



## Chairman's Chatter

I love experiencing new things, but I must admit I was rather concerned when I found out the speaker at our June meeting was too ill to attend. This was certainly a first for me both with MBMU3A and in my previous occupation! We had obviously talked about what we would do if this ever happened and were prepared, but it's the sort of thing you never think will happen.

Our Speaker Coordinator Ulla Mehta had purchased the DVD "Life on the Edge". It was absolutely fabulous. It took us through life in the village of Mellor over the last hundred years. I didn't know a lot about Mellor, but found it mesmerising. So many of you have lived in Mellor or the surrounding area for many years and lots of you recognised people, places and buildings that were on the film. In fact some of you were on it! It was wonderful hearing so many memories and experiences at the end of the morning. It certainly turned out to be a very popular and successful meeting.

What we need now is another excellent quality DVD that is appropriate for our members. If you have any ideas please speak to one of the committee.

I sincerely hope that Rebecca Done gets better soon and will be able to give us her presentation in the future.

Don't forget to bring your family and friends to support our charity event on August 16th. Our charity this year is Kinder Mountain Rescue. We are pleased to announce that some of the members of the rescue team will be coming to meet us at our event. All donations for the stalls are gratefully welcome.

It has been suggested that members would appreciate a coffee morning where they could meet up with other members and have a chat whilst finding out more about some of our groups. In response to this we have arranged a social event on the morning of October 7th. Please put this date in your diary.

If you have any ideas of events or activities that you would like to see us organising please pass them on to one of the committee. We are always seeking different ventures.

*Shirley Hammond*

# Open Meeting & Grand Charity Event

Tuesday 16th August

St Pauls Church Hall

10am to 12 noon

in aid of Kinder Mountain Rescue Team

£1.00 entrance (includes coffee and biscuits)

Raffle - Bric-a-Brac - Books - CDs/DVD's  
Crafts - Plants - Cakes - Cards - Fun Activities

*Come along and bring your friends*

# August Charity Event

Please bring any items which can be sold at the Open Meeting and Charity Event with you on the day or contact any member of the committee if you need someone to collect the items.

See the list of stalls on page 1 of this newsletter

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## U3A Coffee Morning

Advance Notice of a COFFEE MORNING which we are holding on Friday 7th October.

This is an opportunity for members to come along, meet up with other members to socialise and have a chat with other members.

We hope that some Group Leaders will be able to attend so that members are able to see what Groups we have and learn about the things the groups do.

Please put a note of this in your diary and try to come along and meet other members.

**FRIDAY 7th OCTOBER - 10 am to 12 noon**

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## Play Reading Group

There are a couple of vacancies in the Group, please contact the Group Leader for further information

*Derek Davidson, Joint Group Leader*

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## Outings Group

*List of Outings arranged - full details of the trips are in the May newsletter*

Date	Venue	Organiser
Tues.26th July	CHESTERFIELD MEDIEVAL MARKET AND EYAM VISIT	J. Summers 427 2861 Fully booked and waiting list
Thurs.18th Aug	SOUTHPORT FLOWER SHOW	C. Rice Booking at July meeting Places available
Fri. 9th Sept	R.S.P.B. LEIGHTON MOSS AND LEIGHTON HALL ESTATE (with lunch).	J. Summers 427 2861 Booking at July meeting Places available
Tues. 4th Oct	WEDGWOOD NEW EXHIBITION CENTRE AND TRENTHAM GARDENS	J. Summers 427 2861 Booking at July meeting. Places available
Thurs. 24th Nov	TATTON PARK MANSION AND CHRISTMAS LUNCH A 'Glorumptious' celebrating author Roald Dahl	J. Summers 427 2861 Some places available

## ADVANCE NOTICE FOR 2017

Wed 22nd Feb	Back stage tour and talk at THE ROYAL EXCHANGE Manchester	J. Summers 427 2861 Booking at July Meeting
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## Strolling Group

It was suggested to set up a "Strolling Group" for members who would like to go for a gentle stroll rather than a longer walk for which we have a "Walking Group". Our plan is to arrange strolls of about 2 miles followed by a cuppa. These will take place on the first Tuesday mornings in the month at 10.30am. By the time you read this we will have met twice. The first stroll was in June when we ambled around Etherow Lake, up the back of the lake to the weir and then back down the other side to the café.(see photo) 14 members had an enjoyable morning. A second stroll on July 5th was from Chadkirk carpark. We would love more members to join us. If you would like to be put on our contact list pass your details to Geoff Fogg joanfogg@btinternet.com 0161 430 3517 or Shirley Hammond chairman@mbmu3a.org.uk or 0161 366 0223

Take note of the next 2 strolls we have planned.  
Don't forget your bus pass in case we need to ride back!

Tuesday August 2nd 10.30am  
Jenny Summers 0161 427 2861  
Take a leisurely stroll along the canal, followed by a cuppa and a natter.  
Meet at the Regent Cinema in the centre of Marple at 10.30am

Tuesday September 6th 10.30am  
Carol Madeley 0161 430 7588  
A leisurely stroll followed by a cuppa and a natter.  
Meet at Quarry Car Park, Werneth Low. Directions: Drive over Werneth Low, past the Hare and Hounds, past the cricket club. At the 4 way junction take the road to the right and immediately on the right is Quarry Car Park.



Shirley Hammond

## Walking Group

Group Organisers/Co-ordinators

Judy Rhodes - 0161 427 2045  
Sue Ward - 0161 312 1621

In April a group of 8 set out for a 5 mile walk over Hollingworth Moor. We were blessed with cold, but sunny weather and the far-reaching views were stunning. The cold air was very clear, so we could see for miles, even spotting Blackpool Tower on the horizon. The strong wind had dried out the ground, hence we encountered hardly any mud, making the paths easy to follow. A most enjoyable outing!

Sheila Stafford



## Aug/Sept Walks

Wed Aug 3rd	Whaley Bridge - Yeadsley Hall	6m	mod	Wendy Greenwood
Tue Aug 9th	Castleton and Caverns	4m	mod	Sheila Stafford
Wed Aug 17th	Local Disley	5m	mod	Margaret Hogg
Tue Aug 23rd	Canal to 'The Fox'	5m	mod	Val and Roy Bradshaw
Wed Aug 31st	Rowarth - Cown Edge	5m	mod	Sue Ward
Wed Sept 6th	Pym Chair - Shining Tor	5.5m	mod +	Jean Mitchel
Tue Sept 13th	Chinley - Peep-o-Day	4.5m	mod	Judith Lynch
Wed Sept 21st	Hobson Moor	5.5m	mod	John Bloor
Tue Sept 27th	Buxworth - Cracken Edge	4.5m	mod	Judy Rhodes

New walkers please contact Judy or Sue before attending a walk.

## Matinee Group



### Theatre Visits

The Decorator by Douglas Campbell at the Carver theatre Marple on Saturday 17th September at 2,30pm

Crazy for you at the Plaza Theatre Stockport on Saturday 29th October at 215pm

'Relatively Speaking' and The ballet, 'Red Shoes' are fully booked but it also worthwhile putting your name on the waiting list as we usually have tickets returned.

*As cheques are not always presented to the bank straight away, it is important to let us know if you have changed your bank account. If your cheque has not been paid in before this change, a charge can be incurred to the Matinee Group Bank Account. So please let us know of any changes, Thank you.*

*Jean Howells & Sue Humphris*

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## Dining Group



Thank you to everyone who has joined us for our recent meal experiences.

In May we were at The Oddfellows. One of our party said "The food was excellent and it was the best value I have had at any restaurant for years".

In June we had lunch at The Midland. One of that party said "we had a lovely time and the food and company, as always, was second to none".

### Forthcoming Events

Tuesday 6th September - Early Evening Meal at The Bee Hive Combs

Three course meal plus Tea or Coffee £12

Bookings will be taken at the July meeting.

Thursday 20th October - 'French Theme' Evening Meal at All Things Nice, Marple

Further details later

Bookings will be taken at the September meeting

A £5 deposit to secure your reservation for all Dining experiences will be required at the time of booking; this is non-refundable.

*Pat Walker*

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## Books / C D's / D V D's

We are constantly up dating the books and CD/DVD's so please have a look at the stalls at the monthly meetings.

All the proceeds from the sale of these will go to the charity we are supporting this year, Kinder Mountain Rescue Team

If you have any items you can contribute to the stalls please bring them to the Monthly meetings

## Crochet Group

Since last April I have been running a small friendly crochet class in Romiley for people who thought they would never ever master the art of crocheting!!

On Friday mornings it's Tution, tea, coffee and lots of laughter.

I have arranged several day coach trips with demonstrations.

The Bakewell Wool Festival. The Blackwool Company in Warrington, ( Next door to Risley Prison! )

Christmas lunch was at The Wool Cafe in Diggle. ABAKHAN in Manchester with lunch at The Fig & Sparrow. All venues crochet /knitting related venues.

I'm closed for the summer but I'll be running my class again in September.



*Eunice Young*

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## Local Theatre Group

Here are the next plays the local theatre group will go to see.

Please contact Carol Rice email [i.rice@virgin.net](mailto:i.rice@virgin.net) to book in for the play by the given "book in" date. This will allow for the purchase of tickets in advance.

For ease, the next play "book in" date is always the 3rd of the preceding month (so put this date in your diary!).

The MB&M U3A Local Theatre Group will see selected plays from a wider programme of plays produced by local amateur dramatic theatres. If you would like to see another locally produced play, not on the list, then please contact Carol to see if it's possible to go to see this play? (Please note the Carver plays are covered by the U3A Matinee Group).

The emphasis is on car share or taxi share or meet up point.

Book in by Date	Date of Play	Play	Venue
3rd August	Mon 12 September	Private Fears in Public Places by Alan Ayckbourn	Chads, Cheadle
3rd September	Weds 5 October	Habeas Corpus by Alan Bennett	Brookdale, Bramhall
3rd October	Mon 7 November	The Vicar of Dibley	Poynton Players

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## New Classes of Physical Activity for U3A members

### 'I WISH I'D TRIED' project

The health benefits of some form of gentle physical activity for older people are well recognised and Stockport Metro. Borough (Community Sports) has agreed to run two x 10 weekly sessions of approx. 45 minutes for us on Friday mornings at St Pauls , commencing Friday, 16th September. The cost will be £2 p.p. and all members are welcome to join us for either or both sessions . We have agreed the following sessions:-

Fridays: 10.00-10.45 a.m. - Zumba Gold and 11.00-11.45a.m. - Indoor Cricket

In addition, 10.00-11.00am Thursdays: Walking football (indoor) at Life Leisure Centre (Curzon Road), Offerton SK2 5DS

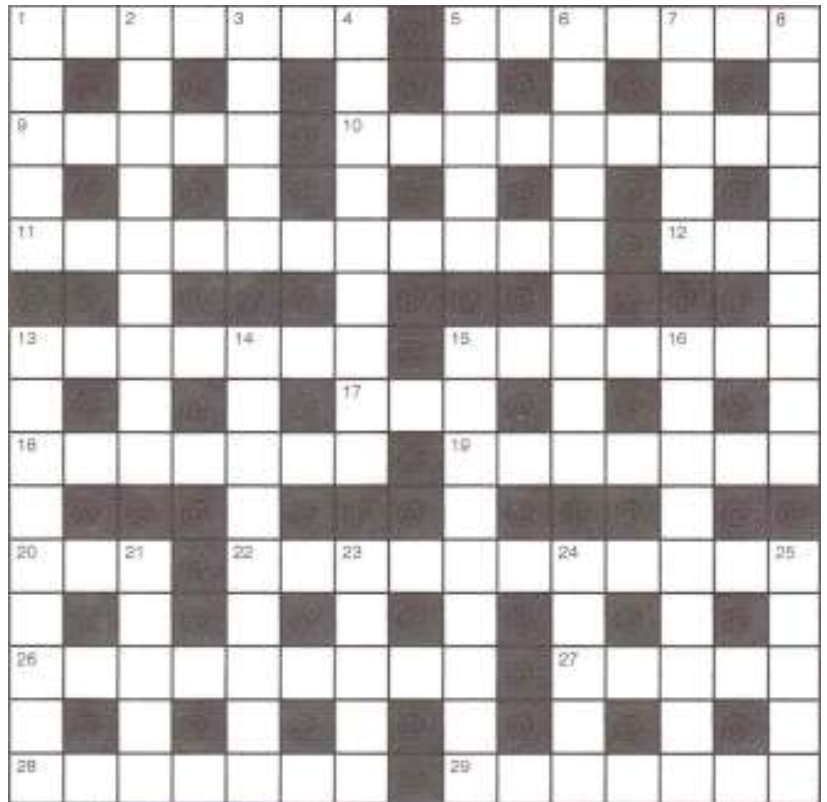
The project manager, Ross McGuigan, will be at the July General meeting to give more information.

# Crossword Compiled by Marple Bridge and Mellor U3A Crossword Group

Geoff Heath

## Clues across

- 1 Writing right to left, CIA spoil a Biblical language (7)
- 5 Secret hidden in pile of junk now not revealed (7)
- 9 Big diamonds commonly excite crooks. Nothing less (5)
- 10 A grim mill turns out a small unit (9)
- 11 Mistakenly credit Yalta with these animals (5,6)
- 12 Student body backs newspaper (3)
- 13 Morning heather found across the pond (7)
- 15 Bit left over by strange chaps at start of term (7)
- 17 And not hidden in ignorance (3)
- 18 Knock, knock! Cheerio, sailor is back (3-1-3)
- 19 Lubricated big end and erased problem (7)
- 20 Add a small amount (3)
- 22 Dodgy queer drone, curious at first, controlled again (11)
- 26 Come in! I sit back with tummy trouble (9)
- 27 Rondo played by benefactor (5)
- 28 Limit reset on first class return for troops (7)
- 29 Red rose trained on altar screen (7)



## Clues down

- 1 I read misrepresentation that was publicised (5)
- 2 Planner is developing the Arctic (9)
- 3 Examine backward donkey in outskirts of Aylesbury (5)
- 4 Doctor wearing coat with soldier, possibly a fighter (9)
- 5 Dark at first up narrow lanes in town (5)
- 6 Precarious position for cutter topping hedge (5,4)
- 7 Perfumery ingredient found in old car heading off (5)
- 8 I noted man worried about being put forward for office (9)

## Clues down (cont)

- 13 Mr Astaire dancing causes draught (9)
- 14 Bury first report in a fit of temper? Explain! (9)
- 15 Supervisor was angrier, so flounced off (9)
- 16 Dinner she cooked is held as sacred (9)
- 21 Entire amount found regularly in trout pail (5)
- 23 Surplice often associated with terror, it's said (5)
- 24 Below the French and German ones (5)
- 25 Put old violin back for game on board (5)

## Meetings - FUTURE SPEAKERS

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|----------------|---------------|---------------------------|
| 19th July      | Bill Walker   | " Four Ages of the Canal" |
| 16th August    | Charity Event |                           |
| 20th September | Frances King  | " Hope is on the Horizon" |

Unless otherwise notified, the ordinary monthly meetings are held in St Paul's Church Hall, Compstall on the third Tuesday of each month at 9-45am (for coffee and socializing). To enable members to use the bus service, the business of the meeting will start at 10-15 and will finish at 11.45 am approx.

- \* When attending a meeting please have your entrance fee ready (£1) preferably in exact money
- \* You should show your membership card when booking in at the monthly meetings and at U3A groups and other events.
- \* Please do not park near the War Memorial, use the Etherow Country Car Park
- \* Please remember to bring and buy books and C.D's at the monthly meetings.

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## Christmas Booklet

*This is the last month for articles to be submitted, please send them to malcolmu3a@gmail.com*

**Please note the deadline for the next Newsletter is September 2nd, due to holiday plans of the publishing team**

### email Addresses

If you change your email address, telephone or home address please let the Membership Secretary and the Newsletter Editor know so we can keep our records up to date

Crossword Solution  
Across 1 Aramatic; 5 Unknown; 9 Rocks; 10 Milligram  
11 Dairy cattle; 12 Sun; 13 America; 15 Oddment;  
17 Nor; 18 Rat-a-tat; 19 Greased; 20 Tot;  
22 Reconquered; 26 Entertis; 27 Donor; 28 Militia;  
29 Reredos.  
Down: 1 Aired; 2 Architect; 3 Assay; 4 Combatant;  
5 Unit; 6 Knife edge; 7 Oris; 8 Nominated;  
13 Airstream; 14 Interpret; 15 Organiser; 16 Enshrined; 21  
Total; 23 Cotta; 24 Under; 25 Darts

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Any stories, articles or photographs of interest to members are welcomed

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**All contributions for the next edition of the Newsletter should be received no later than Friday, 2nd September**