

## MONTHLY NOTICES

**October 2023**

<p><b>Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October</b></p> <p><b>Martin Lloyd</b> <b>on Becoming a Famous Author</b></p>	<p><b>Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November</b></p> <p><b>AGM followed by Hexachordia</b> <b>A musical group with a mix of</b> <b>music and history</b></p>
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#### **Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, 11<sup>th</sup> October 2023**

Doors will open at 1.40pm. Entry Fee £1.00

This month we were hoping to hold our Annual General Meeting but due to an error in issuing the correct documents we will have to postpone this until November. The proposals and nominations will be sent to you in the next few days.

We will be welcoming Martin Lloyd who will speak to us about how he got his first book published and on becoming a famous author. You will discover what he had to do and the truth about writers, publishers and bookshops.

If you have booked to attend the Christmas Carvery at the Con Club you will need to either pay the deposit of £5.00 per person or the full amount of £20.00 per person.

Tickets for the Christmas meeting in December will also be on sale, the cost of £5.00 per person will entitle you to entry, a free drink at the bar (beer, wine, tea, coffee or soft drinks only) and free entry into a special Christmas draw. Don't forget to put your name on the ticket. We will also be providing nibbles etc., more details next month.

Wendy Gardner will be on hand to take payments for both events but if you are unable to attend the meeting you can pay by account transfer to bank account number 86632353, sort code 53-81-42 noting your membership number and CC (for Carvery) or DM (for December Meeting) as reference.

Wendy has four tickets available for the matinee performance of Pretty Woman on Thursday, 28<sup>th</sup> March 2024, price per ticket £35.00 excluding transport costs. Please see Wendy at the meeting if you would like to buy a ticket or contact her by telephone 07763492666 or by mail [wendygardner972@gmail.com](mailto:wendygardner972@gmail.com).

#### **Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, 8<sup>th</sup> November 2023 – Annual General Meeting**

As stated above our Annual General Meeting will take place and in view of this doors will open at 1.10pm to allow business to start at 1.30pm.

After the AGM we will be entertained by Hexachordia, a trio of musicians who have a wealth of knowledge of music of the Medieval, Renaissance and Restoration times and who play a variety of instruments, including recorder, bagpipes, shawm, rauschpfife and crumhorn.

## **Gift Aid**

Thank you to all those members who completed a Gift Aid form at our last meeting. If you were unable to attend and you do pay tax, please contact Steve Hoskyn, Membership Secretary. Remember it does not cost you a penny and helps with our finances.

## **Group News from Lynda Andrews, Groups Coordinator**

We are still looking for a leader and venue so that we can restart the Classical Music group. Please get in touch if you are willing to host or lead those interested in this subject. Perhaps during the warmer weather you have been busy with other activities but would now like to try something different. All our groups welcome new members so if you are considering something new why not try Table Tennis? This is a friendly group with a competitive edge! It's good exercise and, as we saw in the news recently, the game is enjoyed by the highest in the land although I think our players are a bit better than that! Contact Mary Barrington, Group Leader via the website if you are interested. Maybe you like watching a good film. If so Classic film is ideal for you. Allan Whyte is the leader of this group and the venue can seat lots of new members if you want to go along. If you look down the list of groups available there is sure to be something you would like to try or, if not, maybe you have an idea for a new group. Please get in touch and let's see what happens. Trying out a group does not commit you to anything but the important thing is to try it. Want to learn to crochet? We have a group for that. Gardening? That too, in fact we have two gardening groups. We have three different walking groups. And groups from Bridge to Science and Technology and lots in between. Give something new a try! There is no need to be bored or on your own. That's why we have the u3a!

## **Speakers**

Our Speaker Secretary, April Hammond, does a marvellous job booking interesting speakers for our monthly meetings and she has speakers on hand up to and including July next year. What happens if one of the speakers cannot attend at the last minute? Fortunately this hasn't happened as yet but we were wondering if any of our members could step into this role at the last minute and how good would it be if we could have our own list of members who could fulfil this role. If you have had an interesting career or lifelong hobby you could share, please contact April or any member of the committee.

## **Walking Aid**

Finally, does anyone need a Walking Aid at the moment, if so, Adrian Edgington has one that can be borrowed?

***Please send any notices to Janet Hoskyn at [just.janet@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:just.janet@yahoo.co.uk) by Friday 03/11/2023***

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