



**Cambourne & District U3A
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As the third Friday in the month of April (19/4) is the Good Friday Bank Holiday, there will be no monthly meeting.

The next meeting will be on Friday 17th May at 10.30 at The Hub. The speaker will be Heidi Allen, MP for South Cambridgeshire who will give a talk on 'Life at Westminster'.

Study Trips

Wyken Vineyard and Garden



Tuesday 9th April

Cost: £21 which includes £16 per person in the minibus and £5 per person for the

guided tour of the garden.

There are just 3 places left on this trip.

To book please contact Pat Callaghan on patcmay@gmail.com or via the website.

Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds



Tuesday 28th May

9.00 am – 3.30pm

Cost of tour: either £10, or £2.50 for NT members, including refreshments.

Cost of transport: £16
Total cost: £26 or £18.50 for NT members.

The Theatre Royal is a fine example of Regency architecture and design. Visitors can discover the history of this Grade 1 listed building by going behind the scenes and even tread the boards themselves. Please book via the website or the form on page 3.

Houses of Parliament Monday 18th March



MP's for a day - on what proved a great opportunity to experience the very seat of government. Interesting times indeed!



Cherry blossom time at the Cambridge Botanic Gardens on Thursday 21st March

To sign up for study trips:

Please click on the 'Groups' page and follow the links. Please pay either by cash or cheque made out to C&D U3A

and deliver to Fran Panrucker at 128 Greenhaze Lane Great Cambourne CB23 5BH.

Your newsletter

News and photographs of *all* activities, including trips, are very welcome. Please send them to Christine Tyler via the link on the Committee page of the website.

Interest Group News

The Current Affairs Group held its successful inaugural meeting at the Monkfield Arms on 12th March. Mike Harford who has chaired similar meetings at the Cambridge U3A, presented of choice of topics. So modern technology formed the basis of the discussion from driverless cars to the ubiquity of iPhones etc. giving us plenty to talk about.

The intention is to meet monthly on a Tuesday afternoon at 2.30 pm at the Monkfield Arms. The next meeting will be on 16th April - then and there. Definite dates and times for future sessions will be decided upon at this meeting. Suggested topics include social care in an aging population and a possible way out of the Brexit impasse.
Kath Thompson

For more information on groups →
Website: www.u3a.cambourne.org or
<https://u3asites.org.uk/cambourne>

At a Glance Monthly Meeting Talks

19 April	No meeting due to the Easter holiday.
17 May	Life at Westminster by Heidi Allen MP for South Cambridgeshire
21 June	Battle of Britain by Ian Cameron
19 July	AGM
August	No meeting

20 September	The Curious History of Mazes by Dr Julie Bounford
18 October	The Mysteries of India by Shrobona Bhattacharya
15 November	Artificial Intelligence by Sujit Bhattacharya
18 January	Delving into Cookery Books by Liz Wright
21 February	Garden Design by Elizabeth Gilhooly of Supernature Garden

Help Needed



We still need volunteers to join the committee in the following roles as soon as possible:-

Membership Secretary, Groups Coordinator and Minutes Secretary

Shadowing committee members. Shadows are needed for Chair, Treasurer, Business Secretary, Webmaster, Publicity.

Plus, we need help with refreshments at the meetings.

If you would like to know more about any of the above positions please contact, in the first instance, Fran Panrucker on:

fran@panrucker.eclipse.co.uk

Local Events

Wed. 17th April Evening Talk by the Wildlife Trust: *Take Action for Wildlife* 7-8.30pm, The Manor House, Broad St. Gt. Cambourne CB23 6DH

Mon. 22nd April Birding for Beginners Walk, Easter Monday 10-12, starting at The Manor House Broad Street, Great Cambourne CB23 6DH

Sun. 9th June Open Day at RSPB's Hope Farm Knapwell. Book via EventBrite : <https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/hope-farm-open-farm-sunday-2019-tickets-55506933733>

Note these events are not connected to this U3A.

For more information please go to the 'Events' page on the website and click on 'Links - Local Events'

Cambourne and District U3A Study Trip
Bury St Edmunds: Theatre Royal guided tour

Tuesday May 28th 10.30am tour
Coach leaves 9am, returns
3.30pm.
Morning refreshments only included

Cost: The cost for the tour including refreshments is £10 or just £2.50 for the refreshments if you are a NT member. The cost per person of the minibus (total 19 people) would be £16
Total: £26 or £18.50 NT members (please bring your card)

Theatre Royal Bury St Edmunds is a vibrant 200-year-old theatre located in the beautiful Suffolk town of Bury St Edmunds. First built in 1819, it was restored to its Regency design in 2007 and as a Grade 1 listed building is the only theatre in the National Trust portfolio and the last working Regency playhouse in the country.

There are many other things to do in Bury, including a fascinating small museum, the beautiful cathedral and its gardens, the brewery (guided tours, with a charge and tasters) and more.

If you are a National Trust member, you will be asked to show your card.

Leaders: Fran Panrucker. Tel: 01954 710858. Mobile: 07802 665111;

Theatre Royal, Bury St Edmunds

I am/am not (please delete as applicable) a National Trust member

Please reserveplace/s atper person.

Name/s:.....

Address.....

Tel. no:..... Mobile:.....

Email:.....

Contact for next of kin in case of emergency

Please let me know if you have mobility difficulties (there are around 88 steps) and the tour will be adapted for you.

Please detach this form and send with your cheque (made payable to 'Cambourne and District U3A') to Fran Panrucker, 128 Greenhaze Lane, Great Cambourne CB23 5BH

Confirmation will be email where possible.