
Sidcup u3a April Newsletter

1 message

Trevor <trevorford435@140047265.mailchimpapp.com>
Reply-To: trevorford435@gmail.com
To: Trevor Ford <trevorford435@gmail.com>

Wed, Apr 3, 2024 at 10:05 AM

[View this email in your browser](#)

**Sidcup & District U3A**

St.Lawrence Church Hall where meetings are held, usually on the 3rd Thursday of the month.

18th April : our very own Martin Baker , "Archaeology"

Other Upcoming Events :-

- **New Members' Tea Party**, Monday 15th April, Queensgate Apartments
- **Princess Diana Photography Exhibition** Taking place at St Katharine Docks, at the Dockside Vaults, near Tower Bridge, the exhibition is a walk-through visual journey of Diana's most iconic photos with behind-the-scenes stories from her official photographers.

It opens on 25th May, running until 2nd September 2024. All the information is on the website, including booking tickets, at <https://www.princessdianaexhibit.com/london>

[New on the website this month](#)

- Events : AGM/Dartford Creek talk photos , March
- Book Reading : review of "The Paris Library", February
- Freedom Pass Explorers : photos Islington, March
- Local History : photos of exhibition, Francis Crick Institute, March
- Ramblers 2 : report & photos: Rotherhithe to Greenwich, March
- Ramblers 3 : report & photos : Woolwich, March

GROUP NEWS

There are lots of online events that are run by our u3a Area and which you can take part in by simply clicking this link and signing up – so why wait! [u3a - Online Learning Events](#)

JIGSAW GROUP?

Are you interested in meeting up once/twice a month to work on a jigsaw puzzle? Meeting in members' homes, on a rota basis. Also share and exchange puzzles. Contact - [Julie Flynn flynnfamily90@hotmail.com](mailto:Julie.Flynn.flynnfamily90@hotmail.com)

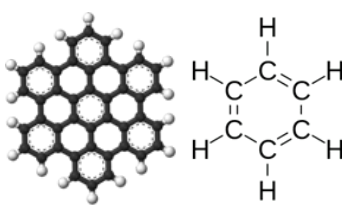
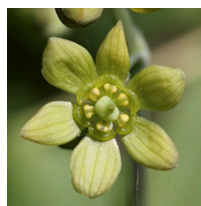
GAMES AFTERNOON

We are in consultation with Sidcup Library about running a board games afternoon that would be on a Friday. It would involve registering members with the Bexley Library Service as volunteers and would be open to non u3a members as well. So, if you fancy Scrabble, Rummikub etc on Friday watch this space! Also, a group at Queensgate would be welcoming.

MATHS GROUP Leader Margaret Turner

All are welcome : Monday 8th April 11am at Queensgate Apartments

The Number 6



Amblers: leader John Baker

For our first outing this year we walked from Eltham High Street, past Eltham Palace, on to King John's Walk. This has pretty pastoral scenes set against views across central London. We encountered donkeys which we fed with carrots, then we walked along to the Tarn. This secluded park is well kept and has a lake with interesting wild fowl. Finally we went in a cafe near Mottingham station.

Art Appreciation: leader Val Gosden

Our lecturer shares with us his love of paintings, giving much background story to each one, whether it is painted on canvas, wood, or walls. The earliest ones featured are from the early 1300s, and like many early paintings feature the Biblical characters of Mary & Jesus, and further paintings come under the heading 'Acts of Faith'. We are encouraged to look for the style, technique, and emotion contained within each work.

Book Group: leader Kate Berry.

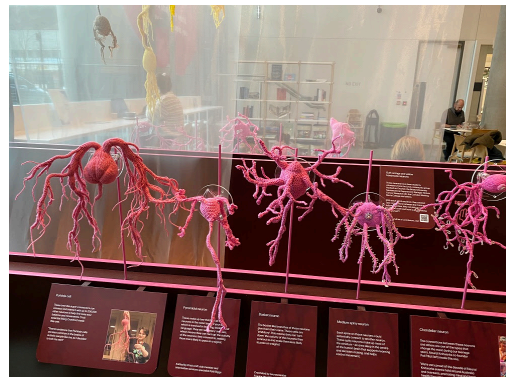
In March we welcomed 3 new members to the group. Our book was Lessons in Chemistry by Bonnie Garmus. Set in early 1960's America with a strong female lead fighting sexual discrimination. We loved her wonderful dog, called 6.30! Most of us gave the book 8/10, though a couple were not keen - 5/10.

Family History: leader Kate Berry.

March's Family History meeting focused on Cemeteries and Graves records. There are several websites, some of which are free, giving information on who is buried where and when, sometimes with photos. Parish Registers include Burial Registers which may give more information. War Graves are also available online.

Local History 3: Leader Lynn Plumer

On 13 th March nine members of Local History Group 3 visited the new exhibition "Hello Brain !" at the Crick Institute. This exhibition is on until 3rd December and is recommended by us all.



Crocheted models of brain types

Freedom Pass Explorers: Leader Christine Withams



Group outside historic Collins Music Hall. (now Waterstones)

Ramblers 2 : Leader Helen Salmon

"We made it!"

Group at Cutty Sark after walking
from Rotherhithe to Greenwich



Ramblers 3 : Leader Trevor Ford



The Guardhouse,
now a pub/restaurant_

Several of our group expressed pleasant surprise that there was so much to see on our parade around the ex-military grounds at Woolwich Arsenal. We started and finished in the area where foundries, factories, warehouses and buildings formerly manufactured ammunition, weapons and explosives for over 300 years .

REGIONAL & NATIONAL NEWS

London Region Summer Programme

Time is running out to book your place for a walk or visit. [Click here for programme](#)

National Bitesize Newsletter [Click here](#)

Copyright © 2024 Sidcup & District u3a All rights reserved.

Our mailing address is:
trevorford435@gmail.com

Want to change how you receive these emails?
You can [update your preferences](#) or [unsubscribe from this list](#).

This email was sent to trevorford435@gmail.com
why did I get this? [unsubscribe from this list](#) [update subscription preferences](#)
Sidcup U3A · [94 Sidcup Hill](#) · [Sidcup, Kent DA14 6HY](#) · [United Kingdom](#)

