



# **Mawdesley and Neighbouring Villages u3a**

## **29th March 2024**

The newsletter is compiled and published by the press team of Sam and Christine.

Thank you to all members who have contributed to this publication

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### **Happy Easter to all our readers.**



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**Let's hope for some drier weather over the weekend**

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## **Still time to see the Art Group at Avant**

**13 members of the Art Group will be exhibiting their artwork at the Avant Garden Centre, Leyland from Friday 1<sup>st</sup> March right through to Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> April.**

**This is another opportunity for the group to show a wide range of pictures covering various media and styles, at prices to suit all pockets.**

**Why not come along and view our work, and also enjoy coffee and cake at the same time. Wonderful!**

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### **FOUND**

**On Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March, a 'Booths' card in the name of MISS LEATHWOOD was found by someone leaving the Art group meeting.**

**If anyone knows of this lady, please ring Norman on 01257-462121**

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## **Table Tennis is on this Friday as usual**

**However if you're only reading this message now ,you've missed it**

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# North West Regional Event

We are going to have another Big Sing event this year.

It will be on Saturday June 15th in Liverpool. This was the only date which coincided with both the venue and the presenter, but I hope it will be well supported even though it's a weekend.

Please see attached the flyer with the registration form link and details of the event.

Information will also be on the NW website events page:

[www.u3asites.org.uk/north-west](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/north-west)

You can also access the registration form here

<https://forms.gle/EY9hUmvagdTJQzqQ7>

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## MAWDESLEY VILLAGE HALL COMMITTEE

### ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

**MONDAY 8<sup>th</sup> APRIL 2024, 7.00pm**

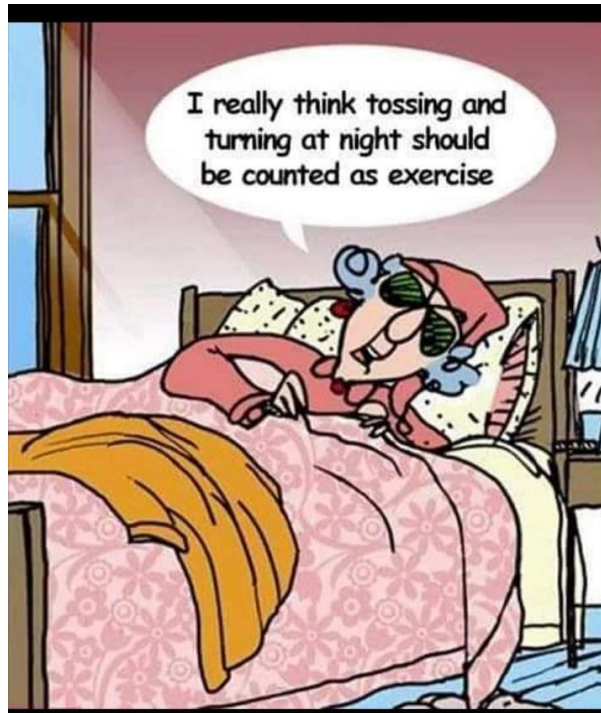
The AGM of the Mawdesley Village Hall Committee will be held in the Lounge, MVH on Monday 8th April at 7.00 pm.

Reports will be given on the projects undertaken during 2023-24, what the Committee aim to achieve in the coming year, the financial outlook and the appointment of officers for 2024-25.

Members of the community are welcome to attend

If you would like to learn more about the work of the Trustees with a view to joining us now, or in the future, then please come to the AGM and speak to any of the current Trustees for further information.

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## A Historic family connection



The next History session on **Monday April 15th** will be delivered by U3A member Ian Clayton, pictured on the left at the memorial to the 55th West Lancashire Division at Givenchy.

Ian's grandfather, John Drummond ( Royal Field Artillery ) was part of this division and saw action in the village in 1918.

This picture was taken during Ian's 8th visit to the western front with the Western Front Association (WFA). This September he will be making his 10th WFA tour, visiting Artois, Loos and Festubert.

During his visits, Ian has been able to see the graves/memorials of a number of the men who are named on our village war memorial.

A small point regarding the French village of Givenchy, as so many troops from the Liverpool area saw action or used the village as a rest area between 1914 - 1918, the funds for a new Memorial Hall were raised by subscription by the city. The hall still stands proudly in the centre of the village.

Ian's topic is entitled: **Otto von Bismarck - Was this man one of the causes of the First World War?**

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## **Another limerick from one of our creative members**

The lady plays golf for fun.  
Hits the best drives under the sun.  
But her game gets tough  
When her balls find the rough.  
But, Hey! Hey! A hole in one.

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## **Where am I?**





No, he isn't pouring chocolate!

**Where was I?**



Answer: Bramall Hall - a magnificent timber framed Tudor Manor House near Stockport.

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**Who wrote this fiction.....?**

1. The Admirable Crichton
2. The Adventures of Huckleberry Finn
3. The Aeneid
4. The African Queen
5. Catch 22
6. From Here to Eternity
7. Gone with the Wind
8. East of Eden
9. The Forsyte Saga (1906 The Man of Property)
- !0. Frankenstein

(Answers at the bottom of the page)

## Quiz 194 Questions

1. What is the county town of Derry?
2. "Yes Sir I can boogie" was a hit for which duo?
3. What is stucco?
4. Which statesman owned London Apsley House?
5. Which metal is made from bauxite?
6. What are Madonna's two middle names?
7. In which year did the Berlin blockade begin?
8. The Paul Ricard racing circuit is in which country?
9. Of which country is Brazzaville the capital?
10. Who plays the regional manager in the US version of "The Office"?

## **Quiz 193 Answers**

1. Maharashtra
2. Botswan
3. Obsession
4. Edmonton
5. Goole
6. Custard Apple
7. Leo McKern
8. Dromedary
9. Lynn Davies
10. Wallaby

## **Answers to who wrote this fiction....?**

1. Sir James Barrie
2. Mark Twain
3. Virgil
4. C.S.Forester
5. Joseph Heller
6. James Jones
7. Margaret Mitchell
8. John Steinbeck
9. John Galsworthy
10. Mary Shelley



## **PAUSE FOR THOUGHT**

**Millions long for immortality who don't know what to do with themselves on a rainy Sunday afternoon. (Susan Ertz)**

**HAVE A GREAT EASTER**