



## Welcome to New Members

Please introduce yourself to any of the committee at the monthly meeting, we want to ensure that you enjoy being part of the u3a and hope that you feel able to contribute.

### Monday July 18<sup>th</sup>

Stephany Yearshire will be talking to us about the other side of **Elvis Presley**, his parents meeting in meagre and poor circumstances, overt abuse and control by his manager and his final pathetic demise as a result of excessive prescription drugs.

Please remember to bring your membership cards which will be scanned.

### Monday August 15<sup>th</sup>

Margaret Bozic **Citizens Advice Cases in 1950's Tyneside: Divorce, Domestic Violence and Rehousing.**

## Meet the committee -1

Pat Devenport is currently Chairman of Boldon u3a, and a volunteer at the Laing Art Gallery.



Her working life was spent in IT, as a software developer and latterly as a Project Leader with British Airways. She currently helps to run both the Art Appreciation and Exploring Technology groups, reflecting her interests. *"In the last three years that I have been involved in the committee I have learnt so much about modern technology and legislation regarding charities. I cannot say that my life is boring, with constant change and making new friends. Why not join us?"*

There will be an **Afternoon Tea** in September to celebrate the 40<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the u3a movement. Watch out for more news soon.

## **Outings from Kath Lodge**

### **Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> July Kelso/ Floors Castle**

The coach will leave the Britannia at 9am and Floors Castle 4pm. We should arrive back approx 6pm. Please note you will be fined if you park in the Britannia car park.

### **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> July QUEEN CONCERT at Durham Cathedral**

Tickets have been purchased for those who've paid and will be handed out on the night. The coach cost is £8 and will be collected at the meeting on 18th July. It departs from the Britannia at 6pm. The concert ends at 10pm. Parking in the car park is free after 5pm.

### **Saturday 6<sup>th</sup> August Thirsk/Newby Hall and Gardens .**

Cost £33 payable at the meeting on 18th July. There are still some places available. The coach departs from the Britannia at 9am. If you park there you will be fined. We should be back by approx 5 - 5.30.

### **Saturday 3<sup>rd</sup> September Outing to Yarm/ Stokesley/Northallerton**

9am departure from the Britannia. Our first visit is to Yarm for morning coffee or just to wander along the pleasant main street. We then travel on to Stokesley where there's a farmers market. Finally we go to Northallerton where again there is a market. We leave there at 4pm and should arrive back about 5pm.

Cost approx £10 - £12 depending on numbers. A booking form will be available at the meeting on 18th July. Payment will be due at the meeting on 15th August.

## News of Groups

*The ethos of the u3a is to Learn, Live and Laugh, with members sharing their interests for the benefit of everyone.*

Feel there is nothing for you currently in the u3a groups?

Then help to set up and run a new group based on your interests, with the full support of the committee. Contact Sue Soulsby at [u3aboldon@gmail.com](mailto:u3aboldon@gmail.com)

The **Contemporary Music** group will not meet in July. The next meeting will be on August 22<sup>nd</sup>.

**Exploring Technology** will next meet on July 11<sup>th</sup> in the leader's home. As a self help group, members raise any issues they have had with technology while other members offer the solution or can direct them to where they can find the answer.

If you want more information on any groups, please contact the group leader directly via the website by clicking the blue carrier pigeon.

There are some interesting **Regional groups**, such as IT, Real Ale Enthusiasts, Creative Words and a proposed iPad User Group. [link to regional web site](#) and choose Groups for more information and contact details.

If you feel you can help in any way, please email [u3aboldon@gmail.com](mailto:u3aboldon@gmail.com) for more information or see the committee at a General meeting.

**Remember you can always find the latest news on events and groups by visiting our web site [u3asites.org.uk/boldon/home](http://u3asites.org.uk/boldon/home) or by joining our Facebook group.**