

## 4 Volunteer Wanted **The Christmas Lunch**

Unfortunately the Group Leaders' Co-ordinator, Penny Beech, is standing down from her role in December for personal reasons, so we need a new committee member to take up this position. Ideally we would like someone who is willing to stand for the committee again in April. If you feel you can help, please contact Penny, me or any other committee member.

**David Seward**

The Christmas lunch will be on the 7th December and the charge is the same as last year - **only £12.50 per head.** (the U3A will subsidise the difference in the costings.)

All those who would like to attend please put their names on the list and pay at the forthcoming meetings. Numbers will be limited to 90 only - so 'Be soon' as we need to know by November in order to notify the caterers.

## The Westernairs Concert Wind Band

A member of the Young Onset support is organising a concert in aid of **Parkinson's research.**

The Westernairs Concert Wind Band are performing at **Callington Town Hall on Sunday 4th October, 2pm - 4pm. Tickets are £5 and include refreshments.**

I have tickets and you can also pay at the door.

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# Fun and Games

### Eggstatic moments from September's Social Event



## BiWord

After all...how hard can a two letter crossword be?

### This month's puzzle:

Answer to last month's puzzle:

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**BiWord October**

1 Down:  
7th note of the major scale

1 Across:  
Sounds like black gooey stuff?

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**BiWord September**

1 Down:  
Nasty Tax People

1 Across:  
Prove it's you and show me it?

Email your answer to me: [colin-mills@talktalk.net](mailto:colin-mills@talktalk.net)  
 The winners will be immortalised in print in next month's issue.

Last month's triumphant Winners:

**1st: Annette Williams** ★

**2nd: Pauline Farr** ★

Have you checked out the website?:

[www.callingtonu3a.org.uk](http://www.callingtonu3a.org.uk)

Copies of these Newsletters can be found on the above website

## Future Meetings:

### November

Diana Holsworth  
 U3A Regional Trustee

### December

Christmas Lunch

### January

Simon Dell  
 Cornish Murders.

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*(N.B. I cannot guarantee inclusion of copy submitted after this date - but exceptions will be made wherever possible for groups meeting in the fourth week of the month)*

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*N.B. Phone numbers without dialling codes are for the 01579 area.*

The September meeting at Callington Town Hall took on a slightly different air; instead of rows of chairs facing the front there were tables and chairs instead. Members arriving at the door were given a small piece of coloured card and directed to find the corresponding colour on a bigger piece of card on one of the tables. The reason for this setting was the cancellation of the speaker at short notice (giving the committee a headache), but people integrating with different groups - new and old members - as well as having some fun.

The air of slight bewilderment was further enhanced by the arrival at each table of 2 bags of marshmallows and a bundle of spaghetti, followed by an egg in a paper cup (hard-boiled or raw?). David then announced the task to build the highest tower and balance the egg on top. The spirit of

competition soon kicked in with some amazing edifices being erected. The allotted 20 minutes soon passed and points were awarded for the highest and the strongest construction. The sticky mess was cleared away, and then with fingers and tables wiped, more tea and coffee was available for those in need. Then we were ready for the next task.

Round 2 consisted of a 20 question quiz, some quick answers and some head scratching ensued, all the results

were very close with one table edging ahead as the winner.

And then we were onto round 3 - a U3A version of a beetle drive. The rolling of dice and the cries of joy and despair filled the hall, and at the end of the 20 minutes it was time to add up all the scores. The grand prize of a treat size bag of Maltesers was awarded to the bright green table.

At the end of the meeting thanks were given by David to the committee members. 'Normal service' will be resumed for the next talk in November. The October meeting being our Exhibition Day.

**Anne Ellard**



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## Group Reports

### Allotments

Two allotments are being cultivated.  
**Contact Ann Martin**

### Art

Our meetings are back to usual after the summer diversions, first & 15th October,

...plus the U3A Exhibition on the 5th; do visit us on the stage to see our work

**Contact Tony Walpole 833082**

### Baking

Many thanks to Ellen and David for hosting this month's meeting. For those of you who couldn't make it- well you really missed a treat. Fruity bakes included a polenta plum cake, luscious fruit pie and my attempt at a strawberry filled wind torte! Mind you I don't think we could've coped with any more bakes to taste, we were all full to bursting!

We decided that Exhibition day would stand as our next meeting and that we would make cakes suitable for cutting into small pieces, small biscuits or nibbles.

November's meeting will be on the 4th, 3pm at Jane's, numbers permitting. The subject will be Halloween/ Bonfire night goodies.

**Contact Jenny Wheeley 351662**

### Birding Group

We went to Rame Head. The weather was similar to last year's visit starting with cloud but soon changing to sun. We saw eleven species and at the top of the list was a Peregrine, which was high in the sky for some time. From their great height they will 'stoop' on

their prey in a power dive that may reach a speed of 80 miles per hour. Unfortunately we didn't see a stoop. Fulmars were another new species for our birding group. As we sat on the grass near edge of the cliff top to eat our lunch and were entertained by a family of Stone Chats. You may see stone Chats on Kit Hill.

On October 13th we will be visiting Upper Tamar lakes. Meet in the FCP at 9.00am. Bring appropriate kit and lunch. Please let me know if you are coming.

**Contact Keith Lane 370713**

### Bookworms

**Contact Hilary Howarth 382172**  
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### Bridge

The Bridge Group is now meeting every Tuesday evening at 7.30pm, in the Methodist Church. Please use the side entrance in Valentine Place. Parking is available at the rear of the church.

**Contact Roy Burrige 389018**

### Computer Group

The computer group operates as a self help group. If you've a problem come along and see if we can help. We don't have a set agenda it all depends who turns up. Please bring your lap top or tablet if you have one and we can explore the computing world together.

This month topics the group explored included;

1. Windows 10 upgrade and how it performs..
2. Problems with Picasso.

We meet in members houses so please ask me where to meet. This

normally takes place on the third Thursday morning of the month. The next meeting will be on the 15th October at 10.00.

**Contact Peter Watson 384509**

### Cornish Art & Literature

**Contact Anita & Tony Bowden Joint Co-ordinators 350668**

### Crime Fiction Appreciation

At August's meeting, 7 of us gathered at Lucy's house. Many authors and books were discussed with books returned and passed on again. Several new authors were discussed, including novels by Linwood Barclay, Liza Marklund, Robert Goddard and Susan Hill. We all enjoyed the chocolate courgette cake made by Ellen, with our tea. October's meeting will be Thursday 22nd October, probably at Lucy's. If you are interested in joining us to discuss or learn more about crime fiction, please contact

**David Seward 384631**

### Family History

**Contact Eileen Sturt 350639**

### Flower Arranging

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### Food & Wine

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### Game On

The games group will restart on Sunday, October 11th. Lucy has said she is willing to accommodate us for the time being so we will meet there at 2.30 and then every 2nd and 4th Sunday afternoon. John and I will bake for the first meeting and then we'll make

arrangements for future meetings. If you're interested in playing board games through the winter months, good company and yummy cakes

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### Handbells

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### History

**Contact Josephine King 350890**

### Humour

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or by email kandslane@hotmail.com.

### Italian

**Sally Thomas 01822 832017**

### Jazz Appreciation

8 members met at Rosemary's for September's meeting, for another members' choice session. Amongst others, we listened to piano jazz from Andre Previn, Earl Hines and Jean Luc Ponty, big band music from Benny Goodman, Count Basie and new names to the group, Jimmy Lunceford and Teddy Stauffer. There was also some sax music from Ben Webster, Dexter Gordon and Gerry Mulligan. The next meeting will be on Wed 14th October at Christine's. If you are interested in joining us for an afternoon of jazz contact:

**David Seward 384631**

### Music Appreciation

Music Appreciation is held at 2 Trelawney Heights new members are always welcome

Next meeting September 15th at 2pm

**Contact: Pat Ferguson 384402**

### Needlework

Normally meet on the second Thurs-

day of the month.

**Details from Ann Martin**

### Opera

As most of our group are on holiday those remaining either waiting or having returned from ours enjoyed a favourite opera, La Traviata from Gran Teatro La Fenice, Venice. This opera by Verdi enjoyed a mixed reception when it was premiered in 1865 as the heroine is a courtesan the first time an operatic heroine had been less than pure however in more enlightened it has become one of the most loved opera of all time. Edita Gruberova performance as Violetta was superb and both the supporting cast and the scenery added to a delightful afternoon.

The next opera is on October 20th at 2 Trelawney Road

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### Philosophy

**Contact: Doreen Johnson 343152**  
doreen.johnson@onetel.com

### Play Reading

**Contact Jean Rose 350029**

### Poetry

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### Scrabble

The group, led by Lesley Cheetham at her home, meets in the evening on the third Wednesday of each month.

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### Scribblers

All enquiries to:

**Anne Cooper 382267**

### Singing for Pleasure

**Contact: Rosalind Bunkum 38317**

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### Strollers

**Contact: Pauline Husband 350379**

### Table Tennis

We meet once every 4 weeks for a couple of hours of good fun and exercise. All equipment is provided and you don't need to be an expert, just enthusiastic. You can check the website or ask for details.

**Contact Ray Geatches 350638**

### Walking Group 1

**Contact: Ann Martin**

### Walking Group 2

**Contact: Lucy Thomas 350018**

Walking Group 1 taking a break on a convenient Tor

