

u3a ThirdThursday

Burgess Hill

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Monthly Meeting – Monday 4 October

The next Monthly Meeting will be held in Cyprus Hall on Monday 4 October (doors will be open from 9.45am). The talk will be from 10.30 – 11.30am on 'Gongoozling for beginners – life on the canals' by Nigel Sadler. Attendance will be limited to 50 people and the rows of chairs will be spaced further apart than previously. If you want to hear the talk, please email Chris Elkins (chriselkins50@hotmail.com). If you are unable to email, please leave a telephone message on his landline (01444 245283) giving your name and telephone number.

We will not be offering any refreshments so bring your own. We also will not be holding a raffle. Please bring £2 each in change to make payment easy.

Also, bring a face mask as you will be required to wear a face covering as you enter the building until you are seated in the hall. Please do not come if you have any symptoms or should be self-isolating.

NewsLink

The first NewsLink in 18 months is at the printers and should be dropping through your letter boxes soon.

Your U3A Needs You!

At the AGM in Spring next year, I will be stepping down as Chairman, having completed three years plus a fourth year, which is the maximum limit allowed by our Constitution. The Burgess Hill U3A will not be allowed to continue to operate as a Charity unless someone joins the Board to take over this role for the next three years.

We have been extremely fortunate over the past six years that Colin and Shirley Payne have very ably filled the roles of Membership Secretary and Assistant Membership Secretary. However, they are also

stepping down from their roles at next year's AGM, so we also need someone to take over the Membership Secretary's role and someone to assist them.

For further information as to what each post involves, for the position of Chair please contact Chris Elkins on chriselkins50@hotmail.com or for the position of Membership Secretary contact Colin Payne on bh3memsec@gmail.com .

Chris Elkins



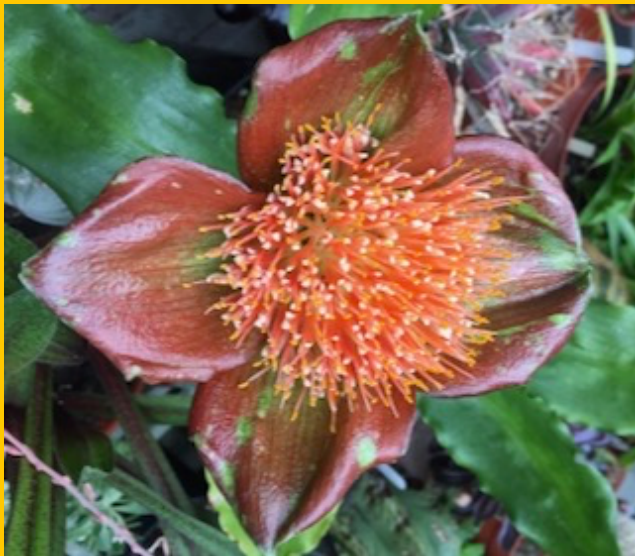
For all those who walk and or run round the Green Crescent would pass this well loved tree, but where is it?

The National u3a Newsletter

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Sussex u3a Network

Visit the Sussex u3a website for a vast array of meetings, study days and events <https://u3asites.org.uk/sussexu3anetwork> and click on EVENTS along the top of the Home Page. There is something there for everyone from COP 26 to Anglo-Saxon Poetry and West Sussex in Photographs.



This is the wonderful flower of the 'Dwarf Paintbrush Lilly' – more correctly known as *Scadoxus membranaceus*. It's native habitat is the coastal forests of the Eastern Cape and Natal, South Africa. The flower above is 6"/15cm in diameter; it is followed by bright red berries.



The two 'itchy Feet' bears have enjoyed their various stop-overs on the coast of East Anglia, especially at Felixstowe watching all the cranes handling the many containers, a boat outing on The Mere at Thorpe Ness and they could not really depart East Anglia without a stop-over in Great Yarmouth – did they enjoy the Fun Fair? The two bears, suitably reprovisioned, have skirted round The Wash and now on the A52 to Skegness, their next stop-over.

There is still no news from 'Aussie' bear despite much investigation along the bus route, especially in Horsham, the last stop-over for 'Aussie' bear before contact was lost. The various and assorted bear colonies in and around Horsham are out in force searching for 'Aussie' bear. We do hope that they are successful.

With the boat on the way to Etang de Thau 'Saffer' bear is introduced to all the Toulous bears. The Captain of the boat has carefully

negotiated the many inlets and short canals that litter the outskirts of Toulous and, along with the bears, is now chugging southwards.



In which English town would you find this view?

Note

The title and speaker for the meeting on 4 October is correct in this newsletter. As NewsLink was being printed it was not possible to amend the text to show the change of speaker.

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