## Warsop & Distict



#### **Issue 60 November**

### Notes from the Chairman

After the rather frantic October meeting catching up with the agm and a speaker I am looking forward to a more relaxed meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> November. When the talk will be on the East Midlands Immediate Care Scheme.

Many of you will read this newsletter before Saturday 19<sup>th</sup> when the Warsop Christmas Market is taking place. The craft group have a stall in the marquee next to the library so why not come along and say hello. There are also several of us spreading the u3a word during the event.

The social calendar is very busy in the next few weeks with theatre visits, Christmas meals and Chinese New Year all in the near future, don't forget to settle up with Jen if you still need to. Details are in the Social events section below.

For those of you with raffle tickets the deadline is approaching for them to be got back to David. The draw is in early December, so get your tickets sold and returned. Jim Shervey Chair

The deadline for including articles/information in the next newsletter is **Friday 9**<sup>th</sup> **December** Send contributions to Chris Shervey.

### Rota for refreshments and greeting

Starting Monday 19th December at the Oaklands

Please be there around 9.30 am. Any problems please let me know, thanks Ann.

Date	Refreshments 1	Refreshments 2	Meet & Greet 1	Meet & Greet
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19 <sup>th</sup> December	Jean Hayes	Pat England	Glenys Fearn	Ray White
16 <sup>th</sup> January	Angelina Taylor	Patricia	Chris Wilson	Brenda
		Scattergood		Pearce
20 <sup>th</sup> February	Sheila Easom	Maureen Long	Moira Heslop	Barbara
				Hartshorn
20 <sup>th</sup> March	Zena Inger	Christine	Jean Hayes	Pat England
		Chapman		
17 <sup>th</sup> April	Janice Thorlby	Audrey Gilbert	Ann Ballinger	Betty Trinder

### Items of interest

### Hello Friends of Dukeries u3a

The tickets for the Quiz and Pie Supper on Friday 25 November evening are selling well. Do email Leslye or send a text to reserve your seats. Payment secures your booking ( $\pounds$ 6 per ticket).

### Website & Facebook

The Warsop & District U3A website can be found at the address below. If any of the group leaders/facilitators would like to advertise/ promote any of their future activities, please contact either Bob Thomson or Ann Ballinger.

#### www.u3asites.org.uk/Warsop

Warsop & District U3A have a Facebook Page. It is a closed group page which can be seen by the public but they can't post or comment on the posts on the page. What this means is that you have to be invited to join the group or have your request to join accepted. Also you need to be on Facebook which some of you may not be. As a member of the group you will be able to put your own posts on the page, please keep them relevant to the U3A and what it stands for. We would ask that you don't put anything on that is in anyway party political or anything that may be offensive to others who may be of a different creed or religion. Hopefully everyone will join, use the page and find it useful.

One of the things that puts people 'off' Facebook, is the 'bad press' some of the Social sites get. You can join Facebook, choose only to join the Warsop Facebook page and not be involved in any other site, or Friends requests (usually from people that you have never heard of!) The choice is entirely yours.

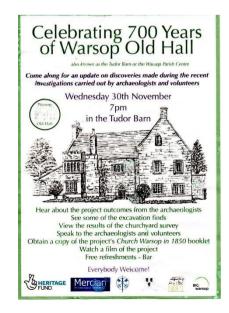
To request to join the Warsop u3a Facebook page, contact either Ann Ballinger or Bob Thomson.

#### Milk Bottle Tops

Could you please keep collecting plastic tops from bottles of milk to raise money for the JOHN EASTWOOD HOSPICE. Bring to the main meetings. Also any unwanted wallpaper.

A big thank you to everyone who has brought bottle tops and wallpaper. Barbara Hartshorn

Interested in local history? Then this might be of interest to you.



**Cups** Please will as many of you as possible bring your own mug for your tea or coffee. This is not only more environmentally friendly but also would save us a lot of money as the paper disposable cups we use are surprisingly expensive. Ann.

**Raffle** The October raffle raised £61 pounds for funds. Thank You. **RAFFLE PRIZES NEEDED PLEASE ESPECIALLY ONES SUITABLE FOR MEN**.

**Books and Jigsaws** Made £5.57 in October. The books are sorted into genres e.g. Crime Non-Fiction Historical etc so it is easier to find a book you like.

# **Group News**

## Theatre Group



Theatre Group

A reminder, the play we are going to see at the Robin Hood Theatre is the matinee performance on Saturday 17th December. Curtain up at 2.30 pm. Jen

### Silver Surfers

Savoy cinema Worksop. Wednesday 23<sup>rd</sup> November. 11.30am. Ticket price £4.15.

Living (12A) A veteran civil servant receives a medical diagnosis that inspires him to move to the south coast and cram some fun into his remaining days. He meets a sunny young female colleague who seems to have the pep that had previously escaped him.

## Strollers



Our October walk took us to Rufford Country Park. It was a lovely

Autumn day, busy with lots of families enjoying the Halloween Ghost Walk, etc. However, our walk round the lake was very pleasant and we did, of course, have our obligatory coffee and chat half way round.

November 23rd 2022 - Sherwood Forest Meet 10.00 am on The Carrs for car share to Edwinstowe

International Dining



This group will resume next year.

# Walking Group



Our October walk was cancelled. Brenda







## Garden Group

In October the Garden group went to Newstead Abbey. The weather was fine, dry and mild for our walk around the gardens. We went to the Hut pub across from the Abbey entrance for lunch

For the November garden group we went to Dobbies garden centre to do some shopping and have coffee. We then went to Darfoulds Nursery for a lovely lunch and then called at Dukeries garden centre to see the Christmas decorations on the way back

Linda

IF ANYONE WOULD LIKE SOME WELL ROTTED HORSE MANURE (FREE OF CHARGE) PLEASE SEE JIM.





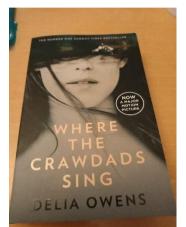
### CALLING ALL BOOKWORMS!!!

......The December Book Group will meet at the Plough Inn, Warsop, at 2pm on Wednesday 7 December, please come along for an afternoon of book reviews and general gossip.

Of the various books reviewed the 'Book of the Month ' for November was considered to be:-

#### Where The Crawdads Sing by Delia Owens.

It tells the story of Kya, an girl abandoned by her parents raises herself in the dangerous marshlands of North Carolina. For years rumours of the 'Marsh Girl' circulated round the local town which only served to isolate Kya. Two young men from the town enter into Kya's world and she is drawn to them. However, when one of them is found dead she becomes the main suspect and put on trial for his murder. The Prosecution ask for the death penalty, and as the case unfolds what actually happened becomes increasingly unclear and threatens to reveal many secrets surrounding the marsh.



Considered a riveting read by members of the group

Hope to see you on the 7th.....

Regards Mel



### Photography Group

The Photography group continues to operate using the 'Face to Face' meetings and online 'Themed' challenges.

The 'Face to face' meeting was held on Friday 21<sup>st</sup> October 22, at Clumber park, to witness the colour of the changing seasons. Although rain was forecast, it held off until we had finished our walk and were back at the Café.

The online 'Themed' challenge was 'Things beginning with E or F'

This month we welcomed a new member to the group Yvonne Panner Rospaw.

### Joyce O'Neil - E&F / Clumber





### Betty Trinder – E&F / Clumber





### Ann Ballinger – E&F





### Joanne Wheatley – E&F / Clumber





### Yvonne Panner Rospaw – E&F / Clumber





### Bob Thomson E&F / Clumber





#### Chris & Jim Shervey E&F



These images are just a small collection of the photos taken at Clumber park and for the 'Themed' challenge, to reduce printing costs. To see more, either go to the Warsop u3a Facebook page or take a look at the Photography group folder at the next u3a meeting.

The next online 'Themed' challenge is 'Things beginning with G or H', as usual all u3a members are invited to take part!

The next 'Face to face' meeting will be on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> November 22, weather permitting – venue yet to be decided.

### The Friendship Group



The Friendship Group met on the 4th November at the Plough and an enjoyable afternoon was had by all. It has been decided to try a Beetle Drive for our next meeting on the 2nd December at the usual time of 2 p.m. at the Plough and it would be nice to welcome a few more members to the Group.

#### Betty

#### Bowls

The Welbeck Bowling Club is now closed until April 2023

### Bridge Club

The Dukeries u3a Bridge Group meet on the Second and Fourth Tuesday of each month at the Jubilee Hall(NG22 9AP) from 1 - 4PM. The cost of each session is currently £3. All U3a members are welcome to attend.



### Craft Group

This month some members were continuing to work on a banner (which we started a while ago) for our u3a. Jen is putting the finishing touches to it and hopefully it will be ready for 19<sup>th</sup>. Others were doing quilling and making Christmas gift tags.

In December we are making MACRAME ANGELS.

### History Group



The History Group met on Tuesday 18<sup>th</sup> October at St Theresa's Church Hall. Chris Shervey gave a wonderful presentation to the group which explored the history behind the legend of Robin Hood. Was there any evidence that this notorious outlaw lived at all and did battle with Prince John's Sheriff of Nottingham back in the twelfth century? How much of the story we tell today of Robin and his merry band has any evidence supporting it? Her presentation asked many questions, explored so many sources and covered this topic so extensively, a summary here does not do justice to the amount of work she put into it.

Chris took us on an interesting journey looking at possible claimants to the title 'Robin Hood' and exploring what scant evidence exists to support any of this legend as being factual – much of which appears to originate from ballads. She explored the findings at sites associated with Robin Hood to see if they supported the claims of the legend. For instance, legend has it that Robin died and was buried at Kirklees Priory. Indeed, there is a gravestone bearing his name there, but when excavated the grave did not contain a body!

Chris raised the interesting question of why had this legend endured for eight centuries? Why should an outlaw, a common criminal, become held in such high esteem? The legend is not just well known nationwide it is a worldwide phenomenon. Many foreign tourists are drawn to this area because of Robin Hood.

We learned that the legend was perpetuated through medieval plays and later became part of the May Day celebrations when Lady Marion became part of the merry band. It soon became clear that many of the events and characters which figure in the story we know today was added over time. Yet the story of Robin Hood is just as popular with modern day audiences as it was with medieval ones. There are numerous films about Robin Hood and many places around the country are named after him.

Having heard all Chris had found on the topic of Robin Hood I have to say it struck me how wanting our local tourist sites are as they are devoid of all this fascinating background information which Chris communicated to us. I am sure those who visit our area in search of Robin Hood would love to share in this knowledge.

Thankyou Chris for a fascinating talk.

Also, thanks to Sue for organising coffee and biscuits at our meeting.

On Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> November our speaker was Bob Massey who told us about the origins of some of our Halloween traditions. Report in next months newsletter.

Tamar

### Warsop & District U3A History Group Calendar of Events-2022

Date		
December 2022	No meeting as very close to Christmas	

17 <sup>th</sup> January	Newstead Abbey and its owners – Denis Hill	St Theresa's
2023		Church Hall 10am
21 <sup>st</sup> February	In house	St Theresa's
2023		Church Hall 10am
21 <sup>st</sup> March 2023	Top Ten Scandals of Sherwood Forest Adrian	St Theresa's
	Gray	Church Hall 10am
18 <sup>th</sup> April 2023	Visit to Southwell Workhouse	Meet at 10am at
		The Carrs Warsop

Group Leaders			
Group	Name	Email	Tel
WALKING GROUP	Brenda Pearce Pam Hick		
STROLLERS	Sue Cox Pat Magness		
HISTORY GROUP	Barbara Spybey		
BOOK GROUP	Mel Mitchell		
CRAFTS	Zena Inger		
GARDENING	Linda Crossley		
FRIENDSHIP GROUP	Betty Trinder		
INTERNATIONAL DINING GROUP	Chris Wilson Brenda Pearce		
THEATRE GROUP	Jennifer Thomson		
SOCIAL EVENTS ORGANISER	Jennifer Thomson		

	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
1st	<b>10am – 12pm</b> <b>CRAFTS GROUP</b> The Adam Eastwood Building. Warsop		LUNCHEON GROUP Various locations Please sign up before attending.		2pm <b>FRIENDSHIP GROUP</b> The Plough Warsop
			2pm BOOKS & LITERATURE GROUP The Plough Warsop		
2nd		10am GARDENING GROUP Venue agreed by members			
3rd	MAIN MEETING 10.15 Oaklands Centre Warsop	<b>10am– 12pm HISTORY GROUP</b> Catholic Church Warsop		<b>10am WALKING GROUP</b> Carrs Car Park 10am	<b>11.am</b> <b>PHOTOGRAPHY</b> Venue to be agreed by the members.
4th			<b>10.am</b> <b>STROLLERS</b> Carrs Car Park 10am		

### North Notts Network Group

(North Notts Network Warsop & District U3A is a member of the NNNG Group of U3A's).

This means that you as a member of Warsop & District can ask to join an interest group in another U3A that is also in the NNNG.

Please note that joining another U3A's interest group depends on whether there is space in the group. A U3A will give priority to its own members.

### Social Events

Barn Dance, Saturday 10th December 7pm at the Oaklands.

I need to collect all outstanding balances on Monday 21st November, please.

Christmas Lunch, Thursday 15th December, 12.00 at the Foxglove. I need to have your menu choices on or before 21st November, please, and I shall need to collect all outstanding balances too. The amount of your balance will depend on how many courses you choose. 2 courses cost £18.50 and 3 courses are £21.50, plus any extras. Most people paid £5 deposit. I shall pay the balance before the date of the meal, so that only drinks will need to be paid for on the day.

#### Chinese New Year, 23rd January 2023.

I have to send the balance for this event to the u3a Network Treasurer by the end of December, ideally I'd like to collect this on 21st November too. I'm afraid I shall be busy at our next monthly meeting and you will all be broke!

In view of all that's happening in December I shan't be arranging another Quiz Night until the New Year. I have been asked to arrange a cruise on the River Trent for next Spring. If anyone has any other ideas for events please let me know. My contact details are at the end of this newsletter.

### Speakers for the main meetings

November 21 <sup>s</sup> East Midlands Immediate Care Scheme		Dr Tim Grey MBE		
December 19th	Christmas Party			
2023				
January 16 <sup>th</sup>	Life and Times of a Medieval Ropemaker	Thomas Taylor		
February 20 <sup>th</sup>	Masters of Mirth the sequel	Mike Storr		
March 20th	The Wild West in song	Steve Allen		
April 17 <sup>th</sup>	Weird + Wonderful Ways of Predicting the Future	Elaine Parkins		
May 15 <sup>th</sup> Road safety (more interesting than it sounds) Autumn Rose		Autumn Rose		
June 19 <sup>th</sup>	Baroness Bolsovers Afternoon Tea Etiquette Demonstration + participation required!!	Baroness Bolsover		
July 17 <sup>th</sup> Bees, Ants and Wasps		Graham Appleby		
August 21 <sup>st</sup>	Lesley Taylor Talks Rubbish	Lesley Taylor		
September 18th	Annual General Meeting			
October 16 <sup>th</sup> Funny Turns David Moy		David Moylan		
November 20 <sup>th</sup> Inspector Hopkinsons Discovery Ian Morga		lan Morgan		
December Christmas Party				

### RIDDLES

People make me, save me, change me raise me. What am I?

What is heavier a ton of feathers or a ton of bricks?

What starts with T, ends with T and has T in it?

## NOVEMBER QUIZ

Which flags or associations do theses flags belong to?





### NOVEMBER QUICK QUIZ All answers start with the letter W

- 1 In which musical do you find the Sharks and Jets?
- 2 Who is the Austrian equivalent to Robin Hood? (first name W)
- 3 In which 1960's film is Alan Bates mistaken for Jesus by a group of children?
- 4 Which composer wrote the Flying Dutchman?
- 5 What was Fred Fintstones wife called?
- 6 Which poet wrote The Daffodils?
- 7 In the pantomime Aladdin what is his mother called?
- 8 Which castle was badly damaged by fire in 1992?
- 9 Which county cricket team plays at Egbaston? 10 Who was Prime minister four times?( first name W)

## WELL I DIDN'T KNOW THAT

1 There are 254 different flags in the world covering all countries and dependent territories.

2 Of these 254 flags only the flag of Nepal is not rectangular (it's 2 triangles) 3 The oldest flag is that of Denmark dating from the 13<sup>th</sup> century.

- 4 The newest flag is that of Mauretania adopted on 15<sup>th</sup> Aug 2017.
- 5 The rings on the Olympic flag represent the 5 continents Yellow is Africa Red is Americas Green is Asia Black is Europe and Blue is Oceania.

## ANSWERS TO OCT RIDDLES

1 Which of these is the largest, triangle square rectangle or square? Rectangle, it has the most letters

2 What building has the most stories? A library

3 What runs but never walks, a bed but never sleeps and a mouth but never eats? A river

## ANSWERS OCTOBER QUICK QUIZ All the answers start with the letter V

- 1 Name of the forces sweetheart? (first name v) VERA LYNN
- 2 Name 2 string instruments? VIOLIN VIOLA
- 3 Actress who played Scarlett O Hara in the film Gone with the wind? (first name V) VIVIENNE LEIGH

- 4 Composer of the Four Seasons? VIVALDI
- 5 French philosopher and scientist 1694-1778? VOLTAIRE
- 6 Acetic Acid is more commonly known as? VINEGAR
- 7 Caracas is the capital city of which country? VENEZULA
- 8 Name an animal similar to a Llama or Alpaca? VICUNA
- 9 Churchills famous V was for? VICTORY

10 Where did Viking warriors go when they died? VALHALLA

ANSWERS OCTOBER QUIZ Fill the famous relative of these famous people e.g.

Marie Curie(scientist) wife of Pierre Curie(scientist)

1 Andre Agassi (tennis player) husband of STEFI GRAFF (tennis player) 2 Charlotte Bronte (author) sister of ANNE and EMILY (authors) 3 Graham Hill (F1 driver) father DAMON HILL (F1 driver) 4 Jack Rosenthal (playwright) husband of MAUREEN LIPMAN (actress) 5 Kingsley Amis (author) father of MARTIN AMIS (author) 6 Shirley McClaine (actress) sister of WARREN BEATTY (actor) 7 Graham Bell (skier) brother of MARTIN BELL (skier) 8 Andy Murray (tennis player) brother of JAMIE MURRAY (tennis player) 9 Toby Stephens (actor) son of MAGGIE SMITH (actress) 10 Gary Neville (footballer) brother of PHIL NEVILLE (footballer) 11 Jake Gyllenhaal (actor) brother of MAGGIE GYLLENHAAL (actress) 12 Venus Williams (tennis player) sister of SERENA WILLIAMS (tennis player) 13 Michael Douglas (actor) son of KIRK DOUGLAS (actor) 14 Alistair Brownlee (triathlete) brother of JOHNNIE BROWNLOW -(triathlete) 15 Reggie Kray (gangster) brother of RONNIE KRAY (gangster) 16 Chris Hemsworth (actor) brother of LIAM HEMSWORTH -(actor) 17 Elizabeth 1 (queen) daughter of HENRY VIII (king) 18 Charlie Sheen (actor) brother of EMILIO ESTEVES (actor) 19 Percy Bysshe Shelley (poet) husband of MARY SHELLEY (author) 20 Ralph Fiennes (actor) brother of JOSEPH FIENNES (actor) 21 Michael Shumaker (F1 driver) brother of RALPH SCHUMAKER (F1 driver) 22 Elizabeth Taylor (actress) wife twice of RICHARD BURTON (actor) 23 Vanessa Redgrave (actress) daughter of SIR MICHAEL REDGRAVE(actor) 24 Sir Peter Scott (naturalist) son of ROBERT FALCON SCOTT (explorer) 25 Michael Douglas (actor) husband of CATHERINE ZETA JONES (actress) 26 Don Everley (singer) brother of PHIL EVERLEY (singer) 27 Rory Underwood (rugby player) brother of TONY UNDERWOOD(rugby player) 28 Karen Carpenter (singer) sister of RICHARD CARPENTER (singer) 29 Ralph Fiennes (actor) cousin of RANULPH FIENNES (explorer) 30 Victoria (queen) niece of **GEORGE IV and WILLIIAM IV** (king)

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Anyone wishing to see the Privacy and Data Protection policies may view them on the Warsop & District U3A website, alternatively please ask Rob.



### **Robin Hood Lottery**

Warsop and District U3A is a registered cause with the Robin Hood Lottery.

To buy a ticket you can register on line at www.robinhoodlottery.co.uk and set up regular payments. If you buy a ticket every week for a year Warsop U3A will receive £26.

Remember the more members that have a go (specifying Warsop & District U3A) the more money we get for our funds.

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Mel Mitchell	Membership Secretary
Chris Shervey	Groups co-ordinator
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