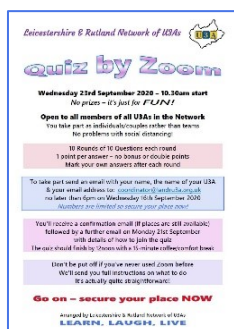


# Network News



News updates from Leicestershire & Rutland Network of U3As – 17/08/2020



## Network Quiz By Zoom

The next Network Quiz will be held on Wednesday 23rd September and is open to members of all U3As that are members of the Network. The current situation with COVID-19 means this will be held using Zoom and will be for individuals/couples rather than teams.

A poster, with full details, is enclosed with this Newsletter for you to circulate to your members as soon as possible, please.

## Request from Hilary Jones, Third Age Trust Vice Chairman

Hilary has requested that the following message be passed on to all U3As:

*“Have your say! We are looking for your ideas to help us develop the new Online Learning Hub. This is going to be an online collection of all of the resources and tools you may need to support learning across your interest groups and U3A.*

*This short questionnaire will give us valuable information about what’s important to you, and what we need to consider in the design and implementation of this Online Learning Hub. None of the questions are compulsory and your response is anonymous. This should take you less than 10 minutes. Click here to participate:*

<https://www.surveymonkey.co.uk/r/RFZYSMK>”.

It really does take less than 10 minutes. When you’ve submitted your answers you may be offered another survey – this has nothing to do with TAT/U3A and can be ignored!

## Change of U3A Logo and type font

Are you aware that the U3A logo has changed somewhat and the words “University of The Third Age” have been dropped and replaced by an optional “Learn, laugh, live”. The colour options have also changed. The original recommended type font of HandelGotDLig has been replaced by the DM Sans family of fonts (used for the text of this Newsletter).

Full details are on the U3A National Office website including the U3A Brand Style Guide and new logos [CLICK HERE](#). To download the DM Sans fonts [CLICK HERE](#), then go to the top right-hand corner of the page and click on <Download Family>. Once downloaded click on <Install> for each font. They will then appear in your normal list of available fonts.

## Thank You

Many thanks to those who responded to our first Newsletter and for the comments provided. These were greatly appreciated and will help with determining future content. Any further comments would be welcomed.

Find out more about your U3A Network on the website at: <https://u3asites.org.uk/landr>

To contact the Network please email: [coordinator@landru3a.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@landru3a.org.uk)

### *List of Recommended Speakers*

Enclosed with this Newsletter is an initial list of speakers that had been booked by member U3As and found to be informative and/or enjoyed by members. Thank you to those U3As who have provided details so far, but this is a work-in-progress and those who have not yet responded are encouraged to do so. The final document will be produced and circulated in early October, so the deadline for entries will be the end of September.

It would also be helpful to know whether your speaker finder/programme organiser finds these lists helpful, or not! Comments please to: [coordinator@landru3a.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@landru3a.org.uk)

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# Quiz by Zoom

Wednesday 23rd September 2020 – 10.30am start  
*No prizes – it's just for **FUN!***

Open to all members of all U3As in the Network  
You take part as individuals/couples rather than teams  
No problems with social distancing!

10 Rounds of 10 Questions each round  
1 point per answer – no bonus or double points  
Mark your own answers after each round

To take part send an email with your name, the name of your U3A  
& your email address to: [coordinator@landru3a.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@landru3a.org.uk)  
no later than 6pm on Wednesday 16th September 2020  
*Numbers are limited so secure your place now!*

You'll receive a confirmation email if places are still available  
followed by a further email on Monday 21st September  
with details of how to join the quiz  
The quiz should finish by 12noon with a 15-minute coffee/comfort break

Don't be put off if you've never used Zoom before  
We'll send you full instructions on what to do  
It's actually quite straightforward!

**Go on – secure your place NOW**

## DETAILS OF RECOMMENDED PRESENTERS USED BY VARIOUS U3As – AND COMMENTS!

Presentation Description	Presenter Details	Charges	Comments	Notes	U3A
The Housekeeper's Tips, Tales & Tipples Stories from the retired housekeeper of Chatsworth House	Christine Robinson chris.robinson@w3z.co.uk	£154 including talk charge & travel	Very interesting Fluent speaker	Own computer Used U3A projector & screen 3 other talks available	Glenfield
Travelling In North Korea	Sue Ablett sueablett1@btinternet.com	£40	Excellent content Well-illustrated Fluent speaker	Own computer Used U3A projector & screen 20+ other talks available	Glenfield
Japanese Food	Patsy Rayner rayner167@btinternet.com	£50 + £21 travel	Very clear & well planned Fluent speaker	Own computer Used U3A projector & screen	Glenfield
An Eye Witness Account of Cyprus 1974	Alan Carr alancarr@yahoo.co.uk	Glenfield U3A member**	Interesting Fluent speaker	Own computer Used U3A projector & screen	Glenfield
Tales of an Historical Tour Guide	Jo Golby timetravellersuk@msn.com	£45	Very amusing Very well received	Needed no equipment except table Has other talks	Glenfield
Stories with Strings	Fool's Gold 07854 651580 info@foolsgoldacoustic.co.uk	£65 + £35 travel	Excellent presentation on all levels	Brought all their own equipment	Glenfield
The Plague Doctor	David Bell 01433 639392 bell.eyam@sky.com	£75 + £27 travel	Audience split – some found it amusing, others too graphic	No IT but needs a couple of tables Other talks available	Glenfield West Leicestershire
Wildlife of Sherwood Forest*	Barbara Meyer 07912 161969 barbara@bigcatphotography.co.uk	£75 including travel		Own laptop & projector Needs mic & stand, and screen Other talks available	Whitwick
Lady Arabella Stuart – The Queen that never was*	David Templeman 01246 415497 templeman3@tiscali.co.uk	£80 including travel		Required mic & stand, laptop, projector & screen	Whitwick

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Calke Abbey Revealed – A Family Story*	Celia Sanger celia.sanger@btinternet.com	£50 National Trust donation	Celia is a National Trust volunteer	Own laptop & projector Needs mic & stand, and screen	Whitwick
Love Food Hate Waste*	Matthew Eames – LCC Waste Initiatives Team 0116 305 6819 matthew.eames@leic.gov.uk	No charge		Required mic & stand, laptop, projector & screen	Whitwick
Robert Bakewell at Dishley Grange*	Ernest Miller 01509 261075 ernest.miller@btopenworld.com	£50		Required mic & stand, laptop, projector & screen	Whitwick
Tax, Care and Toy Boys*	Co-op Estate Planning Chris Dineley 0161 256 9042	None		Required microphone only	Whitwick
The Air Ambulance Service*	Peter Gee-Pemberton thegpfamily@sky.com	£50 donation		?	Whitwick
Me & Dee Charity*	Maria Hanson MBE maria@meanddee.co.uk	£50 donation plus collecting tin for audience contributions		Required mic & stand, laptop, projector & screen	Whitwick
Beat The Drum*	Fool's Gold 07957 948116 info@foolsgoldacoustic.co.uk	£75 plus travel expenses from Durham		Brought all their own equipment - requires early access to set up	Whitwick
A Right Royal Christmas*	John Whitehead 01455 213244 07970 599288 Jf_whitehead@hotmail.com	Hinckley U3A Member** £70 charitable donation		No IT requirement, just a table	Whitwick
Music & Memories from a 1950s Childhood	Polly Feeley 01604 648281 pollyfeeley@icloud.com	£50	An hour of pure nostalgia. Christmas talk also available	Requires no equipment	Market Harborough
Women In The Great War	David Humberstone davidh1963@live.co.uk	£50			Great Glen
Wimbledon Umpire	Alan Gray alangray23@hotmail.com	£90			Great Glen
Sing-a-Century	Andy Smith* andysmith1758@hotmail.co.uk	£90 + £11 travel (from Rugby)	Good range of music- based sessions available	Provides own equipment	Great Glen West Leicestershire
Coco Chanel	Julie Ede* 07814 790465 Based in Barrow-upon-Soar	£70 (since increased to £80)	Other talks also available e.g. Edith Piaff, Wallis Simpson	Provides own equipment	Great Glen Market Harborough

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Great Ormond Street Children's Hospital	Marilyn Horner or Khloe Banks khloe.ebanks@gosh.org	£70 donation/expenses	Great Glen audience collection raised an additional £280!	Requires projector, screen and microphone	Great Glen South Leicestershire
Clement Edward Stretton and the Swannington Railway	Bis Biswell swanningtonresearch@gmail.com	£70			Great Glen
The Ukulele Sensation*	Mark Walsh* markwalshentertainment@outlook.com	£120	Sings, plays, talks – excellent entertainer Other topics available	Needs microphone & stand	Great Glen West Leicestershire
History of Antique and Collectable Glass	Derek Holloway derek@hollogram.com	£50			Great Glen
Commonwealth War Graves Commission	Megan Kelleher megan.kelleher@cwgc.org	Expenses		Requires screen and microphone	South Leicestershire
Mercy Ships	Alison Briggs alisonjbriggs@ntlworld.com	Expenses plus sale of books, pamphlets, pens, etc	Ship run by doctors & volunteers offering free clinics off African coast	Required mic & stand, laptop, projector & screen	South Leicestershire
Canine Partnership Assistance Dogs	Anne Pridmore anne.pridmore@outlook.com	Expenses	Amazing demonstration of dogs at work for their wheelchair-bound owners.	Required laptop, screen & projector	South Leicestershire

#### Notes

\*Additional information is available about these talks or speakers. Email [coordinator@landru3a.org.uk](mailto:coordinator@landru3a.org.uk) or call 07984 400605 for details.

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