

CHEADLE AND GATLEY u3a



What is the u3a?

The u3a is an association for those people no longer working full-time or raising a family. It gives you the opportunity to make the most of life - to learn, laugh and live - and the chance to develop your interests, make new friends and enjoy yourself.

The u3a is a national organisation, and the Cheadle and Gatley branch was set up in 2011. It now has about 200 members and over 20 different Interest Groups. There is a Monthly Open meeting, and the Interest Groups (coordinated by members) usually meet monthly on various dates in people's homes or venues in the local area. Groups include art history, bridge, craft, creative writing, gardening, history (local and international), languages (German and Spanish), painting, poetry, reading, scrabble, singing, theatre visits, ukulele and walking (long, medium and short).

Monthly Open Meetings

Second Wednesday: 1:15 for a prompt 1.30 start every month except August at the United Reformed Church Hall, Elm Road, Gatley SK8 4LY



Why not come along to the next meeting and find out more?

Monthly Open Meetings

The Monthly Open Meetings are where you can find out about all of our activities and visits, hear speakers give talks, and meet friends for a chat over a cup of tea and biscuits.

Monthly meeting talks

Our monthly speakers talk on a wide range of subjects. Most are illustrated by a slide show, and some are musical. The following are typical:

- The Great American Songbook** Roger Browne
- Through the Eyes of a Magician** Peter Turner
- Amazing Walks** Josephine Gosling
- The History of Dunham Massey** Peter Braun
- The History and Science of Prosthetic Limbs** Dr. Diana Leitch



Relaxing inside the foyer at the URC Hall, Gatley

The URC is 5 - 10 minutes walk from Gatley station (on the number 11 bus route).

Membership

You can join the Cheadle and Gatley u3a for an annual subscription of £12. This entitles you to attend Monthly Meetings (£2 charge, refreshments free) or join as many Interest Groups as you wish. For more details see the Cheadle and Gatley u3a website or the Membership Secretary:

Brian Green, on 0161 428 8535.

Your first visit to a Monthly Meeting or to an Interest Group as a 'taster session' is free. Interest Groups which meet in hired rooms make a charge of £2 to cover the rent, and most make a small charge to cover the cost of refreshments.

Cheadle and Gatley u3a Website

An online search at:

<https://u3asites.org.uk/cheadle-gatley/home>

or for 'Cheadle and Gatley u3a' will locate our website which gives full details of our group.

In particular, clicking on the latest **Newsletter** in the Links section of the Welcome page will display comprehensive details of the activities of all our current Interest Groups, together with other general information. The website also has a Member Application Form and a contact facility.

The Committee

Chair	Lesley Witton	428 1522
Secretary	Sue Somerville	07305311716
Treasurer	Allan Witton	428 1522
Membership Secretary	Brian Green	428 8535
Speaker Secretary	Heather Wilkinson	428 9278
Groups Coordinator	Margaret Seaby	221 0944
Trustee	Elaine Bowker	485 5620
Trustee	John Barnard	436 4150
Trustee	Marian Fahy	07914028502

Interest Group Meetings

Monday Morning	Dates	Time
Walking (Strollers) Marianne Owen	1st and 3rd 491 3323	10:30
Book Group 3 Margaret Seaby	1st 221 0944	10:30
Monday Afternoon/Evening		
Book Group 1 Lesley Witton	1st 428 1522	7:30
Creative Writing Nigel Bann	2nd 491 6835	2:00
Poetry John Barnard	3rd 436 4150	1:45
Tuesday Morning		
Craft Josephine Haynes	3rd 491 2382	10:30
Family History Linda Corry	1st 428 4094	9:30
German Marianne Owen	3rd 491 3323	10:00
Tuesday Afternoon		
Book Group 2 Tina Kelly	1st 376 7909	1:30
Singing for Pleasure Patricia Williams	2nd and 4th 428 9850	1.00
Ukulele Ian Ewing	2nd and 4th 312 5072	3:15
Wednesday Morning		
Spanish Elaine Bowker	Weekly on 437 8480	Zoom 10.00
Wednesday Afternoon		
History of Art Mary Sharples	Last 428 4901	1:30
Local History Lesley Witton	1st 428 1522	1:30
Bridge Linda Ewing	1st and 3rd 312 5072	1:30

Interest Group Meetings

Thursday Morning	Dates	Time
Walking (Short) Stuart Forsyth	3rd 491 3592	10:00
Explorers Janet Farrall	3rd 428 7883	10:00
Environment Peter Briggs	2nd 485 6871	10:00
Thursday Afternoon		
Gardening Deborah Connell	4th 07970103503	Various
Friday Morning		
Cryptic Crosswords Jane Lloyd	2nd 07713848734	a.m.
Painting Pat Marsden	1st and 3rd 428 7820	10:30
Walking (Long) Allan Witton	3rd 428 1522	9:30 >3:00
Friday Afternoon		
History John Houghton	2nd and 4th 428 2892	1:30
Scrabble Ann Gane	Fortnightly 428 0204	2:00
Groups without a specific time/day		
Computers Wine Appreciation	Peter Bayley	282 3468
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The Long Walks Group In Macclesfield Forest



The Explorers day out in Hebden Bridge



The Gardening Group on their visit to Bodnant Gardens



Monday's Book Group 1 is a House Group