

Halesworth and District U3A.



Moving North: From Sutton Hoo to Dunwich

As we are all only too aware, we continue to live in unfamiliar and unusual times. The 'rule of 6' as regards meeting both in members' own homes and gardens remains in place.

In light of recent guidance both our Walking and Birdwatching groups successfully resumed during October albeit in a Covid-19 secure and socially distanced way. A number of our other groups continue to meet regularly online.

October has seen our first 'open to all members' monthly talk resume after several months of enforced absence, but this time online. Our first online talk was given by Philip Leech from the Sutton Hoo Kings Ship Company with around 30 members logged in to share this excellent live event. Philip reminded us of the ships discovery in 1939 and went on to tell us about the biggest experimental archaeology project in Europe - the recreation of this unique vessel in Woodbridge. In light of this we now intend to arrange further monthly live online talks. For November we have booked Mark Mitchels who will talk about The History of Dunwich. Details of how to join will be sent to members by email.

Covid-19 restrictions have understandably caused some of our activities to be paused, with others moving online or outdoors in a Covid secure fashion. We continue however to very much welcome new members. For those now retired or looking towards this, or those recently moved to the area, the thought of joining your local U3A has perhaps understandably not been to the fore recently. With more than 250 local members, we offer a warm welcome to new recruits. Should you wish to join us, application forms (£15.00 p.a.) along with contact details for the leaders of our many activities, are to be found on the Halesworth U3A website. We look forward to hearing from you.

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