



July/August 2016

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A Message from your Chairman Barbara

Dear Members,

A very eventful month, the referendum is now done and perhaps not yet dusted. The two major political parties are in turmoil, England knocked out of the football, but not all is lost Andy Murray is through to the semi- finals at Wimbledon.

In June's newsletter I mentioned a study day, this is proving more difficult than first thought in finding a suitable venue. The Little Theatre is not available in October. I am contacting the Palace Theatre to see if that is a possibility, otherwise depending on people that are interested in this project the Redcliffe Hotel. More news in September.

The committee will continue to meet new and potential new members in the bar area of the Redcliffe around 10.00am before the General Meeting to find out their interests and to introduce them to group leaders.

There has been a great deal of discussion at the U3A 's National Executive Committee on what group leaders should be called. The consensus at THE National office is for them to be called "Convenors." The committee decided that "Group Leaders" really said what it does on the box and should stay.

Our speaker for July is Tank Sherman, he is definitely coming to speak to us I have his email! This should be a very entertaining talk.

The committee decided to have a meeting in August at the Redcliffe. High Society Jazz Band will be performing. Some great music and some amusing anecdotes from the band.

Hope to see you all on Tuesday, no Nina this time.

Barbara

Barbara Collins

**We will be holding a BOOKSWAP at the General meeting in July.
Please bring any unwanted books and take away any left afterwards!!**

Trips & Outings & Events

Wildlife Cruise from Paignton to Brixham and along the coast as far as Thatcher Rock, with commentary explaining the strata and points of Interest along the route, exclusively for Paignton U3A. Leaving Paignton Harbour aboard the DART PRINCESS [sadly not Cunard this time] . **FRIDAY 9th SEPTEMBER** sailing 1pm. Special Reduced Price £9. To be booked and paid for by August 28th Cheques payable Paignton U3A. You may book places by signing list available at July and August monthly meetings. Payment required at time of booking please. Reservation/ Enquiries Colin Porter on e.mail colintippy@onetel.com

GREAT NEWS The committee has agreed to offer all members a greatly subsidised coach outing to **Longleat House and Safari Park**, which would normally cost around £35 per person, for just £5. It will be on a first to pay first booked basis, and places will be limited to a maximum of 100 people. (Sorry no non-members allowed). Leaving Paignton Garfield Road 8.30am on **FRIDAY 14TH OCTOBER**. Returning about 6.30pm. This is an educational trip and hopefully we will learn about many things of interest. Reservation/ Enquiries Colin Porter on e-mail colintippy@onetel.com.

Forthcoming General Meetings

General Meetings 2nd Tuesday monthly 11.00 a.m. with coffee from 10.15a.m at the Redcliffe Hotel, Marine Drive

12 July	I Love Comedy	Tank Sherman
9 August	Jazz with High Society	

Groups' News

BREAKFAST CLUB

Change of date for August!!

The next meeting will be held at Chandlers, Torbay Road, Paignton, on Friday 12th August 2016 9-30am for 10am. If you would like to join us please call John Ball on 01803 411046.

BUS PASS GROUP

The next meeting will be in September on Friday 23rd September when we will venture to Tiverton. Contact Barbara 01803 669238.

LUNCHEON CLUB

For the 13th July 2016 we have booked tables at The Rockfish, Brixham (Brixham Harbour). You can catch the number 12 bus to Brixham and take a short walk, (through the car park, which is level) to the Harbour. Restaurant is on the first floor with a lift available.

For the 10th August 2016, we have re-booked at the Preston Conservative Club, Torquay Road, Paignton to once again enjoy their hospitality.

Wednesday 14th September 2016 at Hare & Hounds, Kingskerswell.

All 12 noon for 12-30pm. Some venues have limited spaces so if you are interested in joining us please contact Cindy Ball on 01803 411 046.

MAH JONGG 1 (afternoon)

Mah Jongg members please note: Meetings are now cancelled until September. Our next meeting will be 2.30pm on Wednesday September 14th at the Park Hotel. John Battison

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

We had 24 photos entered for the June's "Texture" competition, with Rose Robbins' picture voted into first place; second was Ruth I'Anson's Cobweb shot, and the three photos making it into joint third place were Bob Tame's tree trunk, Martin Betts' Leaf and Steve Benkel's slightly damp pavement. Winning photographs can be seen on the U3A (www.paignton-u3a.co.uk) or my website.(ronaldcollins.co.uk)

We then had a short video on adding a Fiery Glow to a silhouette photograph. After a break for Barbara's cakes and scones we had a demonstration on making a montage of photographs into a template.

July's theme is "Movement" and the September theme is "Water". There will no meeting in August.

Keep snapping. Ron

QUIZ GROUP

This month's quiz will be held on July 15th, 2pm at the library. There is no meeting in August so it would be nice to see all members before the summer break. Carol

SKITTLES

The next Skittles meeting will be on Monday 19th September. Contact Barbara 01803 669238

TRAIN ENTHUSIASTS GROUP

Our next four scheduled trips start and finish at Paignton station and are as follows:

JULY 15th Friday, St.Ives via St.Erth, and along the scenic St.Ives Bay Line

AUGUST 19th Friday, the Tamar Valley Line to Gunnislake and Calstock Viaduct

SEPTEMBER 4th Sunday, the Dartmoor Railway, Okehampton to Meldon Quarry Viaduct, and lunch.

OCTOBER 21st Friday, Brief Encounter, at Head-of-Steam Café Queens Park Stn. Re: Trip Ideas for 2017

If any U3A member would like to join us on any of the above trips please contact me for details:

David Hudson tel. 666293 or email to: halbutt @ gmail.com

NEW BEGINNERS' UKULELE GROUP

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday 20th July at 2pm at Lupton House. For more information contact John Morgan at john@johnhere.plus.com or at the monthly meeting.

WALKING GROUP

Last month, we had a very pleasant walk from the Churston Court Inn to Broadsands and the rain held off. We had to manoeuvre our way around a recently fallen tree, a victim of the wind and rain, which was fun. Jim Cairns took some lovely photos which will be displayed at the monthly meeting.

There is a change to the walk for July as Philip has injured his ankle. We will meet at the lichgate which is at the junction of Old Mill Lane and Cockington Lane (Torquay) at 10.30 on Wednesday 20th July. If going by car there is parking in Manscombe Road in Livermead, a 5 minute walk away. If using the bus the no. 12 or any other bus going along the main road will stop at Cockington Lane on the seafront, just by the Livermead House Hotel. It is then a short walk up the lane to the lichgate. The walk through the meadows is mainly boarded and the rest of the time we will be on roads or proper paths, around Cockington Court and the grounds. Café and loos in the Court.

Please contact me by 9am on the day of the walk on 01803 405517 if you are coming. If the weather is bad we will go the following week on 27th. Norma Ellis

Contributions from our members

A study of more than a million motorists by an insurance specialist ranked the best and worst drivers according to the number or percentage of claims.

The ten best and worst drivers by profession are:-

Top 10 Worst

Accountant
Solicitor
Doctor
Financial Adviser
Letting Agent
Airline Cabin Crew
Bank Manager
IT Manager
Pharmacist
Train Driver

Top 10 Best

Roofer
Farm Worker
Builder
Lorry Driver
Cleaner
Carpet Fitter
Factory Worker
Mechanic
Butcher
Painter & Decorator

Ken Faulkner

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The next Committee meeting will be on Tuesday 6th September at 10.30am at Jasmyn House, Midvale Rd, Paignton. If members have any issues that they would like brought to the committee's attention, please can they let Barbara or another committee member know?

PAIGNTON U3A DETAILS OF GROUPS

Activity	When	M	T	W	TH	F	Time	Location	Organiser/s	Phone
Art	3rd				X		10am/noon	Jasmyn House, Midvale Road	Wendy Leishman	522407
Ballet	Weekly					X	10am/11am	Torbay School of Dance, Totnes Road	Sarah Hope	556928
Book Club	1st				X		10-30/noon		Marion Whiter	403323
Breakfast Club	1st					X	9.30am	Various	John Ball	411046
Bridge -Beginners & Improvers	Weekly				X		2-30/4pm	Paignton Club, The Esplanade	Barbara Collins & Mike Jeffs	669238 606053
Bridge -Intermediate	Weekly		X				7-30/9-30	Paignton Club, The Esplanade	Barbara Collins & Mike Jeffs	669238 606053
Bus Pass Group	4th					X	Various	Various	Barbara Collins	669238
Coffee Morning	4th	X					10-30/noon	Redcliffe Hotel, Marine Dr	Judy Punshon	843780
Creative Writing	3rd	X					10am/noon	Members Home	Carole Giffen	391614
Dining Out	Last				X			Various	Jeanette Taylor	557450
Discussion Group 1	4th	X					2pm/4pm	Members Home	Audrey Kibby	666321
Discussion Group 2	4th	X					2-15/4-15pm	Members Home	Colin Porter	698377
Dog Walking	Weekly			X			10am/12-30		Sue Lewton	557040
Gardening	2nd	X					10-15/12-15	Various	Barbara Collins	669238
Genealogy	1st			X			10am/noon		Carole Giffen	391614
Knit & Natter	4th			X			2pm/4pm	Jasmyn House, Midvale Road	Brenda Russell	521544
Local History	1st	X					10-30/noon	Various	Diana Holdsworth Cindy Ball	557578
Luncheon Club	2nd			X				Various		411046
Mah Jongg (afternoon)	2nd			X			2.30/4.30	Park Hotel, Esplanade	John Battison	690592
Mah Jongg (evening)	3rd		X				7pm/9pm	Members Home	Pam Bushby	550229
Music Appreciation	3rd				X		10am/noon	Park Hotel, Esplanade	Colin Porter	698377
Patchwork	4th		X				10am/noon	Members Home	Norma Cox	525079
Photography	3rd		X				10am/noon	Members Home	Ron Collins	669238
Pins & Needles	3rd	X					10-30/12-30	Members Home	Jean Turnbull	403569
Play Reading								Temporarily suspended		
Poetry for Fun	3rd					X	2-30/4-30pm	Members Home	Mona Gee	552055
Quiz	3rd					X	2pm/4pm	Paignton Library	Carol Owens	551237
Rummicub 1	3rd			X			7pm/9pm	Members Home	Sheila Biggs	524559
Rummicub 2	3rd			X			7pm/9pm	Members Home	Pam Bushby	550229
Rummicub 3 & 4	2nd & 3rd	X					2-00/4pm	Members Home	Gill Bowie	845116
Scrabble	2nd			X			2pm/4-30	Members Home	Elizabeth Mills	557215
Shakespeare	4th				X		10am	Members Home	Diana Holdsworth	557578
Skittles	3rd	X					5.30pm	Parkers Arms	Barbara Collins	669238
Spanish Conversation	Ad Hoc						6-8 wk-crse	Members Home	Carole Giffen	391614
Table Tennis	1st & 3rd		X				2pm/4pm	Preston Con Club	Eugene Cox	525079
Train Enthusiasts	3rd					X	10am/noon	Various	David Hudson	666293
Ukelele for Beginners	1st & 3rd			X			2pm/3pm	Lupton House	John Morgan	844363
Walking Group	3rd			X			am	Various	Norma Ellis	405517
Wine Tasting 1	1st					X	8-10pm	Various	Marie Handyside	845336
Wine Tasting (WAG)	2nd					X	1pm/3pm	Various	Sue Lewton	557040

(Subject to change -please check with group leader)