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Steel City Wanderers guided tour of the Sheffield Islamic Centre

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Here you will find all the latest news and information about SU3A, including items that do not appear in *Links*.

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# From The Chair

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Welcome Back!

After being spoilt with mild winters over the last few years, this winter has definitely made me feel the cold. I hope you all have managed to stay snug, warm and safe and have not succumbed to the dreaded “lurgie” or flu which has been merrily doing the rounds!

The last few months have been extremely busy for our membership teams with the annual membership renewal task. I thank them all for their hard work.

Looking forward to the next few months, our new website is coming on in leaps and bounds and is currently at the testing stage and on target to go live, hopefully in April, though before our next AGM. This, very conveniently, brings me to our AGM which is on 10 July 2018. A date for all our diaries! The upcoming AGM is a very important one for Sheffield as we have two major decisions to be taken by the membership. Firstly we have a proposed Change in Article. From the many comments that have been made to me over the last 2 ½ years this change is close to the hearts of a great many members and long overdue. Details of this proposed change can be found on page 5.

The second decision to be taken is the election of new trustees which will follow the same procedure as at the 2017 AGM with the following exception. I am pleased to advise you all that we have two candidates for the role of Chair and therefore the incoming Chair will be selected by a ballot vote. Please remember that it is you, the members, who will be voting and therefore it is important that you attend the AGM. Whatever the outcome, I want to personally thank both Malcolm and Sarah for choosing to stand for this role. A résumé of both candidates can be found on pages 6-7.

There are changes to Data Protection requirements which come into effect in May this year. These are being reviewed by SU3A following information produced by the national office in January.

Group coordinators will be updated at the Group Coordinators meeting and an update for the membership will be published in the June edition of *Links*. Phew, I hope you're all still with me!

Coming up, New Members Meeting, another success at the Friday Showroom Lectures and over-subscription of day trips and events. The February Friday Showroom Lecture saw a full house of attendees in Cinema 4 which holds 282 seats. The great granddaughter of Emmeline Pankhurst, Dr Helen Pankhurst's talk on women's rights obviously struck a strong cord with our membership. Congratulations to Shelagh Woolliscroft and her team.

A gentle reminder to us all who apply to join our events and trips. It takes a lot of hard work and time to organise both, and numbers are restricted either by the event, venue or by the number of seats available on the coach. We should not be offended if our application is unsuccessful.

Plans are being prepared for our first New Members meeting for 2018. So all of you who joined us recently watch out for your email invitations, and do try to come as they have proved to be very useful to previous attendees.

Until next time... Samina

### ***Links Publication Dates***

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Copy Deadline</b>
June 2018	26 April 2018
October 2018	23 August 2018
December 2018	25 October 2018

### ***Links Open Groups Supplement***

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Copy Deadline</b>
August 2018	6 July 2018

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# NEWS

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## Important AGM News

**Change in Article:** Third Age Trust (which acts as an umbrella organisation for all U3As) has negotiated with the Charity Commission and our insurers a change to all U3A constitutions, subject to acceptance by individual U3As.

Over the last few years the U3A principles have focused on the initial remit of the Third Age movement, namely "education". Third Age Trust has now looked at our movement's overall aims as practised by individual U3As around the country and have agreed the following Changes to Articles: *"The object is the advancement of education and in particular the education of older people and those retired from full time work **by all means** including associated activities conducive to learning **and personal development.**"* Changes made are highlighted in bold.

**What does this mean for Sheffield?** It means, that activities like walking and social activities with an educational focus, are now part of our Charitable Purpose (SU3A Constitution, point 3i). The EC have discussed this and are in agreement with this change, as we believe this is beneficial to our members. Third Age Trust has been notified that the EC of SU3A accept this change, subject to ratification by SU3A members at the AGM.

**What are the next steps?** Acceptance of this change will be voted at our AGM by the members attending. Voting will be by a show of hands.

### **Voting for incoming Chair:**

There are two applicants for the role of incoming Chair. A self-introduction from both applicants can be found on the following two pages. The role of Chair will be voted on by members attending the AGM. Voting will be by ballot paper which will be provided to members at the time of registering attendance on the day.

## Nominee for Role of Chair: Sarah Williamson



I have been a member of SU3A for a few years and on the EC for a year as Website Coordinator. During this year I have been involved with the design and building of the new website – definitely a learning experience! And I have also learned much more about SU3A and its members, how it all works, and the huge contribution of Group Coordinators and other volunteers.

One thing I have learned is how many of us, myself included, are not members of groups. This could be for all sorts of reasons – groups are full, inconvenient in time and distance, or members are busy in other ways, but support the ethos of the U3A and enjoy contacts at the Drop-Ins, lectures, excursions and other open events.

I am also very aware, as a volunteer at Broomhill Library and as I finish my time as a Trustee of Voluntary Action Sheffield, how many members of Sheffield's community are struggling – with loneliness, with lack of resource or opportunity. I also know, as I am sure many of you do, how much volunteering can do for the volunteer, as well as the recipient. Certainly it is an opportunity for learning and personal development.

So, if elected, there are two things I should like to explore: first, seeing if there are other ways in which individual members can get together, and next, investigating how we might share our resources of skills and learning more widely.

**Remember!**

**Copy deadline for the June 2018 *Links* is  
26 April 2018**

## **Nominee for Role of Chair: Malcolm Manning**

As a native of Sheffield and still living in the city, I feel it is time to put something back into the community that has given me so much. For the past 5 years, I have been a member of the Sheffield U3A Photography Group due to my interest in digital photography. In addition, I have a passion for English longcase clocks.



I have enjoyed sharing my expertise with three other local Charities and have dealt with the Charities Commission, Regulatory Bodies and many volunteers, concurrent with chairing many different types of meetings in previous positions as Managing Director.

Heading a Group of UK Companies, owned by probably Europe's largest Private Company, has given me the privilege of leading large workforces, travelling the world and dealing with people of different cultures and varying abilities. I worked in an industry that was subject to constant change and where "thinking outside the box" was normal. In addition, I have won two Queens Awards for Industry and brought three revolutionary concepts to the Market.

I have detailed knowledge of Human Resources issues, the experience of dealing with them and how, through patient and skilful negotiation, to bring successful resolutions and benefits to both the individual and the Organisation.

Part of my success has been through leading by example, and in convincing people that not only can they add value to an expanding Organisation but they are the main agents of change. People "buy-in" if they feel part of it and are seen to be appreciated.

## **WILD APRICOT**

### **Your records on our computer system**

We ask all members to read the following message, just so you are all aware how you can use the SU3A computer system.

Every member of Sheffield U3A has an individual profile and this is stored on the Wild Apricot computer system. This profile is created by you when you join online or by the Membership team when you send in a cheque. Anyone who has joined online is able to access their own profile and can make certain changes to those details held, just by logging in with their email address and password. You access your profile through the Sheffield U3A website - [www.sheffieldu3a.org.uk/](http://www.sheffieldu3a.org.uk/)  
Or directly at - [www.su3a.wildapricot.org/](http://www.su3a.wildapricot.org/)

- You can change your address details.
- You can change your email address.
- You can change your telephone numbers.
- You can see a list of the Groups you belong to but you CANNOT change that list yourself.

For those people who share an email address you can still access your profile by using the forwarding email address that we gave you. Passwords are easily forgotten so a link/"button" on the sign-in page allows you to obtain a new one sent to your email address. All communications regarding renewals, etc. are sent by email even if you joined by sending a cheque, but you can still renew by cheque as the details will always be in the *Links* magazine. As the cost of postage is high we do encourage anyone with an email address to allow us to use it. If you have a query regarding the details on your profile you can contact the Wild Apricot admin team on [wa-adminsu3a.org.uk](mailto:wa-adminsu3a.org.uk).



## Taking the first step to joining a group...

I would just like to share my experience in case there is someone like me out there with the same qualms and worries. The first thing I had to do after actually joining the U3A was decide what sort of a group I wanted to belong to – not only from the point of view of whether it interested me or not but whether I would be able to “hold my own”. After much deliberation I made a phone call to the organizer of the group I felt I wanted to join and was rewarded with a very warm welcome and a very clear explanation of how the group worked – where to go, what time and what would be required of me. It turned out that I had to do very little, just bring 25p to pay for my cuppa and then enjoy the session!! Which I did very much. I was relieved to find that none of the group were actually ex-professors or boffins and I fitted in very well.

Well that is quite a few years ago now and I have joined several other groups since then. A couple of them turned out to be not quite what I wanted and I left, but that also was very easy with no hard feelings, and I still bump into (not literally!!) one or two people who I have been in a group with and it's always good to catch up with them. I've also had to go on a couple of waiting lists but never for more than three or four months. So if, like me, you are feeling a bit nervous about taking the first step, do please give it a try. I am sure you will be very pleasantly surprised and it will prove to be the beginning of a new path in your life.

Wendy Woodhouse  
Volunteer Coordinator

### **Emergency Contact details**

Following two incidents, one major, the need for an emergency contact for our members taking part in group activities has been raised. It would be good practice for Group Coordinators (or even a fellow group member) to have an emergency contact for their members should the need arise, e.g. member becoming ill. This would speed up any response to an incident and also give some peace of mind to those involved.

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# Vacancies for 2018

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## Sheffield U3A has the following vacancies:

**Minutes Secretary:** Each year there are six EC meetings and an AGM for which minutes are required. The Minutes Secretary works closely with the Chair and the Secretary in the preparation of the above documents. **This is not an EC role.** Training will be provided if required, including an opportunity to shadow our existing Minutes Secretary.

**Executive Committee Member with IT skills:** Applicants must be computer literate, have good computer coding skills and should be comfortable with the Wild Apricot System. As a trustee of SU3A, applicants will also be expected to carry out tasks as required within the responsibilities and duties for all trustees.

**Vice Chair:** As Vice Chair you will be required to assist and support the Chair in carrying out his/her duties, as well as being an active member of the Executive Committee. As a trustee of SU3A, applicants will also be expected to carry out tasks as required within the responsibilities and duties for all trustees. You should have a good working knowledge of how SU3A works and the roles and responsibilities of officers and non-officers within our organisation.

For more information or to apply for any of the above roles please contact Samina Aslam, [chairsheffieldu3a.org.uk](mailto:chairsheffieldu3a.org.uk)



**We like to encourage members to volunteer for the various roles necessary in running a successful organization. If you would like to volunteer for any role, from helping with refreshments, meeting and greeting or to be on the Committee, please contact Wendy Woodhouse: [wendywoodhousehotmail.com](mailto:wendywoodhousehotmail.com)**

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## GROUP NEWS

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### **SU3A Commemorative Garden Event, Whirlowbrook Gardens, Wednesday 13 June 2018**

This event is aimed particularly at all those who are or have been associated with the making of the Commemorative Garden. All are welcome but NB parking is limited.



**10.30** Visitors are invited to tour the Garden. The A Cappella Group will provide background choral music from the Rock Garden and a piper will play before and after the service.

**11.00** Service of Thanksgiving, Remembrance and Celebration - held in the Garden if fine, in Whirlowbrook Hall if wet.

**11.30** Refreshments available in Whirlowbrook Hall, where Vintage Voices will provide musical entertainment.

Queries to *Shelaghwoolliscroft.com*

### **Crochet and Knitting Group**

Would you like to learn to knit or improve your skills? We have some vacancies in our informal but industrious group and we welcome beginners. We meet fortnightly at 14.00 on Tuesdays in Victoria Hall, Chapel Walk. If you would like to join our self-help group, please contact:

*Jane Whitehead (0114) 457 7740    [janew691gmail.com](mailto:janew691gmail.com)*

## **New Group – Bowling Crown Green (NE)**

This is a friendly group with vacancies for beginners through to experienced players. You will play with members of a similar ability so that you can go at your own pace. In order to use the necessary facilities at the club you will be required to become a member of the Steel City Bowling Club (this is where the £20 per annum comes in) and then, if you would like to, you will be welcome to join in with other members of the Steel City Bowling Club in one of their teams and also play in one of the many league games around Sheffield if you like a challenge!

Venue - Steel City Bowling Club, Shiregreen Lane, S5 6AD - Diagonally opposite Concord Sports Centre. Cost - £20 per annum.

Meeting Times - Tuesday Morning 10:00 - 12:00, Sunday Morning 10:00 - 12:00. From the middle of March until the end of September.

*Co-ordinator: Alan Howsam (0114) 245 6696 ahowsam@yahoo.com*

*Deputy: Ian Speke (0114) 254 8005 spekeiantalktalk.net*

## **Tuesday Bridge Group**

The Tuesday Bridge Group would welcome new members. We are a friendly group of mixed abilities. We meet from 9.45 am to 1 pm every Tuesday in the Millhouses Methodist Church Hall at the bottom of Millhouses Lane, opposite the Robin Hood Inn. There is plenty of parking available on the adjoining streets. Unfortunately, we cannot accommodate absolute beginners.

*Contact: Mike Brumby (0114) 236 5676 or mikebrumbytalktalk.net*

## **Silver Paddlers**

This is a canoe and kayak taster session on a beautiful tranquil part of the River Don at Oughtibridge. It is to be held on Wednesday afternoons in the summer months (May - September) bi-weekly, on set dates due to that being the holiday season. First session to be **9 May** on a 1 coach to 8 paddlers ratio and the cost will be £4 per session. We provide all safety equipment such as buoyancy aids, helmets, canoes/kayaks and paddles. Open to anyone. There are steps and uneven ground. Being able to swim is not essential but being confident in water is. Bring a change of clothing

in case anyone gets wet, slip on shoes like pumps, no wellies or boots.  
For more information about the club please visit the website:  
[www.sheffieldcanoecub.co.uk](http://www.sheffieldcanoecub.co.uk)

*Coordinator: Ian Holmes 07796 565193 canoe77btopenworld.com*

## **To balance or not to balance...**

'You need to find a suitable group,' Sally told me. Her NHS Falls Class had just finished. I phoned SU3A coordinator Ann Evans and told her about my history of falls on rocky hillsides and lethal bedroom carpets. Was there a less painful way to live? She introduced me to Alice and Carla who were professional trainers at Sharrow Vale Rd. Alice, who is a Sports Graduate, demonstrated a simple Stork Test to check progress. After a few weeks fitness had steadily improved and serious falls happened less frequently. Homework utilised domestic furnishings such as dining chairs, floor tiling and carpet patterns. I began to enjoy our Thursday meetings and worked hard at my domestic stints.

If you are interested in joining this SU3A Balance Aid Class please contact Ann Evans (0114 348 6607) who coordinates fitness and yoga sessions. For the class to work well be prepared to do some homework. It is certainly worth the effort.

*Peter Barclay*



## **Flying Gardeners**

The Flying Gardeners will meet at 9.30 am on Wednesday 30 May in the lower car-park of Whirlowbrook Park for a morning of litter-picking and rubbish clearing.

Everyone is welcome! Please wear stout shoes/boots and bring thick gloves if you have them.

*Queries to Shelagh Woolliscroft on (0114) 255 8948*



## **Digital Photography Group**

Members of the Digital Photography Group had a most informative and enjoyable afternoon at the Google Digital Garage. The staff at the Garage put together a training session involving staying safe online and how to store and share photographs via the cloud and a number of different providers.

*Mike Ford    Digital Photography Group*

## **Country Dancing passes 1/4 Century**

The Country Dancing Group has just turned 25 years old! Started by Marjorie Michael in January 1993, the group is still going strong, with new members joining regularly. Learning new dances and even having a go at devising their own, this group combines physical activity, social interaction, intellectual stimulation and caring about its members. Oh, and they have a smashing Christmas party! For further information contact:

*Coordinator: Anne Marples    (0114) 266 8794*

## **Steel City Wanderers – LGBT**

2018 sees the first LGBT History Month, likely to take place May or early June. To celebrate this event, Steel City Wanderers would like to organise a LGBT walk where we would hear the experiences and life stories from U3A LGBT members. For this to go ahead we need members who are prepared to tell us of their experiences in life. If you would like to be one of the speakers on this short walk in Sheffield, please get in touch with:

*Pat Ryan    drpjryangmail.com*

## Nordic Walking

This new group started in the summer of 2017. Our interest arose out of the claims that using Nordic Walking Poles can provide additional benefits to those of regular walking. By involving a wider range of muscles, it also increases upper body strength, consumes more energy and is especially good for older adults!!

So to get started, most of us attended two or three taster sessions, with a registered Nordic Walking trainer, based at Millhouses Park. There are many other venues available. Currently we meet fortnightly, on a rotating basis, covering Monday to Friday. The walks take about an hour; there is no cost. Nordic poles are useful, but adjustable walking sticks will suffice: usually, there is the option of taking refreshments in a café afterwards.



For further information, please contact one of the co-ordinators.

Jane Doyle                      [janecdoyleh@hotmail.com](mailto:janecdoyleh@hotmail.com)    07912 445041  
Cheryl McCormick            [ce.mccormickoutlook.com](mailto:ce.mccormickoutlook.com)

If anyone has or knows of Nordic Walking poles requiring a new home, please contact us.

## Belleplates Vacancies

This group meets on Fridays in the Crookes area. Belleplates are a bit like handbells but lighter to handle. We have vacancies so if anyone is interested in joining us and learning to play, please contact:

Rosemary Anderson    0114 268 0924    email: [reanderson1946aol.com](mailto:reanderson1946aol.com)

## **Did you grow up, live or work in France? (or preferably all three!)**

**Cercle Francais II** is a relatively small, enthusiastic French conversation group looking to complement its membership with an experienced French speaker, who is preferably qualified or who has French as their first language. We meet fortnightly for 1.5 hours on a Monday afternoon in the S10 area, taking it in turns to lead the sessions. Until recently we benefitted from having a group member who gave invaluable guidance on pronunciation, phraseology, grammar, good use of vocabulary, etc. and we feel we need another such person to help us improve our language skills.

For further information please telephone Hilda Hinchliffe on (0114) 230 2561.

Also refer to our website <http://sheffieldu3a.org.uk> and look under 'Our Groups'



### **Play Reading Group 3**

This recently formed group has space for a few more members. We meet once a month, on the second Monday in the month at 2pm, to read a variety of plays. At present we have 6 regular members and could accommodate up to 4 more.

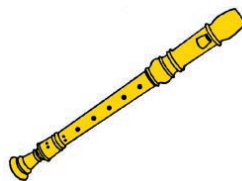
So, if you would like to release your inner thespian, come and join this friendly group.

**Contact:** Linda Evans (0114) 230 1173



## Recorder Group

The recorder group, which meets in Room 50 of the Victoria Hall on the second and fourth Fridays of the month, from 10.30-12.00, can now accept more members. We play a variety of music scored for 3 or 4 recorders (Descant, Treble, Tenor, Bass) and are particularly in need of players in the lower instrument range (Treble, Tenor, Bass). If you would be interested in joining us please contact:



*Linda Evans (0114) 230 1173*

## Talking About our Generation - the Sixties Project

The various groups are starting to meet and plans are underway for the Sixties evening in October. There will be Sixties food and drink, live music, dancing, displays, a Sixties catwalk, presentations - and more! Look for the flier in June *Links*.



The Music Group want you to share your musical memories with them. Were you a performer (singer or instrumentalist) or did you personally know one? Whether you lived in Sheffield or elsewhere, whatever music you enjoyed, please share your memories with the group.



Do you have any memorabilia that you could share with this group? They are searching for a Dansette record player in working order - can you help? As a first step please contact Brian Clark-[soundsheffield@gmail.com](mailto:soundsheffield@gmail.com) - and give a brief summary of what you'd like to share. NB Your contributions may be used in a presentation or as part of a future project.

## Walking Group N with the Parkway Man



On one of N Walking Group walks we were surprised to come across this wonderful statue. The 'Parkway Man' is known locally as 'Iron Henry', even though it represents a steelworker.

The statue, made of cast iron and designed by Jason Thomson in 2001, depicts a large man, stripped to the waist and wielding a sledgehammer. It weighs over 3 tonnes and is over 3 metres high. It is situated just off the Parkway in Bowden Housteads Woods in Handsworth.

Whilst it is visible from the Parkway, this superb statue of a steelworker is well hidden and none of us knew it was there.

Recently, we came across the Dragon of Wantley at Wharnccliffe Craggs which makes us wonder how many more lovely statues there are hidden in and around Sheffield.

Marion Edmondson  
Walking Group N

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## Sheffield U3A Group and Activities Pages: April 2018

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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](mailto: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 appropriate General Coordinator, or (01433) 659864.

Groups currently notifying they have vacancies are marked with 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 –

**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

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**MEETINGS:** This shows Day, Time and Frequency- e.g. *Mo.am.f = Monday Morning Fortnightly. We.pm.m = Wednesday Afternoon Monthly. Tu.--,w = Tuesday All Day Weekly. 4w = 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 team.**

Groups	Vacancies	Meeting	Area	Access	Coordinator	Telephone
<b>Art</b>			<b>Set D</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Tricia Rogerson</b>	
Art I	V	We.am.w	S11	PV/HL	Daniel Merrills	230 5952
Art II		Th.pm.w	S11	PV	Pauline Miller	258 3678
Art III	V	We.pm.w	S11	PV	Miriam Currie	01246 414 274
Art on Tuesday	V	Tu.pm.w	S11	PV	Graham Woodthorpe	0114 2960535
Aspects of Art I	V	Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Connie Jackson and Sheila Harris	263 1537 or 236 9653
Aspects of Art II		Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Valerie Willey	236 0726
Outdoor Sketching	V	Fr.am.f	various	O	Daniel Merrills	230 5952
<b>Arts and Crafts</b>			<b>Set D</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Tricia Rogerson</b>	
Architecture Past and Present		2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Roy Pilkington	255 8948
Crochet and Knitting	V	Tu.pm.f	S1	PV/AL	Jane Whitehead	457 7740
Dressmaking	V	Mo.am.f	S11	PV	Eve Fawcett	230 1023
Dressmaking and Sewing	V	Mo.am.f	S11	PV	Ellen Johnson	2683291
Handwork & Craft II		Th.am.f	S11	MH	Elspeth Eggington	230 8755
Knitting		We.am.m	S10/11/17	MH	Jane Harling	230 9576
Knitting II		Th.am.f	S1	PV/AL	Helen Gwyddanes	221 6360
Patch & Quilt		Mo.pm.f	S17	MH	Inge Davies	236 0318
Photography	V	3rdTh.pm.m	S7	PV	Ian Eyre and Pat Robins	07788296975 or 01246 418850
Quilting Hive	V	Mo.pm.	S8	MH	Lynne Brown	237 7643
Video Production (Documentary)	V	Mo.am.w	Sheffield area	MH	Ian Barkley	01709 812 351
Woodworking/Woodcarving		Th.pm.w	S7	MH	Bob Adkins	255 1968
<b>Bird Watching</b>			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Bird Watching I		Mo.am.f	various	O	Robin Peel	07942 920741
Bird Watching II	V	We.-w	various	O	Malcolm Swift	01246 906819
<b>Cards and Board Games</b>			<b>Set C</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>	
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 - Monday	V	Mo.pm.w	S17	PV	Peter Goldthorpe and Pat Latham	2350211 or 01246 419106
Bridge - Thursday	V	Th.pm.w	S17	PV	Brenda Fryer	236 5628
Bridge - Tuesday	V	Tu.am.w	S7	PV	Michael Brumby	236 5676
Bridge - Wednesday	V	We.am.w	S17	PV/AL	Jean Bowie	230 1002
Bridge Stocksbridge	V	Tu.pm.w	S36	PV	Bob Smith	288 8624

Groups	Vacancies	Meeting	Area	Access	Coordinator	Telephone
Chess	V	Tu.pm. 4 wky	S17	MH	Shella Hardie	236 4498
Evening Rummikub		Mo.eve.w	S17	MH	Chris Cave	236 4648
Mah Jong	V	We.eve.w	S7		Barbara Lowe	248 8367
Rummikub (SE)		Mo.pm.f	S13	MH	Joan Brown	269 4829
Rummikub (SE) II		Mo.pm.f	S20	MH	Barbara Steel	247 4696
Rummikub I		Mo.pm.f	S7/8/17	MH	Shirley Wilks	438 0480
Rummikub II		Mo.pm.w	S10	MH	Rita Carr	230 8866
Scrabble	V	Fr.pm.f	S11	PV	Rosemary Newall	236 0728
Whist cntrct & dble 12 Dominos	V	Sue.eve.w	various	MH	Gerald Cartwright	266 7032
<b>Discussion, Philosophy, Economics and Religion</b>						
Current Affairs Discussion		2nd.Th.am.m	S17	PV	Paul Close and Stephen Geary	268 3082 or
Discussion I		Tu.pm.f	various	MH	Claire Attwood	280 8286
Discussion II	V	Tu.am.m	various	MH	Mary Alexander	255 6385
Feminist Reading Group		2nd.Tu.am.m	S1	Null	Christine McMullen	Not listed
Feminists Over Fifty	V	1stTu.am/2ndWe.am/3rdMo.am/4thTu.eve.m	S1	PV	Maggie McCarthy	230 6600
Personal Finance	V	Mo.pm.m	S11	PV	Helen Marsh	230 1622
Philosophy- Hist/Classical		2ndMo.pm.m	S11	PV	John Kirkman	236 1971
Practical Philosophy		Th.pm., 3 wky	S10	MH	Martin Manby	230 6505
Sugar & Spice	V	Mo.pm.f	S8	MH	Eunice Southgate	281 1876
<b>Gardening</b>						
Flying Gardeners	V	5th We.am	various	O	Shelagh Woodliscroft	255 8948
Gardening (SE)	V	Tu.am.f	various	PVAL	Carol Wright	251 0140
Gardening C		Mo.am.m	S10/11/1	MH	Heather Curtis	255 7228
Gardening D	V	2ndTu.am.m	various	PV	Helen Drury	236 7053
Gardening Greenfingers	V	2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Jane Gregory	274 9246
Gardening at Whitlowbrook Park	V	2nd & 4th We.am.m	S17	Null	Shelagh Woodliscroft	255 8948
<b>History</b>						
European History		4th Tu.pm.m	S1	PV	John Evans	230 1173
Family History I	V	2ndWe.am.m	S11	PVAL	Annie Grassick	230 2777
Family History III	V	2nd Tu.am.m	S1	PVAL	Tim Simkins	230 2656
Family History IV		4thWe.am.m	S11	PVAL	Monica Stagg	07870 350271
Greece and Rome	V	Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Anne Thomas	230 5281

<b>Groups</b> (History cont)	<b>Vacancies</b>	<b>Meeting</b>	<b>Area</b>	<b>Access</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Telephone</b>
Local History (SE)	V	We.pm.f	S21	PV	Margaret Troop	287 4448
Military History	V	Th.pm.m	S7	PV	John Green	230 7768
Visiting History	V	Tu.pm.m	various	PVAL	Jenny Clark	266 9395
<b>Languages</b>						
<b>Set B</b>						
Cercle Francais I		Fr.am.w	S11	PV	Tina Powell-Wiffen	2551032
Cercle Francais II		Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	Hilda Hinchliffe	230 2561
Classical Greek	V	We.pm.f	S1	PV	Deidre Eastburn	07401020150
Deaf Group	V	eve.m	S1	PVAL	Christopher Carter	07855908007 (text please)
English Language	V	Tu.am.m	S11	MH	Maggie Lyons	236 6195
French Improvers	V	Fr.	S11	PV	Malcolm Scott	07940285442
French for Holidays		Mo.pm.f	S7	MH	Usha Fitch	236 5009
French-Advanced	V	Fr.am.w	S10	PV	Peter Keen	236 4914
French-Intermediate		Th.am.w	S11	PV	Pauline Wiley	286 4085
German for Improvers		Mo.am.w	S18	MH	Anne Bonell	01246 416094
German-Advanced	V	Tu.pm.f	S6/8/10/17	MH	Janice Forder	236 4083
German-Intermediate		Mo.am.w	S11	PVAL	Katharine Brown	265 6477
Italian		Tu.pm.f	S10/11/6	MH	Brian Bailey	266 4678
Italian for Holidays	V	Fr.pm.w	S11	PV	Mike Hague	236 6336
Latin - Old Skool	V	Mo.pm.f	S1	PV	Paul Cordwell	3273954
Latin II		2nd & 4th Fr.am.m	S1	PV	Jane Blockeel	236 6861
Latin III		We.pm.f	S10	MH	Deidre Eastburn	07401020150
Latin Improvers		Mo.am.f	S1	PV	Rose Tanner	245 0200
Mandarin		We.am.w	S10	MH	Wendy Eyre	0114 274 5332
Portuguese For Fun		Tu.am.w	S11	MH	Pauline Miller	258 3678
Portuguese Improvers		Mo.am.w	S11	MH	Pat Cantrill	230 8571
Sanskrit Improvers		Th.am.w	S7	PV	Kath Odonovan	268 1833
Scottish Gaelic	V	Tu.pm.f	various	MH	Steve Clementis	255 8422
Spanish - Rapid Beginners 2		Tu.pm.w	S8	PV	Bill Homer	249 4921
Spanish Advanced	V	Th.am.w	S7	PV	Stefan Finka	237 6132
Spanish Improvers	V	Mo.pm.w	S10	MH	Israel Newton	266 3138
Spanish Improvers II	V	Mo.am.w	S10	MH	Diana Jackson	0771 1630047
Spanish Stage 2		We.pm.w	various	MH	Greta Pearman	236 3336
Welsh Beginners		Tu.am.w	various	MH	Steve Clementis	255 8422

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Welsh Conversation		Tu.am.f	various	MH	Geoffrey Turner	01142309054
Welsh Intermediate	V	Tu.am.f	various	MH	Nigel Thomas	281 6611
<b>Literature and Drama</b>						
Book Group I		Fr.am.m	<b>Set B</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Ann Granville</b>	
Book Group II		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Margaret Walton	255 6563
Book Group III		2ndTu.am.m	S17	PV	Sally Carter	236 2066
Book Group IV		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Wendy Jenrick	268 7047
Book Group V		Tu.pm.m	S11	MH	Mary Whyns	236 8628
Bookworm	V	Fr.pm.m	S36	PV	Mary Brookes	235 0180
Creative Writing	V	Fr.pm.m	S36	PV	Angela Butler	288 4778
Drama Study		Tu.pm.f	S11	MH	Meg Jepson	288 2929
Enjoying Literature	V	We.am.f	S7	MH	John Parsons	230 4902
Film Appreciation	V	Tu.pm.m	S1	PV	Roger Smith	07582 458050
Novel Reading I	V	Mo.pm., 4 wkly	S10	MH	Lesley Dixon	268 5881
Novel Reading II	V	Mo.pm.m	S11	MH	Pam West	266 2188
Novel Reading III	V	2ndFr.am.m	various	MH	Kay Beeson	01433 631 247
Novel Reading IV	V	Fr.am.m	S5	MH	Judith Vernier	01246 418607
Play Reading 3	V	Mo.pm.m	S10	MH	Anne Chatterton	266 8998
Play Reading I		Tu.pm., 4 wkly	various	MH	Linda Evans	230 1173
Play Reading II		Last Tu.pm.m	S10	MH	Mike West	266 2188
Poetry Study		We.pm.f.	S11	MH	John Lees and Irene Lees	267 1857
Poetry for Pleasure	V	We.pm.f	S17	MH	Freda Green	236 4882
Reading for pleasure	V	Th.pm.m	S17	MH	Pat Parkin	236 8009
Shakespeare for Pleasure	V	Tu.am.f	S10/11	MH	Susan Kirkman	236 1971
Story Writers		Tu.am., 4 wkly	various	MH	Kay Nicholson	268 6220
World of The Book	V	We.am.m	S1	PVAL	Margaret Briddon	262 0501
					Denise West	274 6797
<b>Music</b>						
A Cappella Singers		Tu.pm.f	<b>Set C</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>	
Drumming		Th.pm.w	various	MH	Stephanie Dixon	247 0119
Guitar Group	V	Mo.pm.f	S1	PV	John Lee	233 8517
Guitar Group II	V	We.eve.f	S10	MH	John Stevens	236 3557
Guitar Group III	V	Th.eve.f	S10	MH	Kirk Davis	01142302932
Handbell Ringing	V	We.eve.w	S35	PVAL	Kirk Davis	01142302932
					Margaret Naylor	236 0245

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Jazz Appreciation I		2nd Tu.am.m	S10	MH	John Green	230 7768
Jazz Appreciation II		3rd Tu.am.m	S7	MH	David Bone	268 1016
Music Appreciation	V	Th.pm.f	S6	PV	David Andrews	235 3389
Recorder		Fr.am.f	S1	PVAL	Linda Evans	230 1173
Singing for Pleasure		Fr.pm.f	S1	PVAL	Irene Lees	267 1857
Ukulele		Fr.pm.f	S8	PVAL	Ann Beedham	274 8331
Vintage Voices	V	Mo.am.w	S1	PVAL	Carole Hurst	293 9163
<b>Physical Activities</b>						
Balance Aid	V	Th.pm.w	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Belly Dancing Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	PV	Kathryn Smith	283 1171
Bowling Crm Grn (SE)	V	Th.am.w	S9	O	John Hunt	269 8811
Bowling Crown Green		Mo.am.Th.am.w	S8	O	Tony Hobson	281 5373
Country Dancing	V	Tu.pm.f	S7	PV	Anne Marples	266 8794
Croquet	V	We.am., Tu.pm., Th.pm.w	S11	O	Peter Jones	230 5987
Cyclists Midweek	V	Mo. f	various	O	Alan Bailey	236 7219
Fitness: Tailor made for you	V	Mo.pm., Tu.am., Th.am., Fram	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Plates		Tu.am.w	S18	PVAL	Vera Dyer	237 7854
Racketball	V	Mo.am., Th.am.w	S17	PVAL	Peter Keen	236 4914
Racketball Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	PV	Elaine Smith	288 8624
Table Tennis		Mo., Th.am.w	S17	PV	Belinda Taylor and John Warwick	230 4489 or 253 0789
Tai Chi & Chi Kung West Sheffield Group 2	V	Th.pm.w	S 11	PV	Ron Jarman	0114 2306878
Tai Chi & Chi Kung West Sheffield Group1		We.pm.w	S11	PV	Ron Jarman	0114 2306878
Tai Chi & Qi Gong South Sheffield		Fr.pm.w	S17	PV	Pat Ryan and Clare Ryan	236 8749
Tai Chi Stocksbridge	V	Fr.am.w	S36	PV	Christopher Goldthorpe	01226 762 201
Yoga	V	Th.pm.w	S11	PV	Anne Ledbetter	01246 488038
Yoga - Restorative	V	Tu.pm.w	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Yoga, Onwards and Upwards	V	Tu.pm.w	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
<b>Science and Technology, Social Science</b>						
Civil Engineering	V	Mo.am.m	S10	MH	Anne Marples	266 8794
Complementary Therapies	V	Alt.Th and Fram.s.m	various	PVAL	Liz Lucas	288 5996
Environment	V	Tu.am.f	S11	MH	Cliff Ellis	250 0883
Geology		We.-.m	various	O	David Edmonds	234 3604
Maths	V	Tu.am.m	S8	PV	Alan Zinober	2367 001



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Natural History		3rd .Th.–.m	various	O	John Roberts and Aline Roberts	230 6487 or 07752675363
Science & Technology		Mo.am.m	S8	PV	Roy Stanley	230 2941
Sustainable Development	V	Mo.pm.m	Central	PVAL	Jo Couldry	268 5496
Theoretical Physics	V	We.pm.m	S11	PVAL	John Edwards	296 2050
<b>Social</b>			<b>Set D</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Tricia Rogerson</b>	
After Hours		Even/week end	various	PVAL	Mary Ertwisle	255 2368
Afternoon Tea		We.pm.m	various	PV	June Jackson	236 4474
Dining Out		Wed.eve.m	various	PVAL	Ann Rook	236 0315
Indian Veggie Buffet	V	1st Th.eve.m.	various	PV	John Wragg	236 8475
International Diners	V	Various	various	PV	John Wragg	236 8475
Lunch Group		3rdTh.m	various	PV	Diane Brooke	01709 371800
<b>Walking</b>			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Dippers I (4-6mils)		Mo.–.f	various	PV	Jacqueline Smith	07730 275999
Dippers Too (7-10mils)	V	Mo.–.f	various	O	Bill Barracough	230 3945
Gannets (5-7mils)		Mo.–.f	various	O	John Lees	267 1857
Late Walkers (5mils)	V	We.am.w	various	O	Jill Whymys	258 9935
Learning Outdoors Walking Group		Th.–.w	Various	O	Judy Thompson	2678435
Nordic Walking Group	V	On a rota.f		O	Jane Doyle and Cheryl McCormick	0791245041 or 230 1240
Short Walks NW	V	Th.am.w		O	Joan Crofts	07917150962
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	Shirley Tasker	274 6986
Strollers III (Public Trspt.)		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	Christine Edwards	01909 773 548
Sunday Ramblers	V	Su.–.f	various	O	Jenny Parker	236 0798
Sunday Walkers (7-9 mls)	V	Su.–.f	various	O	David Hydes	288 7815
Walk & Talk German	V	Fr.am.w	various	O	Anjie Barker	268 3912
Walking Grp A (5-6mils)	V	Alt Tu./We.w	various	O	Pat Crook	265 4731
Walking Grp B (6-7mils)	V	Tu.–.w	various	O	Joyce Cooper	236 2730
Walking Grp C (5-7mils)	V	We.–.w	various	O	Gilbert Smith	230 5769
Walking Grp D (9-11mils)		Alt We./Th.w	various	O	David Levine	258 9026

Groups (Walking cont)	Vacancies	Meeting	Area	Access	Coordinator	Telephone
Walking Grp E (5-7m/s)	V	Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Chris Cave	236 4648
Walking Grp F (10-14m/s)		Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Peter Digby	236 6821
Walking Grp G (5-7m/s)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Tim Caley and Pauline Caley	230 3212
Walking Grp H (9-11m/s)		Mo.-w	various	O	Ray Goulding	2306905
Walking Grp J (10-14m/s)	V	Alt Tu./We.w	various	O	Alan Heath	230 4898
Walking Grp K (4-5 m/s) Pub Trspt.		Th.-f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Walking Grp L (3 or 5 m/s)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Barbara Cassidy	262 0699
Walking Grp M (5 - 8 m/s)		Fr.-w	various	O	Gordon Young	296 2402
Walking Grp N (6 - 7m/s)	V	Fr.am.w	various	O	Sylvia McColm	236 5872
Walking Grp NW (5 - 8m/s)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Pauline Shaw	07752 638350
Walking Grp P (8 -10m/s)		Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Anne Fitzpatrick	236 0989
Walking Grp Q (5-7m/s)	V	Tu.am.f	S5/S35	O	Anne Chatterton	266 8998
Walking Grp R (7 - 9m/s)	V	Mo.-w	various	O	Camilla Jordan	268 5355
Walking Grp SE (6 - 8 m/s)	V	Tu.-w	various	O	Johanna Latimer	0114 268 1227
<b>Short Courses</b>			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Map Reading for Walkers	Set A	various	Various	O	Gordon MacNair	258 5442
Mindful Ageing	Set A				Michael Pupius	2587568
<b>THE FOLLOWING GROUPS ARE ADVERTISED IN LINKS AND ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS</b>						
Classical Concertgoers	Set C	various		PV	Pamela Sanford	236 1815
European Travel Group	Set D	various		PV	Samina Aslam	235 1489
Lunch & Lecture	Set B	Twice yearly	S8	PV	Dorothy Sutcliffe	268 5918
Steel City Wanderers	Set D	Once a month	various	PV	Pat Ryan and Clare Ryan	236 8749
Travel Group	Set D	various		PV	Barbara Robertshaw	236 9102
Weekenders	Set C	Sa., Su.m	various	PV/AL	Dorothy Sutcliffe	268 5918

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## EVENTS

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### **Stamford and the Open Air Theatre Saturday 30 June 2018**

In June we are making another return visit to the Rutland open air theatre to see a matinée performance of Shakespeare's *The Merchant of Venice* performed by the Stamford Shakespeare Company on their open-air stage set in an enchanting glade.



This play with its themes of prejudice, love, justice and the power of money is as relevant today as it was when it was first performed in about 1596. Shylock, the Jewish moneylender and one of Shakespeare's greatest characters, stands at the heart of the story, demanding his pound of flesh.

All the seats in the theatre are under cover and no performance is cancelled because of rain. (A T loop is available for anyone hard of hearing.) There will be free time in Stamford to have lunch and wander around this interesting little town before attending the performance.

The cost of the trip is **£30 per person** which includes the coach fare, theatre ticket and the driver's gratuity. Places are limited so if you would like to join us, please book online (login at <https://su3a.wildapricot.org> using your email address and password) or complete the form on **page 28** and return it to Dot Sutcliffe to arrive as soon as possible.

*Please ring Dot on (0114) 268 5918 for further information.*

## Why Book Online?

- You know you have a place immediately
- You save two stamps
- You save the organiser a lot of work



## Stamford and the Open Air Theatre Saturday 30 June 2018

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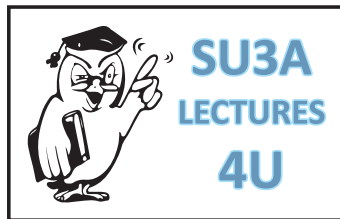
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5DA with a **small sae** as soon as possible.

Please indicate your preferred pick up point:

Ecclesall Road South/Knowle Lane	08.30 (.....)
Pond Hill (Penny Black Pub)	08.45 (.....)

## Friday Lectures at the Showroom Cinema

All members are able to attend these lectures free of charge. There may occasionally be a retiring collection.



Lectures are held in Cinema 4 at the Showroom Cinema, Paternoster Row, on the third Friday of the month and start at 11.00 am, finishing at around 12.30 pm. The Showroom café opens at 10.00 am and refreshments are available before and after the lecture.

A voucher, obtainable from the box office, enables half-price parking at Q-park on Arundel Gate. There is a greeter wearing a U3A lanyard badge to welcome new members.

We are trialling an audio system for members with significant hearing problems. For more information please text Chris Carter on 07855 908007 or email ***U3AChrisCarter@gmail.com***

The team will endeavour to post last-minute changes on the website. There is no booking system - it is 'first come, first served'.  
*Queries to Shelagh Woolliscroft: (0114) 255 8948.*

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### **20 April - The need for a local professional print newspaper in the age of social media. Nancy Fielder, Editor, *Sheffield Telegraph*.**

Sheffield-born Nancy worked at *The Star* before leaving to become deputy editor of the *Derbyshire Times*. She acted as group editor for Johnston Press's North Midlands newspapers before returning to Sheffield as editor of *The Star* in 2016.



## **18 May - Music in the Art of Renaissance Italy. Dr Tim Shephard, Lecturer in Musicology, University of Sheffield.**

Dr. Shephard is a historical musicologist and curator of an impressive collection of historical musical instruments. He will talk to us about the importance of music-making at the height of the Renaissance. With photography not yet invented, he cites his evidence from the art of the period.



## **22 June - Thirteen Acres: John Ruskin and the Totley Communists. Sally Goldsmith, poet, song-maker and scriptwriter.**

The fascinating story of John Ruskin and his involvement with some argumentative Sheffield utopians at St George's Farm in Totley. New research by local historian and writer Sally Goldsmith - an ex-communard herself - fleshes out the tale.

NB Sally has waived a fee in favour of a retiring collection for the Friends of Edward Carpenter. She has also written a book about this topic which will be available for sale after the lecture.

## **20 July - Tunnels under Sheffield**

Dr David Clarke will give an illustrated talk on Sheffield's legendary underground tunnels and their ghosts, said to radiate from Sheffield's medieval castle and linking with Manor Lodge, the Old Queen's Head and beyond.

## **17 August - Lightspeed Universe. Dennis Ashton, FRAS**

Further details to follow in June *Links*.

## **Full house for February Lecture...**

Cinema 4 was full for Dr Helen Pankhurst's talk with almost 300 members attending. On the 100th anniversary of women getting the vote, Helen Pankhurst, great-granddaughter of suffragette leader Emmeline Pankhurst, charted how women's lives have changed over the last century, and offered a powerful and positive argument for a new way forward. On display was a certificate of thanks to Violet Bland, one of the suffragettes who suffered ill-treatment in prison. These certificates were designed by Sylvia Pankhurst, signed by her mother Emmeline and were issued to every woman who had been imprisoned as a result of being a suffragette.

*Signs of Spring at last at the  
Botanical Gardens*







## European Travel Group

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## Registration of Interest Taste of Emilia-Romagna May 2019

**This is a must tour for lovers of Italian food**



This trip is based on the food of the region; not fine dining but rustic home-cooked traditional Italian food. We will have dinner at different local family-run osterie, trattorie or ristoranti within Bologna or in the towns we are visiting. From street food to farms, from villas to factories, the food will be true Italian and not a spag bol in sight.

We will be based in Bologna and enjoy a guided walking tour with plenty of free time to explore this beautiful medieval city. We will visit Parma with a guided tour followed by visits



to a  
cheese  
factory

and parma ham factory. Lunch will be provided highlighting the local produce.







On another day we will visit Modena, home of Ferrari and where the best Balsamic vinegar comes from. We visit the Ferrari museum and a Balsamic cellar.



Back to school. We attend a cooking class where we prepare a typical Italian lunch from first principles and then sit and enjoy the fruits of our efforts. A great experience.

We also visit either Ferrara or Ravenna, in one you will discover the character of a magnificent capital of the Renaissance and

in the other a wonderful introduction to the city that was once the capital of Rome's Western Empire and one of the great seats of Byzantine art in Europe.

**The very nature of this trip means that it may not be possible to meet every dietary request, although every effort will be made to do so.**

The cost will be in the region of £1300-1500 and includes all travel from and returning to Sheffield, 7 nights at a 4\* hotel on a B&B basis. 6 lunches or dinners including wine at family run eateries, guided tours including Bologna, Parma and the Ferrari museum, gratuities (except for the hotel) and entrance fees.

If you are interested in this trip, **please email me at [bpcavehotmail.com](mailto:bpcavehotmail.com)** to register your interest. If there is sufficient interest, full details will be published together with an application form in the June issue of *Links*.



## Travel Organising Committee

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### **Advance Notice: Travel Group Day Visits for 2018**

- July 20     Three local Derbyshire churches (Ashbourne, Norbury, Wirksworth and an old Manor House in Derby).  
Full details and application form will be in the June *Links*.
- August 8     Halifax Piece Hall (June *Links*)
- Sept 27     Liverpool Terra-Cotta Army Exhibition and Docks (June *Links*)
- October     Hawes: Wensleydale Creamery and Folk Museum (August *Open Groups Supplement*)
- Nov 24     Birmingham Tattoo

### **Travel Group Visit to Bempton Cliffs and Burton Agnes Hall, near Bridlington Thursday 14 June 2018**

The Bempton Cliffs reserve, on the spectacular Yorkshire coast near Bridlington is home to one of the UK's top wildlife spectacles. Around half a million seabirds gather here between March and October to raise a family on the towering chalk cliffs which overlook the North Sea.

Morning Coffee is available at the Visitor Centre, after which we will have



a guided tour to 3 specially created cliff top viewpoints. It is about 200 yards on easy paths to the first one. Our guides will point out gannets, guillemots, kittiwakes, razorbills and, hopefully, puffins. June is reputed to be the best time to see the puffins.

We will spend the afternoon at nearby Burton Agnes Hall, a wonderful Elizabethan Hall containing treasures collected by the family over four centuries, from the original carving and plasterwork to modern and impressionist paintings. Outside there is much to explore in the award winning gardens, such as the Woodland Walk and the old Elizabethan walled garden, a maze, a jungle garden and a campanula collection. The Courtyard Café will be open for refreshments.

The cost of the day is **£28 per person**. This includes coach travel, driver's gratuity, guided tour at Bampton and admission to Burton Agnes but no refreshments. If you wish to apply for a place on this visit, please complete the booking form on **page 37** and send it with a cheque and a **small sae** to Barbara Robertshaw as soon as possible.



## **Travel Group Visit to the Great Yorkshire Show Wednesday 11 July 2018**



Following our enjoyable visit a few years ago, we are returning to one of the county's most popular annual attractions, "The Great Yorkshire Show", which is held at the Harrogate Showground each July. As always, there will be a full range of displays and activities – falconry, prize farm animals, demonstrations,

cooking, local food shows, show-jumping, exhibitions of flowers and vegetables, bands, competitions, etc. A wide variety of stalls offering Yorkshire delicacies and locally produced goods will tempt your indulgence. There are cafés and food outlets for refreshments and lunch and a seated outdoor picnic area.

The cost is **£34 per person**. This includes travel, driver's gratuity and entrance fee. To rest your legs, **for an optional extra £5**, you can reserve a seat **for the whole day** and your own exclusive use, in the covered grandstand. Here you will enjoy a non-stop programme of activities throughout the day. Just come and go as you wish. Please note the early start, in order to avoid the crowds and congestion near the showground. To reserve a place, please complete the application form on **page 38** and send, with a cheque and **small sae** to Derek Shipley as soon as possible.



## Travel Group Visit to Bampton Cliffs and Burton Agnes Hall, near Bridlington Thursday 14 June 2018

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

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Address ..... Tel.....

..... Postcode .....

### Emergency Contact

Name: ..... Tel .....

Please reserve .... place(s) for me. I enclose a cheque for £.....

(£28 per person) payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**.

Please return the completed slip and cheque with a **small sae** as soon as possible, to Barbara Robertshaw, 20 Whinfell Court, Sheffield, S11 9QA.

### Please tick your preferred pick-up point below:

Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 08.15 (.....)

Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5 08.30 (.....)

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## Travel Group Visit to Thursford Christmas Spectacular 2-4 December 2018

*We apologise for an error in the description for the above visit in the February issue of the Links Open Groups Supplement. The final sentence in the last paragraph should read “**Members are responsible for arranging their own personal travel insurance.**” All travel is, as usual, included in the price and is carried out by Walter Martin Coaches. **There are some places still available on this visit.***

# Travel Group Visit to the Great Yorkshire Show Wednesday 11 July 2018

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

Address ..... Tel.....

..... Postcode .....

## Emergency Contact

Name: ..... Tel .....

Please reserve .... place(s) for me (**£34** per person or **£39** if you wish to reserve a grandstand seat). I enclose a cheque for £..... payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**. Please return the completed slip and cheque with a **small sae** as soon as possible, to Derek Shipley, 40 Wollaton Avenue, Sheffield, S17 4LA.

## Please tick your preferred pick-up point below:

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

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



## **Travel Group Short Break Hereford and the Wye Valley 10 – 14 September 2018**



Our hotel for this 5-day break in Hereford will be The Green Dragon, which is just a short walk from the Cathedral. En route from Sheffield our lunchtime break will be at the picturesque market town of Ludlow with its Norman castle and many timberframed buildings. On day two a guide will accompany us for a morning drive to the Royal

Forest of Dean and, after a lunch break at Monmouth – the birthplace of Henry V – we go to Symonds Yat for a boat trip along the Wye Valley before returning to the hotel.

Our third day starts with a guided tour of Hereford Cathedral, which will include the opportunity to see three of the Cathedral's greatest treasures; the medieval Mappa Mundi, the chained library created in 1611 and containing manuscripts dating back to the 8<sup>th</sup> century, and the Great Charter of Liberties or Magna Carta, which was agreed between King John and his barons at Runnymede. The coach will take us for an afternoon visit to Westonbury Mill Water Gardens. The gardener will give us a brief introduction to some of the amusing follies, including a giant cuckoo clock designed to be enjoyed by visitors. Our last full day will be a tour of the picturesque 'Black and White Villages' with a local guide to tell us about the history and heritage of the places as we go. There will be plenty of 'Photo opportunities' and refreshment stops.

As we head back to Sheffield on the final day of the holiday, we will visit Wroxeter Roman City which was once the fourth largest city in Roman Britain and was featured in a TV series about the on-site re-creation of a Roman town house. Wroxeter is an English Heritage property so non-

members need to pay £7.15 for entry and EH members will have to present their cards.

The cost for this **4 night/5 day** break is **£372** per person with a single supplement of £60. This covers bed, breakfast and evening meal at the hotel, transport, all gratuities, payments to guides and admission fees, except the English Heritage property. Lunches, snacks and any other refreshments are not included.

To reserve a place, please complete the booking form below and send it with a deposit of £50 per person to Margaret Bullivant as soon as possible. Please note that members are responsible for arranging their own personal travel insurance. Sheffield U3A cannot be responsible for any claims.

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## **Travel Group Short Break Hereford and the Wye Valley 10 – 14 September 2018**

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

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Address ..... Tel.....

..... Postcode .....

### **Emergency Contact**

Name: ..... Tel .....

Please reserve ..... place(s) for me.

Room type: Twin/double/twin share/single.

I enclose a cheque for £ ..... (**£50** per person), payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**. Please return the completed slip and cheque with a **small sae** as soon as possible, to Margaret Bullivant, 14 Kingsley Park Grove, Sheffield, S11 9HL.



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## Opportunities for Members

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**Dance to Health** is a falls prevention programme for older people who have suffered a fall or who are at risk of falling. It uses evidence-based physiotherapy, which is embedded in fun and creative dance. The sessions are free for the first 26 weeks and are located in three different areas of Sheffield. For more information contact:

*Nesreen Shah | Dance to Health Coordinator Yorkshire  
nesreenshahae-sop.org | (01993) 870159*

## 1960s FASHIONISTAS - PHOTOS WANTED!

The Fashion Group of the SU3A 1960s Project is keen to collect copies of any photographs you have of yourselves wearing 1960s outfits, no matter what age you were. We hope to compile a brief electronic narrative and a slideshow presentation highlighting some of the fashion trends of that decade.

If you have any photos of yourself or of 1960s garments you still have that you are willing to share publicly, please could you take a digital photograph of them and email them to me at the address below. It would be useful if you could also describe the outfit, e.g. colour, occasion you wore it, where you bought it or anything you can recall about the outfit.

Please don't send images downloaded from the internet as we can't use them for copyright reasons! Also we don't need your original photos.

We are also hoping to put on a short "Fashion Show" at the U3A 60s event on Saturday 13 October 2018 so if you do have any clothes or accessories you would be happy to model or to lend, please get in touch with me. Many thanks.

*Wendy Mustill   wmustillaol.com*

## **Official Email Addresses - Who to Email for what**

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<i>Links</i> magazine (not centre pages):	<i>linkssheffieldu3a.org.uk</i>
Website other than Groups' information:	<i>websheffieldu3a.org.uk</i>
Group home pages:	<i>homepagesheffieldu3a.org.uk</i>

### **Individual Groups' information (except changes in membership) to the General Coordinator:**

Set A: Bird Watching, History, Walking, Short courses:  
*groupsasheffieldu3a.org.uk*

Set B: Languages, Literature and Drama:  
*groupsbsheffieldu3a.org.uk*

Set C: Cards and Board Games, Discussion, Philosophy, Economics and Religion, Music, Science and Technology, Social Science:  
*groupscsheffieldu3a.org.uk*

Set D: Art, Arts and Crafts, Gardening, Physical Activities, Social:  
*groupsdsheffieldu3a.org.uk*

Changes in Group membership:  
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General Groups' information including the *Links* centre pages:  
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***For queries about membership, joining SU3A, information on Groups, etc. see the contacts list inside the front cover.***

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## Calendar 2018

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April	3	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	17	Travel Group: Victoria Baths
	19	Study Day: Exploring Ideas of Identity and Nationality, Showroom
	20	Showroom Lectures: The Need for a Local Professional Print Newspaper in the Age of Social Media
	29	Weekenders: Black Country Museum
May	1	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	14	Travel Group: Tissington Hall
	18	Showroom Lectures: Music in the Art of Renaissance Italy
	30	Flying Gardeners: Whirlowbrook Park
	30/5	ETG: Cathedrals of Northern France
June	5	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	13	Whirlowbrook Park Commemorative Event 9.30 am
	14	Travel Group: Bempton Cliffs
	22	Showroom Lectures: Thirteen Acres: John Ruskin and the Trolley Communists
	30	Weekenders: Stamford Open Air Theatre
July	3	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	10	AGM: Time to follow
	11	Travel Group: Great Yorkshire Show
	20	Showroom Lectures: Tunnels under Sheffield
	20	Travel Group: Three Local Churches
Aug		<b>No Drop-in</b>
	5-8	ETG: Verona
	8	Travel Group: Halifax Piece Hall
	17	Showroom Lectures: Lightspeed Universe
Sept	4	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	10/14	Travel Group: Short Break to Hereford
	27	Travel Group: Liverpool Terra-Cotta Army

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