



September 2021 Newsletter

Monthly Meeting

Please join us on **Tuesday 21st September** from **12 noon to 3pm**

at **St. Mary's Church Hall** (at the rear of St Mary's Church),

Stoke Newington Church Street, N16 9ES

Buses 73, 476 or 393 (Stoke Newington Town Hall) or buses 141 and 341 (Stoke Newington Church Street)

Please let us know if you like to come as refreshments will be provided.

We will have a speaker from Hackney Archives and a short demo of our new website.

Do bring a friend.

Other Events

Thursday 9th September **Shorter Walks**: Outing to Epping Forest. Details have been sent out to group members or contact the Group Leader

Wednesday 15th September **Memorial gathering for Alice Hitchin**, 2.30-5.30pm. at River Lea Rowing Club, The Boathouse, Spring Hill, E5 9B

Thursday 16th September **Bird Watching**: There will be an extra outing for the Hackney U3A Bird Watching Group to the Lee Valley Country Park on Thursday 16th September 2021, meeting at Cheshunt Station at 10:15. Details have been sent out to group members or contact the Group Leader

Thursday 30th September **Exploring London**: Visit to Walthamstow Pump and Transport Museum (10 South Access Road, E17 8AX), meeting at the museum at 10.45 for 11am. Getting there: please contact the Group Leader

Membership

Annual membership runs until 31 August 2022 and the subscription rate for this year is £12 for membership and £15 if you wish to receive the National Magazine "Third Age Matters" which is posted to you 5 times a year. (We pay £3.10 per annum for each member opting to receive this magazine). The annual fee covers payment for the capitation fee to the National U3A and costs for Beacon and our Website.

Committee Vacancies

Please consider joining our Committee to help start activities and new groups. We have a vacancy for Treasurer and also need help with organising Monthly Meetings.

To contact HU3A or find out further information:

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Update on Groups currently operating

This provides information on which groups are currently operating and by what means in view of the ongoing situation with the Covid-19 pandemic.

Quite a few of our groups quickly adapted to using Zoom or meet outdoors; some groups have returned to meeting indoors. The latest information is as follows:

GROUPS OPERATING ON ZOOM OR PLANNING TO RETURN TO IN PERSON:

- French Films and Conversation
- Philosophy
- Pilates – IN PERSON IN NEW VENUE ON TRIAL BASIS (from 13th September)
- Poetry
- Tai chi – IN PERSON IN NEW VENUE ON TRIAL BASIS (from 13th September)

Using ONLINE BRIDGE WEBSITES such as BBO, SHARK and TRICKSTER:

- Bridge

GROUPS MEETING IN PERSON and also ACCESSIBLE ON ZOOM (Hybrid meeting)

- Ukulele

GROUPS MEETING OUTSIDE:

- Art - Re-started 9 April in member's garden
- Bird Watching - we walk the same route on the first Monday of the month, so we keep up our records of birds spotted by month
- Exploring London – see Events for details of next meeting
- Long Walks - Re-started 28th May
- Shorter Walks - see Events for details of next walk

GROUPS MEETING INDOORS:

- Badminton NEW Britannia Leisure Centre, currently Thursdays at 13:00 to 15:00 but the group hopes to revert to 11:00 to 13:00 soon when Covid restrictions permit
- Current Affairs Restarted in St Joseph's Hospice, Mare Street on 27th July

GROUPS TO HOPEFULLY RE-START SOON:

- Italian Films
- Reading and Discussion Books – Over Zoom or outside

OTHER GROUPS MAY BE IN TOUCH WITH THEIR MEMBERS