



Newsletter – November 2019

YOUR ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTION IS NOW DUE

Due to the Grosvenor being used as a polling station on 12th December we have rescheduled our Christmas get together to the 19th December

Further information on our U3A and the local U3A Network etc. can be found on our website. Just Google Wallasey U3A.

CINEMA GROUP

The next meeting of the Cinema Group will be in February 2020.

COMPUTER GROUP

The Computer group will meet on Monday 9th December at 10am in 'Wetherspoons' New Brighton where they will be sharing interesting 'festive things' that they have either found online or created on their computers and tablets. Everyone is welcome to come and share these and discuss any computer problems they may have. If you would like to join them please contact Sheila Ross - sheilaross999@googlemail.com

CRAFT GROUP

There is no meeting in December.

INDOOR BOWLS

Indoor Bowls takes place at Wallasey Village United Reformed Church which is situated between the Lighthouse pub and Sandy Lane. U3A members are invited to join them. Play commences at 1.30pm contact John Steel if you would like further information on 637 0674

LUNCH GROUP

The Christmas lunch will be at the Birches Restaurant, Wirral Met College, Conway Park, on **Monday 16th December at 12 noon**. This is now fully booked. **Please arrive on time**. On **16th January** the group will dine at the Turkish grill 'Ella' at Marine Point, New Brighton at 12.30 pm. Please sign the sheet by the notice board if you would like to join them.

MAH JONG GROUP

Unfortunately, the Mah Jong Group is suspended effective immediately, as the group leader is no longer able to host.

SPANISH

Anyone interested in joining or having further information, please contact David Mee: dmee@btinternet.com

TABLE TENNIS

This group meets every Monday afternoon from 2-3 pm at Bidston Tennis Centre, Bidston Moss. If you have some experience of playing and would like to join them please contact Pat McMullan on 639 1858 or email terrymc7391@gmail.com

UKULELE GROUP

This group has 2 more gigs this year and then are looking forward to performing a final one at our Wallasey U3A Christmas get together on the 19th December.

They have played at a variety of venues within the community this year, including fund raising events. The Children in Need function raised well over £800 and the Wallasey Village Library gig raised about £175 for Mary's Meals (school meals for children in Africa). Next year they hope to extend their venues to include private functions and help spread the word of the U3A.

SOCIAL COMMITTEE OUTINGS

Miracle on 34th Street the Musical: Playhouse, Friday, 27th December at 2 pm

We will be giving the tickets out at the November meeting.

The Liverpool Medical Institution: £4.00

11.00 am Wednesday, 5th February 2020

This visit is now full. If there is enough interest, we will run another one later in the year.

The Committee are meeting on 12th December to plan next year's trips. Please let us know if there is somewhere you would like to visit.

SENIOR ROAD USERS WORKSHOP

We have once again been contacted by Kathy Hall from the Wirral Council Road Safety Team to see if we would like to hold another workshop for us older folk. As we get older, our health and fitness, including our eyesight, physical condition and reaction times, begin to decline. Many of us recognise that our driving ability is changing, but we remain reliant on our vehicles to keep active, so they aim to help us to continue to drive safely, for as long as possible, by offering driving assessments and a workshop.

These free workshops are designed to support senior road users to keep safe if they are drivers, pedestrians or using public transport. The content of the workshop includes 6 subject areas lifestyle, eyesight, mobility, public transport, medication and driving assessments. The driving assessment is free for drivers over the age of 60 though they do ask for a £20 administration fee. The Drive Safely for Longer driving assessment is designed to help senior drivers brush up on their observation skills, learn how to cope with the mistakes of other road users, and address any concerns you may have. The assessment is carried by an approved driving instructor in your own car. It is a combination of driving and discussion around your personal driving needs. This was very popular last time, though it was free then! Please add your name to the list on the notice board table if you are interested. It will probably be held on a Wednesday afternoon in Wallasey Village Library.

HESWALL U3A TRIP

Heswall U3A are planning a trip to London to visit to the Tutankhamun Exhibition/Prince of Egypt show at the Dominion Theatre on 2nd/3rd April 2020 and have offered places to other U3A's. More information can be found on the notice board table.

WIRRAL COPPER JAR

Do you have any spare copper in your purse or pockets? There is a yellow collecting jar on the small table by the notice boards. All the money collected goes to help people/organisations in the Wirral. Many thanks to everyone who has donated so far.

RECYCLING

The crisp company "Walkers" are running a scheme where they will re-cycle any used crisp packets. The brand and size of the packet, whether foil or not, does not matter, it simply needs to be empty and flattened, it does not have to be washed. There will be a marked bag for these at each meeting, if you are able to contribute.

NATIONAL U3A DAY

Next June 3rd the National U3A are organising a National U3A Day in order to raise awareness of the U3A. We welcome any ideas on how we can create a display, hopefully in the Cherry Tree Centre. Please contact Cathy Morgan on cathymorgan@live.co.uk

CANTEEN ROTA
Your refreshment providers this month are: Cheryl Barber, Jen McGlashan, Hilary Hibbert and Jean O'Reilly. Next month (Christmas get together) they will be: Liz Booth, Marina Ashton and A N Other

If you are unable to come to the meeting please arrange for someone else to take your place on the tea rota or ring Chris Watson on 638 2153