



LONG EATON AND DISTRICT
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U3A Family History at Sandiacre Library

There are 2 U3A Family History groups meeting, on alternate weeks, at Sandiacre Library on Tuesday afternoons. We meet at approx.. 1-1.15pm and finish at 3pm.

The library is situated on Doncaster Avenue, Sandiacre, and has a sizeable free car park adjacent.

Each group has 3 computers reserved for it, with free access to 'Ancestry' and 'Find My Past' websites. However, with such limited space, our groups are necessarily small.

There may be some space available within these groups commencing in October and we would like to offer them to any members who have done little or no research into their family history and would like some guidance in getting started.

If you wish put your name on our waiting list for vacancies at Sandiacre library, please contact Dorothy West by email on dewest54@gmail.com , sending name, membership no, email address and contact phone number(s). Dorothy West and Ann Walker

New U3A Piano Group

The new Piano Group has had its first successful meeting. Anyone interested in joining should contact Cliff Dowler on c.dowler@ntlworld.com .

U3A Coffee Mornings

Earlier in the year, it was decided that the U3A Coffee Mornings (which were held on the first Friday each month) would be suspended until September.

At this month's Committee Meeting, the question of the Coffee Mornings was again discussed and the decision was made that we would not be re-instating them for the time being. This matter will, of course, be kept under review and if there are to be any further changes we will let you know.

U3A Suggestion Box

My name is Helen Baron and I hold the new post of Publicity Officer. One of my responsibilities is to help the committee develop a better understanding of what members think of our U3A.

If you were at the Monthly Meeting you will have already seen and heard about the new suggestion box. It will be at every monthly meeting with suggestion slips for people to complete and post in the box. This is your chance to tell the LEAD U3A committee what we're doing right and, more importantly, what we're doing wrong! Do you have any thoughts on how we could do things better? Is there a particular concern you'd like to discuss in more detail with a committee member?

All the completed slips which have been posted in the box will be read and considered by the committee. We can't promise to resolve every difficulty but please be assured that we will do our very best. The same goes for your suggestions on how we can improve. And we'll be happy to read any compliments, too! You don't have to sign the slip so you can write anonymously but leave your contact details if you'd like someone to get in touch. A copy of the suggestion slip can also be found on our website.

Tour of Trent College Arboretum – Saturday 26th October 2-4 pm

You are invited for a guided tour round the arboretum by David Pinney. Please book by phoning Steve the Gardener on 07815 597 570 or emailing him at gardenersteve24@live.co.uk .

The tour lasts approx. 2 hours starting at 2. 00 pm from outside the May Hall. It will take place whatever the weather.

The donations of £3 per person go towards tree planting in the grounds of a Primary School in Kenya.

See the Long Eaton Chronicle <https://www.calameo.com/books/0000043062fc1250f2fc6> for more details.

For any matters to do with Long Eaton and District U3A e-news, please contact David Pinney at lead.u3a@live.co.uk