

Rutland u3a newsletter

January 2022



A note from the Chairman

As I write this the sun is streaming through my kitchen window and I'm feeling much more certain about our Monthly Meeting than I was a couple of weeks ago!

You will have seen from my e mail that we are able to stay at Victoria Hall for the immediate future and I look forward to us being able to gather there again.

Unfortunately we have had to cancel our planned trip to see Carousel at Kilworth House in the summer due to too few people expressing an interest. Maybe it's just too soon to be thinking of this sort of outing or your plans for this summer are still being formulated.

I look forward to seeing you at the February meeting on Thursday 3rd in Victoria Hall. As it is an open meeting please feel free to drop in between 10am and midday.

Ros

Calling all keen Gardeners

One of our members, Carol, has a brand new black Composter Dome (about 4 foot tall) which can be picked up from her home in Barleythorpe.

Interested? Email rutlandu3a@gmail.com for details.

TEA AND TEACH TECH SESSIONS BARCLAYS BANK OAKHAM EVERY TUESDAY

BEGINNERS: 11.30 am - 12.30 pm

INTERMEDIATES: 1.00 pm -2.00 pm

Sessions are run by the Bank Manager Damian and his Digital Eagles. The sessions are designed to help you gain confidence with online activities such as shopping and banking. Please bring your own phone, tablet or laptop.



New members are always welcome. Please contact Sue on rutlandu3a.digital@gmail.com for more details and place availability.

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BIG CHANGES at the BANK!

HSBC now charges £5.00 per Account per Month : That will cost £180 pa

Close the Deposit Account and Social Account – You can operate more efficiently using a single account for £60.00 pa

Bob the Treasurer

Miss A Penny @ HSBC

HSBC now charges £0.40 per Cheque and 0.04% on Cash : That will cost over £200 pa

Ask your members to pay on-line – It's tried & tested. Last year, 59 million people in the UK spent £80 billion on-line

Bob the Treasurer

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You can help Rutland U3A by paying your Annual Subscriptions, Activity & Events Fees on Line : That will save over £200 pa and your Committee Volunteers' valuable time

You can pay your Subs by Card at our March Meeting



Thank-you to everyone who contributed to this month's newsletter. If you have run or taken part in a U3A activity we would love to hear about it. Please send items for next month to: rutlandu3a.info@gmail.com or via the website

The deadline for publication for the next edition of the newsletter is 20th February 2022

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February Monthly Meeting – at the Victoria Hall, Oakham

10.00 am Thursday 3rd February 2022

New initiative – This will be an Open Meeting – an opportunity for Rutland u3a members to meet together and chat over a cup of tea or coffee. Our Group Leaders/Coordinators are invited to wear name badges showing which group they lead and the idea is that folk will mingle and get to know one another better. You may like to invite a friend to come along with you to see what we have to offer.



If any members have items which they no longer require but would like to donate to other folk who would find them useful, for example binoculars that the bird watchers may require, specialist books, language DVDs and CDs for linguists, or maps for walking groups, etc it would be great if these could be brought along to the meeting. In addition, if you have unwanted Christmas gifts and would like to bring these for the Bring and Buy stall it would be a nice way for us to raise funds and have a bit of fun.

Finally, we know what a lot of skilled, knowledgeable people are members of Rutland u3a and if people would like to use their talent in support of others, there will be sheets available to write down your offer and contact details. These will be advertised in future newsletters. This could be an offer of a free 1:1 IT session or a stand alone language lesson for someone going on holiday abroad, an offer of help with garden design or advice on dressmaking, etc. It could be that folk will barter one gift for another.

Please can you contact Sharon Pratt via Rutlandu3a.groups@gmail.com or on 07796931818 (answerphone) if you have useful items, like a garden fork, a telescope or sewing machine, that are too big to bring to the meeting but which could be advertised in the monthly newsletter and collected at a later date from your home.



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News from the Groups

Walk, Talk and Snack Group

Members of the Walk, Talk and Snack Group recently met at Launde Abbey for Sunday lunch to celebrate their first anniversary.

On 10 February they will be out walking again - this time around Easton on the Hill but usually they meet on the first Monday of the month - so the following walk will be on Monday 7 March.

For more details contact Sharon Pratt via (Rutlandu3a.groups@gmail.com).



Papercrafts Group

The papercrafts group had a very productive afternoon, making easel fold greetings cards. Easel fold cards have a distinctive look as they stand up like an easel.

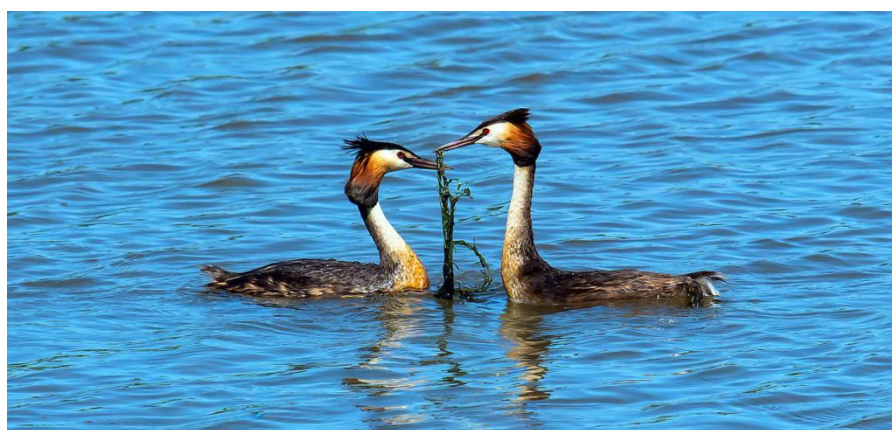
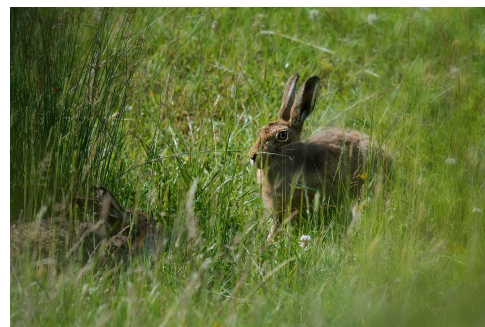
They're great for displaying on a flat surface; shelf, window sill etc. The group made cards using standard, double and twisted easel folds, decorating their cards with a selection of handmade and purchased toppers.



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News from the groups

The photographic group have started 2022 with some beautiful shots of nature and the countryside around us.



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Pressed Flower Group

The latest handiwork from the Pressed Flower Group, made during their December meeting, are these lovely. book marks and gift cards



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Hedley Greaves

Treasurer

Bob Bennett

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Bryan Howard

Digital Inclusion

Sue Morecroft

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