770 415630

Digital Photography

Group Leader: David Woolf
Tel: 01925 755097
Courses arranged by Co-ordinator.

Drawing and Painting

Each Monday between 10 – 12 at Toft
Church rooms
Group Leader: Jill Board
Tel: 01565 652948

Family and Social History

2nd Friday of each month at 2pm
Room 4, The Methodist Church
Group Leader: Roger Brown
Tel; 01565 755871

French Group

1st and 3rd Thursday of each month at
2.00pm in members' homes.
Group Leader: Jill Board
Tel. 01565 652948

Parlons Francais

2nd & 4th Tuesday of each month at
10am in members' homes.
Group Leader: Michael Goldman
Tel: 01565 651717

French to Get By

Thursdays 10-11.30, Room 4 Knutsford
Methodist Church
Group Leader: vacant

Gardening

1st Tuesday each month at 2.15pm
Group Leader: Pam Bolland
Tel: 01925 753391

Geology Group

3rd Monday of each month in members'
homes 7:30 – 9.30
Group Leader: Mark Barley
Tel: 0161 929 9438

German Conversation

Fortnightly on Fridays 9:30 – 10.10 via
Zoom
Co-ordinator: Adrian Long
Tel: 01565 632067

History at Random

Alternate Thursdays 2.00-4.00pm
Methodist Church Hall.
Group Leader: David Cogger
Tel:01565 228503

Italian for Beginners

Small but growing group on self-help basis.
2.00pm on Mondays
Knutsford Council Offices.
Group Leader: David Millsom
Tel; 01565 750758

Jammin'

A small, friendly group of musicians playing
together on a weekly basis for the fun of it.
Group Leader: Helen MacAlister Smith
Tel: 01565 653330 or text 07793 191319

Knitting

Monthly on 1st Tuesday at 10 in members'
houses
Group Leader: Jane McHarry
Tel: 01565 651036

Mah Jong

2nd and 4th Friday each month at 10am
Knutsford Library.
Group Leaders: Josie Thompson 07738
968805 and Pat Bramich 07899 988738

<p>Music Appreciation 3rd Monday of each month from 1.45 – 3.15pm in Room 5 at Knutsford Methodist Church. Group Leader: Tessa Gurney Tel: 01477 533076</p> <p>Philosophy 3rd Wednesday each month 10:30 – 12 Room 5, Methodist Church Group Leader: Shirley Dignam Tel: 01565 652958</p> <p>Play Reading Last Friday each month at 10 – 12 in members' homes Group Leader: Peter Willgoose Tel: 01565 631255</p> <p>Poetry Reading 1st Tuesday each month at 2 pm Group Leader: Veronica Gordon Tel: 01565 873762</p> <p>Recorder playing First Monday of the month in members' houses. Group Leader: Carol Goodwin 01565 565231</p> <p>Scientific Book Group 3rd Thursday each month at 2.30 Group Leaders: Gill Warboys Tel 01565 651858 and Bob Bateman Tel: 01565 652905</p> <p>Scrabble Friday each week at 2pm in Library Group Leader: Avril Slade Tel: 01565 633997</p> <p>Seasonal Cookery 4th Tuesday each month 10-12 Group Leader: Anne Rowland Tel: 01625 860290</p> <p>Social Cycling Fortnightly morning cycle rides on Monday and Thursdays at 10am. Group Leader: Stuart Jones Tel: 07795 981730</p> <p>Spanish Advanced Each Tuesday 10.00-11.00 at the Methodist Church. Group Leader: Eileen Denne Tel: 01565 633441</p>	<p>Spanish Intermediate Each Tuesday 10.30-11.30 at the Jubilee Hall. Group Leader: Graham Rigg Tel: 01565 650103</p> <p>Table Tennis 1 Each Monday from 10 – 12 at Knutsford Sports Club, Mereheath Lane Group Leader: Gerard McCreesh Tel: 01565 654598</p> <p>Table Tennis 2 1st & 3rd Friday of the month 2-4pm at Knutsford Sports Club. Mereheath Lane. Group Leader: Gerard McCreesh Tel 01565 654598</p> <p>Tai Chi/Qi Gong 1 Weekly on Thursdays at 4 – 5pm at Knutsford Sports Club, Mereheath Lane. Group Leaders: Evelyn Flett Tel: 01565 653048 Yvonne Baker Tel: 01565 651204</p> <p>Tai Chi/Gong 2 Weekly on Thursdays at 3-4pm at Knutsford Sports Club, Mereheath Lane. Group Leaders: Evelyn Flett Tel: 01565 653048 Yvonne Baker Tel: 01565 651204</p> <p>Theatre and Film Discussion 3rd Wednesday each month 3.30 – 5.30 in members' homes. Group Leader: Anita Goldman Tel: 01565 651717</p> <p>Urban Sketching Meetings arranged by group. For more information contact info@knutsfordu3a.co.uk</p> <p>Walking Football Fortnightly meetings on Tuesdays 2-2.45pm at Egerton Youth Club. Group Leader: Stuart Allan Tel: 01565 632904</p> <p>Walking Group 1 Walks on alternate Mondays and Wednesdays. Meet at 9:30 in the lay-by on Mobberley Road. Group Leader: Pat Lee Tel: 07769 877293</p>	<p>Walking Group 2 Walks on alternate Wednesdays and Mondays. Meet at 9.30 in the lay-by on the Mobberley Road Group Leader: Tony Roberts Tel: 01565 632735</p> <p>Walking Group 3 - Medium Walks Walks 1st Thursday and 3rd Monday of the month. Meet at 9.30 in the lay-by on Mobberley Road Group Leader: Sue Allan Tel: 01565 632904</p> <p>Walking Group 4 – Three Milers Walks on alternate Monday and Wednesdays. Meet at 9.55 in the lay-by on Mobberley Road Group Leader: Mike Cooper Tel: 01565 228931</p> <p>Walking Group 5 – 5 K Walks are twice a month on Mondays or Wednesdays. Meet at 10 in the lay-by on Mobberley Road Group Leader: Sheila Fitches Tel: 01565 633076</p> <p>Walking Group 6 Walks on Thursdays. Meet at 10 in the lay-by on Mobberley Road Group Leaders: Gill Warboys Tel: 01565 651858 and Avril Reynolds Tel: 01565 632541</p> <p>Wine Tasting 1 2nd Monday each month on at 7 at St Vincent's Church Hall. Group Leaders: Margaret Joscelyne Tel: 01565 633147 and John Baldwin Tel: 01565 654285</p> <p>Wine Tasting 2 1st Wednesday each month at 7.30 St Cross Church Group Leaders: Lynda Harris 01565 621058</p> <p>Writing for Pleasure 3rd Wednesday each month at 10 in members' homes Group Leader: Michael Goldman Tel: 01565 651717</p>
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