

Speaker Meetings

June's speaker meeting (9th) will once again be held in Newport and served with tea and cake. Please come along and support us - and bring a cake if you can!

July Speaker meeting (14th) will be a Picnic in the Park at Church Litten, Newport. We will share some interesting historical facts about Newport and there will be an opportunity to visit the Newport Roman Villa.

Committee News

Alison Botha has kindly agreed to being co-opted on to the committee for a short spell to help with our publicity. It doesn't have to be a life sentence! Why not join some meetings now and get to know us? We meet monthly on Zoom and we would welcome all sorts of skills and ideas, however briefly.

New Dates

June 24th - Eat Out and Review
Castle Haven Retreat.

July 10th - Weekenders: Browns Golf
&/or Animal Sanctuary

July 22nd - Cycle

July 30th - Visit to the Isle of Wight
Postal Museum, Newport

We still need ideas and
volunteers for the 40th
Birthday Celebrations.

Please contact Carol
Bradshaw, Chair for more
information

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1	10:30	Coffee Morning, Bargeman's Rest, Newport
6	14:00 17:30	Technology & Communication Film Studies: <i>Taxi Driver</i>
7	15:00	Reading, Yafford
8	14:00	Walk & Talk Gardens
9	14:00	Face-to-face Speaker Meeting & Social Reflexology
10	14:00	Book Group, Wootton
11	12:30	Farringford House and Garden
13	14:00	Monday Gardeners: Lake
14	16:00	Mah-Jong, St Lawrence
15	10:30 15:00	Walk and Lunch - Godshill French Film Club - Ventnor
16		Family History Lunch
20	14:00 14:00 17:30	Photography Zoom Monday Gardeners: Brighstone Film Studies: <i>Untouchable</i>
21	17:00	Non-Fiction Book Group
22	10:30 14:00	Green Issues: Climate Crisis Zoom Walk & Talk Gardens
24	12:30	Eat-Out and Review
29	tbc	Beach Walk: Brook

July Dates

6	10:30	Coffee Morning, Bargeman's Rest
9	14:00	Picnic in the Park
10		Day Out - Weekenders, Sandown
19	16:00	Mah-Jong, Niton
22	11:00	Cycle
30	10:30	Isle of Wight Postal Museum

**Coffee Morning
Bargeman's Rest,
Newport**
1st Wednesday of the month
10.30 - 11.30 am

**Speaker Meeting & Social
Thursday June 9th 2:00pm**
St John's Hall, Newport
St John's Road, PO30 1LN
**Reflexology:
From the Pharaohs to
2020s
by
Janet Day**

**Summer Photography
Competition**

"Shades of Summer"

**Closing Date
15th August at noon.
See full Newsletter for
details.**



Weekly Meetings

Monday	pm	Spanish
Tuesday	pm	French - Brading
Wednesday	pm	French - Newport
Friday	am	French - Lake German - Brading
Friday	pm	Mah-Jong - Cowes

Future Dates

Sept 3,4	Wolverton
Sept 21-24	u3a 40th Celebrations
Oct 9	Let's Go: Goodwood
Nov tbc	Let's Go: Mary Rose Exhibition, Portsmouth

Groups

Beach Activities - according to season and temperament, a walk, a picnic, a swim or a sit and natter.

Cycling - a new group, out and about on bikes exploring the Island's quieter byways.

Eat Out & Review - testing out new places to eat in company or sharing the joy of old favorites - gather to enjoy the food and pass on the word.

Family History - Members support each other to find ways to delve further into the secrets of their family history, sharing tips and ideas for digging a little bit deeper.

Film Studies - Films are chosen by members of the group, watched at home on Netflix and then discussed on Zoom. This group is looking for new members.

French Conversation - There are three French Conversation groups. (Lake, Brading & Newport). The aim is to have fun while speaking French. These groups are sociable and definitely aim to be entertaining,

Gardening - We have three gardening groups, two that meet in each others' gardens and admire, advise, discuss and share - and drink tea and eat cake and a new group focusing on Allotment Gardening.

German - There are two German Groups who meet in Brading. Improvers and Intermediate / Advanced. Both groups aim to focus on the key skills of speaking and understanding the written and spoken word.

Green Issues - This Group taps into the u3a's Climate Crisis Forum by Zoom. It enables Islanders to keep up-to-date with a wide range of environmental topics and use the considerable expertise from across the country.

Let's Go - New activity aimed at encouraging people to fulfil an unsatisfied wish, whether it is a place to visit, a letter to write, or a play to see. Let us know and we will support you to complete it, whatever it is. How about a trip to Goodwood on October 9th - the last horse racing gig of the season? This group will now incorporate both the Theatre Club and the On-location History Group.

Mah-Jong - A Mah-Jong group meets weekly in Cowes at the Community Centre and occasionally in peoples' homes. Beginners' support available on request.

Photography - Meets on Zoom monthly to discuss technical issues related to photography and then on location to put theory into practice.

Reading - We have three Reading Groups - a Non-Fiction Book Group a Book Group and a Reading Group. The Non-Fiction group meet on Zoom aiming to entertain and provide food for thought - truth can be stranger than fiction. The Book Group meets in Wootton. Both of these groups choose a new book each month to be read and discussed. The Reading Group just meets to discuss whatever people are reading - to share enthusiasm for books without homework.

Spanish - The beginners of eighteen months ago have had weekly meetings on Zoom and are now very much not beginners but improvers.

Technology and Communications This group meets on Zoom: it aims to help support group members with technical issues and have some fun. The focus is practical: to learn by doing and by helping each other.

Walk and Lunch - or just Lunch. Share the joy of the Island countryside with companionship and good food.

Weekenders - A group for people primarily looking for activities during the weekend.

Writing - The Writing Group meets monthly to support people in developing their writing style - with monthly challenges to inspire and friendly supportive critique.

Other groups where there is some interest include: Modern Greek, Painting, Music Appreciation, Play Reading, Ukulele Beginners, Latin, and a fourth French Conversation group

Email groups@u3awight.uk or call Sally on 740511 with your ideas.

Groups looking for members to get established

Radios and Radio Electronics

Looking for like-minded individuals to share knowledge and skills.

Badminton and Table Tennis

Thank you to those who expressed an interest in Badminton and table tennis. These are both being researched and we will circulate more information when we have it.

Card Making - Also still looking for members. Contact Teresa Reed through groups@u3awight.uk if you are interested.

Strollers

Do you love exploring and finding out questions while you chat and stroll? Is that hemlock, cow or horse parsley? How old is that abbey or castle? What a beautiful view... let's take a photo. Plenty of stops for an ice cream, lunch or picnic.

Slow Running group -

Looking for running companions for slow running.

Yeast Cookery Demonstration

Are you interested in making French Bread? Or understanding different fermentation processes and different yeasts? Short course coming in the autumn.

Allotment Gardening

Do you grow vegetables, whether on an allotment or a patch of lawn that you have sacrificed - join others to share your successes and failures.

Jazz Appreciation anyone? Let's Go listen to some Jazz.

Check with the full newsletter or groups@u3awight.uk for contact details and timings.