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# Links 191: December 2018



*Entertainment at the Sixties' Experience*

# Contact Us

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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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I mentioned in the October 2018 edition of *Links* that I was to attend the National AGM and I found the experience most interesting. Many of the delegates remarked on the size of our organisation and were very interested in how it was operated and the checks and balances we had in place to deal with so many members. In return I took the opportunity to explore potential opportunities to gain some good contacts that I am sure will be useful in the future.

It is all change on the National Committee with new people taking over the top positions. As the people change so have many of the policies, from Data Collection to suggested modifications in the way all U3As account for their annual financial position. I expect more change will filter down from National Office in the short to medium term.

As we approach the end of the year I know that time is creeping up on us all when I see emails from “Wild Apricot”. I am sure by now you have renewed your membership?

This year has been one of two halves for me: the first part as an enthusiastic member of the Digital Photography Group and the latter period as the Chair of this interesting and varied organisation. There is no formal education or training programme for being a member of the Executive Committee, so the best people are those with widest possible experience, enormous amounts of enthusiasm and a huge helping of common sense. Never underestimate the value of common sense as it can be a very uncommon commodity! If you fit this job description why don't you come and join us?

The end of the calendar year brings Christmas, a time for giving and a time may I suggest for a little reflection in those few moments we are not embroiled in festivities. If all of 3200 members contributed just 5 minutes extra thought to what extra they could do or offer Sheffield U3A then that amount of communal effort would equate to nearly 8 weeks of brainstorming from one member. With such little individual effort the results could be remarkable!

I would wish to thank all those members who have given time and effort to the functioning of their Groups and Sheffield U3A in its entirety. Sheffield U3A consists of an eclectic mixture of Groups that would not function without their Coordinators and it is to these people fulfilling this role I would offer **a special thank you** for their efforts and dedication. I know how important you are to this organisation.

Finally, on behalf of your Executive Committee, I would like to take this opportunity in wishing all Members and their families Seasonal Greetings and a Happy and Prosperous 2019.

Till the next time...

Malcolm

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## NEWS

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### **A gentle reminder to all Group Coordinators**

If your group has an annual turnover above £1000.00 you must have your accounts independently assessed every year. More details are available on the Group Accounts section of the Group Coordinators website page, or contact the treasurer.

*Chris Jones    [treasurersheffieldu3a.org.uk](mailto:treasurersheffieldu3a.org.uk)    07753 829771*

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

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Copy Deadline</b>
April 2019	28 February 2019
June 2019	25 April 2019
October 2019	29 August 2019
December 2019	24 October 2019

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

<b>Publication</b>	<b>Copy Deadline</b>
February 2019	6 January 2019
August 2019	5 July 2019



# SU3A Monthly Drop-In Sessions

Are you aware SU3A hold a monthly open Drop-In session on the first Tuesday of the month? If you are, are you making the best use of this facility?

Many U3As hold monthly meetings for their members, however with a membership of approximately 3400, Sheffield are unable to hold these meetings. Instead, under the chairmanship of Shelagh Woolliscroft our Drop-In Sessions were introduced, offering an informal and relaxed opportunity for members and potential new groups to meet up at a central location in Sheffield and catch up on news within SU3A and events happening in our community.

Notice boards display information about new groups looking for interested members and what's happening in Sheffield. IT/Web and iPad support is also available on the day. Come and talk to other members, over a relaxing cup of tea and biscuit, and we'll try and address any queries you may have and help you make the most of your membership of our organisation.

**Drop-In Sessions:** First Tuesday of each month (refer to the Calendar on the back of *Links*).

**Time:** 10.00 am - 12.00 noon

**Location:** First Floor, Central United Reformed Church, Norfolk Street, Sheffield (a lift is available as well as wheelchair access).

So why not drop by and join us. You can be sure of a warm and friendly welcome. If you have any queries, need any further information, want to display your group activities or have any new ideas for the Drop-In, please let me know.

*Samina Aslam   sammas1747gmail.com   (0114) 235 1489*



*Drop-In Volunteer Members*

## **Coordinators: A date for your diary**

**The proposed date for the Coordinators' Meeting for 2019 is Tuesday 26 March**

We cannot run this meeting without you so please put this date in your diaries and keep the day clear if you can.

Details and confirmation of venue will be included in your invitations.

## Talking About Our Generation

Growing up 50 years ago, in what is seen now as an iconic era in many ways, we realised that the time had come to record and archive our memories, experiences and stories and thus our *Shared Learning Project* was born.

After advertising in *Links* magazine for interested parties a sub-committee was formed and we created 12 different interest groups focused on the 1960s. Fashion was popular and music a must but, food and drink, politics, science and technology and education to name a few, all held interest and merit and so the research began.

We wanted to form relationships with outside bodies and the University of Sheffield's Department of Modern History responded to our request. Their third year students taking a 60s module invited us to talk with them so as to get a view not taken from a text book.

In October our members also enjoyed a "Sixties Evening Extravaganza", whilst in a separate room there was a fine display of all the memorabilia we have collected so far. This included an impressive wall-mounted timeline recording key moments and information about the decade.



The evening began with a one-off fashion show where all the clothes modelled were what members had worn in the 60s and saved in attic wardrobes for many a long year. There were genuine garments by Biba and Mary Quant, hats, shoes, gloves and even a wedding dress. Then 90 of us sat down to a typical 60s menu of Coq au Vin, Black Forest Gateau or Lemon Meringue Pie. We had terrific live 60s music and various quizzes. Some members had dressed up in 60s gear which all helped the ambience of the occasion and at the end some of us even felt able to dance around our handbags.

However, this is not the end of our project. We are taking a short breather but are determined to take it further and involve more people and organisations. Our next focus may even be a Summer School for Sheffield.

So watch this space...

Denise West

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## GROUP NEWS

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### **New group for S12 area?**

I am new to Sheffield U3A (though I have been a member in other areas) and notice there are no U3A groups based in S12. I wonder if there are any members who would find it convenient to attend a group in this area. I would be willing to host a group on any of the following subjects: Upwords (a game similar to Scrabble, but with stacks), Scrabble, Poetry. I am also open to other suggestions on a word-based or literary theme.

If interested please contact:

*Christine Cox   christinecox20gmail.com   (0114) 241 6897*

## **A Cappella**



Like many choirs we would welcome another male tenor. If you have an accurate tenor voice we would be interested to hear from you. You do not necessarily need a loud voice but do need to be able to hold your own part and need choir experience, preferably with some sight-reading skills.

*Contact: [stephdixon247gmail.com](mailto:stephdixon247gmail.com) or Tel: (0114) 247 0119*

## **Film Appreciation Group**

We are a friendly and varied group of film enthusiasts who like to talk about what we've been watching on the big screen, from the Hollywood blockbusters favoured by Sheffield's multiplexes, to the independent and foreign-language films in which the Showroom and Curzon cinemas specialise. We'll also discuss films shown on TV. We take our film viewing very seriously but we don't take ourselves too seriously so there's always time for a little levity!

Our monthly meetings are an opportunity for you to air your views on the films you've seen since the last meeting and to hear what others think about them. We will often broaden our discussions to talk about the issues that films raise, or to share our thoughts on film in general.

We meet on the last Tuesday of every month, from 2.00 pm to 4.00 pm at the Quaker Meeting House, St James Street, Sheffield. If you are interested in joining the group or would like to find out more about us, contact:

*Lesley Dixon (0114) 268 5881 or [yvonne\\_rowlandhotmail.com](mailto:yvonne_rowlandhotmail.com)*

## Coding for the web

This Group is intended for members who would like to try their hand at coding. The intention is to learn by working on projects together. We will probably start by designing a Home Page for the Group. Our main resource will be [www.w3schools.com](http://www.w3schools.com). We will normally meet weekly at the coordinator's home, the day and time to be decided.

If you are interested but have no coding experience you will be very welcome. If you are already an expert you will also be more than welcome! The main pre-requisite is a determination 'not to be beaten by this stupid machine!' If you are interested please contact Camilla Jordan.

*Camilla Jordan   [camilla.jordan48gmail.com](mailto:camilla.jordan48gmail.com).*

## Personal Finance Group



We are a long-established group who meet on the third Monday of each month at 2.00 pm at Shirley House on Psalter Lane. We have a full agenda of topics for the forthcoming year, all related to keeping our financial life as stress-free as possible. Our main aim is to help each other to have a long and happy retirement as reasonably free as possible of money worries!

We have vacancies and we would be delighted to see new members from any background and interest. Whether you are interested in how to make your money work for you as hard as you worked for it, or in how you can spend it even more wisely, we are here to share ideas and experiences.

There are no formally qualified financial advisers in the group (unless we specifically invite one to speak on a particular topic) so all discussions are informal and based on the views and personal experience of the group membership. It is always for each member to decide how to respond to any information given at the meeting and to take further advice as necessary. For more information contact:

*Coordinator: Helen Marsh   [helenmarsh14hotmail.com](mailto:helenmarsh14hotmail.com)*

## Myths and Legends of the Ancient Gods

Ever wondered about the Ancient Gods? Are you interested in learning more? Do you want to know more about how similar or dissimilar were the expectations of the Greek, Roman, Norse and Egyptian civilisations of their Gods? Perhaps the Egyptian God Ra and his dynasty have left you intrigued about the way they connected with their allies and enemies. This will be a self-help group with individuals expected to carry out research for group discussions. If you are interested in joining the group please contact:



*Samina Aslam   sammas1747gmail.com   (0114) 235 1489*

## U3A Sheffield Maths Group

The Maths Group is looking for additional members either to supplement the current group, most of whom have been active members since its inception, or to initiate a NEW group at an introductory level. The Group meets currently on the second Tuesday of each month from 11:00 am till 1:00 pm in the Greenhill Library.

Minimum requirements: O level or GCSE Maths (in any decade)

The Introductory group will decide amongst its members what aspects of mathematics it will tackle. Topics might include basic algebra, linear equations (e.g. quadratic), series, calculus; leading on to special numbers like integers, primes, the exponential, imaginary numbers, logarithms, introduction to vectors, probability, and tackling problems suggested by the National U3A Maths Coordinator. Also we could possibly look at modern numerical techniques using elementary Python computing programs when manual computation is too tedious or time-consuming.

*Contact:   Alan Zinober   a.zinobershef.ac.uk*



## Play and Sing the Blues

A recent notice in *Links* asking if there is any interest in forming a Dixie/Jug Band group brought responses from guitar, uke, mandolin, harmonica, banjo and percussion players... a great start and we can add to this by opening this up to a range of instruments including wind/brass (although this may require some transposing) and by broadening the genre to simply 'blues'. It's apparent we have a range of skills and should be able to accommodate this with both chord and melody playing.

Sue, the landlady of The Ale House, off Archer Rd and where the U3A Uke group meets, has kindly offered us the use of the pub between 2.00 pm and 4.00 pm on Wednesdays. It is proposed to meet fortnightly starting on Wednesday 9 January 2019. In the meantime if anybody has any ideas or queries, feel free to contact me, Clive Langman.

*Clive Langman   clive\_langmanhotmail.com*

## Steel City Wanderers



Not a game of hide and seek, but Steel City Wanderers on their recent "Street Art Feature Wall" walk. Photo taken outside the Sheffield University Bio Incubator building.

## History Groups

During my time as a General Coordinator two of our history groups have closed.

This seems such a shame in a U3A the size of ours and I am wondering if there are people out there who would like to start a new group. If it is something you have an interest in let me know and we could perhaps arrange to meet up at one of the Drop-In sessions in the New Year.

Contact: *stephdixon247gmail.com* or Tel: (0114) 247 0119



### **Classical Concertgoers: Leeds Town Hall Saturday 19 January 2019**

Name(s): .....

SU3A membership numbers: ..... / .....

Address: .....

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Post Code: ..... Tel: .....

Emergency contact: .....

Please reserve ..... ticket(s) for me at the price of **£32.00 per person**.  
I enclose a cheque made payable to **SU3A Concertgoers** and a **small sae**.

Applications to Pamela Sandford, 289 Abbey Lane, Sheffield, S8 0DA  
as soon as possible

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## EVENTS

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### **Classical Concertgoers: Leeds Town Hall Saturday 19 January 2019**

**Royal Northern Sinfonia**

**Conductor: Jessica Cottis  
Saxophone: Jess Gillam**

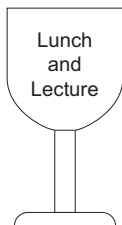
Debussy	Danse sacree et profane
Milhaud	Scaramouche
Stravinsky	Danses concertantes
Debussy	Sarabande
Villa Lobos	Fantasia for soprano saxophone
Milhaud	Le boeuf sur le toit

Here is a programme to warm up a winter's evening!

Jess Gillam was one of three finalists for **Young Musician of the Year** in 2016. Many of you may have watched her play at this year's **Last Night of the Proms**. She performed Milhaud's Scaramouche with verve and brilliance: the applause in the hall was thunderous. A second chance to hear her!

Our coach (Walter Martin) will leave the bottom of Knowle Lane at 4.30 pm to reach Leeds in time for a free pre-concert talk at 6.15 pm. The concert begins at the earlier time of 7.00 pm. There is a small coffee bar in the hall and a branch of Browns nearby. Our seats are in the balcony as usual but not in the more expensive central block which is sold out. The cost of the evening is £32.00 for ticket, coach travel and gratuity for the driver.

Please complete the application on **page 13** and send to me as soon as possible. Cheques should be made to **SU3A Concertgoers**. My apologies for omitting this vital information in August.



## Lunch and Lecture

**You are invited to lunch at the Doubletree by Hilton Sheffield Park Hotel, Chesterfield Road South, Meadowhead, Sheffield, S8 8BW on Friday 29 March 2019.**

### **Rosemary Beney - Velocipedes**

What is a velocipede you ask? Everyone has ridden a bike, but what do you know about their origin and history? From Dandy horse to penny farthing, to biking heroes of the past and present day – and some amazing, crazy contraptions – Rosemary can tell us about them all!

Please arrive at 12.00 noon for a 12.30 pm start. **Cost £16.50.**

There is ample parking at the hotel and the numbers 24, 43 and 43a buses from the city centre stop outside the hotel. The number 75 bus from Shiregreen via High Street stops near the hotel at Meadowhead.

The menu will be a choice from:

- (a) Grilled Chicken Supreme with a white wine and wild mushroom sauce, served with potatoes and seasonal vegetables;
- (b) Salmon en Croute served with potatoes, seasonal vegetables and jus;
- (c) Mushroom Stroganoff served with rice.

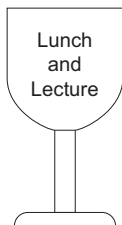
The dessert is:

- (d) Seasonal fruit crumble and custard;
- (e) Seasonal fruit salad with vanilla ice-cream.

***Should you have a special dietary request, please contact Dot or Vera, details below. Please also note that this is a set menu and once you have made your menu choices, you cannot change your mind.***

If you would like to book a place, please complete the form on **page 16** together with menu choices, and send it with a cheque made payable to **Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture**, to arrive no later than **Friday 15 March 2019**. Bookings received after the closing date will not be accepted.

*Dot Sutcliffe/Vera Dyer (0114) 268 5918/(0114) 237 7854*



## Lunch and Lecture: Rosemary Beney – Velocipedes

Doubletree by Hilton Sheffield Park Hotel,  
Chesterfield Road South, Meadowhead, S8 8BW.  
Friday 29 March 2019 at 12.00 noon for 12.30 pm

Name(s): .....

SU3A membership numbers: ..... / .....

Address: .....

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Post Code: ..... Tel: .....

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

(c) ..... (d) ..... (e) .....

Please reserve ..... place(s) for me (**£16.50** per person). I enclose a **small sae** and a cheque for £..... payable to **Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture**.

Forms should be sent to arrive **no later than Friday 15 March 2019** to Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, S10 5DA.

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## LUNCH AND LECTURE OPEN GROUP

**2019 will be the last year that Dot Sutcliffe and Vera Dyer organise these twice-yearly events. If you are interested in taking over, please contact Dot (0114 268 5918) or Vera (0114 237 7854) and we'll talk it through with you.**

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## Sheffield U3A Group and Activities Pages: December 2018

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To join Sheffield U3A please contact Rita Webster-Carr (Initial Enquiries Officer) on (0114) 230 8866, Email [enquiry@sheffidu3a.org.uk](mailto:enquiry@sheffidu3a.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.sheffidu3a.org.uk](http://www.sheffidu3a.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 A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Art I	V	We.am.w	S11	PVHL	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 II		Th.pm.m	S7	PV	Valerie Wiley	236 0726
Outdoor Sketching	V	Fr.am.f	various	O	Daniel Merrills	230 5952
<b>Arts and Crafts</b>			<b>Set B</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Jenny Graaf</b>	
Architecture Past and Present		2ndTu.pm.m	S8	PV	Elaine Burtoft	0114 2811522
Crochet and Knitting	V	Tu.pm.f	S1	PVAL	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	PVAL	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 416850
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>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	PVAL	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	PVAL	Jean Bowie	230 1002
Bridge Stocksbridge	V	.Tu.pm.w	S36	PV	Bob Smith	288 8624
Chess	V	Tu.pm. 4 wkly	S17	MH	Sheila Hardie	236 4498
Mah Jong	V	We.eve.w	S7	MH	Barbara Lowe	248 8367
Rummikub (Evening)		.Mo.eve.w	S17	MH	Chris Cave	236 4648
Rummikub (SE)		Mo.pm.f	S13	MH	Joan Brown	269 4829



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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
<b>Discussion, Philosophy, Economics and Religion</b>						
			<b>Set C</b>	<b>General Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>		
Current Affairs Discussion		2nd.Th.am.m	S17	PV	Paul Close and Stephen Geary	268 3082
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		Christine McMullen	07889 556685
Feminists Over Fifty	V	1st Mo./1st Tu./2nd We.am.m	S1	PV	Maggie McCarthy	230 6600
Mindful Ageing		2nd and 4th.Th.--	S1	PV	Michael Pupius	2587568
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 wkly	S10	MH	Martin Manby	230 6505
Sugar & Spice	V	Mo.pm.f.	S8	MH	Eunice Southgate	281 1876
			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>		
Flying Gardeners	V	5th .We.am	various	O	Shelagh Woollicroft	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		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	O	Shelagh Woollicroft	255 8948
			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>		
Appreciating the Victorian Era	V	Fr.am.	S10	MH	Anne Marples	07942 967463
European History		4thTu.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 Staggs	07870 350271
Greece and Rome	V	Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Anne Thomas	230 5281
Local History (SE)	V	2nd and 4th We.	S20	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

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<b>Languages</b>		<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Cerde Français I		Fr.am.w	S11	PV	Tina Powell-Wiffen	2551032
Cerde Français II		Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	Hilda Hinchcliffe	230 2561
Classical Greek	V	We.pm.f	S1	PV	Deidre Eastburn	07401020150
Deaf Awareness 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	266 4085
German for Improvers		Mo.am.w	S18	MH	Anne Bonell	01246 416094
German-Advanced	V	Tu.pm.w	S6/8/10/17	MH	Colin Pears	01142333531
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		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	MH	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 Horner	249 4921
Spanish Advanced	V	Th.am.w	S7	PV	William Geddes	2664144
Spanish Improvers	V	Mo.pm.w	S10	MH	Israel Newton	266 3138
Spanish Stage 2		We.pm.w	various	MH	Greta Pearman	236 3336
Welsh - an introduction	V	Tu.am.f	various	MH	Steve Clementis	255 8422
Welsh Beginners		.Tu.am.w	various	MH	Steve Clementis	255 8422
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>		<b>Set B</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator</b>	<b>Jenny Graaf</b>	
Ancient Authors	V	Tu.pm.m	S1	PVAL	Jane Blockeel	236 6861
Book Group I		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Margaret Walton	255 6563

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Book Group II		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Sally Carter	236 2066
Book Group III		2ndTu.am.m	S17	PV	Wendy Jenrick	268 7047
Book Group IV		Fr.am.m	S17	PV	Mary Whyms	236 8628
Book Group V		Tu.pm.m	S11	MH	Mary Brooks	235 0180
Bookworm	V	Fr.pm.m	S36	PV	Angela Butler	288 4778
Drama Study		Tu.pm.f	S11	MH	Jacqueline Bailey	2664678
Enjoying Literature	V	We.am.f	S10	MH	Roger Smith	07582 458050
Film Appreciation	V	Tu.pm.m	S1	PV	Lesley Dixon	268 5881
Novel Reading I	V	Mo.pm., 4 wky	S10	MH	Pam West	266 2188
Novel Reading II	V	Mo.pm.m	S11	MH	Jacqueline Smith	01143483069
Novel Reading III	V	2ndFr.am.m	various	MH	Judith Vernier	01246 418607
Novel Reading IV	V	Fr.am.m	S5	MH	Anne Chatterton	266 8998
Play Reading 3	V	.Mo.pm.m	S10	MH	Linda Evans	230 1173
Play Reading I		Tu.pm., 4 wky	various	MH	Mike West	266 2188
Play Reading II		Last Tu.pm.m	S10	MH	John Lees and Irene Lees	267 1857
Poetry Study	V	We.pm.f.	S11	MH	Arthur Pidcock	0114 2746138
Poetry for Pleasure		We.pm.f	S17	MH	Pat Parkin	236 8009
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		Tu.am., 4 wky	various	MH	Margaret Briddon	262 0501
World of The Book		We.am.m	S1	PVAL	Denise West	274 6797
<b>Music</b>			<b>Set C</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>	
A Cappella Singers		Tu.pm.f	Various	MH	Stephanie Dixon	247 0119
Bellegates	V	.Fr.pm.f		MH	Rosemary Anderson	268 0924
Drumming		Th.pm.w	S1	PV	John Lee	233 8517
Guitar Group	V	Mo.pm.f	S1	PV	John Stevens	236 3557
Guitar Group II	V	.We.eve.f	S10	MH	Kirk Davis	01142302932
Guitar Group III	V	.Th.eve.f	S10	MH	Kirk Davis	01142302932
Handbell Ringing	V	We.eve.w	S35	PVAL	Margaret Naylor	236 0245
Jazz Appreciation I		2ndTu.am.m	S10	MH	John Green	230 7768
Jazz Appreciation II		3rdTu.am.m	S7	MH	David Bone	268 1016
Music Appreciation	V	Th.pm.f	S6	MH	David Andrews	07904036601
Recorder	V	Fr.am.f	S1	PVAL	Linda Evans	230 1173
Recorder for beginners	V	Mo.pm.f		PVAL	Hilary Dowson	221 4417

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Singing for Pleasure		Fr.pm.f	S1	PVAL	Irene Lees	267 1857
Ukulele		Fr.pm.f	S8	PVAL	Ann Beedham	274 8331
Ukulele 2	V	Tu.am.f	S35	PV	Diane Bingham	0114 2340131
Vintage Voices	V	Mo.am.w	S1	PVAL	Carole Hurst	293 9163
<b>Physical Activities</b>			<b>Set C</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>	
Belly Dancing Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	PV	Kathryn Smith	283 1171
Bowling Cm Gm (NE)	V	Tu.am.,Su.am.w	S5	O	Alan Howsam	01142456696
Bowling Cm Gm (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	07942 967463
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./Fr.am	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Indoor Bowling	V	Tu.pm.w		PV	Alan Howsam	01142456696
Plates		Tu.pm.w	S18	PV	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 1	V	.We.pm.w	S11	PV	Ron Jarman	0114 2306878
Tai Chi & Chi Kung West Sheffield Group 2	V	.Th.pm.w	S 11	PV	Ron Jarman	0114 2306878
Tai Chi & Qi Gong South Sheffield	V	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..w	S11	PV	Anne Ledbetter	01246488038
Yoga - Onwards and Upwards	V	.Tu.pm.w	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
Yoga - Restorative	V	.Tu.pm.w	S11	PV	Ann Evans	348 6607
<b>Science and Technology, Social Science</b>			<b>Set C</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Barbara Lowe</b>	
Complementary Therapies	V	Alt.Th and Fr.am.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	2367001
Science & Technology		Mo.am.m	S8	PV	Roy Stanley	230 2941
Sustainable Development	V	Mo.pm.m	Central	PVAL	Jo Coudry	268 5496
Theoretical Physics	V	We.pm.m	S11	PVAL	John Edwards	296 2050

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<b>Social</b>			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Afternoon Tea		We.pm.m	various	PV	June Jackson	236 4474
Bus Pass Explorers		Sa..m	various	O	David Hague	2335333
Dining Out		Wed.eve.m	various	PVAL	Susan Stone	2361035
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>The Natural World</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
Natural History	V	3rd .Th.-m	various	O	John Roberts and Aline Roberts	230 6487 or 07752675363
<b>Walking</b>			<b>Set A</b>	<b>General</b>	<b>Coordinator Stephanie Dixon</b>	
Dippers I (4-6mils)		Mo.-.f	various	PV	Jackie Smith	0114 2508065
Dippers Too (7-10mils)	V	.Mo.-.f	various	O	Bill Barradough	230 3945
Gannets (5-7mils)		Mo.-.f	various	O	John Lees	267 1857
Late Walkers (5mils)	V	We.am.w	various	O	Jill Whyns	258 9935
Learning Outdoors Walking Group		.Th.-w	various	O	Judy Thompson	2678435
Nordic Walking Group	V	On a rota.f	various	O	Jane Doyle	07912445041
Short Walks NW	V	.Th.am.w	various	O	Joan Crofts	07917150962
Strollers I ( Public Trstpt.)		We.-.f	various	O	Michael Ball	287 9226
Strollers II ( Public Trstpt.)	V	Mo.-.f	various	O	Shella 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 Trstpt.)		We.-.f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Strollers III (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Anne Gurnell	07884327214
Strollers SE (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	O	Christine Edwards	01909 773 548
Sunday Ramblers (7-9 mils)	V	Su.-.f	various	O	Jenny Parker	236 0798
Sunday Walkers (7-9 mils)	V	Su.-.f	various	O	David Hydes	288 7815
Walk & Talk German	V	Fram.w	various	O	Antje 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 (5-7mils)	V	Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Chris Cave	236 4648
Walking Grp F (9-11mils)		Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Peter Digby	236 6821
Walking Grp G (5-7mils)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Tim Caley and Pauline Caley	230 3212
Walking Grp H (9-11mils)		Mo.-w	various	O	Ray Goulding	2306905
Walking Grp J (10-14mils)	V	Alt Tu./We.w	various	O	Alan Heath	230 4898
Walking Grp K (4.5 mls) Pub Trspt.		Th.-f	various	O	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Walking Grp L (3 or 5 mls)		Th.am.w	various	O	Barbara Cassidy	262 0699
Walking Grp M (5 - 8 mls)		Fr.-w	various	O	Gordon Young	296 2402
Walking Grp N (6 - 7mils)		Fr.am.w	various	O	Sylvia McColm	236 5872
Walking Grp NW (5 - 8mils)	V	Th.am.w	various	O	Pauline Shaw	07752 638350
Walking Grp P (8 -10mils)		Alt We./Th.w	various	O	Anne Fitzpatrick	236 0989
Walking Grp Q (5-7mils)	V	Tu.am.f	S5/S35	O	Anne Chatterton	266 8998
Walking Grp R (7 - 9mils)		Mo.-w	Various	O	Camilla Jordan	2685355
Walking Grp SE (6 - 8 mls)	V	Tu.-w	various	O	Johanna Lattimer	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
<b>THE FOLLOWING GROUPS ARE ADVERTISED IN LINKS AND ARE OPEN TO ALL MEMBERS</b>						
Classical Concertgoers	Set C	various	various	PV	Pamela Sandford	236 1815
European Travel Group	Set A	various	various	PV	Samina Aslam	235 1489
Lunch & Lecture	Set B	Twice yearly	S8	PV	Dorothy Sutcliffe	268 5918
Steel City Wanderers	Set A	Once a month	various	PV	Pat Ryan and Clare Ryan	236 8749
Travel Group	Set A	various	various	PV	Barbara Robertshaw	236 9102
Weekenders	Set C	Sa./Su.m	various	PVAL	Dorothy Sutcliffe	268 5918



## Summer School 5th - 8th August 2019

**Live - Laugh - Learn**

*The Hawkhills, Easingwold*

[www.thehawkhills.com](http://www.thehawkhills.com)

Have you started thinking about what you'll be up to next summer? Our 2017 Summer School at The Hawkhills Conference Centre was such a huge success that we're offering you the opportunity to join us at our 2019 Residential Event! The modern accessible accommodation provides comfortable, hotel-style double en-suite bedrooms with all amenities, and the magnificent landscaped gardens open out onto woods with waymarked walks.

Course Topics to choose from:

Landscape Painting

Climate Change

Magic Tricks & Skills

History of Tourism

Literature

Philosophy

Fetes & Festivals

Jewellery Making

Art History

Costs for our 3 night top class residential Summer School:

Full Board Delegate **£380** Day Delegate **£190**

*\*We are pleased to offer this year's event at the same price as last time\**

More information including preliminary course details are available on:

[www.yahru3a.co.uk](http://www.yahru3a.co.uk)

Register your interest now!

Booking can be made from early January.

Follow the links to *Events* then *Summer School 2019*.



## **Atten-shun! National Service Remembered**

The Sixties project is planning to embark on a short piece of oral history about national service, which finished in 1963. If you would like to share your memories of national service or are interested in knowing more about it, then please come to the **Showroom Cinema** cafe on **Friday 11 January 2019 at 10.00 for 10.30 am.**

We will have an illustrated talk from Mike Cox about his experiences, followed by questions, comments, and discussion. There will be the opportunity to complete a short questionnaire. All of this has the potential to form a valuable and permanent piece of oral history (or at the very least, an article for Third Age Matters).

Please bring any memorabilia that you think will be of interest to others.

The Showroom Cinema is a stone's throw from Sheffield train station. If you follow the 'wall of water' and look up you will see an Art Deco-type building across the road with 'Showroom' on it. Come in by the main entrance and ask for the café.

If you cannot attend the meeting but would like a copy of the questionnaire please contact:

*Shelagh Woolliscroft - [shelaghwoolliscroft.com](http://shelaghwoolliscroft.com)*

## **Talking About our Generation - The Sixties Project continues to need your help**

The Sixties event may be over but the project continues. Some of the materials are appearing on the SU3A website - have a look! The steering group are now working towards producing a book, or at least a set of materials which could be kept in the SU3A box at the City Archives. To do this we need more reminiscences which shed light on the decade and which will bring the archive to life.

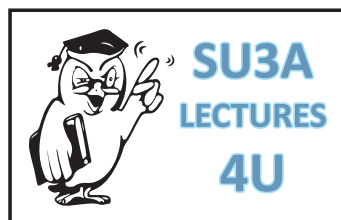
So please come to the Showroom at **10.00 am on Thursday 28 February** for another trip down Memory Lane. We'll do the prompting, you do the remembering. For example: Tell us about your first car. What did starting your first job feel like? Did you participate in Rag Week? Can you remember any class prejudice when you were a child or a teenager? What were you doing when Kennedy was assassinated? What was your favourite meal? Do you associate certain songs with events in your life in the Sixties?

We do need your help! Please put the date in your 2019 diary now!

*Denise West and Shelagh Woolliscroft*

## **Friday Lectures at the Showroom Cinema**

These lectures are free to members. There may occasionally be a retiring collection for the speaker's charity. There is no booking system - it is 'first come, first served'.



Lectures are held in Cinema 4 at the Showroom Cinema, Paternoster Row, on the third Friday of the month starting at 11.00 am, and finishing by 12.30 pm. The Showroom café serves refreshments from 10.00 am.

A voucher, obtainable from the box office, enables half-price parking at Q-park (the Cheesegrater) on Charles Street off Arundel Gate. Greeters wearing U3A lanyards are at the door to welcome new members.

There is an audio system for members with significant hearing problems. For more information please text Chris Carter on 07855 908007 or email **U3AChrisCarter@gmail.com**. Please come to the lecture at least twenty minutes early in order to be briefed on its use.

The team will endeavour to post last-minute programme changes on the SU3A website.

*Queries to Shelagh Woolliscroft: (0114) 255 8948.*

## **21 December - What it's like to be a Bird. Professor Tim Birkhead**

Tim Birkhead, Professor of Behaviour and Evolution at the University of Sheffield, is an inspirational teacher. He has taught at Sheffield for over 30 years and is also a prolific author and a frequent broadcaster, most recently with David Attenborough. He is also curator of the Alfred Denny Museum of Zoology at the University.



When not in Sheffield he can be found climbing the cliffs of Skomer Island, where for the past 50 years he has been studying the guillemot population. This research has revealed significant insights into the effects of climate change.

Since the grant for Professor Birkhead's research has been cut, and he has had to resort to crowd-funding, we thought SU3A could help by holding a retiring collection at the end of this lecture.

The lecture will be followed by a special two-course Christmas lunch, **price £10**. Please book and pay in advance via the Showroom box office or tel. (0114) 275 7727.

## **18 January - The life and works of George Eliot. Speaker from Hallam University to be confirmed**

Charles Dickens wrote of George Eliot: 'The exquisite truth and delicacy, both of the humour and the pathos of those stories, I have never seen the like of'. He joked that he was almost tempted to address the author as a woman because 'no man ever before had the art of making himself mentally so like a woman since the world began'. We will learn more about Mary Ann Evans and how she came to be a writer of such significance.

## **15 February - Plastics: you can't live with 'em but you can't live without 'em - Professor Tony Ryan, University of Sheffield**

Plastic has all sorts of great uses - in the toothbrush we use first thing in the morning, in our clothes, in avoiding food waste - even our smart-phone depends on plastic. But everyone seems to hate it! We see plastics most often in packaging and less than 3% actually gets recycled globally, with devastating effects on the environment. So what can and should we do about it?



Tony Ryan is the Director of The Grantham Centre for Sustainable Futures and Professor of Physical Chemistry at the University of Sheffield.

## **15 March - Wentworth Woodhouse, Past, Present and Future. Sarah McLeod.**

Built by Thomas Watson Wentworth in the mid eighteenth century and owned until 1979 by the Fitzwilliam family, Wentworth Woodhouse has the longest country house façade in Europe. Its fascinating history and the plans for its future will be outlined to us by Sarah McLeod, Chief Executive of the Wentworth Woodhouse Trust's £42 million restoration project.



*Wentworth Woodhouse*



### **A Night at the Opera...**

...and what a night! Verdi's *Aida*, the set covering a third of the Roman Amphitheatre in Verona, pyramids, Sphinxes, and a cast of hundreds (well one of our number counted at least 130 on the stage at one point). For 3 hours, despite sitting on opera's most uncomfortable seats, we were transported to ancient Egypt.

Even those who were only along for the ride (my husband and his mate), thought it was the highlight of our 4-day trip to the Veneto.

In a 40-degree heatwave, our Italian tour guide Ludo and Phil Long, our SU3A organiser, whisked us around Padua, Vicenza, Malcesine on Lake Garda as well as Verona. It was “do-able” because the air conditioning on our coach made it one of the coolest places to be!



*St Zeno*

Our hotel was on the outskirts of Padua at a small town called Albano Terme. Had we any spare time we might have used one of the hotel's 3 swimming pools... but then again, perhaps not as they were all thermal pools! Evenings were slightly cooler and we were able to wander round the town after dinner for coffee or cocktails.





*Villa Rotonda*

Ludo was well known to some of our fellow travellers as he led the Sicilian trip which was one of SU3A's earliest tours. He certainly knows his native country. He took us to some little-known places not on the usual itinerary, such as the church of St Zeno with its glorious Mantegna triptych and Palladio's famous Villa Rotonda for a photo opportunity. Both much appreciated by the art buffs amongst us.



*Teatro Olimpico, Vicenza*



He also brought us up to speed with life in present-day Italy. His topics ranged from food (the correct pasta to eat with a particular sauce) and fashion to migration and money laundering!

Our four days went without hitch but all too quickly. Thank you Phil for organising such a great trip and (temporarily) converting my husband to the glories of opera!

*Maureen Cave  
SU3A Traveller*



## **European Travel Group Trip to Malta.**



From the recent trip to Malta, the European Travel Group enjoying a lovely seafood lunch at the Boathouse Restaurant in Xlendi on Gozo.



## Travel Organising Committee

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### Advance Notice: Travel Group Day Visits 2019

May	Beverley Minster and Humber Bridge
June	Bradford and Cartwright Hall
July	River Trent Cruise and Lunch
August 7	South Yorkshire Churches

### Short Breaks

September 30 – October 4	Highlights of the Scottish Borders
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## Travel Group Events

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### **Travel Group Short Break in Somerset 28 June – 2 July 2019**

Our hotel for this 5-day break in West Somerset will be the “Holiday Inn Taunton”. On the way south from Sheffield our lunchtime break will be at the medieval market town of Tewksbury in Gloucestershire. There is a splendid 12th century abbey church with a Norman tower 45 metres high and around the market square are some fine timber buildings.



*Tewksbury Abbey*

From Taunton our daily excursions will be to places from the coast to the Somerset Levels and up onto Exmoor. After a visit to the Willows and Wetlands Centre, a ride on the old West Somerset Railway will take us from Bishop Lydeard to the harbour town of Watchet. Another day we will visit Cleeve Abbey before a drive onto Exmoor and Tiverton.

Our third full day will be spent in Dunster with its castle above the historic village and watermill and many listed buildings and places of interest.



*Dunster Castle*

As we head back to Sheffield on the final day of the holiday, we will be breaking the journey at Evesham in Worcestershire for lunch. There will be time to look around this historic market town in the Vale of Evesham before we return home.

The cost for this **4-night/5-day** break is **£347** per person with a single supplement of **£60**. This covers bed, breakfast and evening meal at the hotel, transport, gratuities for our coach driver and the hotel staff, and a ticket for train ride. Non-members of National Trust will need to pay about £11 for Dunster Castle and Watermill, and non-members of English Heritage will need to pay about £5 to visit Cleeve Abbey.

To reserve a place, please complete the booking form on **page 37** and send it with a deposit of **£50** per person and a **Links sized (22x16cm)** sae to Margaret Bullivant, as soon as possible, but **no later than 12 December!** (After this date please phone Margaret before you apply.)

Please note that members are responsible for arranging their own personal travel insurance. Sheffield U3A cannot be responsible for any claims.



## Travel Group Short Break in Somerset 28 June – 2 July 2019

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

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

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### Emergency Contact

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

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

Room type: Twin/double/twin share/single

How many applicants named on this form are members of:

National Trust ..... English Heritage .....

I enclose a cheque for £..... (£50 per person), payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**. Please return the completed slip and cheque with a **Links size sae** and check all details carefully before posting **no later than 12 December** to:  
Margaret Bullivant, 14 Kingsley Park Grove, Sheffield, S11 9HL

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**Remember 2019 Copy Deadlines!**

**February Links Open Groups Supplement 6 January**

**April Links 28 February**

## Reading Volunteers in Sheffield Schools

About four years ago I read an article in *Links* about volunteer readers in Sheffield schools. I applied to become one and have enjoyed every minute, so I want to pass on my experience and encourage you to do the same!

I read with children who want or need extra reading for a variety of reasons. For example: they love to read and cannot get enough of it; they struggle with reading and can do with extra practice; they want to read but do not have books or encouragement at home; they are new arrivals in the country and their English is not very good. Mostly they enjoy the individual attention - though sometimes PE or IT provide a counter attraction! And we talk a lot because often they read very competently, but may not understand what the reading is all about.

Support is provided for volunteers, with lots of ideas about games and activities that can be used around the reading. Occasional training sessions are offered. I have been to a couple and found them very helpful. I now find it easier to use opening up questions, like "Can you tell me more about...?" rather than challenging questions like "What don't you understand...?"

I had to undergo a Disclosure and Barring Service check to make sure I am a fit person to work with children, but that was organised for me. I selected the area of the city where I wanted to work and... Bob's your uncle! Even though the focus of the programme has shifted towards Looked-after Children (children who are in care) there are plenty of other children in need of reading support throughout the city.

I have been very lucky to work with a wonderful young teacher and am about to start my fifth class with her. I started as a Reading Volunteer because I was a wannabe grandparent and missed having children in my life. I now have the grandchildren, but still love the reading. Give yourself a treat and do it too! If you want to know more about becoming an ESCAL Volunteer, please contact Faye Jeffrey on [escalvolunteeringssheffield.gov.uk](mailto:escalvolunteeringssheffield.gov.uk) or (0114) 250 6853. She will be happy to send out a welcome pack and answer any queries.

*Rosalind Dean*

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## Calendar 2018/19

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Dec	4	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	2-4	Travel Group: Thursford Christmas Spectacular
	21	Showroom Lectures: What It's Like to be a Bird.
Jan	8	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC For this month only, please note the change of date to the second Tuesday of the month.
	11	Sixties National Service Project: Showroom 10.00 am
	18	Showroom Lectures: The Life and Works of George Eliot.
	19	C.Concertgoers: Leeds Town Hall: Royal Northern Symphonia
Feb	5	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	15	Showroom Lectures: Plastics: Professor Tony Ryan
	28	Sixties Open Session: Showroom 10.00 am
Mar	5	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
	15	Showroom Lectures: Wentworth Woodhouse: Sarah Mcleod
	29	Lunch and Lecture: Velocipedes: Doubletree by Hilton
Apr	2	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC
May	7	<b>Drop-In Session + ipad/web support:</b> 10.00-12.00: CURC

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