

Notice Board

Our next meeting

Thursday February 8th 10:00am at

Mansfield Hosiery Mills Sports and Social Club

Our guest speaker is

Stephen Flinders *The History Beneath Our Feet*

Diary Dates Tickets and information at February and March meetings

Beetle Drive -Saturday 16th March – Polly Bowls

Disco April - Polly Bowls

Quiz - May

Website: www.u3asites.org.uk/sutton-in-ashfield

NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE Newsletter and website items to Steve Shaw at s59shaw@ntlworld.com Tel: 01623 469010 – Closing date for articles last day of the month. Any members wishing to submit articles for publishing must get approval through the committee.



BOOK STALL – Please support the book stall as profits help support and subsidise U3A activities. Because of the number of books and limited storage, help is required to take a bag of books home with you.



PHOTOS – Photographs are taken from time to time at U3A events. These may appear in the U3A or Third Age Matters newsletter, website or facebook pages. If members do not want to be in these photos, it is their responsibility to remove themselves before they are taken.

MEMBERSHIP LIAISON - Hi all, hope you are keeping well. I am your link with the committee and will try to keep you informed. Please remember to seek me out at meetings to share your news, tell me of any concerns you have or just have a chat. I also undertake to send out cards for anyone who has a special celebration, who is poorly or who has suffered a bereavement. Let me know if you would like a card sent to another U3a member. Best wishes, Avril Dowdle. 01623 455696



Sutton in Ashfield U3A

THE THIRD AGE TRUST



JANUARY 2024 NEWSLETTER



CHAIRMAN'S CHATTER

Wishing you all very Happy and Healthy 2024

I trust everyone has recovered after celebrating Christmas and New Year. What a hectic time it is. After 80 years of it you would think I would be well prepared – but no. The younger members of the family have other ideas and completely change things around to their way of working – Just let it happen.

January 21st is Wassailing at the Major Oak – join the crowds and scare away the bad spirits so that the summer and autumn are fruitful. Last year numbers around had grown and I am sure this year's will be better. Meet at the Visitor Centre at around 1330hrs to watch the visiting Morris Dancers perform and the evil spirits arrive. It is an easy walk to the Major Oak with plenty of noise to scare the evil spirits away – then follows a short ritual. I recommend it and I will be there.

A Happy New Year to you and yours and let us all work together to ensure the success of our u3a.

See you there.

Best wishes Garry.



Thinking about starting a new group?

If anyone has got any ideas to start new groups up, then please talk to June Hall and she will help you to get things started. Our group leaders are the backbone of our group and do a fabulous job providing members with a wide range of interest and social groups.

June Hall, Groups Co-ordinator on 07976 637601

CLASSIC CINEMA Next Showing: Wednesday February 14th
Those Magnificent Men in their Flying Machines

138 mins Starring Stuart Whitman, Sarah Miles, James Fox,
 Oasis Club Bar, 28, Outram Street, Sutton In Ashfield, NG17 4AX
 Contact David Cutts for more details. Tel: 07801 424618 or
 email davidlcutts53@gmail.com

DRAMA GROUP - Every Monday
 1.00pm to 3.00pm at Pretty Polly Bowls Club

No meetings during January
 Group Leader: Peter Dowdle on 01623 455696



KINGS CARDS - Mondays 10am to 12 noon
 at the Tin Hat, Chapel Road, Selston, Notts NG17 6BW
 Group Leaders: Leaders Andrea Westwood Tel: 07990 034961
 and Mick Winterton Tel: 07854 415482.



BOARD GAMES 4th Wednesday
 10am at Polly Bowls Sports Club.
 Come along and challenge those brain cells.
 Group Leader: Jenny North 01623 441402



CRAFT GROUP 1st, 3rd & 5th Fridays

10.00am at Teversal Visitor Centre, Carnarvon Street, Teversal,
 NG17 3HJ. We try a variety of crafts and welcome new members
 and ideas, If interested in joining the group, contact Pam
Contact: Pam Shaw on 01623 469010 or 07713 570457



Discussion Group 4th Thursday of the month

approx 2 till 4pm in members homes. Due to space constraints this
 group is currently full. **Why not start a second discussion group.**
 Group Leader, David Shooter (01623) 437851 mobile 07741 028588



Out and About



Last Night of
the Proms



Afternoon
Tea



Drama Group
Robin Hood



Christmas Market
Stratford



Christmas
River Cruise

Dining Out

INTERNATIONAL DINING GROUP

Next Dining **EFFES Restaurant 6:15pm for 6:30pm**

91 Outram Street, Sutton in Ashfield. NG17 4BG

Wednesday 21st February.

Contact Polly Swift-Brown Tel: 07866929262

Temporary Group Leader Peter Creek 07531631115.

SINGLES SUNDAY LUNCH GROUP

Next Lunch 28th January Time 2:00pm pm.

The Railway Inn, 120 Station Road, Selston NG16 6FH.

Contact Group Leader Kevin Parnham 07815669258

AFTERNOON TEA GROUP

No Afternoon Teas in January and February

Temporary Group Leaders – Elaine McAspurren Tel: 01623 477231
and Ann Sheffield Tel: 07950 595252

PUB LUNCHEON GROUP

Next Lunch Tuesday 23rd January

Black Bull, Mansfield Woodhouse Menu selection and
details at January meeting

Group Leader David Keward: Home 01623 629771

mobile 07715 358111. Email address d.keward@sky.com

GRUMPY OLD MEN Next Breakfast

Tuesday 13th February 9:30am

Patchills Centre, Mansfield NG18 3BS

Group Leader: Steve Shaw on 01623 469010 or email
S59shaw@ntlworld.com

FISH FRIDAY 3rd Friday, Booking essential

SEA FISH, Sutton in Ashfield

Group Leader: Sandra Lee 01623 471087 or 07941 685789

Keeping Active

WALKING GROUP

There is no Walking Group in February

Group Leader: Ron Hicken Tel: 01623 439293 or 07871 796444

STROLLERS GROUP, 4th Thursday of the month

The next stroll will be on Thursday 25 January, 10.30 am.

at **Kings Mill Reservoir, NG17 4PA**, followed by drinks in
the café. Please sign up on the sheet if you would like to join
in or phone me on 07717 628879. Don't forget to wear suitable
footwear.

Group Leader Gill Hefford Tel: 07717 628879

INDOOR BOWLS - 2nd and 4th Friday of the month

1.30pm to 3.30pm at Pretty Polly Bowls Club, Unwin Road,
Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 4HN. Cost £1.50 including tea and
biscuits. New members always welcome.

Group Leader: June Hall Tel: 07976 637601

TEN PIN BOWLING - 1st Friday of the month

1.15pm for 1.30pm start. Mansfield Super Bowl, Stockwell
Gate, Mansfield. NG18 1LG. MEMBERS PAY £8.50 for two
games, shoe hire and coffee/tea

Group Leaders : Kathleen Handley Tel 01623 552741

Bernard Jeffries Tel 07747 397350

CROQUET GROUP (Restarts April until end of September)

Mondays 10am – 12 noon, Sutton Lawn

Group Leader Mary Fenton Tel 01623 552742

SNOOKER GROUP

Triple S, SKEGBY - Every Thursday 2pm to 4pm

An annual £4 membership of Triple S is required

Group Leader: Mick Winterton Tel 07854 415482

GROUP CONTACTS

Group	Leader	Contact details
Afternoon Tea	Ann Bulmer	01623 440725
Board Games	Jenny North	01623 441402
Classic Cinema Group	David Lawson-Cutts	07801 424618
Croquet Group	Mary Fenton	01623 552742
Craft Group	Pam Shaw	01623 469010
Discussion Group	David Shooter	01623 437851
Drama Group	Peter Dowdle	01623 455696
Fish Friday Group	Sandra Lee	01623 471087
Grumpy Old Men Group	Steve Shaw	01623 469010
Indoor/ Outdoor Bowls	June Hall	01623 559808
International Dining	Peter Creek	01773 418652
Kings Cards Group	Mick Winterton / Andrea Westwood	01623 451758 07990 034961
Pub Luncheon Group	David Keward	01623 629771
Singles Sunday Lunch Group	Kevin Parnham	01623 555321
Snooker Group	Mick Winterton	01623 451758
Strollers Group	Gillian Hefford	07717 628879
Ten Pin Bowling Group	Bernard Jeffries/ Kathleen Handley	07747 397350 01623 552741
Theatre Visit Group	David Lawson-Cutts	07801 424618
Walking Group	Ron Hicken	01623 439293

GROUP TIMETABLE

Day	1 st in the Month	2 nd in the Month	3 rd in the Month	4 th in the Month	5 th in the Month
M O N D A Y	Kings Cards 10am Drama 1.00pm Croquet 10am <i>Summer only</i>	Kings Cards 10am Drama 1.00pm Croquet 10am <i>Summer only</i>	Kings Cards 10am Drama 1.00pm Croquet 10am <i>Summer only</i>	Kings Cards 10am Drama 1.00pm Croquet 10am <i>Summer only</i>	Kings Cards 10am Drama 1.00pm Croquet 10am Summer only
T U E S		Grumpy Old Men 9.30am		Luncheon Group 12.30pm	
W E D S	Walking Group 10.00am	Classic Cinema 2.00pm	International Dining	Board Games 10am	
T H U R S	U3A Committee Meeting Snooker 2.00pm	U3A General Meeting Snooker 2.00pm	Afternoon Tea Group Snooker 2.00pm	Strollers 10.00am Discussion Group 2pm Snooker 2.00pm	Snooker 2.00pm
F R I D A Y	Craft Group 10am Ten Pin Bowling 1.30pm	Indoor Bowls 1.30pm <i>Winter only</i> Lawn Bowls <i>Summer only</i>	Craft Group 10am Fish Friday	Indoor Bowls 1.30pm <i>Winter only</i> Lawn Bowls <i>Summer only</i>	Craft Group 10am

Singles Sunday Lunch Group – Last Sunday of the month

THE GROUPS

Afternoon Tea Group,
Board Games Group,
Classic Cinema Group,
Croquet Group,
Craft Group,
Discussion Group,
Drama Group,
Fish Friday Group,
Grumpy Old Men Group,
Indoor Bowls Group (lawn bowls during the summer),
International Dining Group,
Kings Cards Group,
Pub Luncheon Group,
Singles Sunday Lunch Group,
Snooker Group,
Strollers Group,
Ten Pin Bowling Group,
Theatre Visits Group,
Walking Group

COMMITTEE CONTACTS 2023/2024

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