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## From the Chair

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This is my first Chairman's report since being elected at the A.G.M. on 18 April. Any job is a challenge, particularly when you are following in the footsteps of a line of successful Chairmen. I can however honestly say that the prospect of two years as Chair of the largest U3A in the country is exciting, exhilarating, thrilling - all those things but also a little bit daunting.

Before I came to live in Sheffield, I was a member of another U3A for some years and enjoyed quite a few Groups, went on several trips and even a holiday but I did not meet as many other members as I have done in Sheffield. Maybe it is the Drop-Ins where people get together for a chat or just simply that Sheffield folk are altogether more welcoming. Whatever the reason I was drawn in to a large extended family which welcomed me to the city. I hope that I can repay SU3A by doing my bit over the next two years or so.

I would like to thank the members of the Executive Committee with whom I have served for the past few years. They gave me the courage to stand for the role of Chairman. I thank those who have recently retired, Pat Battams, Dave Caborn, Vera Dyer, Richard Morton and Maggie Stevens for the work they have done.

I am following a great personality, Denise West, into the job of Chairman. She has shown total dedication to SU3A. I can genuinely say that, as I have shadowed her for the last few months whilst learning the job, she was tireless in promoting goodwill for SU3A. She has agreed to stay for a year to continue with her initiatives in External Relations. Denise has helped to develop close links with both Universities and with other charitable bodies in the city.

We start the year with vacancies on the Executive Committee.

It seems such a shame to me that from all our 3,000 members we can not produce enough enthusiasm to fill a committee of only about 10 members. I have heard someone say that the Committee is a bit isolationist sticking together and running everything, with fingers in all pies. That is only because we can not recruit others to help us. It makes the task so much harder if there are not enough people to call on for help. Those members who do step forward all agree that the work is enjoyable, and in doing it you learn so much along the way and make many new friendships.

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*The cover picture was taken by Keith Haslam from Walking Group E*



So this is a plea. I would like to ask all members to think about what you can offer and call me or any of the other Executive Committee members and have a chat. You can come to a meeting or two to observe whilst you decide if you want to get involved. You do not have to be particularly skilful at anything, just willing to have a try. It is amazing what skills you can pick up from others.

We **urgently** need a new Web Coordinator. Clare has done the job for so long that she must have earned her parole by now. We need a Vice-Chairman to come to meetings and gradually learn the job in order to take office in two years' time. There are also general posts which need filling. We need a Deputy *Links* Editor. This is not an Executive Committee post at present, although the post holder will take over in a few years and then become part of the Committee.

I will stress once again that it is so easy to feel complacent. We are the largest U3A and everything appears to run smoothly, but we can not rest on our laurels. If we do not get new blood on the Committee, we will fail. Larger organisations than ours have crashed overnight. Let us not follow them.



The Weekenders Group has continued to flourish but is aware that members do not have the opportunity to suggest ideas for future events. We would like feedback on what members actually want from

Weekenders. Phone or e-mail Dot Sutcliffe and share your thoughts about the programme. Dot's contact details are on page 2.

Many members of SU3A live alone and I am glad that more social events are thriving. I am aware that some members feel that our main aim is education, but by meeting others and socialising we are also learning and widening our horizons. Often a chat over an evening meal can lead to joining a new Group and developing new interests.

I hope Groups will invite me along to see what they do. I am a member of five Groups, but there are so many more that I would like to visit to learn from and meet more members.

I am looking forward to a successful year. Let us hope you are too. The arrival of spring with the daffodils and the trees in blossom always gives me a boost. I hope it cheers you too.

*Jean Stevenson*

*Chair*

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# From the Executive Committee

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## National Conference

The Third Age Trust's National Conference and AGM '*Learn, Laugh and Live*' takes place at the East Midlands Conference Centre in Nottingham from September 13 - 16 2013. Our Chairman, Jean Stevenson, will be attending along with Denise West in her role of External Relations Coordinator.

## SU3A Committee Vacancy

We URGENTLY need to fill the vacancy for a Web Coordinator as Clare Chiba has now stood down. Could **YOU** fulfil this role? See page 6 for details. Want to check out what it entails before you commit? We would be very pleased to invite you to sit in on one of our Committee meetings to find out more. Please telephone or email me or any other member of the Committee for further information. Contact details are on page 2.

## Group News

There are four new Groups recently formed: Safari Supper, Transport, Performance Choir and Tailored Exercise. Sadly, the Dining out NW has closed. Details of the new Groups can be obtained from the website or the General Coordinator, Jim Walker.

Work continues at Whirlow Brook Park and areas of the park have been transformed by the hard work and dedication of the members of the Gardening at Whirlow Brook Group.

An update is on page 12.

## Drop In

Do not forget the monthly Drop-In sessions held on the first Tuesday of every month at the United Reformed Church (opposite the Crucible) - a great opportunity to meet friends for coffee and catch up on the latest information about what is going on in the SU3A.

## Summer School

There are still a few places left on the Summer School Courses to be held at Wentworth in August. See the YAHR website for more details.

*Tricia Pulfrey*

*Secretary*

## Web Coordinator needed

Maggie, the Deputy Coordinator, who had planned to take on the job at the AGM, has been forced by health and family problems to drop out at short notice. We would like to thank her for all the work she has put in and wish her luck.



Clare, having held the post since November 2007, is keen to move on to other things. She has stepped down from the Executive Committee but will continue to run the website as a stop gap for a short period only. There is an urgent need for a new Web Coordinator to be appointed.

### The Role:

The Web Coordinator is a member of the Executive Committee and so attends the bi-monthly committee meetings and is a trustee of SU3A.

She/he is responsible for the running of the SU3A website which is, at present, done using Adobe's 'Dreamweaver'. The software and manuals are provided.

The main aspects of the job are:-

1. Putting the information in *Links* on the website every two months to coincide with members receiving their printed copies. This information includes a calendar with links to the relevant events and downloadable booking forms for many events.
2. Up-dating events and adding any items which may materialise during the two months between *Links*.
3. Liaising with the General Coordinator to ensure all information useful to Coordinators is available on the Group Coordinators' page and all information on the various Groups is correct.
4. Maintaining and, when asked to, creating home pages for the use of any Group which requires one. These home pages hold whatever information, within reason, the Group and its Coordinator decide on and forward to the Web Coordinator to put on their pages.
5. Be the contact with our web hosting company on all matters, including the annual payments and the Executive Committee's official email addresses.

The Web Coordinator needs to have a Deputy who can take over the website whenever necessary. Clare would be prepared to become Deputy for up to one year, during which time she would be prepared to give whatever training is required. After that the Web Coordinator would need to find a Deputy who would be prepared to take over the job at the end of the usual four year term of office.

**Next Executive Committee meeting is Friday 5 July at 10.00  
at The Circle, 33 Rockingham Lane, Sheffield, S1 4FW.**

You are very welcome to come and observe your Committee at work.

# Museum Sheffield

## **Participants Needed for WW1 Project**

As part of the commemorations for the centenary of the outbreak of WWI, Sheffield Museums are interested in using **volunteers to talk to residents of care homes in the city** about any memories the residents may have connected with the First World War.



These memories may relate to family members who were involved in the War or were alive during that period.

*A military elephant at work in Sheffield during World War I.*

If any U3A members would be interested in acting as a volunteer interviewer please contact: Laura Travis (Weston Park Museum) at [laura.travis@museums-sheffield.org.uk](mailto:laura.travis@museums-sheffield.org.uk) or (0114) 278 2655.

**Request for Participants:  
Research on Emotion Perception  
across the Lifespan**

I am Nicola Dimelow, a PhD student at Sheffield Hallam University, conducting research investigating how we perceive emotions and if this changes across the adult lifespan.

We live in a society with an increasing proportion of older adults which impacts upon government policies and clinical practice. In order for informed decisions to be made it is important to understand the typical developmental pattern of healthy older adults. Emotion perception is vital for social interactions and well-being and there is evidence that this ability changes during adulthood with accuracy of perception increasing with some emotions and decreasing with others.

**I am looking for participants over the age of 60 years who live independently and do not have significant health issues.**

The study consists of several different tasks including the completion of questionnaires regarding demographics, personality, and mood. Other tasks will involve describing words and completing visual patterns. Finally, there is a series of tasks presented on a computer screen which require participants to make judgements about faces, words or sounds.

Please note that in order to undertake these tasks participants do not need to be computer literate. The tasks are designed to be engaging and many participants find the research process rewarding.

All data collected is kept anonymous and confidential and participation is entirely voluntary.

In total the session should last for approximately 2-2.5 hours and will include refreshment breaks. There is also an option for participants to conduct the research over two sessions.

**We are able to offer participants a £10.00 high street voucher for their time.**

If you would like more information or wish to take part please contact: Nicola Dimelow on (0114) 225 5734 or email [n.dimelow@shu.ac.uk](mailto:n.dimelow@shu.ac.uk).



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# Events

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## **Lunch and Lecture: report for March 2013**

It was the morning of Friday 22 March 2013 when members opened their curtains to the sight of – yet more snow! It was the day of the Lunch & Lecture.

What should we do?

Well, the event had been booked and paid for, so, after an 8.30 a.m. consultation between your SU3A group organisers, it was agreed it had to go ahead. Next task was to contact the speaker, Christine Robinson, Head Housekeeper at Chatsworth. Would she be able to get to the hotel? Yes, she would try.

Quite a few members rang the organisers to enquire if the event was going ahead – or to cancel because of the bad weather. In the event about 170 intrepid adventurers attended and enjoyed a most interesting talk. So, many thanks to all of our members who came along. By the time you read this, it will all be a distant memory and we will be basking in warm sunshine (we hope!).

*Dot Sutcliffe and Vera Dyer*

## **Advance Notice**



The next Lunch and Lecture will be on

**Friday 25 October 2013**

when the speaker will be Mike Higginbottom on

***‘Waterways and Railways across the Derbyshire Peak’.***

Further details and a booking form will be in the August *Links*.

*Narrowboat, Peak Forest Canal, Whaley Bridge, Derbyshire*

## **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.

### **21 June            200 Years of Steel**

– and Sheffield's role in its development

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

### **19 July            British Journalism**

– a feral beast or a powerful force for social good?

David Holmes, Lecturer in Journalism, University of  
Sheffield.

### **16 August        Growing our Own**

– the SU3A Commemorative Garden at Whirlow Brook  
The Gardeners.

### **20 Sept           The Human Face of Technology**

Recycling, Sharing, Empowering, Enabling Creativity

James Wallbank, CEO, Access Space, selected by  
Nesta as one of Britain's top 50 'New Radicals'. James  
will explain why.

### **18 October      Everest before the Tourists**

– trekking to base camp the hard way

John Driskell.

Lectures scheduled for 15 November and 20 December 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.

*Enquiries:*                      *Shelagh Woolliscroft*

*(01246) 416 139*



**weekenders**

## **A Summer Sunday Lunch**

**Sunday 21 July 2013 at 12 for 12.30**

We will be returning to the Best Western Cutlers Hotel for Sunday lunch. The hotel is in George Street in the city centre, two minutes' walk from the Crucible theatre. We will have a private room and there is a bar. There is a choice of menu for each course plus a vegetarian option. The cost for the 3-course lunch plus coffee is **£16.50**.

Please arrive at 12 noon for a 12.30 start.

If you would like to join us, please complete the form on page 31 **indicating your menu choices**, and return it to Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, S10 5DA, by **1 July**.

For further information ring Dot on (0114) 268 5918.



**weekenders**

## **A Derbyshire Pleasure Palace**

**Sunday 1 September 2013**

Come and join us on our trip to explore Bolsover Castle and watch the spectacular display of horsemen in 17<sup>th</sup> century costumes putting horses through their paces to Baroque music in the Riding School.

Built in the 12<sup>th</sup> century by the Peveril family and rebuilt in the 17<sup>th</sup> century by Charles and William Cavendish, son and grandson of Bess of Hardwick, the castle stands on a hilltop, dominating the valley below. The tower, known as the Little Castle, has painted walls and ceilings and intricately carved fireplaces.

There is a large café at the castle for lunch and a picnic area in the grounds. We will also be having afternoon tea in the café before we return home.

The cost of the trip is **£18.50** per person which includes the coach, entrance to the castle, the audio tour, the horse show, afternoon tea and the driver's gratuity.

If you wish to join us, please complete the form on page 26 and return it to Shirley Marney, 21 Everard Ave, Bradway Sheffield S17 4LY, as soon as possible. For further information ring Shirley on (0114) 235 0801.



## Whirlow Brook Park

Stunning success has been achieved in returning areas of this beautiful garden to its former glories, and the project continues to make headway due to the further strenuous efforts of our members.

Particular thanks are due to Dave Wright of the city's Parks Department who gives invaluable support and advice to the Group, and to Gwen Ulyatt, widow of the former head gardener at Whirlow Brook Park, who takes a keen interest in the progress of the project.

This project showcases the benefits of our U3A at its best - fresh air, teamwork, companionship, exercise and making a valuable contribution to the wider community. Long may it continue.

*John Evans*

*Publicity Coordinator*



*The success is due to the hard work of the Group some of whom can be seen in the photograph above.*

*To see the full effect why not pay a visit?*



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# Group News

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## **Spring Coordinators' Meeting – 26 March 2013**

In November 2012 a 'think tank' was formed to try to come up with ideas for making the Spring Coordinators' Meeting more 'user friendly'. The sub-group consisted of Jim Walker, Vera Dyer, Chris Goldthorpe and John Wragg. The sub-group came up with the idea of mixing up the Groups around tables of eight, which meant that a large venue was needed but that numbers had to be limited. It was decided to add the attraction of a finger buffet which the Executive Committee kindly agreed to fund. Time was allotted for interaction and for more participative exploration of issues in a workshop setting.

Because food and refreshments had to be ordered, Coordinators were invited to 'apply' so that numbers could be carefully monitored. A total of 88 applied and 30 apologies were received. The actual number who attended was 69, including 2 who had not booked. They were easily accommodated as 19 were prevented from attending by the ice and snow.

The meeting started with a big THANK YOU from Denise West, outgoing Chair of SU3A. Chris Cave, Treasurer, introduced his brief but hugely informative one-side-of-A4 notes on FINANCE and INSURANCE. On the reverse of Chris Cave's notes is a summary of ADVICE TO COORDINATORS on matters besides finance and insurance. The last speaker, John Evans, floated ideas for improving activities for PUBLICITY, both external and internal.

**The Workshop Group Discussions yielded 22 issues/concerns.** They are all listed on the SU3A website and have been passed to the Committee for consideration. On the day itself many of these issues were speedily dealt with at the Plenary Session with some items raising enthusiastic debate from the floor. A synopsis of those publicly answered at the meeting is attached to each of these items on the website.

Unsought feedback indicated that the table-grouping was a pleasing strategy and the buffet received overall praise.

It is hoped that there will be space in the August issue of *Links*, no: 166, to publish the 22 issues raised. Remember, you can read them immediately on the Coordinators' Page on the SU3A website at:

*sheffieldu3a.org.uk ⇒ Our Groups ⇒ Group Coordinators' Page*

Even if you did not manage to attend this Coordinators' Meeting, please write to or telephone me about your concerns. We will air them and they may also help our planning for March 2014.

The SINGLE SHEET with information on finance, insurance and advice is available on the website on the Coordinators' Page. Have a look!

*Jim Walker*      *General Coordinator (on behalf of Planning Sub-Group)*

## **NUMBERS COUNT: Coordinators, hear my plea!**

As I write we have 187 groups in Sheffield U3A. 102 Coordinators have sent me their simplified Membership Roll detailing members' names and membership numbers.



I can not achieve peace of mind and a good night's sleep unless I have the Membership Roll for every activity group.

Go on, make my day (or night)! If you have not done it yet, send me by post or preferably in an email, your MEMBERSHIP ROLL.

Thanking you in advance,

*Jim Walker*      *General Coordinator*

## **New Groups**

Late Spring has inspired the creative urge:

### **Woodworking first . . .**

I have had enquiries about woodworking. Many of our members will recall the superb display of craftsmanship in wood at Wortley Hall in 2011, all work created by our Woodworking Group. The Coordinator advises me that a Group needs facilities that can accommodate a personal workbench (portable) or a vice-bearing device, personally supplied chisels, good saw and other relevant tools, willingness to share ideas and skills.

If you have facilities, or if you feel you would like to participate in setting up such a Group (the second one in the Crafts family), please get in touch with me (General Coordinator) by phone or email and when enquiries reach a "move-ahead" stage I will organise a planning meeting of all enquirers.

*Jim Walker*

*General Coordinator*      [groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk](http://groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk)

## Dressmaking

Phoenix-like, dressmaking has recently re-entered the list of Arts and Crafts with a surge of applicants. Within weeks there was a Waiting List. We think in fact there may be an opportunity to set up a second Group! If you are interested please phone or email me (General Coordinator) and when the list reaches ten I will call you all together to discuss setting up. The waiting list stands at 5 people at the moment.

More information is on page 30.

Enquiries to: *Jim Walker,*

General Coordinator      [groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk](http://groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk)      (0114) 236 9687

## Tai Chi for Balance Disorders: correction

In the last edition of *Links*, the contact details for the Stocksbridge Tai Chi Group were printed incorrectly. The telephone number is **Kathryn Smith on (0114) 288 4698.** [*The Ed.*]

David Barrow and his senior student, Ken Thomas, conduct *standard* Tai Chi classes in Stocksbridge on Wednesday at 13:00 and Friday at 11:30. There are vacancies at the Wednesday class but only a limited number of spaces on the Friday session.

*Chris Goldthorpe      Coordinator*

## New Members Welcome . . .

### Play Reading II

βρεκεκεκεξξ - terribly heavy going

We discuss our preferences and decide on the type of play/author/ comedy/ tragedy.

We read anything from Aristophanes to Ayckbourn. I go down to the Central Library and trawl their stock, choosing something for everyone - usually successfully.

We are a good humoured Group and usually enjoy ourselves.

We meet on the last Friday evening of each month at members' homes and would welcome new members.

If you would like to join us please contact me, Doreen Findlay, on (0114) 266 8577

## **New Members Welcome . . .**

### **Art Group 1**

We now have room to welcome a few new members. This is a friendly and supportive Group involved with exciting and challenging projects which help to bring out individual talents.

The Group is led by a talented and enthusiastic tutor who ensures that everyone receives the encouragement they need to develop artistically.

We meet each Wednesday morning in Banner Cross Methodist Church from 10.00 until 12.30. The annual cost is £65.00.

Examples of work done by group members can be seen on the SU3A website.

Any interested SU3A member can contact me, John Carr, telephone (0114) 230 8866 or by email: [john.carr/btinternet.com](mailto:john.carr/btinternet.com)



*Some stunning work by the Group. See some more on their web page.*



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## Sheffield U3A Activities and Interest Groups: June 2013

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To join Sheffield U3A please contact Rita Webster-Carr (Initial Enquiries Officer) on (0114) 230 8866, email enquiry/sheffieldu3a.org.uk

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](http://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.

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

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

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**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
<b>ART</b>						
Art (SE)		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	V	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		We.am.f	various	O	Audrey Morris	236 3619
Visiting Art		1st We.-m	various	PVAL	Linda Jackson	235 0852
<b>ARTS AND CRAFTS</b>						
Appreciating Architecture	V	3rdTh.pm.m	Greenhill	PV	Margaret Short	266 0269
Architecture Past and Present		2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Roy Pilkington	01246 416 139
Card Craft		Mo.pm.f	S7	PVAL	Margaret Lycett	269 0429
Digital Photography		3rdTh.pm.m	S11	PV	Tony Witham	233 5286
Dressmaking	V	Mo.am.f	S7	PV	Ruth Bernard	258 9026
Handwork & Craft II	V	Th.am.f	S11	MH	Jean Davis	233 9784
Knitting	V	We.pm.m	S10/11/17	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.	S8	MH	Lynne Brown	237 7643
Video Production (Documentary)	V	Varies	Sheffield area	MH	Ian Barkley	01709 812 351
Woodworking/Woodcarving	V	Th.pm.w	S7	MH	Bob Adkins	255 1968
<b>BIRD WATCHING</b>						
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
<b>CARDS AND BOARD GAMES</b>						
Bridge - Friday I	V	Fr.pm.w	S17	PV	John Strange	01246 416 558
Bridge - Friday II		Fr.pm.w	S10	PV	Brian Jeremiah	230 7250

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
<b>CARDS AND BOARD GAMES (cont)</b>						
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
Bridge - Tuesday		Tu.am.w	S11	PV	Michael Brumby	236 5676
Bridge - Wednesday	V	We.am.w	S17	PVAL	Jean Bowie	230 1002
Chess		Tu.pm.4 wkly	S17	MH	Sheila Hardie	236 4498
Evening Rummikub		M.eve.w	S17	MH	Chris Cave	236 4648
Rummikub (SE)	V	Mo.pm.f	S13	MH	Joan Brown	269 4829
Rummikub I		Mo.pm.f	S7/8/17/	MH	Shirley Wilks	236 7673
Scrabble		Fr.pm.f	S7	PVAL	Liz Barber	288 1984
Whist cntrect & dble 12 Dominoes		Sun.eve.w	various	MH	Gerald Cartwright	281 1499
<b>DISCUSSION, PHILOSOPHY, ECONOMICS AND RELIGION</b>						
Discussion I		Tu.pm.f	various	MH	Susan Hydes	255 2141
Discussion II		Tu.am.m	various	MH	Mary Alexander	255 6385
Ideas	V	Mo.am.m	S35	MH	Alec Jenner	286 2546
Inspiration Group	V	3rd Mo.pm.m	S10	MH	John Wragg	266 3922
Jesus and Christianity	V	1st Sa.pm.m	S4	PV	John Vincent	243 6688
Meditating Together		3rdTu.am.m	S7	MH	Patsy Gibbon	250 0663
Personal Finance		Mo.pm.m	S11	PV	Helen Marsh	230 1622
Philosophy- Hist/Classical	V	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	V	Th.am.m	various	MH	David Pierce	281 9414
Wealth & Poverty	V	4thMo.pm.m	S11	MH	Helen Davies	266 3276
<b>GARDENING</b>						
Gardening (SE)	V	Tu.am.f	various	PVAL	Carol Wright	251 0140
Gardening at Whirlowbrook Park		We.am.f	S17	O	Shelagh Woolliscroft	01246 416 139
Gardening C	V	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

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
<b>HISTORY</b>						
Classical Civilisation	V	Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Anne Thomas	230 5281
Family History I	V	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	V	4thWe.am.m	S11	PV	Monica Stagg	274 8397
History I		Tu.am.f	S17	PVHL	Robert Bragg	281 9534
History II		Mo.pm.m	S10/11/17	MH	Angela Jakubovic	236 3858
Local History (SE)	V	We.pm.f	S21 4BH	PV	Margaret Troop	287 4448
Local History III	V	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
<b>LANGUAGES</b>						
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	V	Fr.am.w	S10	PV	Audrey Sainsbury	230 7446
French-Intermediate	V	Th.am.w	S11	PVAL	Pauline Wiley	286 4085
German for Improvers		Mo.am.w	S18	MH	Shelagh Wooliscroft	01246 416 139
German-Advanced	V	Tu.pm.f	S6/8/10/	MH	Mike Maas	230 4435
German-Intermediate	V	Mo.am.w	S10	PV	Rosalie Ayscough	262 1626
Italian	V	Tu.pm.f	S10/11/6	MH	Rosalind Rogerson	268 1426
Italian for Holidays	V	Fr.pm.w	S11	PV	Mike Hague	236 6336
Latin II	V	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	V	Mo.am.f	S1	PV	Paul Cordwell	327 3954
Modern Greek		Th.pm.f	S11	MH	Margaret Halstead	258 2541



GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
<b>LANGUAGES (cont)</b>						
Portuguese For Fun	V	Tu.am.w	S11	MH	Pauline Miller	258 3678
Sanskrit	V	Th.am.w	S11	PV	Roger Linstead	236 3640
Scottish Gaelic		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	PV	Pat Smith	230 6432
Spanish Stage 2	V	We.pm.w	various	MH	Greta Pearman	236 3336
Welsh		Mo.am.f	various	MH	Sue Wormald	268 0487
Welsh Conversation		Tu.am.f	various	MH	Steve Clements	255 8422
<b>LITERATURE AND DRAMA</b>						
Book Group I		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Margaret Walton	255 6563
Book Group II	V	Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Irene Voyce	235 2637
Book Group III	V	2ndTu.am.m	S17	PV	Wendy Jenrick	268 7047
Book Group IV	V	Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Mary Whyns	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	V	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		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		Last Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Doreen Findlay	266 8577
Play Reading III		Mo.am.4w	S 17	MH	Mavis Frost	236 4249
Poetry for Pleasure		We.pm.f	S17	MH	Pat Parkin	236 8009
Poetry Study	V	We.pm.f	S11	MH	Freda Green	236 4882
Reading for pleasure	V	Th.pm.m	S17	MH	Susan Kirkman	236 1971
Shakespeare for Pleasure	V	Tu.am.f	S10/11	MH	Kay Nicholson	268 6220
Story Writers	V	Tu.am.4w	various	MH	Margaret Briddon	262 0501

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
<b>MUSIC</b>						
A Cappella Singers	V	Tu.pm.f	S6,7,20	MH	Mike Maas	230 4435
Drumming		Th.pm.w	S1	PV	John Lee	233 8517
Enjoying Opera I		Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	John Williams	230 4568
Handbell Ringing		We.eve.w	S35 9XY	PVAL	Hazel Bradey	234 2608
Jazz Appreciation I	V	2ndTu.am.m	S10	MH	John Green	230 7768
Jazz Appreciation II	V	Tu.am.m	S7	MH	John Carr	230 8866
Listening to Music II	V	We.pm.f	S8	MH	Ray Cottam	235 0536
Music Appreciation I		We.pm.f	S17	MH	David Andrews	235 3389
Music Appreciation II	V	Th.pm.f	S6	PV	David Andrews	235 3389
Performance Choir		Mo.am.w	S1	PVAL	Carole Hurst	293 9163
Singing for Pleasure		Fr.pm.f	S1	PVAL	Irene Lees	267 1857
Ukelele		2nd & 4th Tu.pm.m	S7	PVAL	Ann Beedham	274 8331
<b>PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES</b>						
Belly Dancing Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	PV	Kathryn Smith	283 1171
Bowling Crn Gm (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.pm.f	S8	PV	Anne Marples	266 8794
Croquet		We.am.Tu.pm.Th.pm.w	S11	O	Peter Jones	230 5987
Fitness: Tailor made for you	V	Th.am/Fr.am	Sharrow Head	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Midweek Cyclists	V	Mo.am.f	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)		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	V	Fri. pm w.	S17	PV	Pat & Clare Ryan	236 8749
Tai Chi Stocksbridge	V	We.pm.w/Fr.am.w	S36	PV	Christopher Goldthorpe	01226 762 201
<b>SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL SCIENCE</b>						
Environment I		Tu.am.f	S11	MH	Cliff Ellis	250 0883
Exploring Permaculture	V	Fri. am. f	Various	MH	John Baker	275 6697

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<b>SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL SCIENCE</b>						
Geology	V	We.--.m	various	O	David Edmonds	234 3604
Natural History		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
Transport Umbrella Group	V	3rd Tu.eve.m	S11	MH	John Wragg	266 3922
<b>SOCIAL</b>						
After Hours	V	Eve/wk.end	various	PVAL	Mary Entwisle	255 2368
After Hours NW	V	Tu.eve.m	various	PVAL	Joyce Franks	234 8587
Dining Out I	V	Wed.eve.m	various	PVAL	Lorna Baker	236 9025
Indian Veggie Buffet		3rd We.eve.m.	various	PV	John Wragg	266 3922
Safari Supper	V	1st We.eve.m	various	PV	John Wragg	266 3922
<b>WALKING</b>						
Dippers "Too"(7-10mls)	V	Mo.--f	various	O	Margot Williams	268 2476
Dippers I (4-6mls)	V	Mo.--f	various	O	Donald Ward	236 3332
Gannets (5-7mls)	V	Mo.--f	various	O	John Lees	267 1857
Late Walkers (5mls)	V	We.am.w	various	O	Jill Whyns	258 9935
Peak in Bloom	V	Sun.--f	various	O	Wendy Taylor	230 9290
Strollers I ( Public Trspt.)		We.--f	various	O	Michael Ball	287 9226
Strollers II ( Public Trspt.)	V	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.)	V	We.--f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Strollers III (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Angela Lam	01246 416 842
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)		Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	Jan Taylor	230 2511

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TELEPHONE
<b>WALKING (cont)</b>						
Walking Grp E (5-7mls)		Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	John Ould	236 9606
Walking Grp F (10-14mls)	V	Alt We./Th.-w	various	O	Peter Digby	236 6821
Walking Grp G (5-7mls)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Tim&Pauline Caley	230 3212
Walking Grp H (9-11mls)	V	Mo.--.w	various	O	Eric Bridgeland	250 8819
Walking Grp J (10-14mls)		Alt Tu./We.-w	various	O	Mike Gallivan	266 6797
Walking Grp K (5-7 mls) Pub Trspt.	V	Th.--.f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Walking Grp L (4-5 mls)	V	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 - 8mls)	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 SE (8 mls)	V	Tu.--.w	various	O	Kenneth Stringfellow	230 4063
<b>THE FOLLOWING GROUPS ARE ADVERTISED IN LINKS AND ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS</b>						
<b>SHORT COURSES</b>						
ICT	V	Fr.pm	S32	MH	Clare Chiba	01433 659 864
Memory Course	V	Th.pm x 4 sessions	S1	PV	Stephanie Dixon	247 0119
<b>OPEN</b>						
Classical Concertgoers	V			PV	Pamela Sandford	236 1815
Literature Network	V			PV	Belinda Barber	230 4717
Lunch & Lecture	V	twice yearly	S8	PV	Dorothy Sutcliffe	268 5918
Travel	V	various		PV	Barbara Robertshaw	236 9102
Weekenders	V	Sa.Su.m	various	PVAL	Dot Sutcliffe	268 5918

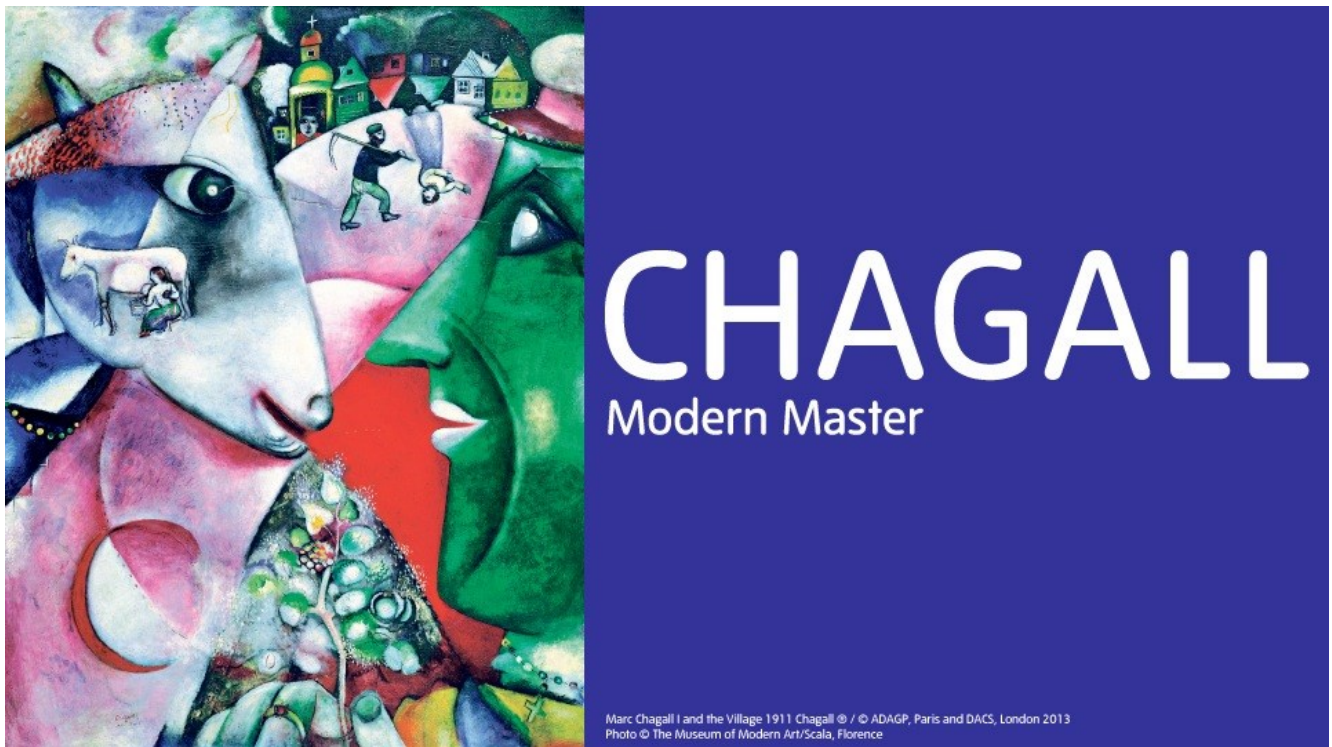


# Aspects of Art 1 and 2 visit to the Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool

**Thursday 26 September 2013**

You are invited to join Aspects of Art 1 and 2 on a visit to the Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool, to view the paintings and especially the JMW Turner exhibition.

We first visit the Tate where there is an exhibition of many paintings by the Russian artist Marc Chagall (the first viewing for 15 years).



The entrance to this exhibition is by ticket only at a cost of **£7.00**.

The second visit is to the Walker where there will be an exhibition of JMW Turner's paintings. We have requested the services of guides here but this will depend on the available manpower on that day.

The cost of the coach is **£16.00**. There is a cafeteria in the gallery.

To reserve a place, please complete the form on page 29 and send it to: Beryl Moore, 77A High Storrs Road, Sheffield S11 7LD.

The closing date for applications is 20 July 2013.



## Weekenders: Bolsover Castle and the Horse Show

**Sunday 1 September 2013**

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

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

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..... Postcode .....

**I wish to have lunch in the restaurant: (yes) (no) *(delete as applicable)***

Please reserve .... place(s). I enclose a cheque for £ .... (**£18.50** per person) payable to **Sheffield U3A Weekenders**.

Please send to:

Shirley Marney, 21 Everard Ave, Bradway Sheffield S17 4LY enclosing a **small stamped addressed envelope**.

**Please indicate your preferred pick up point:**

Pond Hill (Penny Black pub) 08.45 (....)

Ecclesall Road South/Knowle Lane 09.00 (....)

Old Mother Redcap 09.15 (....)

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## Report: Literature Network: Camus And The Power Of Guilt

### What is Evil? What is Guilt and how is it used to manipulate people?

During the Occupation of France by the Germans, young Albert Camus experienced firsthand the ways in which people were placed under stress and either resisted the enemy or found it easier to become collaborators. Camus chose Resistance and edited an underground journal called *Combat*. After the Liberation he played a part in rethinking the ways in which society might move. Like his friend Sartre his beliefs were towards left wing politics, but unlike Sartre he did not admire Soviet style Communism.

In the Literature Network's April meeting, guest speaker Professor David Walker discussed the literary output of this remarkable French writer who was awarded the Nobel Prize for Literature in 1957.



Professor Walker

*The Plague* which was written in 1947 describes an Algerian town beset by rats that spread fear and then death amongst the native population. It was symbolic of the Nazi Occupation, indeed the Nazis were nick-named the Brown Plague by the French.



*The meeting of the Literature Network*

We were reminded of the starvation and constant fear of the Gestapo in a Literature Network talk by Dr. Wendy Michallat two years ago. Dr. Michallat is a colleague of the Professor at Sheffield University.

In his novel entitled *The Fall*, the hero was walking across a river bridge when he

witnessed a young woman contemplating the water below. There was a splash and he suddenly realised that she had committed suicide. Could he have helped? Could he have spoken to her and persuaded the poor girl not to jump? He felt guilty at his indifference, his failure to save the situation.



Camus realised that we are all haunted by guilt and that those in authority use this as a weapon to subjugate us. Not only the German occupying powers used it. In modern society the judiciary, the priesthood and others in authority use guilt to their advantage. Albert Camus and his fellow thinkers recognised the craziness of this situation and the need for greater freedom in post war European society. During the nineteen fifties the Theatre of the Absurd reflected many of these ideas.

Perhaps *The Outsider*, or *The Stranger*, is the novel by which Camus is best known. In this work the story of the young Algerian on the beach is told from his own point of view, but the judge who tries him for murder does not understand this and condemns him. Here Camus contrasts the mindset of the individual with the rule book which governs judicial processes. The prisoner does not understand guilt as a concept so inevitably is condemned to death. As he tells the prison chaplain, 'I did not know what sin was so I feel no remorse.'



The present economic outlook remains bleak, and perhaps the grim writings of Albert Camus appertain to long term uncertainties felt by many young folk today. In thanking the speaker, Frank Abel reflected on some of the points he had made and suggested that if he would like another captive audience, Sheffield Humanist Society would be happy to welcome him.

*Sylvia Dunkley and Rita Brent*

On a more cheery note Sylvia Dunkley, former Lord Mayor, presented our founder member Rita Brent with a bouquet of spring flowers.

The meeting was very well attended and the Literature Network meets again in the autumn.

*Peter Barclay*

## Travel Group: Four South Yorkshire Churches

**Wednesday 21 August 2013**

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

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

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..... Postcode .....

Please reserve.....place(s) for me (£22.50 per person). I enclose a cheque for £.....payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**. Please return the completed form, with a small stamped addressed envelope, as soon as possible to: Valerie Wiley, 112 Button Hill, Sheffield S11 9HJ.

**Please indicate your preferred pick up point:**

Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 09.00 (....)

Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5 09.15 (....)



## Aspects of Art: Walker Art Gallery, Liverpool

**Thursday 26 September 2013**

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

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

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..... Postcode .....

I would like ..... seats on the coach at £16.00 per person.

I would like ..... tickets for the Chagall Exhibition at £7.00 per ticket.

I enclose a cheque for a total of £ ..... payable to **Aspects of Art 1**

Please send the completed form and a stamped addressed envelope to:  
Beryl Moore, 77A High Storrs Road, Sheffield S11 7LD.

**Please indicate your preferred pick up point:**

Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5 08.40 (....)

Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 08.55 (....)



## Dressmaking Group

The first dressmaking Group enjoy a successful meeting at *Shipshape* on Sharrow Lane. Some of the members are shown below.



If you are interested in joining a second Group contact the General Coordinator, Jim Walker, [groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk](mailto:groups/sheffieldu3a.org.uk), (0114) 236 9687

## Madeleine Blaess Film Documentary

In April 2011, Dr Wendy Michallat gave a talk to the SU3A about the diary written by Sheffield's Madeleine Blaess during the Nazi occupation of France.

The talk was attended by a number of friends and acquaintances of Madeleine and Dr Michallat would be delighted if they and others who knew Madeleine would get in touch with a view to their reminiscences being included in a film documentary to be made by herself and students from the French Department at the University of Sheffield. The intention is to interview participants on camera although this is by no means a compulsory requisite for participation in the Project!

Dr Michallat can be contacted at: [w.michallat/sheffield.ac.uk](mailto:w.michallat/sheffield.ac.uk) or on (01226) 379 168



## Summer Sunday Lunch at the Cutlers Hotel Sunday 21 July 2013

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

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

Postcode .....

Please reserve.....place(s). I enclose a cheque for £ .... (**£16.50**  
per person) payable to **Sheffield U3A Weekenders**.

### Menu Choices – please indicate your choice:

**Starter:** Tomato and basil soup (....); Smoked salmon roulade (....);  
Melon and summer fruits (....)

**Main:** Grilled salmon in prawn and mushroom sauce (....);  
Roast loin of pork (....);  
Courgette, red pepper and mushroom lasagne (....)

**Dessert:** Brandy snap basket with strawberries and crème chantilly (....);  
Bread and butter pudding (....); Fresh fruit salad (....)

Please send cheque, completed form and a small stamped addressed  
envelope to: Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, S10 5DA, to arrive  
by **Monday 1 July**.

### Your U3A needs you

We need someone to look after the website.

If you have had some experience of working on computers or have ever  
created a website, a program or even blogged then please consider if  
you could support your U3A. Without someone to take over, one of the  
most important ways we communicate with our members will be lost.

You will get support and training so do consider it. Read the information  
on page 6 and have a chat with with our Web Coordinator, Clare Chiba,  
on (01433) 659 864.

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# Travel Group Events

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## 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
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**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 Visit to Four South Yorkshire Churches

**Wednesday 21 August 2013**

This will be a repeat visit of the trip for Wednesday 17 July previously advertised in the April issue of Links.



Guided by Pat Mcloughlin, formerly of 'Heritage Inspired' and known to many of us, we will begin our four churches visits at **St Peter, Conisbrough**. This is the oldest building in Yorkshire, dating from the eighth century and with a medieval altar slab, piscinas, a sixteenth century font and medieval stained glass windows. There are also some furnishings by Robert Thompson, 'The Mouseman'.



From Conisbrough we will go to the church of **St John the Baptist at Mexborough**. The present church dates from the fourteenth century, with beautiful stained glass windows and stalls made by Robert Thompson. With the church restoration in 1890, the plaster and whitewash were removed from the North Aisle to reveal the Lord's Prayer and the Commandments.



Next we go on to **All Saints, Wath upon Dearne**, with its medieval roof bosses, including animal and human faces, an impressive reredos, Norman stone carved heads and abundant monuments. James Montgomery may well have worshipped in this church. We will have lunch here, provided by ladies of the parish.



Leaving Wath, we will make our way to **Wentworth**, with its two churches, the old **Holy Trinity Church**, dating from the thirteenth century and the new church, commissioned by the Earl Fitzwilliam in memory of his parents. We will move from the medieval church, cared for by the Churches Conservation Trust, to the nineteenth century church, designed by the Victorian architect J. L. Pearson and with stained glass by Kempe.

We plan to leave Wentworth at 16.30 to travel back to Sheffield.

**The cost per person is £22.50.** This includes the coach fare, gratuities, donations to each of the churches, buffet lunch and tea or coffee.

Please complete the form on page 29 and send it as soon as possible with your cheque and a small stamped addressed envelope to Valerie Wiley.



## Report: Travel Group Visit to London: April 2013

A short break in London is always something to savour. Margaret Langrish's excursion did not disappoint. With a well-planned programme and varied activities, even the mixed weather did not spoil our enjoyment.

After a morning of travel, we spent the afternoon at Kew Gardens, with a guided tour and lots of time to explore on our own, learning about plants and the madness of King George III. The following morning the coach took us to Westminster Bridge for a boat trip, with commentary, down the Thames to Greenwich. We toured the famous Cutty Sark, recently restored after a terrible fire. After lunch, we made our way up to the Greenwich Observatory and Meridian Line courtyard where members tried to work out whether they lived in the east or the west.

The third day began with a much anticipated visit to the Houses of Parliament, where we were vetted by armed police before being admitted. With the help of our guides, we absorbed a brief history of modern democracy - but no photos or sitting on parliamentary seats!



The last full day was spent in Kent first visiting Down House, the delightful home of the 19<sup>th</sup> century naturalist Charles Darwin. then the 16<sup>th</sup> century Eltham House.



Our final visit was a tour of the magnificent Hampton Court Palace where we were greeted regally in the courtyard by King Henry VIII himself, together with one of his Queens, thus completing our tour in appropriate style.

The holiday would not have been possible without Margaret's painstaking preparation: Thank you Margaret!

*Derek Shipley*



## **Travel Group Visit to Grimsthorpe Castle**

### **Wednesday 4 September 2013**

Grimsthorpe Castle advertises itself as the grandest stately home in Lincolnshire and, although Burghley House and Belton House are nearby, Grimsthorpe can make such a claim.

Dating back to the 12th century, it was substantially enlarged in the 16th century and its frontage altered by Vanbrugh in the 18th century. Almost inevitably its 3,000 acres of parkland were landscaped by Capability Brown and the Willoughby de Eresby family assembled an array of fine furnishings, paintings by Van Dyck, Holbein and Reynolds, together with tapestries of merit.

We plan to spend a whole day at Grimsthorpe. We will have coffee on arrival followed by a guided coach tour around the parkland with the estate manager, observing its landscaped lakes and historic woodland, a haven for wildlife, before lunch at around midday. After lunch we will have a guided tour of the castle itself before concluding with tea or coffee and a scone to fortify us for the journey back to Sheffield. We plan to leave Grimsthorpe at 16.30.

The cost for the day is **£35.00** per person. This includes coach travel, gratuities, coffee on arrival, buffet lunch, guided tours, and tea or coffee and scone before leaving.

To reserve a place, please complete the booking form on page 38 and send it with a cheque and a stamped addressed envelope to Valerie Wiley as soon as possible.

### **Travel Group: Advance Notice**

#### **Day Visits for 2013**

Wednesday 9 October	Bletchley Park (repeat visit; application forms will be in August <i>Links</i> )
Thursday 28 November	Visit to "Chocolate Story" and Fairfax House, York
Wednesday 4 December	Performance of "War Horse" at the Lowry Theatre, Salford

#### **Short Breaks 2014**

April	Salisbury and Wiltshire
5 - 10 June	Glasgow and the surrounding area

## The Last Post

You will have noticed that this copy of *Links* arrived in different packaging.

Until now the distribution of *Links* has relied on a team of dedicated stickers, shifters and 'stuffers'. Some of these people have worked over literally decades preparing envelopes, fetching and carrying and stuffing thousands of copies of the newly-printed *Links* into the envelopes.

From now on the distribution is being done by our printers and the last 'stuffing party' has been held.



### Stuffing in Progress

Each envelope was individually prepared before being taken to the stuffing party. You can see on the left the stuffing team at work. It took about 2 hours for the team to put a copy of *Links* into each envelope. The boxes of filled envelopes were then taken to be franked.

And here it is:

### The Last Post

The very last copy of *Links* at the very last stuffing party is carefully put into the envelope by a dedicated volunteer.

*(Those other copies are spares!)*



We would like to thank all those people who over the last 22 years have worked so hard to ensure your copy of *Links* arrived safely and on time.

## Travel Group Visit to Eden Camp, Malton and Scarborough

**Saturday 3 August 2013**

Our August visit is a mixture of nostalgia and history followed by a traditional afternoon at the seaside.

Eden Camp is a living museum, set on the site of a wartime prisoner-of-war camp and dedicated to recreating the 1939-1945 period in a realistic way.

Apart from memorabilia of the period there are tableaux enacting the experiences of families at home and servicemen, both in the U.K. and overseas. Film of the period, moving figures, authentic sounds and even smells create a realistic atmosphere. The Declaration of War, the Blitz and spartan living conditions are vividly depicted. Ration Books and the food we received are shown as actual portions on plates.



Coffee and biscuits on arrival are included.

Later, we continue to Scarborough, where the coach will drop us off near the Spa for a free afternoon. Suggestions of things to do and a map will be given on the coach.



The afternoon will conclude with a fish and chip tea (also included), at one of Scarborough's best-known restaurants, the Golden Grid, on the front near the harbour. The inclusive cost is **£24.00**.

Applications should be sent, as soon as possible to Derek Shipley using the form on page 38.

## Travel Group: Visit to Eden Camp and Scarborough'

**Saturday 3 August 2013**

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

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**Please indicate your preferred pick up point:**

Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 08.00 (....)

Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5 08.15 (....)

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### **From the Editor**

We need **your feedback** on whether the changes in *Links* are working.

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.

Photographs should be taken on a **digital camera** (not a mobile phone as the quality is poor) and sent as the **original file size**. Note that, due to copyright restrictions, **we need original photographs** from **you**. Without your help we have few images to use.

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# Calendar 2013

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June	4	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	6-10	Travel Group: North Norfolk: Short Break
	8	SU3A Quiz: Abbeydale Sports Centre: 19.00
	17	Travel Group: Thrumpton Hall and Clumber Park: Day Visit
	20	Appreciating Architecture: York Minster: Day Visit
	21	Showroom Lecture: 200 Years of Steel:10.30
	29	Weekenders: Midsummer Night's Dream, Stamford: Day Visit
July	2	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	8-10	Travel Group: Durham: Short Break
	17	Travel Group: Four Churches: Day Visit (change of date)
	19	Showroom Lecture: British Journalism:10.30
	21	Weekenders: Sunday Lunch at the Cutlers' Hotel: 12 noon
August	2-4	Weekenders: Edinburgh: Short Break
	3	Travel Group: Eden Camp and Scarborough: Day Visit
	5-8	Yorkshire Summer School: Wentworth Castle, Barnsley
	14	Concertgoers: Buxton Opera: The Merry Widow: Day Visit
	16	Showroom Lecture: Growing our Own: 10.30
	21	Travel Group: Four Churches: Day Visit
September	1	Weekenders: Bolsover Castle and the Horse Show
	3	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	4	Travel Group: Grimsthorpe Castle: Day Visit
	14-19	Travel Group: Devon and Cornwall: Short Break
	20	Showroom Lecture: The Human Face of Technology: 10.30
	26	Aspects of Art: Walker Art Gallery: Day Visit
October	1	Drop-In Session:10.00-12.00: CURC
	9	Travel Group: Bletchley Park: Day Visit
	18	Showroom Lecture: Everest before the Tourists
	25	Lunch and Lecture: Derbyshire Waterways and Railways
CURC: Central United Reformed Church		

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