OCTOBER - NOVEMBER 2017

DONCASTER



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

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From the Chair

As September approaches and the cruise ships and coach companies compete for customers who are no longer needed for child minding duties, I am looking ahead to a family break to the southwest of Southern Ireland. The Euro rate does not help us, but I am sure that the Irish hospitality on offer will ensure a relaxing week.



Although DU3A group meetings have been limited during the summer break, we are surely looking forward to a resumption of activities from September. Meanwhile, DU3A will have been represented at the Third Age Trust Annual Conference at Nottingham University by committee member Carole Lewis who was accompanied by Linda Simpson. Last year Wendy and myself attended, and found it beneficial to exchange ideas with U3A representatives from all over the UK.

Please read later in this newsletter about a change of date for our own AGM in 2018, from April to May. This will enable the administration and planning of the event to be more easily managed. The committee is also calling a Special General Meeting during the October monthly meeting, with only two items on the agenda to be voted on. There is a notice later in this newsletter explaining what these two items are. The new Group Co-ordinators, John Wheeler and Diane Williams, will be hosting a meeting for all group leaders followed by one for New Members on Tuesday October 17th at the Unitarian Church in Hallgate. Again, further details appear later in this newsletter.

The Social committee are currently in the process of organising the December monthly event which, this year, will include a visiting group of singers along with other Christmas festivities. The Dining Out Group, with Derrick's blessing, have taken over the organisation of the DU3A Members Christmas Lunch.

We hope to see you all enjoying our future programme of events, and don't forget the Saturday drop-in at the Trades Club where members have the opportunity for an informal chat and lunch.

George Kirk

CAST NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS PANTO

After much consideration and some arm twisting it has been agreed that we will put together another Christmas Panto. Those of you bold enough to take part please drop me an email and I will put a rehearsal schedule together. The script is still in production and has the working title "Oldilocks"

Chris Woolven



2018 CALENDARS AVAILABLE AT THE OCTOBER GENERAL MEETING.

Limited availability.

To reserve your copy contact:

Chris Woolven





July General Meeting: The Prince's Trust

Geoff Tagg, one of our own U3A members gave an enlightening talk about his work with the Prince's Trust. Many of us knew of the Prince's Trust but actually knew little about what it achieved. The Trust believes that every young person should have the chance to succeed. They help 11 to 30 year-olds who are unemployed or struggling at school to transform their lives by helping them to

develop key skills while boosting their confidence and motivation. Well done, Geoff!

Future General Meetings:

16th October: Jane Price: A Funny Thing Happened on the way to the Crematorium 20th November: Malcolm Johnson: 1,000 Years of the English Language



A warm welcome to our new members:

Janice Louis, Steven Louis, William Perryman, Hilary Rudd, David Smith, Shirley Telford and Pattie Williams

Cover Photo: Sprotbrough by Terry Gunnill

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Digital Photography Group

Notification of a Special General Meeting

A Special General Meeting of Doncaster U3A will be held at the General Meeting on <u>Monday 16th October 2017</u>.

Following a question from one of our members at the last AGM concerning election procedures, the committee has redrafted paragraph 6 of the constitution concerning the election of members of the Executive Committee and Officers. Details are posted below.

Also, following a suggestion from one of our members that excess funds from 2016-17 could be used to reduce members subscriptions, the committee are recommending a $\pounds1$ reduction for individual and joint membership.

Acceptance of these proposals at this Special General Meeting will mean that they can be implemented for the year 2018-19.

- 1 Proposed changes to DU3A constitution: para 6 Executive Committee and Officers
- 2 Proposed reduction to the Annual Subscription for 2018-19

George Kirk

Following comments made at the 2017 AGM it was thought the following changes would improve clarity. There is no change to the meaning of the paragraph.

DU3A Constitution Paragraph 6 <u>original</u> (red highlights show areas affected by the proposed changes)

lii Officers

The Officers are the Chairman, Vice Chairman, Treasurer and Secretary. The Officers shall by virtue of holding their office be members of the Executive Committee. An individual may only serve in one Officer role at a time.

Iv Appointment of members of the Executive Committee

The election of **members** of the Executive Committee shall be held at the AGM.

v Terms of office and limits on periods of service

a). Officers and **Committee Members** may serve for a period of 2 years after which they may stand for re-election, provided that no one may hold the office of Chairman for more than 2 consecutive years without an intervening period of at least 1 year.

b). If insufficient nominations are received to fill the vacancies for Officers or **Committee members**, the Executive Committee may as a last resort, appeal to the assembled members of the AGM for permission to ask whether anyone present was willing to reconsider and put themselves forward as a candidate for one of the vacancies. A vote must be taken on this motion and must be carried by a simple majority of the members present for the request to be made.

c). In the event of no nominations being received for one or more of the Officer posts or no member of the Committee being willing to take on one or more of the Officer positions a majority decision can be taken by the Executive Committee to ask the retiring officer to stay until the next AGM.

vi Nomination and election of candidates

Prior written nomination of any candidate for appointment **as a member** of the Executive Committee at an Annual General Meeting shall normally be required, made by a proposer and seconder from amongst the membership of The U3A (not being themselves Officers or non-Officer members of the Executive Committee), to be in the hands of the Secretary of The U3A by the 1st March. Should nominations exceed vacancies, the decision about appointments shall be **taken by ballot**. Otherwise, nominations of candidates and the conduct of voting for appointments shall be dealt with in accordance with the Standing Orders of The U3A or, if there are no Standing Orders, as determined by the Executive Committee.

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GROUPS - UPDATES/NOTICES

••••• DU3A CHRISTMAS LUNCH 2017 •••••

Wednesday 6th December at 2pm at the **Regent Hotel**. In previous years the U3A Christmas Lunch was organised by Derrick Franks but this year it will be organised by us, Carole and Joan. It is a three-course meal costing £17.95 per head. Should you wish to attend would you please forward your cheque (made payable to DU3A no.2 Account) to either of us with your menu choices by **Tuesday October 10th** at the latest.

The menu is shown on page 19.

Carole Lewis and Joan Condron Dining Out Group leaders.

••••• DINING OUT •••••

The next evening out is planned for <u>**Tuesday October**</u> <u>**17th**</u> at <u>**Turkuaz**</u> on Nether Hall Road. We will meet, as usual, at 6.30 pm for 7.00pm.

As numbers are limited, please forward your cheque for the exact amount made payable to DU3A no. 2 Account with your choice of meal to either Carole Lewis or Joan Condron by

Thursday October 5th at the latest. Menus are available from Carole or Joan who are usually to be found at the drop-in session at the Trades and Labour club in the Frenchgate Centre between 11am and 1pm on a Saturday.

N.B there will be **NO** meeting of the Dining Out group in December.

Carole and Joan

Polite Notice

Please do not arrive at the restaurant unannounced if you have neither booked nor paid in advance. Numbers are already limited and refusal would probably cause offence.

••••• CRIMINOLOGY •••••

The Basic Criminology Group has its **last meeting** on Monday 18th September.

The Applied Criminology Group will continue to run as usual on the 1st and 2nd Mondays of each month.



Peter Gospel





••••• NEW MEMBERS MEETING •••••



The New Members meeting is on **<u>Tuesday</u> 17th October** at The Unitarian Church, Hallgate starting at 1.00 until 2.00 pm. This meeting will give new members the opportunity to meet and share information with the different Group Leaders and the Groups Co-ordinators.

John Wheeler and Diane Williams

••••• GROUP LEADERS MEETING •••••

The next Group Leaders meeting will take place on <u>**Tuesday 17th October**</u> at The Unitarian Church, Hallgate starting at 11.30 am until 12.30 pm. A light lunch will be provided.

The meeting will offer an opportunity to share and discuss any issues arising from your Groups. It will also be an opportunity to meet with us, your new facilitators. Also on hand, to discuss any financial issues, will be our Treasurer, John Parkinson,

Hope to see you all then.

John Wheeler and Diane Williams.

••••• CARD MAKING •••••

The Card Making group will be having their Christmas lunch on the <u>27th November</u> and so there will not be a meeting at St Peter's Church hall on that date i.e. .the last Wednesday in November. There will **NOT** be a meeting in December as this falls between Christmas and New Year.



We will start 2018 on the last Wednesday of January and continue as usual throughout the year.

Janet Evans

●●●●● ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING 2018 ●●●●●

Change of date for the 2018 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

This will now **NOT** be held on 16th April but will take place a month later on MONDAY 21st MAY 2018

The April General Meeting will take the usual form of engaging a visiting speaker. Further details will be issued later.

••••• BRIDGE ••••• Calling all Card Sharks?!

The Bridge Group has resumed after a summer break at the friendly venue of St Francis Church café, Bessacarr. Over the summer I have been contacted by a few people who are not U3A members who want to learn to play bridge and we will be giving them instruction. So if you have been thinking that maybe you would like to learn what it's all about then now would be a good time. It is an endlessly fascinating game that can be played successfully at many different levels. We don't pretend to be experts but some of us have been playing for a lot of years and are happy to help others get started.

We meet on the first and fourth Wednesday's of the month, so the next meeting is 2.00 pm on <u>27th September</u>. Just drop me an email or a phone call if you would like to join us. Whether you are a beginner, an improver or an expert, you will be welcome.

Wendy Hattrell

••••• PERSONAL DETAILS •••••

Would members please inform Jill Laming, Membership Secretary, of any changes to their personal details; email addresses and telephone numbers, in particular. Emails from Group leaders, Committee members and the Website and Newsletter editor can only be sent successfully if DU3A's Beacon system has up-to-date email addresses. Similarly, if you cannot be contacted via email, an up-to-date telephone number would be advantageous.

••••• ATTENDANCE AT GROUP MEETINGS •••••

As a matter of courtesy, would members endeavour to make Group Leaders aware whenever they are unable to attend group meetings. This is important for planning for activities but also for budgeting purposes, especially if fees have to be paid for room hire.

If you are interested in attending a new group, would you please contact the Group Leader <u>in advance</u> of the Group Meeting. Please do not just show up as the Group Leader may not have adequate resources available or the group may be at capacity. Group Leader contact numbers can be found inside the back page of this newsletter.

SOME GLOBAL EVENTS IN OCTOBER

Concurs de Castells: Tarragona, Spain

1-2 October

Catch Catalonia's fabled human towers in action at this annual competition, pitting 32 tower teams against one another for who can create the tallest and most difficult-to-build human constructions. The art of the human tower dates back to the 18th century, when a traditional Valencian dance began taking on a new dimension. Today climbers, barefoot and sporting sashes (faixa) around their torsos for back support, create towers 9 storeys high, each crowned by a small child called the enxaneta, or rider. The tower competition is the main event, but Catalan culture is also on display in many ways, including parades, music, street performances and concerts.

Albuquerque International Balloon Fiesta:

Albuquerque, New Mexico: 1-9 October

Get ready for some neck-xercise, as more than 750 hot-air balloons take flight in the crisp blue skies of New Mexico, against a backdrop of the Sangre de Cristo Mountains. Get up before the rooster crows to witness the Dawn Patrol of hot-air balloons rising in the early morning sky, and stay for impressive Mass Ascensions, when the air is filled with nearly a thousand vibrant vessels. Then there's the filmmaking contests, balloon riding services, AfterGlow fireworks and balloon races, making for an awe-inspiring festival that's best seen lying down.

balloonfiesta.com

Frankfurt Book Fair, Frankfurt, Germany

19-23 October

The place to be for book lovers, book sellers, book writers and anyone with a passion for the written word. This 500-year-old event holds a place of honour as the world's most important book fair, hosting more than 7,000 exhibitors from 100 countries, not to mention nearly 300,000 annual visitors. The first 3 days are for business and industry only, but the public is invited to attend the last 2 days, which are filled with book signings, readings and perusing thousands of new and exciting titles. buchmesse de

Polar Circle Marathon: Kangerlussuaq, Greenland

29-30 October

When they say this is "the coolest marathon on earth", they're really not joking – join the world's craziest/most determined joggers at the one of world's northernmost points for 42 kilometres of ice, ice, baby! polar-circle-marathon.com

Around our Groups

Dining Out

The third meeting of the Dining Out group was held at the Zest Bar and Grill Restaurant on High street on 15th August. The good food and service by friendly, pleasant staff and the ambience and good company made for a memorable evening.



Joan Condron & Carole Lewis



Never having tried crown green bowls before, I thought I would give it a try when George Kirk started a group at the beginning of the summer.

It should be simple shouldn't it - you send a jack across the grass and then take it in turns to try and hit it with your wood....

Well of course there's more to it than that - I should have known. The jack and the bowls are weighted so they curve across the green and the 'crown' bit means the green isn't flat so you have to compensate for that too.

This means that the whole thing becomes a mental challenge - so your

brain has to work and being in fresh air and good company makes for a very pleasant afternoon. And yes, we all made some rubbish bowls but it's very satisfying when you get it approximately right.

If you fancy joining us for the last couple of weeks of the season contact George or look out for it restarting next year.



Wendy Hattrell

Tenpin Bowling

Congratulations to Rod for a DU3A record score of 160 at the July Tenpin Bowling session. However, despite achieving the highest score since we started the group, Rod failed to win the day, top scorer for the boys being newcomer Simon with 250 over the two games. Carol took the honours for the girls with 188.





We are looking forward to seeing you all on the 19th September and see if anyone can top that score. Usual bite in the Cheswold for those wanting to extend the afternoon's activities.

With Autumn nearly on us, what a great way to keep active. So come on newcomers, join us on the 19th with sessions to follow in November and January.

Mike Bowser



September's meeting commenced at the late hour of 7.30 pm when ten of our intrepid U3A members met up at Potteric Carr hoping to find some interesting night life at the nature reserve. We were kitted out with bat detectors and Kat, the Education Officer at Potteric Carr, gave us a brief talk about different types of bats and their habits. We set out, with our torches and detectors at the ready, hoping to find Noctule bats (found at 25kHz) and Pipistrelle bats (found at 45-55 kHz). After a quiet start we heard, and saw, numerous bats, mostly pipistrelle bats. We heard owls and encountered several biting insects!



Apart from the bites, a most enjoyable evening. Many thanks to Kat.

Future meetings of the group: Tuesday 3rd October: Fungi; Tuesday 7th November: Tracks and Trails.



Bridget Thompson



Travel Group off to a flying start!!

The revived Travel group got off to a good start in the new venue of Priory Place Methodist Church Hall with Diane and Chris giving an engaging presentation on their recent trip to the Orkney Isles. Diane spoke about the trip in general and all the Neolithic remains to be found there while Chris spoke about the naval involvement over the two world wars.

Chris and Diane were lucky with the weather and were able to show a selection of photographs they had taken themselves as well as filling in with some from the internet. We were all struck by how much the digs are revealing about life 5,000 years ago and how relatively sophisticated it was. As Diane pointed out – not just dressed in animal skins with a club in their hands!



During WWII Italian prisoners of war were engaged in constructing 'causeways' and their own project of an Italian, and therefore Catholic, church using two Nissan huts. They erected an impressive façade but the inside was breath taking. When you realised the elaborate decoration was all achieved using paint on a flat surface you marvelled at the effect.

Group leaders please note – the Methodist Church was a terrific venue and, in addition to the large hall, they also have various meeting rooms. There is a caretaker on hand and kitchen facilities available.

Thanks to Marjorie McGaw and Gillian Jamieson for sterling work with the refreshments and to George Kirk for taking the money and ticking off on the list. We were pleased to see a lot of members new to that group. We

debated at the end how we wanted the Travel group to work. The room is booked for the first Tuesday of the month up to Christmas, 1.45 pm for refreshments for 2pm start. We will then look at a programme for 2018. There has been a request for trips once more, but we need to explore the financial and insurance implications, so that is one for the future.



Wendy Hattrell



On a pleasant August morning, a group of members met at the Park Club, Woodlands. Our guides for the walk were Pat & Dave. We ambled along a nice stretch of countryside. It used to be Brodsworth colliery and is now the Brodsworth Community Woodland. The view from the top was quite spectacular and you could see for miles. Some even took advantage of the weather and time of year to do some blackberry picking! After approximately 4 miles we landed back at base to partake in a very welcome drink and lunch.



Our September stroll will be in Finningley, meeting at the Harvey Arms and leaving at 10.30 as usual. Looking forward to seeing you all again and welcoming any new members who wish to join us.

..Linda and Brenda

Striders

Our July walk started at Cannon Hall Garden Centre. After coffee we walked through the grounds of Cannon Hall, through High Hoyland and on to Bretton Hall where we enjoyed lunch in the café. This photo was taken in the fields above Bretton on our return walk.

Diane Woolven





The **Looking at Art Group**, led by Janet Gleadall, visited the Ferens Art Gallery in Hull in July. A lively discussion of some their Victorian paintings was subsequently discussed at the 1st September session.

Among those of particular interest were **Spencer Tunick**, whose photographs of naked, blue Hull citizens, *'Sea of Blue'* is notoriously well known.





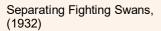
Sea of Blue, photograph

The First Born, oil painting (1913)

Frederick Ellwells *'The First Born'* and Thomas Pelham Hall *'The Empty Cradle'*.

Two sides of Victorian life. The one celebrating new birth, the other indicating the sadness and prevalence of infant mortality.





The Vacant Cradle, oil painting



A large canvas that covered most of a wall was **Herbert Drapers**, '*Ulysses and the sirens' painted in 1909.*

A particularly interesting one, by **Sir Stanley Spencer**, usually known for his paintings of naked women, and period studies of Glaswegian industry, was 'Separating Fighting Swans' painted in 1932.

I recommend a visit to the gallery. Entrance is free. There is a moderately priced, licenced café and the staff are particularly helpful.

Jean Graville-King



Some interesting facts about Bonfire Night



- After the assassination attempt by Catholic dissident Guido Fawkes and his 12 co-conspirators was foiled, Londoners immediately began lighting bonfires in celebration of the plot having failed, and a few months later Parliament declared 5th November a public day of thanksgiving.
- The name "bonfire" derives from the term "bone fire". In the Middle Ages these types of fires were usually set up in order to burn bones.
- Up until 1959, it was illegal to not celebrate Bonfire Night in the UK.
- There is at least one school in York taking advantage of the lifting of this law. St Peter's School in York was attended by Guy Fawkes, and it refuses to burn his effigy as a mark of respect to the former pupil.
- Fireworks were invented by accident. In the 10th century, a Chinese cook accidentally mixed three common cooking ingredients (sulphur, charcoal and a salt substitute) and set it alight, which resulted in colourful flames.
- Fireworks first reached Europe in the 14th century. Initially, they were produced by the Italians and the first recorded display took place in Florence.
- The first recorded fireworks display in England was at the wedding of King Henry VII in 1486.
- If Guy Fawkes had managed to light the 2,500kg of gunpowder underneath the Houses of Parliament, he would have caused damage within a radius of almost 500 metres



Taken from http://www.britain-magazine.com

Would you like to live to be 100?

The number of people reaching their 100th birthday has quadrupled over the last two decades. There were 14,570 in the UK at the last count. Having recently read an article in my newspaper about the secrets of a long and happy life I thought you would be interested in what the various Centurions interviewed had to say.



They didn't focus so much on the 'don't smoke or drink to excess' views usually mentioned in such articles but on what made people happy. The general gist was keep busy, don't worry about things and get on and do things every day.

One lady called Joan always looks back on her life every day when she goes to bed and asks herself what was the nicest thing that happened to her today. She says it might be something she's seen, or something someone said or something accomplished. I thought that was a lovely thing to do. Joan says one of the most damaging traits she observes in others is ingratitude – "people are often ungrateful".

Another lively Centurion called Rose has always been busy. She thinks it is important to be interested in everything - in what's going on. "Don't sit back and vegetate." She plays the piano and paints and learnt to use a computer when she was 88, so she now reads a paper online every day.

The general approach of this remarkable group of people is "You've been given a brain – use it." If you are reading this then you will already be part of Doncaster U3A and hopefully will be making good use of your membership in joining Groups or if you have something that is an interest of yours that isn't yet a Group, helping set up a new one. Each U3A or Group is only as good as it's members – we try to do our bit in helping you to keep busy and interested as you head towards your 100th birthday!

Wendy Hattrell



THIRD AGE TRUST—EVENTS

16th October 2017: U3A Explores Science at the Ri

The Royal Institute, London. £21.50 Speakers: Ian Crawford, Michael de Podesta, Catie Williams

23rd October 2017: 1,000 Years of Illumination (manuscripts)

The British Library, London £24.00

14th November 2017: Setting the Scene: Landscape Painting at the National Gallery

The Sainsbury Wing Theatre, National Gallery, London £21.50

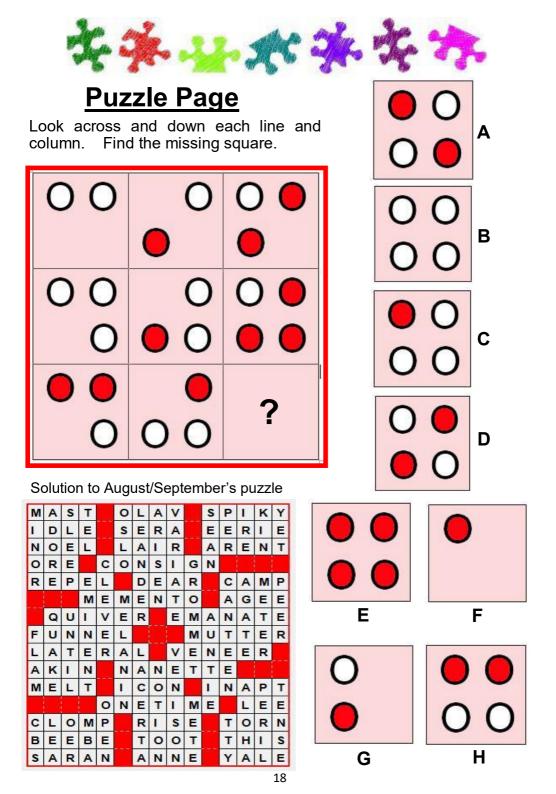
For further information visit: https://www.u3a.org.uk/events/educational-events



<u>GIFT AID</u>

Many thanks to all our members who have agreed to Gift Aid their subscriptions. We have just received £600+ from HMRC. If you are a tax payer and have not already Gift Aided your subscription, and would like to, please contact Jill Laming, the Membership Secretary.

If your circumstances change and you are no longer eligible to claim Gift Aid it is important that you inform the Membership Secretary as soon as possible.



Menu for the

DU3A Christmas Dinner at the Regent Hotel: see page 6

Starters

- Roasted winter vegetable soup
- Dovetail of melon served with seasonal berry dressing
- Chef's Pate maison served with French bread
- The Regent prawn cocktail served on a bed of mixed leaves and marinated cherry tomatoes

Main course

- Traditional roast turkey with cranberry sauce and all the trimmings
- Salmon fillet encased in a filo pastry parcel served with a fennel and orange sauce
- Roast beef served with our famous Yorkshire pudding
- Roast loin of pork served with warm apple sauce and all the trimmings
- Winter wellington with a mushroom, hazelnut, brie and cranberry filling served with vegetarian gravy.

All main courses are served with a selection of potatoes and seasonal vegetables.

<u>Desserts</u>

- Traditional Christmas pudding served with Brandy sauce
- Chef's handmade cheesecake topped with mixed berries and served with a raspberry coulis
- Profiteroles filled with fresh cream served with a Belgian chocolate sauce
- Duo cheese platter with red onion chutney.

Please let Carole or Joan have your choices by Tuesday 10th October at the latest.

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This slip should be returned with your payment to: The DU3A Membership Secretary, or handed over at a General Meeting. If posted please remember to include an SAE for the return of your Membership card

Membership renewal 2017/18

Family and Local **History Fair with Craft Stalls** at Doncaster School for the Deaf Saturday 14th October 10.00-16.00 At least 44 stalls including: DU3A **Genealogy Supplies** Second Hand Books Doncaster Heritage Services/ Archives ••• Raffle Doncaster Minster Friends of Doncaster Museum Great Northern Railway Society Pollie Scott - Medieval trees The Sand House Wood Turning Demonstration Doncaster Civic Trust The Family History Partnership Military & Family Genealogy Picture Postcards Ltd Two Free Talks Myko Clelland: Getting the Best from Findmypast Ian Dewhirst: Life in the 1950's DU3A are running a stand at the above event in order to advertise our U3A. If you would like to come along and join us for part of the day it would be appreciated. Diane Williams & John Wheeler

Membership Renewal slip: see previous page



Welcome to the **October/November**



culture page

Just a few ideas for up and coming things you may like to do.

Friday 13th October: <u>Tony Christie</u> Call 01302 370777 or visit https://www.dclt.co.uk/whats-on

Grimsby Auditorium

Saturday 7th October: Cirque du Hilarious Call 0300 300 0035 or visit http://grimsbyauditorium.org.uk/whats-on

Cast

Friday 22nd September: <u>The Colour of Light</u> (Outdoor event) Wednesday 11th October: <u>Charge</u> Electrifying new dance-circus from Motionhouse Thursday 19th October: Henning Wehn: Westphalia is Not an Option Friday 27th October: Russian National Ballet: The Nutcracker Call 01302 303959 or visit

https://www.castindoncaster.com/Pages/Events/Category/whats-on

Doncaster School for the Deaf

Saturday 14th October: Family & Local History Fair with Craft Stalls http://doncasterfhs.co.uk/event/family-local-history-fair-with-craft-stalls-2017

Tickhill Music Society

Friday 13th October: Dinara Klinton (piano): Bach, Beethoven & lots of Chopin Friday 10th November: <u>Gelächter Wind Trio (oboe, clarinet & bassoon)</u> incl. Mozart, Elgar, Bizet & Gershwin http://tickhillmusicsociety.org/concert-calendar

Bawtry Phoenix Theatre

Friday 13th October: Let Sleeping Bags Lie Call 01302 710825 or visit http://www.bawtrytheatre.co.uk

Sheffield Theatres

23rd – 28th October: <u>The Best Man</u> (Lyceum) Wednesday 25th October: <u>Ruby Wax (</u>Crucible) Friday 3rd November: <u>Brian Blessed</u> (Crucible) Saturday 18th November: Rafiki Jazz (Crucible Studio Theatre) Call 0114 2496000 or visit https://www.sheffieldtheatres.co.uk/whats-on

> Hope you find something to enjoy. **B** Thompson

Clouds Counselling Service

I am a member of U3A who founded this service 10 years ago and manage it. We have helped 3000 people and offer nearly 100 appointments per week.

For more information visit <u>www.cloudscounsellingservices.com</u> Client line:07962907053

Sally Chamberlain

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B Thompson



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DU3A members can contact group leaders directly - See your paper or emailed News-letter.

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Prego Café

We would like to thank our friends at the Prego Café for their help over the past years. Not only is the tea, coffee and food excellent, but the free use of the upstairs room for meetings has been a great help to many of our groups. If you haven't been there yet, give it a try!

Monks Printers

We are grateful to Monks the Printers for their help in printing this newsletter.

DU3A Website

https://u3asites.org.uk/doncaster

Visit the DU3A website for information about all the current interest groups, latest news/notices, membership information, meetings, social events, monthly calendars and newsletters, help/advice links, links to regional and national u3a and more......

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Deadline

Thank-you to all the members who have sent articles for this issue. Articles for the December/January newsletter need to be received by <u>Monday 30th October.</u> Please send news of group activities, articles, photographs, etc. to du3anewsletterbmt@btinternet.com.



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