

u3a newsletter

Burgess Hill

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Smart Phones

Would you be interested in a one-off meeting, with possible further meetings, to help you understand the mysteries of that smart phone you have?

We already have few members. Are there any more members who need assistance?

We have a helper for androids, we need a helper for iphones

Please contact Peter Mitchell at petermitchellu3a@platform11.org.uk

Visit to the Old Vicarage garden

Garden Group One has organised a visit to this 3.5 acre garden in Washington (UK) on Tuesday 16 April, 10.15am to 12.15pm. The cost per person is £15.00 which needs to be prepaid. You will need to arrange your own travel. If you are interested or wish to book a ticket/s please contact Angela Mitchell at angela.mitchell14@gmail.com.

u3a South East Forum Summer School

Course details for Summer School 2024, Monday to Thursday 5 September, will be available from mid-March, so watch their website, with booking commencing after this date in April to coincide with the publication of third age Matters.

Link:

<https://u3asites.org.uk/southeastu3aforum/events>

IT Helpers Wanted

There are many of us that don't understand the basics of our computers. And don't realise how easy it can be to set them up to do wonderful things! And often we don't know how to fix problems.

There are also many of us who are good at these things! Would you be interested in being part of a group of helpers, available to help other members with laptop issues? Could you fix a problem and/or teach someone how to achieve more with their device?

If so, please contact Steve Furber on Steve.furber@hotmail.co.uk.

Exploring your ancestors and creating your Family Tree – for beginners

Members of our Family History Group are offering the opportunity to assist those members who would like an introduction to creating a Family Tree.

They already have a few interested people and are seeking a few more.

A preliminary meeting could be held in the second half of March subject to a suitable venue being available.

If you are interested please contact Peter Mitchell, mitchell@platform11.org.uk

Swimming

We are trying to re-establish a swimming group. Anyone interested in joining please contact Carol Smethurst in the first instance on csmethurst1863@gmail.com

Scams – Think before you act

Watch out for scams preying on people worried about the cost of living. Scammers may make false offers of energy refunds or discounts, tax rebates, cost of living payments

Burgess Hill u3a Bridge Group
Beginning Bridge Course Spring 2024

We are hoping to run Bridge lessons for complete beginners.



Starting after Easter on Friday mornings, at Cyprus Hall Burgess Hill. 0900 to 12.00

If you know anybody who is looking to learn please ask them to get in touch with Peter.

Email: petermknight@outlook.com

and food vouchers to steal personal or banking details.

Delivery scams are also on the increase with texts, emails or cards claiming to be from a delivery company to reschedule or pay additional delivery fees in an attempt to get people's personal information or bank details.

Sussex Archaeological Society

This inaugural Long Man Lecture is by BBC presenter, author and historian, Dr Janina Ramirez. In this fascinating talk, Janina will explore the Middle Ages through the women written out of it.

The Society extends a special offer to U3A members, with £5 off tickets to this event, which takes place on Wednesday 28 February 2024 at the Attenborough Centre for the Creative Arts, University of Sussex, Falmer campus, Brighton. Tickets can be booked here: <https://sussexpast.co.uk/day-events/5-off-book-the-inaugural-long-man-lecture-dr-janina-ramirez-writing-women-back-into-history-from-sussex-to-scandinavia-and-beyond/> "

For queries please contact Caroline Sawers (South East Forum) carosawers@gmail.com or 01483560590

On Line Learning

u3a members can join a wide range of online talks, workshops and courses for free with their membership! There are more than 20 online events: a selection of some – Laughter Yoga with Merrie Maggie, More Number Fun with Dr Knott, Secrets of the Human Brain and Artificial Intelligence. The Link: www.u3a.org.uk/events/educational-events

Dame Vera Lynn Children's Charity

Would you be interested in finding out more about their work with under 5s who have motor impairment? Their centre is in Cuckfield.

If you would like to visit this charity please contact Steve Furber, at steve.furber@hotmail.co.uk

Brandenburg Choral Festival of London

For the past couple of years, we have been able to offer free and/or discounted tickets for our Traditional Christmas Concerts to u3a members and their friends, due to the generous financial support of a very special lady who loves Brandenburg and u3a equally. While she wishes to remain anonymous, she was so delighted with the resultant joy she observed at the concerts that she has pledged to continue to support the partnership.

The next group of concerts in this scheme form the **Spring Series** – coming up all too quickly! The dates are 24 March and 11 April. Please contact steve.furber@hotmail.co.uk if you are interested.