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Painting
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Please provide 3 people to serve refreshments

#### **HEYBRIDGE U3A AGM 2018**

Our Annual General Meeting will take place at 2 p.m. on <u>Friday 9<sup>th</sup> March</u> in the Plantation Hall. The agenda and nomination forms for committee vacancies will be circulated nearer the time. We hope to see you there See page 4.

# Heybridge U3A News Sheet No.11/2017

## December 2017

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### NEWS FROM THE COMMITTEE

From the Chair



On behalf of the committee, may I wish you all the best for Christmas and the New Year

Yet another year has flown by and we will soon be ringing in 2018. I hope you have enjoyed your U3A activities in 2017 and would like to thank all those who have given their time to make them happen – the Committee, the CoGs, the meeters and greeters, and everyone else who has volunteered their services during the year.

Many of you have enjoyed the excellent trips organised by Liz over the past year. Unfortunately, several of these have run at a loss due to late cancellations. While we don't seek to make a profit on trips, we do need to break even across the year.

To avoid similar losses in future years, we have amended our cancellation policy. *From now on, full payment for the trip must be made at the time of booking.* The new cancellation policy is summarised below. A full copy is attached with this News Sheet. Alternatively, you can access it from our website: <u>https://u3asites.org.uk/heybridge/events</u>.

Looking forward to 2018, membership subscriptions for 2018/19 fall due at the end of March and details of how to re-enrol will be contained in the February News Sheet. We have space for some new members so, if you have any neighbours or friends who might be interested, why not bring them along to a monthly meeting or interest group as a guest?

In March, we have our Annual General Meeting and I am still hopeful that someone will come forward to fill the vacancy for a Vice Chair. Please get in touch if you would like to find out what's involved. Also at the AGM we will have displays of work from some of the interest groups, which is a great way to find out more about the various activities on offer.

Jenny Parker

#### Events & Trips – Changes to Cancellation Policy

If, having paid for a trip, you need to cancel; the following cancellation policy will apply:

- Firstly, please advise the Events Secretary by phone or email
- If we are holding a waiting list and can fill your place, any monies you have paid will be refunded in full.
- If we are <u>not</u> holding a waiting list and are therefore unable to 'sell on' your place, the following elements remain payable and will <u>NOT</u> be refunded:
  - Coach fare (if applicable)
  - $\circ$  Entry fees or tickets for which we have had to pay in advance

However, the cost of any entrance tickets (to a Palace, Exhibition, Garden, etc) which are to be purchased on the day <u>WILL</u> be refunded

#### From the Editor

The design of the Heybridge U3A News Sheet, and the reports that it contains, continues as a full-page layout. I would ask contributors to limit their photos to pictures of U3A generated activities and not copy pictures from Websites as, when published, this may be contrary to Copyright laws. Information about the Committee Members and their reports can be found in the first few pages. The back page shows the Diary for the months of December and January 2018.

Please note that E-mail details of Group Co-ordinators will no longer be included with individual group reports. However, you can still find them in the list on page 15 of the News Sheet.

Please keep the Editor up to date with any interesting stories, relevant pictures or anything that relates to the Heybridge U3A, the Association of Essex U3As or the U3A movement as a whole. Please send details to me by email with 'Heybridge U3A' as the subject.

**There will not be a News sheet in January**. Items for inclusion into the February news sheet should be sent in by 26<sup>th</sup> January 2018 which can cover information from December and January meetings.

Contact Geoff Hadley, 01621 852494 or by Email editor@heybridgeu3a.org.uk

#### From the Membership Secretary

67 members (including Diana and Roger Pond and Rita Gorrie who all joined at the meeting) attended the November monthly meeting at Plantation Hall.

There were also two visitors present: Total membership now stands at 155.

A reminder to our Dual Members that you will need to show me your current membership card for your OTHER U3A group when you renew membership with Heybridge in the Spring. Without this you will not be eligible to claim the reduced membership fee. If you plan to renew membership by post please include a photo of your other card.

Thank you for your co-operation. If you have any queries, please contact me. Philippa Moody E-mail membershipsecretary@heybridgeu3a.org.uk

#### Interest Groups Coordinator

The Dressmaking group has decided to hold a meeting soon which will probably be on a Tuesday morning. Three people have signed up so if anyone else is interested please sign the form in the meeting room or talk to Joyce Woodham or the Groups Coordinator.

Music Appreciation - I have had a request for a Music Appreciation group to be arranged in the near future, so there will be a sheet for anyone interested to place their names, tel. no. and email address, in the meeting room at the next main meeting on December 8<sup>th</sup>.

Or please email Philippa on <u>membershipsecretary@heybridgeu3a.org.ok</u>

.Barbara Barbrook Email groupsco-ordinator@heybridgeu3a.org.uk

#### Monthly Meeting Speaker Programme for December to March 2018

08/12/17 Xmas Party David Price and Maralyn Singing duo

12/01/18 "Man of Hats!" Colin Banks

09/02/18 Graham Bendell "The Life of a Gamekeeper". Graham worked for many years at Braxted Park

09/03/18 AGM and displays showing what goes on within the different groups of Heybridge U3A

I always welcome your comments, if you enjoyed a speaker, or not. Feel free to speak to me at our monthly meeting or send an email to the address below. It helps me to plan future meetings. Please let me know of any talks you may have heard and think others would find interesting

Jan Brown E-Mail <u>speakersecretary@heybridgeu3a.org.uk</u>

#### Heybridge U3A Website

his is our new website <a href="https://u3asites.org.uk/heybridge">https://u3asites.org.uk/heybridge</a>

Please take a look – and let us know what you think.

By popular request, we are keeping our original website as an archive for all the News Sheets that have been produced since the start of our U3A in 2010. If you are interested in seeing how our U3A has progressed over the years, visit <u>www.heybridgeu3a.org.uk/news.html</u>

Jenny Parker

#### Advance Notice of the 2018 AGM

The 2018 AGM will be held on the 9<sup>th</sup> March. As Jenny mentions in her report we will be seeking to fill a number of Committee vacancies. If you think you might be able to help but would like to know more about what is involved, please speak to a Committee member or perhaps come to a committee meeting to see what it's like.

Is there someone you think would make a good committee member? Have a chat with them and see whether they can be encouraged to stand for one of the posts.

At the time of writing the following will be required:

- Chairman
- Vice Chairman
- Interest Groups Co-ordinator

Nominations forms will be circulated with the February News sheet, available from the Secretary and at the signing-in desk. Completed forms will need to be given to the secretary by 16<sup>th</sup> February 2018.

If any member wishes to propose a motion or resolution to be considered at the AGM this must be received by the Secretary in writing or by email before the end of January 2018 in order to be included in the Agenda that will be published with the February News Sheet.

Linda Etherton <a href="mailto:secretary@heybridgeu3a.org.uk">secretary@heybridgeu3a.org.uk</a>



## **GROUP REPORTS**

#### Art Group

aving missed two recent painting sessions due to my sea voyage to north Norway, I suppose I really ought to try to reproduce that country's stunning winter scenery. Or maybe I could attempt to capture those elusive Northern Lights, which I was lucky enough to witness. Hopefully the Nordic muse will strike when I open my paintbox.

Failing that, there should be sufficient seasonal inspiration for us all in the colours of late autumn which, let's be honest, this year have been absolutely gorgeous.

Gill Carpenter.

For information about the group contact, Tina Martin 01621 858646

#### **Bird Watching Group**

here was no group outing November as it clashed with other U3A events.

Hope to see you all for Christmas lunch on 14<sup>th</sup> December

For more information, please contact Maureen Lenoir on 01621 869871

#### **Cards and Paper Crafts**

We now have a new member called Hilary who is also a left hander; I think it must be a joining necessity!!! Please contact Lesley for details. 01621 858135

#### **Creative Writing Group**

At our November meeting we were delighted to receive three new members to our group, and as we do not meet in December, as it coincides with Christmas week, we will make a new start in January with new writers. One had actually come with a prepared article and we were very impressed with a very good story with the title "The anchor is in the Fire". As some of us had struggled to relate that title to our everyday lives, her idea was about the Great Fire of London where a pub called the Anchor was caught up in the fire and an anchor was hanging over the pub door. The publican shouted "All get out, the Anchor is in the Fire". According to a history book, 10,000 houses and 80 churches were destroyed, but only six people were killed, as many had died of the plague the year before.

Now back to the present day. The anchor of the barge belonging to a group member was being repaired at a local blacksmith's workshop and when her husband phoned to see if the anchor was ready to be collected, he said that the anchor was in the fire, hence our title for November's writing piece. This was mentioned by two writers, having problems that had occurred in actual incidents in the River Blackwater, and another person wrote about someone trying to sell a house that was haunted, and a note was found hidden in an apple tree relating to a will and a complication was resolved. A cat called Sebastian and a dog called Bob were also important factors in that story.

Our meeting ended with some party food provided by Angela with tea and we are so glad to see her back as our coordinator. The title for January's writing is "January".

Barbara Barbrook

#### **Croquet Group**

We have now finished playing for the season. The mallets are hung up until next April when we hope the Maldon Croquet Club will let us use their equipment and lawns again, for which we are extremely grateful

Anne Newson: phone 01621 858807

#### Discussion Coffee Morning Group

We met at Linda's house on 17<sup>th</sup> November; sausage rolls on the menu, what a naughty treat for us! We spoke about some lovely overseas holidays taken over the years and also those planned for the future. I think the onset of winter brought that about!

Our next meeting will be at 11.00am on Friday 15<sup>th</sup> December at Lesley Pomphrett's house. The first meeting in the New Year will be at 11.00am on Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2018 at Anne Newson's house.

I am loathe to mention the C word so I will just hope you all enjoy whatever festivities you choose for that time.

Margaret B

#### **Family History Group**

ue to illness, we were again a small group meeting in November.

However, that meant we were able to work as a team to work on some of the dreaded 'brickwalls' which infuriate most genealogists! Wi-Fi problems at the Plantation Hall meant we were unable to do any online research but notes were scribbled to follow up at home.

No meeting in December – our next meeting will be Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> January at the Plantation Hall, starting at 10.00 a.m. For more details: Liz Cawdell 07902294741

#### **French Group**

#### **French Conversation**

We started as usual by exchanging news of where we had been and what we had done during the previous month. This took over an hour as there was so much to talk about.

#### French Conversation

Following our monthly update on everyone's activities, we returned to our October theme of animals in captivity. We had a lively discussion and all agreed that, while animals in zoos lack the space to roam freely, those in the wild have more space, but they also have predators to contend with. It was suggested that the Longleat model offers a good compromise - plenty of room to roam but much less chance of getting eaten!



At some point in the morning, we found ourselves looking up the French for 'a tissue'. Our dictionaries provided two alternatives.

The first, 'un mouchoir en papier' (*a paper hanky*), is no doubt the version approved by the **Académie française**, but we preferred the much easier alternative 'un Kleenex'.

#### Notre prochaine rencontre sera mercredi le 13 décembre à 10 chez Linda.

#### **French Improvers**



In November we read, then listened to, a dialogue about 'Noël en France'. Traditionally, Christmas began on Dec 24<sup>th</sup> with Midnight Mass, after which people returned home to tuck into a huge festive meal. Nowadays, fewer people go to Midnight Mass and the majority have their festive meal at lunchtime on 25<sup>th</sup> after presents have been opened. Needless to say, it's quite a feast – oysters, foie gras, smoked salmon, turkey and a <bûche de noël> (yule log), all washed down with copious wine and champagne.

In Alsace, gifts are traditionally exchanged on St. Nicolas Day (6<sup>th</sup> Dec), with Christmas Day remaining a purely religious festival.

Saint Nicolas

Il n'y aura pas de meeting en décembre (le 4<sup>ème</sup> lundi c'est le jour de Noël). Notre prochaine rencontre sera lundi le 22 janvier 2018 à 14 heures chez



Jenny Parker For further information about either French Group, please phone Jenny Parker 01621 843581

#### **Gardens Group**

here will be no more meetings for the Garden group until next March, so I will include something in the February News sheet about the planning meeting.

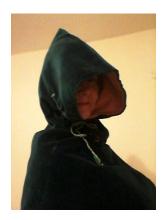
Pat Yates. 01621 892866

#### Local History Group

Members had come up trumps with ideas to work from for our next year's programme and we spent a good time discussing and commenting on the various things suggested. Our next meeting will be a talk in February and we should have more firm bookings by then.

The second part of our meeting was taken up with items of interest brought by some of the group. Pat had a wonderful story behind her ownership of a Sunderland lusterware jug that she had brought along with her. It is thought that this was its first trip out of Heybridge Basin since it arrived there more than two hundred years ago. Of course, at that time it wasn't Heybridge Basin and there was barely anything there. Coincidentally, John and Thelma brought a reprint of an old map of this area showing the area before there was a basin or a canal. John and Thelma also had two letters, sent by a relative of John's, from the Crimea. The letters were beautifully written but are now so delicate they could not be handled. However, Thelma had painstakingly transcribed them and they made wonderful reading. Gill told us about the spas of Essex, of which there were several. I think most of us had little idea that these had existed so this was a very

illuminating item. One wonders what the water quality would have been.



Linda had been busy researching Viking clothing on behalf of her son, for a reenactment, and she brought along a hood that she had constructed, closely following her findings [except she did use a sewing machine!]. A very practical piece of clothing, this, with an ingenious method of keeping the hood in the desired position – perhaps an idea for an entrepreneur of today! We were hoping to hear something from an Eye Witness oral history programme about the time leading towards the introduction of National Insurance but, due to my technical glitch, we'll have to hold this for another day.

Viking Hood Linda Please contact Carol for more information. Carol Greenhalgh 07585593028

#### **Patchwork Group**

) ur next meetings will be on 11<sup>th</sup> December and 8<sup>th</sup> January 2018 New members are welcome; please contact Anne Thorpe 01621 850828

#### **Petanque Group**

Well, our Winter Petanque Sessions have started well with really good attendances. The weather on the whole has been autumnal and bright, which is great, as long as you come prepared for the chilly wind that starts round about 2 ish. The winter starting time of 1 pm is working well too; everyone is turning up on time...very impressive... Hopefully we will continue our winter games the way we started, with enthusiasm! Well done.

Best Wishes Dian Bayley 01621 840660

#### **Photography Group**

We had a different type of assignment for our November meeting. It was "Wall Art". The idea was to select three images suitable for framing and displaying in your home and to decide which one of the three you would choose and explain why. We had another bumper crop of images to view and everyone had carefully considered the merits of their chosen photo and the room in which it would be hung. The most popular type of photo was one with memories of holidays and interesting locations. These days people tend to take lots of snaps on phones and compact cameras and view them on a tiny screen or on social media. We tend not to print our photos or examine them in detail. We also do not view our images in large format or consider them as a piece of art. Our members have some cracking photographs in their files and this assignment encouraged them to hunt them out. More importantly, it gave us a chance to see them in detail when they were projected onto the screen. Every member explained their reason for their choice and once more we enjoyed a lively and informative discussion. I include with this piece Alex's superb photo of the Taj Mahal in Agra. This building must be one of the most photographed in the world, and in my opinion, Alex's image must be up there with the best.



After a quick break for a cup of tea, we watched a piece of video demonstrating various well known locations and how to compose photographs in changing weather conditions. One of the locations was the Northumbrian coast where the photographer was shooting in black and white for dramatic effect.

We will meet for the final time in 2017 on 7<sup>th</sup>.December. We are not meeting in January and our first meeting in 2018 will be 1<sup>st</sup> February 2018! If you are interested in photography or want to understand more about your camera or cameraphone, you are welcome to come along and join us.

Taj Mahal Alex Lees

We normally meet in the West Maldon Community Centre on the first Thursday of each month at 2.00pm. Peter Thorpe 01621 850828

#### **Reading and Books Group**

We will not be meeting in December, so our next book review will be on Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> January at Jackie's home in Tiptree when we will be discussing "The Children Act" by Ian McEwan.

The meeting in February will be February 21<sup>st</sup>.

If you are interested in joining the group, please email or telephone Margaret Hurst on 01621 850494

#### Scrabble Group

Recently I was given a newspaper cutting with the headline "Cut-throat world of competitive and our attitude supportive and encouraging, no throats will be cut! Of the 30,000 or so Scrabble games evidently started every hour across the world, in November we completed four in a very pleasant afternoon at Elizabeth's house. There was one super high score, over 80 (sorry, forgot the exact number in the excitement) achieved by one player using all their tiles in one turn and taking advantage of extra scores. At the other end of the scale we are grateful to get a score of 2 or 3 when trying to get rid of tiles at the end of the game.

If you would like to join us, the next meeting is on 23<sup>rd</sup> January 2018 at 2.00pm at Angela's house. Please telephone or email me if you are interested: details are on the list of CoGs..

Linda Etherton.

#### **Technical Computing Group**

This was another interesting meeting, the main discussion centred around one of our members experiencing a problem with his desk top computer. What appeared to be happening is that when he switched it on it switched off by itself, then restarted. This happened about three to four times, before it ran o/k. Various remedies were discussed, from replacing the power supply, to fitting a new motherboard. He said he would update us at the next meeting. After our usual break for tea etc, (the most important part of the meeting) the group discussed a varied amount of issues, including again using a laptop in association with cameras.

I would like to thank Brenda and Norman for their hospitality at this meeting.

The group would like to wish all readers of this News Letter, a Very Merry Christmas, and a Peaceful New Year.

If you are interested, please call me on. 01621 854906 or 07974 343581

Colin Mason (Cog)

#### **Ten Pin Bowling**

We met twice this month. The meeting on Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> was attended by seven of us. The gentlemen played in one lane finishing four games with the highest scorer being Simon with 139. The ladies in another lane played four games with Christine achieving the highest score of 116.

The meeting on the 28<sup>th</sup> was in the morning and the ladies were beating the gentlemen after the second game with Chris achieving 139 and, much to my amazement I scored 138! In the third game Geoff just took the top spot with 140 and then Graham powered his way to 178 in their final game.

We are just meeting one more time before Christmas on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> in the morning starting at 10am followed by a pre-Christmas meal at Henri's Bistro. If any of our regular players are unable to make the game, please join us later for lunch at 12 noon if you wish. It will be lovely to see you.

Dates for the diary

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> December 9.45am for 10am start followed by lunch for those who wish to.

Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> January 1.45pm for 2 pm start

Tuesday 23rd January 9.45am for 10am start

Please join us; new members will be made very welcome, no experience necessary, a sense of humour helps!

Lynne Morrison 01621 891288

#### Ukulele Group UKE3A

Some serious practising will be required come the New Year as we have yet another gig to look forward to.

A fellow U3A group in the Chelmsford area has asked us to provide them with musical entertainment for their party in June - and of course we are happy to oblige.

Meanwhile, member Briony has come up with a 'new' number for us to play which, although no more than about 40 years old, has a distinctly vintage sound and is perfectly in keeping with our repertoire of hits from the golden age of the ukulele a century and more ago. It will be interesting to see if anyone spots the relative newcomer!

Call me if you'd like to join us on 01621 859060.

Robin Carpenter.

#### Walking Group

17 of us met at Tesco's Car Park on a pleasant autumn day. We walked along the river towards the end of Cromwell Lane before continuing along grass paths and up the hill, reaching a Memorial Garden on Lodge Road. We continued along London Road to meet and cross Spital Road. We then walked along several walkways that took us the length of Maldon, eventually to Hythe Quay, without meeting any shoppers. Here we found a newly opened static barge tearoom, offering a lovely environment and splendid tea and cakes for us all. After a relaxing break we continued our walk back to the car park.

The walkers will be having their Christmas lunch on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at 12:30. If the weather is good enough, we shall have a walk along the sea wall beforehand, probably starting at 10.30am. The walking group will not meet during January and for those interested, we shall probably join the gardens group in February.

Please contact the coordinator for more information. Linda Wells. 01621 85741

#### Weekenders Group

On Saturday 11<sup>th</sup> of November fourteen Weekenders enjoyed a **very** cosy coffee morning gathered round an undersized table at a very busy Perrywoods. While there we discussed possible outings and meeting places for next year.

Dates and details of our next meetings.

**SATURDAY 9<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER. A CHANGE OF VENUE.** Olivers Nurseries was our intended meeting place for 9<sup>th</sup> December, but Saturday mornings at Olivers are now devoted to 'Breakfast with Santa' – unappealing and fully booked! So I have booked the upper room in the <u>Osea View Cafe</u> for 9th December at 10.00 and hope this is an agreeable alternative.

**Wednesday 13<sup>th</sup> December**. Our Christmas lunch is booked at <u>*The Bell* Woodham Walter</u> at 12.00. £16.00 in cash is needed for the balance, plus I suggest £2.00 for a tip.

**Saturday 13<sup>th</sup> January 2018.** Our first meeting of the New Year will be at The <u>New Pavilion</u> in Heybridge at 10.00.

**Saturday 10<sup>th</sup> February.** We will be meeting at <u>The Tiptree Jam Factory Tea - Rooms</u>, Factory Hill Tiptree, CO5 0RF, at 10.00

Please contact me if you have a query or if you will need a lift to any meeting. Pat Smith 01621 856569



#### **BURY ST EDMUNDS CHRISTMAS MARKET**

We were blessed with almost perfect weather for our trip to Bury St Edmunds – clear blue sky, no wind and NO RAIN!

Arriving early, we had plenty of time to browse the hundreds of stalls before it got too busy. A visit to the Cathedral was a 'must see' and we were not disappointed – it was simply stunning. Amazingly, the Cathedral extension was only built in the 1960's but, thanks to the architects sourcing the original quarry which provided the stone, blended perfectly with the original.

Many of us attended the "Shoppers' Carol Service" in the afternoon before finishing off our shopping. As the light faded, we saw the Christmas market at its best – a twinkly fairyland!

Mention must be made of the excellent organisation by St. Edmundsbury

Council – it must have been a logistical nightmare checking in/out thousands of people and their coaches! The stewards never stopped smiling and the security was unobtrusive.

A summer-time visit to this beautiful city is now planned!

Liz Cawdell

#### EVENTS AND OUTINGS



## WINDSOR CASTLE

Wednesday 31<sup>st</sup> January 2018

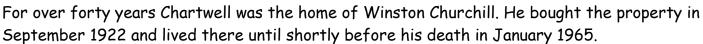
Cost per person: £44.00 (not including lunch)

## CHARTWELL

Thursday 1<sup>st</sup> March 2018

Cost per person: £35 (not including lunch)

(National Trust members: £22)





## WIMBLEDON

Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> April 2018

Cost per person: £ 43.00

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Go behind the scenes at the All England Lawn Tennis Club, the world's most famous tennis club and home of The Championships. Be inspired with a visit to Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Museum and a 90-minute Tour of the Grounds.

Get up close to The Championships Trophies and learn about the history, traditions and legends of the game.

COMING NEXT: HAMPTON COURT PALACE, Thursday 24<sup>th</sup> May (cost: t.b.a)



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#### EVENTS, TRIPS AND TOURS IN 2018:

January 31 <sup>st</sup> (Wed)	Windsor Castle
March 1 <sup>st</sup> (Thurs)	Chartwell
April 5 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	Wimbledon
May 24 <sup>th</sup> (Thurs)	Hampton Court Palace
June 25 <sup>th</sup> (Mon)	The Poppy Factory
July	Brighton Pavilion
August	No trip

#### On the Notice Board

### Essex Association of U3As - Quiz 2018

Each year, the Essex Association of U3As organises a quiz at the United Reform Church in New London Road, Chelmsford. The exact date for 2018 has yet to be decided, but will be some time in June or July. U3As have been asked to register their interest now as there will only be 12 tables. If you would be interested in joining a Heybridge U3A team, please email me Jenny Parker.



### **Online courses**

To coincide with the centenary of votes for women next year, Royal Holloway, University of London, and the UK Parliament are launching a free online course on FutureLearn in February 2018.

<u>Beyond the Ballot</u> explores the history of women's rights in the nineteenth and twentieth centuries and the campaign for the vote from the first mass petition calling

for women's suffrage in 1866 to the 1918 Representation of the People and 1928 Equal Franchise Acts.

While individual learners are expected to complete the course in three weeks, Royal Holloway is offering U3As who would like to use the course as a group learning exercise a free upgrade (worth £39). This will enable U3A groups to access the course and its materials for an unlimited period.

If anybody would like to join me for this three-week course, please contact Liz Cawdell 07902294741 or email ecawdell62@gmail.com

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#### Diary of Meetings and Visits For details see articles and co-ordinators above

Week Commencing	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
27-Nov	27 Petanque 13.00 French Improvers 14.00	28 Ten Pin Bowling 10.00 Scrabble 14.00	29	30	<b>1-Dec</b> Painting 14.00 3 Committee Meeting 10.00	2	3
4-Dec	4 Petanque 13.00 Cards & paper 14.00	5	6 Ukulele 14.00	7 Photography 14.00	8 Monthly Meeting 14.00 Xmas Party	9 Weekenders Osea View café 10.00	10
11-Dec	11 Petanque 13.00 Patchwork 14.00	12 Ten Pin Bowling 10.00	13 French Conversation 10.00 Weekenders Lunch 12.00	14 Bird watching & <b>Walkers</b> Lunch 10.30 Technical Computing 14.00	<b>15</b> Painting 14.00 Coffee Morning 11.00	16	17
18-Dec	18 Petanque 13.00	19	20	21	22	23	24
25-dec	25 Christmas Day	26 Boxing Day	27	28	<b>29</b> Bird watching 10.00	30	31
1-Jan	1 New Year's Day	2	3 Ukulele 14.00	4	5 Committee Meeting 10.00 Painting 14.00	6	7
8-Jan	8 Petanque 13.00 Patchwork 14.00	9 Ten Pin Bowling 14.00	10 French Conversation 10.00	11 Technical Computing 14.00	12 Monthly Meeting 14.00	13 Weekenders New Pavilion 10.00	14
15-jan	15 Petanque 13.00	16 Local History 14.00	17 Reading & Books 14.15	18	19 Painting 14.00 Coffee Morning 11.00	20	21
22-Jan	22 Petanque 13.00 French Improvers 14.00	23 Ten Pin Bowling 10.00 Scrabble 14.00	24 Creative Wrting 14.30	25 Family History 10.00	26 Painting 14.00 Copy to Editor	27	28