

Castle Bromwich University of The Third Age April 2022

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Litter Pickers Castle Bromwich Local History	Evening Book Club <i>Coleshill Country Dancing</i>		Railway and Railway Model Club Poetry Group	Strummers
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Litter Pickers		CB u3a Committee	Railway and Railway Model Club Table Tennis	Bank Holiday
18	19	20	22	23
Bank Holiday Litter Pickers Digital Photo Group	<i>Coleshill Country Dancing</i>		Thursday Book Club 2 Mile Walkers Railway and Railway Model Club	Strummers
26	27	28	29	30
Litter Pickers		General Meeting: Molly Murray - Little Black Dress Travels	Yompers Railway and Railway Model Club	

Further details on the u3a Castle Bromwich website

<https://u3asites.org.uk/castle-bromwich>

Committee News

The Castle Bromwich u3a are looking for new members for the Committee. Would you be interested in being on the CBU3A committee?

At present we need to fill the position of Vice Chair. The Vice Chair is Chairman in waiting. If you are interested in this post please contact Dave Abbot or contact one of the committee.

CBu3a Covid Arrangements

- It is no longer a legal requirement for members to wear masks or visors at general meetings unless a member wishes to do so. Interest groups will have their own arrangements.

Facilitator contact details can be found on your membership card

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- The chairs in the hall at Arden Hall will continue to be set out distanced.
- Members may enter or leave the hall from either the front or rear doors.
- If you feel unwell, please do not attend the meeting.

The committee would like to find members who would be willing to give a talk at one of our General Meetings. Please speak to Helen if you are interested.

There are a few spaces left if you would like to join the Flower Arranging one day workshop



We are hoping to hold a “one off” session with a Flower Arranging tutor, who will demonstrate and then show us how to make an arrangement. Hopefully if there is enough interest, we may be able to continue and develop a group.

If you think this is something you would like to do, please get in touch at the email address below. We will meet at the Baptist Church.

Obviously for the first session the cost will be higher as it will depend on numbers and support for the tutor. We would require a minimum of 10 and the cost would be around £8 to £10. If a group develops from this, the cost would be similar to the other groups who meet at the Baptist Church.

Your thoughts are welcomed.

Barbara at barbaraanddurrant@gmail.com

Scrabble Group

Before lockdown we were an enthusiastic little group of players of all levels. We met at the Community Centre in Hurst Lane but now need to find a new venue.

I am keen to start this group up again possibly with the addition of other board games? Please let me know your interest. I will be at the next General meeting with a sign up list.

Facilitator: Margaret Riordan

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Castle Bromwich Local History Group

Monday 4th April, 2 pm,

Timberley Baptist Church

Facilitators: Barbara Durrant and Paulette Burkill.

Evening Reading Group

5th April

Further details contact

Facilitator: Barbara Durrant

Evening Book Club

Tuesday 5th April

Facilitators: Barbara Durrant

Poetry Group

Thursday, 7th April at 2pm

Please contact Dave Abbot for information if you would like to join this group. Please bring one or two of your favourite poems with you. Refreshments will be provided.

Facilitators: Dave & Helen Abbott 07754 205541

Table Tennis

14 April 2 pm

Baptist Church, Timberley Lane.

Group Facilitator: Diana Price

u3a Strummers

Friday, 8th and 23rd April, 10 am for 10:30 start till 11:45.

Baptist Church, Timberley Lane, £3. You will need your own instrument and music stand.

Group Facilitator: Graham Ridsdill

Curry Club

Full details to be confirmed

Group Facilitator: Barbara Durrant

U3A Committee Meeting

3th April, 10:00 Arden Hall

Members are welcome to attend committee meetings.

2 Mile Walkers

Details to follow, please see website for updates.

Thursday Book Club

21 April

Facilitator: June Dadd

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Digital Photography

April 18th

Basic Photography followed by a review of the Kingsbury field trip. Outline of the April/May Project 'Spring Colours' and using ICM. (Intentional Camera Movement). See the rest of our programme is in our section of the CBU3a website.

The review meeting venues for the group at present are flexible, if you feel the urge to capture the moment with a camera or phone and would like to explore more about the process, then let us know. You can contact me via: castleu3a7@gmail.com

Group Facilitator: Frank Hill

General Meeting

27th April

Arden Hall

Molly Murray - Little Black Dress Travels

Please see above for covid restriction changes

Volunteers are needed for tea rota from April onwards, please contact a committee member if you are able to help.

Do you have books/magazines you would like to swop or do you have any prizes you could donate to the raffle?

Thursday Book Club

Thursday 22nd April

Group Facilitator: June Conley

Yompers

Thursday 29th April walk

Details to follow, please see website for updates.

Facilitator: Bob Dadd

Litter Pick

Mondays 1:30 – 3:00 pm approx. (Weather Permitting)

Meet at Hickories car park (we pick up for about a one and half hours session)

We have a coffee and chat at The Crafty Cow afterwards. All welcome!

Group facilitator: Mike Davey

Railway and Railway Model Club

Thursdays 10:00 am until 1:00pm at Model club Cadbury Drive, Castle Vale B35 7JE

£3 to cover room rent and refreshments. Models being built/operated in 'O' 'OO' 'N' gauges Outings Come and have a look - no obligation Call Bob 07766923361 for more info.

Group Facilitator Bob Brueton

Jotters Corner

Find this month's pieces on Jotters Corner on our website: [Castle Bromwich U3A: Jotters Corner \(u3asites.org.uk\)](http://CastleBromwichU3A.org.uk)

Sentimental Journey – Ray Pearce

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Lunartics

The sun is waking up and is now into its next eleven-year cycle, although it's a wee bit quieter at present than past cycles.

This is a photo that I took of a sun spot group in white light on the sun in January, the darker central region is the 'Umbra' and the outer 'cooler' area is the 'Penumbra'. They are the ends of huge magnetic flux tubes developed deep in the sun and have writhed their way to breakout on the 'surface' or Photosphere. Hopefully I'll be able to capture more of this activity over the next few months.



Good viewing.
Frank Hill

Quizzes

This month's quizzes, 19 and 20, can be found on the quiz page on the website: [Castle Bromwich U3A: Quizzes \(u3asites.org.uk\)](http://CastleBromwichU3A:Quizzes(u3asites.org.uk)) Thank you to Roger Hateley

Brenda Glanfield

With great sadness that I have to share the news that Brenda Glanfield passed in March. She very much part of the u3a. Her family said she was such a lovely lady who just loved to laugh and will be sadly missed. Her funeral was held on the 24th March.

U3a Members welcome at these other Community Groups

Young at Heart Dancing

1.30 - 3.30 pm £3.00

At The Remembrance Club. U3A members are always made welcome

Organised by: Bob Brueton

Generations Choir

Choir restarts Jan 6th with our new choir leader.

Thursdays 5.30pm until 7.30pm at Castle Vale Community Campus, High Street, Castle Vale B35 7PR. U3A Members very welcome.

Generations Choir will be singing at Gracechurch Centre in Sutton on Sat 4th June as part of the 'Royal Towns' celebrations. Songs will include National Anthem and Land of Hope and Glory. 11.00am until 2.00pm

Organiser: Bob Brueton

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Colehill Country Dancing

U3a Coleshill invites CB members to join this group that takes place every 2nd and 4th Tues in Coleshill. Further details from u3a Coleshill website

Castle Bromwich Lion's 7th April

After a 2 year break for obvious reasons, Castle Bromwich Lions' very popular Senior Citizen's Night is returning on Thursday 7 April. Although this is a free night for local senior citizens, entrance is by ticket only for catering purposes. It is as usual at Kingshurst Labour Club at 7.30pm.

Please contact Phil White if you would like tickets on mobile phone 07969621256.

Church Monuments Society

The 2022 Spring Lecture Series by the Church Monuments Society are happening over the next few weeks. All are welcome to attend. Please follow the link for more details [Upcoming Events - Church Monuments Society](#)



CHURCH MONUMENTS SOCIETY

'The Stories Monuments Tell'

FREE online lectures for March – April 2022:

- Saturday 26 March – 5pm GMT**
The Eloquent Dead: Elizabethan and Jacobean Monuments in Gonville & Caius College Chapel, Cambridge
Dr Christina Faraday
- Saturday 02 April – 5pm GMT**
The Farnham Monuments: myths, legends and family fables
Moira Ackers
- Saturday 09 April – 5pm GMT**
Medieval Child Memorials: myths and mistakes
Dr Sophie Oosterwijk
- Saturday 16 April – 5pm GMT**
Piety and power in the Welsh march: the story of Gwladus Ddu and William ap Thomas of Raglan Castle
Professor Madeleine Gray

Register now on Eventbrite: 

@ChurchMonuments

Please forward any information to share or group updates to Marion Ridsdill at mridsdill@hotmail.co.uk or use the new group email castleu3a7@gmail.com

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