

March 2020

John (chair) started the meeting by giving out information about the effects of the coronavirus outbreak on members of the U3A indicating that the virus is statistically more likely to cause deaths in the older age groups.

The Third Age Trust has sent out advice to U3As which we can read under the new special, and hopefully temporary, 'Coronavirus' heading of our website.

If the situation changes then Group Coordinators will be informed and the latest information will also be placed on the website.

Other news from the Committee

At our May AGM there will be elections for a new committee which will also include the roles of Treasurer and Vice chair who are retiring.

There is to be a talk at the April meeting. 'Guide Dogs for the Blind'

The Newsletter will soon go to everyone who has an email address with the option of opting out if you do not want it.

Excursions

- Yorkshire Air Museum, 19th March, one or two places left.
- Booking in April for the Esk Valley Theatre matinee production of Shirley Valentine in August.
- Trip to Auckland Castle on 25th June

Art Appreciation Brenda 07775 691692

Oriental Museum, Durham. Another visit to this lovely venue, this time for Ceramics Across Cultures. As with the Jade exhibition, visitors will be able to handle the exhibits. Thursday 19th March. Leaving at 10.30am.

Saltaire 22nd April

Historical Village plus David Hockney exhibition. Leaving at 9.15am Cost £23_

Saltburn Local History and Nature Lectures to which Guisborough members are invited. **10am upstairs hall of Saltburn Methodist church. £1.50**

Just come along, no need to book or be in a group.

11th March. Peter Morgan, 'From Flax to Linen' How the flax industry started in this area.

5th March 'Diving under the North Sea' This talk is from the article in Saltburn's 'Talk of the Town' publication which you can obtain with a small donation from the bookshop or the library.

Gardening

The 13th of March is the last meeting at Sleights Court.

The meeting scheduled for Friday 10th April is cancelled as it is Good Friday.