

From the Chair

I hope the snowdrops are pushing through by the time you read this. They will help to reassure us that this hard winter is at least half-way through.

A New Year is upon us! It is a new subscription year too. If your SU3A number is not between 1 and 3,000 then you have not renewed your subscription. Please do not forget to do so, otherwise you will be deleted from membership in March and you will have to apply all over again. This makes yet more work for Lorna Baker, our Membership Records Officer *par excellence*, who already spends far too long at her computer. Our membership in 2010 reached a total of 2,842 – that is an awful lot of administration!

Our Jubilee promises to be a year to remember, with a host of activities in addition to our 175 wonderful Groups. We plan to organise more lectures: last year's series finished on a high note with a record turnout of nearly 100 for Professor Bob Shoemaker's highly rated talk on crime and punishment in 18th century London. Apparently in those days there was not as much crime as we imagine – but there were some interesting cases at the Old Bailey that have been put on a website by Bob's team of researchers and are the basis of the scripts in the TV series Garrow's Law.

The idea of creating something of beauty for the city has appealed to many members and so the Woodland Memorial Garden Project is now confirmed. Pledged donations are being turned into cash so that the Parks and Countryside Department can order about 50 shrubs for the first phase. Planting is scheduled for March and donors will be invited to view progress in April. If you wish to contribute there is still plenty of time to do so, as there will be two further phases over the coming year. You will find more details later in *Links*.

The booking form for Jubilee Day on 30 June is also in this edition of *Links*, together with an outline of the programme. Members, their

Cover: Union Jack flying over Sheffield Town Hall during the Civic Reception to celebrate our Silver Jubilee (see page 38)

friends and family are all welcome to come and enjoy a Grand Day Out. The planning group would be grateful if you would book early, especially if you would like a seat on one of the coaches.

In addition to the Jubilee Year activities, the monthly Drop-In sessions, Lunch and Lecture, day-trips and short breaks are all running as normal, thanks to the hard work of those involved. So there are a lot of dates for you to put in the diary – do not forget!

If, like me, you received no training in office administration, it is all too easy to forget these things. I wish I had trained as a secretary, like Vera Dyer, who consistently makes molehills out of mountains. Secretaries know where everything is and throw out what is no longer useful. They do not find baking powder with “Best Before 1992” in their store cupboard. They check things, thus avoiding the embarrassment of being stopped by the police because the registration number on their car insurance policy is wrong by one digit. Secretaries write things down so as to avoid serial purchases of horseradish sauce. They make a note to get the new bus timetable and they write everyone’s birthday into their new diaries. They include SU3A on their list of favourite websites and use the shortcut to see if the Drop-In has been cancelled due to snow. They are not cleaning the brass when they should be at a meeting; and they do not send someone up into the loft to search for a box of Christmas decorations that was thrown away three years ago!

Every year I resolve to become better organised. As my short term memory gets worse, it becomes increasingly important to do so. Mind you, there can be a plus side to memory loss – Alan Coren said that it caused everything to be a delightful surprise and that he made new friends every day! But then I recall the story of the vicar who thought someone had stolen his bike. He prepared a sermon on the Ten Commandments, with emphasis on number eight. But when he got to number seven, he remembered where he had left his bike

I will end by hoping that in 2011 you will get much enjoyment out of your U3A and by thanking all those who are helping to make our Jubilee Year a special one. And if anyone has recipe ideas using horseradish sauce please could I have them?

Shelagh Woolliscroft

Sheffield U3A News Update

Executive Committee Report

By the time you receive this copy of *Links* we will be well into 2011, but this does not stop the Executive Committee from wishing everyone a Happy New Year and hoping that you will enjoy the various events planned to celebrate SU3A's Silver Jubilee.

Membership Renewal Reminder

As mentioned in "From the Chair", if you have not yet renewed your SU3A membership, please do so - and please do not forget to complete the Gift Aid section if you are eligible, as it is a valuable contribution to SU3A's income.

Notification of change of personal details

Please note that if there is a change in personal details, for whatever reason, our Membership Records Officer, Lorna Baker, should be informed.

Notice of the Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting will take place on the morning of Monday 18 April 2011 and a draft agenda is included in this *Links*.

New Blood

The Executive Committee now has a new *Links* Deputy Editor and prospective Treasurer. We have also co-opted Dot Sutcliffe onto the Committee. However, we will still need new committee members in the coming year, so please give consideration to being nominated. If you find the thought of committing for four years daunting, perhaps you would consider being co-opted for a year?

Accommodation

Once again, may we request that if you know of any free/low-cost venues that can be used for Group activities, please let the General Coordinator, Jim Walker, know.

WWII Project

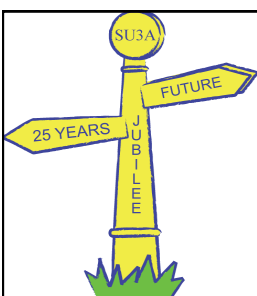
Enough material has been gathered and the editing process has begun. Grateful thanks to all those who have contributed and you will be invited to a preview when it is ready.

Website

Once again, we had to cancel a Drop-In because of bad weather. It is very difficult to let members have such information at short notice, but we do our best. Whilst appreciating that not everyone has access to the Internet, the SU3A website has the most up to date news. It is also an excellent source of all sorts of information so, as the Chair has suggested, make it a shortcut for future reference.

Date of the next Executive Committee meeting is 4 March 2011.

Vera Dyer



Jubilee Day Programme Design

Congratulations to all those who submitted designs. The standard was very high and the choice difficult. After much deliberation we have chosen the design by Keith May.

We would like to make all the designs available on our website. If you would like your design included, please send an electronic copy to the Publicity Coordinator.

Pat Battams

SU3A Memorial Woodland Garden, Whirlow Brook Park

Donations of around £20 are invited to enable a woodland garden of acid-loving plants such as azaleas, camellias and rhododendrons to be created by the upper pond at Whirlow Brook Park. The plan is to plant up the first section in March and there will be a small celebration event for diggers and donors after Easter.

Please phone Alison Cowper on (0114) 274 6165 for further details and an application form.

Shelagh Wolliscroft

LECTURES FOR ALL

Sheffield U3A invites you to the first of their monthly 2011 series of lectures. This event will take place at The Showroom Cinema 2, Paternoster Row, Sheffield S1 2BX.

Take advantage of the FREEBEE Bus - it stops right outside. Coffee and biscuits can be purchased from 10.00 am prior to the lecture which begins at 10.30 am until 12.00 noon.

Lunch is available to buy in the café afterwards if you do not want to rush home.

FRIDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2011

**Where Does our Speech Come From?
The History of Linguistics.
by Professor Andrew Linn**

The language that we speak is the collective work of millions of people throughout the ages. It began as a small guttural German dialect, yet today it is a truly established global language. Travel along its way and it is a colourful story that touches a host of characters such as Beowulf, Chaucer, Creole slaves, and the bard himself, William Shakespeare.

English is at the heart of finance, medicine, law and the Internet. It is understood by two thousand million people across the world.

It definitely seems set to go on and on!

NOTICE OF 25th ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

MONDAY 18 APRIL 2011 at 10.30 am

Central United Reformed Church, Norfolk Street, Sheffield 1

Only current 2011 members may attend and vote at the AGM.

The final agenda for the AGM and 2010 minutes will be published in the April issue of *Links*. Members wishing to raise business under clause 13(viii) of the Constitution (see below) should notify the Secretary, in writing, by **Tuesday 1 March 2011**, so that it can be included in the Agenda.

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

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

There will be four vacancies on the Committee. The Committee meets bi-monthly, usually on the first Friday of the month. Nominations for election to the Committee should be made on the form at the back of this issue of *Links* and should reach the Secretary no later than **Monday 4 April 2011**.

Vera Dyer Secretary (0114) 237 7854

AGM Draft Agenda

Tea and Biscuits will be served from 9.45 am. The meeting commences at 10.30 am.

1. Apologies for absence
2. Minutes of the 24th Annual General Meeting
3. Chair's Annual Report 2010/11
4. Treasurer's Report
5. Elections to Committee, including 4 vacancies
6. Election of the Independent Examiner of Accounts
7. Notified Business (submitted in writing by the deadline of 1 March)
8. Any Other Business (brought up informally, but no decision can be taken at the meeting)

IMPORTANT REMINDER

Your subscription is now due for renewal - please use the form on page 29 and send off your cheque for £10 ASAP.

2011 NATIONAL SUMMER SCHOOLS

Summer School 1

This will take place at Harper Adams University College, Newport, Near Telford; from Monday 18 July to Thursday 21 July 2011.

The subjects are: Cinema History, Drama, Geology, History, Mathematics, Music, Philosophy, Poetry and Storytelling.

Costs for the complete Summer School, including a welcome reception on the first day: full board residential delegate, in en-suite accommodation, £315 per person; non-residential day delegate, including lunches, £118 per person.

Summer School 2

This will take place at The Royal Agricultural College, Cirencester; from Monday 22 August to Thursday 25 August 2011.

The subjects are: Dancing, History, Literature, Music Appreciation, Philosophy, Science and Technology, Singing and Writing Fiction.

Costs for the complete Summer School, including a welcome reception on the first day: full board residential delegate, in en-suite accommodation, £315 per person; non-residential day delegate, including lunches, £118 per person.

Further information on these Summer Schools is available from SU3A Secretary, Vera Dyer (contact details inside the front cover of *Links*), or can be downloaded from the national website (members' area/events): www.u3a.org.uk.

Links 152: the last date for copy is MONDAY 7 MARCH 2011

2011 JUBILEE YEAR PROGRAMME

Date 2011	Event	How to take part
March (date to be agreed)	Planting a Memorial Woodland Garden at Whirlow Brook Park	Details re donations and date for planting in April <i>Links</i>
Saturday 26 March	Jubilee Quiz	Esporta, Archer Road. Details in this issue of <i>Links</i>
Saturday 14 May 2.00 pm	Canal Boat Cruise with afternoon tea	Booking form in this issue of <i>Links</i>
Thursday 30 June	Jubilee Day at Wortley Hall	Booking form for lunch and transport will be in every <i>Links</i> starting with this issue
Saturday 30 July	Celidh	Holy Trinity Church. Booking form in June <i>Links</i>
Tuesday 16 August	Picnic	Chatsworth Park, Lunch Time . Just turn up (with picnic)
Saturday 8 October	Dinner and Dance at Cutlers' Hall	Booking form in June and August <i>Links</i>
Wednesday 16 November	Jubilee Lecture Sheffield Town Hall	Details will be in August <i>Links</i>

Jubilee Year

From little acorns oak trees grow,
Reach roots into the earth below.
On firm foundations then they stand,
As bases spread branches expand.
Grown first in France, their U3A
Was too elite for the UK.
The one grown here is like the oak,
More suited to our island folk.
As unconfined its branches take
Their own direction, folk partake
Of fruits of knowledge hanging there
Nurtured by those willing to share.
Twenty five years our U3A
Has grown and flourished in this way;
This year we hold a Jubilee
To celebrate this bounteous tree.

Pat Parkin



Thank you, Pat, for another splendid poem.

Now Over to You

On the same theme, we hope other members will feel inspired to put pen to paper to compose a poem or short prose piece to celebrate our Jubilee Year.

As you know, our Wortley event is to be opened by **Ian McMillan**, who is to be invited to read our creative outpourings. Our literary lines will be available for all to read on our website

Please send your contributions by email to

or by post to 74 Springfield Road, Sheffield S7 2GD

Pat Battams Coordinator (0114) 296 0515

Lunch and Lecture
at the Sheffield Park Hotel, Meadowhead
Friday 25 March 2011

Your Last Chance

Come and meet old friends and make new ones over an excellent lunch, followed by the opportunity to hear Peter Thornton, ex-Chairman of Thornton's Chocolates, reveal the tumultuous history of this family firm, which was originally established in Sheffield in 1911. Join us at 12.00 noon for lunch at 12.30 pm. Please see the December *Links* for the menu.

If you wish to join us, fill in the form towards the back of this issue of *Links*. Your cheque for £15.50 needs to reach me by **Friday 4 March 2011**.

Doreen Bezant Coordinator (0114) 236 6596

SHEFFIELD U3A TRAVEL GROUP
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Thursday 10 March 2011

2.00 to 4.00 pm

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

Come and discuss our visits

Give us your ideas for possible activities

Your comments and support help us to plan for the future

Enjoy a social afternoon with us

Open to all SU3A members

Refreshments at 3.30 pm



GREAT SU3A JUBILEE QUIZ

presented by
the one and only

PETER CHATTERTON

at Esporta Leisure Centre, Archer Road, Sheffield
on Saturday 26 March 2011

Open from 7.00 pm, for quiz to start at 7.30 pm

Pea and Pie Supper
or vegetarian option

Tickets £7.00 (includes quiz and supper)

Entry by ticket only
(book using the form in this issue of *Links*)

No more than six in a team, please
Teams can be arranged on the night

Ample parking and bar facilities available

For further information, please contact
Marion Edmondson (0114) 235 0313



CRUISING DOWN THE CANAL

Saturday 14 May 2011

Come and join us for a cruise on the Sheffield and Tinsley canal as part of our Jubilee celebrations. The canal was opened in 1819 and has an interesting history. The two and a half hour cruise will take us to Tinsley locks (and back) and includes an afternoon tea of scones, with cream and jam, and tea. Along the way, we will be regaled with an informative commentary on the history and highlights of the canal.

The boat will leave Victoria Quays at 2.00 pm, but boarding is allowed from 1.30 pm. The cost is £14.25 per person. Places on the cruise are limited and will be allocated on a first-come, first-served basis. Car parking is available close by in the North Quay car park. There is a charge for parking.

To secure a place, please fill in the booking form at the back of this issue of *Links* and return by **Tuesday 1 March 2011** with your payment.

Dot Sutcliffe (0114) 268 5918

Incident Management Course

Further to last year's well-received Incident Management Course, another has been arranged with the St. John Ambulance Service on Thursday 17 March, 9.30 am – 1.00 pm.

The course will be held in the St. John Ambulance premises in Dronfield, opposite the railway station, where there is car parking. It will cover basic life support skills.

Please contact Stella Longden by the end of February, on (0114) 269 4698 to register an interest and for more information.

**Celebrate the 25th Anniversary of
Sheffield U3A
in the hall and the beautiful grounds of
Wortley Hall**

from 10.30 am until 4.30 pm
on Thursday 30 June 2011



**The festival will be opened by
the popular and renowned poet, Ian McMillan.**

SU3A Groups will be demonstrating, exhibiting or performing many different Languages, Singing for Pleasure, Handbell Ringing, Science and Technology with Sustainable Development, Tai Chi, Knitting, Patchwork Quilt, Digital Photography, Play Reading, Cards and Board Games, different Arts and Crafts, Woodcarving, Local and Family History.

In the gardens there will be Croquet, Bowls, Chess and Bird Watching. Walking Groups will be approaching Wortley from various directions.

The Wortley Hall gardeners will be leading tours of the Italianate Gardens and Woodlands. The team from Heeley City Farm will be opening the Walled Kitchen Garden for us to see the fruits of their labours.

The price of the ticket includes a buffet lunch.
There is separate car parking for people with disabilities.

COME DANCING – ANOTHER CHANCE

Saturday 8 October 2011

The expressions of interest received so far for the Dinner and Dance on Saturday 8 October 2011 have been far short of the target of at least 100. Perhaps Christmas and the New Year celebrations got in the way? However, we have been able to negotiate an extension to the deadline with the Cutlers' Hall. So, if you were intending to send your deposit and never got round to it, now is the time to do so. If we do not get enough people interested, sadly the event will have to be cancelled. Please refer to your December 2010 *Links* or the SU3A website for details of the event.



If you would like to join the party, open to members and their partner/friend, please fill in the form at the back of *Links* and send a deposit to reserve your place(s) by **Monday 21 February 2011** at the latest.

As explained in the December *Links*, we need at least 100 people to register interest before we can confirm the booking, at which point we would be required to pay a 25%, non-refundable deposit – and we certainly do not want to waste SU3A funds!

We are holding the deposit cheques received so far until we know whether the event will go ahead.

Free IT Classes

Sharrow Community Forum is running free drop-in sessions for on-line courses, with tutors available to help. These courses are at a number of levels including absolute beginners. They run on Wednesdays from 9.00 am - 12 noon and 1.00 - 4.00 pm and on Fridays from 9.00 am - 12 noon. Please contact Jonathan Roberts on (0114) 250 8384 if you need more information. He would be happy to go through the information with anybody unsure of what is on offer.

Clare Chiba

Group News

Classical Concertgoers' Group

Our early Spring concert is a matinee performance at the Symphony Hall Birmingham, on Wednesday 6 April. It will be given by the City of Birmingham Symphony Orchestra, conducted by John Wilson, with Andrew Haveron (violin) and Lawrence Power (viola). The programme consists of modern British light classics including William Walton's "Portsmouth Point", "Summer Nights on the River" by Frederick Delius, Sir Edward Elgar's "Salut d'Amour", Arthur Benjamin's "Romantic Fantasy", Eric Coates' well-known "London Suite", a Sullivan Overture and more.

The cost is £29.50 per person and reservations may be made using the reply slip at the end of this issue. Remember to enter the full names and contact numbers of all members for whom you are applying. Please send applications as soon as possible, with a small stamped addressed envelope, to Derek Shipley. The coach will leave the bus parking bay on Ecclesall Road South, near the top of Millhouses Lane, promptly at 9.45 am. This will allow time for a stroll in the refurbished canal area near the Symphony Hall, a possible visit to the Art Gallery or a leisurely lunch before the concert at 2.15 pm.

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

Derek Shipley Coordinator (0114) 236 6257

Visiting History

Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 15 February 2011 at 2.00 pm. Mr Lloyd Powell, an ex-WEA tutor and lecturer, will speak on The Battle around Brunanburgh (Tinsley) in the 6th Century.

The meeting will be held at Camel Court, 1 Wilson Road, Sheffield 11. New Members are welcome.

Kathleen Head Coordinator (0114) 243 8021

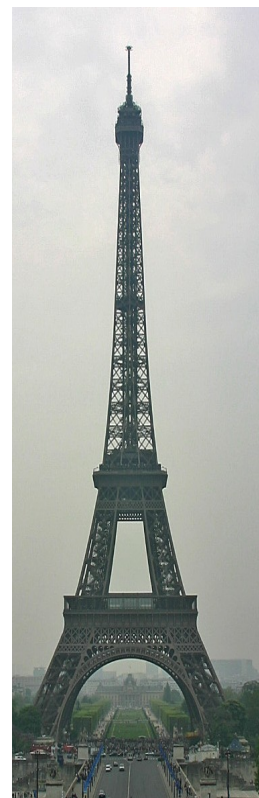
Literature Network

Paris: a Wartime Diary

Madeleine Blaess graduated from Leeds in 1939 and went to live in Paris. Little did she realise that she would not escape until 1944. How she survived the German Occupation, posing as a French woman, is told in her secret wartime diary.

Madeleine came to Sheffield and worked at the University of Sheffield for many years, but her secret diary remained in French.

Dr Wendy Michallat, of the Department of French, is currently translating it and has kindly agreed to reveal its contents at a talk on Tuesday 12 April at 2.00 pm. As usual, the Literature Network meets at Shirley House, Psalter Lane.



The meeting is open to all SU3A members, with tickets priced at £3. Please send your bookings to Ann Barclay, making the cheque payable to Sheffield U3A Literature Network. The booking form is at the back of this issue of *Links*. Please enclose a small stamped addressed envelope.

Peter Barclay Coordinator (0114) 230 4327



Thinking of Forming a New Group?

Always contact the General
Coordinator to discuss your idea first.

Jim Walker
(0114) 236 9687

Sheffield U3A Activities & Interest Groups - FEBRUARY 2011

To join Sheffield U3A please contact Rita Webster (Initial Enquiries Officer) on (0114) 230 8866.

Anyone wishing to join a Group should ring the Coordinator first. If you find the Group is full, has a waiting list, or wish to suggest a new Group, please ring the General Coordinator, Jim Walker on (0114) 236 9687. Groups currently notifying they have vacancies are marked with a **V** in the following pages. Full details and some Group programmes can also be found on our website - www.sheffieldu3a.org.uk.

Sheffield U3A is committed to the principles of inclusion and good access wherever possible. We are making every effort to ensure that our activities are available to everyone who wishes to actively participate. Accessibility of Group meetings and activities is listed using the following key -

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| MH | Member's Home - access variable; if you have any specific needs you are advised to contact the Group Coordinator |
| A* | Public Venue - meeting is fully accessible, including a hearing loop |
| A | Public Venue - meeting is physically accessible, but does not include a hearing loop |
| X | Public Venue - meeting access is limited; if you have any specific needs you are advised to contact the Group Coordinator. |

KEY TO MEETING DETAILS:-

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

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

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
ARTS AND CRAFTS						
Appreciating Architecture		<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S8	A	Sheila Harris	236 9653
Architecture Past and Present	V	<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	S8	A	Roy Pilkington	01246 416 139
Art (SE)	V	<i>We.pm.w</i>	S13	X	Sylvia Ludlam	269 7034
Art I		<i>We.am.w</i>	S11	A*	Ann Ritchie	230 4552
Art II	V	<i>Th.pm.w</i>	S11	A	Ruth Lamb	236 2807
Art III	V	<i>We.pm.w</i>	S10	X	Miriam Currie	01246 414 274
Aspects of Art I		<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S7	A	Beryl Moore	268 6632
Aspects of Art II		<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S7	A	Valerie Wiley	236 0726
Card Craft	V	<i>Mo.pm.f</i>	S7	X	Margaret Lycett	269 0429
Cards 'R' Us		<i>Fr.pm.f</i>	S20	MH	Lily Taylor	248 0565
∞ Digital Photography	V	<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S11	A	Grenville Morgan	230 5981
Handwork & Craft II		<i>Th.am.f</i>	S11	MH	Jean Davis	233 9784
Looking at Art	V	<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S8	A	Christine Green	01709 519 175
Knitting	V	<i>Mo.pm.m</i>	S10/11	MH	Jane Harling	230 9576
Outdoor Sketching I	V	<i>Fr.am.f</i>	various	A	Florence Ames	236 7108
Outdoor Sketching II	V	<i>We.am.f</i>	various	A	Audrey Morris	236 3619
Patch & Quilt	V	<i>Mo.pm.f</i>	S17	MH	Inge Davies	236 0318
Photography NW	V	<i>1stFr.pm.m</i>	S36	A	Harold Norton	288 6920
Quilting Hive		<i>Mo.pm.f</i>	S8	MH	Lynne Brown	237 7643
Visiting Art	V	<i>Tu.am.m</i>	various	MH	Linda Jackson	235 0852
Woodworking/Woodcarving		<i>Th.pm.w</i>	S7	MH	Bob Adkins	255 1968
BIRD WATCHING						
Bird Watching I		<i>Mo.am.f</i>	various	X	Gillian Tutt	236 6237
Bird Watching II	V	<i>We.--.w</i>	S11/17	X	Malcolm Swift	01246 412 737

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
CARDS AND BOARD GAMES						
Bridge - Friday I	V	Fr.pm.w	S17	A	Audrey Lupson	235 1618
Bridge - Friday II	V	Fr.pm.w	S10	A	Brian Jeremiah	230 7250
Bridge - Friday III	V	Fr.pm.w	S7	A	Rati Chiba	01433 659 864
Bridge - Monday		Mo.pm.w	S7	A	Patricia Latham	01246 419 106
Bridge - Thursday	V	Th.pm.w	S17	A	David Jones	236 7405
Bridge - Tuesday	V	Tu.am.w	S11	X	Michael Brumby	236 5676
Bridge - Wednesday	V	We.am.w	S17	X	Jean Bowie	230 1002
Chess	V	Tu.pm.m	S17	MH	Sheila Hardie	236 4498
Rummikub I		Mo.pm.f	various	MH	Shirley Wilks	236 7673
Rummikub II		Mo.pm.f	S18	MH	Rita Webster	230 8866
Rummikub (SE)		Mo.pm.f	S13	MH	Joan Brown	269 4829
Scrabble	V	Fr.pm.f	S7	X	Liz Barber	288 1984
Whist cntnrt & dble 12 Dominoes	V	Su.eve.w	various	MH	Gerald Cartwright	281 1499
DISCUSSION, PHILOSOPHY AND RELIGION						
Discussion I		Tu.pm.f	various	MH	Susan Hydes	255 2141
Discussion II	V	Tu.am.m	various	MH	Mary Alexander	255 6385
Discussion Deepcar	V	Tu.am.m	S35	X	Hazel Millington	286 3814
Ideas	V	Mo.am.m	S35	MH	Alec Jenner	286 2546
Philosophy - Historical/Classical	V	Mo.pm.m	S11	A	Teresa McLaren	230 1320
Philosophy -Topics/Theme	V	Mo.am.m	S8	A	Janet Haigh	230 3070
Sugar & Spice		Mo.pm.f	S8	MH	Eunice Southgate	281 1876
Today's World		Th.am.m	various	MH	David Pierce	281 9414
Wealth & Poverty	V	Mo.pm.4w	S11	MH	Jeanne Rogers	255 0584
GARDENING						
Gardening (SE)	V	Tu.am.f	various	X	Carol Wright	251 0140
Gardening A		Mo.am.m	various	X	Glennis Williams	230 5521
Gardening Aspen	V	Th.pm.m	various	X	June Pollard	231 4939
Gardening C		Mo.am.m	S10/11/17	X	Susan Fielding	230 3987
Gardening D		Tu.am.m	various	X	Hilary Hutson	225 8570
Gardening Greenfingers	V	Tu.pm.m	S8	X	Jane Gregory	274 9246

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HISTORY						
Classical Civilisation		<i>Fr.pm.m</i>	S11	MH	Anne Thomas	230 5281
Family History I		<i>2nd We.am.m</i>	S10	A	Ann Grassick	230 2777
Family History II	V	<i>Tu.am.4w</i>	S7	A	Stuart Lodge	220 7192
Family History III	V	<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	S35	A*	Paul Cordwell	232 2766
History I	V	<i>Tu.am.f</i>	S17	A*	Robert Bragg	281 9534
History II	V	<i>Mo.pm.4w</i>	S10/11	MH	Roy Morris	236 3800
Local History (SE)	V	<i>We.pm.f</i>	S20	A	Margaret Troop	287 4448
Local History III	V	<i>Mo.am.f</i>	S7	A	Carmel Rogers	266 0792
Local History IV	V	<i>Fr.pm.m</i>	S11	A	Margaret Laycock	236 4109
Local History North		<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	S5/35	A*	Peter Hughes	245 1172
Local History V	V	<i>Tu.pm.f</i>	S7	MH	Margaret Etchells	236 3317
Military History	V	<i>Th.pm.m</i>	S7	A	Marion Monaghan	01246 414 137
Oral History	V	<i>Tu.am.4w</i>	S7	A	Vera Wibberley	255 4982
Visiting History	V	<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	various	X	Kathleen Head	243 8021
LANGUAGES						
Cercle Francais I	V	<i>Fr.am.w</i>	S7	X	Ronald Blunt	01433 650 758
Cercle Francais II	V	<i>Mo.pm.f</i>	S10	MH	Margaret Platts	230 7300
Classical Greek Alpha	V	<i>We.pm.f</i>	S1	A	Deidre Eastburn	281 8446
French - Advanced		<i>Fr.am.w</i>	S10	A	Audrey Sainsbury	230 7446
French - Intermediate		<i>Th.am.w</i>	S11	X	Pauline Wiley	286 4085
French for Holidays		<i>Mo.pm.f</i>	S7	MH	Usha Fitch	236 5009
German - Advanced		<i>Tu.pm.f</i>	S8/10/17	MH	TBA	TBA
German for Beginners	V	<i>Mo.am.w</i>	S18	MH	Shelagh Wooliscroft	01246 416 139
German - Intermediate		<i>Mo.am.w</i>	S10	A*	Anthony Gibbs	01246 410 003
Italian		<i>Tu.pm.f</i>	S10/11	MH	Rosalind Rogerson	268 1426
Italian for Holidays	V	<i>Fr.pm.w</i>	S11	X	Mike Hague	236 6336
Latin II	V	<i>Mo.pm.w</i>	S17	MH	Dorothy Hill-Wilson	236 6042

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
LANGUAGES cont.						
Latin III		<i>Tu.pm.f</i>	S11	MH	Frank Murphy	296 2424
Latin for Absolute Beginners		<i>Mo.am.f</i>	S1	A*	Paul Cordwell	232 2766
Latin Quattuor		<i>Tu.am.f</i>	various	MH	Brian Bezan	236 6596
Modern Greek	V	<i>Fr.pm.f</i>	S11	MH	Margaret Halstead	258 2541
Portuguese For Fun		<i>Tu.am.w</i>	S11	MH	Pauline Miller	258 3678
Sanskrit	V	<i>Fr.am.w</i>	S7	A	Roger Linstead	236 3640
Scottish Gaelic	V	<i>Mo.am.f</i>	various	MH	Steve Clements	255 8422
Spanish Stage 2	V	<i>Th.pm.f</i>	various	MH	Greta Pearman	236 3336
Spanish (Inter) I	V	<i>Th.am.w</i>	S7	X	Hilda Wisbey	262 1730
Spanish (Inter) III		<i>Th.am.w</i>	S7	X	Pat Smith	230 6432
Welsh	V	<i>Mo.am.f</i>	S8	MH	Steve Clements	255 8422
LITERATURE AND DRAMA						
Book Group I		<i>Fr.am.m</i>	S17	A	Margaret Walton	255 6563
Book Group II		<i>Fr.am.m</i>	S17	A	Irene Joyce	235 2637
Book Group III		<i>Tu.am.m</i>	S17	A	Wendy Jenrick	268 7047
Book Group IV		<i>Fr.am.m</i>	S17	A	Mary Whyns	236 8628
Book Group V		<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	S11	MH	Mary Brookes	235 0180
Bookworm	V	<i>Fr.pm.m</i>	S36	A	Angela Butler	288 4778
Drama Study	V	<i>Tu.pm.f</i>	S11	MH	John Parsons	230 4902
Enjoying Literature I	V	<i>Th.am.m</i>	various	MH	Jack Holland	236 5060
Enjoying Literature II	V	<i>We.pm.f</i>	S7	MH	Jackie Wilson	246 9095
Film Appreciation	V	<i>Tu.pm.m</i>	S1	A	Lesley Dixon	268 5881
Novel Reading I		<i>Mo.pm.4w</i>	S10	MH	Pam West	266 2188
Novel Reading II	V	<i>Mo.pm.m</i>	S11	MH	Kay Beeston	01433 631 247
Novel Reading III		<i>Fr.am.m</i>	various	MH	Judith Vernier	01246 418 607
Novel Reading IV	V	<i>We.am.m</i>	S5	A	Mary Simpson	245 2568
Play Reading I	V	<i>Tu.pm.4w</i>	various	MH	Mike West	266 2188

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
LITERATURE AND DRAMA cont.						
Play Reading II	V	Fr.pm.m	S11	MH	Doreen Findlay	266 8577
Play Reading III		Th.pm.4w	S 17	MH	Mavis Frost	236 4249
Poetry for Pleasure	V	We.pm.f	S17	MH	Pat Parkin	236 8009
Poetry Study	V	We.pm.f	S11	MH	Enid Bennett	236 1379
Shakespeare for Pleasure		Tu.am.f	S11	MH	Kay Nicholson	230 7576
Story Writers		Tu.am.4wk	various	MH	Margaret Briddon	262 0501
MUSIC						
Enjoying Opera I		Mo.pm.f	S10	MH	John Williams	230 4568
Handbell Ringing	V	We.pm.w	S35	A	Hazel Bradey	234 2608
Listening to Music (SE)	V	Th.pm.f	various	MH	Brenda Keeling	266 1635
Listening to Music II		We.pm.f	S8	MH	Ray Cottam	235 0536
Music and Film	V	Tu.pm.m	S2		Tony Allwright	264 5883
Music Appreciation I	V	We.pm.f	S11/17	MH	David Andrews	235 3389
Music Appreciation II	V	Th.pm.f	S6	A	David Andrews	235 3389
Singing for Pleasure		Fr.pm.f	S1	A	Irene Lees	267 1857
PHYSICAL ACTIVITIES						
Belly Dancing Stocksbridge	V	Tu.am.w	S36	A	Beryl Sharp	283 1392
Bowling Crown Green (SE)	V	Th.am.w	S20	X	John Hunt	269 8811
Bowling Crown Green	V	Mo./Th.am.w	S8	X	Keith Alcock	230 7813
Bowling Indoor - Mon		Mo.am.w	S36	X	Keith Alcock	230 7813
Country Dancing	V	Tu.pm.f	S8	X	Anne Marples	266 8794
Croquet	V	Tu.pm/We.am/Th.pm.w	S11	X	Peter Jones	230 5987
Midweek Cyclists	V	Alt. Tu./We.am	various	X	Yvonne Bland	283 0992
Pilates		We.pm.w	S18	X	Vera Dyer	237 7854
Table Tennis		Mo.&Th.am.w	S17	X	Anne Coghlan	236 4770
Tai Chi I	V	Tu.am.w	S35	X	Jenny Freeman	220 6670
Tai Chi Stocksbridge	V	Fr.am.w	S36	A	Beryl Sharp	283 1392

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
SCIENCE AND TECHNOLOGY, SOCIAL SCIENCE						
Environment I	V	Tu.am.f	S8	MH	Elisabeth Vallance	255 3132
Geology	V	We.--.m	various	X	Dan Higbid	230 3919
Natural History II	V	Th.--.m	various	X	Marion Edmondson	235 0313
Science & Technology		Mo.am.m	S8	A	David Cassy	247 4454
Sustainable Development	V	Various.pm.m	central	X	Rose Tanner	245 0200
SOCIAL						
After Hours		Eve/weekend	various	X	Mary Entwisle	255 2368
After Hours NW	V	Tu.eve.m	various	X	Joyce Franks	234 8587
Dining Out I	V	We.pm.m	various	X	Lorna Baker	236 9025
Dining Out II	V	We.pm.m	various	X	Roy Morris	236 3800
Dining Out NW		Tu.eve.m	various	X	Pamela Conroy	288 7081
WALKING						
Dippers "Too" (7-10mls)	V	Mo.--.f	various	X	Margot Williams	268 2476
Dippers I (4-6mls)	V	Mo.--.f	various	X	Donald Ward	296 0629
Gannets (5-7mls)	V	Mo.--.f	various	X	John Lees	267 1857
Late Walkers (5mls)		We.am.w	various	X	Jill Whyns	235 9893
Peak in Bloom	V	Su.--.f	Pk Dst.	X	Wendy Taylor	230 9290
Strollers I (Public Trspt.)	V	We.--.f	various	X	Pat Parkin	236 8009
Strollers II (Public Trspt.)	V	Mo.--.f	various	X	Cicely Chibnall	230 8803
Strollers II (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	X	Norman Benson	236 1080
Strollers II (Tuesday)	V	Tu.am.f	various	X	Clive Williams	230 8177
Strollers III (Public Trspt.)		We.--.f	various	X	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Strollers III (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	X	Judy Hillman	266 7574
Strollers SE (Saturday)	V	Sa.am.f	various	X	Barbara Steel	247 4696
Sunday Walkers (7-9mls)	V	Su.--.f	various	X	David Hydes	288 7815
Walking Grp A (5-6mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.--.w	various	X	Jack Wearing	01246 413 613
Walking Grp B (7-8mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.--.w	various	X	Anita Wall	233 1024
Walking Grp C (5-7mls)		Alt Tu./We.--.w	various	X	Gilbert Smith	230 5769

GROUP	VACANCIES	MEETING	AREA	ACCESS	COORDINATOR	TEL No.
WALKING cont.						
Walking Grp D (9-11mls)	V	Alt We./Th.--w	various	X	Jan Taylor	230 2511
Walking Grp E (5-7mls)	V	Alt We./Th.--w	various	X	John Ould	236 9606
Walking Grp F (10-14mls)		Alt We./Th.--w	various	X	Peter Digby	236 6821
Walking Grp G (5-7mls)		Th.am.w	various	X	Glyn Davies	289 0987
Walking Grp H (9-11mls)		Mo.--w	various	X	Eric Bridgeland	250 8819
Walking Grp J (10-15mls)	V	Alt Tu./We.--w	various	X	Bill Barracough	258 1294
Walking Grp K (5-7mls) PubTrspt.		Th.--f	various	X	Pat Clifton	251 0450
Walking Grp L (4-5 mls)	V	Th.am.w	various	X	Barbara Cassidy	262 0699
Walking Grp M (6-8mls)		Fr.--w	various	X	David Lightowler	236 3177
Walking Grp N (5-7mls)		Fr.am.w	various	X	Sheila Harris	236 9653
Walking Grp NW (5-7mls)	V	Th.am.w	S36	X	Mary Condon	288 5238
Walking Grp P (8-10mls)	V	Alt We./Th.--w	various	X	Mollie Ibbotson	01246 412 849
Walking Grp Q (5-7mls)	V	Tu.am.f	S5/S35	X	Anne Chatterton	246 2106
Walking Grp R (7-9mls)	V	Mo.--w	various	X	Marion Edmondson	235 0313
Walking Grp S (5-7mls)	V	Fr.am.w	various	X	Mike Denial	235 0584
Walking Grp SE (8mls)	V	Tu.--w	S20	X	Kenneth Stringfellow	230 4063

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

Classical Concertgoers'	various	various	X	Derek & Maureen Shipley	236 6257
ICT	Tu.pm.w	S10	A	Clare Chiba	01433 659 864
Literature Network	various	S11	A	Peter Barclay	230 4327
Lunch and Lecture	various	S8	A	Doreen Bezant	236 6596
Travel	various	various	X	Barbara Robertshaw	236 9102

Group Coordinators are reminded that SU3A has a **YHA Group Card**, which means that non-YHA members do not have to pay the £3 per night additional charge. Please contact Marion Edmondson on (0114) 235 0313 for further details if you are planning a trip involving stays in Youth Hostels.

Aspects of Art I and II

Thursday 2 June 2011

We are visiting the Barber Institute of Fine Arts, at the University of Birmingham, on Thursday 2 June 2011, calling at Aston Hall on the way. At 2.00 pm we are having a guided tour of the gallery which has 13th - 20th century works, including Old Masters and Impressionist paintings. It is also holding a "Tennis in Art" exhibition starting in June. Coffee/tea and biscuits will be served before the return journey. The students' café is open for lunch.

The cost is £23.00 per person and reservations may be made using the reply slip at the end of this issue of *Links*. Please send applications as soon as possible, with a small stamped addressed envelope, to Elizabeth Dawson. The closing date is 30 April. The coach will leave the bus parking bay on Ecclesall Road South, near the top of Millhouses Lane at 9.15 a.m.

Elizabeth Dawson and Beryl Moore (0114) 281 0041



Lunch and Lecture

Sheffield Park Hotel, Meadowhead, Sheffield S8 8BW

Friday 25 March 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

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

I would like to request vegetarian meal(s).

Forms should be sent to arrive **no later than Friday 4 March 2011** to Mrs Doreen Bezant, 52 Chatsworth Road, Sheffield S17 3QH.

Enjoying Literature II - New Members

This established Group has been meeting for several years, admirably steered by Rita Brent through an extensive range of classical and contemporary literature from the UK and other countries. Unfortunately for us, Rita has resigned her duties as Coordinator to concentrate on reading projects of her own. This coincided with some other valuable members reluctantly deciding it was time for them also to give up. We are now looking to recruit new members to join a small but enthusiastic group in 2011.

We meet fortnightly in members' houses (weather permitting!) and agree in advance the books to read together, generally covering one book each month. During alternate sessions in the month we share anything we have read individually which has brought us pleasure or stimulated our interest.

Please contact me if you want more information.

Jackie Wilson Coordinator (0114) 246 9095

Tinkling the Ivories

Singing For Pleasure is now a well established SU3A Group, which meets every fortnight on a Friday afternoon, in a room at the Victoria Hall in Sheffield City Centre. The choir is mixed and enjoys singing part-songs as well as unison ones.

We would welcome help from someone who can play the piano and/or assist with the musical direction of the Choir. If you feel you could help, please contact Irene Lees.



Irene Lees Coordinator (0114) 267 1857

**If you want your Group's activities reported here,
then please get out your pen or keyboard and send
or email your report to the Editor.**

NOMINATION FORM FOR ELECTION TO SHEFFIELD U3A COMMITTEE 2011

To be returned **by Monday 4 April 2011** to the Secretary,
Vera Dyer, 202 Westwick Road, Sheffield S8 7BZ

Name of person nominated:

Address

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Postcode Tel No

Email:

2011 SU3A membership number:

Groups to which Nominee belongs:

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Name of Proposer:

2011 SU3A membership number:

Signature of Proposer:.....

Name of Seconder:

2011 SU3A membership number:

Signature of Seconder:

I am a member of Sheffield U3A and agree to be nominated as a
candidate for election to the Executive Committee of Sheffield
U3A at the Annual General Meeting on Monday 18 April 2011.

Signature of Nominee:

Date:

Today's World Group

Reality Television

The new season of our discussion Group was launched in a splendid manner by Shirley Marney. Her theme of Reality Television was completely in tune with the idea behind Today's World, as it enabled us to reflect upon so much that typifies our modern world; welcomed by some, denigrated by others.

In attempting to embrace all the varied television programmes that might be described as "reality shows" Shirley cast her net widely, from the obvious of Big Brother to the less obvious of Blind Date and Come Dine with Me? She categorised them into a range of different types, including talent competitions, self-improvement shows, renovation programmes, hoaxer shows, game shows and even quiz programmes. Many of the programmes she mentioned were unfamiliar to some of our members and some of us were dubious about calling them all "reality television".

The common denominator seemed to be that the "stars" of these shows were ordinary people, as opposed to professional actors or entertainers. Some of us confessed to finding many of the programmes entertaining, and even educational. Discussion focused on those where the only aim appeared to be to offer one hour of fame to participants, or even simply to humiliate them. Such humiliation did not appear to bother the people involved, who seemed to enjoy the experience.

The libertarians amongst us did not blame television for inventing the idea of making fun of others; nor did we object to people volunteering to be on the receiving end of it. We concluded that so long as much of the so-called reality was understood by viewers to be entertainment, often consisting of selected and directed experiences, there was no harm to it. We were delighted that we could choose to watch or not and that there are other choices available such as SU3A meetings.

David Pierce

SHEFFIELD UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE
2011 MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Regd. Charity No 703147

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

date of birth:(dd/mm/yyyy) ____ / ____ / ____

email:

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

date of birth:(dd/mm/yyyy) ____ / ____ / ____

email:

Address

.....

Postcode Tel No:

I / We attach a payment of £ for membership at

£10.00 per person. If you **do NOT** wish to receive the
national U3A News, please tick the box on the right.

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**Please note that members not renewing before
28 February 2011 will be deemed to have resigned.**

GIFT AID DECLARATION

If you are a UK taxpayer, Sheffield U3A can claim back tax on your subscription(s), provided that your current annual tax bill is more than the tax reclaimed (£2.80 on an £10 subscription). If so, please complete the declaration below:

I(PRINT NAME)

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

Signed: Date:

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

Travel Group News

Travel Organising Committee

Barbara Robertshaw, Coordinator (0114) 236 9102
Barry De Roek, Treasurer (0114) 236 9169
Derek Shipley, Secretary (0114) 236 6257
Margaret Bullivant (0114) 296 2256
Val Wiley (0114) 236 0726
Margaret Langrish (0114) 236 5751

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

Insurance - for short breaks and holidays in the UK and overseas (but **not** day visits), travel companies require that all participating members have personal travel insurance cover.

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

Agreed Pick-up Point - if you wish to make a change, you must notify the Visit Organiser **in advance**.

Reply Envelopes - please remember to include a suitable **stamped addressed envelope** with your application. For day visits - any small envelope; for short breaks and holidays - a *Links* size envelope.

In case of problems or emergencies - first try to contact the Visit Organiser; or if they are not available, any member of the Travel Committee.

Sheffield U3A Travel Group

It has been drawn to my attention that **non-members** of SU3A are applying to go on the various trips. This is not allowed, as it Invalidates our insurance policy and causes a great of extra work for the trip organisers. It is important that the first and surnames of all applicants and their SU3A numbers appear on the application forms.
Editor

Great Sheffield U3A Jubilee Quiz

Saturday 26 March 2011

At Esporta, Archer Road Sheffield

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

I would like tickets at £7.00 each.

Pea and Pie supper / Vegetarian option (delete as appropriate)

I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **SU3A Charity Quiz** and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent as soon as possible to Marion Edmondson, 4 Alton Close, Sheffield S11 9QQ.



Visit to the Black Country Folk Museum

Tuesday 5 April 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (**£24.00** per person). I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel** and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent to Derek Shipley, 40 Wollaton Avenue, Bradway, Sheffield S17 4LA, to arrive **as soon as possible**.

Sheffield Bus Interchange - Platform 5 8.00 am ()

Bus Bay Knowle Lane / Ecclesall Road South 8.15 am ()

Travel Excursions

Visit to the Black Country Folk Museum

Tuesday 5 April 2011

Our early spring visit is a nostalgic trip to one of the most original attractions in the Midlands, the Black Country Folk Museum, near Dudley. The Museum recreates the life, work and times of local people from the mid 18th to the early 20th century, with actual buildings from the area, dismantled and re-erected at the Museum; an early electric tramway/trolleybus system for travel round the site, a coal mine, recreated period shops, a replica Newcomen pumping engine, a Victorian school, a travelling fair, an early cinema and a section of the Dudley Canal with tunnel and lifting bridge. Guides in period costume explain the various exhibits.

We have included a short introductory talk, a special SU3A Group lesson in the Victorian school and a canal trip which will take us into spectacular caverns. There is an optional guided tour of the coal mine, which you will be able to join if you wish.

Lunch is not included, but there is a traditional fish and chip shop and café, snack-bars and a Canalside Café serving traditional lunches. The inclusive cost is £24.00. There will be a comfort stop en route.

Applications may be made using the slip at the end of this issue and should be sent as soon as possible to Derek Shipley, 40 Wollaton Avenue, Sheffield, S17 4LA, including a small stamped addressed envelope. Please include the first name and surname of each person for whom you are applying.

Derek Shipley Coordinator (0114) 236 6257

Visit to Ripon and Markenfield Hall

Tuesday 17 May 2011

We will leave Ecclesall Road South/Knowle Lane at 8.30 am calling at the Bus Interchange at 8.45 am. *[continued on page 34]*

Classical Concertgoers' Group
Visit to the Symphony Hall, Birmingham
Wednesday 6 April 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (£29.50 per person). I
enclose a cheque for £ payable to **SU3A Concertgoers'**
and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. If possible, I would
like to sit with at the
concert. Forms should be sent to arrive **as soon as possible** to
Derek Shipley, 40 Wollaton Avenue, Bradway, Sheffield S17 4LA .



Sheffield U3A Literature Network Meeting
Tuesday 12 April 2011

Shirley House, Psalter Lane, Sheffield 11

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (£3.00 per person). I
enclose a cheque for £..... payable to
Sheffield U3A Literature Network and a small stamped
addressed envelope.

Forms should be sent to Ann Barclay, 14 Clarendon Court,
Carr Bank Lane, Sheffield S11 7FN, to arrive as soon as possible.

The city of Ripon is dominated by the Cathedral, the fourth church, originally housing a monastery on that site. The Cathedral includes St Wilfred's crypt, a 7th century Saxon construction, misericords dating from the 15th century and an Art Nouveau pulpit. You can also see the Ripon Jewel, a Saxon gold roundel which is based in the Treasury.

Alongside the Cathedral is the Market Square, described by Daniel Defoe as the finest and most beautiful square of its kind in England. Besides visiting the Cathedral you may wish to explore the market area and visit the museums nearby, which remind us of the city's past. In addition there is the Prison and Police Museum, Courthouse Museum and Workhouse.

There are the pleasant, beautifully maintained Spa Gardens nearby, where you may eat your picnic lunch if you wish or visit the numerous cafés and restaurants which skirt the square.

We will leave Ripon at 1.30 pm to journey to Markenfield Hall. The hall is a medieval moated farmhouse built in 1310 by John of Markenfield, a Chancellor to Edward II. The house was fortified as a defence against enemies and intruders. In the late 17th century the devotedly Catholic family were among the leaders of the anti-Protestant Rising of the North and lost the house in consequence. The house then passed to the Grantleys and their descendants continue to occupy it

Markenfield is described as a rare treasure, little altered by its custodians. It is a Grade 1 listed building and a Scheduled Ancient Monument; but is also a home still lived in and described as one of the most romantic homes left in England. We will have a conducted tour around the house. You will then be free to walk around the Chapel, the Great Hall and the Undercroft; walk through the Orchard and around the Moat, leaving for Sheffield at 4.30 pm.

The cost of the visit is £17.00. This includes coach fare, gratuities for the driver and admission to Markenfield Hall. To reserve a place, please fill in the booking slip at the end of this issue of *Links* and send it, with a cheque and small stamped addressed envelope, to Val Wiley as soon as possible.

Val Wiley..... (0114) 236 0726

Cruising Down the Canal

Saturday 14 May 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (£14.25 per person). I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **Sheffield U3A** and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent to Dot Sutcliffe, 32 Tapton Crescent Road, Sheffield S10 5DA, to arrive **as soon as possible**.



Visit to Ripon and Markenfield Hall

Tuesday 17 May 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (£17.00 per person). I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel** and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent to Val Wiley, 112 Button Hill, Sheffield S11 9HJ, to arrive **as soon as possible**.

My preferred pick-up point is - ***please tick one:***

Bus Bay Knowle Lane / Ecclesall Road South 8.30 am ()

Sheffield Bus Interchange - Platform 5 8.45 am ()

Jubilee Day at Wortley Hall

Thursday 30 June 2011

Transport Arrangements

By Coach: One coach will depart from the Tesco Store Park and Ride at Millhouses at 9.00 am. The other will depart from Sheffield Bus Interchange at Pond Hill at 9.30 am. On the booking form opposite please select your preferred pick-up point(s) and indicate the number of seats required. You will be sent a ticket(s) which will show your requested pick-up point. These **must** be shown on request to board the coach.

Subject to demand, there may also be a later departure from Pond Hill. To register your interest, please phone Shirley Marney on (0114) 235 0801.

At the end of the day **all** the coaches will leave Wortley Hall at 4.30 pm prompt. Please note that members will be required to travel back to their original departure point.

By Car: Marshals will assist you to park in the field adjacent to Wortley Hall. Please indicate the number of car spaces required on the booking form opposite.

Blue Badge Holders: There are a small number of reserved dedicated spaces close to the Hall. To apply for one please provide your car registration number on the booking form opposite and be prepared to display your badge.

Please check your booking form and enclosures carefully before posting to Shirley Marney. You will receive your tickets together with further information about the event. Do not worry if you do not receive your tickets by return, since applications will be handled in batches. However, if you have not received your tickets after one month, please telephone Shirley Marney on (0114) 235 0801.

Jubilee Day at Wortley Hall

Thursday 30 June 2011

Applicant SU3A No:

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

**Ticket Prices - which include buffet lunch & coach/parking
and are non-refundable**

SU3A members: £12.00 Non-members: £14.00

Please send me tickets for the following people -

Name	SU3A No. (if member)	Ticket Price
TOTAL COST		

Coach Tickets: please insert number required below -

Tesco Park & Ride at Millhouses	9.00 am	
Pond Hill Bus Interchange (exact pick up point will be on ticket)	9.30 am	
Car Parking Spaces - please insert number required		
Disabled Space - please insert registration number		

I enclose a cheque for the total cost of £ (*payable to Sheffield U3A*) and a *Links* sized stamped addressed envelope. Please send your **booking form, cheque and SAE** to Mrs Shirley Marney, 21 Everard Avenue, Sheffield S17 4LY, as soon as possible.

Civic Reception - Friday 14 January 2011

The Lord Mayor of Sheffield, Councillor Alan Law JP, kindly invited members of Sheffield U3A to a Civic Reception to celebrate their Silver Jubilee. The top picture shows the Lord Mayor receiving a year's honorary membership from Chairman Shelagh Woolliscroft and Membership Records Officer Lorna Baker. Further photographs can be viewed on the SU3A website.



Visit to the Barber Institute of Fine Arts University of Birmingham

Thursday 2 June 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve place(s) for me (**£23.00** each). I enclose a cheque for £ payable to **SU3A Aspects of Art** and a **small stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent to arrive **as soon as possible** to Elizabeth Dawson, 13 Barnet Road, Sheffield S11 9NT.

The coach will leave the bus parking bay at Ecclesall Road South/Knowle Lane at 9.15 am.



Dinner and Dance at the Cutlers' Hall Saturday 8 October 2011

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel:

..... Postcode

Please reserve.....place(s).

Deposit of £10 per person.

I enclose a cheque for £..... payable to **Sheffield U3A**. Please send to Vera Dyer, 202 Westwick Road, Sheffield S8 7BZ with a **small stamped addressed envelope, to arrive no later than Monday 21 February 2011.**

AN INVITATION

Workshop and District U3A

Swing and Music Group

We were founded in 2010 and already have an established Group of musicians. We are now advertising for new members from neighbouring U3As who would like to join with us to play Swing music (*Easy Listening/Dance*) played in the style popular in the 1930s –1950s.

To say that we are a mixed-ability group would be an understatement! Our main aims are to enjoy ourselves and to provide entertainment for others, raising donations for charity as we progress. Eventually we hope to be able to offer from trios to fifteen piece full band sounds.

***Clarinet, Saxophone, Trumpet, Trombone, Violin,
Guitar, Bass, Drums and Piano players are all required***

We have noted that a background in other musical genres is no disadvantage!



Please contact the Coordinator for the Group for further details.

**John Fletcher, 8 Almond Grove,
Workshop S80 1AY
Tel:(01909) 509 033**

Note from the Editor

In view of the large number of booking forms in this issue, please photocopy them or download from the website as necessary. Thank you.