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# Newsletter



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# Weston-super-Mare Committee

## Committee Members

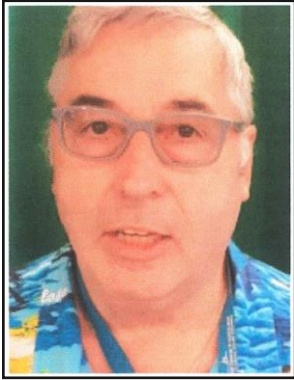
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# Letter from the Chair



We held our postponed 2024 AGM on Friday 6th September and were delighted over 200 members came and voted overwhelmingly to adopt our new Constitution with 192 for, 16 against and 1 spoilt ballot.

This constitution has now been filed with the Charity Commission and The Third Age Trust (TAT). The previous committee had worked hard over 3 months to understand what adopting the 2021 model constitution would mean for our u3a and its members. The new Committee, elected at the AGM, has

6 new members who are rapidly growing into their new roles.

Our new Membership Secretary, Simon Pratt, is moving our membership data to a new system called Beacon, which is an on line management system designed by u3as, for u3as. It provides a simple interface for managing members, groups and finances. Beacon is available to all u3as in the UK that wish to take advantage of it. Beacon currently provides over 600 individual u3as with a secure, efficient and effective means of managing their day-to-day business functions

If you change your telephone numbers, address or email address, **please remember to tell us** so that we can still contact you.

We held a very pleasant afternoon on Friday 27th September at the Winter Gardens to celebrate **our 30th anniversary**. (More about this on a later page).

Members have enjoyed 12 trips this year, including to Sidmouth, Portsmouth, Houses of Parliament, Monmouth and Tintern Abbey and Newquay, as well as a holiday in York, when 45 members visited local features.

Our 75 groups continue to flourish and our hard-working Group Leaders will be thanked at an afternoon tea on **Thursday, 12th December at 2.00pm at the Friends' Meeting House.** (Committee Meeting 3) We introduced several new groups, such as Spanish, cardmaking and chair yoga, but would like to set up a line dancing and quiz group. Are you willing to become a Group Leader for these or any other second groups, where we have waiting lists.

Our weekly coffee mornings continue to be popular, and we have had a series of good talks at our monthly lectures.

A suggestion at our AGM was to make Committee Meeting Minutes more accessible to Members, so these are now available on our website which was developed in June and is intended to be the main source of information about what's happening in our u3a, eg upcoming lectures, trips and group activities.

Please have a look at the website as it's excellent and very easy to use. *It is also our window to the world*, allowing anyone - or potential new members - to see what we offer to those in Weston-super-Mare and surrounding areas who are no longer in full time employment. (**[www.weston.u3asite.uk](http://www.weston.u3asite.uk)**)

We are developing plans for trips in 2025, we have a full lecture schedule, and we are exploring ideas to reduce our reserves to the benefit of our members.

I am proud of progress this year & believe we offer members many opportunities to learn, laugh and live. May I wish you a very pleasant Christmas and a healthy New Year.

Kindest regards

**Ian**

## Staying in touch

Our new website, [weston.u3asite.uk](http://weston.u3asite.uk) is intended to be the principal way we communicate with our members. It has information about trips, groups, lectures and other information, such as Committee Meeting Minutes and links to other websites, including the National u3a newsletter.

We plan to send a reminder email each Sunday with a link (underlined in blue) to our website, so you can keep up to date about what's happening in your u3a.

## Emails to Members

We use emails to contact members about events and trips, but we have 89 members not on email or Internet access. Please check the information we have about you, and let us know if you change address, phone number or email details, and let our membership secretary know of these changes. For those without email, please "buddy up" with someone who does, so that you can be made aware of what's happening.

If you don't want emails from u3a, please do not mark them as SPAM as Internet providers may begin to believe all emails sent from us are spam, preventing us from communicating with the whole membership. If you would rather not receive emails from us, please drop a line to our Membership Secretary on [weston.u3a@gmail.com](mailto:weston.u3a@gmail.com)

As the Chairman has said, we are introducing a new membership system called Beacon; future emails may include this in the title.

## BEACON - STOP PRESS – IT'S LIVE!

Our members' data has been transferred to the Beacon system and the system is **NOW LIVE!** In future you will receive emails from [noreply@u3abeacon.org.uk](mailto:noreply@u3abeacon.org.uk), so please add this address to your safe senders list to stop emails from the u3a going into your spam folder. Beacon sends emails on behalf of members, so If you need to reply to an email sent via Beacon, simply click reply and your email will be addressed to the member who sent it to you.

## Coffee Mornings

We hold a Members' coffee morning every Tuesday in the Friends' Meeting House (FMH) at the corner of High Street and Oxford Street, from 10am -11.15am.

There is a ramp at the rear of the FMH for those unable to use the front steps. There are displays of trips, committee meeting minutes and other information, as well as facilities for new members to join. Our final 2024 coffee morning will be on Tuesday 17th December and our first 2025 coffee morning will be on Tuesday 7th January 2025.

## Next Newsletter

Please submit any newsletter items for our next (Spring 2025) edition by the **28th February 2025** to [newsletter@u3a.weston.org.uk](mailto:newsletter@u3a.weston.org.uk).

## Financial Message about Gift Aid

The u3a can claim extra money from HMRC, (*it's always nice to get some back!*). If you gift aid your membership fee we can claim an extra 25p for every £1 you donate. That's as long as you've paid the basic rate of tax and make the donation from your own funds. The amount of tax you pay must cover the cost of all your gift aided donations throughout the tax year.

If you didn't gift aid your fee when you first joined, at no cost to you, we could gain an extra £3 on your £12 fee, please let us know if you now want to do this.

Or, if you need to make a change because your liability for income tax has changed, again let us know. Email any changes to the **Membership Secretary.**

When we move our Membership System to Beacon we will be able to record details of couples and introduce a Joint Membership at a reduced rate. (The u3a will save on the cost of the u3a Matters magazine for joint members and so can pass on this saving). Members living at the same address and couples in a civil partnership living at the same address can gift aid their fees even if only one of the couple pays income tax as long as the tax payer pays the fee. Beacon will make it easier for the u3a to claim where only one member of a couple pays tax.

## Monthly Lectures (Shirley Harvey)

Talks are held on the second Friday of each month (except August) in the United Reform Church Hall in the Boulevard - starting at 2.15pm, with doors open from 1.50pm. Admission is £2, which covers Hall hire and includes tea/coffee/biscuits after the talk. Non-members are very welcome.

13 December	Wessex Water sewerage
10 January (2025)	Weston & Bristol hospital
14 February	Green waste composting
14 March	Essential oils explained
11 April	British Honours System
9 May	Bristol Airport, past, present and future
13 June	Morecambe and Wise
11 July	Medical detection dogs
August	<i>No lecture</i>

## Committee News

1. The previous committee spent 5 meetings in June - August reviewing their roles and the 2021 TAT model constitution, before submitting it to our members at our AGM on Friday 6th September, where it was overwhelmingly passed. We thank retiring committee members for their past service.

2. Our new Committee met after the coffee morning on 17th September to agree our new non-officer roles. Shirley Harvey is now Lecture Co-ordinator, and assisted Jenny Schofield with our groups Open Day on 25th October.

June Tatch is our EDI contact (more about that in our next newsletter). Laura Woodard does PR, getting our news out to local press, eg the Weston Mercury and Local Reach magazine. She is also our welfare link, so if you know of someone who is ill or recently bereaved, please contact Laura. The best way to do this is using the 'contact us' feature on our website, giving details of the member concerned.

Maureen Chambers is our Vice-chair and is helping Laura to organise our Christmas Carol service, this year at All Saints' Church, at 2pm on Tuesday 17th December.

3. We held our second committee meeting after the 30th anniversary celebration on Friday 27th September and agreed to Janis Blake becoming our Newsletter Editor, who received input last month for this Winter 2024 edition to be produced. We agreed to fund a printed copy of this edition for all our members, before we switch to website based newsletters (except for the 89 non-email members).

We reviewed plans for our Open Day held last month and for our Christmas Carol service on 17<sup>th</sup> December. A Group Leaders' afternoon tea planned for November was also discussed. Our reserves have reduced after 2 new laptops were purchased in June, and our 30th anniversary celebration on 27<sup>th</sup> September. A reserves policy will be generated by Christmas, and several new policies, based on TAT templates, will be put on the website shortly.

4. Our next Committee Meeting will be on Friday 20th December. Minutes of the previous Committee Meetings are now available on the Website.



# NSA QUIZ

Weston-super-Mare u3a came second in Northern Somerset Association of u3as quiz on Friday 11th October, The team from Winscombe came first with only 6 points in it. A good time was had by all.

We will not know much about next year's Quiz until the NSA Committee meeting later in the Autumn, but it will be hosted by Winscombe.

Could you lead a group of quizzers? Get swotting, email **Nora Charters** to get in early.

## U3A Christmas Carol Service

I hope as many of our members as possible will come and support the service. Please note that this year we have changed the venue to All Saints' Church which is a beautiful church on All Saints' Road – at the corner of Queens Road. You might be pleased to note that for your comfort there are no pews - but comfortable chairs along with wheelchair accessible facilities - if required.

Tea, coffee and mulled wine along with mince pies will be served after the service. Volunteers are requested to help with serving the refreshments. Please give your names to Laura or Maureen if you can help with this.

The Church alone is well worth visiting. It was built in 1908 and the Poet, Sir John Betjeman visited it and apparently commented that the church and its interior was one of the best in the South West. Father Brendan has opened his church for us and it would be great if we could fill it.

**Maureen Chambers**      Vice- Chairman

# Information about Groups

## Open Day

Our annual Open Day was held at 2pm at the United Reformed Church on Friday 25th October and brought in nearly 200 visitors to see displays by our group leaders. *16 new u3a members joined on the day* – many being interested in joining some of our regular Groups and activities.

Thank you to all the Group Leaders who came and those who helped with setting up, and making teas etc.

## New Group – UNO for Fun - starting soon

UNO, meaning ‘one’ in Italian, is a fun and easy to play card game, played using red, green, yellow and blue coloured cards numbered 0 to 9, while disposing of as many highnumbered cards as possible and battling various ‘wild card’ obstacles on the way. You have to call “**Uno!**” when you play the last but one card in your hand, otherwise you can be pipped to the post and lose the game.

The Group will be held on ‘even’ Wednesday mornings  
From 10am -12noon, fortnightly, at the Duke of Oxford  
Pub in central Weston, opposite the Friends Meeting  
House. No subs –just pay for your own coffees.

If interested please contact:-  
Heather Bird via the website



## **New Group - Book Club 2**

**Laura Woodard** is starting a new book group which will meet at Faces Cafe in Station Road, opposite the old Victoria Methodist Church. Meetings will start at 10.00am and run for two hours on the first Wednesday of the month. The first meeting is on Wednesday 6th November. The cost will be £2.50 which will include tea or coffee.

Laura will bring the first book.

## **New Group - Mindfulness for Beginners**

A course of twelve one hour sessions for those interested in finding out more about mindfulness will start with an introduction at 2.15pm on 5 November 2024, at St Joseph's Church Hall in Camp Road, Weston-super-Mare BS23 2EN.

This will be run as a closed group, meaning, no one else will be able to join once the 12 sessions have started. This course is now full!

If you are interested in joining a later course of this Group which would start next year - but can't make it on Tuesdays, please let me know which day suits and I will start a list for next time.

There has been a lot of talk over the last 20 years about the benefits of mindfulness. If you're just curious or know this group is for you contact **Corinne Edbrooke** the group leader.

## **Spanish Conversation Group**

A new group is starting up on Wednesday mornings for Spanish Conversation and there are a few places left on this course.

Full details are on the website.

## **French: Can you Help?**

Weston u3a already has a longstanding French group; - a beginners group who are rapidly becoming more than beginners as well as a brand-new absolute beginners group. All three groups are currently full and, at the Open Day, it came as a bit of a surprise that another six people wanted to start learning or re-learning French. No doubt there are others, who weren't at the Open Day, who would also like to do the same. - Great. Just one problem: we don't have any spare French Group Leaders.

Would you like to try your hand at leading a small group of French beginners, or people who are a bit rusty? You don't have to be fluent or have teaching experience, just a little enthusiasm and a noble desire to help your fellow members.

If you can help, please get in touch.

**Robert Roscoe**

## **Line Dancing**

There is demand for a Line Dancing Group but no leader. Could it be you? If so, please contact Jenny Schofield.

## **Singalong**

We meet on the first Friday of each month in the United Reformed Church Hall in the Boulevard at 2pm, and have fun singing some popular songs from the songbooks provided to Members. Wendy and Bill play the piano and typically 40 of us come along to start the weekend with friends. Come along and enjoy!

**Mike**

See all the Groups Information at the rear of this Newsletter and on the [website](#).

## Trips for 2025

Jenny is now preparing plans for trips in 2025. If you have any suggestions of destinations or events that are reasonably near, please let Jenny know on [groups.wsm.u3a@gmail.com](mailto:groups.wsm.u3a@gmail.com)

Our Trips are always popular and fill up fast. Jenny Schofield, as Trips Coordinator, would like to have one trip a month next year. Can you help her meet this target? Contact [Jenny](#) for advice if you think you could run a trip, especially if you have a good idea for a destination.

**Jenny**

### **Trips News**

Nora Charter's trip to the [Exeter Christmas Market](#) is full but Nora is keeping a waiting list in case anyone drops out. Let her know if you want to be on the waiting list, contact Nora through the link on event page on the website.

### **New Trip – Theatre Visit to Cheltenham Everyman Theatre**

A day trip has been organised to go to the Everyman Theatre in Cheltenham on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> April to see Agatha Christie's Murder on the Orient Express. Jenny Schofield has filled all her theatre seats for [Murder on the Orient Express](#) next year but will try to get more tickets if there is sufficient demand. Contact [Jenny](#).

During the autumn months two successful day trips were organised to Monmouth and Tintern Abbey and also to the Westonburt Arboretum. (See later pages)

## 30th Anniversary Celebration -- held 27<sup>th</sup> September 2024

Our **30<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Celebrations** were originally scheduled to take place at the Royal Hotel, but due to an excellent take up of numbers it was transferred to the very apt venue of the Ballroom at the Winter Gardens on Friday 27<sup>th</sup> September. It was a very pleasant afternoon and 170 of our members were able to speak to our local Mayor, Cllr John Crockford-Hawley, whilst enjoying sandwiches and cake. Members received a keepsake pen as a memento of the occasion.

Our MP, Dan Aldridge, was going to join us but he had contracted Covid at the Labour Party Conference in Liverpool the previous weekend and so was unable to attend.

We were presented with a certificate from the Third Age Trust. - and a beautifully decorated celebration cake was cut by our Chairman, Ian Ludbrook.

We plan to plant a tree in Clarence Park in November as a lasting reminder of this milestone for the Weston u3a.



Chairman, Ian cutting the celebratory cake in the Winter Gardens Ballroom and our official Certificate.



Pictures show Ian Ludbrook, u3a Chairman, receiving the Certificate from Susan Parker - u3a South West Region representative -



and members enjoying their tea with our local Mayor, Cllr John Crockford-Hawley

## Wsm u3a Eco Group

Our group of 'armchair warriors' have an excellent programme worked out for the coming few months, and would very much welcome more people to come along to these meetings. We meet on the last Wednesday of each month, usually have a speaker and/or a film and always provide tea/coffee and biscuits and good company in a pleasant and warm atmosphere.

Our meeting room is in THE OTHER PLACE, 81 - 83 Meadow Street. This is just a few shops down from Albert Street, and on the same side of the road as The Atlantic Fish Bar. It is totally accessible and there is parking on the road outside. We meet up at 2.30pm for refreshments and chat, and the meetings start promptly at 3.00 pm and usually finish by 4.30 pm.

Do come along - nothing is charged at the first meeting attended, but after that it is £2.00 per session.

We were fortunate to have a speaker for October, KAREN BLAKE who jointly runs Grow Weston, a CiC that brings together community gardeners and other growing groups around the town. Karen will present the work of Grow Weston as an 'umbrella' organisation' and also talk about the many community groups and organisations which it covers.

The final meeting for 2024 will be held on Wednesday 27<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER. We do not meet in December and will commence our 2025 programme on Wednesday 28<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2025.

If you would like to go on to our emailing list and therefore be notified of each meeting, or just want some more information on this group, please contact the Group Leader, Pauline Cook on [jpcook52@aol.com](mailto:jpcook52@aol.com).

### June Tatch

# Family History Group

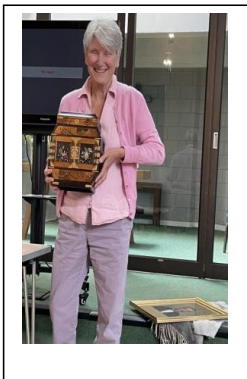
We are a small, friendly group who get together the first Friday afternoon of the month at St Mark's Church, Worle. As a mix of experienced researchers and those new to family history, we aim to help and learn from each other. We choose a topic to look at, then bring along items or share stories and information about our ancestors: and what an entertaining lot some of them were! Human nature doesn't seem to have changed much over the years, and we hear about the rags to riches or riches to rags stories we have unearthed.

One of our recent meetings was titled 'Artefacts', where members brought along something handed down to them and told the story behind it. Even those who had inherited nothing, were able to tell an interesting story behind how it had all disappeared. We heard about a family travelling to China at the turn of the century, and bringing back exquisite silk embroideries. A small Chinese cabinet with mother of pearl birds and flowers inherited from her great grandmother was brought in by another member, and carried on the oriental theme quite nicely. A WW1 death penny was brought in. A simple vase which had no monetary value but great sentimental value for one, whereas another member had inherited gold jewellery promised them, despite the best efforts of others, which made for a lively story. A sword from a naval relative made quite a stir, a brass obacco container that still worked (only with a 50p piece, rather than the old penny originally intended) was also appreciated, as was the gong awarded for excellence by a fish and chip shop. We had a very enjoyable afternoon hearing the stories behind the objects.

Our next meeting is early in November, when we are looking at WW2 and what our ancestors or relatives did during the war years. This is our second look at WW2 because we had so much information brought in last time that we felt we needed more time to look at them.

If you want to join us, you will be very welcome.

## Anne Lockyer



Pictures of members displaying their artefacts



# Drama Group

The Drama Group's show '**Stuff and Nonsense**' was very well received at Kewstoke Village Hall on Saturday, 5th October by an audience of our members. Thanks to all the cast, Anne Croom (who had written the play), Jean Stacey, Maureen Tracey, Penny Cockell, Pauline Farley, Sheena Harris, Barbara Flood, Pauline Eustace, John Eustace, Roy Weaver, Jeremy Brookes and George Thistlewood.

The second half was a series of funny skits that made everyone chuckle. Thanks also to Pete Magor for his work on the lights/sound, the Director Pat Main and Sylvia Claridge (Group Leader) for the hall booking.

Also, thanks to Nora and Bob Charters for tickets on door and Jenny Schofield and Margaret Gobby for doing Teas/Coffee and Francis for helping. Not to mention a big thanks to our audience for attending, without you all, we would not be able to have had this fun afternoon.

Thank you to all who came to our show in October, we hope you found it entertaining. Our next full show will be in October 2025, but we may put on a short show next year in the Summer.

We always welcome new members to join us, there are many fun things to do that doesn't involve acting or learning lines, eg costumes, make-up, prompting, finding props needed to be borrowed or made for various scenes or even making the coffees!

We meet every Wednesday from 1015-12.30 in the first Milton Scout Hut in Drysdale Close (off Baytree Road), but not again until January. Please ask for us at coffee mornings, there are always several of us there.

## Sylvia Claridge

Curtain call for all members of the show



## U3A Walking Group (Wednesday mornings)

The Walking Group is thriving with nearly 50 members and we are happy to recruit a few more keen walkers. We walk (whatever the weather) usually for about 5 miles, rambling across the fields locally on public rights of way.

We generally try to travel no more than 15 miles to our start point and car share as much as possible. The winter months present more of a problem due to the weather but we can usually find enough walks, partly on hard surfaces mixed with a few. The walks often involve us negotiating stiles and gates. Half way through the walk, we stop for a 'coffee break' bringing our own flask and often a banana as the photo shows. The second photo shows us at the top of Brent Knoll with far-reaching coastal views.

We like members to contribute walks that they know in order to get a varied weekly programme.

We are a very friendly mix of people and would love you to join us if you enjoy walking in the countryside.

### Howard Blackman and Barbara Petry



This is the mandatory 'banana stop' on a recent walk. As you can see from the shadows the men decided to stay across the road to remain out of the picture!!!

Taken at the end of October on Brean Beach after a walk from Uphill Boatyard along the Brean Down Way



A view from the top of Brent Knoll



# Westonburt Arboretum

Didn't we have a lovely time the day we went to Westonbirt !

After a period of awful rainy weather we were very lucky – not a lot of sunshine, but quite a bright day and the surroundings, (and the company of course), did not disappoint - the woodlands were amazing.

We arrived there at around 10.45am and as usual many of us headed straight to the coffee carts for refreshments before going our separate ways around the Arboretum – the trees really were at their best displaying autumn colours , especially the acers, and leaves were falling from some of them just like rain – little children, and some bigger people were having fun trying to catch them.

One of our ladies had her first experience of a motor scooter, the rest of us covered three or four miles on foot - to keep fit of course!

Our day finished at 4 o'clock, many of us were back at the entrance in good time, to enjoy drinks and ice creams before Louise drove us safely back to Weston by about half past five.

## Jenny

Refreshment time!



A colourful Acer tree!



# Trip to Monmouth and Tintern Abbey

Over 50 members were on the coach trip in September. One highlight, we hoped, would be the journey from Monmouth to Tintern, down the beautiful Wye Valley. Alas, our driver told us that due to new weight restrictions coaches couldn't use that route, but he had an alternative in mind. We reached Monmouth in good time and were dropped right next to the medieval fortified bridge over the River Monnow, which is at the bottom of the bustling high street, full of small shops, many of them independent, all bathed in warm sunlight for our visit. We had time to explore and get a lunch or eat our picnic.



When we left Monmouth the driver said his diversion had extensive road works and it would be best to return almost to the M4 and then across to Tintern. The very beautiful scenery made this no hardship. We were told that the Wye Valley was one of the first tourist areas, due to the Rev. William Gilpin and his cult of the picturesque. He was followed by Turner and Wordsworth among later visitors. (Wonderful pictures and a major poem, 'Lines written above Tintern Abbey') The lovely old Cistercian abbey sits by the River Wye and is surrounded by high green hills. As u3a is an educational group, Cadw, the Welsh Heritage organisation, granted us free entry. It had by now turned a little showery, but we were still able to enjoy the ruins.

We returned via the old Severn Bridge only to divert to Avonmouth as the driver said there were lengthy road works on the motorway.

Fortunately it had still been a tour of some beautiful South Wales scenery and the day was

much enjoyed.

**Gordon**

Enjoying summer delights during the Autumn!



### Weston u3a Groups – November 2024

All telephone numbers are local (01934) unless stated otherwise.

Armchair travel 1	Mon	PM	3rd Monthly	John Montacute
Armchair travel 2	Fri	AM	Various	Chris Gardner
Art Appreciation	Thu	AM	3rd Monthly	Val Marsh
Art group 2	Wed	AM	Weekly	Brenda Pope
Astronomy	Tue	PM	Monthly	Sean Hopkins
Badminton	Mon	PM	Weekly	Ken Marsh
Bird watching	Mon	All day	Last Monthly	Malcolm Taylor
Bobbin lace	Fri	AM	Weekly	Susan Brooks
Book club 1	Thu	PM	3rd Monthly	Corinne Edbrooke
Book club 2	Wed	AM	1 <sup>st</sup> Monthly	Laura Woodard
Book club 3	Mon	AM	3rd Monthly	Val Perrin
Book club 4	Thu	PM	3rd Monthly	Dot Agassiz
Card making	Wed	AM	Fortnightly	Nora Charters
Chess	Wed	AM	1st Monthly	Philip Dinham
Computer Confidence	Tue	AM	Fortnightly	Peter Morgan Jill Tolley
Computer Confidence 2	Wed	AM	Weekly	Gordon Grice
Computers Group 1	Fri	PM	Fortnightly	Laura Woodard
Contract Bridge	Thu	PM	Weekly	Roger Thompson

Crafts	Thu	AM	Weekly	Pauline Bird
Creative writing 1	Wed	PM	2nd Monthly	Marilyn Edbrooke
Cribbage	Wed	PM	Weekly	Maddy Neighbour
Crochet	Tue	PM	2nd & 4th Monthly -	Suzanne Evans 21 -
Crochet 2	Wed	PM	Fortnightly	Laura Woodard
Crochet for Beginners	Tue	PM	1st Monthly	Suzanne Evans
Crochet for beginners 2	Mon	AM	Weekly	Mary Smith
Cycling	Thu	AM	Fortnightly	Gill Terrell
Discuss & debate	Thu	AM	Weekly	Ken Hill
DNA for Family History	Mon	PM	3rd Monthly	Jenny Towey
Drama	Wed	AM	Weekly	Sylvia Claridge
Early Evening Dinners	Var	PM	Various	Sandy Flood
Early Evening Eating Out in Weston	Thu	PM	Last Monthly	Barbara Dawson
Earth Science	Wed	AM	1st Monthly	Conrad Collinge
Eco group	Wed	PM	Last Monthly	Pauline Cook
Family history	Fri	PM	1st Monthly	Anne Lockyer
Folk dancing	Tue	PM	2nd and 4th Monthly	Ian Ludbrook
French	Tue	PM	Weekly	Robert Roscoe
French Beginners	Fri	PM	Weekly	Sue Marshall

French for Absolute Beginners	Mon	PM	Weekly	Sheila Richards
German Conversation	Tue	AM	Weekly	Susanne Zemp
History Book Club	Fri	PM	1st Monthly	Cheryl Laycock
History, Social & Economic	Tue	AM	Even Weeks	Keith Bosworth
Knitting	Mon	PM	Weekly	Ros Trump
Latin and Roman Studies	Tue	AM	Weekly	Rikk Earthy
Locking Music Group	Tue	PM	Weekly	Rod Holloway Heather Bird
Lunch group	Wed		1st Monthly	Gina Gaskill
Mahjong	Tue	PM	1st & 3rd Monthly	Ian Ludbrook
Mindfulness for Beginners	Tue	PM	1st & 3rd Monthly	Corinne Edbrooke
Mindfulness Meditation	Mon	AM	Weekly	Joy Kenward
Monthly lecture	Fri	PM	2nd Monthly	Shirley Harvey
Music Appreciation	Wed	AM	Flexible	Lilias Critchley
Out & About	Sat	All Day	2nd Monthly	Shirley West
Patchwork and Quilting	Wed	AM	Odd Weeks	Olivia Ready
Patchwork and Quilting	Wed	AM	Even Weeks	Diane Whitfield
Philosophy	Wed	AM	Odd Weeks	Hazel Uren
Photography	Wed	All Day	Last Monthly	Ian Ludbrook
Pickleball	Thu	PM	Weekly	Ray Thomas

Play reading	Mon	AM	Odd Weeks	Marlene Flint
Poetry Reading	Mon	PM	Even Weeks	Diana Connolly
Poetry Reading 2	Mon	PM	Odd Weeks	Margaret Stagg
Poetry Reading 3	Wed	PM	3rd Monthly	Tessa Bailey
Railway Modellers	Wed	PM	1st & 3rd Monthly	Paul March
Recorder Group	Mon	AM	Weekly	Louise Harwood
Rummikub	Tue	PM	Fortnightly	Brenda Wall
Rummikub Mead Vale	Tue	PM	Fortnightly	Iris Bailey
Sequence dancing	Mon	AM	Weekly	David Lloyd
Shakespeareana	Thu	PM	4th Monthly	Sylvia Montacute
Short tennis	Thu	AM	Weekly	David Toomer
Singalong	Fri	PM	1st Monthly	Mike Lynham
Spanish Conversation	Wed	AM	Odd Weeks	Bernarda Turner
Sunday lunch 2	Sun		3rd Monthly	Rosemary Evans
Sunday Lunch 3	Sun		4th Monthly	Jenny Schofield
Table Tennis	Mon	AM	Weekly	Mike Bamford
Theatre Visits	Var		Various	Jenny Schofield
Uno for Fun	Wed	AM	Even Weeks	Heather Bird
Walking Group	Wed	AM	Weekly	Howard Blackman



Wine Appreciation	Tue	PM	3rd Monthly	Diana Connolly
Wine Appreciation with Food	Wed	PM	2nd Monthly	Gina Gaskill
Yoga	Fri	AM	Weekly	Conrad Collinge

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