# Halewood u3a Newsletter July 2023

#### **Hello Everyone**

Here we are in the month of July already. Hope the lovely Summer weather returns.

#### **MEMBERSHIP**

The present membership is now 154

### Holiday in Ireland in June.

Here is Janet's brief account

" Eight members went to Ireland travelling by coach with AVA Travel.

We left on Monday 5<sup>th</sup>June returning on Friday 9<sup>th</sup> June We visited the lovely Powerscourt Estate, the amazing little Avoca Woollen Mill (probably the oldest working mill still in existence), Glenderlough Nationa Park with its ancient monastic ruins and beautiful lakes and last but not least Dublin.

"I think it is fair to say that we had a very enjoyable holiday"

We have some photos on our website so look out for them also I would like to thank Janet for organising this holiday. AVA Travel seem by all accounts to be a good company to use.

#### **NEWS FROM THE INTEREST GROUPS**

### **Interesting Buildings Group**

Pat Potter has booked a visit to the Greek Orthodox Church, Princess Road for Wednesday 20th September. More details later and names can be taken at our July Meeting. 25 is the max number for this visit.

### **Walking Group**

Anyone interested in joining this group please contact Margaret Carter on 0151 427 211
The Group have holiday planned for September

### **Discussion Group**

The next meeting will be 10am on Monday 10th July at 48 Woodland Road. Ian finds some stimulating subjects for us to discuss. We are happy to accept new members at present so just come along.

#### **Book Club**

The next meeting will be Thursday 1:30pm at the Arncliffe. Hope members are enjoying our present book, "The River Between us by Liz Fenwick

## Craft Group

12 Members of the Group travelled by train to the Craft Fair in Birmingham on Friday 23<sup>rd</sup>June

They had a very good time observing different crafts and equipment and even taking part in workshops.

I think that it was quite a tired group returning home but a worthwhile visit.

Many thanks to Jackie for arranging everything for the day.

Some quilting work and cross stitch items were displayed at the Halewood Culturefest Art & Craft Exhibition

### **Games Group**

We are very grateful to Paul Marshall from Ainsdale u3a for helping the group to get started on playing Bridge. Now Lucie Wilson one of our members is going to help with the progression.

Another Group is playing Canasta and feel that they too would like help I have now spoken to a member of Wallasey u3a to come along to give advice.

I am trying to have a regular time for these Games Sessions. Once a week would be ideal but it is difficult to find a time to suit everyone

### Garden Interest Group

Sue has arranged a visit to Plas Newydd House and Gardens, Ynys Mon on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> September.

Sue will take payments at our July Meeting Cost for coach is £16 and Entrance fee is £10.45

National Trust Members enter free If you have not put your name down and still want to go please let Sue know ASAP Tel 07727 853760 so that she can book the right size coach.

#### **LUNCH GROUP**

Mal will be arranging the next lunch in September.

Date and venue to announced later. I will keep you informed.

#### THEATRE GROUP

The small group who went to the Welsh Choral Concert at the Tung Auditorium really enjoyed it. This is a fantastic venue so look out for future concerts.

### Halewood Culturefest 2023

Many of our members attended several Culturefest Events which included the Pub Quiz. Several of our members took part. The winning team was from the Halewood Park Walking Group But our teams did very well.

### <u>Speaker</u>

The Speaker in July is David Casement. The talk is "New Zealand, South Island"
David gave a talk about the North Island last year.

## Embsay Railway Trip Friday 18th August.

Mal thanks everyone for paying the full amount.

The coach will depart from Roseheath Drive our usual pick up point at 9:30 am

I will remind you all again at our July meeting

#### Coffee Break

The next Coffee Break will be at 10:30am at Strawberry Field on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup>July you are free to play Scrabble or dominoes if you like.

This will also be an opportunity to meet to some Liverpool u3a members.

Hope to have the August Coffee Break on Wednesday 16<sup>th</sup> at 10:30am

### **POLICY**

The Committee are in the process of writing a "Social Events and Travel Policy" which will be presented to the membership when complete

If you need to get in touch with me regarding anything in this Newsletter please ring 486 6547 or e- mail <a href="mailto:liz.owen48@btinternet.com">liz.owen48@btinternet.com</a>

As always could you please pass this newsletter on to any member you may know who is not on email

**Best Wishes** 

Liz