



Scarborough U3A

From The Chair – Hilary Ascott

Welcome to this newsletter which marks the beginning of another year of our U3A. Once again we have an amazing range of courses on offer and on behalf of you all I would like to thank all the leaders who do a wonderful job and without whom we couldn't operate. We are intending producing newsletters on a regular basis whenever news needs to be circulated, and we thank Elaine Bentley for agreeing to be our editor. So if you have news which you think should be in the next, or subsequent letters, please contact Elaine on 367101. I would also like to take this opportunity of thanking our treasurer, Steve Cheshire, who is standing down next April, for his hard work while in office. We shall miss him, and are grateful that he has agreed to give whatever help may be necessary to whoever takes over from him.

Prospectus and Courses

Errata/Amendments to Prospectus

There have been a few changes to the prospectus since printing. Please make a note if these affect the groups you attend.

Page 9	M12 Conversation and Reading in Italian	Venue changed to - OR Scalby Road
Page 13	T39 Pastel Portraits of Pets	Cancelled
Page 14	T41 Beginners' Spanish	Due to popularity venue changed to St James' Church
Page 15	T86 Cribbage	Cancelled
Page 17	W04 Digital Photography – Outdoor	The year should read 2018 and not 2017
Page 19	W40 U3A Singers	Time has been changed to 1.00pm-3.00pm
Page 21	W79 Guided Meditation – Beginners	Start date <u>20th September 2017</u> and then every other Wednesday until 29th November. 2018 start date of 24th January until finish of term. Time – 1.30-3.00pm. Venue changed to Bridge Club
Page 21	W80 Guided Meditation – Advanced	Start date <u>20th September 2017</u> and then every other Wednesday until 29th November. 2018 start date of 24th January until finish of term. Venue and times as in Prospectus.
Page 22	W98 Tai Chi	Cancelled
Page 23	W99 Intermediate Spanish	Time changed to 12.45-2.45pm

New Course

If there are sufficient numbers (a minimum of 6), we are able to start an additional course for Patchwork and Quilting. This will be led by a City and Guilds qualified tutor and will be suitable for complete beginners who would like to start a new hobby as well as for those with more experience. If you would like to join this group which will be held either on a Tuesday morning or a Friday afternoon, please let Sue Petyt know by 7th September and which of the two days you could attend. The venue will be decided later when it is known which day the course will run.

Courses with vacancies as of 14th Aug

Course Number	Course Name	Course Number	Course Name
M02	Crochet & Knitting for Beginners/Improvers	W45	Italian Intermediate
M03	Stitching for Pleasure	W80	Guided Meditation - Advanced
M04	Stump Embroidery & Self Help Beading	W87	Italian Continuation
M05	Painting (All Media)	W94	Stained Glass Crafting
M07	Beginners Art	W96	Classic Cars, Motorcycles etc.
M12	Conversation and Reading in Italian	H51	People and Society
M13	Puppy Training Class	H52	Drama & Performance
T12	Modern Greek	H57	Extend Exercise to Music
T17	Movement to Music	H61	Scottish Country Dancing
T19	Greetings' Card Making	H92	Introduction to Cruising in a Sailing Yacht
T20	Yoga	F29	History
T21	Table Tennis, Snooker & Dominoes	F66	Astronomy
T27	Music Appreciation (B)	F70	Friday Walking Group
T40	Trains and Trams	F73	Conversational Spanish
T48	History of Science	F85	Gilbert and Sullivan
T91	Music Group	F89	Cycling
T92	Metaphor and Thought	F91	Myth in Greece and Rome
T93	Understanding the Weather	S01	Garden Party
W02	Watercolours for Beginners	S74	Strollers
W32	World War 1 Age	S76	Mah Jong
W40	U3A Singers	S78	Sunday Lunch Group
W43	Magic of the Musicals A	S77	Garden Visits
W44	Cosmology	S90	Walking with Dogs

Courses with 3 or more members on the waiting lists

The courses listed below have waiting lists for various reasons. The number on the waiting list is in brackets.

(5 to 9) - Keep Fit to Music B, Medicine for the Layman, Ceramics, Daily Life in Ancient Rome

(4) - Opera Appreciation A and B, Bird Watching, Poetry, Prose and Play Reading, Scrabble, Keep Fit to Music A, Current Affairs, Ukulele Fingerstyle

(3) - Film Adaptations of Classic Literature, Digital Photography, Magic of the Musicals B

This is disappointing for those members who would particularly like to try these courses, and especially new members. If you have skills/experience which could be used to run similar courses and hence expand our range, then please let Elaine know.

Extending courses over the summer

Groups are no longer restricted to just two terms. If the group leader wishes to extend the course or spread it out, then the summer months can be used. Some groups already meet in the summer, for example walking and cycling, to make the most of the weather and summer scenery. The choice of dates is entirely up to the group leaders.

Thank you!

To those who organised, and allowed their homes to be used, for the **Summer Monday Coffee Mornings**. In particular, Bill and Jenny Lythgoe, Doreen Gridley, Sheila Edwards, Iain Hale and Sue Petyt. These are valuable occasions for allowing members to keep in touch over the summer as well as raising funds for our U3A.

The last one is on the **4th September** with Bill and Jenny Lythgoe. Please contact them if you would like to attend (Tel 379880).

Thanks also to those members who distributed the prospectus by hand. This saves a considerable sum by avoiding postage as we have 511 members!

Dates and Events

New member coffee morning

New members are invited to a coffee morning on **MONDAY 11th SEPTEMBER at 10-12am**. Venue is the Friends' Meeting House. This is an opportunity to meet members of the committee and other new members before term starts. Refreshments will be provided.

New leader meeting

As a thank you to new leaders for 2017/18 we are holding an introduction session on **TUESDAY 12th SEPTEMBER** at 2-3.30pm. Venue is the Friends' Meeting House. This is an opportunity to meet members of the committee and other new leaders to discuss the running of groups. Refreshments will be provided.

U3A Exhibition at the Art Gallery

TUESDAY 31st OCTOBER to SUNDAY 26th NOVEMBER 2017

Members of our Art, Photography, Ceramics and Stained Glass groups are invited to exhibit their work. It will also be a showcase for Scarborough U3A. Please come and support this exhibition which takes place in the ground floor Community Gallery at the Art Gallery.

Monday Meetings Autumn

10.30am Friends Meeting House Refreshments available from 9.30am

These meetings are open to **all** members. Talks highlighted in **bold** take place in the large meeting room. Alternative weeks are coffee mornings with a range of activities. These take place in the smaller meeting room next to the kitchen.

Date	Title	Speaker
18th Sept	Laughter and Humour	Graham Morgan
25 th Sept	Games	Various
2nd Oct	My Broadcasting	Charles White
9 th Oct	Sharing Memories of the 50's	Hazel Kidd
16th Oct	Retired Adventures Abroad	John Taylor
23 rd Oct	Knitting and Crotchet	Joan Davies
30th Oct	Elisabeth and the Story of her bakery	Joe Botham
6 th Nov	Greeting Cards	Christine Wilde
13th Nov	Siege of Sarajevo – a year of living dangerously	Col Richard Mole
20 th Nov	Fun Keep Fit (mostly on chairs)	Jan Watts
27th Nov	Edith – a twist in the tale	Ray Clarke
4 th Dec	Festive singing and drama	U3A singing and drama group

U3A Issues

New Treasurer

Our treasurer is leaving the committee next summer. This is a key role in the organisation and the Scarborough U3A cannot continue without it. It would be very useful if Steve's replacement could be found in plenty of time so that he/she can feel comfortable with the system. Please get in touch with Elaine if you, or someone you know, is interested.

Resources

Do you have any Scarborough U3A resources and assets that you no longer use? We are doing an inventory of all our equipment etc. Even if the equipment is out of date we would like to know about it. Please contact Malcolm (Tel 353584) or Ken (Tel 862862).

Charity donations

Scarborough U3A is a charity. So can we raise funds for other charities? We are subject to the rules of the Charity Commission on this. Hence we can if the other charity's objects are consistent with our own.

The Objects of Scarborough U3A are:

1. to advance the education of the public and in particular the education of older people no longer in full time gainful employment in SCARBOROUGH and its surrounding locality.
2. the provision of facilities for leisure time and recreational activities with the object of improving the conditions of life for the above persons in the interest of their social welfare.

Members of the Committee 2017/18

Title	Name	Phone	
Chair	Hilary Ascott	862862	Please contact any of the committee if you have any queries about courses, venues or U3A matters.
Vice Chair	Elaine Bentley	367101	
Secretary	Nancy Hutchinson	581642	
Treasurer	Stephen Cheshire	352538	
Membership	Sue Petyt	864111	
Group Liaison	Malcolm Maloney	353584	
Member	Joan Davies	447375	
Member	Suzanne Kirby	341902	
Member	Kenneth Ascott	862862	

Other items of interest

Exhibition: A day at the Seaside

Until 24th September. This is a fun, colourful exhibition at the SCARBOROUGH ART GALLERY exploring our seaside heritage. See how well Scarborough used to be promoted as a holiday destination!

Yorkshire Fossil Festival

This takes place outside the ROTUNDA MUSEUM. FRIDAY 22 September to SUNDAY 24 September. There are Dinosaur Footprint Walks, drop in activity sessions with our exhibitors, meet a dinosaur and family fun, plus learning with the scientists, geologists and palaeontologists. Free entry to the main festival.

National and regional U3A

Events of interest can be found in Third Age Matters, the U3A magazine. Also at www.u3a.org.uk

Orchestra North East in the Gala Theatre, Durham

Sunday October 1st 2017, starting at 3pm. This concert has a Spanish theme with the central feature being a performance of Rodrigo's concerto for guitar, the Concierto de Aranjuez. Individual Tickets for the concert are available from: The Box Office in the Gala Theatre Durham (03000 266600 or www.galadurham.co.uk) - from the end of July. **Prices: Adults £16, Concessions £14, £8 students, accompanied 16s and under (i.e. in family groups) £1.** The Orchestra's website www.orchestranortheast.org.uk has full details of this concert.