

### Chairman's Chatter

I hope that this newsletter finds you all well after a glorious summer and with 'batteries recharged'. In spite of the fact that it is officially autumn, I'm hoping that this milder weather will last a little longer as it encourages everyone to get out and about, and we have a few key events in the coming months.

The 'Grand Charity Event' is on Tuesday 18th September in the church hall and all money raised will go to the North West Dwarf Sports Association. Penny Dean will be popping in to speak briefly about the work of the charity. It will be very similar to previous events, with a selection of stalls, raffles and tombola, as well as some quizzes. It will be the usual £1 entrance, which will include coffee and biscuits. If you are able to bring any contributions early on the day- eg. Bric-a-brac, cakes, plants, small tombola prizes - they will be gratefully received.

On October 23rd we will have a coffee morning and get together in St. Paul's church hall and we hope that it will give an opportunity to talk to group leaders and bring along potential new members.

Another event which I hope you will add to your diaries is the Christmas Meal and Social which will take place on December 11th .

Unfortunately the work on the church buildings is still in progress and we need to continue parking at Etherow or nearby for the time being. Thank you for your continuing co-operation in this respect.

This month I would like to make a special thank you to Derek Hesketh, a long standing committee member, who stepped in to give an impromptu speech when the organised speaker failed to show. Derek spoke about his work and experiences and delivered a very interesting talk. The scheduled speaker had failed to put the date in his diary and was very apologetic. I know that a number of people came that day specifically to hear him, so he has been booked to come later next year.

Some of you may know that Geoff Fogg, a committee member, was taken ill suddenly and has had a heart bypass operation. We wish him well and hope that he makes a full recovery.

*Clare Gwilym*

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## Coffee Morning - Tuesday 23rd October

St Paul's Church Hall - 10am to 12noon

Come along and bring your friends

Admission Free - Donations to this years charity

'North West Dwarf Sports' would be appreciated

Many of our Group Leaders will be there to show what their groups do and when they meet

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The December meeting will be held on

11th December at 11am for Lunch at 12 noon

Tickets must be bought in advance and will be on sale at the monthly meetings in October & November - £7.00

## IMPORTANT NOTICE - PARKING

Between May to Sept, St Paul's Church is having major reconstruction work. The car park will be full of contractor vehicles and for storing building materials. There will be **NO parking** allowed in the church car park. You will have to park in Etherow Car Park (council parking fee payable)  
People can still be dropped off and collected at the door

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### Outings Group

#### Thurs, 3rd October NATIONAL MINING MUSEUM, Wakefield

There are places on this outing if you are interested. Please contact Simon Temple (427 6704) for further details.

#### Mon. 3rd December CHRISTMAS AT CHATSWORTH HOUSE

This outing is fully booked and we have a waiting list for cancellations. Please contact Jenny Summers (427 2861) if you are interested.

#### Thurs. 24th January 2019 @ 2.30 p.m. THE PRODUCERS @ THE ROYAL EXCHANGE THEATRE, Manchester.

We have one ticket left for this very popular outing and there is a waiting list for any last minute cancellations. If you are interested please contact Jenny Summers (427 2861).

### Future Outings for 2019

Many thanks to those members who have once again helped both on the desk and by organising outings this year. It is much appreciated.

We have had some interesting and varied visits this year, the highlight must be the outing to Liverpool when over 80 of our members enjoyed the Terracotta Warriors Exhibition, and already a start has been made on next year's programme (you have to book well in advance to secure places of interest!).

There will be our usual short planning session following the 16th October General meeting and if you have any ideas, or just generally interested, please join us in the small library.

Jenny Summers

## Proposed Holiday to The Isles of Scilly - September 2019

(Arranged by Roy McCarthy Coaches) **With two options**

Friday 6th September - Depart Stockport by coach calling for coffee and lunch en route to stay overnight in Cornwall

Saturday 7th September - Board the Ferry for St Mary's and Mini Coach to Bell Rock Hotel with a walking Guide around St Martins

Sunday	Free & Easy Tour At Leisure	Adventure Tour Visit the Island of ST Agnes's and Gugh Afternoon at leisure
Monday	At Leisure	We visit Tresco and the famous Tresco Abbey Gardens
Tuesday	At Leisure	Today we take a boat trip to the Island of St Martins where we visit the Flower Farm
Wednesday	At Leisure	At leisure
Thursday	Mid afternoon we catch the bus back to the Airport for the flight back to Torquay for dinner at Livermead Hotel	
Saturday	We make our way back to Stockport	
Prices	Free & Easy Holiday - £1035.00	Adventure Holiday - £1079.00

## Strolling Group

Our "Strolling Group" is for members who would like a gentle stroll rather than a longer walk for which we have a "Walking Group". We arrange strolls of about 2 miles followed by a cuppa. These take place on the first Tuesday mornings in the month at 10.30am.

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 david.hammond60@btinternet.com or 0161 366 8223

Don't forget your bus pass in case we need to ride back! Bring a drink over the summer months! Wear appropriate footwear in case the ground is wet.

Tuesday 2nd October Mike Hawkin Tel. 0161 430 3734

Meet 10.30am outside Iceland on Woodley Precinct.

The Stroll

We will stroll along the canal towards Hyde. Returning back to Woodley across the fields and then via Poleacre Lane and Hyde Road. We will then relax for a cuppa at a café in the Precinct.

Mileage approximately 2 miles.

Tuesday 6th November Bel Adshead

Meet 10.00am in Romiley at bottom of Sandy Lane where it joins Compstall Road. i.e. the main road through Romiley.

The Stroll

Please note that we need to meet at 10.00am in order to catch the bus at 10.15am. This only runs hourly.

We will take the bus to The Forrester's Arms pub to begin the walk. It will be mostly downhill, across fields, eventually arriving at the canal. We will then walk along the canal, returning through Romiley village, where we can then have a drink and a snack.

The walk should take approximately 1 1/2 hours.

There is a pay and display car park behind Romiley Forum.

Shirley Hammond

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## Dining Group

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



### Forthcoming Events

#### SEPTEMBER

An evening at the Lamb Inn Chinley on 19th September 6.00 for 6.30

#### OCTOBER

An evening meal at the Maple Tree Chinese Restaurant £20

Marple Bridge Wednesday 31st October 6.45 for 7.00.

Bookings will be taken at the September meeting.

#### NOVEMBER

An evening meal at Peruga Restaurant Woodheys

A Three course meal for £19 on Wednesday 28th November 7.00 for 7.30

Bookings will be taken at the September meeting.

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

Pat Walker

# Crossword Compiled by Marple Bridge and Mellor U3A Crossword Group

## Clues across

Sheila Stafford

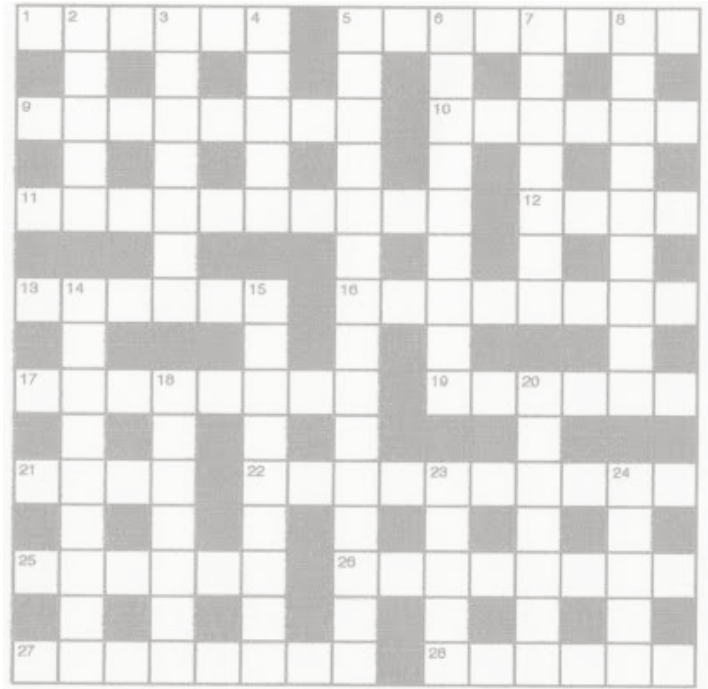
1. Announced it tasted fantastic. (6)
5. Rebellious pigs and I run around. (8)
9. Con Maria into cooling pasta. (8)
10. Relative lost heart when sailor came in lacking competence. (6)
11. Decent duet played, but hidden from view. (10)
12. Workmate took one bucket. (4)
13. Gone back round horses with drink. (3,3)
- 16 Right, the fantastic alternative is coming first at speech making. (8)
17. Teacher's running shoes. (8)
19. Mislead delegate with university of the French. (6)
21. Sun God kept quiet about skin complaint. (4)
22. Quiet anger with animal put to work. (5,5)
25. POW camp held good man along with a former convict. (6)
26. Teutonic concoction of cream and gin. (8)
27. Guarantee conflict with tirade last Monday. (8)
28. Covering up greeting with sound of bell. (6)

## Clues down

2. For a change I want two. (5)
3. I ranted about the part-exchange. (5-2)
4. Steered the car to Dover by another way. (5)
5. Boringly ninety resulting in being drunk. (15)
6. Parliamentarian handed our letter out. (9)
7. Clean up fake dog mess. (7)
8. New fluid line was invalidated. (9)

## Clues down (cont)

14. Good newspaper returned with article on you French and a friendly giant. (9)
15. Gang reuse new mechanic's device. (6,3)
18. At home, feeling well with right respirator. (7)
20. Daughter hit back under sign of cat. (7)
23. He took art around the world. (5)
24. Issue new coins. (5)



*Apologies for the poor quality of reproduction of the grid*

## Meetings - FUTURE SPEAKERS

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|--------------|------------------------------------|---|
| 18 September | Open Meeting & Grand Charity Event |   |
| 16 October   | Sheila Dale                        | "The Eddie Stobart story"                               |
| 20 November  | Christine Robinson                 | "Chatsworth: The Housekeeper's Tale"                    |
| 11 December  | Christmas Meal                     | <i>Please note this is on the 2nd Tuesday (not 3rd)</i> |

*Unless otherwise notified, the ordinary monthly meetings are held in St Paul's Church Hall, Compstall on the third Tuesday of each month at 9-30am (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 show your Membership Card and have the entrance fee ready (preferably as a £1 coin)*
- \* *You MUST show your membership card at all U3A events, including groups.*
- \* *Please use the Etherow Country Car Park*
- \* *Please remember to bring and buy books and C.D's at the monthly meetings.*

## Local Theatre Group

Here are the plays for the first half of the 2018/19 season which the local theatre group will see.

Please book for the play with Carol Rice on email [i.rice@virgin.net](mailto:i.rice@virgin.net) or phone 0161 449 9058 by the given "book in" date. This will allow for the purchase of tickets in advance.

The emphasis is on car/ taxi share. We tend to meet in the foyer about 15 minutes before curtain up. Most tickets (concession rate) are between £7.50 - £9.

Book in by Date	Date of Play	Play	Venue
20th September	Sat 3rd Nov 2.30pm Matinee	The Hollow by Agatha Christie	Carver, Marple
3rd November	Mon 10 Dec 7.30pm	Blithe Spirit by Noel Coward	Chads Theatre

### Remembrance Sunday - 2018

A representative of our U3A will be laying a wreath on Remembrance Sunday at the War Memorial in Mellor on Sunday 11th November, at 12 Noon

All members are welcome to attend and it would be good if we can support this special occasion



## Walking Group

**Walk Grading** Very Easy: More or less flat, good surface, few stiles      Moderate: Typical of local terrain  
Easy: Small sections of hill, not too rough, limited stiles      Moderate + : More climbing and/or more stiles

All walks meet IN Brabyns Park for prompt departure at 9.45 am. Car passengers are asked to contribute 10p per mile to petrol cost.

Walking safety: Footwear (walking boots), clothing and equipment needs to be suitable for the conditions likely to be encountered. This area is famous for changeable weather so come prepared for all eventualities. Bring your mobile phone and inform the leader of your phone number and that of an emergency contact. Provide your own first aid kit.

Refreshments: Bring more than adequate food and drink for the length of walk and weather conditions.

Remember delays sometimes occur.

(D) Indicates that the walk is some distance away and will therefore take longer. All walks are subject to change.

Please stay with the group unless you have arranged with the leader to do otherwise.

### Oct / Nov Walks

Group Organisers/Co-ordinators

Jean Mitchell 0161 221 2304

Judith Lynch 0161 449 7507

Wed Oct 3rd	Ladder Hill	5m	Moderate	Jean Mitchell
Tues Oct 9th	Haughton Dale	5m	Easy+	Val and Roy Bradshaw
Wed Oct 17th	Ashton Basin	4m	Moderate	Judith Lynch
Tues Oct 23rd	Hyde/Werneth Low	5m	Moderate	Sheila Stafford
Wed Oct 31st	TBA			Irene Riley
Tues Nov 6th	Hollingworth	5m	Moderate	Sue Ward
Tues Nov 13th	Etherow/Broadbottom	6m	Moderate	Val and Roy Bradshaw
Wed Nov 21st	TBA			John Bloor
Tues Nov 27th	Chadkirk	6m	Moderate	Judy Rhodes



**New walkers please contact Jean or Judith before attending a walk.**

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## Remembrance Sunday

11th November 2018

to be held at

The War Memorial  
Mellor

12 noon

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**Crossword Solution**  
Across 1. Stated, 5. Uprising, 9. Macaroni, 10. Unable,  
11. Undetected, 12. Pail, 13. Egg Nog, 16. Rhetoric,  
17. Trainers, 19. Delude, 21. Rash, 22. Shire Horse,  
25. Stalag, 26. Germanic, 27. Warrantly, 28. Hiding.  
Down 2. Twain, 3. Trade-in, 4. Grove, 5. Unintentionally,  
6. Roundhead, 7. Shampoo, 8. Nullified, 14. Gargantua,  
15. Grease Gun, 18. Inhaler, 20. Leopard, 23. Earth,  
24. Scion.

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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 Wednesday 7th Nov.**