



SOUTHPORT UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE INFORMATION BOOKLET

April 2019

Our meetings are held on the first Thursday morning of each month at Christ Church, Lord Street with the doors opening at 9:30. Tea, coffee and biscuits are available and there is time to talk to Group Leaders and book places on events until 10:30, when you have the opportunity to be entertained by our scheduled speaker who will talk until 11:15. Please note that entry into the hall is not allowed from the time the speaker starts until he or she has finished.

You will then hear any announcements, comments from the Chair and there will be a further opportunity to book events and talk to Group Leaders.

We have a team of friendly “meeters and greeters” who will help new members to settle in and become familiar with the structure of our meeting and our organisation.

In order to attend any meeting and participate in any of our groups, you must be a current paid-up member and you may be asked to show proof of your membership by Group Leaders.

We have around 1,400 members of whom around 450 regularly attend our monthly meetings and all have access to the 80+ groups we have on offer. You may find some groups are full or are at an advanced stage of development in which case you are encouraged to speak to Phil Watling, our Group Activities Coordinator, to see if a new group can be started. Members are encouraged to visit our website on a regular basis as that is the place to find the most up-to-date information about group activities. Members should, in particular, visit the Welcome and Events pages to find out what one-off events are coming up that are not linked to any one group.

We recognize that our members have a wealth of experience and we are always looking for members who have a hobby or particular interest to share with others and so, if you think you could start a new group, please speak with Phil who will help you to get it off the ground.

LIST OF ACTIVITY GROUPS IN ALPHABETICAL ORDER

(With an “at a glance” timetable at the end)

Please note that all telephone numbers are prefixed 01704 unless shown otherwise, and all of this information can be seen on our website. All times shown are in 24-hour notation.

GROUP AND VENUE	SCHEDULE	LEADER & CONTACT DETAILS
Appreciation of the Classics <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, last Friday 14:00 -15:30	Sylvia Miley 566673
Art and Craft <i>Marian Centre, Bath Street</i>	Monthly, 1 st and 3 rd Mondays 10:00 – 12:00	Kate Huddleston 563401 Brian Mitchell 07496 906750
Astronomy <i>The Gables Bridge Club, Queens Road</i>	Monthly, 4 th Thursday 19:00	Bob Mount 809292
Badminton 1 <i>YMCA, 81 Hoghton Street</i>	Every Tuesday 10:30 – 12:30	Neil McMillan 631469
Badminton 2 <i>Dunes Leisure Centre</i>	Every Monday 11:00 – 12:00	Eileen Morris 214222
Banjolele <i>Leyland Road Methodist Church</i>	Every Friday 10:00 – 12:30	Judith Abbott 07840 828211
Beer Appreciation <i>Grasshopper Micro Pub, Sandon Road, Hillside</i>	Monthly, 1 st Monday 19:30 until late <u>and</u> as arranged for special visits	Alex Myles 07833 711801
Bellydancing <i>Sereno School of Dance, Eastbank Street</i>	Every Tuesday 10:30 – 11:30	Barbara Murray 509164
Beyond the Comfort Zone <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged	Brian Mitchell 07496 906750
Bird Watching <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged	Peter Oldham 07701 058843
Book Club 1 <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, last Tuesday 19:00 – 21:00	Brenda Jones 568000
Book Club 2 <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, 2 nd Tuesday 19:30	Joan Barnes 564794

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Book Club 3 <i>Ramada coffee lounge</i>	Monthly, 3 rd Wednesday 10:30	Linda Mayor 212059
Bridge – the sociable one <i>Our Lady of Lourdes, Waterloo Road</i>	Every Monday 16:00 – 18:00	Mary Hardwick 579483
Bridge 2 <i>St George’s Church Hall, Lord Street</i>	Every Thursday 13:00 – 16:00	Marian Ash Contact via website group page
Chess <i>Southport Conservative Club, Bath Street</i>	Every Monday 14:00 – 16:00	Barry Pursall 225309
Choir <i>Liverpool Road Methodist Church, Birkdale</i>	Every Wednesday 10:30 – 12:30	David Town 538506 Joan Andrews 579410
Coach Trips <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged All day	Derek & Anne Kershaw 509913
Coffee Morning <i>Caffè Dolce, 405 Lord Street</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Thursdays 10:30 – 12:00	Linda Watling 07703 781788 Yvonne Hay 07870 699794
Computer <i>Farnborough Road Junior School</i>	Every Friday – term time only 15:30 – 17:00	Peter Davies 547880
Cycling for Fun <i>Cycle paths / quiet roads</i>	April – September	Peter Sinclair David Moore Contact via website group page
Discussion <i>Caffè Dolce, Lord Street</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Fridays 10:00 – 12:30	Barbara Hulme 564543
Drama <i>Temperance Institute, 65 London Street</i>	Every Monday 13:30 – 15:30	Angela Pitchers 540277 Peter Hoyle
Egyptology <i>Temperance Institute, 65 London Street</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 3 rd Tuesdays 13:00 – 15:30	Vivianne Rowan 07549 642791
Family History (Genealogy) <i>Southport Library</i>	Every Thursday 10:00 – 12:00	Colin Weir 875653

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Fantasy Financial <i>Members' homes</i>	Quarterly on a Thursday 11:00	John Warren 568254
Floral Art <i>Lakeside Christian Centre</i>	Monthly, 2 nd Wednesday 13:30 – 15:00	Betty Barnes 228225
French Conversation 1 <i>Leader's home</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Thursdays 10:15 – 12:15	Janet McCormack 228007 Anne Hezlett 577018
French Conversation 3 <i>Leader's home</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Tuesdays 10:00 – 12:00	Ilush Bricknell 07900 695149
Fringe Poetry <i>Leader's home</i>	Alternate Fridays 14:30 – 16:30	Phil McNulty 07843 745316
Gardening <i>Lord Street West Church, Main Hall</i>	Monthly, 2 nd Wednesday 10:30 – 12:00	Mike Huddleston 01704 563401 Sally Morris 01704 535656 or 07771 632966 Peter Woodroffe (trips only) 228953 or 07510 564417
Global Perspectives <i>Leader's home</i>	Monthly, 1 st Thursday 14:00 – 16:00	Judy Harris 563789 Stuart Harris 563789
Golf <i>Southport Municipal Golf Course</i>	Weekly, Monday and Friday – April to September 13:30	Pete Brown 224562
Guitar <i>Leader's home</i>	Alternate Wednesdays 10:00 – 12:00	Ian Stern 07415 607176
Jazz <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged Details at monthly meeting or on website	Geoff Matthews 643835
Jewellery <i>Members' homes</i>	Every Friday 10:00 – 12:00 <u>and</u> alternate weeks Friday 13:30 – 15:30 <u>or</u> Saturday 10:00 – 12:00	Cynthia Robertshaw 533916 or 07436 013501
Knitting and Crochet <i>Members' homes</i>	Alternate Wednesdays 10:30 – 12:30	Sandra Milner 227623
Let's Go <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged	Jacky Carter 07506 659720

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Line Dancing <i>St James Church Hall, Lulworth Road</i>	Every Tuesday 13:00 – 15:00	June Jackson Cyril Hollis	534595 550287
Local History <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly on a Wednesday or as arranged <i>Check at monthly meeting or on website</i>	Jean Berry Contact via website group page Barbara O'Toole Contact via website group page	
Mahjong 1 <i>Leader's home</i>	Every Monday 14:30 – 17:00	Pauline Keegan	571001
Mahjong 2 <i>Leader's home</i>	Alternate Monday mornings	Pauline Keegan	571001
Meet & Eat <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, Tuesday or Wednesday evenings	Paul & Jacky Carter 07958 598326	
Mindfulness <i>Birkdale Labour Club</i>	Every Tuesday 11:00 – 12:30	Barbara Hulme	07713 926597
Modern Movies <i>Vue Cinema, Ocean Plaza</i>	Various dates as arranged	Linda Watling	07703 781788
Music, Theatre and Opera <i>Leader's home</i>	TBA	Linda Harrison	567518
Patchwork & Quilting 1 <i>Maplewood, Cambridge Road</i>	Monthly, 1 st & 3 rd Fridays 13:00 – 15:30	Pam Orford Dawn McCone	211562 231851
Patchwork & Quilting 2 <i>Maplewood, Cambridge Road</i>	Monthly, 1 st & 3 rd Fridays 10:00 – 12:30	Pam Orford Dawn McCone	211562 231851
Pilates <i>St John's Church Hall Liverpool Rd, Ainsdale</i>	Every Tuesday 14:30 – 15:30	Sharon Partington 07715 367055	
Python Programming <i>Leader's home</i>	As arranged	Gavin Jones Contact via website group page	
Quiz Night <i>Fleetwood Hesketh Sports and Social Club</i>	As arranged Details at monthly meeting or on website	Dave Blundell	220712
RelaxeZ Vous <i>Royal Clifton Hotel</i>	Every Tuesday 10:00 – 11:30	Cynthia Robertshaw 533916 or 07436 013501	

GROUP AND VENUE	SCHEDULE	LEADER & CONTACT DETAILS
Russian Language and Culture <i>Leader's home</i>	Alternate Thursdays 10:30 – 12:30	Chris Devereux 566933 or 07985 293791
Scrabble 1 <i>Viceroy Court, Lord Street</i>	Alternate Wednesdays 10:00 – 12:30	Eileen Sinnott 631910
Scrabble 2 <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Wednesdays 13:30 – 15:30	Joyce Phillips 228804
Short Mat Bowling <i>Dunes Leisure Centre</i>	Every Monday and Wednesday 10:00 – 14:00	Molly Douglas 213415 or 07979 626213
Singalong <i>The Royal Clifton Hotel, The Promenade</i>	Monthly on a Monday 19:30 – 22:00	Ian Stern 07415 607176
SmartPhone Training <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged	Sylvia Miley 07906 883078
Snooker <i>Fleetwood Hesketh Sports and Social Club</i>	Every Monday, Wednesday & Friday 09:30 – 12:30	Richard Lawless 543151 Sheila Cooksey 506106
Spanish 1 (intermediate level) <i>Members' homes</i>	Every Monday 10:00 – 12:00	Patrick Devereux 576928
Spanish 2 <i>Members' homes</i>	Alternate Tuesdays 10:00 – 12:00	Lynda Pownall 233677
Table Tennis 1 <i>YMCA, 81 Hoghton Street</i>	Every Thursday 14:00 – 16:00	Dorothy McGall 549671
Table Tennis 2 <i>Argyll Lawn Tennis Club</i>	Every Tuesday 13:30 – 15:30	Su McLachlan 07979 833990 Julie Rudge 07728 685811
Table Tennis 3 <i>Argyll Lawn Tennis Club</i>	Every Thursday 13:30 – 15:30	Michael Lambert 07805 632786
Table Tennis 4 <i>YMCA, 81 Hoghton Street</i>	Every Monday 14:00 – 16:00	Tony Yih 621224
Tai Chi 1 <i>Lord Street West Church, Main Hall</i>	Every Thursday except 1 st Thursday in month 10:00 – 11:00, followed by coffee, tea and biscuits	Mike Huddleston 563401 Brian Mitchell 546902

GROUP AND VENUE	SCHEDULE	LEADER & CONTACT DETAILS
Tai Chi 2 (for beginners) <i>Lord Street West Church, Main Hall</i>	Every Thursday except 1 st Thursday in month 11:30 – 12:30, preceded by coffee, tea and biscuits at 11:00	Jenny Tyler 576922
Tai Chi 3 (for beginners) <i>Lord Street West Church, Main Hall</i>	Every Thursday 13:00 – 14:30	Ann and Adrian Porter 469062
Tai Chi 4 (for beginners) <i>St Patrick Church Hall, Marshside Road</i>	Every Monday 15:00 – 16:00	Janet Simpson 07540 850102 Vivienne Moore 07803 938843
Tai Chi 5 (for beginners) <i>Emmanuel Church Hall, Cambridge Road</i>	Every Friday 11:30 – 12:30	Sheila Formby 07738 903568
Theatre trips <i>As arranged</i>	As arranged Details at monthly meeting or on website	Patricia Saunders Contact via website group page
Ukulele 1 [Yooks!] <i>Southport Fire Station, Community Room</i>	Every Tuesday 10:15 – 12:15	Sue Corcoran 211789
Ukulele 2 [Sandon Strummers] <i>Liverpool Road Methodist Church, Birkdale</i>	Every Monday 10:00 – 12:00	John Andrews 579410
Ukulele 2 Beginners <i>Liverpool Road Methodist Church, Birkdale</i>	Every Monday 10:00 – 12:00	John Andrews 579410
Ukulele 3 [Uke-A-Teers] <i>Liverpool Road Methodist Church, Birkdale</i>	Every Monday 13:00 – 15:00	Maria Forsyth 566347 Margaret Clapham 07814 524986
Upcycling Unlimited <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, 1 st Tuesday 19:00 – 21:00	Sue Corcoran 211789 Mary Kessler 530660
Urban Sketchers <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, last Wednesday 10:00 – 12:00	Paul Newhouse 07856 373970
Walking (Short Walks 1) <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, 1 st and 3 rd Tuesdays	Mary Hardwick 579483 Ilush Bricknell 07900 695149
Walking (Short Walks 2) <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, 1 st and 3 rd Fridays	Catherine McNair 564463

GROUP AND VENUE	SCHEDULE	LEADER & CONTACT DETAILS
Walking 2 <i>As arranged</i>	Alternate Wednesdays and Saturdays All day, as arranged	Jennie Boulton 579896 Janet Wright 07513 882973
Walking 4 <i>As arranged, with cars used to reach start</i>	1 st Monday after monthly meeting at Christ Church then each week on different days	David Miley 566673
Whist <i>Leader's home</i>	Alternate Wednesdays 11:00 – 12:30	Doug Bridson 537722
Wine Appreciation 2 <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, 3 rd Wednesday 19:00 until late	Bob Jones 568000
Wine Appreciation 3 <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, 2 nd Thursday 19:00 until late	Steve Hardwick 579483 or 07789 744040
Wine Appreciation 4 <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, 4 th Monday 19:00 until late	Lesley McMillan 631469
Wine Appreciation 5 <i>As arranged</i>	Monthly, Friday 19:00 until late	John & Ann Warren 568254
Writing for Fun <i>Members' homes</i>	Monthly, 2 nd and 4 th Tuesdays 13:30 – 15:00	Zoe Dalton 07852 865821
Yoga 1 <i>St John's Church Hall Liverpool Rd, Ainsdale</i>	Every Monday 13:45 – 14:45	Steve Hardwick 07789 744040

For further information about the above, please see Phil Watling or any members of his team at the monthly meetings or visit the Southport U3A website.

Timetable at a Glance

Any changes to this calendar will be given in the Newsletter or at the Monthly Meeting and will be posted on the Southport U3A website.

WEEK DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
Monday	Art & Craft	Bridge – the sociable one	Beer
	Badminton 2	Chess	Singalong
	Short Mat Bowling	Drama	Wine Appreciation 4
	Snooker	Golf	

WEEK DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
	Spanish 1	Mahjong	
	Ukulele 2 [Sandon Strummers]	Table Tennis 4	
	Ukulele 2 Beginners	Tai Chi 4	
	Walking 4 (all day)	Ukulele 3 [Uke-A-Teers]	
		Yoga 1	
Tuesday	Badminton 1	Egyptology	Book Club 1
	Bellydancing	Line Dancing	Book Club 2
	French Conversation 3	Pilates	Meet & Eat
	Mindfulness	Table Tennis 2	Upcycling Unlimited
	RelaxeZ Vous	Writing for Fun	
	Spanish 2		
	Tai Chi 4		
	Ukulele 1 [Southport Yooks!]		
	Walking (Short Walks 1)		
	Walking 4 (possibly – all day)		
Wednesday	Book Club 3	Floral Art	Wine Appreciation 2
	Choir	Scrabble 2	
	Gardening		
	Guitar		
	Knitting and Crochet		
	Local History		
	Scrabble 1		
	Short Mat Bowling		

WEEK DAY	MORNING	AFTERNOON	EVENING
	Snooker		
	Urban Sketchers		
	Walking 2 (all day)		
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	Walking 4 (possibly – all day)		
Thursday	Family History (Genealogy)	Astronomy	Wine Appreciation 3
	Fantasy Financial	Bridge 2	
	French Conversation 1	Coffee Morning	
	Russian Language and Culture	Global Perspectives	
	Tai Chi 1	Table Tennis 1	
	Tai Chi 2	Table Tennis 3	
	Walking 4 (possibly – all day)	Tai Chi 3	
Friday	Banjolele	Appreciation of the Classics	Wine Appreciation 5
	Discussion	Computer	
	Jewellery	Fringe poetry	
	Patchwork & Quilting 2	Golf	
	Snooker	Patchwork & Quilting 1	
	Tai Chi 5		
	Walking (Short Walks 2)		
Saturday	Jewellery	Jewellery	
	Walking 2 (all day)		

The following Activity Groups are arranged as required periodically, with more information being available from the group leaders in each case:

Beyond the Comfort Zone	Bird Watching	Coach Trips
Cycling for Fun	Egyptology	Jazz
Let's Go	Modern Movies	Python Programming
Quiz Night	Short breaks	Smartphone Training
Social Events	Theatre Trips	

THE COMMITTEE

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 National www.u3a.org.uk

U3A SPEAKER PROGRAMME 2019

DATE	SPEAKER	SUBJECT
4 th April	Ken Clark	Great Space Myths and Hoaxes
2 nd May	Joanne Chamberlain	History of Lord Street
6 th June	Mike Parr	St Joseph's Hospice
4 th July	Martin Lloyd	Passports, Assassins, Traitors and Spies
1 st August	Angela Robins	Origins of Broadbents
5 th September	Jacqui Dixon	A compelling look at the role of the Probation Service
3 rd October	Natalie White	Friends Against Scams – Helping Communities to Protect Themselves

All of the above are arranged by our Speaker Secretary, Jamie Gaskin, who invites and is willing to listen to your suggestions. However, please be aware that the speaker list is arranged 12 months in advance.

Jamie may be contacted at the monthly meetings, or by telephone at 01704 541917. The above and other Southport U3A information is also available in more detail and up to date on our website.

Important note

The information in this booklet is correct as at the beginning of the month shown on the front page. The online version is updated monthly but hard copies are re-printed only every few months so please check the website for any updates and download the latest version from the Documents page of Southport U3A's site.