

Notes From the Chair.



We seem to be stuck in a rut of random bank holidays, not that I'm complaining, but somehow, they're not as significant as when I worked for a living.

Looking forward to our May speaker, Peter Allen, who takes us into the world of TV detectives, something I suspect all of us will enjoy.

The Country and Western group have been photographed in all their finery for posterity and a stunning group they look.

Sad to mention but you became an ex-member of T&D u3a when you didn't renew your membership by the end of last month.

Advance date for your diary - The AGM for 2022-2023 will be held in the Community Centre on Thursday 20th July starting at 11:00 and will precede the monthly speaker.

May Speaker

Pete Allen

"Watching the Detectives"

A History of British Television Crime Fighters

Murder! It's not big and it's not clever. But without it our little grey cells would have missed some of the most popular television programmes to ever grace the small screen.

Today Pete Allen walks the beat through the quiet of St Mary Mead, the golden spires of Oxford, the cliffs of Broadchurch and the killing fields of Midsummer. On the way he unearths the clues that reveal how our fascination with the long arm of the law owes much to the uncertainty, experimentation, and innovation of the early days of television.

Pete works extensively as a professional theatre director and film-maker.

May's Monthly Meeting is on Thursday 18th May in the Community Centre.

Doors open 10:45 meeting starts at 11:00.

Please have your new membership card to hand as we will be checking them.

Membership

If you haven't renewed your membership by now, then you are an ex-member of T and D u3a and will not be able to attend any events held under the u3a umbrella such as group meetings or monthly meetings. To rejoin go to our website for details or complete a new member form at the monthly meeting.

Slow news day...Vogue editor Anna Wintour seen on the arm of Bill Nighy, UK's favourite actor, at the New York Met Gala and what a fine couple they made! You saw it here first (or possibly not)!

There will be a couple of Citizens Advice advisors for you to chat to at the monthly meeting.

Rapid Unscheduled Disassembly, full marks to the wordsmith who came up with that one when Elon Musk's SpaceX rocket blew up.

Three of our longest standing committee members, including the Secretary, will be stepping down at this year's AGM. Although we have been lucky enough for two of our members to step up to the role of committee member, you don't have to be a genius to do the sums and see that a difficult situation is now even worse. So please if you feel that you can help the committee in anyway, especially in the role of Secretary, do contact us on TandDu3a@gmail.com or speak to us at the monthly meeting. We're especially looking for someone to help with media/communications/publicity.

If you still haven't picked up your new membership card, then the May Monthly meeting is the opportunity to do so.

You can always contact us
on email
TandDu3a@gmail.com

Quite often I hear people say, 'if I'd known they were going there I'd have liked to have gone too'. This usually applies to trips/visits by groups such as Aviation, Birds and Wildlife, Lunch, Travel, Theatre, ... whose expeditions are not widely advertised. If you find yourself in this position the answer is to contact the group leader by sending a message via our website asking to be added to the group's membership or contact us via the usual email address. Simple!



The Country and Western Group
caught at play

Don't forget significant building work continues to take place at the TCC. To be fair to the builders it hasn't caused us that much disruption, so far.

Entrance to the TCC for the monthly meeting will be through the double fire doors on the LEFT of the building.