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Lancashire Curioisties

**Next Monthly
Meeting
November
10th
Games
afternoon**

Neil Whaley, under the title of Lancashire Curioisties, presented an illustrated, eclectic tour of our locale. Unfortunately, the combination of bright sunshine (yes it really was) and an elderly slide projector did little to help the expression of what was obviously a deeply felt love for walking his county.

We were reminded of just how important weaving was to Burnley, shown the Wellington bomber memorial above Rivington and both the Jubilee and India Mill “towers” in Darwen. The latter of course being the “Venetian” chimney which probably helped to bankrupt the enterprise but which remains spectacular and can boast also of being repointed by Fred Dibner.

Clapper and all the other bridges in Wycoller, Stonyhurst College, the Foulridge tunnel and the Whalley rail viaduct were recommended to go look at. All this was presented in a dialect which only served to remind this Southerner that “the divide” is wide and deep but well worth the effort to bridge.

By Chris Powell

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Courses Timetable November 2023

Group News

Patchwork Quilting

The dates for the Patchwork and quilting group are Nov 14th and 28th.

The group are continuing to create their own Christmas themed projects. Some weeks ago Sarah gave us all the same amount of fabric squares of 10 different Christmas designs and told us to create whatever we wanted with the material. Should be interesting to see what variations we produce!



French Conversation Group

We have had two very enjoyable meetings this month. We recalled some of our early days at work, a long time ago now! Given some of our experiences, it is a wonder we survived so long!

At our other meeting, we had to give clues about a tourist destination in Britain for the group to guess. My wish-list of places to visit has now grown longer!

Our November meetings will be on November 7th and 21st

Book Club

Unfortunately, we had to cancel the last meeting due to lack of people attending.

Only 4 people turned up and it was decided to abandon this meeting,

The next meeting is scheduled for 2 pm on Friday, 17

November 2023, as usual in the Ladies Room at Great Harwood Golf Club. We will also be



discussing if anyone can take over from me, as my health is not getting any better.

Anyone else wishing to join the group, can turn up on the day or phone Marilyn Boyden on 07772 185954.

Film Night

Last month's film was very apt for the current state of political input into conflicts but not very uplifting!



November's film, on Tuesday 21st, will hopefully be much more fun. Full details will be sent out the week before.

Uke3A

Our group meets every week in Oswaldtwistle, and enjoy singing and playing together.



Intermediate Spanish

The group continues to meet weekly on zoom.



We have been concentrating on using 'imperatives and commands', it's quite tough! But we manage to get through it with a bit of humour and Sheila's patient guidance! We are slowly improving our spoken Spanish too!

Ringin' Strings Ukulele Group.

Our Tuesday morning meetings continue at Churchfield House, Great Harwood. We are attempting lots of new songs with variable degrees of success! Onwards and upwards!



Third Age Scribblers (Creative Writing)

Our next meeting at Joyce's on Friday 3rd November is a Dress Rehearsal for our short newly written 'radio play' which will be part of

the entertainment at the u3a Christmas Party in December.

The outfits promise to be weird and wonderful and I for one cannot wait to see the cast decked out in all their finery !

"Let's do Lunch Group"

Let's do lunch group enjoyed our October outing to The Traders Arms in Mellor.

Our November lunch is on Wednesday the 15th at The Calf's Head in Worston.

We are returning to the "Artisan" Foxfields in Billington for our Christmas lunch on Wednesday 13th December.

Architectural and Industrial Heritage Group

Reminder of Ritherton Sheet Metal factory tour BB3 1QW on November 8th at 1.30.

Please inform Angela, at angelaoxley29@yahoo.com if you will be attending.

Save The Date! Guided tour of Blackburn Cathedral on Tuesday 13th February 11.00am, £3.50. followed by lunch at Checks and Greys.

Italian Conversation .

This suggestion is from Ewa Hindley. If anyone would like to join Ewa please contact her on 07796 860744 or email ewahindley@gmail.com.

Beginners Uke

Ever fancied playing the ukulele?

Well here's your chance. A group for complete beginners will begin soon. Ukuleles will be available at the four sessions for you to use. If interested, contact John Davis on 07712672751 or jmdavisphd@gmail.com

Line Dancing

The Line Dancing takes place on the first and third Mondays of the month. The dates for November are the 6th and 20th. We need a few new members so if you are interested in joining us please contact Jennifer by email (jennifer.holden2@btinternet.com) or by phone (07768079749).

Volunteers needed for Refreshments at monthly meeting.

We need groups to volunteer for January 2024.

Anne Haworth has agreed to keep a list of groups who volunteer for refreshment duties at the monthly meetings. All the details are on a sheet and the only thing the group needs to bring are biscuits and milk. The cost will be refunded by the Treasurer. Please consider volunteering as a group (only 4 people needed). Contact Anne on 01254 883472 or email annehaworth@mac.com

Age of Inspiration

Are You 50 or Over?

Join Us for a Fabulous Free Event – 7th November 2023

Doors open at 12:30 – Event from 1pm to 3pm

Accrington Town Hall, 42 Town Hall, Blackburn Road, Accrington BB5 1LA



What's On Offer?

Free Refreshments

Laughter & music to turn your bad days into good days

Entertainment with Dave Ashley, Paul McCoy and other Artists

Advice and Referral Agencies on hand

Practical ways to stay strong and resilient

Limited places, so book your place by calling Paula or Maureen on 01695 550772 or email paula@the-sewing-rooms.co.uk

Games Afternoon

This is primarily meant to be a fun afternoon which will allow members to socialise.

Game suggestions are:- Rummikub words, Rummikub letters, Connect 4, Othello, Triominoes, Scrabble, Upwords, Dominoes, Card Games (Gin Rummy, Knock Out Whist etc), Beetle Drive. Members can bring other games if they wish.

How the afternoon will hopefully work.

Each game will consist of 4 players. These players may be different for each game. A game will have a time limit of 20 mins. At the end of 20 minutes points will be awarded to each member based on their performance e.g. points accumulated during the game. The person with the best will score 4 points, the next best 3 points, the next 2 points and the lowest scorer gets 1 point.

After 20 mins members will move onto another game (not necessarily with the same members). This pattern will be repeated until each member has played 4 different games. At the end of the afternoon each members points will be totalled and the top 3 scorers will win a prize. (Don't get your hopes up)!!

Refreshments will be available during the afternoon for members to help themselves.

Executive Committee of Hyndburn U3A.

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