# From the Chair

By the time you read this the first Committee meeting following our AGM on the 18 April will have happened and new Committee members for 2011/2012 are now in place. As the incoming Chairman, my first duty is to thank those who have now stepped down as we have said farewell to four valued members of the team.

I must start by paying tribute to our out-going Chairman, Shelagh Woolliscroft, for the significant input she has contributed during her excellent term of office. Events such as the monthly "Drop-In" and the Lecture series were Shelagh's "babies" and are now established events in our programme. She has been involved with outreach work across the city and many thriving groups are now active in the North. The inter-generational work she began between SU3A and schools means we now have 29 members working in the primary sector helping children gain their necessary reading skills. She has also regenerated essential links with Lifelong Learning and our two Universities to the benefit of all. Shelagh is a "doer". She worked tirelessly for SU3A and we are richer for her time in charge. You will also be pleased to hear she has been elected to the Management Committee of Yorkshire and Humberside Region of U3A and I am sure she will prove to be as valuable an asset to them as she was to us.

We also need to say a big thank you to our Treasurer, Jim Rowland, who has steered us financially over the past four years with sound advice and a willingness to help and contribute at all times.

Another sad departure is that of John Lees. John has done stalwart work as our representative on the Ridings Region (which became the Yorkshire and Humberside Region) as well as engineering many key meetings such as the AGM and the New Members. He is a source of knowledge on all matters "insurance" and has been a leading light in writing new guidelines for Coordinators and Problem Resolution Issues both of which T.A.T. have adopted nationally.

Cover: Wortley Hall

Some sad news is that Peter Hughes resigned from the Executive Committee owing to ill health. Peter worked with Shelagh on the outreach programme and was in at the beginning of the World War II project. We wish him a speedy recovery and we will miss his cheery disposition.

As we say goodbye to some we say hello to others. New and welcome additions are Chris Cave, as Treasurer, Jean Stevenson and Jane Whitehead. Dot Sutcliffe who has already contributed greatly to the WW II project and the Jubilee as a co-opted member now takes over managing our key events such as the AGM and New Members' meetings. I am also looking forward to working again with the members of the committee already in situ. Our efficient and ever willing Secretary Vera Dyer, and John Williams who took over *Links* and is doing sterling work. Our Publicity Officer, Pat Battams and General Coordinator Jim Walker who in only a year have both made great contributions to the smooth running of our organisation. Clare Chiba is our expert Web Coordinator and Ken Stringfellow looks after the Drop-in, a popular venue now and much in demand. Dave Caborn who is a very resourceful colleague and always willing to help, and our hard working Minutes Secretary, Ann Barclay, who has the unenviable task of trying to unravel and make sense of some very lively discussions.

I am privileged to have taken over at a very special time, right in the middle of our Silver Jubilee year. Some events have already taken place but there is so much more to look forward to and enjoy and I hope that many of you will be there at our various events as your support is vital. There is still the summer picnic at Chatsworth the Ceilidh and the Gervase Phinn lecture, and the year rounds off with afternoon tea at the Cutlers' Hall. The highlight of the celebrations is of course the festival at Wortley Hall on Thursday 30 June and I hope to meet and greet many of you whom I have not met before. Many of our Groups have offered to showcase their skills and talents and this beautiful location will be the backdrop to promoting everything that is good about our SU3A. So let us hope for sunny times both for the Wortley festival and the year ahead.

Denise West

#### **Executive Committee Report**

#### New SU3A Committee

As you will have seen from the Chairman's report in this issue, some of the Executive Committee members have changed. All contact information for the new Committee can be found inside the front cover of *Links*.

#### Whirlowbrook Memorial Garden

By the isine are upper tweith is the set to be the time of the first two phases of the Memorial Garden, thanks to the generous donations from members and the hard work of a small team of volunteers. However, there is still a third phase to work on and more donations towards planting would be welcome. For donations, please contact Alison Cowper on (0114) 274 6165 Also welcomed would be more volunteers to help with the work. If you are interested, please contact Greta Pearman on (0114) 236 3336

#### Silver Jubilee event at Wortley Hall, 30 June 2011

As of going to press there are a few vacancies, including a few on coaches going to Wortley, and members are advised to get their applications in as soon as possible to avoid disappointment.

#### The World War II Project

A small group has been working very hard to compile a book about members' experiences during the war. The aim is to have copies for sale at Wortley Hall on 30 June, price £5.00.

#### Afternoon Tea at the Cutlers' Hall, Friday 2 December 2011

This is the final event of SU3A's Silver Jubilee year of celebration. The booking form is on page 27 of this *Links*.

#### Third Age Trust AGM and Conference in Nottingham, 17 – 19 September 2011

Attendance at this event is open to all members. At the moment there is only an outline programme, which was in the last issue of U3A News. It is hoped to receive more information and your Secretary, Vera Dyer, will be able to provide details and a booking form.

#### **U3A** Diaries

This year the diaries will cost £2.00, including postage and packing. An order form is on the SU3A website and available from Vera Dyer (contact details inside the front cover of *Links*).

Date of the next Executive Committee meeting is 24 June 2011.

Vera Dyer

## **Thank You Roger**

Roger Heesterman retires from *Links* after serving as Deputy Editor, Editor and over the past year my guide and mentor.

His attention to detail was meticulous and to watch him proof reading with his ruler and red pencil was an object lesson for any budding Editor. He is now involved with other SU3A publications and of course photography.

All of us at SU3A owe him a great debt of gratitude, myself most of all.

Thank you Roger.

John Williams

#### Welcome

To our two new Deputy Editors, Jenny Emby and Jean Stevenson. They have both been involved with editing before and I very much look forward to working with them and benefitting from their previous experience.

John Williams



# 2011 JUBILEE YEAR PROGRAMME

October	Planting a Memorial Woodland Garden at Whirlow Brook Park Canal Boat Cruise	Enquires re donations phone Alison Cowper (0114) 274 6165 Both Trips full
Thursday 30 June	Jubilee Day at Wortley Hall A few places only left Priority to Exhibitors (put E on your form)	Booking form for lunch and transport on page 23
Saturday 30 July	Ceilidh	Holy Trinity Church Millhouses Booking form on page 21
Tuesday 16 August	Picnic	Chatsworth Park Lunch Time Details from Shirley Marney (0114) 274 0801
Wednesday 16 November	5	
Friday 2 December	Afternoon Tea Cutlers' Hall	Booking form on Page 27

#### AFTERNOON TEA AT THE CUTLERS' HALL



As the final event in the year of our Silver Jubilee celebrations you are invited to Afternoon Tea at the Cutlers' Hall on Friday 2 December 2011, 2.00-4.00pm.

The cost is £7.75 per head, for which you will get tea/coffee and a range of sandwiches (including vegetarian choices) and cakes.

We have to confirm with the Cutlers' Hall by the end of June and need at least 100 members making a booking, at which point we are required to pay a 25% non-refundable deposit. As numbers are limited, please complete the form on page 27 and return as soon as possible

# Jubilee Celebrations

#### Chatsworth Picnic Tuesday 16 August

Continuing SU3A's 25th birthday celebrations I am organising a picnic in the grounds of Chatsworth. Come and join us for a fun day with an organised programme on August 16 starting at mid-day.



Cars to be parked in the normal car park at a cost of £2.00. The area chosen for the event is by the cricket ground/river. This will be well sign posted on the day. Please bring your own picnic, drinks and chairs.

Family and friends are invited.

Please complete the slip on page 25 and return to Shirley Marney.

## Hand bell Ringing at Wortley

Demonstrations at 10.30 am and 2.30 pm. Come and try your hand. *Hazel Bradley* 

#### **Directions to Wortley Hall**

Wortley Hall is approximately nine miles to the North of Sheffield City Centre.

From the City Centre follow the A61 North past the Sheffield Wednesday Ground. After 5 or 6 miles, look for the A619 forking left, **direction sign to Huddersfield.** This road takes you into the **village of Wortley.** 

# Take Care!! There is a nasty Z bend around St. Leonard's Church.

Go round the first bend to the right and then indicate right again. You can not see the traffic coming from Huddersfield until you are about to turn right.

Proceed a few yards and fork left at the tree. Go down the long drive until you see the folk from the Rotary Club who will direct you to the Car Park. Passengers should disembark on the drive, before the car turns to the car park, and walk the short distance to the Hall.

**Members with disabilities (Blue Badge Holders)** should continue along the drive until they are at the East side of Wortley Hall where car parking spaces are available.

#### **Sustainable Development Group**

Volunteers wanted for video on sustainable living in the third age. If your lifestyle has some sustainable aspects to it, and you would be happy to talk about/show these in a video which will hopefully be shown at the Jubilee celebrations, please contact

Heather Rostron (0114) 263 8048.

## **Stocksbridge Meeting**

There will be an informal meeting in the lower room of Stocksbridge Library on 6 June, 2-4 pm to discuss the progress of existing local Groups and potential new Groups.

Angela Butler

# **LECTURES FOR ALL**

Sheffield U3A invites you to the next of their monthly series of lectures. This event will take place at The Showroom Cinema 3, 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 to12.00 noon.

The lecture is FREE and all are welcome.

Seats may be reserved on arrival.

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

# Friday 15 July 2011

#### What is Happening to Fairness in Britain? By Danny Dorling

#### Professor of Human Geography, University of Sheffield.

What is happening to our country? Why does unfairness prevail and are we yet bankrupt or not? Danny Dorling attempts some answers, looking across to other countries, back to the history of Britain and forward to what many people say they wish society to be. He also discusses some of the lesser known facts of life in Britain.

Danny Dorling has a world-wide reputation for his work on mapping the changing social, political and medical geographies of Britain and further afield, concentrating on social and spatial inequalities to life chances and how these may be narrowed.

In 2008 Danny was appointed Honorary President of the Society of Cartographers. In 2009 he was awarded the Gold Award of the

Geographical Association and the Back Award of the Royal

Geographical Society for his work on National and International public policy.

In 2008/9 he was a member of the Academic Reference Group

advising Ministers on the Social Mobility White Paper. In 2009 he

joined the World Health Organization's Scientific Resource Group

on Health Equity Analysis and Research. With colleagues he has
published over 25 books and 400 papers.

#### **Group News**

#### Important Messages for all Groups WORTLEY HALL

30 June is now just weeks away. The Planning Committee is devoting much time to resource allocation, programme planning and design, Please direct any queries you may have to your named Link Person. We are standing by to help.

#### **INSURANCE COVER FOR YOUR GROUP**

Lately, cases have arisen where some of our Groups, often for very understandable reasons, have "mixed membership" I mean by that members of a SU3A Activity Group enjoying their activity alongside other distinct individuals who join in the activities but who are members of a different organisation (eg, a SU3A Activity Group is set up to play badminton; the Coordinator finds it convenient to join up and share expenses with, say, a local church badminton club).

I have sought advice from our U3A "legal-eagles" in London and we are warned that the insurance protection given universally to U3A Activity Groups in the UK is dependent on these Activity Groups being composed exclusively of U3A members. The committee would be grateful if you would carefully examine your own Group's situation in the light of this restriction.

The situation becomes potentially disastrous if there are non-U3A members in your Activity Group.

SU3A, in its usual caring way, has produced some advice about insurance and you may either send to me for a copy or download it from: http://sheffieldu3a.org.uk/Links%20and%20other%20PDF% 20files/Coordinators\_documents/Insurance%20Cover%20for% 20U3A%20Members.pdf

(or simply go to SU3A website > Our Groups > Group Coordinators' Page > Insurance Cover for U3A members)

#### **Report from the General Coordinator**

This report heralds a change in the method of listing SU3A's Activity Groups. In April and October a full list will be published in the centre pages as before, giving vacancies and contact details. In the intervening issues only significant changes in the list, or errors spotted and reported, will be published.

So hang on to your April and October issues for a comprehensive overview, and if you want any details changed or corrected in the twice-yearly table, please phone or email me. I will then see to the alteration in the next *Links* issue.

Since my last report (the centre pages tables) in the April issue of *Links* there has been no change in the number of Activity Groups in SU3A, i.e, there are 32 walking Groups, 5 "open" Groups and 137 general Groups.

**Rummikub** has ceased, but a new one (meeting in the evening) has started. Contact *Chris Cave*, (0114) 236 4648

Personal Finance has started up

Helen Marsh, (0114) 230 1622,

Natural History II to be known from now on as Natural History

**Welsh** Coordinator *Sue Wormald's* phone number has been quoted wrongly. It should read: (0114) 268 0487

**Strollers Wednesday** *Pat Park*in has handed over control to *Hazel Scholey* (0114) 247 3673

**Cercle Francais I** – *Ron Blunt* has handed over to *Alan Price*, (0114) 234 4172

**Gannets** – is full up. No more vacancies.

Jim Walker...... General Coordinator......(0114) 236 9687

#### **New Groups**

#### **Jesus/Christianity Today**

After I spoke briefly at the February Drop-In at the Central United Reformed Church, several members expressed interest in having a Group that looked at the present post-Christian world and asked whether there were new ways in which we might salvage what was good about Jesus: - or find new insights from the Gospels that leapt over some of the things our denominations have made of him since.

I have written books called "Secular Christ", "Radical Jesus", and "Discipleship", and would love to share some of this with others, and at the same time get their ideas towards new ways of describing what Jesus could mean today.

Perhaps the best way to start would be for members interested in a Group on Christianity/Jesus/Religion to phone me and we can arrange a couple of meetings and see where it leads us.

#### **Theatre and Concert Visits**

I am hoping to start a Group for anyone interested in the above. The aim is to enjoy a varied, light programme of words and music, mainly within the Yorkshire area, and to include drama, farce, classics, vintage pop and jazz.

Please contact Eileen Littlewood on (0114) 269 6658

#### **Latin from Scratch**

I am new to Latin, never studied it at school. But I love my English Language and recognise the debt it owes to Latin. I want to learn more about the vocabulary and the grammar of Latin speakers and further explore the strong linguistic connection with English. Does anyone else feel the same? If you want to join a Group, or lead one with help from U3A Members, please get in touch with me and we will arrange a planning meeting.

Please contact Jean Hart on (0114) 247 0566

#### Today's World Group The Big Society on the Rocks?

This is not to question whether one of the Government's major policy ideas is now on the rocks. In the U3A we do not discuss such things, but the titles of the two most recent discussions at the Today's World Group do make for an amusing juxtaposition.

In March the subject of The Big Society was introduced for us by Gordon Doole who chose to start by quoting the American political philosopher Michael Sandel who suggests that "there is a strong feeling amongst the majority that there is space in society not occupied by the Government or the Markets where individuals join together to promote the Common Good. These non-governmental and not-for-profit organisations are of great value to society".

Gordon reviewed for us how nations, societies and other organisations have tried to develop systems which achieve an acceptable balance between our individual freedom, our acceptance of common law and compliance with a government to enforce them.

In his fascinating talk he touched upon Thomas Hobbes, the Civil War, Hegel and Marx and much more (including Tony Blair and David Cameron) as he stimulated us to think about the shape of the society we would like to live in.

Then, at our April meeting, the meaning of the mysterious title "Rocks Ahead" became clear when John Richards talked to us about the problems associated with the World's growing population. A series of staggering statistics (a population of 8 million in England in 1800 compared with 52 million today and an anticipated 65 million in 2050) was balanced by a review of how population has been regulated historically and the views and warnings of famous thinkers. The rocks ahead soon became very clear to us.

Another first-class talk served to educate us, give us much scope for discussion and also to send some of us home feeling very depressed!

David Pierce.....Coordinator

## **University Challenged**

A team representing the Sunday Walking Group were the overall winners of the U3A Jubilee Quiz held at the Esporta Club on 26 March. The team consisting of (from left to right) Jean Tricklebank, John Williams, Stella Longdon, David Hydes, Hamiyet Onal and Jane Keeton amassed a magnificent 295 points in the general knowledge quiz.



John Williams (not the Editor!!)

#### **Visiting the History Lace Making**

In March, Daphne Marshall and her friend Susan Williams presented to the Visiting History Group an interesting afternoon on the history of hand-made lace, together with an excellent exhibition and demonstration.

Pillow lace requires the aid of a pillow or pad into which pins are pressed in a pattern which will form the design. Threads, made from the fibres of the flax plant, are contained on separate small bobbins and then twisted or plaited around the pins and each other. Lace making was introduced into England by the Huguenots (French Protestants) seeking refuge from religious persecution at the end of the 16<sup>th</sup> century.

They settled in Southern England, establishing Honiton, in Devon, as one of the thriving centres. This increased the family income and the women often contributed more than the men. In the 17<sup>th</sup> century the first mechanical process was introduced and in 1813 John Leavers, a Nottinghamshire mechanic, laid the foundations of the modern lace manufacturing industry. As a result the cottage industry went into decline.



In 1841 Edward, eldest son of Queen Victoria, was christened in a Honiton lace gown, which is still worn at all Royal Christenings, and Princess Diana's wedding veil was handmade in Honiton. Only a close inspection of the items displayed can reveal the delicate and intricate patterns.(Photograph by Daphne Marshall). *Kathleen Head.....Coordinator* 

#### **Literature Network**

The Literature Network held its first meeting of 2011 on 12 April at Shirley House when Dr Wendy Michallat of Sheffield University's French Department gave a talk about Madeleine Blaess to a capacity audience.

Madeleine Blaess was, for much of her career, a lecturer in the same department at Sheffield, taking up an appointment as a specialist in Medieval French in October 1948 and remaining at the University until her retirement in 1983.

Dr Michallat's focus, however, was not so much on Madeleine Blaess' links with Sheffield as on her earlier life which is documented in private papers and memorabilia which she left to the University.

Born in June 1918 to French parents, Madeleine was brought up in York, and later attended the University of Leeds, graduating in 1939 with a First Class degree in French. Eager to pursue her academic education, she enrolled that autumn at the University of Paris and the Ecole des Hautes Etudes. This proved a momentous decision. Having "missed the



Dr Wendy Michallat

last boat home", in January 1940, Madeleine had to stay in Paris for the duration of the war, only returning to the UK in 1945. Throughout this time she kept a diary which, today, provides fascinating insights into life under the German occupation. "All I have done is battled hard to survive, to not die of starvation and exhaustion", Madeleine wrote wryly of her wartime experiences.

Yet, in gifting her personal papers to Sheffield University, she has left an invaluable legacy. It is through accounts such as hers that we can engage with the immediacy of lives lived at such times.

Dr Michallat supplemented extracts from the diary with a number of contemporaneous photographs, the interior of Madeleine's small

room the view from her window, the round-ups and deportations that she witnessed.

Altogether this was a fascinating talk, providing an introduction to one of Sheffield University's hidden gems. *Anon* 

#### Literature Network - 2011 and 2012

The Network continues to expand its range of activities. Judith Vernier is in charge of our autumn meeting which is open to all SU3A members and their guests. Her speaker is a specialist on the life and work of Virginia Woolf. See the next issue of *Links* for further details.

In 2012 Ernest Shoobridge and I will be experimenting with city centre walkabout days with a literary slant. There is also the possibility of a new creative writing course and an anthology of SU3A writings.

Further news of these will be in later issues of *Links* and on the Literature Network page of the SU3A website.

Peter Barclay......(0114) 230 4327

#### **Jubilee Quiz**

A big thank you to everyone who supported the Jubilee Quiz and apologies to all those who were too late to get tickets. An enjoyable evening was had by all as Peter kept us on our toes with some very entertaining questions. The film sheet was a great innovation.

Esporta, too, deserves a round of thanks as they printed the tickets and donated the bottles of wine for the prizes. The Charity chosen this year was St Luke's Hospice and £331 was raised for the hospice. Thank you all again and hope to see you at the Quiz next year.

Marion Edmondson

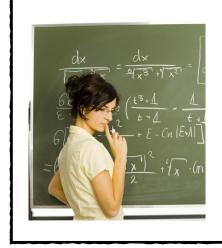
# Classical Concertgoers' Group Sunday 7 August

Our summer outing this year will again be to the annual Gilbert and Sullivan Festival at the Buxton Opera House for a matinee performance of The Pirates of Penzance on Sunday 7th August.

This was one of the earliest of the Savoy Operas and is still one of the most popular, based on an absurd plot, full of familiar melodies, with lots of humour and, of course, a happy ending. It is a full professional production by the Gilbert and Sullivan Opera Company and, following some problems last year with seating, all seats this year will be in the centre stalls.

The inclusive cost is £32.00 and reservations may be made using the slip on page 21. Please include the names and contact details of all members for whom you are applying and send to Derek Shipley, 40 Wollaton Avenue, Sheffield, S17 4LA, as soon as possible.

The coach will leave the bus parking bay on Ecclesall Road South, near the top of Millhouses Lane, promptly at 11.15 am. This will allow time for lunch in Buxton, or a picnic in the Pavilion Gardens, before the performance at 2.30 pm.



#### Thinking of Forming a New Group?

Always contact the General Coordinator to discuss your idea first. *Jim Walker* (0114) 236 9687

#### **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) 296 2251

# 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.

**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*-sized 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.

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# **Travel News and Excursions**

#### **Applications for U3A Day Trips**

Our U3A membership is now nearly 3,000 and this ongoing success is having an effect on the Travel Group. Our trips seem to be continually popular and some have been heavily over subscribed. As a result we have had to disappoint quite a number of members.

The Travel Committee has discussed this problem and, for the moment, we have decided the following:

The policy of "first come, first served" can no longer be fairly implemented, due to the vagaries of the postal system (differing times of delivery of the *Links* and of delivery to the Trip Organiser) and also the large numbers of applications arriving within two days.

The Organiser will wait for a week before dealing with the applications in order to ensure that everyone has a fair chance. Then the luck of the draw will decide who is allocated a place on the trip. Hand delivered applications will get the same treatment as postal ones.

The Organiser will keep a list of those people who have failed to get a place and give priority to them for the next trip for which they wish to apply.

The Committee will be constantly monitoring the situation, but does welcome any suggestions. In the meantime, we do hope that you will continue to apply for our trips and holidays and we thank you for your continuing interest in our activities.

Barbara Robertshaw ...... Coordinator

# Visiting History Tuesday 21 June 2011

Visit to Leeds Museums and Art Galleries. The museum covers Egypt, Greece and Rome, the History of Leeds and Life on Earth, on four floors, including shop and cafe. We will stay just over one hour. Just five minutes walk from the Museum is the City Library where we will visit the Tiled Hall, (the old reading room) a magnificent room, 80ft x 40ft, the vaulted ceiling covered in mosaic with hexagonal bricks of various colours with golden bosses. The Art Gallery is on the same floor.

Meet at the lift, Sheffield Station, at 9.20 am to catch the train to Leeds, and then bus (50p) to the museum. From the Art Gallery, you will have free time to explore the shops and arcades of Leeds. **Please bring your Bus Pass**. All the Museums are free. Check the times of your return journey.

*Kathleen Head......Coordinator......(0114)* 243 8021 ★ \_\_\_\_\_

## CEILIDH

## Saturday 30 July 2011

As part of our Jubilee Celebrations, come and dance away a summer evening with your friends at

#### **Holy Trinity Millhouses Church Hall**

7.00 pm until 10.00 pm with live music provided by

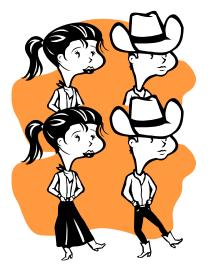
#### **Fine Fettle**

who give their fee to charity

Tickets £7.00 (to include light refreshments)

If you would like to buy a ticket(s), please fill in the form on the next page to arrive **as soon as possible.** 

Doreen Bezant......(0114) 236 6596



# Ceilidh Holy Trinity Millhouses Church Hall Saturday 30 July 2011

Please send me.....tickets at (£7.00 per person). I enclose a cheque for £ ..... payable to Sheffield U3A and a small stamped addressed envelope. Send to: Doreen Bezant, 52, Chatsworth Road, Sheffield S17 3QH as soon as possible.

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#### Classical Concertgoers' Group Visit to the Buxton Opera House Sunday 7 August 2011

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# 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. **There are now very few seats available so there may be no choice of pick up point.** 

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 on the same coach.

**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.

By Public Transport Bus 29 from Sheffield Interchange.

**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.

Any Queries please telephone *Shirley Marney* (0114) 235 0801

# **Jubilee Day at Wortley Hall** Thursday 30 June 2011

Applicant	SU3A No:
Address	Tel:

..... Postcode .....

## Admission by Ticket only - which includes buffet lunch and coach or car parking, and is non-refundable

#### SU3A members: £12.00 Non-members: £14.00

Please send me ...... tickets for the following people -

Name		A No. ember)	Ticket Price
	TOTA	L COST	
Coach Tickets: please insert nun	nber ree	quired be	elow -
Tesco Park and Ride at Millhouses		9.00 am	
Pond Hill Bus Interchange (exact pick up point will be on ticket)		9.30 am	
Car Parking Spaces at Wortley - inser	t numbe	er required	
Disabled Space - please insert regi	stration	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 Shirley Marney, 21 Everard Avenue, Sheffield S17 4LY, as soon as possible.

# Whitby and the North Yorkshire Moors Railway Wednesday 10 August 2011

#### Once again we are making this ever-popular visit to the North Yorkshire coast and moorland. We will have the morning in Whitby where you might like to visit the Abbey or St. Mary's Church - if you can meet the challenge of the 199 steps!

There are quaint little lanes and back streets lined with shops and cafes, and the Captain Cook Museum in Grape Lane.

After lunch - fish and chips perhaps? - we board our coach at 1.30 pm for the drive to Grosmont where we take the NYMR train to arrive in Pickering at 3.40 pm. The Castle is closed on Wednesdays but you may like to visit the Norman Church of St Peter and St Paul which is famous for its wall paintings.

There are plenty of places in the town for a cup of tea before leaving Pickering at 5.00 pm for our return to Sheffield.

The cost of the day is £22.00 per person. This includes travel by coach and train and gratuities but not the cost of any food or drinks.

To apply for a place, please complete the booking slip on the next page and send it as soon as possible with a cheque payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel** and a **small stamped addressed envelope.** 

Margaret Bullivant......(0114) 296 2256

#### *Links* 154: the last date for copy is Monday 4 July 2011

#### Whitby and North Yorkshire Moors Railway Wednesday 10 August 2011

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#### Chatsworth Picnic Tuesday 16 August 2011

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21, Everard Avenue, Bradway, Sheffield S17 4LY

#### Swaledale and Richmond Tuesday 6 September 2011

We propose to travel from Sheffield to Swaledale, taking the picturesque route from Leeming Bar to Richmond, to Swaledale and Reeth. This picturesque village houses the Swaledale Folk Museum.

There, after coffee and biscuits, the Curator will tell us a little of the history of the Swaledale area and introduce the artefacts within the museum. She has arranged for a buffet lunch to be provided by the ladies of the village. This is included in the cost of the outing.

Having relished the beauties of Swaledale from the village of Reeth, we will retrace our steps to Richmond where we will spend a few hours. Nothing is arranged here, but, as many of you will know, Richmond is a beautiful North Yorkshire town established by the Romans and much developed by the Georgians.

The Castle, an English Heritage site, offers a glorious view of Swaledale, and beside the Castle there is a fine market square lined with restaurants and cafés.

You can if you wish have a guided tour of the Georgian Theatre built in 1788. If the sun shines we anticipate a splendid day out; if it does not we anticipate a little less.

The cost of the outing is £25.00. This includes travel, gratuities, coffee and biscuits, entrance to the museum and lunch. To reserve a place, please complete the booking slip on the next page .

Val Wiley

#### Swaledale and Richmond Tuesday 6 September 2011

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## Afternoon Tea at the Cutlers' Hall Friday 2 December 2011

Name(s)	SU3A No(s)
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Please reserve ...... place(s) for me (£7.75 per person). I enclose a cheque for £ ....... payable to *Sheffield U3A Travel* and a *small* **stamped addressed envelope**. Forms should be sent to Vera Dyer, 202, Westwick Road, Sheffield S8 7BZ to arrive **as soon as possible**.

# Advance Notice Lunch and Lecture – Friday 14 October 2011

We are fortunate to have secured Louise Page as our speaker for this event. Louise is a playwright, novelist and journalist, who will be giving a talk on The History of Soap Opera. For ten years Louise wrote the scripts for The Archers on Radio 4 and her talk is sub-titled,



#### "People I have Murdered"

Details and an application form will be in the August edition of *Links*.

Doreen Bezant......Coordinator.....(0114) 236 6596

# Memories of Wortley Hall or any other Jubilee Event

If you take any interesting photographs at Wortley Hall or at any other Jubilee event we would love to publish these on our website and, possibly, use them to illustrate an article we hope to have published in the National U3A News and in the Yorkshire and Humberside newsletter.

If you can identify people by name and/or add a comment about the context, it would be most useful. Please forward your pictures to both:

Clare Chiba, Website Coordinator:

Pat Battams, Publicity Coordinator: