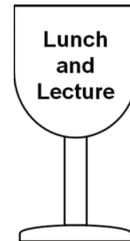
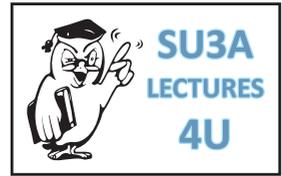
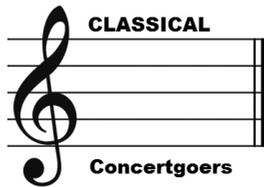




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This supplement is produced by the various Open Group Committees.
Any comments should be directed to them and not to the *Links* Editor.



Open groups are open to all Sheffield U3A members.

For some events, like the Friday Lectures, you just need to turn up in good time for a seat. Other activities require you to send in a booking form, often with a deposit and SAE. The booking forms will be found in the Links and Links Supplement and should be returned to the person named.

So if you want to go to listen to some classical music, listen to one of the monthly lectures, go on a weekend away, learn more about our great city through walking, go on a day trip near or far or to travel Europe, one of the Open Groups is just for you. These are great opportunities to meet new people, see new places, and learn.

Travel Audio System:

To further enhance the tours where guides are used, SU3A have invested in the Whisper Audio system. Basically you have a receiver around your neck and an earpiece. The guide wears a transmitter and talks normally. Through the ear piece you can hear the guide up to 100m away. Ideal for those city walks or when visiting country houses and churches. For those who wear hearing aids with a 'T' switch, loop receivers are available. Just let the organiser know in advance. If you prefer to use your own headphones, or earpiece with a standard 3.5mm earphone jack (as used on a mobile phone, iPod, iPad and portable radios), then just take it with you on your journey.

The Open Groups Supplement Editor

Important Notice

At the next AGM in July, both the Chair and Treasurer are stepping down. Please read the job descriptions below and apply for any of the posts that you think are most suitable. If you are interested, in the first instance please contact our Secretary at secretarysu3a.org.uk

TREASURER

The overall role of the Treasurer is to maintain an overview of SU3A's affairs, helping ensure the organisation's financial viability and that proper financial records and procedures are maintained.

Responsibilities:

- Serving on the Committee (usually meeting bi-monthly) and other committees if appointed
- Presenting at every Committee meeting up to date accounts and details of all payments made since the previous committee meeting
- Presenting budgets for approval by the Committee.
- Supporting the Committee in the development of a financial strategy to ensure that:
 - the financial resources of the organisation meet its present and future needs
 - appropriate reserves, investment and risk policies are in place and regularly reviewed
 - accounting procedures and security procedures are constantly reviewed and upgraded whenever necessary
 - there is no conflict between any investment held and the aims and objectives of the charity

- Ensuring that the accounts are prepared and disclosed in the form required by funders and the relevant statutory bodies, eg the Charity Commission
- Advising on the financial implications of the strategic plan and annual work programme
- Monitoring investment activity and ensuring its consistency with policies and legal responsibilities
- Ensuring that the accounts are examined in the manner required and that any recommendation of the Independent Examiner is reported to the Committee
- Providing for publication in Links the examined accounts and Independent Examiners Report
- Keeping the Committee informed about its financial duties and responsibilities
- Contributing to the fundraising strategy of the organisation
- Making a formal presentation of the accounts at the annual general meeting and drawing attention to important points in a coherent and easily understandable way
- Sitting on recruitment panels as required
- Submitting annual returns, including to the Charity Commission
- Submitting gift aid claims to HMR&C
- Ensuring that Groups accounts are submitted to the Treasurer, where required by the Guidelines for Coordinators.

Skills:

- In addition to the qualities needed by all trustees, the Treasurer should ideally also possess the following:
 - financial qualifications and experience
 - some experience of charity finance and the voluntary sector generally
 - the skills to analyse proposals and examine their financial consequences
 - a preparedness to make unpopular recommendations to the Committee
 - a willingness to be available to other members for advice and enquiries on an ad hoc basis.

CHAIR

The overall role of the Chair is to lead the Committee, ensuring that it fulfils its responsibilities for the governance of the organisation. The Chair should ensure the full participation of all Committee members and work with other committee members on recruitment and orientation of new Committee.

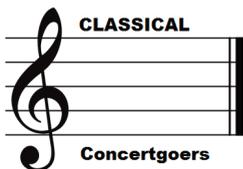
Responsibilities:

- Providing leadership for the Committee in their role of setting the strategy and policy of the organisation
- Working with the other officers to plan the annual cycle of Committee meetings and the agenda for those meetings. Chairing Committee meetings
- Monitoring that decisions taken at those meetings are implemented; representing the organisation at functions and meetings and acting as spokesperson as appropriate
- Working with other Committee members to resolve difficulties arising within the organisation.

In addition to the skills needed by all trustees the Chair should also possess the following:

- Leadership skills
- Comfortable with using the internet and communicating via email
- Experience of committee work
- Sensitivity to and tolerance of differing views
- Friendly, responsive and patient approach; personal integrity
- Impartiality, fairness and the ability to respect confidences
- Specific knowledge of the work of U3As and a commitment to that work
- Knowledge of SU3A's mission, services, policies and programmes and commitment to its values
- Awareness of the wider voluntary sector and other relevant networks.

If you are interested, in the first instance please contact our Secretary at secretarysu3a.org.uk



Classical Concertgoers 2020

After eight years at the helm Vera and I will be retiring from the Concertgoers committee after our February visit to Nottingham to hear the Icelandic Symphony Orchestra.

It has been an enjoyable and instructive time which we've spent with our regular and occasional participants. I feel I can now count many of you as friends. It has been a delight to share concerts with you in Manchester, Birmingham, Leeds, Nottingham and Leicester. This would not have been possible without the help and support of committee members who have brought knowledge, expertise and enthusiasm to our choice of programmes. I am confident that this will continue, supplemented by newcomers to the planning committee which meets four or five times a year.

I am pleased that Gordon Fyffe, a devotee of classical music, has agreed to take over as co-ordinator.

However, **we lack a Treasurer and without one it is not possible for Concertgoers to function.**

We need someone willing to liaise with the bank, countersign cheques, record the accounts and present them to the annual auditor. Our visits are usually no more than four a year but do require the commitment which Vera was willing to take on eight years ago and which she has graciously fulfilled.

In the end the successful operation of an Open Group depends upon the dedication of committee members, otherwise it closes.

So, **if someone can support us in the role of Treasurer**, please contact Vera, Gordon, or me. (Contact details inside front cover of the supplement.)

Pamela Sandford

AGEING ACTIVELY IN YOUR COMMUNITY – OPPORTUNITIES AND CHALLENGES

We all in various ways, seek to remain active throughout our lives physically, intellectually, socially and in our communities. U3A is an excellent vehicle for participation in a huge and diverse range of activities and also for developing new interests and capacities some of which we may never had even considered.

However, we all face challenges of various kinds that may constrain our participation in activities. These will include those that are inherent to us as individuals and others that are present in the world around us. What can be done to overcome these challenges?

Sheffield U3A is collaborating with the organisers of the Festival of Debate and the University of Sheffield Healthy Lifespan Institute to present a participative 2020 Festival of Debate session on active ageing. This will take place on a date to be finalised in April or May 2020.

If you have specific ideas for topics that may be addressed during this event and/or to register your interest, please contact Philip Long at pelong54gmail.com



ARE YOU PLANNING TO WRITE YOUR LIFE STORY?

John Turner, who ran a successful four-part life-writing workshop in May, is planning to run another on 9th, 16th, 23rd and 30th March 2020.

Venue: Showroom Cinema, small cafe/bar. Cost £10 per head, to cover materials and venue. John used to teach creative writing. He is a published poet, playwright and short story writer and has performed regularly with Ian McMillan and other poets, both in the UK and in Europe.

For further details contact John on 07970 473 458 or email him at jrt39bowgmail.co

‘ALL EARS’ ON THE MOVE

‘All Ears’, our new music listening group, has moved to a different venue but the idea behind it remains the same; to let members decide the music that is played, regardless of genre.

Now in Room 4 at the Quaker Meeting House on St James Street near Sheffield Cathedral, the group meets on the first Friday of each month, so the next two sessions are on 7th February and 6th March. All SU3A members are welcome to attend and contribute. Refreshments are available from 10.30am, and the music starts at 11. There is a small charge of around £2 to cover the cost of room hire.

The first three sessions featured nearly 50 different performers and almost as many different styles, but there are many other areas of music yet to be explored.

To nominate music to be played, contact paulcordwell3gmail.com / 0114-3273954.

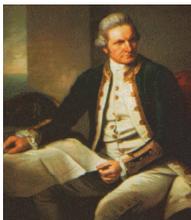
The SU3A Commemorative Garden at Whirlowbrook Park: Biennial Service of Remembrance and Plant 'Sale'.

Wednesday, 10 June 2020. 10 for 10.30 a.m.

This event marks the tenth year of the Commemorative Garden. All members are welcome, especially those who have donated to the Garden in memory of loved ones or fellow SU3A members.

The service will take place in the Garden or in the Hall if wet. Refreshments will be available afterwards in the Hall and plants and cards will be available in return for a small donation.

Donations for new plants are always welcome. Please phone Alison Cowper on 274 6165 and she will send you a donation form.



Captain Cook & Whitby

Come and explore the history of Captain James Cook and Whitby, in a 2-day event hosted by Whitby Whaler U3A.



The event will take place around midsummer, so you will be able to see the sun rise from and set in the sea, and as well as learning all about Captain Cook you will be able to explore the delights of Whitby, including the legendary fish 'n' chips!



Dates: From Wednesday 24th June to Thursday 25th June, with arrival on Tuesday 23rd and optional stay until Friday 26th

The following are included;

- Lectures and films on Captain Cook and his voyages
- Visit to Captain Cook Museum, Whitby
- Visit to Cook's birthplace site, Marton
- Visit to Cook's school, Great Ayton, & tour of village
- Lunches on Wednesday and Thursday
- Entertainment evening provided by Whitby Whaler U3A – dinner, music and dancing
- Optional activities (not included in price) – ghost walks, visits to Whitby Abbey, St Mary's Church, Whitby Museum, Pannett Park



Accommodation is not included, and must be booked by individual delegates. A list of hotels and B & Bs in the most appropriate area of Whitby will be provided, and for those not living near Whitby we recommend at least a 2-night stay (Tuesday and Wednesday nights) – a 3rd night on Thursday would allow Friday for exploration of the many attractions Whitby has to offer.

Cost - £ 60 per delegate

Captain Cook Event, Whitby Tuesday 23rd – Thursday 25th June 2020

1. Application Form

- One form to be completed by each applicant.
- Please ensure that the first name you write on the form is the one you wish to have on your badge.
- Couples please complete one form per person and indicate your partner's name.

2. Accommodation

- Once you have registered you will be supplied with a list of guest houses and B&Bs, all of which are within easy walking distance of the two main venues; St John Ambulance Hall (SJAH) and Whitby Pavilion. However you are of course at liberty to book your own preferred accommodation. Unless you live close to Whitby you will need to book accommodation for the nights of 23rd and 24th, with the 25th optional for those who wish to sample Whitby's many other attractions on Friday the 26th.

3. Accessibility

- The SJAH and the Pavilion both have easy flat access for those with accessibility problems.
- Please note that the Captain Cook museum in Whitby is on four floors, and only the ground and first floor have access by lift.
- The museum in Marton has easy flat access, though there is a 15-minute walk from the coach park to the museum. There are stairs in the Museum in Great Ayton, but there is a lift for wheelchair users.
- It is a 15-minute downhill walk (uphill back!) from SJAH to the Captain Cook museum; transport can be arranged if necessary.

4. The Outline Programme

- Tuesday 23rd June, 6pm – Welcome Reception with drinks, and information about the programme.
- Wednesday 24th June - 9.30-12.30, lectures and films to the whole group at SJAH, with coffee break. Buffet lunch at SJAH. 2pm, visit to Captain Cook Museum and guided walk around the historic East side of Whitby, finishing at around 5pm. Evening event, including dinner, musical entertainment and dancing, at the Pavilion, starting at 7.30pm.
- Thursday 24th June - Two coaches depart from Whitby simultaneously at 9.15am. Group 1 will visit the birthplace site at Marton in the morning, finishing around 12 noon, and moving on to lunch at a local hostelry, then arrive at Great Ayton approx 2pm, visiting the school and looking round the village, departing around 4pm. Group 2 will arrive at Great Ayton at 10am, leaving at 12 noon for lunch at a different hostelry, then on to Marton, arriving approx 2pm, departing 4pm. Upon arrival back in Whitby there will be a final get together for the whole group at SJAH (around 5pm), with information about optional activities for those staying on until Friday. The event will close at approximately 5.30pm

5. Costs and Payment Terms

Total cost of the Event is £60 per person, excluding accommodation if required.

- a. To secure your booking, please send a completed Application Form and cheque to the administrator in Whitby: Trevor Barrowcliffe, 3 White Point Court, Whitby, North Yorkshire YO21 3UR.
- b. Your booking will be confirmed by email or telephone; if you don't have email and require the accommodation list, please send a stamped addressed envelope
- c. Because of limitations of numbers at the museums and the need for coaches the maximum number of delegates is restricted to 100. Booking will be on a first come first served basis and registrations must be received by 30 April 2020 at the latest.
- d. Refunds: These are made at the discretion of the organising committee, depending on circumstances.

6. Further Information

Any queries can be directed to *Trevor Barrowcliffe* on 01947 600963, email twbarrowcliff@yahoo.co.uk

This event is organised jointly by the Trustees on the Yorkshire and The Humber Regional (YAGR) Committee, and the Committee of Whitby Whaler U3A.



Captain Cook Event, Whitby Tuesday 23rd - Thursday 25th June 2020



1. Personal Details

First Name Surname
you'd like on your name badge

U3A Email

Address

..... Post Code

Tel (essential) Mobile (if possible).....

1. Next of Kin Contact Details (for emergency use)

Name Relationship to delegate

Land Line Mobile

2. Your Booking

a. I'd like to book for £60: With overnight stays (own booking) As a day visitor

b. Special requirements regarding disabilities

Not Applicable Wheelchair access Walking difficulty

c. Special dietary requirements

Vegetarian Diabetic Gluten free Other - please give details

3. And Finally

To ensure our administration progresses smoothly, please confirm the following:

I have read the booking notes

I enclose a cheque made payable to 'U3A Yorkshire & Humber Region' to cover the total cost of £60

Signature Date

Please return Application form and Cheque(s) to Trevor Barrowcliffe, 3 White Point Court, Whitby, North Yorkshire YO21 3UR.

For any enquiries, contact Trevor on 01947 600963, or email twbarrowcliff@yahoo.co.uk



Friday Lectures at the Showroom Cinema

These lectures are free to members. There may occasionally be a retiring collection for the speaker's charity. There is normally no booking system - it's 'first come first seated'. Lectures are held in Cinema 4 at the Showroom Cinema, Paternoster Row. They start at 11 am, finishing by 12.30 pm. Greeters with U3A lanyards are at the door to welcome new members.

The Showroom cafe serves refreshments from 10 am and prepared lunches are now available. A voucher, obtainable from the box office, enables half-price parking at Q-park (the Cheese grater) on Charles Street off Arundel Gate. Sheffield U3A's audio system for the hard of hearing is usually available. It connects the auditorium system to a limited number of personal receivers (using either the hearing aid 'T' position or an earpiece). If in doubt contact U3AChrisCarter@gmail.com. We try to post last-minute programme changes on the Urgent News page of the SU3A website.

Queries to Shelagh Woolliscroft on (0114) 255 8948

21 February. What would Ethel do? Tomo Thompson, Chief Executive CPRE (South Yorks and Peak District). A talk about the history and work of the Peak District, from the journey of a young woman in mourning to the moors East of Sheffield, through the establishment of the first National Park and the first Green Belt to their current work as they near their centenary. Tomo Thompson is a retired British Army Officer and a passionate advocate of the benefits of the outdoor environment. There will be a retiring collection in aid of the work of the Peak Park.

20 March. Treading the Boards at Haworth Parsonage. Dr. Amber Regis, Senior Lecturer, University of Sheffield. The opening of the museum at the Bronte Parsonage in 1928 was followed by a decade of biodrama. This talk explores how 'the Brontë myth' was constructed upon the 1930s stage via its dramatisation of archival remains and museum objects.

17 April. The Contribution of the University to Sheffield Life. Universities are no longer 'ivory towers'. They are expected to involve themselves in the local community at both a strategic level and on a day to day basis. **Professor Koen Lamberts, Vice-Chancellor, University of Sheffield** will outline the many collaborations between town and gown.

Lecture Report December 2019

Sheffield's Father Christmas, JG Graves, by Mike Spick

In the beating heart of this 21st century city, Mike Spick, former Local Studies librarian, revealed the magnanimity and vision of a latterday businessman and benefactor, John George Graves, George to his friends. He rose from an apprentice jeweller, working 12 hour shifts to become a wealthy philanthropist, whose bounty is still making a difference in all our lives.

Born in Horncastle, Lincolnshire, in 1866, he moved to Heckmondwike in 1874 to attend Batley Boys' Grammar School before arriving in Shalesmoor in 1880 to take up an apprenticeship at Wishman's jewellery. He was a devout Christian attending first Townhead Baptist church, before joining a ministry on Carver Street. By adjusting the Wishman policy of full payment before receiving a product, to one of credit and payment by instalments, his business flourished. He started with jewellery and watches, but extended to widen his manufacturing base and import products for sale, initially Swiss watches.

He feared for the health of Sheffielders drinking alcohol to excess, as water was not safe. He supported the Salvation Army and funded a hostel for the homeless on Fitzwilliam Street, later replaced by the current hostel. He was active in the YMCA and contemplated the life of a missionary. Happily, for Sheffield, his influence was considerable based on the success of his mail order empire. He employed a workforce of 3000, mostly women, who worked for less pay, with men in managerial and packing roles. In his work canteen, he ensured his staff ate a hot meal at subsidised prices and took them out to dine at his expense. He provided garden parties for his workers in the grounds of his home, Riverdale, close to Endcliffe Park, which included ping pong, button and potty racing to name just a few.

Today he is remembered by those who walk in his many parks, the largest is Graves Park. Also Eccleshall woods, recently added a visitor centre through his charitable trust. He invested in over 3000 paintings, 700 now hang in Graves Gallery, above the central library. He gave a new wing to the children's hospital and established the Institute of Radiotherapy, a forerunner to Weston Park. He declined a knighthood. but will be remembered for providing the green lungs of the city, a healthy antidote to its more toxic history. Our thanks go to Mike for an inspiring insight into our generous benefactor, whose influence will be appreciated by future generations.

Lecture Report by Lorraine Wickham



LUNCH AND LECTURE

Barbara Hutton, Sue Connelly, Martin Harvey, and Sarah Williamson invite you to their first Lunch and Lecture at the Doubletree by Hilton Sheffield Park Hotel, Chesterfield Road South, Meadowhead, Sheffield, S8 8BW on **Friday 22 May, 2020**.

Speaker **Ron Clayton** (<https://sheffieldhistorytours.com/about-ron/>) a local Historian will give a lively and stimulating talk on the subject of **Sheffield Castle**, arguably the most enigmatic castle in England. In 1270 a stone castle was erected to replace the 'motte and bailey' structure which burnt down in 1266. Sheffield Castle, in its heyday, was possibly as large as Warwick Castle and was demolished, circa 1649, after it held out against Parliamentary Forces in August 1644.

Please arrive at 1200 md for a 1230 pm start. Cost **£20.00**. This new price fully reflects the increased cost of the meal, speaker and staff gratuities. The last Lunch and Lecture was subsidised, and we cannot afford to do that in the future. However, we feel it is still excellent value.

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

The menu will be a choice from:

- a) Lemon Thyme Marinated Chicken Breast (GF), served with Parsley Mashed Potatoes, buttered vegetables and roasted shallot gravy
- b) Butter Roasted Salmon Fillet served with parsley crushed potatoes, green beans and tarragon cream
- c) Ricotta and Spinach filo parcel, served with roast potatoes and seasonal vegetables

The dessert is:

- d) Seasonal Fruit Crumble, served with custard;
- e) Seasonal fruit salad with vanilla ice cream

Should you have a special dietary request, please include in your application.

Please also note that this is a set menu and once you have made your menu choices, you cannot change your mind.

If you would like to book a place, please complete the form below, together with menu choices, and send it with a cheque made payable to Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture, to arrive no later than **Friday 1 May 2020**.

Bookings received after the closing date will not be accepted.

Barbara Hutton (0114) 4384412, 07873 202996

Sue Connelly (01246) 418251, 07890 522014

Lunch and Lecture: Sheffield Castle

**Doubletree by Hilton Sheffield Park Hotel, Chesterfield Road
South, Meadowhead, S8 8BW**

Friday 22 May 2020 at 1200 md for 1230 pm start

Name(s) SU3A No(s)

Address Tel

..... Postcode

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

(c) (d) (e)

Special dietary request:.....

Please reserve place(s) for me (**£20.00** per person).

I enclose a **small stamped addressed envelope** and a cheque for
£ payable to **Sheffield U3A Lunch and Lecture**

Forms should be sent to arrive **no later than Friday 1 May 2020**
to Barbara Hutton, 57, Bradway Road, Sheffield, S17 4QR .

Travel Group Visit to Leicester - Wednesday 22nd April 2020

Leicester is an historic and interesting city to visit. On arrival at the King Richard III Visitor Centre following a welcome cup of coffee/tea we will be free to explore the Centre.

Richard III was the last English King to die in battle and to be DNA tested. The Centre tells the story of his life, death on the battlefield and the amazing discovery of his remains in a city centre car park. The use of modern forensic techniques made it possible to prove that the remains were King Richard. His original gravesite is at the Centre.

Our lunch of soup and sandwiches will be served to us around 12.30 at the Centre. The entrance ticket is valid for the day so we can leave and return as we please.

After lunch you are free to visit the many interesting places nearby. The Cathedral is well worth a visit. Do make sure that you see the sanctuary in the Cathedral where Richard's tomb is located. The Medieval Guildhall near the Cathedral is also worth a visit. Upstairs there is the 3rd oldest library in the country.

The New Walk Art Gallery and Museum is approximately a 15-minute walk from the Centre and a visit is recommended. Amongst its many treasures there is a stunning collection of Picasso's ceramics given to the Museum in memory of their daughter and grand-daughter by Richard Attenborough and his wife. It was collected by them during many visits to France and to Picasso's workshop.

The cost of this day visit is £31.00. This includes coach travel, driver's gratuity and admission to the King Richard III Visitor Centre. Coffee/tea and biscuits on arrival and the soup and sandwich lunch are also included.

To apply for a place on this visit please complete the booking form remembering to include any special dietary needs and return it with your cheque and a small sae as soon as possible to Margaret Langrish, 19, Alms Hill Road, Sheffield S11 9RR



Travel Group Visit to Leicester - Wednesday 22nd April 2020

Name(s)..... SU3A No

..... SU3A No

Address

Postcode: Tel: Mobile:

Emergency Contact for each person named above

Name:..... Tel

Name:..... Tel

Please reserve place(s) for me.I enclose a cheque for £ (£31 per person), payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**.

Please return the completed slip with **your cheque and a small sae** to Margaret Langrish, 19 Alms Hill Road, Sheffield S11 9RS

Please indicate any dietary requirements of anyone applying on this form e.g.gluten-free
.....

Please tick your preferred pick-up point below:

- Sheffield Interchange, Platform E5/E6 07.30am (.....)
- Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Road South 08.00am (.....)



TRAVEL GROUP VISIT TO SUFFOLK – 5TH – 9TH JUNE 2020

During this five day break we will have some interesting and enjoyable visits from our base at the Ipswich Holiday Inn. One of these will be to Sutton Hoo – the burial ground of Anglo-Saxon kings and the site of a 90-foot longship which contained amazing treasures and artefacts. A National Trust guide will tell us about the people who lived here and also about those who discovered this important place. We can visit the exhibition hall and the house of the landowner who started the excavations in 1939. There is a café and a new observation tower from which the whole site may be viewed.



The Suffolk countryside was the inspiration for some of Constable's most famous works including "The Hay Wain" and "Flatford Mill". Our guide will tell us some of history of the place and the people who lived and worked around Flatford. As well as these two National Trust properties we will also be visiting two or three of the small Suffolk seaside towns and have an afternoon cruise on the River Orwell.

On the journey from Sheffield, our lunchtime break will be at Thursford. We can ride on the vintage "merry-go-rounds" and hear the lively music from the automated fairground organs. There is a café to have some lunch before we travel on to the hotel.

On our homeward journey our final visit will be to Flag Fen near Peterborough. This is Britain's Bronze Age Centre which is one of the most important archaeological sites in Europe. Excavations have revealed many swords and other metal objects and jewellery and the remains of a very long causeway. The reconstructed Bronze Age and Iron Age round houses give us a glimpse into life in prehistoric Britain.

The cost of this short break on a half-board (dinner, bed and breakfast) basis is £350 per person sharing a double or twin room and £400 for single occupancy of a room. If you would like to apply for a place, please complete the form and return it to Margaret Bullivant.

NB. The closing date for applications is 14th February 2020



SU3A TRAVEL – SUFFOLK

5th – 9th JUNE 2020

Name(s)..... SU3A No

..... SU3A No

Address

Postcode: Tel: Mobile:

Please reserve..... place(s) for the above named SU3A members.

Room requested: single..... double..... twin..... (please tick)

Enclosed cheque in payment of deposit £..... (£50 per person) made payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**.

Please send the payment slip and cheque together with a stamped and addressed envelope sized 16X23 cm to Margaret Bullivant, 14 Kingsley Park Grove, Sheffield S11 9HL.

NB. The closing date for applications is 14th February 2020.

(If you are also applying for a place on the day visit to Whitby you must send a separate cheque to pay for that along with a small sae)

Riviera Travel

If you are booking a holiday with Riviera Travel either as a group or privately, please mention you are a member of Sheffield U3A.

At the end of your holiday Riviera Travel will make a small donation to our U3A.

TRAVEL GROUP DAY VISIT TO WHITBY –
Wednesday 13th MAY 2020

This visit will allow time to explore the back lanes and market place, visit the Captain Cook Museum or Pannett Park Art Gallery or just sit and watch the boats in the harbour. There are plenty of places to have lunch or you may like to take your own picnic but mind the seagulls!

In the afternoon we will board the coach for the short journey to Whitby Headland for a guided tour of the parish church of St. Mary. In AD 1110 a simple stone church was built here, and it has since been altered and enlarged to accommodate more parishioners as the town's population grew. It has some interesting features and our guide will tell us some of the stories about the place and the people who have been there over the centuries.



After our church visit, we will go to the ruins of Whitby Abbey. The first monastery here was founded in AD 657 by King Oswy of Northumberland. It was an Anglo-Saxon “double monastery” for men and women and was ruled over by the formidable royal princess Abbess Hild. This is an English Heritage property and when we check in as a group information leaflets will be available.

There is a café nearby run by the YHA where you can get a drink and snack before boarding the coach for our journey home.

The cost per person for this day visit is £15.40 which includes a donation to the church, coach fare and driver gratuity. If you wish to apply for a place, please complete the booking form and return it with a small stamped self-addressed envelope to Margaret Bullivant **before 28th February 2020.**

NB. If you are also applying for a place on the Suffolk holiday which is advertised elsewhere in this edition of Links, you must send a separate cheque for that and enclose one large (23 X 16 cm) envelope as well as a small sae



TRAVEL GROUP DAY VISIT TO WHITBY

Wednesday 13th May 2020

Name(s)..... SU3A No

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Address

Postcode: Tel: Mobile:

Emergency Contact for each person named above:

Name: Tel:

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Please reserve..... place(s) for me. I enclose a cheque for £..... (£15.40 per person), payable to **Sheffield U3A Travel**.

Please indicate if you are a member of ENGLISH HERITAGE by ticking here (.....) this applies to all names on this form.

Non-members of English Heritage will need to have £7.56 in cash in a sealed envelope marked with their name and amount clearly printed on the outside. These will be collected en route to Whitby.

Please return the completed slip with **your cheque and a small sae** to Margaret Bullivant, 14 Kingsley Park Grove, Sheffield S11 9HL.

Bus Stop Knowle Lane/Ecclesall Rd South 8.00 am (.....)

Sheffield Interchange Platform E5/E6 8.15 am (.....)

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Calendar 2020

February

- 4 **Drop-In Session + iPad/web support:** 10.00-12.00: CURC
- 7 'All Ears': Quaker Meeting House, StJames' St: 10.30
- 8 Classical Concertgoers: Royal Concert Hall, Nottingham
- 21 Showroom Lectures: History and Work of the Peak District

March

- 3 **Drop-In Session + iPad/web support:** 10.00-12.00: CURC
- 6 'All Ears': Quaker Meeting House, StJames' St: 10.30
- 9/16/23/30 Life-Writing Workshop: Showroom Cinema
- 14-15 Weekenders: Tutankhamun Exhibition, London
- 20 Showroom Lectures: The Brontes

April

- 7 **Drop-In Session + iPad/web support:** 10.00-12.00: CURC
- 17 Showroom Lectures: The Contribution of the University to Sheffield Life
- 22 Travel Group: Leicester

May

- 5 **Drop-In Session + iPad/web support:** 10.00-12.00: CURC
- 13 Travel Group: Whitby
- 14-19 ETG: Santiago de Compostela
- 15 Showroom Lectures: Landslides – It's Downhill All the Way
- 22 Lunch & Lecture: Sheffield Castle

June

- 2 **Drop-In Session + iPad/web support:** 10.00-12.00: CURC
- 5-9 Travel Group: Suffolk
- 10 Commemorative Garden: Service of Remembrance, Whirlowbrook Park 10.00.
- 19 Showroom Lectures: The French Resistance Movement
- 23-25 YAHA: Study days: Captain Cook & Whitby

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