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# Heybridge U3A

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#### From the Chairman

We are making preparations for our second AGM and it makes me mindful that my first year as Chairman of Heybridge U3A is coming to a close. The fact that it seems (to me) to have passed so quickly must infer that I have enjoyed it! My job as Chairman has been made easy because you elected a very capable committee at last year's AGM.

Every committee member has a specific and essential role in the management of our U3A. Without exception, every officer spends many hours of their own time conscientiously working for this U3A. It is not the time or place to mention individuals, but I would like to thank our committee for being such nice people to work with. We are a team, we accept the majority view when making decisions and best of all we are all comfortable sharing information by computer. Although it is not an essential requirement for a committee member to be able to use a computer, it helps us keep costs low and our record keeping simple.

I was interested to hear that some local U3As have waiting lists for group membership. I do not think that we have any groups with restricted membership, but if we do, it seems obvious to me that either the group finds a bigger place to meet or we form a new group to cater for the additional members. If there are any of you who want to know how to start a new group please talk to Gill, she will be able to give you advice, help and encouragement. The U3A is a self-help organisation, so please try to give some of your time and help keep our U3A fresh, varied and lively.

We were very fortunate to have Christine Hogben talk to us about the work of the Farleigh Hospice at our January meeting. I understand the basic difference between a hospice and a hospital but I was pleased to find out that they are happy places with gentle and caring staff who also offer respite care and other specialised services to families as well as the patients. I was interested in the vast organisation required to keep them going. Farleigh

needs volunteers to raise funds, to help with care and to drive vehicles. Without volunteers, the hospice could not offer their patients that extra level of comfort needed to help them through the most difficult time of their lives. It was a thought provoking and moving talk.

The speaker at the February meeting will be Peter Maggs who will tell us what he has discovered from his own historical research into Wandsworth Prison's first chaplain. I look forward to seeing you at the Plantation Hall, usual day and usual time.

Peter Thorpe

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#### AGM

The AGM agenda items that will be under discussion will be as follows:

- Chairman's Address
- Secretary's Report
- Treasurer's/Annual Report
- Election of Vice Chairman
- Election of Membership Secretary

Details of the Financial Report will only be available on entry to the AGM in March.

At the AGM only the Vice Chairman and the Membership Secretary positions will need to be elected by the members. All members are eligible to be elected to the committee.

The closing date for nominations is Friday 25<sup>th</sup> February 2011. The Nomination Form can be found on a separate attachment to the emailed version of this News Sheet. It can also be collected from the desk at the monthly meeting. If you are in any difficulty, please speak to one of the current Committee members. For the nomination to be valid the completed and signed form must be handed, posted or emailed (the original signed copy must be handed to the Secretary prior to the AGM) to the Secretary or any other member of the Committee to be received by above date. The names of Nominees and Position will be published in the March issue of

the News Sheet, which will be available prior to the AGM.

### **From the Editor**

Have you looked at the Heybridge U3A web pages?

Those who receive this News Sheet electronically can view these pages now by clicking on the following link but make sure you are 'on-line' first:

<http://www.heybridgeu3a.org.uk> .

We hope to expand these Web pages as the months progress throughout this year. We would welcome your comments on this new facility or on ways you would like it developed-content, layout etc.). The Computer Group have not finalised their ideas and I have not put down my thoughts as this News Sheet is yours, as is the content of the Heybridge U3A WEB site. Please let me know, or one of those who attend the Computer Group, your ideas.

This advance copy of this News Sheet is being circulated to all members who have provided their email addresses to the Membership Secretary. If you have an email address and have not received an emailed copy of this News Sheet please let me know, preferably by email (Email address below).

The Diary on the last page has been updated through to the end of March 2011. It is important that you, as COG's, members of Groups or just members of Heybridge U3A, keep me up to date. If anyone has an interesting story, relevant pictures or activity that relates in some way to The Heybridge U3A or the U3A movement as a whole, then please contact me.

Most will know the publication procedure. Copy should normally be with me by the last Friday of the month. Please continue to send details to me, preferably by email, at [ian.newman@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:ian.newman@tiscali.co.uk) with 'U3A', or preferably, 'Heybridge U3A' in the title. Alternatively see me at the Monthly Meeting to decide other methods of providing copy. Publication will take place some seven to ten days later.

If you are interested in gardening, especially roses, there are some books and magazines, if they have not already gone, which are currently gathering dust and may be of interest to an U3A gardener. Look on page 7 of the January issue for more details.

Ian Newman.

### **Heybridge U3A Meetings**

The next Meeting is on Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February starting at the normal time of 14.00, in the Plantation Hall, Heybridge. This month we have a historical talk on

Henry John Hatch, the first Chaplain to Wandsworth Prison. March is the month in the year when the AGM is held. There will not be a speaker on that day but, as last year a small tea will be served to allow the mingling of members old and new.

In April we have Cliff Foster, on Legal Solutions and in May John Whittingdale, MP for Maldon, has been invited to speak.

### **From the COGCo (Group Co-ordinator)**

Because I had to do my article early for the January News Sheet, it is five weeks since I had to think of topics for this News Sheet. I know it is still January whilst I am writing but, since the shortest day, it is becoming slightly lighter each evening. I really look forward to Spring and Summer with garden visits and no need to wear warm clothing.

I am in a bit of a dilemma at present. I have been browsing the internet and looking at the other U3As in Essex and some of them have rather more groups than we do, as well as more members, but we do have good groups that are working well and many members belong to more than one group. My thinking is "if it ain't broke, don't fix it". However, it is up to you if there is something you would like to do, to learn something new? Do you want to learn a language as a beginner or improve your basic skills? Do any of our members have an interest that they would like to share and form a Group? Perhaps you belong to other organisations where you are taking part in an activity and would like this to be included in our groups. Groups do not have to be large; they can have as few as 5 or 6 members. All that is needed is for you to become a COG and gather several like minded people and form a Group.

I also realise that the suggestion box has not been used as it appears most of you prefer to make your views known face to face. My job is to make suggestions and, if there is any interest, help and I am available if there is anything you wish to discuss.

I have heard several mentions of a Music Appreciation Group by people who like music but do not have enough "knowhow". Do we have someone knowledgeable on this that could help others? Check out - <http://www.blackwateru3a.co.uk>, click on interest groups, then music appreciation and read session reports. This is very interesting and informative. Does something like this interest you?

Gill Thorne 01621 852294

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**Group Names, Co-ordinator, Contact Telephone**

<b>Group Name</b>	<b>Co-ordinator (COG)</b>	<b>Telephone Number</b>
Ballroom Dancing	Joint with Maldon Jo Robson *	* 01621 828236
Bird Watching	Maureen Lenoir	01621 869871
Bridge	Lisbeth Bazzard	01621 843208
Coffee Morning	Margaret Brown	01621 854885
Computer	Tina Abeysekera	01621 858635
Family History	Lesley Pomphrett	01621 817733
Gardening	Pat Yates	01621 892866
Local History	Carol Greenhalgh	01621 840339
Luncheon	Beth Jeffries	01621 853403
Maritime & Coastal	Brenda Dewar	01245 400492
Painting	Michael Kempen	01621 892974
Petanque	Barbara Barbrook	01621 855605
Photography	Peter Thorpe	01621 850828
Reading & Books	Ann Lees	01245 225153
Scrabble	Ruth Tyler	01621 869865
Theatre	Gill Bridle & Janet Morley	01621 892587 & 892626
Threads & Fabrics	Anne Thorpe & Pat Newman	01621 850828 & 01621 891184
Walking	Elizabeth Eastwood	01621 850618
Weekenders	Marilyn Corbett	01621 817518

**Membership Secretary**

If you receive this News Sheet by email you will find an attachment to that email that provides a re-enrolment form that you can print. The completed form and a cheque will need to be given to the Membership Secretary by the end of March 2010 to maintain your membership. This renewal of membership applies to all existing members. If you pick up your News Sheet at the monthly meeting then this form can be collected as you enter the hall.

If you are not a member and wish to join, please contact Lisbeth Bazzard on 01621 843208 or by email [lisbethbazzard@talktalk.net](mailto:lisbethbazzard@talktalk.net) You can also write to her at 2, Silver Street, Maldon, Essex. CM9 4QE or speak to her at the monthly meeting. Following the March monthly meeting a new Membership Secretary will have been elected.

**REPORTS****Art (Painting) Group**

The painting group attracted more than a full house at it's first meeting of the New Year on January 7<sup>th</sup>. As more and more members, plus one guest, turned up, we had to find more chairs and eventually an extra table. Never mind, working "cheek by jowl" makes for an even friendlier atmosphere.



Author: Jean Butcher

We are always pleased to welcome new faces, either would-be members, family or friends, curious to see how we spend our Friday afternoons.

Gill Carpenter.

**Bird Watching**

Our first meeting for 2011 was on January 28<sup>th</sup>. That day was very cold when we went to Tollesbury Wick. We saw large groups of Avocets and Geese but most birds were out of sight, somewhere warm I

think. We read that Avocets are declining but we don't think that this is the case here in Tollesbury.

We arranged a planning meeting to take place after our walk. Due to the cold, we cut our bird watching short and hurried back for a warm cuppa and a chat about our plans for the next few months.

Our February meeting will be starting from the Heybridge Basin car park at 11.00 on February 25<sup>th</sup>. Everyone is welcome to join us, just get in touch if you need more information about the group please email [symockturtle@yahoo.co.uk](mailto:symockturtle@yahoo.co.uk) or ring me on 01621 869871.

Hope you can join us.



Fieldfare at Goldhanger

Maureen

### **Bridge Group**

For details about any bridge duplicate session please contact me, Liz, on 01621 843208 or email me at [lisbethbazzard@talktalk.net](mailto:lisbethbazzard@talktalk.net)

### **Computer Group**

Peter welcomed everyone to the first meeting of 2011 on the 20<sup>th</sup> January (Ian was away on holiday). Once our dues were paid, a general discussion took place and once again questions were raised regarding anti virus protection. Some members were quite happy with the free AVG protection whilst others preferred the reassurance and full protection that paid security brings. It was agreed that Apple posed fewer problems and appeared to be less virus prone.

As mentioned in the January newsletter, the Heybridge U3A website is now up and running. Peter explained the various ways of assessing the website <http://www.heybridgeu3a.org.uk> and answered several queries. Apparently http is the abbreviation for **h**ypertext **t**ransfer **p**rotocol.

The group were able to assess the news sheets past and present. We also viewed several other U3A websites to check their contents, presentation and general appeal. It is hoped that by our next meeting we will have come up with some new ideas for our very own website.

We meet again at 13.00 on the 17<sup>th</sup> February when the computer surgery opens again and any problems can be discussed and, hopefully, resolved.

Look forward to seeing you then.

Audrey.

### **Coastal and Marine Group**

For our first outing of the year we are to visit the Greenwich Maritime Museum on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> February. The main museum is by the river, but the Royal Observatory is reached by walking up the hill. Quite a climb but well worth the effort. The main entrance has a delightful coffee shop, display area, and gift shop. There is no entry fee. The Cutty Sark is close by and it should be interesting to see how the repairs are progressing. As I am unable to join you, Jackie Jones has kindly offered to organise the trip, car sharing to the station, meeting times etc. The suggestion is to travel by train from Witham, change at Stratford for the DLR to Cutty Sark Station. Please contact Jackie on 01621 817117. I am sure that you will have a great day out.

We hope to visit the Nottage Museum in Wivenhoe on Friday 18<sup>th</sup> March. Details to follow. Please contact me for car sharing etc.

Brenda.

01245 400492.

### **Discussion Coffee Morning**

Our coffee morning on 21<sup>st</sup> January was the usual mix of food, drink, good company and interesting conversation. The next meeting will be at Maureen Baldwins house on 18<sup>th</sup> February at 11.00. If you are thinking about joining us details will be available at the next U3A Monthly Meeting, or if you would like to know more please feel free to phone me, Margaret Brown on 01621 854885.

### **Family History Group**

There was no meeting in December 2010 and January 2011. The next meeting will be on Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> February between 10.30 and 12.30 at my house.

I look forward to meeting everyone again. If anyone is interested in joining the Family History Group, please see me at the February monthly

meeting at Plantation Hall where I can tell you then what we do. I will have venue maps available.

Lesley Pomphrett

[lesleypommy@hotmail.com](mailto:lesleypommy@hotmail.com)

### **Gardening Group**

We re-scheduled the talk at Millrace Garden Centre for February and had a very interesting afternoon learning about ferns. It filled us with new ideas for our gardens, which will now all feature a shady nook. Annie was very knowledgeable, and there was a lot to see at the garden centre, including a very good café.

The Gardening Group planning meeting for this year will be on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> March, 14.30 at Lesley's house. Please contact me, or Lesley Pomphrett, for her address in Tiptree. If you would like to come please sign the form at the next meeting, and if you need a lift let me know. Hope you have plenty of ideas for this summer. Just thinking about sunshine and flowers cheers me up!

Pat Yates, 01621 892866 or [pat.yates@tesco.net](mailto:pat.yates@tesco.net)

### **Local History Group (LHG)**

Due to the waterlogged roads around Maldon, it was decided to err on the side of caution and not have our scheduled January meeting. Luckily, our speaker is able to come to our **March** meeting instead. We will then be learning about 'A thousand years of windows in the Maldon District'.

Keith Lovell, the much celebrated Essex speaker, is coming to our **February** meeting. He will be telling us about the Essex Blue Plaques, so we'll be spreading our local history knowledge a bit wider. Please contact Carol if you wish to come or need more information.

Carol Grenhalgh

01621 840339, e-mail [george.smeed@virgin.net](mailto:george.smeed@virgin.net).

### **Luncheon Group**

Friday 21<sup>st</sup> January saw 12 people making their way to Colchester Institute for a very enjoyable meal cooked and served by the students. The next venue is The Prince of Wales in Great Totham. We meet on the 4<sup>th</sup> March at 13.00. Please sign up on the Luncheon Group sheet at the next Monthly Meeting.

Beth (Tel. 01621 853403)

### **Petanque Group**

We shall be starting playing Petanque on 14<sup>th</sup> March, weather permitting, which is not too far away

now. It will be the Monday after the March monthly meeting. Please come early on that date and meet at the Ship & Anchor at 12.00 for lunch followed by boules at the Promenade terrain. Hopefully, the worst of the winter will be gone.

See you at the next monthly meeting.

Barbara Barbrook.

### **Photography Group**

The January weather was kind to us and we were able to meet and view our "texture" photographs at last. It was well worth the wait as the subject was interpreted in many different ways. The subject required careful lighting and the photos presented were of a high standard. It was obvious that these images had been taken specifically to show the texture of the chosen subject.

At the February meeting we will be discussing methods of saving, filing and organising digital photos using a computer and how we can store our chosen photos on the group's portable hard drive.

The next meeting is on 3<sup>rd</sup> February at 1.00 pm (lunch time!) in the Claydon Room. If you are interested in digital photography, come and join in. Our aim is to enjoy ourselves as we improve our photographic skills.

Peter Thorpe

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Author: Norman Groves

### **Reading and Books Group**

The book we discussed in January was "Busman's Honeymoon" by Dorothy L Sayers. This is the eleventh and last in the series about Lord Peter Wimsey (LPW), the amateur sleuth. It was first published in 1937. LPW has married Harriet Vane and bought her a house, that she liked during her childhood, in which they are spending their honeymoon. When they arrive, with the butler and

port, they are surprised to find the house locked and no-one expecting them. As the butler starts to organise the household a body is found in the cellar. After plenty of red herrings the culprit is unmasked and brought to justice.

The book opens with a series of letters and diary entries from people acquainted with the couple, to provide some of the background to the story. The members of the reading group were divided in their opinion as to whether this device worked. It was generally agreed that our knowledge of the characters was disadvantaged by not having read previous books in the series.

It was generally thought that the story has not aged well. The class divide, so taken for granted in the book, seems alien and abhorrent to us now. The dialogue for the "lower classes" is written to reflect their accents. Whilst this might have worked well for the stage play, it made reading tedious as one struggled to work out what was being said. We generally agreed that we had little, if any, sympathy for the characters. The author makes LPW and his bride speak and quote in French, which appears to be for the sole purpose of demonstrating their (and possibly her) superior education and learning. It was not a device which impressed us. Many of the group struggled to finish the book.

We are currently reading "The Echo" by Minette Walters, which we shall discuss at our next meeting on 16<sup>th</sup> February. The meeting starts at 14:30 in the small meeting room at Plantation Hall. All are welcome, but it would be appreciated if any new members could telephone Ann Lees on 01245 225153 beforehand so we know to expect you.

Angela

### **Scrabble**

Our January Scrabble Meeting in our new abode (the Meeting Room in Plantation Hall) was a great success. Bernard had gone to great lengths to accommodate us comfortably and we were pleased to welcome five new members, so it was just as well that we had moved to a larger venue!

We played on three boards with a break half way for a cup of tea, and to have a chance to chat with our new friends who all seemed to enjoy their afternoon. We were sorry not to have Reg and Vesta Wheatley with us. Vesta has had a few days in hospital but is now on the mend helped along, I hope, by our good wishes.

As we like to get in at least two games, and have a tea break, would members please come as soon after 13.30 as possible so that we can start on time.

I hope to see you all again on Tuesday afternoon, 22<sup>nd</sup> February.

Ruth Tyler. Telephone 01621 869865

### **Theatre**

Hi everyone. I have received the offer of 29 seats for War Horse for the matinee of Thursday 8<sup>th</sup> December 2011 ( so popular we have to book a long way in advance!). They are good seats but the theatre has raised the group price a little. Seats are now £49.75 and we have to pay by mid February. This means that I shall have to receive cheques (payable to 'Heybridge U3A Groups') by the February meeting i.e. **Friday 11<sup>th</sup> February** at the latest. If you wish to send your cheque to me beforehand to secure your place(s) my address is 21 Seagers, Great Totham, Maldon. CM9 8PB. I am afraid it will be a case of "first come, first served" as I anticipate a high demand for seats.

Coach transport will be arranged later and will be payable separately. I imagine it will be in the region of £13, barring changes in the price of fuel!

Gill Bridle

### **Threads and Fabrics**

Several members at our January meeting were knitting and crocheting scarves. I am sure that the very cold weather in December had prompted the buying of wool! There were some lovely colour variations with added sequins and complicated patterns. On the 1<sup>st</sup> February we shall be stitching and knitting while discussing the items we would like to display at the AGM in March.

We meet on the first Tuesday every month. Please contact me for further details.

Anne Thorpe 01621 850828.

### **Walking**

Our January walk around Danbury Country Park and the nearby lanes was enjoyed by a group of about 10 - plus 1 dog! The rain held off and although, in places, it was somewhat muddy underfoot we all appreciated getting out into the fresh air.

The February walk will be on Thursday 10<sup>th</sup> February. It will be around Marks Hall just north of Coggeshall. Although the hall is closed for the season we should be able to use the free car park outside the entrance and walk around outside the hall grounds.

Directions: The hall is found by taking the B 1024 Earls Colne road off the A 120 Coggeshall Bypass. After a short distance turn left, into Marks Hall Road. The car park is on the left before the Hall entrance, meet there at 13:30.

Please let me know on 01621 850618 or [e.m.e@talktalk.net](mailto:e.m.e@talktalk.net) if you can join us and if you would like a ride or could car share.

Elizabeth

### **Weekenders**

The Weekenders Group have been quite busy this month with four going to see the 'panto' Dick Whittington at Wickham Bishops, which they all enjoyed. "Oh yes they did!".

Our monthly meeting was at The Lock Cafe at Heybridge Basin on Saturday 15<sup>th</sup> January and a noisy, but constructive, occasion it was. A few other events were organised and on Saturday 22<sup>nd</sup> January ten weekenders, including two new members, attended a quiz in Maldon making up two tables. They came 8<sup>th</sup> and 11<sup>th</sup> but I understand they had a fun time. Eleven of us will be trying out some curry dishes at Ruby's at Tolleshunt D'Arcy on 28<sup>th</sup>, perhaps the heat will tone down our chat!

A few of us listened to some more excellent jazz at Wickham Bishops on Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> January. It really was a good evening and would be made better if more attended. Seats have been booked to see West Side Story in Witham on 26<sup>th</sup> February and the money will need to be paid at the next U3A Meeting. Our next coffee morning will be at Peartree Pantry on February 12<sup>th</sup> when I am sure we will come up with some other ideas.

Dates for your diary.

The dates for your diary are as follows:

- February 12<sup>th</sup>: Monthly meeting at Peartree Pantry.
- February 26<sup>th</sup>: West Side Story at Witham.
- March 12<sup>th</sup>: Monthly meeting at Perry Woods.

Please contact Marilyn Corbett on 01621 817518 for further information.

### **On the Notice Board**

If you are planning to put something on the notice board that is not group related and it is available prior to the first Friday of the month, the Editor would be pleased to include it in this section of the News Sheet.

The following items of News, including U3A Head Office Information Notices, appeared either on the Notice Board in December or were announced by Brenda at the January Meeting:

- A Study Afternoon is being organised by HQ on Science and Conservation, at Royal Botanic Gardens Kew. The date is Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> May from 13.30 to 16.30 at a cost of £12.50. Apply in writing to HQ. (see me for details)
- Jazz Appreciation Study Day next June in Leeds.
- Visit a beautiful part of Brittany and attend a U3A Jazz Festival in Vannes. 25<sup>th</sup>/30<sup>th</sup> July 2011. The cost is approximately £650 per person. This price includes train fares, B&B and various excursions.
- South East U3A Forum Summer School; June 28<sup>th</sup>/July 1<sup>st</sup>. This is to be held at the University of Chichester. Staying on Campus there are 12 different courses available with a probable cost £250 - £285. Booking essential asap!
- If you are interested in Geology, the U3A National meeting is to be held in the Peak District 6<sup>th</sup>/7<sup>th</sup> April 2011. Estimated cost £40. Accommodation is available locally and to be arranged separately.
- National Summer Schools; 18<sup>th</sup>/21<sup>st</sup> July at the Harper Adams University College, Newport; and between 22<sup>nd</sup>/25<sup>th</sup> August at the Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester. Details available on the U3A web site. [www.u3a.org.uk](http://www.u3a.org.uk).
- Finally, the U3A web is wide! How about a weekend in Singapore at the Asia Pacific Alliance of Universities of the Third Age. A long way for two days!!!

Every month we receive information from Head Office keeping our Group informed of events happening throughout the UK. So if you are interested and would like further information please contact me.

Brenda on 01245 400492

### **From Members**

If you have something, articles, comments, requests, that you would like to be included here in the News Sheet, please contact the Editor, Ian Newman. ([ian.newman@tiscali.co.uk](mailto:ian.newman@tiscali.co.uk)).

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7 <sup>th</sup> March	7 Petanque 14.00 weather permitting Gardening 14.30	8	9	10 Walking 13.30	11 <b>Monthly Meeting</b> 14.00	12 Weekender Coffee at Perry Woods 10.00	13
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## Diary of Meetings and Visits