

Sheffield



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From the Chair

WELCOME! To your new feel, in **colour**, *Links*. Although my piece is monochrome it feels good to be part of the updating of SU3A's information packed bi-monthly magazine. We are in the process of changing *Links* in a number of ways but this will happen slowly as a new printing firm is involved and we want to ensure the basics are in place first. None of these changes happens without a lot of time and hard work and in this respect I would especially like to thank Links Editor, Jenny Emby, for spearheading the project along with her Editorial team.

A new year, a new-look magazine and other changes are coming too. We have a limited term of office on the EC, and my time as Chairman is drawing to a close. Soon others will start taking decisions and this is how it should be. Every organisation must have new people and ideas at regular intervals. This is how organisations evolve. It begins with Groups taking in new members whenever possible on a regular basis. In the long run replacements will be there on hand when it is time for the current coordinator to move on.

No Group should have a waiting list longer than 5 people. Please let Jim Walker, General Coordinator, know the contact details of anyone who has enquired to join your Group and he will endeavour to set up a new one accordingly. Recent research showed that a significant number of members who drop out of the organisation gave the reason that they could not find a Group to take them. This is, of course, unsatisfactory and should be avoided at all costs.

Changes to the Executive Committee will happen at the **AGM** on the morning of **Thursday 18 April 2013** (please note the altered date) at the Central United Reformed Church and you are all welcome to attend. There will be a copy of the Development Plan for 2013/2014 and the Chairman's written report on the website shortly.

Earlier this year I was invited to attend a conference where a city-wide strategy about growing old in Sheffield was introduced. All the relevant organisations and public bodies were represented and it was a lively and informative debate.

The cover picture of Walking Group F was taken by Frank Mellor

What struck me most was a realisation that both locally and nationally people seem to be waking up to fact that there are 10 million over 65s in the UK and that is a significant number of older people who will need a wide-ranging amount of support. A large proportion of them are not so easily put out to grass when they reach 60 and the challenge is to re-imagine what ageing consists of and could be.

Research also shows that 1 in 3 Britons over the age of 60 want to be socially active but in some areas the gap between what people would like and reality is very wide. This is where we can do something. Organisations such as the U3A offer opportunities to develop the social side of life. It is just as important as the learning side because overall both help with a general feeling of wellbeing.

It is a must to have national awareness of ageing issues and challenge age discrimination at every level. Old age is not a condition you can cure. It is not something we can get better from and it is one of the largest challenges developed societies have to face. Ageing should be seen as a time of opportunity, with new interests to explore and enjoy. Our U3A has a lot to offer this city in its task of promoting Sheffield as a great place to grow old in.

Denise West



Membership Renewal

All those who have renewed their membership will have received their new membership number.

This year's numbers began at 6000 therefore any number before that is no longer current. To check your number look on the label of the envelope in which this copy of *Links* arrived.

Those who give me an email address get their number on the day I process it. If you have not received your new number then it may be in the *junk* folder in your email. If you wish I will resend your letter if you email me. Your computer will recognise the email address this time and not junk it.

Anyone renewing after the end of February will incur an administration charge of £5.00.

Lorna Baker

Membership Secretary

Sheffield University of the Third Age

Membership Renewal Form

Regd. Charity No 703147

Name (1): (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms):

Date of Birth: (dd/mm/yy) ____/____/____

Email:

Address:

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Postcode: Tel No:

Name (2): (Mr/Mrs/Miss/Ms):

Date of Birth: (dd/mm/yy) ____/____/____

Email:

I / We attach a payment of £ for membership at **£10.00** per person.

If you do NOT wish to receive the national U3A News tick here:[...]

Please note that members not renewing before 28 February 2013 will be deemed to have resigned.

There will be a late renewal charge of £5.00 after this date.

Gift Aid Declaration

If you are a UK taxpayer Sheffield U3A can claim back tax on your subscription(s) provided that your current annual tax bill is more than the tax reclaimed (£2.50 on an £10.00 subscription). If so, please complete the declaration below:

I,, (*print name*) am a UK taxpayer in accordance with the above and wish Sheffield U3A to treat the above subscription(s) as Gift Aid donations.

Signed: Date:

Please make cheques payable to: **Sheffield U3A** and send to:
Mrs Lorna Baker, 8 Thornsett Gardens, Sheffield S17 3PP.

From the Executive

Notice of the Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will take place on the morning of Thursday 18 April 2013. Please note this is a **change of date** from that shown in the last issue of *Links*. This is due to circumstances beyond our control.

New Groups

The General Coordinator and his invaluable assistant have been working hard at setting up new Groups where there is seen to be demand. The end of 2012 saw: Inspiration Group, Indian Veggie Group, Welsh Conversation and Tai Chi and Chi Kung.

Groups under consideration are: Rambles with Dogs, Video Making, Permaculture, Dressmaking, Transport, Ukulele and Performance Singing. If you are interested in finding out more about any of these please contact the General Coordinator, Jim Walker.

If you feel that you have been on a waiting list for a Group for a long time and have not heard anything, contact the General Coordinator.

Summer Schools

Booking forms for the Northern Summer Schools will be on the YAHR web site.

National Events

I have received notice from HQ of the following events. If you would like further information, please contact me, Jean Stevenson, or check the U3A web site.

- 3rd Annual Study Day, hosted by U3A and the Royal Zoological Society, on Primatology. Wednesday 5 June at Edinburgh Zoo.
- Elgar's Life and the Women who influenced him. Tuesday 21 May, Elgar Birthplace Museum, Worcester. Organised by a member of Ledbury U3A.
- U3A Spring Concert: Vivaldi Gloria, Grove Singers. Wednesday 17 April, The Queen's Chapel at the Savoy, 14.00.

- U3A Explores Science at the Royal Institution. Monday 25 March.

Subjects include:- Life Saving Chemistry, The Brain and Consciousness and Are There Plenty More Fishes in the Sea?

- Founders' Day Lecture Tuesday 9 April. Friends' Meeting House Euston Road, 14.00. Schooldays Stories, Educational Failure and the U3A Ideal. Speaker: Eric Midwinter.

Tutored Online Courses

There are 4 courses on offer at £5.00 each:

- Short Story Writing, from 20 January
- Three Viking Women, from 4 February
- Just Before Victoria, from 4 February
- The First World War: The Home Front, from 4 February

Details can be found at onlinecourses.u3a.org.uk

U3A Calendar 2014

Photographs to be sent to the National Office before May 10. Must include both a CD containing an HD .jpg image and a high quality colour print.

Happy New Year

Jean Stevenson

Secretary

Please note: AGM date change

The date of the 2013 SU3A AGM has been changed from Friday 19 April to **Thursday 18 April**.

Central United Reformed Church, 10.30

Notice of 27th Annual General Meeting of Sheffield U3A

Thursday 18 April 2013 at 10.30

Central United Reformed Church, Norfolk Street, S1

Only current 2013 members may attend and vote at the AGM.

The final agenda for the AGM, the 2012 Accounts, External Examiner's report and the 2012 minutes will be published in the April issue of *Links*. Members wishing to raise business under clause 13 (viii) of the Constitution (see below) should notify the Secretary, in writing, by 1 March 2013 so that it can be included in the final Agenda.

Clause 13(viii) reads: "*The agenda for the AGM shall be published in the last edition of the SU3A newsletter to be issued to members at least 14 days before the AGM and shall include any other business notified in writing to the Secretary in sufficient time before publication.*"

There will also be the opportunity for informal discussion (see agenda item 8) but no decisions can be made on these discussions at the AGM.

There will be vacancies on the Committee. The Committee meets bi-monthly, usually on the first Friday of the month. Nominations for election to the Committee should be made on the form on page 9 and should reach the Secretary no later than 4 April 2013.

Jean Stevenson

Secretary

Registration from 9.45 when tea, coffee and biscuits will be served.

AGM Draft Agenda

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the 26th Annual General Meeting
3. Chair's Annual Report 2012/13
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Elections to Committee, including vacancies
6. Election of the Independent Examiner of Accounts
7. Any Other Business (previously notified in writing and which can be voted on)
8. Any Other Business (brought up informally but no decision can be taken at the meeting)

Nomination Form

for Election to Sheffield U3A Committee 2013

To be returned by Thursday 4 April 2013 to the Secretary, Jean Stevenson, 3 Knowle Court, Button Hill, Sheffield, S11 9HH

Name of person nominated:

Address:

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Post Code: Tel no.:

SU3A membership number:

Groups to which nominee belongs:

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Name of Proposer:

SU3A membership number:

Signature of Proposer:

Name of Seconder:

SU3A membership number:

Signature of Seconder:

I am a member of Sheffield U3A and agree to be nominated as a candidate for election to the Committee of Sheffield U3A at the Annual General Meeting on Thursday 18 April 2013.

Signature of Nominee:

.....

Date:

Events

Lunch and Lecture

Friday 22 March 2013 at 12.00

You are invited to lunch at the Doubletree by Hilton Sheffield Park Hotel, Chesterfield Road South, Meadowhead, Sheffield, S8

Speaker: Christine Robinson, Head Housekeeper at Chatsworth House.

The talk is entitled "Chatsworth: A Personal View" - an anecdotal account covering aspects of her job, her time at Chatsworth since first starting work there as an undergraduate student of history in 1974 and how the House is run today. Christine will be bringing along several items of interest to illustrate the talk.

Please arrive at 12.00 for a 12.30 start. Cost **£15.50**.

There is ample parking and the number 53 bus from bay A3 at the Sheffield Interchange stops outside the hotel. The number 75 bus from Ecclesfield via High Street stops near the hotel at Meadowhead.

The menu will be a choice from:

- Salmon en Croute
- Navarin of Lamb
- Stuffed filled mushrooms with a pine nut and blue cheese crust
- The dessert is: Lemon tart with mascarpone and raspberries

Please ensure you fill in your choice(s) on the booking form.

If you would like to book a place, please fill in the form on page 36 and send it with a cheque made payable to **Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture**, to arrive no later than Friday 8 March 2013.

Dot Sutcliffe/Vera Dyer

(0114) 268 5918/(0114) 237 7854

Literature Network: Professor David Walker

Wednesday 17 April, 2013 at 14.00

Quaker Meeting House, 10 St. James Street, Sheffield S1 2EW

Professor Walker will be giving a talk on the French writer Albert Camus and his major novels: "The Outsider", "The Plague" and "The Fall".

Professor Walker has written a number of books and articles on many aspects of French Literature and Culture and is an expert on the work of Albert Camus (*below*). He is currently working on a re-appraisal of Camus' work for the theatre.



Albert Camus won the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1957 but sadly died in a motor accident in 1960. He was a friend and collaborator of Jean Paul Sartre and worked for the French Resistance in WWII.

He is widely known as a philosopher of the Absurd and as an Existentialist (although he himself rejected this term) and his ideas are expressed through his fiction and elsewhere.

"The Outsider" portrays a man rejected by society for not accepting its norms. "The Plague", set in North Africa, becomes a symbol of the German occupation of France in WWII and "The Fall", a philosophical novel, is the confession of a man to a stranger where he tells of his fall from grace and can be likened to the Fall of Man from the Garden of Eden.

This promises to be an exciting and illuminating talk with an appeal to all lovers of literature, particularly to those with a knowledge and love of French literature and language.

Tickets are **£3.00** each, including refreshments, from Ann Barclay.

Kindly book in advance using the form on page 41.

Belinda Barber

(0114) 230 4717

U3A Summer School: Don't miss out

Registration has already started for this year's U3A Summer School which will be held Wentworth Castle (Northern College) near Barnsley.

At the time of going to press the registration web link had not been published but all the information about the courses on offer can be found here: <http://yahru3a.co.uk/summer-school-2013/> where the application form should be downloadable.

There are 9 courses on offer for the 4-day residential event.

**Sheffield
Hallam
University**

**Lecture: Comic women writers of the
twentieth century, and Sheffield Hallam
University's archive of popular fiction
1900-1950**

Tuesday 12 March at 14.00

Room 15105 Aspect Court, Pond Hill, Sheffield S1.

Dr Erica Brown will give a lecture on some of the best British comic women writers, including Elizabeth von Arnim, E M Delafield, Barbara Pym and Elizabeth Taylor.

Erica works on Sheffield Hallam University's special collection of popular fiction published between 1900-1950. This archive collects the novels that made the bestseller lists at the time and were lending-library favourites but are often out of print now and are not usually studied at universities.

The second part of the talk will be about this collection and will invite you to take part in reading and researching the novels. A tour of the collection will be offered after the talk.

For more information about the collection see:

<http://reading19001950.wordpress.com/>

To book a place at the lecture contact Erica on (0114) 225 4003



weekenders

Buon Appetito!

Remind yourself of those Italian holidays by joining us for a meal at BB's Italian restaurant on the evening of **Saturday 23 February** at 19.00.

The restaurant is on Devonshire Street (just up from John Lewis) and it offers a wide menu with fish and chicken as well as pizzas and pasta dishes. It is fully licensed and there is also a take-your-own-wine option with no corkage charge. Choose and pay for your meal on the night.

We will have a private room but places are limited so if you would like to join us please complete the form on page 37 and return it to Dot Sutcliffe with a small SAE by Wednesday 13 February.

Be sure to include a contact phone number in case of cancellations.

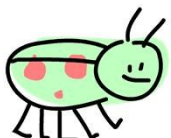
The Beetles Return!

The Weekenders' Beetle Drive last year was a huge success so we are giving you another chance to hone your beetle skills! There will be a pie-and-pea supper (with a vegetarian option) and a prize for the highest-scoring player.

The Beetle Drive will be held on **Saturday 16 March** at Holy Trinity Church Hall on Grove Road, Millhouses at 19.30. The cost is **£12.00** per person.

If you would like to join us, please complete the form on page 37 and return it to Dot Sutcliffe enclosing your cheque made payable to **Sheffield U3A Weekenders** and a small SAE by Wednesday 27 February.

Be sure to include a contact phone number in case of cancellations.



For further information on either event please ring (0114) 268 5918.



Classical Concertgoers' Group

Wednesday 22 May 2013

Come and join us for a day in Birmingham with a matinee performance in the afternoon of popular classics.

The Birmingham Symphony Orchestra under the baton of Mario Venzago will play Mozart's Symphony No. 41 (Jupiter) and Schumann's Symphony No. 4. At the centre of the concert is perhaps the greatest of all Romantic piano concertos: Tchaikovsky's First. The soloist is Daniil Trifonov (*below*), winner of the Tchaikovsky Competition. Expect an afternoon of great melodies and headlong emotion.



The coach will leave the bus parking bay at the bottom of Knowle Lane, near the junction with Millhouses Lane, at 9.00 arriving in Birmingham at around 11.00-11.30. This will allow time to explore the nearby Art Gallery, or to visit the cathedral with its Burne-Jones stained glass before the concert at 14.15. Some may prefer to go shopping or have a leisurely lunch in one of the many cafés on the canal banks behind the Symphony Hall.

The inclusive cost is **£30.00** to cover the price of a seat on Rows A or B of the Upper Circle, the coach fare and driver's gratuity.

Applications are requested by March 29.

Please remember to put your SU3A membership number on the form on page 36 and include the name and contact details of all members for whom you are applying, plus a small, stamped, self-addressed envelope and send to: Pamela Sandford, 289 Abbey Lane, Sheffield S8 0DA.

Our visits are open to all SU3A members and no special Group membership is required.

Pamela Sandford

Coordinator

(0114) 236 1815

Flying Gardeners

Saturday 16 March

The next date for a two-hour makeover of a neglected green space is scheduled for Saturday 16 March, starting at 10.00.

Minibus transport will be available at 9.30 from the usual pick-up point on Pond Hill.

Everyone enjoyed our first attempt back in the autumn and felt that we had achieved something well worthwhile - and the more helpers we have the more we can do, so why not come and join us?

For details of the venue or more information, contact Shelagh Woolliscroft on (01246) 416 139

Working day at Whirlowbrook

Wednesday 15 May

Abbeydale Rotary Club members are lending a hand on Wednesday 15 May from 9.00 to 12 noon to help us remove more silt and weeds from the upper pond next to our Commemorative Garden.

The Council is providing a skip this time. We also plan to sand down and teak-oil the bench seats as well as doing the usual weeding and tidying.

All offers of help will be gratefully received.

Shelagh Woolliscroft

(01246) 416 139

Do you know your membership number?

Check your number on the label of the envelope in which this copy of *Links* arrived.

If the number is less than 6000 you are not a current member!

Friday Lecture Programme 2013

Venue: Showroom Cinema 3 (unless stated). Free (unless stated).

Refreshments from 09.30; Lecture from 10.30 to 12 noon.

Half-price parking at Q-Park with a voucher from the Box Office.

15 February More History of Linguistics

Professor Andrew Linn, University of Sheffield,
returns by popular request

19 April John Betjeman - Polymath

Steve Jackson, Editor of the Betjeman Society
Newsletter

17 May The American Civil War

On the 150th anniversary of Abraham Lincoln's
Gettysburg address. How different is the picture
today?

Professor John Ashworth, University of Nottingham

21 June 200 Years of Steel

– and Sheffield's role in its development

Dr Richard Thackray, Tata Steel Lecturer in
Steelmaking, University of Sheffield

Lectures scheduled for 19 July, 20 September and 15 November will
be included in future editions of *Links*.

Cinema 3 holds 200 and this number has never been exceeded.
However, come early to be sure of your seat.

Group News

New Groups

Performance Choir

Inspired by Gareth Malone in the TV series "The Choir" it is hoped to put together a 'performance choir' recruited from SU3A members.

A Musical Director is sought who would be interested in conducting a four-part harmony choir (perhaps around 40 singers) and preparing them for performances in and around Sheffield a few times a year.

A Coordinator is needed to assist the Musical Director to help create this choir and take on the administration duties.

Once, and if, two people are found who are willing to take on these roles there will be an advertisement for a pianist and singers to make up the choir.

All details of size of choir and number of performances etc. would then be entirely left to the Musical Director and Coordinator to agree upon.

Anyone interested should initially get in touch with:

Jim Walker (0114) 236 9687 or
Vera Dyer (0114) 237 7854

Ukulele Players

Is anyone out there a lonely ukulele strummer?

I am thinking of starting a get-together Group of fellow SU3A 'ukies' so we can all strum in unison. We could meet maybe once a month to play easy music and encourage one another. I live in the Woodseats area but if people are interested we could move venues accordingly.



If anyone is interested please email me, Ann Beedham, ring (0114) 274 8331.

Documentary Video Production

I would like to hear from other SU3A members who would be interested in forming a small Video Production Group.

Initially we could meet to discuss the practicalities of equipment, working space, transport, time etc. and how to cater for individual needs and ambitions.

I worked in media production until I reached the third age and could offer instruction and guidance in planning, scripting, videography, sound recording, editing and post-production techniques with the aim for the Group to undertake modest, factual video films.

If you are interested please contact me on (01709) 812 351

Ian Barkley

Transport Interest Umbrella Group

A number of people are considering bringing various transport interests together into a local Group. This could involve talks, film shows, discussions, outings or small tours depending on the interest.

Subjects could include railways, metros, buses, trams, funiculars, planes, turnpikes, motorways, town planning, museums, exploring transport past, present and future.

For details of initial meetings or to register an interest please phone John Wragg on (0114) 266 3922.

Other Group News

Inspiration Group

Is anyone interested in meeting in the afternoon? This social and reflective light discussion Group meets in members' homes for exploring and sharing inspirational thoughts and quotations from around the world. There is no need to bring books, just come.

We meet on the fourth Thursday evening of each month. Please also enquire if you would be interested in afternoon meetings.

John Wragg

Coordinator

(0114) 266 3922

Sheffield U3A Activities and Interest Groups: February 2013

To join Sheffield U3A please contact Rita Webster-Carr (Initial Enquiries Officer) on (0114) 230 8866, email Anyone wishing to join a Group should ring the Coordinator first. If you find the Group is full, has a waiting list, or wish to suggest a new Group, please ring the General Coordinator, Jim Walker on (0114) 236 9687.

Groups currently notifying they have vacancies are marked with a **V** in the following pages. Full details and some Group programmes can also be found on our website - www.sheffieldu3a.org.uk.

Sheffield U3A is committed to the principles of inclusion and good access wherever possible. We are making every effort to ensure that our activities are available to everyone who wishes to actively participate.

ACCESS: to Group meetings and activities is listed using the following key -

MH	Member's Home - access variable; if you have specific needs please contact the Group Coordinator
PVHL	Public Venue - meeting is fully accessible, including a hearing loop
PV	Public Venue - meeting is fully accessible but does not include a hearing loop
PVAL	Public Venue - meeting access is limited; if you have specific needs please contact the Group Coordinator
O	Outdoors

MEETING: This shows Day, Time & Frequency - e.g. *Mo.am.f = Monday Morning Fortnightly. We.pm.m = Wednesday Afternoon Monthly. Tu.--.w.= Tuesday All Day Weekly. 4w = Every 4 weeks. AREA:- The Postal Area in which the Group meets - e.g. (SE) indicates that the Group meets in the South East of Sheffield.*

Please notify any amendments to this list to the General Coordinator.

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
ART						
Art (SE)	V	We.pm.w	S13	PVAL	Paul Garland	269 3219
Art I		We.am.w	S11	PVHL	John Carr	230 8866
Art II	V	Th.pm.w	S11	PV	Ruth Lamb	236 2807
Art III	V	We.pm.w	S11	PVAL	Miriam Currie	01246 414 274
Aspects of Art I	V	Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Beryl Moore	268 6632
Aspects of Art II		Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Valerie Wiley	236 0726
Looking at Art	V	2ndTh.pm.m	S8	PV	John Cooper	01909 567 279
Outdoor Sketching I	V	Fr.am.f	various	O	Daniel Merrills	230 5952
Outdoor Sketching II	V	We.am.f	various	O	Audrey Morris	236 3619
Visiting Art	V	Tu.--m	various	PVAL	Linda Jackson	235 0852
ARTS AND CRAFTS						
Appreciating Architecture		3rdTh.pm.m	Greenhill	PV	Margaret Short	266 0269
Architecture Past and Present	V	2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Roy Pilkington	01246 416 139
Card Craft	V	Mo.pm.f	S7	PVAL	Margaret Lycett	269 0429
Digital Photography	V	3rdTh.pm.m	S11	PV	Vince Boulter	01709 528 099
Handwork & Craft II		Th.am.f	S11	MH	Jean Davis	233 9784
Knitting	V	We.am.m	S10/11	MH	Jane Harling	230 9576
Patch & Quilt	V	Mo.pm.f	S17	MH	Inge Davies	236 0318
Photographic Group NW	V	1stFr.pm.m	S36	PV	Harold Norton	288 6920
Quilting Hive	V	Mo.pm.f	S8	MH	Lynne Brown	237 7643
Woodworking/Woodcarving		Th.pm.w	S7	MH	Bob Adkins	255 1968
BIRD WATCHING						
Bird Watching I		Mo.am.f	various	O	Gillian Tutt	236 6237
Bird Watching II	V	We.--w	various	O	Malcolm Swift	01246 412 737
CARDS AND BOARD GAMES						
Bridge - Friday I	V	Fr.pm.w	S17	PV	John Strange	01246 416 558
Bridge - Friday II	V	Fr.pm.w	S10	PV	Brian Jeremiah	230 7250
Bridge - Friday III	V	Fr.pm.w	S7	PV	Rati Chiba	01433 659 864
Bridge - Monday	V	Mo.pm.w	S7	PV	Patricia Latham	01246 419 106
Bridge - Thursday	V	Th.pm.w	S17	PV	David Buckle	236 7893

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
CARDS AND BOARD GAMES (cont)						
Bridge - Tuesday	V	Tu.am.w	S11	PV	Michael Brumby	236 5676
Bridge - Wednesday	V	We.am.w	S17	PVAL	Jean Bowie	230 1002
Chess	V	Tu.pm.m	S17	MH	Sheila Hardie	236 4498
Evening Rummikub	V	M.eve.w	S17	MH	Chris Cave	236 4648
Rummikub (SE)		Mo.pm.f	S13	MH	Joan Brown	269 4829
Rummikub I		Mo.pm.f	S7/8/17/	MH	Shirley Wilks	236 7673
Scrabble	V	Fr.pm.f	S7	PVAL	Liz Barber	288 1984
Whist cntrct & dble 12 Dominoes	V	Sun.eve.w	various	MH	Gerald Cartwright	281 1499
DISCUSSION, PHILOSOPHY, ECONOMICS AND RELIGION						
Discussion I		Tu.pm.f	various	MH	Susan Hydes	255 2141
Discussion II	V	Tu.am.m	various	MH	Mary Alexander	255 6385
Ideas	V	Mo.am.m	S35	MH	Alec Jenner	286 2546
Inspiration Group	V	4thTh.eve.m	S10	MH	John Wragg	266 3922
Jesus and Christianity	V	Sa.pm.m	S4	PV	John Vincent	243 6688
Meditating Together	V	3rdTu.am.m	S7	MH	Patsy Gibbon	250 0663
Personal Finance		Mo.pm.m	S11	PV	Helen Marsh	230 1622
Philosophy- Hist/Classical		2ndMo.pm.m	S11	PV	John Kirkman	236 1971
Philosophy-Topics/Theme	V	3rdMo.am.m	S7	PV	Janet Haigh	230 3070
Sugar & Spice	V	Mo.pm.f.	S8	MH	Eunice Southgate	281 1876
Today's World		Th.am.m	various	MH	David Pierce	281 9414
Wealth & Poverty	V	4thMo.pm.m	S11	MH	Helen Davies	266 3276
GARDENING						
Gardening (SE)	V	Tu.am.f	various	PVAL	Carol Wright	251 0140
Gardening at Whirlowbrook Park	V	We.am.f	S17	O	Shelagh Woolliscroft	01246 416 139
Gardening C		Mo.am.m	S10/11/1	PVAL	Susan Fielding	230 3987
Gardening D		2ndTu.am.m	various	MH	Hilary Hutson	225 8570
Gardening Greenfingers	V	2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Jane Gregory	274 9246
Organic Gardening		Tu.am.m	various	PVHL	Sue Bell	250 8941

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
HISTORY						
Classical Civilisation		Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Anne Thomas	230 5281
Family History I		2ndWe.am.m	S10	PVHL	Annie Grassick	230 2777
Family History III	V	Tu.pm.m	S35	PV	Paul Cordwell	327 3954
Family History IV		4thWe.am.m	S11	PV	Monica Stagg	274 8397
History I	V	Tu.am.f	S17	PVHL	Robert Bragg	281 9534
History II	V	Mo.pm.f	S10/11/1	MH	Angela Jakubovic	236 3858
Local History (SE)	V	We.pm.f	S21	PV	Margaret Troop	287 4448
Local History III		Mo.am.f	S7	PV	Carmel Rogers	266 0792
Local History IV	V	Fr.pm.m	S11	PV	Margaret Laycock	236 4109
Local History V	V	Tu.pm.f	S7	MH	Margaret Etchells	236 3317
Making of Modern China	V	4thTu.pm.m	S1	PV	John Evans	230 1173
Military History	V	Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Marion Monaghan	01246 414 137
Visiting History	V	Tu.pm.m	various	PVAL	Jenny Clark	266 9395
LANGUAGES						
Cercle Francais I		Fr.am.w	S7	PVAL	Alan Price	234 4172
Cercle Francais II	V	Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	Margaret Platts	230 7300
Classical Greek Alpha	V	We.pm.f	S1	PV	Deidre Eastburn	281 8446
French for Holidays		Mo.pm.f	S7	MH	Usha Fitch	236 5009
French-Advanced		Fr.am.w	S10	PV	Audrey Sainsbury	230 7446
French-Intermediate		Th.am.w	S11	PVAL	Pauline Wiley	286 4085
German for Improvers	V	Mo.am.w	S18	MH	Shelagh Woolliscroft	01246 416 139
German-Advanced		Tu.pm.f	S6/8/10	MH	Mike Maas	230 4435
German-Intermediate	V	Mo.am.w	S10	PV	Rosalie Ayscough	262 1626
Italian		Tu.pm.f	S10/11/6	MH	Rosalind Rogerson	268 1426
Italian for Holidays		Fr.pm.w	S11	PV	Mike Hague	236 6336
Latin II		2nd & 4th Fr.am.m	S1	PV	Jean Hart	247 0566
Latin III	V	Tu.pm.f	S10	MH	Audrey Ward	230 3423
Latin Improvers		M.am.f	S1	PV	Paul Cordwell	327 3954
Modern Greek	V	Fr.pm.f	S11	MH	Margaret Halstead	258 2541

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
Portuguese For Fun		Tu.am.w	S11	MH	Pauline Miller	258 3678
Sanskrit	V	Th.am.w	S11	PV	Roger Linstead	236 3640
Scottish Gaelic	V	Mo.am.f	Meersbro	MH	Steve Clements	255 8422
Spanish (Inter) I	V	Th.am.w	S7	PVAL	Hilda Wisbey	262 1730
Spanish Inter III	V	Th.am.w	S7	A	Pat Smith	230 6432
Spanish Stage 2	V	We.pm.w	various	MH	Greta Pearman	236 3336
Welsh	V	Mo.am.f	various	MH	Sue Wormald	268 0487
Welsh Conversation	V	Tu.am.f	various	MH	Steve Clements	255 8422
LITERATURE AND DRAMA						
Book Group I		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Margaret Walton	255 6563
Book Group II		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Irene Voyce	235 2637
Book Group III	V	2ndTu.am.m	S17	O	Wendy Jenrick	268 7047
Book Group IV		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Mary Whymys	236 8628
Book Group V		Tu.pm.m	S11	MH	Mary Brookes	235 0180
Bookworm	V	Fr.pm.m	S36	PV	Angela Butler	288 4778
Creative Writing	V	Fr.pm.m	S36	PV	Meg Jepson	288 2929
Drama Study	V	Tu.pm.f	S11	MH	John Parsons	230 4902
Enjoying Literature		We.am.f	S7	MH	Roger Smith	268 6924
Film Appreciation	V	Tu.pm.m	S1	PV	Lesley Dixon	268 5881
Novel Reading I		Mo.pm.4w	S10	MH	Pam West	266 2188
Novel Reading II	V	Mo.pm.m	S11	MH	Kay Beeston	01433 631 247
Novel Reading III		2ndFr.am.m	various	MH	Judith Vernier	01246 418 607
Novel Reading IV	V	We.am.m	S5	MH	Mary Simpson	245 2568
Play Reading I		Tu.pm.4w	various	MH	Mike West	266 2188
Play Reading II	V	LastFr.pm.m	S11	MH	Doreen Findlay	266 8577
Play Reading III	V	Th.am.4w	S 17	MH	Mavis Frost	236 4249
Poetry for Pleasure	V	We.pm.f	S17	MH	Pat Parkin	236 8009
Poetry Study	V	We.pm.f.	S11	MH	Freda Green	236 4882
Shakespeare for Pleasure		Tu.am.f	S10/11	MH	Kay Nicholson	268 6220
Story Writers		Tu.am.4w	various	MH	Margaret Briddon	262 0501

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MUSIC						
A Cappella Singers	V	Tu.pm.f	S6,7,20	MH	Mike Maas	230 4435
Drumming	V	Th.pm.w	S1	PV	John Lee	233 8517
Enjoying Opera I		Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	John Williams	230 4568
Handbell Ringing	V	We.eve.w	S35	PV	Hazel Bradey	234 2608
Jazz Appreciation I		2ndTu.am.m	S10	MH	John Green	230 7768
Jazz Appreciation II		Tu.am.m	S7	MH	John Carr	230 8866
Listening to Music II		We.pm.f	S8	MH	Ray Cottam	235 0536
Music Appreciation I	V	We.pm.f	S17	MH	David Andrews	235 3389
Music Appreciation II	V	Th.pm.f	S6	PV	David Andrews	235 3389
Singing for Pleasure		Fr.pm.f	S1	PVAL	Irene Lees	267 1857
PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES						
Belly Dancing Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	PV	Kathryn Smith	283 1171
Bowling Crn Grn (SE)	V	Th.am.w	S20	O	John Hunt	269 8811
Bowling Crown Green	V	Mo.am.Th.am.w	S8	O	Keith Alcock	230 7813
Country Dancing	V	Tu.am.f	S8	PV	Anne Marples	266 8794
Croquet		We.am.Tu.pm.Th.pm.w	S11	O	Peter Jones	230 5987
Midweek Cyclists	V	Alt.Tu/Wed.am	various	O	Yvonne Bland	283 0992
Pilates	V	We.pm.w	S18	PVAL	Vera Dyer	237 7854
Racketball (Mon)	V	Mo.am.w	S17	PVAL	Peter Keen	236 4914
Racketball (Thurs)	V	Th.pm.w	S17	PVAL	Peter Hawksworth	230 7678
Table Tennis	V	Mo.Th.am.w	S17	PV	Anne Coghlan	236 4770
Tai Chi & Chi Kung: South Sheffield		Fri. pm w.	S17	PV	Pat & Clare Ryan	236 8749
Tai Chi Stocksbridge	V	We.pm.w	S36	PV	Christopher Goldthorpe	01226 762 201
Tai Chi Stocksbridge	V	Fr.am.w	S36	PV	Christopher Goldthorpe	01226 762 201
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL SCIENCE						
Environment I	V	Tu.am.f	S11	MH	Cliff Ellis	250 0883
Geology	V	We.--.m	various	O	David Edmonds	234 3604
Natural History	V	Th.--.m	various	O	Ken Balkow	266 6750
Science & Technology	V	Mo.am.m	S8	PV	Neil Lawrie	236 6294
Sustainable Development	V	Mo.pm.m	central	PVAL	Jo Couldry	268 5496

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SOCIAL						
After Hours		Eve/wk.end	various	PVAL	Mary Entwisle	255 2368
After Hours NW		Tu.eve.m	various	PVAL	Joyce Franks	234 8587
Dining Out I	V	We.eve.m	various	PVAL	Lorna Baker	236 9025
Dining Out NW		Tu.eve.m	various	PVAL	Pamela Conroy	288 7081
Indian Veggie Buffet	V	4th Wed eve m. 7pm	various	PV	John Wragg	266 3922
WALKING						
Dippers I (4-6mls)	V	Mo---f	various	O	Donald Ward	236 3332
Gannets (5-7mls)		Mo---f	various	O	John Lees	267 1857
Late Walkers (5mls)		We.am.w	various	O	Jill Whymys	258 9935
Peak in Bloom	V	Sun---f	various	O	Wendy Taylor	230 9290
Strollers I (Public Trspt.)		We---f	various	O	Michael Ball	286 9226
Strollers II (Public Trspt.)		Mo---f	various	O	Sheila Hewitt	268 6891
Strollers II (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Norman Benson	236 1080
Strollers II (Tuesday)	V	Tu.am.f	various	O	Clive Williams	230 8177
Strollers III (Public Trspt.)		We---f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Strollers III (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Judy Hillman	266 7574
Strollers SE(Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Barbara Steel	247 4696
Sunday Walkers (7-9 mls)	V	Sun---f	various	O	David Hydes	288 7815
Walking Grp A (5-6mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.-w	various	O	Pat Crook	265 4731
Walking Grp B (7-8mls)	V	Tu.-w	various	O	Gail Digby	274 7319
Walking Grp C (5-7mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.-w	various	O	Gilbert Smith	230 5769
Walking Grp D (9-11mls)	V	Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	Jan Taylor	230 2511
Walking Grp E (5-7mls)	V	Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	John Ould	236 9606
Walking Grp F (10-14mls)		Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	Peter Digby	236 6821
Walking Grp G (5-7mls)		Th.am.w	various	O	Tim&Pauline Caley	230 3212
Walking Grp H (9-11mls)		Mo---w	various	O	Eric Bridgeland	250 8819
Walking Grp J (10-14mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.-w	various	O	Mike Gallivan	266 6797
Walking Grp K (5-7 mls) Pub Trspt.		Th---f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
WALKING (cont)						
Walking Grp L (4-5 mls)		Th.am.w	various	O	Barbara Cassidy	262 0699
Walking Grp M (6-8 mls)		Fr.--w	various	O	Gordon Young	296 2402
Walking Grp N (5-7mls)		Fr.am.w	various	O	Sheila Harris	236 9653
Walking Grp NW (5-7mls)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Mary Condon	288 5238
Walking Grp P (8 -10mls)	V	Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Mollie Ibbotson	01246 412 849
Walking Grp Q (5-7mls)	V	Tu.am.f	S5/S35	O	Anne Chatterton	246 2106
Walking Grp R (7-9mls)		Mo.--w	various	O	John Woolston	235 2181
Walking Grp S (5-7mls)	V	Fr.--w	various	O	Mike Denial	235 0584
Walking Grp SE (8 mls)	V	Tu.--w	various	O	Kenneth Stringfellow	230 4063

THE FOLLOWING GROUPS ARE ADVERTISED IN LINKS AND ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS

SHORT COURSES

ICT		Tu.pm	S10	PV	Clare Chiba	01433 659 864
Memory Course	V	Th.pm	S1	PVHL	Stephanie Dixon	247 0119

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Classical Concertgoers	V			PV	Pamela Sandford	236 1815
Literature Network				PV	Belinda Barber	230 4717
Lunch & Lecture	V		S8	PV	Vera Dyer	237 7854
Travel		various		PV	Barbara Robertshaw	236 9102
Weekenders	V	Sa.Su.w	various	PVAL	Dot Sutcliffe	268 5918

Group Coordinators are reminded that SU3A may be able to use a YHA Group Card. For more information please contact Marion Edmondson on (0114) 235 0313 for further details if you are planning a trip involving stays in Youth Hostels.

More Group News . . .

Table Tennis

I have re-negotiated the fee with the Abbeydale Club and obtained a concession for U3A members.

Social members of Abbeydale have to pay £43.00 capitation fee and we receive a £10.00 discount. As all the U3A players have already paid their full fee for this year, the Club will be keeping the £10.00 on hand for next year. The paid up members will therefore only pay £23.00 next year. All new U3A members will of course be charged £33.00 next year.

There is one other difference: U3A Table Tennis players come to play on Mondays and Thursdays from 10.00 until 12.00. We previously had the opportunity to practise with other members of the club on a Friday night. As hardly anyone has made use of this, we have, by general consensus, agreed to restrict ourselves to the Monday and Thursday sessions.

We will NOT receive an Abbeydale Club card, which offered us a 10% discount at the bar, and will therefore have to pay for our coffee at full price. Very few players used the bar anyway so it is not a great hardship.

Anne Coghlan

Indian Veggie Buffet + new Overspill Group

The success of this monthly opportunity means we are now running an Overspill Group.

Attention meat eaters! Do come and sample this vegetarian experience in our local Indian restaurants. We order a variety of vegetarian dishes and then share in buffet style.

Newcomers please enquire by phone. We will fit you into the first available evening. We like those who have no car to have a lift home if possible. We may visit Peak District venues in the summer.

The main outing is monthly on the fourth Wednesday evening. The expected cost is £15.00-£20.00 by cash only.

John Wragg

Coordinator

(0114) 266 3922

Obituary: John Brooke 1931 – 2012

SU3A has been fortunate in having a plentiful supply of willing and able members but few can match John's record of service over nearly 20 years. He will be sadly missed by the several Groups to which he made a major contribution.

After reading History at Cambridge he qualified as a Chartered Accountant in 1958, moving to Sheffield with his wife Margaret and three children in 1967 to work for the Trent Regional Hospital Administration where he remained until retiring in 1991.

Membership of SU3A soon followed and he launched the first Personal Finance Group which continued to thrive for some 14 years. He also started a Discussion Group and later, a "Spanish for beginners" Group.

In 1997 he was elected to the Committee serving initially as Minute Secretary followed by two years as Treasurer.

In addition to his "official" duties John found time to join several other Groups, including Music, History, Military History, Economics, and Science and Technology. John gave these various Groups his wholehearted support and was always willing to give well researched presentations on a wide range of subjects, often using Power Point to illustrate his talks and keen to encourage the use of this technology by other members who wished to benefit from his experience.

In 2006 the Committee decided that someone should take custody of the increasing quantity of SU3A equipment and John was the immediate volunteer. For the next three years he managed this role with his usual diligence, preparing carefully drafted guidance notes on the best use of the equipment.

His long term interest in environmental matters is illustrated by the direction in his will donating his body for medical research and training, a gesture typical of his thinking and described by Margaret as his ultimate recycling decision.

John Richards

Short Courses

SU3A Memory Course for Older People

After two successful courses in September and November 2012 and with another arranged for February, we are planning further courses during 2013. We need to gauge the level of interest from members who would like to participate so, if you would like to be considered for a place on a future course, submit the form on page 30.

Courses for 12 participants at a time will be held over four, weekly sessions of about 2 hours on Thursdays, either morning or afternoon, located in the city centre. Exact dates have yet to be decided. The cost will be **£22.00**. This includes a course handbook and refreshments. We ask that participants do commit to the four weeks.

The course is aimed at “the worried well” among us. It is not a treatment but aims to reduce anxiety about memory problems. It includes among other things some anatomy and physiology, looks at the ageing process and attitudes to ageing. We also spend time trying to understand the memory system.

We share experiences and tips on how to deal with memory loss. Thus it is hoped participants feel enabled to change their lifestyle behaviour which may make them feel more positive about themselves and possibly reduce the risk of developing dementia. All information shared on the course is treated as confidential and it is also practical and fun!

Those diagnosed with mild cognitive impairment may still benefit from the course but please let us know your diagnosis. We also appreciate knowing if anyone has sight, hearing or mobility problems.

For more detailed course information we suggest you look on our SU3A website page or call in to the monthly 'Drop-In' where one of our team will be present.

Finally, if there is anyone out there with a psychology/counselling and teaching/medical background who would be interested in joining our small team either to help with administration or in presenting the course, please get in touch.

Stephanie Dixon

Memory Course: Register your interest

We can not guarantee everyone who applies will be offered a place but we will do our best to accommodate as many people as we can.

Name(s)..... SU3A No(s).....

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Address..... Tel:

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..... Postcode.....

Email address:

Date of application:

Do you have any disability you feel we should know about?

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Please send to Stephanie Dixon at: Mrs S Dixon, 46 Kelgate,
Mosborough, Sheffield S20 5EJ. No acknowledgement will be sent
but you will be contacted when a course place is available.

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The History of SU3A: The Story Continues

Name(s)..... SU3A No(s).....

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Address..... Tel:

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..... Postcode.....

Please send me a copy of the History booklet. I enclose a stamped,
addressed envelope (*Links* size).

Send completed forms and s.a.e. to: Peter Barclay,

14 Clarendon Court, Carr Bank Lane, Sheffield, S11 7FN

Travel Group Events

Travel Organising Committee

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Barbara Robertshaw	Coordinator	(0114) 236 9102
Barry De Roeck	Treasurer	(0114) 236 9169
Derek Shipley	Secretary	(0114) 236 6257
Margaret Bullivant		(0114) 296 2256
Margaret Langrish		(0114) 296 2251
Val Wiley		(0114) 236 0726

Only members of Sheffield U3A are eligible to take part in our activities.

Insurance: All members are responsible for arranging their own travel insurance to cover the costs of cancellation (whether the deposit or the total amount to be paid) through sickness, personal injury, accidents and loss of, or damage to, luggage or personal property. Sheffield U3A cannot be responsible for any such claims. Each member **must be** insured against such eventualities.

Illness/Medical Conditions/Disabilities: When applying you must inform the Visit Organiser of any problem or pre-existing medical condition. Please remember that all visits will involve some walking. Access to sites frequently involves steep slopes, steps and uneven surfaces. Always wear comfortable suitable footwear (e.g. flat shoes).

Cancellations: In case of cancellation, please contact the organiser or another member of the Travel Committee as soon as possible. Refunds for cancellations for deposits or for full payments in respect of day trips, short breaks or holidays, can only be made if a replacement can be found.

Agreed Pick-up Point: Please contact the organiser if you are unable to be at your pick-up point, or you wish to change it.

Reply Envelopes: Please remember to include a suitable **stamped addressed envelope** and the correct postage with your application. For day visits please use a small envelope and for short breaks and for holidays a *Links*-sized envelope (C5 - 229x162 mm).

In case of problems or emergencies: First try to contact the Visit Organiser or if he/she is not available any member of the Travel Committee.

Travel Group Annual General Meeting

Thursday 14 March 2013

13.30 to 16.00

At Holy Trinity Church Hall, Grove Road, Millhouses Sheffield 7

Come and discuss our visits

Give us your ideas for possible activities

Your comments and support help us to plan for the future

Enjoy tea/coffee and biscuits with us

Open to all SU3A members

Barbara Robertshaw

Coordinator

(0114) 236 9102

Advance Notice

Travel Group Day Visits for 2013

Thursday	25	April	Harrogate Spring Flower Show
Tuesday	21	May	Cheadle Church (Pugin) and Adlington Hall
Monday	17	June	Thrumpton Hall and Clumber Park
Monday	15	July	Four Churches (<i>new visit</i>)
Saturday	3	August	Eden Camp and Scarborough
Wednesday	4	September	Grimsthorpe Castle
Wednesday	9	October	Bletchley Park (<i>repeat visit</i>)
November			to be decided
Wednesday	4	December	Performance of 'War Horse' at the Lowry Theatre in Salford

Travel

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Short Break in Durham 8 - 10 July 2013

In the summer of 2013 the original Lindisfarne Gospels will be on show in new world-class exhibition facilities.

It is a contemporary interpretation of the North's most enduring story and one of the world's greatest books. Other medieval manuscripts and books as well as stunning Anglo-Saxon artefacts will also be on view at Durham's UNESCO World Heritage Site. We will have guided tours of the Cathedral and the Castle and a visit to Crook Hall and Gardens during our stay in Durham.



The cost of this short break is **£171.00** per person sharing a twin or double room, with a supplement of £40 for single occupancy.

The price covers coach travel, two nights' half board at the Radisson Blu Hotel, pre-booked group visits to the venues mentioned above, lunch at the Cathedral and all gratuities.

Please read the Travel notice on page 31 about insurance before submitting the application form on page 41

Margaret Bullivant

Travel Group Visit to St Giles' Church Cheadle, Staffordshire and Adlington Hall, Cheshire

Tuesday 21 May 2013



St Giles' Church Cheadle is the finest of the churches designed by Pugin who was responsible for the decoration of the Houses of Parliament in the middle of the nineteenth century. Supported by the Earl of Shrewsbury no expense was spared in the decoration of this church known as Pugin's gem and it was consecrated in August 1846.

After arrival at Cheadle and coffee we will have a tour of this splendid church at 11.00.

At 12.15 we will leave the church for a buffet lunch at the Master Potter in Cheadle then drive to Adlington Hall. There we will have a guided tour of the Hall, the home of the Legh family, which dates from 1315 and was built on the site of the hunting lodge but with substantial additions in the 16th and 18th centuries. Two oak trees which are part of the original building still remain with their roots in the ground and support the eastern end of the great hall. There are extensive gardens.

Before we leave for Sheffield at 16.30 tea, coffee and scone will be available in the tea room.

The cost is **£31.00** which includes coach travel, admission charges, gratuities, coffee etc. at the two venues and a buffet lunch.

To reserve a place please complete the booking form on page 39 and send it to Valerie Wiley, 112, Button Hill Sheffield S11 9HJ, as soon as possible with a stamped addressed envelope included.

Travel Group Visit to Harrogate Spring Flower Show

Thursday April 25 2013

The perfect day for all garden lovers whether you have a garden or not, Harrogate hosts the UK's leading independent spring gardening event.

On display will be landscapes incorporating a range of new show gardens, plant nursery demonstrations by experts, as well as many displays from over 100 leading nurseries. These will include the theme of 'A song of the 50s or 60s'.



Be sure not to miss the spectacular flower arranging and floristry in Britain's biggest floral art marquee.

Of course there will be plenty of opportunities for retail therapy for thousands of high quality garden products, handmade crafts, gifts and specialist regional foods.

A full range of catering facilities will be available.

Cost of the day is **£24.00**, which includes coach travel, gratuities and entrance to the show, but no refreshments.

To reserve a place please complete the form on page 39 and send it to Barbara Robertshaw, 20 Whinfell Court, Sheffield S11 9QA, with a stamped addressed envelope.

Lunch and Lecture: Christine Robinson

Friday 22 March 2013 at 12.00 for 12.30

Full Name..... SU3A No(s).....

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Address..... Tel:

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..... Postcode.....

Menu choice(s) (please indicate): (a) (b) (c)

Please reserve place(s) for me (**£15.50** per person). I enclose a small stamped addressed envelope and a cheque for £ payable to **Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture**.

Forms should be sent to arrive **no later than Friday 8 March 2013** to:
Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, S10 5DA

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Classical Concertgoers' Group: Birmingham

Wednesday 22 May, 2013

Full Name..... SU3A No(s).....

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Address..... Tel:

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..... Postcode.....

Please reserve.....place(s) for me (**£30.00** per person). I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **SU3A Concertgoers'** and a small stamped addressed envelope.

If possible I would like to sit in the concert hall with:

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Forms should be sent as soon as possible, before **29 March** to:
Pamela Sandford, 289 Abbey Lane, Sheffield S8 0DA



weekenders

Weekenders: Italian Night

Saturday 23 February 2013

Full Name..... SU3A No(s).....

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Address..... **Tel:**

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..... Postcode.....

Please reserve place(s) for the Italian Night on 23 February 2013. Please send to Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, S10 5DA with a small stamped addressed envelope to arrive by Wednesday 13 February.

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weekenders

Weekenders: Beetle Drive

Saturday 16 March 2013

Full Name..... SU3A No(s).....

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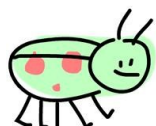
Address..... **Tel:**

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..... Postcode.....

Please send me tickets(s) for the Beetle Drive on Saturday 16 March. I enclose a cheque for £ (**£12.00** per person) payable to ***Sheffield U3A Weekenders***.

I would like to request vegetarian meal(s).



Please send to Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, Sheffield S10 5DA with a small stamped addressed envelope to arrive by Wednesday 27 February.

Handbell Ringing: Christmas Concert Season

The handbell ringing Group practises on a Wednesday evening from 18.30 – 19.45 at Ecclesfield. The Group has grown from a nucleus of just 5 keen ringers to now number 11 – though the number varies depending on holidays and unfortunately this year accidents and illnesses have affected some of us.

Over this autumn and Christmas season we have performed in public on 4 occasions. Our very first outing was as part of the programme of lectures for the Hallam Probus Group. After an initial struggle to position tables, foam and covers into the space available, everyone's nerves were settled and we gave a short demonstration. It was a 'Ladies Day' meeting, with Hazel Bradey giving some of the history and background to handbell ringing, in particular in Ecclesfield. They were all really pleased that the morning was so successful.

As a result of that success we were asked to perform by Tapton Hall for their own Sunday Christmas Lunch. We were ringing as the diners had their pre-lunch drinks hence we did not need a long programme as the diners would be going into eat and new people would arrive, enabling us to repeat the list of music. The ringers, I know, were feeling as though they had not had time for enough practice and overwhelmed, but by the time we were on the fourth repeat of the programme, they could have performed almost with their eyes shut.

We performed a short programme on the Ecclesfield Village Carol Concert, probably the favourite being a lovely arrangement of 'Away in a Manger'.

One of the ringers invited us to entertain for her group's annual Christmas dinner, again at Tapton Hall. Unfortunately she had broken her foot, and with it encased in a large boot was still able to ring with the boot propped up under the table. After all the excitement and showing people the handbells, the worst part is definitely needing to pack everything up afterwards and transporting it all back to Ecclesfield and into the store.

We welcome anyone who would like to come and see how much fun we have.

Hazel Bradey

Coordinator

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Travel Group Trip to Harrogate Flower Show

Thursday 25 April 2013

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Address..... Tel:

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Please reserve ... place(s). I enclose a cheque for £ (**£24.00** per person) payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**.

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Bus bay Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 09.30 (....)

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Travel Group Trip to St Giles' Church Cheadle

Tuesday 21 May 2013

Name(s)..... SU3A No(s).....

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The Story Of SU3A

History is forever in the making.

Our history started in 1986 when the first Sheffield U3A meeting took place at Mundella House, thanks to the interest of the then Sheffield Polytechnic. Those attending would be surprised at the rapid popularity of the new U3A and its continuing growth due to the hard work of many local volunteers.

Recently the History section of our website has been reorganised. There is a brief overview of our first twenty five years together with links to our main history publications. Click the first link and view Roy Darlison's publication 'The Story So Far.' This covers the period 1986 to 2001. Then click the second link and read my own publication 'The Story Continues' published during our Silver Jubilee Year. This covers the period 2001 to 2011.

In recent years design technology has advanced considerably. Depending on the resolution of your computer screen, it may be possible to see text in a larger font size than on the printed page. Similarly photographs and charts can be zoomed in rendering much greater graphic detail than the booklet version. My thanks to Roger Heesterman for his help in producing the new website version and to Clare Chiba for placing our work on the home page.

Sheffield U3A continues to be a most lively voluntary body. Check on the list of activity Groups, click the various web pages and see the wide range of programmes and Group photographs in our midst. A joy to behold ! The Sheffield U3A Story goes on year after year with history already in the making. Who will be the next person to write up our Story in a few years time?

It could be you.....

The Jubilee booklet, 'The Story Continues', is still available from stock, free of charge. It can be collected via our monthly Drop-In at the city centre.

If you would like a posted copy please fill in the application form on page 30 and send it, together with an s.a.e. to me at 14 Clarendon Court, Carr Bank Lane, Sheffield, S11 7FN, together with a stamped addressed envelope, Links size.

Peter Barclay

Travel Group Short Break in Durham

8 - 10 July 2013

Name(s)..... SU3A No(s).....

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Please reserve place(s) (**£45.00** per person deposit)

Room: Twin / Single / Double

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Literature Network: Lecture on Camus

17 April 2013

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Please reserve places for me (£3.00 per person). I enclose a cheque for £..... payable to **Literature Network of SU3A** and small stamped, addressed envelope.

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Ann Barclay, 14 Clarendon Court, Carr Bank Lane, Sheffield, S11 7FN.

This article appeared in the Star and we are grateful to them for allowing us to print it here.

Picture perfect for former King's girls

by NICK WARD
News Reporter

ONE is a gold medal-winning Olympic athlete - the other an enthusiastic amateur artist.

One hails from Millhouses and the other Manor Top.

But Jessica Ennis and Jean Atkin do have at least a couple of things in common.

For a start they are both Sheffield lasses.

Not only that but they both went to the same school, albeit a few decades apart.

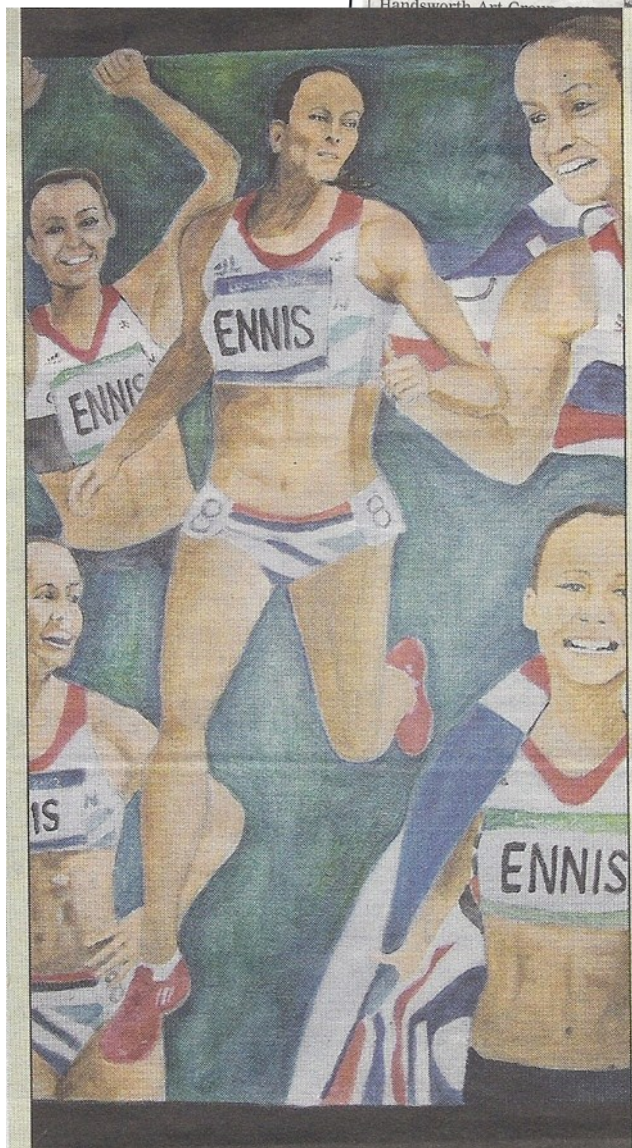
Hepthalete Jess, aged 26, who took gold at the London Olympics, and artist Jean, aged 68, were both pupils of King Egbert's School.

And now the school has been gifted a constant reminder of the pair of them - Jean's portrait of Jess.

Jean, a member of the Handsworth Art Group,



Over: Pupils Chris Doyle and Samantha Turner accept the image from Jean Atkin. PIC: DEAN ATKINS



"One is a gold medal-winning Olympic athlete - the other an enthusiastic amateur artist".

So starts the article by news reporter Nick Ward about SU3A member Jean Atkin who is shown above holding the picture she painted of Jessica Ennis.

Both Jessica and Jean went to King Egbert's School and the picture now hangs there after Jean generously donated it to them.

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From the Editor

Links looks different this time as we slowly update its appearance and function. Changes will be made incrementally and **we would like your feedback** on what works and what does not.

As the task of producing Links becomes harder we will need more of your co-operation: **all copy should be typed originals and submitted by email** to the above address. If this is not possible please telephone the Editor in good time to discuss alternatives.

Please remember the Contributors' Copy Code:

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Calendar 2013

February	5	Drop-in Session: 10.00 - 12.00: CURC
	15	Showroom Lecture: More History of Linguistics: 10.30
	23	Weekenders: Italian Meal: 19.00
	28	Deadline for renewal of Membership - see p 5
March	4	Deadline for Links copy
	5	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	12	20th Century Comic Women Writers: Pond Hill: 14.00
	13	Travel Group: Black Sheep Brewery: Day Visit
	14	Travel Group AGM: Holy Trinity, Millhouses: 13.30 -16.00
	16	Flying Gardeners: depart Pond Hill 09.30
	16	Weekenders: Beetle Drive: Holy Trinity, Millhouses: 19.30
	22	Lunch and Lecture: Chatsworth Housekeeper: 12.00
April	2	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	11-15	Travel Group: London: Short Break
	17	Lit. Network Lecture: Camus: Quaker Meeting House: 14.00
	18	SU3A AGM: CURC 10.30
	19	Showroom Lecture: John Betjeman: 10.30
	25	Travel Group: Harrogate Spring Show: Day Visit
May	7	Drop-In Session: 10.00-12.00: CURC
	7-11	Appreciating Architecture: Northern Italy: Short Break
	15	Working day at Whirlowbrook: 09.00 - 12.00
	17	Showroom Lecture: American Civil War: 10.30
	21	Travel Group: Cheadle Church/Adlington: Day Visit
	22	Concertgoers: Concert, Birmingham: Day Visit
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June	6-10	Travel Group: North Norfolk: Short Break
	17	Travel Group: Thrumpton Hall/Clumber Park: Day Visit
	21	Showroom Lecture: 200 Years of Steel:10.30
July	8-10	Travel Group: Durham/Lindisfarne: Short Break
	15	Travel Group: Four Churches: Day Visit
August	2-4	Weekenders: Edinburgh: Short Break
	3	Travel Group: Eden Camp and Scarborough:Day Visit
	5-8	Yorkshire Summer School
September	4	Travel Group: Grimsthorpe Castle: Day Visit
	14-19	Travel Group: Devon and Cornwall: Short Break
October	9	Travel Group: Bletchley Park: Day Visit

CURC: Central United Reformed Church