

Issue 175

November 2023

**General Meetings** are held at Enderby Civic Centre, 3rd Wednesday at 1.45pm doors open 1.30pm.

Among the guiding principles on styles and methods of learning is the recognition that the pleasures of learning are a driving force in U3As and that U3A members see themselves as both learners and teachers.

## **ENDERBY AREA NEWSLETTER**

### **Message from the Chair**

Hello Everyone, hope you have had a good month.

This is my first month as Chair for the Enderby Area U3A and I will endeavour to do as good a job as Esther has in the past. I know you will all join me in thanking her and wishing her well for the future.

Just a reminder that there is still time to buy raffle tickets for the Christmas Party (don't forget to put your name down for that too, I believe there are still a few places left). Raffle tickets can be purchased during the meeting and are £1 each. There are some fabulous prizes including two hampers, slippers, 2 bottles of whiskey, 1 bottle of Prosecco, a ladies handbag and a ladies watch.

I look forward to seeing you all, best wishes, Sue Dixey

### **Items for newsletters**

There is no Newsletter in December. Items for the January Newsletter should be sent to [vwmeasday@gmail.com](mailto:vwmeasday@gmail.com) or phone Vaughan on 07443 645292 By **3rd January** please.

## **TRIPS AND SOCIAL**

### **Outings**

No outings are currently planned, as there were not enough people wanting to go.

### **Theatre**

Jesus Christ Superstar @ Curve Theatre on Thursday 15th February 2024 @ 2.15pm.

Cost £37.00 pp if all 20 tickets sold or £38.00 pp if under 20 tickets sold.

Payment due @ October meeting.

Please see or call Bev Sabin if you would like to go on 07742426899 or 01162478577



Payment also due at October meeting for Puss in Boots Pantomime in January £17pp all tickets have been sold for this.

## GROUPS



### Walking

2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday

The group continue to walk on the second Thursday of the month. Details are emailed to the group members and are also included on the Enderby U3A walking groups Facebook page.

The Christmas walk is on the 14<sup>th</sup> of December, when we are once again going to the Foxton Locks Inn after a walk around the area and hopefully some mulled wine at Bridge 61. All monies should be paid to Colin by the start of December, together with menu choices.

Contact Colin Hall on 0116 2865418 if you would like more details on our walks, which are an average of 5 miles.

### Wednesday Luncheon Club

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday



Wednesday 29<sup>th</sup> November 2023 1pm at The Dovecote. Narborough  
Contact Gill on mobile 07986 574937



### Stroll and Lunch

The last Stroll & Lunch was looking around Gilmorton, using the village historic trail leaflet. Many points of interest were noted.

The huge Post Office ( now a private business ) was built as a hotel. This was in the hope that The Great Central Railway would be built nearby. Sadly it was built over a mile away. Near the church is evidence of an 11<sup>th</sup> century defensive structure. A large earth mound surrounded by a ditch. Now largely overgrown but it's purpose is clearly visible. Throughout the year we have visited North Kilworth, Burbage Woods, Leicester University Botanical Gardens, Attenborough Arboretum, Bouskell Park and Cosby Village.

### Knit and Natter

1<sup>st</sup> Monday – 2pm



December knit and Natter will be on the 4<sup>th</sup> and will be a meal out, no knit and Natter in January.

A bag full of knitting was given to the LRI for the prem babies, also bees have been knitted for busy bees nursery at Bitteswell for Child Bereavement Uk , also lots of Halloween see pictures



## **Bird Watching**

On the 5th October we went to Brandon nature reserve, our aim was to see 40 different birds but we only got to 30, so we will try again on the 30th November. Meet at the car park at 10.00 a.m. meal at the Royal Oak after, if you would like to go please let Margaret know at the u3a meeting of phone 01162866189.



## **Sunday Club**

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday



Sunday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 1pm The Manor at Glen Parva  
Contact Gill on mobile 07986 574937

## **Craft**

4th Monday 1.45pm

The next craft group meeting will be Monday 27th November at 1.45 pm at Enderby bowls club.

We are making covered Christmas baubles

Materials needed polystyrene or plastic ball, fabric embellishments pins glue thin ribbon.

Please contact Angela on 01162 865465 if you are interested in joining this group.



## **Short Mat Bowling**

Monday – 10am - 12 noon

Short mat bowls each Monday morning at Enderby Bowls Club 10 am to 12 noon. Come and try us out and start the week off joining our group. *Mind the dog.*

Cost is £2.00 per session. Contact Gill on mobile 07986 574937



## **Canasta and Games**

Monday 1.45pm.

The canasta and games group continue to meet at the Enderby Bowls club. They meet on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Mondays in the month starting at 1.45pm.

The next meetings will be held on the 27<sup>th</sup> of November and the 11<sup>th</sup> of December (with Christmas day ruled out of the schedule).

We are still looking for new members to join this group. No experience is required and so come and try out a new interest. Ring Sandy for more details on 0116 2865418.



## **History Research**

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday – 2pm

The next meeting of the group will be on 21 November @ 2pm @ Ann's. We're not sure what to do about December as there are so many jollities and festivities vying for the few days available. We may just meet at Darienne's (hopefully) on 19 or 12 December for some mince pies, with a view to going out for a restaurant meal in January. That date might be on 16 January, venue to be advised.

As we enter that period of the year where practising Christians around the world concentrate on the principle of 'Peace to all Mankind', here's a thought for the day: "If your religion or belief system requires you to hate someone, you need a revised way of thinking".

Good Luck in 2024!



## **Italian**

2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday – 2.15pm

Our next meeting will be on 27<sup>th</sup> November and we intend going out for our Christmas meal on 11<sup>th</sup> December. We will resume our normal meetings in January. Buon Natale tutti!

For any further information you can ring Elizabeth on 0116 275037

## **Genealogy and Family History**

3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday – 2pm

Our next meeting will be on 16<sup>th</sup> of November. We will also meet again on the 21<sup>st</sup> of December when we can maybe share some Christmas treats. We have decided to plan a meal out together in the New Year rather than before Christmas.

We have some outings earmarked for next year including Canon's Ashby and the Narborough trail.

Sandy can be contacted on 0116 2865418. If anyone wants any help with their search for ancestors, please give her a call.



## **Kurling**

Tuesday afternoons – 1.45pm

Every Tuesday at 1.30pm

At the Enderby bowls club, Mill Lane, Cost £2.00.

If you are interested, just come along on Tuesday afternoon to see what Kurling is all about.





## **Ten Pin Bowling**

The Ten pin meeting on the 13th saw 7 members attending. The game was dominated throughout by Steve who won the game with a score of 127.

The dates for October are. 11th and 25th. The dates for November will be 8th and 22nd.

We met at Hollywood Bowl on the Meridian at 1.30 for a 1.45 start. The cost per person is. £3.58 . Contact Jean Marsden on 07801490469 for more information.

## **Gardening Interest**



1st Wednesday 2pm.

We had a lovely time on our visit to some gardens in Warwick, these are rare survivals of Victorian gardens and summerhouses now restored by volunteers. See pictures below.

Our next meeting will be at The Dog and Gun Enderby on December 6th at 2pm.

Information from Esther 01455 888316



## MEMBERS CORNER

### Tea Duty

Refreshments will be served today by Margaret Warner and Anne Bannister.

Next month will be the Christmas Party on the 13<sup>th</sup>



### Welfare

If you know of any member who is ill and would appreciate a card please contact Joan Brown on 0116-2865649.

### Dog and Gun Parking

Please display a U3A tag on your dashboard if using their parking area. Margaret will supply a tag. This is only available for monthly General Meetings.

### An idea for Xmas

Make your own silver jewellery, ear rings, a pendant, or treat someone to a gift voucher so in the New Year they can make their own.

The daughter of one of our members runs a workshop in Cosby where she will show you how to make these items. Phone Marie for a chat 07740300662. She would love to hear from you.



### Notices table

This is now situated at the rear of the hall after you have paid your sub, and we recommend you take time to study or glance at the information on this table.

It is one way we try to reach all of our members with information that may be of interest to them.

If you have something you wish to post on this table get in touch with Joan Brown and she will let you know if it's possible and if you have questions regarding anything on this table speak to any committee member (details overleaf). Your input is highly valued!

### Memory Joggers

Please remember, if you **change your address, phone no, or email**, to fill out a Change of personal details form, as we cannot contact you without up to date details. Thanks

**Raffle prizes**; If you are having a clear out please donate to our monthly raffle. Prizes can be given to any committee member

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## Enderby Area U3A Speaker Programme 2023



15th November - Edith Piaf - Julie Kinnear

13th December - CHRISTMAS PARTY!



If, through your other pursuits, you come across good speakers who you think might suit Enderby U3A please let Cynthia Reader-Blackton or other committee members, know.

### Your Committee 2022/23

Chair	Sue Dixey
Treasurer	Linda Jayes
Secretary	Vacant
Minutes Secretary	Ann Burton
Group Co-ordinator	Vaughan Measday
Speaker Secretary	Cynthia Reader-Blackton
Membership Secretary	Anne Bannister
Welfare	Joan Brown
Executive Member	Gill Mayer
Executive Member	Gerry Brennan



Membership Secretary - Anne Bannister 07933 165200

Remember this is your U3A so let's make use of it

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