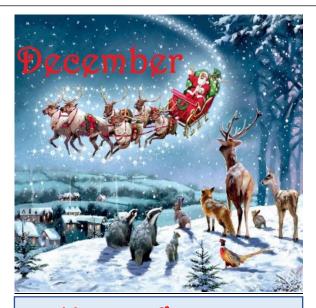


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Wyre u3a Committee,
Group Leaders
and Newsletter Team
wish every member
A Very Merry Christmas
and
A Happy, Healthy and
Prosperous New Year,

## <u>CHAIRMAN'S CHAT</u> Kathleen Smith

When you get your newsletter do you read it all? When you read a report from one of our groups, do say to yourself, "I would love to have a go at that"? If you do, "Hard luck; you are just like me!" I remember being told never to retire because you will not have any time at home relaxing. It was true. So, let's live life to the full.

The Committee met on the 17th of November in the hope of getting back on the road with a full Committee. If only? We still need a Secretary.

At the moment, the role is being carried out by me. I am rapidly finding out how so many things have changed since the last time I held a secretarial post. Hey-Ho! It is a good job that everyone else on your committee is willing to help me.

Our pressing topic under discussion at the moment is about the membership payment time and AGM dates. The Committee want to hold an Extraordinary General Meeting at the monthly meeting in February to decide on changing dates in order to make everything work better. So that everyone has the opportunity to take in all the information to enable them to make their own mind up, everyone will receive a copy of the facts, figures and proposals within the designated time limit. If you don't have access to the internet, I am sure you can get the information by phoning a friend and asking to be allowed to read it on their computer.

If you are the slightest bit interested in what is going on in Wyre u3a, I ask again, please, please, please, consider getting involved with us, the decision makers, on your committee. We need more help!

Finally, to all the groups to which I belong, I want to say how much I appreciate the support you have given to me and all the other group members. You have taken the u3a ethos of "Sharing and Giving, not Taking". Thank you all. That gratitude is also sent to all those members who do things behind the scenes without much acknowledgement, because they don't want any fuss. Good for you! Thanks!

## GROUPS' CO-ORDINATOR -

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My heartfelt thanks to all Group Leaders for their continual encouragement, teaching and shared learning with their respective groups. Thanks also everyone who attended the recent Group Leaders and Committee Members Meeting. It was a very lively and constructive meeting.

Please note that following a discussion at the Committee Meeting, it was decided that non u3a members are welcome to attend only Two Taster Sessions as a guest, one Monthly

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Meeting and one Interest Group, at a cost of £2 per session. If they then wish to attend further meetings, they must join Wyre u3a. Could I please remind all Group Leaders that if they are not using their venue for a group meeting they must notify the relevant person as Wyre u3a do not wish to pay for venues which are not being used.

I am pleased to welcome Cindy Potter and Jean Steele as Group Leaders of the "Quiz and Games Group", which will start in January 2023.

The Wyre u3a Facebook Page is a Private Group for Wyre u3a Members only. It provides a forum, where our members are invited to express their views, share information, photographs and funny stories. Finally, may I wish everyone "Very Best Wishes for Christmas and a Happy and Healthy New Year".

#### DATES FOR YOUR DIARY



Monthly Meetings are held at 2.00 p.m. on the second Thursday of every month at Thornton Little Theatre.

#### Thursday, 8th December.

Wyre u3a Live Music Group Christmas Concert. Christmas is coming. Get in the mood! Join us for an afternoon of Music & Songs.

#### Thursday, 8th January 2023.

<u>Speaker</u>: Philip Caine, Author, Speaker, Raconteur.

Philip Caine is the author of the Jack Castle and Shackleton Blister series of adventure novels. He was born in 1950, in Barrow-in- Furness. His working life began in the hotel business and his career developed in the oil industry. Thirty years were spent in places such as the North Sea, Algeria, Nigeria, Kazakhstan and Russia. From 2003, he spent seven years in post war Baghdad working with the American coalition and a further three years running Oil Services Companies in Dubai. He retired in 2015 and began writing and public speaking. Since then, he has spoken at over 500 venues in the UK and written nine adventure thrillers. All Philip's books are available in Paperback, eBook and Audio format.

## <u>SOCIAL EVENTS</u> <u>Diane M. Whitworth, Helen Kehoe</u> and Norma Culshaw

#### New Year Social Event 2023

Please note that the previously announced date of this event has been changed to Saturday, 28th January 2023

at 7.00 p.m. at

Poulton Community Hall, Poulton.

There will be a Buffet, Quiz and Raffle. (Donations of Raffle Prizes required please). We will be entertained by the wonderful Fylde Ukulele Network singing and playing an eclectic range of music.

Tickets are priced at £12.00 each and will be available to purchase at the Monthly Meetings in December and January at Thornton Little Theatre.

Wing Tasting



A Wine Tasting Evening at 7.00 p.m. on Saturday, 25th February at St Hilda's Church Hall, Fleetwood Road South, Carleton, (next to the Castle Gardens). Jordan Kehoe will once again be hosting the event and offering his expert opinion on a selection of wines.

Please bring your own wine glasses.
Reservations and payment can be made at the Monthly Meetings on 8th December

at the Monthly Meetings on 8th December and 9th January 2023.

If you require more information about any of our Social events, please contact the Social Committee by email at:

social.wyreu3a@gmail.com

#### **Event Reports**

# Coach trip to Liverpool on Thursday, 27th October 2022.

25 members set off from Thornton for a smooth and uneventful trip to Liverpool and were dropped off adjacent to Lime Street Station. This was convenient for most major stores which, I suspect, were the target

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building safely about 15 minutes later and checked in early. We were told about their cafe, which was very impressive, where claimed we our discount as tour members. Much of publicity the tour concentrated on the 124 steps

narrow, spiral, stone stairs which must put people off. But in our group there were quite young children and no one appeared to have any difficulty. The tour is not just a visit to the top but included a stop behind the clockfaces of the tower where there was a clever projection display of the history of Liverpool. We then made our way to the top landing where we had a 360-degree panoramic view of Liverpool with information boards to help identify what we were looking at.

From that viewpoint we could see both cathedrals. Another bit of advice we had been given was to visit the Anglican one which, from our high viewpoint, did not look far away. We reckoned it would not be a long walk and that we would be there by lunchtime, where we could visit their cafe, which had also been strongly recommended to us. The walk took us quite a lot longer than our estimate but we did see a lot of interest on the way past the Albert Dock area. We were greeted very warmly on our way in, asked if we had been before and where we had travelled from. The only disappointment we felt was that the view of the beautiful stained-glass windows was spoilt by a metal mesh over each, presumably some safety feature, making it difficult to fully see the images.

We also took up the recommendation to visit the cafe and we were not disappointed. There were beautiful surroundings, pleasant helpful staff and an interesting menu with reasonable prices. As visitors to Liverpool, we felt it our duty to order the local dish, Traditional Scouse.

When we left the Cathedral we had toyed with the idea of finding a bus to take us back to the city centre but we walked instead. We passed all sorts of interesting shops and businesses; one had a long queue outside stretching well down the pavement and being naturally curious, we checked to see what the attraction was. It proved to be a shop which hired out fancy dress and of course it was just before Halloween. The next cafe that caught my eye was "Chaiwalla" specialising in serving tea, Indian style. I have never seen a cafe with that name anywhere else.

We slowly made our way back to the centre completing our day at the Walker Art Gallery. I have not seen two large oil painting depicting "The Death of Nelson" on the same wall before either, albeit by different artists. We finally left Liverpool for the inevitable slow journey home, because of heavy traffic and I am delighted that I was a passenger and not the driver.

Altogether an interesting day out and thanks to the Social Committee for organising it. Geoffrey Cowell

# Coach Trip to Castle Howard on Thursday, 24th November 2022.

An almost full coach set out to explore the wonders of Castle Howard. On arrival, we joined the queue to enter the café. Those coming out remarked that "It is worth waiting for!"; and indeed, it was.

We then proceeded to the beautiful house which was transformed into "A Fairy Tale Christmas". Magic had descended on Castle Howard. Fairy tale characters included Sleeping Beauty, Cinderella, Jack and the Beanstalk, Red Riding Hood and so many more. The highlight for many of us was to see Des and Vera waltzing so elegantly in the Cinderella ballroom to the accompaniment of enchanting music.

The house was stunning and brought back memories of the popular TV series "Brideshead Revisited". Despite the extravagant Christmas décor, one could still

see the essence of the house through the ages.

Yet again, a Wyre u3a outing was visited by monsoon-type weather, but our spirits were never dampened. Thank you to Diane, Helen and Norma for organising such a wonderful day out.

Gloria Irwin

A reminder from the Committee
Please note that, unfortunately, dogs
are not allowed on any walks.

#### NEWS FROM THE GROUPS

#### The Amblers

The <u>December</u> amble will be led by Kay and Alex Herschell. It will be between Christmas and New Year on Thursday, 29th and will be an opportunity to "Walk your Turkey off". It will start at the carpark on Rossall Prominade and follow the coast for about four miles for lunch at The North Euston Hotel Fleetwood. The return to Cleveleys will be by tram alighting at Rossall Beach from where it is about a half mile walk back to the start.

Please register your intention to amble by emailing groups.wyreu3a@gmail.com. Also indicate if you need a lift from Thornton Little Theatre car park. Lifts will leave there at 10.45 a.m. Amblers should gather at the gate at the north end of Rossall car park for an 11.00 a.m. start.

The <u>January</u> amble will be led by Geoffrey Cowell on Thursday, 19th January 2023. It will be an amble in and around Chipping with a total distance of around four miles. The exact route on the day will depend, to an extent, on weather conditions but will cover all the fascinating, historic buildings in Chipping with a commentary on their history as we pass them.

Meet at Chipping car park, Post Code PR3 2QH at 10.30 a.m. It has modest charges, currently £1.40 for four hours or £2.20 for eight hours with free toilets. I expect the walk to be completed by around 1.30 p.m. when I will suggest eating in a famous (not expensive) local cafe. The main u3a walking group missed out on this a few years ago because Chipping has half day closing on Wednesdays.

If you intend to take part, please let Geoffrey know at the following email address:

It is important that you do this in case winter weather causes a postponement and he will be able to contact you.

# **Crown Green Bowling** - Kenneth Speakman

The group is currently on hold due to the Norcross green being closed for the winter. I will keep you informed as to when the green is due to reopen (probably late March - early April 2023).

#### **Creative Writing** - Ann Fewson

We agreed without exception that the subject for this month, "Not Necessarily in that Order" was one of the most difficult we had tackled for a while. Perhaps it was linked in our memories with a famous and extremely funny Morecambe and Wise sketch with Andre Previn and we couldn't get past that? Nevertheless, everyone, in their different ways, produced a piece of writing that fitted the remit, some fiction, some factual and some that straddled the two.

Next meeting; Monday, 12th December.

Subject: Neighbours.

January meeting: Monday 9,th January.

Subject: A New Leaf.

#### **Dining Group** - *Irene Evans*

The Clay Oven Indian Restaurant in Thornton is booked for Wednesday, 18th January, 6.00 p.m. for 6.30 p.m. I hope you are all happy with that. I thought it might be a welcome change after all the Christmas meals.

Please telephone me to book on my number which is 07889 761757 .I will send out the menu in a couple of weeks, or you can get it on-line. I will need your menu choices before the event.

#### Eat and Heat Group - Tony Ward

In response to these very difficult economic times, our u3a has not only helped our own members with practical advice, but also begun to reach out to those in the Fylde who are now really struggling. Our thanks to all those who brought contributions to the October Meeting. It was a very good start,

and we will continue to support the main food bank in Fleetwood by, at each monthly meeting, collecting contributions from those of us who are able to and wish to help this cause.

Fleetwood's food bank, established and supported by several voluntary charities, churches, the local councils and Lancashire County Council, is a busy, efficient, and much-needed service to the community.

All contributions are welcome, nothing is wasted, and particularly helpful are tins of food, packets of rice and pasta, bread, cornflakes, sauces, coffee, fresh fruit and vegetables, and men and women's toiletries. The food bank has ample room for storage, and freezers, but chilled or frozen food is best donated at their address: The Pantry (on the site of the old hospital, by the side of the present Out-Patients), North Albert Street, Fleetwood. Our contributions so far have been warmly received!

# **Family History** - Shaun O'Hara and Joanne Mathews

We met on the first Monday in the month but rather than a meeting in the Hall, we went on an extremely interesting tour of the Lancashire Archives in Preston.

This year, we are concentrating on doing our family history without the need to spend money, so next month, I want everyone to bring their family history with them. I will hold a clinic in order to try and advance your family history by trying to help you get through any brick walls you have encountered.

I am looking forward to seeing you all next month.

#### French Conversation - Clive Jones



Two meetings were held at the Thornton Library on 7th and 21st November. The last meeting of the calendar year will be on 5th December and we will re-convene on Monday, 9th January 2023 after the Christmas and New Year break. With additions to the group this year and one new member recently joining, the group size is now nine, which is the highest that it has ever been. The meetings were very well attended and new members are always most welcome to join us.

We continue to focus on spontaneous French Conversation rather than by individual work or presentations, by encouraging free-flowing discussion and subsequent questions without the fear of making mistakes or drying up in the conversation. There were some excellent conversations on a broad number of topics including a journey to Wales to collect a new car, a recent exhibition in Bradford of the works of the painter Vincent van Gogh, Christmas markets both here and further afield, a vintage car exhibition at the Birmingham NEC (a journey in the current climate that required three changes of train from Blackpool!), eating out in cafes and restaurants near and far, birthdays and retirements, meeting up with relatives and their extended families from afar, new people and old friends (one example in the latter with a Ukrainian connection), eating out in cafes and restaurants both here and away, recent walks in the area, wine tastings, watching rugby both local and international and preparations for Christmas and New Year; among others!

Joyeux Noël et Bonne Année.

#### French Improvers - Christine Holt

In our first meeting, we read and translated some texts which looked at how the French spend their leisure time. We listened to an audio recording of the same texts which helped to improve our listening skills and our pronunciation. During our next meeting, we talked about our own hobbies and interests. These included a very knowledgeable study of astronomy, long skating on frozen canals (or maybe it was lakes,) family history, learning to play the piano, knitting for charity and one I think a lot of us had was reading.

Of course, we all had one interest in common, which was learning French.

#### Gardening - Kathleen Smith

On Wednesday, 21st December, we are having a get-together at the home of one of our member's. It is on Hillylaid Road, Thornton. Whilst it will be a social event, we will, as usual, still be swapping information on gardening.

If any group member did not get my email, please get in touch with a request for details.

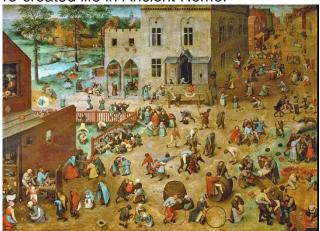
#### **History of Art** - *Martin Johnson*

Our group looked at some British artists who portrayed High Victorian society, and for once they were not the Pre-Raphaelites! W.P.Frith may have provided a false impression of a prosperous, happy country, but his construction and technical skill shown in the famous crowd panoramas was greatly admired and deserved attention.

We also noticed this cross-over with Dickens' novels when we moved onto two unjustly neglected artists, Herkomer and Fildes. Despite both painting the 'Great' and the 'Good', they also movingly portrayed the poor and the destitute.

We will return next year to other interesting Victorians, whose works can be conveniently viewed in most Northern galleries.

In January, we will study the Victorian Neo-Classicists, Lord Leighton, Lawrence Alma-Tadema, and Edward Poynter, all of whom re-created life in Ancient Rome.



Pieter Breugel the Elder "Children's Games" 1560

In addition, we should enjoy the humour in those two wonderful Brueghel paintings, 'Children's Games' & 'Dutch Proverbs'.

Please note that this month's meeting is earlier on 6th December. As usual, there will be the opportunity to choose a favourite artwork.

#### Italian Group - Clive Jones

Two meetings were held at the Poulton Library on 8th and 22nd November. The latter was the last meeting of the calendar year and we will re-convene on Tuesday, 10th January 2023 after the Christmas and New Year break.

The meetings are well attended and new members are always welcome to join us. Spontaneous general Italian conversation is still the backbone of the meetings augmented by studying further articles on various aspects of Italian life and culture and learning exercises on the use of indefinite pronouns. We covered articles on the very famous opera Madame Butterfly by Giacomo Puccini (which of course was the inspiration for the musical theatre production 'Miss Saigon') and 'Arte and Natura Morta', which was about the art of still life. We looked at an article called 'Il Robot Scultore', a robot device founded by two Carrara entrepreneurs to create marble sculptures.

In open conversation, we talked about a wide range of topics including a proposed visit to Dieppe in France, a visit to an antique car show in Birmingham (which in the current rail environment required three changes of train from Blackpool!), meeting up with - relatives and their extended families from afar, new people and old friends (the latter including one of Ukrainian origin), eating out in cafes and restaurants both here and away, birthdays and retirements, recent walks in the area, wine tastings, watching rugby both local and international, local Christmas fairs and preparations for Christmas and New Year; among others!

Natale e un Felice Anno Nuovo.

#### Line Dancing - Kathleen Smith

Our last session for this year will be on the 16th of December.

It is usual for us to have a little bit of snack and natter half-way through the afternoon, so, if you could fetch a small amount of food to share, that would be nice.

We will resume on the 6th of January 2023.

#### Live Music - Pauline Powell



## Live Music Group Christmas Concert

At 2.00 p.m. on Thursday, 8th December In Thornton Little Theatre. Come along and enjoy an afternoon of Music and Song.

We meet again after the Festive Season on Thursday, 5th January at the Tee Time Golf Centre FY5 1RN at 2.00 p.m. where you can sit and relax and listen to our talented musicians and singers.

#### Play Reading - Graham Bannister

Meeting at our normal venue, the Group started to read "The Five Wives of Maurice Pinder" by Matt Charman.

Set in an ordinary house in a tree lined street in Lewisham, the play takes a provocative look at married life and the alternatives.

No family photograph can prepare Rowena for her first meeting with Maurice's three wives and teenage son. Young, nervous and pregnant, she is warmly welcomed into the fold, but her presence soon has the family questioning the nature of their delicate balance. Then Fay brings home a one-night stand with far-reaching consequences for all of them.

The play was premiered at the National Theatre, in June 2007.

Because of its proximity to Christmas, there will be no December meeting However we will visit the County Library offices in Lostock Hall on the 16th of December

#### Poetry for Pleasure - Ann Fewson

We had another excellent session discussing some of the poems of Coleridge and Shelley, their relative merits, similarities and differences. Both, along with others such as Wordsworth and Keats, were members of the Romantic Movement at the beginning of the 18th Century. Their emphasis was on nature, beauty, imagination and feelings and was very different from the neoclassicism that went before.

Next meeting: Thursday, 1st December.

Subject: Seasonal/Winter poems.

January meeting: Thursday, 5th January.

Subject: Chaucer's Prologue.

# **Science and Technology** - *Graham Topping*

On 21st November, 41 members were present when Tony Ward gave his talk entitled "Space Stations".

Tony took us through the development of rockets, from the earlier Von Braun V2 rockets that did considerable damage to London in the early 40s, to the construction of larger rockets that allowed us to put satellites in space and then men on the moon.

He then discussed the development of space stations, which initially served as observation platforms in space to the more sophisticated platforms from which astronauts could launch rockets to investigate other parts of our solar system.

It was evident from the discussion at the Question-and-Answer session that Tony's presentation had been really appreciated by his audience.

There won't be a meeting in December, but 30 members of the group will attend a Christmas lunch at Level 6, Blackpool College.

Our next meeting is on Monday, 16th January 2023. It will feature a presentation on "Vitamin D" by Dr David Grimes.

#### Spain Beyond the Costas - Sue Clark

After a break, the group met again in November when we looked at the NW region of Galicia, in particular the Ribeira Sacra area, Vigo and the Cies islands.

The Ribeira Sacra produces very good quality wine from grapes grown on the steep

hillsides of river gorges. It is called 'sacred' because there are a lot of monasteries here from the Middle Ages. Vigo is an important fishing port, one of the best natural harbours in the world. In the mouth of the estuary or 'ria' are the beautiful Cies islands with rocky cliffs and white sandy beaches. To protect the natural environment, visitor numbers are strictly controlled.



In the second half of the meeting, members were set the difficult challenge of producing a timeline of Spanish history with only key dates and images provided. They had to identify the historical event from the image, match it with a date and then put it all in order.



It kept them very busy and the timelines were mostly correct.

The next meetings will be on Wednesday, 7th December and Wednesday, 4th January; we will watch a Spanish film (with English subtitles) over the two sessions.

#### Travel - Mick Carey

At the meeting on 16th October, Clive Jones gave a presentation on the city of Hamburg. Clive was helped out by his brother, Nigel, and had the benefit of some fascinating insights from Dorte Ravenscroft. All in all, it was an interesting and entertaining session.

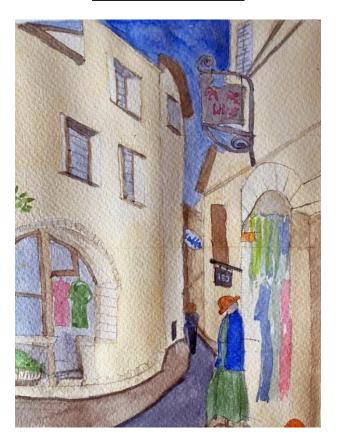
There is no meeting in December. At the meeting on 23rd January 2023, Mick Carey will give a presentation on a recent visit to the Peloponnese and the island of Kythera in Southern Greece.

#### Watercolours - Christine Cutts

This month, our Group's paintings are on the theme of 'Street Life'. I thought this might be a tough one but we like a challenge and I hope you enjoy the results.

As always, please feel free to contact me if you'd like to try one of our meetings or just come and see how we work.

#### Watercolour Gallery













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## John Midgley

It is with much sadness that we announce the death of John Midgley on the evening of 16th November.

He was an exceptionally enthusiastic member of Wyre u3a from the beginning and was involved in several groups.

He was a regular walker with the Walking Group and was known for his annual Snowdrop walk in Silverdale. When not leading he always assumed the role of back-marker looking after our slower walkers.

An enthusiastic bowler, he would take new members under his wing to show them the basics to get them started.

You may not have known John, but you would have met him at Monthly Meetings where he greeted members as they walked through the door, always with a smile and a cheerful "Hello".

We will miss him. AAH

#### Risk Assessment Advice

Members are reminded that, when participating in Wyre u3a activities, they do so at their own risk.

This is particularly relevant when undertaking any physical activity.

# Carleton Memorial Hall Bookings should be addressed to Peter Farrell.

Peter must be notified, in advance if the hall is not going to be used otherwise a charge will be made for the room

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# Wyre u3a

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# Schedule of Group Meetings and Venues

### If unsure about any aspect of a Group meeting, always check with the Co-ordinator

Activity	Regular Meeting	Co-ordinator Contact	Venue
The Amblers Walking Group	Arranged monthly by the leader (see Newsletter)	Changes monthly (see Newsletter)	See Newsletter
Artists and Paintings in the 19 <sup>th</sup> and 20 <sup>th</sup> Centuries	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday at 1.00 pm-2.30 pm	Barbra Cropper	Check with Co-ordinator
Badminton	Weekly on Wednesdays 10.00 a.m12 noon	Alison Hamer Pauline Ronson	All Hallows Church Hall Bispham
Book Group (Monday)	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday at 2.00 pm	Helen Scarborough	Thornton Library
Book Group (Wednesday)	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 10.00 a.m.	Brenda Ormrod	Poulton Library
Card Making	2 <sup>nd</sup> and 4 <sup>th</sup> Wednesdays at 2.00 pm	Carla Clark	Carleton Memorial Hall
Creative Writing	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday at 10.00 am	Ann Fewson	Lodge Cottage
Crown Green Bowling	Weekly on Mondays 9.50 am for 10.00 am	Ken Speakman	HASSRA Green closed until 2022
The Dining Group	See Newsletter	Irene Evans	See Newsletter
Eat and Heat Group	1st Monday at 2.30	Tony Ward	Carlton Memorial Ha
Family History	1 <sup>st</sup> Monday at 2.00 pm	Shaun O'Hara and Joanne Mathews	Carleton Memorial Hall
French Refreshers	1 <sup>st</sup> & 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays at 3.00 pm	Ann Burley	Fleetwood Golf Club
French for Improvers	1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays At 1.30 pm	Christine Holt	Fleetwood Golf Club
French Conversation	See report in "News from the Activity Groups""	Clive Jones 07837	Thornton Library
Gardening	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 1.30 pm	Kathleen Smith	Various. Check with Co-ordinator
Gentle Movement	Every Monday 1.00-2.00 pm	Linda Porter	St. Hilda's, Carleton
History	2 <sup>nd</sup> Monday at 2.00 pm	Susan Cox	Carleton Memorial Hall
Italian Group	See report in "News from the Activity Groups"	Clive Jones	Poulton Library
History of Art	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 10.30 am.	Martin Johnson	Check with Co-ordinator
Line Dancing	Every Friday from 1.00 p.m. to 3.30 p.m. 1st hour beginners.	Kathleen Smith	Carleton Memorial Hall
Live Music	1 <sup>st</sup> and 3 <sup>rd</sup> Thursdays 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm.	Pauline Powell	Tee Time Golf Centre Fleetwood Rd Thornton FY5 1RN
Philosophy	4 <sup>th</sup> Tuesday at 2.00 pm	Linda Parkins	Carleton Memorial Hall
Play Reading	3 <sup>rd</sup> Tuesday at 2.00 pm	Graham Bannister	Carleton Memorial Hall

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Poetry for Pleasure	1 <sup>st</sup> Thursday at 10.30 am	Ann Fewson	Various. Check with Co-ordinator
Quiz and Games	To be announced	Cindy Potter Jean Steele	To be announced.
Recycling	2 <sup>nd</sup> Tuesday	Kathleen Smith	Contact Co-ordinator
Science and Technology	3 <sup>rd</sup> Monday at 2.00 pm	Graham Topping	Carleton Memorial Hall
Singing for Fun	2 <sup>nd</sup> Wednesday at 2.30 p.m.	Arthur Jones	Carleton Memorial Hall
Spain beyond the Costas	1 <sup>st</sup> Wednesday at 2.00 p.m.	Sue Clark	Carleton Memorial Hall
Spanish Conversation	Fortnightly on Monday at 2.00 p.m.	Enid Vindel	Various. Check with Co-ordinator
Travel	3 <sup>rd</sup> Wednesday at 10.00 a.m.	Mick Carey	Carleton Memorial Hall
Walking	Last Wednesday of each month.	Graham and Susan Essex-Crosby	Various. Check with Co-ordinator
Watercolour Painting	1 <sup>st</sup> Tuesday at 1.30 p.m.	Christine Cutts	Carleton Memorial Hall

