

# Halewood u3a Newsletter November 2023

Hello Everyone.

This will be my last Newsletter for 2023. The next one will be in January 2024

The A.G.M. on 27<sup>th</sup> October went well ..Thank you to the 95 members who attended

Your Committee for 2023- 2024 is as follows :-

Liz Owen Chair, Jackie Fearon Secretary, Pat McLachlan Treasurer,  
Ian Thomson Vice Chair & Assistant Treasurer,  
Pam Boffey, Margaret Hill, Jean Jones, Pauline Jones, Sue Coldwell,  
Janet Markey, Pam Langley and Mal Owen

Pam Boffey has been Membership Secretary for several years but has now decided to resign from that role although she will remain a member of the Committee. Many thanks Pam

The role of Membership Secretary will be shared by three Committee members for the time being.

## Learn, Laugh and Live

At the A.G.M the Committee gave a choice for the formation of these new Interest Groups.

1. Family History, Chat Group. Sign Language and Ukulele.

Margaret Hill is organising the chat group. If you would like to attend ring her on 0151 487 7075

The ukulele group met for the first time on Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> November.

12 members entered names for Sign Language and 15 for Family History

As soon as these Groups are organised I will let you know.

## Walking Group

The Walkers would welcome new members to join them on their Monday walks. The contact for the group is Margaret Carter on 0151 427 2117

## Games Group

The Canasta Group are now meeting regularly every 2 weeks at Pam Langley's house. The next date is 22<sup>nd</sup> November (This is the date for the Bents visit) so Please check this date with Pam on 07597 905 188

Bridge This Group is still meeting once a week on Tuesdays, 1.30pm at the "Bear & Staff" Pub Gateacre.

## Garden Interest Group

The next visit will be to Bents Garden Centre on Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> November.

Coach departing at 10am ----- from Roseheath Drive, Halewood L26 9UH

### **Coffee Break**

Meet for a coffee and maybe stay for lunch 10:30am a “Strawberry Field” on Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> November.

If you want to play a game such as Scrabble or Dominoes these will be available but if you just want to chat that is fine also.

### **Interesting Buildings Group**

Mal has booked a visit to the Veolia Recycling Centre in Knowsley at 1 pm on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2024. There are 26 names on the list

Don't worry if you don't want to drive there. Mal is organising a car share and several members have offered to give lifts. It will be sorted at our November meeting. (Email - Mal if you require a lift)

### **Discussion Group**

The next meeting will be 10am on Monday 13<sup>th</sup> November at the usual venue 48 Woodland Road. If you would like to join us just come along.

Ian Thomson always finds interesting and challenging topics to discuss at each session.

### **Book Club**

**\*\*\*The next meeting will 1:30pm on Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> November for this month only it will be held will be at 48 Woodland Road.\*\*\***

At this meeting members will discuss individual books they have read and the next book for Nov/ Dec will be “The Library” by Bella Osborne

### **Craft Group**

At present the members are making Christmas decorations including some table decorations for our Christmas party

All under the supervision of Jackie and Pauline

At our November Meeting there will be a Craft Exhibition with items for sale. In addition to our regular raffle there will be a special raffle for beautiful quilts available at the Craft Stall.

### **Lunch Group**

Mal will be organising the next Lunch for February at the Casa Rima, Baileys Lane Halewood. Date to be arranged. He will let you know all details at the November Meeting. Menus etc will be distributed early January.

### **Theatre Group**

The next visit is :-

“Welsh Choral Festival Fanfare” on 16<sup>th</sup> December at the TUNG Auditorium, and Scouse Panto “Dick Whittington” at the Royal Court.

Pam Langley is organising the tickets for the Pantomime on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at 8pm.

### **Speakers**

Our Speaker for November will be Christina Spencer talking about "Christmas Unwrapped" This will be her fourth visit to Halewood u3a and we have loved her talk each time.

### **Christmas Party Friday 8<sup>th</sup> December**

For this event ONLY we will be using Hollies Hall on Hollies Road  
Halewood L26 0TH

Last year we enjoyed the Ukulele Band so they have been booked again also  
Lillybets will supply the Buffet.

**\*\*\*There will be a GRAND RAFFLE\*\*\*\***

The list is now closed but we will have a Reserve list in case someone drops out.  
Tickets will be sold price £5.00 each at our November Meeting.  
The total cost is subsidised from our funds .

Please arrive at 1:45 pm for 2pm start

2pm Ukulele Band. -----followed by Buffet and Raffle

The Bar at the Hollies will be open.

Feel free to wear Christmas Jumpers, Hats or anything else  
Christmassy

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Best Wishes

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