Halewood u3a Newsletter September 2023

Hello Everyone.

Hope you all enjoyed the recent heat wave it was bonus following July and August weather.

Day Trips

The Committee have just completed a Social Events and Travel Policy and this is based on information given to us by the Third Age Trust you will all be able to view a copy soon.

Regarding DAY TRIPS. I must make this clear NOW.

These are open to members only and if there are spaces left on the coach and cannot be filled by our u3a, then and only then can non members be included and this can only be a one off visit and be regarded as a taster to becoming a member of Halewood u3a.

IT MUST BE MADE CLEAR TO ANY NON MEMBER GOING ON A DAY TRIP THAT THEY ARE NOT INSURED UNDER THE THIRD PARTY INSURANCE PROVIDED BY THE THIRD AGE TRUST ON OUR BEHALF.

Members of any other u3a WILL be insured.

MEMBERSHIP

The present membership is now 160 as recorded on 28th of July

Walking Group

The Walkers would welcome new members to join them on their Monday walks.

I wonder if some of our newer members would fancy joining.

Here are a few examples of walks recently completed. Public Transport takes you to the beginning of the walks.

- I. Train from Hunts Cross, getting off at St Michaels Station and walking up to the Dingle passing Matthew Arnold School and down into the Festival Gardens.
- 2. Bidston Hill, the Farm Park for lunch and then through Birkenhead to the station.
- 3. Train to Birkdale the walk into Southport, lunch by the bowling greens then back to Birkdale along Rotten Row.

These walks are usually just under 5 miles.

I thank Margaret Carter for giving me this information

ANYONE TEMPTED???? RING MARGARET ON 427 2117

Games Group

The Canasta Group are now meeting regularly every 2 weeks at Pam Langley's house. The next dates are as follows:-

Wednesdays at 10am on 27th September, 11thand 25th October, 8th and 22nd November. If you would like to try Canasta you are invited to go along.

Please ring Pam on 07597 905 188.

Bridge Group

This Group is meeting once a week on Tuesdays, 2pm at the "Bear & Staff. Gateacre.

Garden Interest Group

It was a beautiful sunny day as we travelled to Plas Newydd, Ynys Mon.

The Menai Straits were so calm and the gardens were so colourful, There were plenty of woodland paths to keep us cool as we walked around. On entering the house we watched a video about the 5th Marquis of Anglesey(1875-1905) He had inherited an annual income in today's money of about £18 million.

Living a very extravagant and unusual life by 1904 he lost nearly all his fortune There is so much more to say about this character but it would take me all night. Please "Google" him it is worth reading.

Interesting Buildings Group

The next visit will be to the Greek Orthodox Church, Princes Road on Wednesday 20th September. This visit is fully booked. Meet 10:50am at the front entrance Berkley Street L8 1XB. I will give an account of this in my October Newsletter

Discussion Group

The next meeting will be 10am on l8th September at the usual venue 48 Woodland Road. If you would like to join us just come along.

Book Club

The next meeting will 1:30pm on Thursday 21st September at the Arncliffe when we will discuss "The Boss" the book we have been reading this month.

Craft Group

The group will be finishing present tasks and then beginning to think about Christmas. Jackie will have some fabulous ideas.

Don't forget the exhibition and sale of items at our November meeting.

LUNCH GROUP

28 members enjoyed a very tasty meal at Justino's Aigburth Road on Friday 15th September..

Theatre Group

The next visit is to the Empire to see "Calender Girls" on Wednesday 11th October This is all booked now.

Future Visits :-

"Welsh Choral Festival Fanfare" on 16th December at the TUNG Auditorium, and Scouse Panto "Dick Whittington" at the Royal Court in January. Date and price to be confirmed at our September Meeting when Pam Langley will take names for anyone interested in attending.

Coffee Break

We usually meet at Strawberry Field on the third Wednesday of the month but I have not made a group booking for September as this is the day when the Interesting Buildings Group is visiting the Greek Orthodox Church. However anyone not on the visit could go for a coffee if they so wish. I will make a Group booking for 18th October.

Future Dates for your Diary

Visit to Bents Garden Centre on Wednesday 22nd November.
The coach costs £15:50 including driver's tip. Coach departs from ROSEHEATH DRIVE, L26 9UH at 10 am. Sue will take money in an envelope please, with your name and contact number on it at the September or October meetings.

<u>Christmas Party</u>
Friday 8th December.
Details to follow

AGM

This will be held on Friday 27th October Followed by a Speaker

There is a vacancy on our Committee. All present members have agreed to stand again for another year.

If you would like to become a member or you would like to nominate someone else (seek their permission first). Please let me know by 29th September.

The Committee have decided that all the AGM documents will be sent digitally this year as it will save on paper and printing ink.

There will be hard copies for members not on the internet.

Speaker.

The Speaker on 29th September will be giving us "An Afternoon of Oriental Delights"

If you need to get in touch with me regarding anything in this Newsletter please Phone me :- 0151 486 6547 or e- mail:- liz.owen48@btinternet.com

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

Best Wishes

Liz