



# THE BUZZ

BARNSELEY u3a News, Information and Features

AUTUMN 2023

**THIS IS AN IMPORTANT CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE THAT ALL BU3A MEMBERS SHOULD READ IN FULL.**

I am writing this just 10 days into August to meet the Buzz deadline and we are having a few days of sunshine after a disappointing July. I'm hoping that the rest of August will be better because lots of us are away on holiday or enjoying the month of grandparent childcare; good weather certainly helps both.

Our new Committee of 14 was elected at the June AGM and has been very busy on your behalf. I was at the Yorkshire and Humberside Region (YAHR) Summer School at York over four days in August and lots of the informal talk at the packed venue was about how to increase membership and get people to stand for Committee. People seemed baffled by the amazing Barnsley statistics, 1250 members, 130 groups; 14 on Committee and lots of new members joining all the time.

**Two major issues have arisen recently:**

1) u3a National contacted all u3as to tell us that some unspecified u3as have recently been fined for breach of **Copyright**. Most of us thought that the 'blanket cover' that u3a offers us meant that we could photocopy certain things relatively freely but this is not so. Music must **never** be photocopied. Images, pictures and photos on the internet are generally **not free to copy**. We know that one u3a member (not Barnsley) was fined £360 for using just one image. He was 'let off' when the image owner heard that it was for u3a use but not everyone will be so lenient. This has made every member of Committee think very hard about the responsibilities that we have accepted in being Bu3a Committee members. The u3a organisation is meant to be pure fun but we are dealing with major legal matters at present. We are seeking additional advice and training and investigating what additional licenses we require for Bu3a to run smoothly and legally.

Sadly, both **Helen Simms**, our Vice-Chairman and Buzz Editor and **Janet Elvy**, our Business Secretary, have stood down from Committee due to a range of personal matters, including the Copyright liability mentioned above.

Happily, Helen wants to continue producing The Buzz for us and they are both happy to continue helping Webmaster, Robin Northcut, in the development of the Simple Membership management and website system.



**I am most grateful, as you will be also, to new Committee member, Carmel Seston, who has agreed to be our new Vice-Chair.**



**Very grateful also to Sue Stokes, our Events Officer, for taking on, additionally and temporarily, the Business Secretary role.**

2) Other news to all u3as from u3a National was that our insurers, Aviva, are requiring u3a members to be 'safer' when attending meetings and we are responding by ensuring that all our venues and group members are as safe as can be. We are fortunate to have on Committee two specialists in this area, **Jean Embury**, our Groups Safety Officer, and **Fred Brookes**; both worked professionally in this field. Many 'Activity Safety Checks' have been carried out by them over the past three months and the process will continue until all 127 of our groups have been visited. We can prove to Aviva that Barnsley u3a is working hard to satisfy their demands. My sincere thanks to these two new members of Committee and to all the Coordinators who appreciate the work that has to be done.

Finally, I would like to thank and congratulate our wonderful **Beth Rudkin** for her work at the YAHR Summer School. Beth was put in charge of the delivery of the courses this year and the event was a massive success. Barnsley can be proud of itself as five of the ten tutors were from Bu3a, namely Beth, Sue Stokes, Christine Palmer, Jeremy Dinsdale and myself. It was also great to see Bu3a members there as delegates.



**DEREK BACON, CHAIRMAN**

## EDITORIAL

Well, this has been an interesting Buzz to put together. Some wondered if it could be done. With my mind firmly fixed on keeping the Bu3a Committee out of chokey or sleeping on the streets of Barnsley in penury, this Buzz is perfectly legal, in Copyright terms, that is. Every image is accredited. You will notice a name, or tag, in tiny print underneath images sourced from the internet. This is because these images are usable under the terms of the Creative Commons License – the terms being that I must publish who the image belongs to. So, on the Flix@6 page you'll see the name George Biard underneath a photograph of George Clooney. You'll think it's a terrible typo and I should know who George Clooney is. George Biard owns the image, but I'm allowed to use it. Non accredited images are in the general 'public domain', the bee on the front cover, for example.


Jokes and cartoons were going to be a problem. All under copyright. There is a loophole for jokes, currently. I wrote in the last e-Buzz that AI was some time away. However, if you get an AI program to generate jokes the government hasn't worked out yet who the joke belongs to. I hope you enjoy them.

I hope that this isn't going to be too distracting, and you'll get used to it, in time. It's important to get this right, to be legal and to be able to let the Buzz out in public so people can see the wonderful things we all get up to.

Talking of which, some members of the Ceilidh Band were moonlighting at the Underneath the Stars Festival earlier in the month. We played a ceilidh with the Penistone Folk Ensemble. Dancers were in their socks; the level of mud was such that wellies and boots were left by the door.



Regarding ceilidhs, I'd like to give The Rhythm Chaps ceilidh band a mention. They're doing a ceilidh for us on 10<sup>th</sup> November (pg 17). Chris is a fantastic caller, and for the first time I will be dancing rather than playing.

Read the web Buzz, look for the bee signs and click on the links. 

**HELEN SIMMS**

## YORKSHIRE AND HUMBER REGION u3a SUMMER SCHOOL 2023

Our Yorkshire u3a Summer School was held at Easingwold again this year. It is in a stunning situation, an elegant country house with a modern accommodation block and beautiful grounds. Sadly, we didn't see too much of the grounds because it kept raining. But we did enjoy all that there was to offer inside - the bar, the coffee lounge, the lecture theatre, and of course, the restaurant.

During the three evenings, we were entertained. On one night there was a jamming session, for those who could strum, bang or blow an instrument. If you didn't have one with you, you could just sing. Roll out the barrel, and songs of that ilk. One night there was a quiz, and on the final night we enjoyed a Murder Mystery. The victim was quite an elderly gentleman. I did wonder if he would get up from the floor.

Ah, I didn't mention the courses. There were 10 of them this year, and I think they were all appreciated.

But the best thing for me was the fellowship. Well over a hundred students (they call them delegates there) and 10 tutors. Many were from outside Yorkshire - word of this event has travelled. We had so many conversations with nice people whom we didn't know. Ah - if you didn't make it this year, do try next year. It is unforgettable. It is also oversubscribed, so go for it early.



**BETH RUDKIN**

Why did the music teacher go to jail?

Because they got caught with too many sharp objects.

What's the Manchester Bee's favourite subject in school?

Buzz-iness Studies.

**THE CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS FOR THE WINTER BUZZ IS FRIDAY 3 NOVEMBER**

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## GROUP NEWS

### FEMINISTS GROUP **Coordinator: KATE MASON**

My idea of a Bu3a Feminists Group was realised in July this year. The group highlights the inequalities that still exist in the world for women, but also acknowledges the impact of the daily pressures on men too.

The group is NOT anti-men. Far from it. We begin with the premise that both men and women have rights and responsibilities in the world, and if we work together the world can be a better place.

The group is also definitely NOT exclusively women only. All members are welcome to discuss items and to put forward their ideas.

Examples of discussion topics:

Is feminism relevant today?

How did your parents' style of parenting affect you?

If we tell girls they can be who they want, does it change the way we bring up boys?

Through a contact in Walking Cricket, we were introduced to Dr Jack Daly, who will talk to the group on 9<sup>th</sup> October. His research primarily focusses on equality, diversity and inclusion (EDI) policies in traditionally male dominated industries.



[Jack Daly - Leeds University Business School](#) 



What did the Yorkshire pudding say to the roast beef? "I'm Yorkshire through and through – I rise to every occasion!"



### CRAFTY CHAT

**Coordinator: HELEN DEW**



These lovely blankets were made by two of the members who attend Crafty Chat.



Why not come and see what the rest of us are making? We meet fortnightly from 2pm – 4pm on Fridays at the Scout Hut in Penistone.

Bring along your current project.

### MONDAY WALKERS

**Coordinators:  
DEREK BACON  
SHEILA METCALFE  
ALAN SWANN**

#### THE ANNUAL u3a BEST-LOOKING WALKING GROUP AWARD: 2023

It's been a closely guarded secret but at last the results of this prestigious u3a competition are in and the winners for the second year running (well, walking) are:

#### BARNSELY U3A'S MONDAY WALKERS



The judges commented "What a fabulous looking group! Shame about the bloke third from the right in ultra-boring grey jumper, second-hand grey shirt from Ebay, 1950 style jeans and Asda trainers but apart from him, a wonderful looking group!" The 'u3a Walking Group Photographer of the Year' was, unsurprisingly awarded to a Mr Bacon.



**MOTO****Coordinator: HELEN DEW**

The MOTO group visited Cannon Hall Museum to see the Designer and Fashion exhibition.

Click the link for a short video on the collection.

[Catwalking: Through the Lens of Chris Moore](#) 

There were some weird and wonderful fashions displayed. We enjoyed our visit and walk around the grounds ending with a lovely Sunday lunch at Thyme Bistro. The exhibition continues into September.

**FLUTES GALORE****Coordinator: DEREK BACON**

The revival of the YAHR (Yorkshire and Humberside Region) MusicFest after many years was a great idea and it was a special day on June 13th at St John's University in York. Flutes Galore and Mac McKechnie's Guitar Gadget Group represented Bu3a at the event.

Flutes Galore were on first so after getting caught in the notorious York traffic it felt a bit rushed getting on stage. There was a good-sized audience in the college chapel for our 30-minute programme of classical, folk and popular tunes and I think that the audience were surprised to hear how powerful a flute ensemble can be. Led by Nicola McDonnell (back row, next to me in the photo), one of the north of England's finest flute teachers, the group has advanced rapidly since its formation in 2018.

Next year there will be a National u3a Festival in York so the one-day Music Fest will not happen. I'm hoping and expecting that music will feature as a major element of the Festival; I'll be trying to persuade many of our groups to take part to show how good Bu3a music is.

**THE CHOIR****Coordinator: SUE ROWLEY**

The Choir's Summer Concert on 27<sup>th</sup> June was its first in our new 'home' at Wombwell Methodist Church. A packed church heard the 50-strong singers 'give their all' for the audience and for their much loved Choirmaster, Tony Jermy. I wished that this choir had been at the York MusicFest, exactly two weeks earlier; as further proof of what can be achieved by talent, commitment and sheer hard work!



For weeks, the choir had worked hard in their Tuesday afternoon rehearsals to put on this programme and had been rewarded by Bu3a members buying all 170 tickets available. The rehearsals became quite intense when we realised that we were singing genuinely demanding music that was brilliantly arranged for four-part choir.

For me, the undoubted highlight of the afternoon was the arrangement of 'This is the Moment' from the musical 'Jekyll and Hyde'. Alongside 'Can you feel the love tonight?', 'Sweet Caroline', '42<sup>nd</sup> Street', and a dozen or more memorable tunes, it made for a great afternoon.

Our wonderful pianist, Stephen Carey, moved to the organ to play some solo pieces and Bu3a's star soprano, Christine Whewell, 'brought the house down' with her performance of Puccini's 'O mio babbino caro'.

Obviously, it was necessary to invite The Choir to open our 2023-24 Monthly Meetings programme in September with a selection from the Summer Concert.

We are now accepting applications to join the choir. You don't have to be able to read music, there is no audition but you do have to be able to sing in tune and be ready for a whole load of fun! Choirs always need more men! They need women, too! Get in touch with Coordinator Sue Rowley via the Contact List and get singing! It makes you happy! That is fact!

**DEREK BACON**

**MOTORBIKE GROUP Coordinator: RAY WOODHAMS**

**THREE PUNCTURES AND A LAPTOP**

After returning from our COVID-delayed trip to Belgium last year, the collective mind of the Motorbike Group settled on a less complex journey... four nights in an Airbnb in Prestatyn, Wales.

Ten people, average age just over seventy, ten motorbikes, average age quite a lot less. Add a determination to conquer the 1km long Titan 2 zipwire at Zip World in Blaenau Ffestiniog. Having flown the longest zipwire in Belgium last year, we were all up for this new challenge.



The punctures came with a regularity which felt predetermined. The first two could be mended with the magic sticky spaghetti which is used to plug holes in tyres. The last one required a lift to a specialist care unit in Mold.

Despite the setbacks we rode some 150 miles a day through open, mostly empty, roads in the wonderful countryside of Anglesey and Snowdonia. The sun shone all week, there was ice cream, Welsh Rarebit and yes, we all completed the mighty Titan 2 without mishap.



We all had a great time together, laughing at each other's foibles and learning from the breadth of our experiences. Ireland next year?



**TRAVEL GROUP Coordinator: CHRISSIE WHITE**

**THE GREAT YORKSHIRE SHOW**

On Wednesday 12 July, 42 Bu3a members boarded the Yorkshire Rose coach bound for Harrogate. Fortunately, all had packed raincoats. It began raining shortly after the photo in the coach park.



Despite the showers, everyone enjoyed the trade stands, the hospitality area with gin sampling at 10.30 in the morning, and, of course, the animals.

Showjumping was followed by the wonderful Heavy Horse turnouts – thirteen open-backed carriages for carrying beer or other goods – pulled by matched pairs of Shires, Percherons, Clydesdales or Suffolk Punch horses.

The star attraction was Lorenzo, known as the Flying Frenchman, with his team of grey and dark bay horses; some in harness and some running free whilst he stands astride two cantering horses.

We piled back on the coach at 5pm, weary and slightly damp, carrying bags full of goodies, and talking of a grand day out.



**JO KASPAREK**

**CASTLE HOWARD AT CHRISTMAS**

Take the second star to the right and straight on to Neverland. Follow the boy who never grew up to a fantastical festive world at Castle Howard this Christmas.

The Travel Committee have arranged a Christmas outing to Castle Howard on Wednesday 22 November 2023. The coach will leave Penistone at 8.30 and Barnsley at 9 a.m.

Bookings with payment will be taken (£37 approx. cash or cheque) at the October monthly meeting or thereafter via Chrissie White or Helen Dew in Penistone.



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I joined Occasions' coffee morning at Darfield; members meet up in different cafes around Barnsley. We were trying out Charlotte's Cafe which is found in Harrison's Antiques in Thurnscoe. The amount of goods they had on display was amazing. There were also glass cabinets where smaller items were displayed. A different room held lots for the public to view that were to be sold at the next auction.



(Sirabellas)

The café didn't disappoint either as Charlotte is a traditional baker and the wonderful display of cakes were all home-made so I am looking forward to returning for an auction and will be sampling a slice of cake, even if I don't get paddle happy.

The Occasions group began with meeting at the very pleasant Darfield Church Hall mistress-minded by Ev Mirfin.

Then COVID lockdown drove us to on-line meetings. Thanks to the creative techno wizardry of Sarah Guifo, we now have the luxury of both virtual and live gatherings.

One evening every month the Occasions Group holds a Zoom meeting, hosted by Sarah.

Zoom sessions last an hour and a half. There is usually a pre-arranged theme. For example, 'My favourite TV sitcom' (as a Powerpoint presentation with film clips), 'Talking through the making of a particular recipe/dish I do regularly', 'An embarrassing moment in my life', if printable, and many other themes.

Numbers taking part varies. But even when the 'cast' is small, there is still much to be gained. There's putting the world to rights, and, not least, fun and laughter together (if technically, apart).

### No calorie counting today.

Afternoon cream tea is a favourite of the Darfield occasion group.

Here in our own back yard, we have a monthly cream tea (just £5) prepared for us in the local community centre by their volunteers.

On a white cotton tablecloth, on which is a vase with fresh flowers, and our named places, lie the most delicious irresistible goodies.

All freshly made cakes, lemon and chocolate, scones with cream and jam, fresh cream and strawberries. Four choices of sandwiches. Tea (in a teapot no less), freshly ground coffee. All refillable.



Several members of the group met up at Worsbrough Mill, on a crisp sunny summer's morning, for a walk around this very popular area.

We saw some beautiful Canadian geese, with their family of goslings, enjoying an early morning swim. It was interesting noting that both parents swam along protecting them. The scenery and the calmness of the water made the walk interesting and relaxing.

Later, at the cafe we had an hour or so catching up with one another's news. Our u3a allows us to make many friends, it's good to be able to enjoy such good company.

### Experiencing the unknown.

Several of our members attended a Sensing Spirit meeting in Darfield led by an International Psychic Medium, no less. As we are interested in learning, we attended, open-mindedly, to see what it was all about.

Approximately thirty people attended on the evening. Probably about half the audience were presented with intriguing messages, which were delivered with charm and sensitivity, while the audience observed respectfully. Eager faces met the gaze of the medium as he moved around the room. The real fun began when the focus was on another member of the audience.

In true u3a style, we were there to be entertained and that we certainly were! We were offered coffee, tea and biscuits, we also took part in a raffle, and Sarah won a prize.

We decided that it is a very personal choice as to whether or not you believe spirits could actually send us mortals messages.

**SOLO CLUB****Coordinator: TRISH ATKINSON**

The Solo Club have had a busy summer with several trips and meals out.



In May, some of us inspected our wardrobes to dress up for a fabulous day out at the 1940s weekend in Haworth.



The sun shone on a later visit to the lovely gardens at Walkers Garden Centre in Blaxton, Doncaster.

In June, a group of us ventured onto a narrowboat on the Calder and Hebble Navigation near Mirfield. Going through Battyford Lock was a highlight of the trip. We really enjoyed our day cruising down the river in the glorious weather and nobody fell in!



We've visited The Lamproom Comedy Club and saw a play by the fabulous Trinity Players.

It's not all visits. At our meeting in June, John gave us some training in First Aid, let's hope we will never need it.

Future activities include another trip to Owlerton Dog Stadium, a Dolly Parton tribute night and a visit to Chester Christmas Market.

With many thanks to Trish, John and Pauline for all they do. If you fancy joining us, contact Trish.

**WALKING CRICKET Coordinator: MAC MCKECHNIE**

15th June was a wonderful u3a day, with the Yorkshire team having over half its players from groups around the county. The result and the weather were brilliant and particularly the 'cricket teas' funded by Yorkshire Cricket Foundation. Oh yes, Yorkshire comfortably beat Worcestershire by about 90 runs.

**THE OLD BLOWERS Coordinator: MAX SENIOR****BACK TO SCHOOL FOR THE OLD BLOWERS**

Following on from successfully visiting primary schools in Jump and Hoyland, The Old Blowers were invited to other primary schools in the area. In April, they went to Kings Oak Primary School in Wombwell, then Wath C of E Primary and Silkstone Primary. All visits were a tremendous success and much appreciated by both pupils and staff. The experience is also very rewarding for the group with audiences being so receptive and enthusiastic.

The letter below sums up what these school visits are all about.

23.6.23

To The Old Blowers,

We are very grateful for the brass band concert that you performed to our school. It brought us great happiness to see your wonderful talents; not only was it a fabulous concert but a great learning curve for all of the students. We were able to participate and release our inner conductor. We also loved singing along to all of the amazing songs you played (especially Sweet Caroline.)

We are sure it took you a long time to learn all of those instruments and have the confidence to perform them in front of our whole school including all of the teachers (which was very fun to watch them participate in Old McDonald Had a Farm). Key Stage two loved learning how to conduct a band and putting our skills to the test. Key Stage one also loved their challenge of clapping to the beat. We hope you enjoyed your visit to our school too.

Your concert was a very good way to start the day. We hope you come again. No doubt your band will go far. Thank you!

Yours sincerely,

School Pupil Councillors Evie and Emma on behalf of Silkstone Primary School.

The group has set up a liaison with the 'Astrea Academy Trust' which runs academies in the South Yorkshire area and has agreed to make visits to some of their Primary schools. Later in the year the Old Blowers will be visiting schools in the Dearne Valley area to bring their unique performances to children who have limited access to the musical arts.



## WALKING GROUPS

### THURSDAY CHALLENGING WALKS PROGRAMME Coordinator: BRIAN SMYTH

| DATE                  | LEADER        | AREA  | MEETING PLACE  | MILES |
|-----------------------|---------------|---|--|-------|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Sept | tbc           | Derwent Edge and Musker<br>Ascent 1830 ft                             | Layby, Mortimer Road near Paintball venue<br>Grid Ref. SK 227 908<br>'w3w-///shots.bind.pool   | 11    |
| 12 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | Andy Atkinson | Old Glossop to Torside via Doctor's Gate (linear)<br>Ascent – 1745 ft | <b>9.30 meet at Torside Car Park</b> (fee payable)<br>Grid Ref. SK068 983<br><b>Car share to Mill Pond, Hope St, Old Glossop</b><br>Grid Ref. SK 045 948<br>'w3w-///establish.disposing.wiggly | 10    |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov   | Dave Allaway  | Dove Stone Circular including Chew Reservoir<br>Ascent – 1305 ft      | Dove Stone Reservoir Car Park<br>Grid Ref. SE 013 034<br>'w3w-///wolves.recline.hopefully  | 8.5   |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | Mick Scarfe   | Lose Hill and Edale<br>Return along valley<br>Ascent – 2100 ft        | Hope Car Park (fee payable)<br>Grid Ref. SK 171 834<br>'w3w-///pricing.hack.embers   | 11    |

### THURSDAY LONGER WALKS PROGRAMME Coordinator: BRIAN SMYTH

|                       |                   |   |  |     |
|-----------------------|-------------------|---|--|-----|
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Jean Potter       | Win Hill and Hope Cross<br>Ascent – 1350 ft                           | Roadside or Heatherdene Car Park<br>Meet by res. wall opposite memorial<br>Grid Ref. SK 201 854<br>'w3w-///report.prowling.artichoke | 8   |
|                       |                   |   |  |     |
| 26 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | Mick Mosforth     | Little Don Valley and Outer Edge<br>Ascent – 1400 ft                  | Yorkshire Water Park Car Park<br>Grid Ref. SE 201 011<br>'w3w-///supposes.hologram.late  | 8   |
| 23 <sup>rd</sup> Nov  | Margaret Atkinson | The Three Edges Walk<br>White, Froggatt and Curbar<br>Ascent – 540 ft | Curbar Gap NT Car Park (members free)<br>Grid Ref. SK 262 747<br>'w3w-///windows.fountain.precluded                                  | 8   |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | Mike Hawley       | Newmiller Dam, Walton<br>Circular<br>Ascent – 540 ft                  | Newmiller Dam Car Park<br>Grid Ref. SE 331157<br>'w3w-///removers.caressing.flipper  | 8.5 |



**The Salt Cellar, Derwent Edge:**  
Photograph by GEORGE EVANS



**Froggatt Edge:** Photograph by ANDY SCOTT



## WALKING GROUPS - Contd

| TUESDAY WALKING       |                    | Coordinators: ROBERT AND PAULINE ROWLAND |  |
|-----------------------|--------------------|--|--|
| DATE                  | LEADER             | AREA                                     | MEETING PLACE                                    |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Sept  | Robert and Pauline | Thurgoland Circular                      | Travellers PH, Oxspring<br>S36 8JY               |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> Sept | Barbara            | Chapelton to Tankersley                  | The Miners' Arms, Warren Lane<br>S35 2YD         |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Oct   | Peter              | Newmillerdam Country Park                | Newmillerdam Car Park<br>WF2 6PZ                 |
| 17 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | Glenis             | TransPennine Trail/Darfield              | Dunelm Supermarket Car Park<br>S70 3NS           |
| 31 <sup>st</sup> Oct  | Hilary             | Worsborough Reservoir                    | TPT Car Park, Haverlands Lane<br>S70 5NQ         |
| 14 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | Robert and Pauline | Sprotborough/Cusworth<br>Circular        | Ivanhoe PH, Melton Road, Sprotborough<br>DN5 7NS |
| 28 <sup>th</sup> Nov  | John and Anne      | Silkstone Common                         | Roadside by the Station Inn PH<br>S75 4RB        |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> Jan   | Ann and Margaret   | Elsecar Circular                         | Elsecar Heritage Centre<br>S74 8HJ               |

**Walkers meet at 09:45 for a 10:00 start and our walks are approximately 4 to 6 miles long depending on the time of year.**

**The walks vary in severity and number of stiles, so please check with the walk leader if you have doubts about its suitability.**

**An email will be sent out prior to each walk giving further details. There is usually a nearby pub or café if members wish to socialise after the walk.**




Underbank Reservoir  
Photograph by  
DAVE PICKERSGILL



The Boathouse,  
Newmillerdam  
Photograph by  
JOHN FIELDING.

| THURSDAY WALKERS     |                   | Coordinators: DAVID LEADBETTER AND MICHAEL SWIFT |                                    |       |
|----------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------------------|-------|
| DATE                 | LEADER            | AREA   | MEETING PLACE                      | MILES |
| 5 <sup>th</sup> Oct  | Andy              | Holm Village<br>Blackpool Bridge                 | Holm Village<br>HD9 2QG            | 5.5   |
| 19 <sup>th</sup> Oct | Mike Hawley       | Cawthorn   | Tivydale                           | 6     |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Nov  | David and Kathryn | tbc  |                                    |       |
| 16 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Margaret          | Royd Moor Bullhouse                              | Penistone TPT<br>S36 6DW           | 6     |
| 30 <sup>th</sup> Nov | Mick and Denise   | Windhill Craggs<br>Underbank Reservoir           | Bolsterstone Village<br>S36 3ZN    | 6     |
| 7 <sup>th</sup> Dec  | Dave and Di       | (Mince pie walk)<br>Hartcliff, Catshaw           | Millbrook<br>S36 9NU               | 5.5   |
| 21 <sup>st</sup> Dec | Brian             | Elsecar<br>Wentworth                             | Elsecar Heritage Centre<br>S74 8HJ | 6     |

Flix is on the first and third Fridays of the month at 6pm at Staincross Christian Fellowship. We have fish and chips for those who want it. The costs are the £1.50 blue box fee and 20p towards the cost of the films and whatever you order from the chippy. We are not charging for refreshments just now.

To see the trailer, click on the photograph. 

**15<sup>th</sup> Sept**



(George Biard)

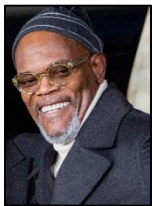
**TICKET TO PARADISE**

**Cast: George Clooney, Julia Roberts, Tim Bevan, Sarah Harvey, Kaitlyn Dever**

Academy Award® winners George Clooney and Julia Roberts reunite on the big screen as exes who find themselves on a shared mission to stop their lovestruck daughter from making the same mistake they once made.

Genre: Romantic Comedy

**6<sup>th</sup> Oct**



(Dick Thomas Johnson)

**THE LAST FULL MEASURE**

**Cast: William Hurt, Samuel L Jackson, Jeremy Irvine, Bradley Whitford, Christopher Plummer**

The true story of Vietnam War hero William H. Pitsenbarger (Jeremy Irvine), a U.S. Air Force Pararescueman (also known as a PJ) medic who personally saved over sixty men. During a rescue mission on April 11, 1966, he was offered the chance to escape on the last helicopter out of a combat zone heavily under fire, but he stayed behind to save and defend the lives of his fellow soldiers of the U.S. Army's 1st Infantry Division, before making the ultimate sacrifice in the bloodiest battle of the war.

Genre: Drama, War

**20<sup>th</sup> Oct**



(Mabalu)

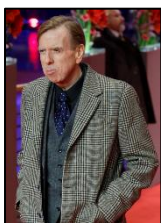
**MRS HARRIS GOES TO PARIS**

**Cast: Lesley Manville, Isabelle Huppert, Lambert Wilson, Rose Williams**

The story of a widowed cleaning lady (Manville) in 1950s London who falls madly in love with a couture Dior dress and decides that she must have one of her own. After she works, starves and gambles to raise the funds to pursue her dream, she embarks on an adventure to Paris which will change not only her own outlook, but also the future of the iconic fashion house.

Genre: Drama, Adaptation, Period

**3<sup>rd</sup> Nov**



(Maximillian Bühn)

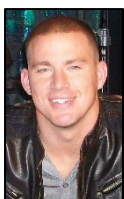
**THE LAST BUS**

**Cast: Timothy Spall, Gillies Mackinnon, Phyllis Logan, Joe Ainsworth**

Life is a journey and The Last Bus takes our old soldier, 90-year-old Tom Harper (Timothy Spall) on an epic trip from his home of fifty years - a remote village in the most northerly point of Scotland - back to the place he was born - close to England's most southerly point. Battling against time, age and fate, desperate to keep a promise to his beloved wife Mary (Phyllis Logan), our intrepid hero Tom embarks on an odyssey, revisiting his past, connecting with the modern world and a diverse, multi-cultural Britain he has never experienced. The Last Bus is a road movie, a film about love, loss and the human spirit. A film that reminds us we are not alone - and that we're all on this ride together...

Genre: Drama, Romance

**17<sup>th</sup> Nov**



(Wcfirm)

**DOG**

**Cast: Channing Tatum, Patricia Isaac, Skyler Joy, Jamaal Lewis**

DOG is a buddy comedy that follows the misadventures of two former Army Rangers paired against their will on the road trip of a lifetime. Army Ranger Briggs (Channing Tatum) and Lulu (a Belgian Malinois dog) buckle into a 1984 Ford Bronco and race down the Pacific Coast in hopes of making it to a fellow soldier's funeral on time. Along the way, they'll drive each other completely crazy, break a small handful of laws, narrowly evade death, and learn to let down their guards in order to have a fighting chance of finding happiness.

Genre: Adventure, Comedy

**1<sup>st</sup> Dec**



(Katmtan)

**BELFAST**

**Cast: Catriona Balfe, Jamie Dornan, Judi Dench, Ciaran Hinds, Jude Hill**

Surrounded by sporadic violence and growing danger, 9-year-old Buddy finds himself confronted with the ugly reality of sectarian conflict. As the suffocating stranglehold of increasing turmoil tightens around his once peaceful working-class neighbourhood, Buddy tries his best to understand The Troubles - after all, someone must be responsible for forcing people to flee their homes.

Genre: Drama



The Cycling Group continue their adventures every Tuesday. Those of you who follow our posts on Facebook will have seen our exploits in Yorkshire and Derbyshire. Thanks to our resident photographers for their excellent work.

At the time of writing, we have a special 'Birthday Ride' coming up. Due to careful planning, one of our number seems to have a significant birthday that falls on a Cycling Day. I can't think of any better people than Bu3a cyclists to spend this day with. Probably because lunch, cake & beer have been mentioned!



The programme for the remainder of the year is:

| <b>Date Tuesday</b> | <b>Meeting Place</b>  | <b>Ride to</b>                  |
|---------------------|---|---------------------------------|
| Sept 12th           | Tissington Trail – Parsley Hay  | Ashbourne Derbyshire            |
| Sept 26th           | Rother Valley   | Chesterfield                    |
| Oct 10th            | Brayton, near Selby   | York                            |
| Oct 24th            | Stanley Ferry   | Temple Newsam                   |
| Nov 7th             | Kendal Green  | Manvers Lake                    |
| Extra Rides         | Arranged on other Tuesdays & during the Winter months at short notice | Ask the coordinator for details |

**FIONA'S FOOD MEMORIES**

Fiona Clark's memories are quite different from many of our members'. As many families did, Fiona's family visited grandparents every Sunday. Part of the Sunday ritual was a gong which was rung once to indicate handwashing time then which told the family to go directly to the dining room where lunch was served. Grandfather always carved the meat, and the first portions went to the kitchen and staff as all employees were treated with the utmost respect. Family servings followed. All the people who were employed in the house were from the streets. The family would help to give people a better start in life and sent some into further education or trained them in gardening or silver service.

In her own home the family would eat in the kitchen unless visitors were present. For visitors, the dining room would have been used and the best china crockery and solid silver cutlery would be brought out. How many of our members still get out the best crockery and cutlery for visitors?

One recipe that stood out from Fiona's memories was for Inverness Eggs. These were made in a ramakin dish with sausage meat around the side and eggs in the centre. These were then baked in the oven. They sound so tasty.

Another dish in her memory was Scottish sausage which was very spicy and flat, sometimes known as Lorne sausage. Scottish pie was made with a hot water crust pastry and filled with spicy mince and onion. Space was left on the top of the pie so that it could be topped with baked beans.

Fiona's mother would always have a stock pot on the go and made wonderful soups with the contents. Friday afternoons were taken up with baking. One of the tastiest biscuits she made were Imperial biscuits. These were two thin shortbread biscuits sandwiched with raspberry jam, topped with white icing. Crowning the whole biscuit would be a glacé cherry.



Jerry Prank (cookipedia)



sierravallevgirl

Mealtimes must have been so enjoyable with food like the above.

**LYNN MALONEY**

# QUIZZOMERS COUNTRIES



(Cookie030307)

## Round One – General Knowledge

1. What is located at Piazza Del Duomo, Italy?
2. What is located on Highway 101, San Francisco?
3. Atamu Tekena, Isla de Pascua, Chile, is the location of what?
4. Athens 10558, Greece, is the location of what?
5. What is located at Champs de Mars, 5 Avenue Anatole, France?
6. What is located at Bennelong Point, Sydney, Australia?
7. What is located at Dharmapuini, Tajganij, Uttar Pradesh, India?
8. What is located at Threadneedle Street, London, England?
9. What is located at 350 Fifth Avenue, New York, USA?
10. Which famous building is located at 160 Pennsylvania Avenue?

## Round Two – Country Anagrams

1. Arny hug
2. Coma no
3. Ai actor
4. Dar line
5. Asoka liv
6. Ai notes
7. Haiti luna
8. Gumbo lurex
9. Adherents In
10. Galop rut



(Pipirafa)

## Round Three – Capital Cities

What is the capital city of:

1. Latvia?
2. El Salvador?
3. Albania?
4. Liberia?
5. Cuba?
6. Zambia?
7. Indonesia?
8. Morocco?
9. Cyprus?
10. Sudan?



## Round Four – Where in the World?

1. What is the name of the smallest country in the world?
2. Which country has the most natural lakes?
3. How many time zones does Russia have?
4. How many stars are on the Australian flag?
5. The Lord of the Rings was filmed in which country?
6. Which country has pyramids older than those in Egypt?
7. Where is the largest waterfall in the world and what is its name?
8. How many countries are there in Africa?
9. Which is the largest country in South America?
10. How many time zones does Australia have?



How does the moon cut its hair?

Eclipse it!



How do you know it's summer in England?

The rain gets slightly warmer!





## EXPERIENCE BARNESLEY

The new display from Bu3a is now open in the museum. It is housed in a smaller cabinet than our first display and is just to the left as you go into the museum.

After Hannah Lucas and Lynn Maloney sieved through the short questionnaires given out at the February Meeting, one particular food cropped up time and time again. Yorkshire Puddings are obviously a firm favourite, so we have based the display on this Yorkshire delicacy.



(freefoodphotos)

Please try to visit the museum and have a look.

**LYNN MALONEY**

Why did the biscuit go to hospital?

Because it felt crumbly.

Why did the skeleton go to the museum alone?

Because he had no body to go with!

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Thanks also to members of Bu3a for sharing their photographs.

**HELEN SIMMS**

## COOKERY CORNER

### BREAKFAST MUFFINS

Makes 6

8 medium eggs  
2 spring onions (chopped)  
6 cherry tomatoes  
1 small red pepper (chopped)  
A few leaves of baby spinach  
50g of grated cheese  
Pinch of oregano  
Salt and pepper

Pre-heat the oven to 180°.  
Grease a muffin tin.

Beat the eggs, then add onions, pepper, spinach, half the cheese and season with salt and pepper.

Mix well.

Pour some mixture into each of the muffin bowls, 2/3 full.

Press a cherry tomato into each muffin, sprinkle the remaining cheese over each one, then sprinkle the oregano over the top.

Bake in the oven for 15-20 mins until puffed up and golden brown.

Best served warm.



**CHRISTINE PALMER**

Why did Grandma take up gardening in retirement?

She heard it's a great way to grow old gracefully.

## MONTHLY MEETINGS

**OCTOBER 2<sup>ND</sup>**

Andrea Spencer  
Membership and Engagement Officer at Barnsley District Hospital

**NOVEMBER 6<sup>TH</sup>**

Dr Tegwen Roberts  
Buildings archaeologist for Barnsley Museums who is leading the Eldon Street Heritage Action Zone and worked in the same role at Elsecar Heritage.  
[Eldon Street Heritage Action Zone](#)

The Bu3a Exploring Barnsley Research Group will also share some of their recent work.

**DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>**

Christmas with our magnificent Old Blowers



**PLEASE SUPPORT YOUR Bu3a**

**DEREK BACON**

## TUESDAY WALKING

**Coordinator: PAULINE ROWLAND**

On one of our recent Tuesday Walks between Silkstone and Oxspring we came across a broken stile. Totally disintegrated and impossible to negotiate without the intervention of one of the group who had to lift the broken wood out of the way to allow us access into the next field.



As you can see from the photos there was a farm gate, but it was both tied and padlocked. So, no alternative route.



Photographs were taken and sent to Barnsley Council's Footpath Officer giving details of where the stile was situated and that we were a group from the Bu3a. She replied promptly thanking us and informing us a ranger would be visiting the farm where the stile is situated. Several days later I received an email to say a new stile was due to be fitted at the end of the week.

An impressive and speedy response. Maybe mentioning the Bu3a did the trick?



## SPOTLIGHT ON LISA HAMMOND Bu3a CHAMPION



There are people, not members of Barnsley u3a, who help us with promotions, encourage people to join and help us get the u3a word out into the community. I felt it was time to recognise one of the key people, who you may never have heard of, but who is a staunch supporter of our organisation.

Lisa Hammond is Community Champion for Tesco in Stairfoot. I contacted her to ask if I could write a short piece about her and her work. She was delighted to be asked and we immediately set a date to meet. On the day, Lisa led me into the Community Room only to be confronted by an invitation to take part in a sponsored leg wax. Fortunately, the event had taken place, but it was certainly an insight into her job. (Incidentally, they used so many wax strips doing test patches on the volunteers that, on the day of the event, they only had enough strips to do the fronts of legs.)

Leg waxing is one of many challenges that Lisa organises for a whole host of local charities. It certainly doesn't sound like your average desk job. A colleague or customer with a personal connection to a particular charity or representative of a charity will contact her for either a donation or to organise a fundraising event. Examples range from the humble raffle or tombola to the more adventurous abseiling and the famous Peak District Challenge, a 20-mile hike along the Edale skyline. Organising events is one thing, but you'll find Lisa taking part. A video I saw of her screaming as she abseiled down the Owen Building, at Sheffield Hallam University, shows her level of commitment. The surplus food and plants from the store go to local food banks, where Lisa also cooks and serves at local food clubs.



Local is key for Lisa. She's Stairfoot born and bred and believes passionately in her community. She began work for Tesco in 2013 in the Opticians franchise, but when the Community Engagement post became vacant, she knew it was the role for her. Blessed with boundless energy, she's made a real impact and is driven to make a difference for local people.

She talks of her colleagues, Tesco customers and the volunteers who work for local charities and they're clearly an inspiration to her, "brilliant people doing brilliant things" and regards her job as a privilege.



In 2017, together with some friends, she formed 'Friends of Stairfoot', an organisation aimed at making the area a better place. This involves the ubiquitous litter pick, but the group is also committed to improving the area with planting, benches and reversing the effects of vandalism. With the little free time she has left, she volunteers as a Youth Worker for the YMCA.

Despite seeing hundreds of people representing scores of charities, Lisa knows Bu3a well. Letting us use the store for leafletting and promotional days, or to let our music groups play in the foyer to raise money for our own charities. She makes us feel welcome and ensures we're comfortable. The Tesco Community Room is one of our venues and she remembers the Bu3a Magician of the Year Competition with great fondness.

Honestly, this isn't a paid promotion, but I will report that Lisa is proud to work for Tesco and respects their commitment to engaging with the local community. The green token scheme that you will have seen in their stores nationally have raised £100 million since its inception in 2016. I would say they're very lucky to have her.



HELENA SIMMS


## NEW GROUPS

### LIFE BEFORE US

**Coordinator: BETH RUDKIN**

Starting on 15<sup>th</sup> September, we will look at the very beginnings of life. How did inanimate bits of chemicals turn into life? There are various theories, but you will have your own ideas.

Thoughts will then turn to amoeba, jellyfish, oxygen-giving plant life and fossils. There will be lots of videos, and, I hope, a lot of discussion. Dinosaurs, what happened to them?

Hopefully, we will visit the [Yorkshire Museum](#).   
For a taster, click on the link below to see David Attenborough opening Yorkshire's Jurassic World exhibition.

[Yorkshire's Jurassic World](#) 

Eventually, we will come to the most exciting topic – hominins. With ape-like skeletons these creatures have long arms to swing in trees yet start to behave like humans and are thought to exist up to the Neanderthal period. I'm told that many of us have Neanderthal in our DNA, not so daft then? We will trace their migration from Africa and try to discover what happened to them.

Life Before Us will meet at Monk Bretton Methodist Church at 2pm every alternate Friday for approximately 1 ½ hours. The course will last for about a year.

There will be an interest list at the September Monthly Meeting, but you can express your interest to Beth directly.

Details in the Contact List.

### LAUGHTER YOGA **Coordinator: ROSALYN WATSON**

This is a unique concept where we laugh without the need for jokes, comedy or humour because the laughter is done as an aerobic activity.

For general information, click the link below.

[Laughter Yoga](#) 

The group will begin its activities on 12<sup>th</sup> September. Contact Rosalyn for further details.



Photograph courtesy of Laughter Yoag (sic) at Worthy FM HQ

### MODERN JIVE FOR BEGINNERS

**Coordinators:  
VANDA OUTRAM  
BARBARA CAYGILL  
GERARD CAYGILL**

Jive is NOT Rock n' Roll! It is a much smoother, steadier pace. You can dance it to almost any type of music, fast or slow, the choice is yours. The health benefits are amazing, it helps to keep the joints supple, but most of all, it's fun.

You don't need a partner and two left feet is not an excuse as we can fix that. We are a friendly and supportive group, so come along and give it a go. You'll go home buzzing with a smile on your face.

[Modern Jive, Live...](#) 

The group meets at Staincross Christian Fellowship in Mapplewell on Wednesdays 6pm – 8pm

Details in the Contact List.



### THE CONCERT PARTY **Coordinator: GERARD CAYGILL**

After a good start, the new Concert Party Group, which is concentrating on music from the 60s and onwards, is settling into a routine.

Now we would like to expand with some new members, but as we are meeting at a small venue in Mapplewell, we have a maximum group size of 20. We are looking for a few strong male or female vocalists.

Can you handle percussion? We've a vacancy for a percussionist too. We also have an electronic keyboard available if anyone wants to dust off their keyboard skills.

We meet on Mondays from 11am -1pm at The Community Centre, Alder Close, Mapplewell, S75 6JA

Further details from Gerard, in the Contact List.

**SOCIAL COMMITTEE**

**IT'S CEILIDH TIME**

The ceilidh will be held on:

**Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November at The Miner's Welfare,  
Worsbrough, S70 5LJ 7.30pm – 11.00pm**

The brilliant Rhythm Chaps will be providing the music, calling the dances will be Chris McShane.

Click on the photo below for more information.



Photo Allun O'Brian

Tickets are £15 to include a pie and pea supper (vegetarian pies available). Some parking on site.



**CHRISTMAS DINNER**

**Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> December at Burntwood Court,  
Brierley, arrivals from 12 noon.**

Tickets are £25 to include a 3 course meal.

**TICKETS FOR BOTH EVENTS WILL BE ON SALE AT  
MONTHLY MEETINGS.**

**PAULINE BUTTLING**

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**NEW MEMBERS**



Julie Scarfe, Janet Prado, Judy Holling, Walter Gibbs, Keith Burton, Sheila Sykes, Elaine Pearson, Lynn Mackenzie, Sheila Wall, Richard Wright, Sharon Milner, Ann Seymour, Elizabeth Fisher, Sheila Smith, Jenny Garside, Margaret Grinnell, Vladimir Shaposhnikov, Jackie Lowrie, Janet Guild, Ken Smith, Lloyd Jenkinson, Joy Rawlings, Howard Singleton, Sharon Haggerty, John Haggerty, Roselyn Watson, David Watson, Barbara Pickering, Joanne Brown, Linda Francis, Duncan Sissons, Alison Anderson, Maureen Stevens, Christine Sykes, Carol Meynell, Rosemary Chadwick, Ruth Brook, Michael Peck, Susan Donoghue, Victor Ashford, Angela Ashford, Patricia Kelsey, Jenny Newcombe, Keith Blackburn, Patricia Blackburn, Gaynor Palmer, Sharron Gibson, Sheila Marsh, Michael Pattinson, Mary Wood, Rhona Burnett, Averil Webb, John Kershaw, Julie Haigh, Nicholas Haigh, Christine Blanco, Sue Dymock, Angela Gilroy, Barry Hart, Mavis Boucher, Pat Smith and Julie Jones.

**HELEN DEW**

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**SAFETY IN THE BUZZ**

Some of you are going to say you know all the fire drill stuff, did it at work, don't need to be told, etc. But at some of the venues we have checked the fire exits have not been fully accessible. Derek Bacon's Chairman's Message in this Buzz emphasises that the Committee is legally required to ensure that Bu3a members know and follow the rules.



Fire exits are a very important and very desirable aspect of our safety when we are happily getting on with our living, laughing, and learning at the various venues that we use for Bu3a. Unlikely to be used but vital that they are accessible when they are required.

These quiet and unassuming fire exit doors can look very different, have different shaped signs, different ways of opening and different colours.

**However, all fire exits must:-**

- 1. Be kept clear at all times, inside and out, access routes clear too.**
- 2. Open quickly and easily**
- 3. Always be readily accessible when we are present:-**
  - a. Shutters raised**
  - b. Bolts lifted**
  - c. Unlocked**

**About the Activity Safety Checks**

**Coordinators and Group members should familiarise themselves with venue fire exits and highlight any issues to the venue management or a Bu3a committee member.**

A big thank you to all the Coordinators and their group members for their warm welcome and cooperation so far. You are brilliant! We are making good progress.

**JEAN EMBURY**

**Group Safety and Compliance Officer**

[http://www.freesignage.co.uk/fire\\_evacuation\\_signs.php](http://www.freesignage.co.uk/fire_evacuation_signs.php)



## BARNSELY MAIN OPEN DAY – SATURDAY 3<sup>RD</sup> JUNE

Saturday 3 June was a blazing hot and breezy day - wonderful weather to hold the Open Day at Barnsley Main where a team of volunteers maintain the Colliery grounds.

Barnsley u3a had been invited to have a stall, along with several other local charitable organisations. By 11 am our bright blue gazebo was up, and we were ready to hand out leaflets and talk to anybody who passed by. After a slow start, dozens of people came to find out about Bu3a; application forms were handed out and we hoped we would get some new members.

The Mayor of Barnsley, Councillor Mick Stowe, spent some time with us, renewing our acquaintance from u3a day last September. A successful event and one that should reap rewards.



JO KASPAREK

## MONTHLY MEETING – JUNE 2023

In June, we bade a sad farewell after their permitted 6 year term to two hardworking members of the Bu3a Committee: Margaret Saxton (left), Social Secretary and Hilary Newton (right), Treasurer. Thanks to both for their co



## POINTS OF INTEREST

### FANCY LEARNING TO LIPREAD?

Try this lipreading course suggested by AgeUK.

<http://lipreadingpractice.co.uk> 

This brilliant course practises lipreading face to face and from the side.

### WELLBEING/COMMUNITY HEALTH

The Metrodome and Hoyland Leisure Centre are offering two months free access to their pools, exercise classes and the gym.

Contact the venues directly for further information.

HELEN SMILEY

## THE STITCHES GROUP

The Stitches Group, which meets on a Friday morning, will now be known as:

### CREATIVE STITCHES

This is to reflect the fact that we work we produce is creative and individual.

The project leaders introduce a topic, guide us through the processes and techniques and then members develop their own ideas.



SUZANNE DINSDALE

| BARNSELY u3a EVENTS CALENDAR, 2023 (as at 26.07.23) |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
|---|----------------------------|------------------------|----------------------------|----------------------|------------------------|------------|
|   | Aug-23                     | Sep-23                 | Oct-23                     | Nov-23               | Dec-23                 | Jan-24     |
| MONTHLY MTGS  | NO MEETING                 | 4th @ PRIORY CAMPUS    | 2nd                        | 6th                  | 4th                    | 8th        |
| SPEAKERS  |                            | Bu3a Choir             | Barnsley Hospital          | Heritage Action Zone | Old Blowers            |            |
| EXEC MTGS   | 18th                       | 15th                   | 20th                       | 17th                 | 15th                   | 19th       |
| PENISTONE DROP-IN                                   | 3RD                        | 7TH                    | 5TH                        | 2ND                  | 7TH                    | NO MEETING |
| NEW MEMBERS MTG                                     | 14th                       |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| Bu3a EVENTS   | 11th Thurgoland Pop-Up     | 2nd Eco Fest, Emmanuel | 6th Kendray: Up the Swanee |                      |                        |            |
|   | 13th Brass on the Grass, M | 9th Penistone Show     |                            | 10th                 |                        |            |
| BUZZ DEADLINE                                       | 11th                       |                        |                            | 10th                 |                        |            |
| BUZZ DISTRIBUTION                                   |                            | 4th                    |                            |                      | 4th                    |            |
| INTERIM BUZZ  |                            |                        | 20th                       |                      |                        | 19th       |
| CHOIR EVENTS  |                            |                        |                            |                      | 12th Christmas Concert |            |
| SOCIAL EVENTS                                       | 17th Curry Night           |                        |                            | 10th Ceilidh         | 14th Annual Dinner     |            |
| TRAVEL EVENTS                                       |                            | 13-14th Lindisfarne    |                            |                      |                        |            |
| PARTNERSHIP EVENTS                                  |                            | 2nd Eco Fest, Emmanuel |                            |                      |                        |            |
| YAHR EVENTS   | Summer Sch, 30/7-3/8       |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| u3a UK EVENTS                                       |                            | 16-24th u3a Week       |                            |                      |                        |            |
|   | Feb-24                     | Mar-24                 | Apr-24                     | May-24               | Jun-24                 | Jul-24     |
| MONTHLY MTGS  | 5th                        | 4th                    | 8TH                        | 13th                 | 3rd                    | 1st        |
| SPEAKERS  |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| EXEC MTGS   | 16th                       | 15th                   | 19th                       | 17th                 | 21st                   | 19th       |
| PENISTONE DROP IN                                   | 1st                        | 7th                    | 4th                        | 2nd                  | 6th                    | 4th        |
| NEW MEMBERS   |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| Bu3a EVENTS   |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| BUZZ DEADLINE                                       | 9th                        |                        |                            | 3rd                  |                        |            |
| BUZZ DISTRIBUTION                                   |                            | 4th                    |                            |                      | 4th                    |            |
| INTERIM BUZZ  |                            |                        | 19th                       |                      |                        | 19th       |
| CHOIR EVENTS  |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| SOCIAL EVENTS                                       |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| TRAVEL EVENTS                                       |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| PARTNERSHIP EVENTS                                  |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| YAHR EVENTS   |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |
| u3a UK EVENTS                                       |                            |                        |                            |                      |                        |            |







## BARNSELEY & DISTRICT U3A - SEPTEMBER to DECEMBER 2023

*The most up to date details are on our website [www.bu3a.org.uk](http://www.bu3a.org.uk)*

| WEDNESDAY               |                          | September                       |            |    |    |   |    |    | October |   |   | November |    |    | December |    |    |    |
|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------------|------------|----|----|---|----|----|---------|---|---|----------|----|----|----------|----|----|----|
|                         |                          | 6                               | 13         | 20 | 27 | 4 | 11 | 18 | 25      | 1 | 8 | 15       | 22 | 29 | 6        | 13 | 20 | 27 |
| Group                   | Frequency                | Venue                           | Start Time |    |    |   |    |    |         |   |   |          |    |    |          |    |    |    |
| Art for Beginners       | Fortnightly              | St Thomas's Community Centre    | 10:00      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Ceilidh Band            | Fortnightly              | Darby & Joan Club, Darton       | 14:00      |    | X  |   |    | X  |         |   |   |          | X  |    |          |    |    |    |
| Chinese Night           | Contact coordinator      | China Court Mapplewell          |            |    |    |   |    |    |         |   |   |          |    |    |          |    |    |    |
| Creative Writing        | Fortnightly              | Check with the coordinator      | 18:00      |    |    |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Crown Green Bowling     | Weekly (Mar-Oct)         | Ardsley                         | 10:00      | X  | X  |   |    |    |         |   |   |          |    |    |          |    |    |    |
| Current Affairs         | Fortnightly              | Mapplewell & Staincross V Hall  | 10:00      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| French Conversation*    | Fortnightly              | Birdwell Community Centre       | 14:00      |    | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Games Galore            | Weekly                   | Birdwell Community Centre       | 14:00      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Gardeners Group         | Fortnightly              | Wentworth Castle Estate         | 13:30      |    | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Genealogy               | Fortnightly              | Dodworth Miners Welfare         | see note   |    | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Literature              | Fortnightly              | Monk Bretton Methodist          | 14:00      |    | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Modern Jive Dance       | Weekly (except 2nd week) | Staincross Christian Fellowship | 18:00      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Solo Club               | 2nd Week                 | Staincross Christian Fellowship | 18:30      |    | X  |   |    |    |         |   |   |          | X  |    |          |    |    |    |
| Stringalongs (Ukulele)* | Fortnightly              | Darby & Joan Club, Darton       | 14.15      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |
| Wednesday Ramblers      | Weekly                   | As announced                    | 10:00      | X  | X  |   |    | X  | X       |   |   |          |    | X  | X        |    |    |    |

\*indicates a group is full

Genealogy

Meets for two 90min sessions starting at 10:30 and 12:00. Members may come to both sessions if they wish.







# Premier Foot Care

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### QUIZZOOMERS – THE ANSWERS

#### Round One – General Knowledge

1. The Leaning Tower of Pisa.
2. The Golden Gate Bridge.
3. Easter Island.
4. The Acropolis.
5. The Eiffel Tower.
6. Sydney Opera House.
7. The Taj Mahal.
8. The Bank of England.
9. The Empire State Building.
10. The White House.

#### Round Two – Country Anagrams

1. Hungary
2. Monaco
3. Croatia
4. Ireland
5. Slovakia
6. Estonia
7. Lithuania
8. Luxembourg
9. Netherlands
10. Portugal

#### Round Three – Capital Cities

1. Riga
2. San Salvador
3. Tirana
4. Monrovia
5. Havana
6. Lusaka
7. Jakarta
8. Rabat
9. Nicosia
10. Khartoum

#### Round Four – Where in the World

1. The Vatican City
2. Canada
3. 11
4. 6
5. New Zealand
6. Sudan
7. Venezuela – Angel Falls
8. 54
9. Brazil
10. 3



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**ACCOUNTANTS** James Burland FCAA Account manager Tel. **01226 282461** [j.burland@harrisaccounts.co](mailto:j.burland@harrisaccounts.co)

Robert Watson at Gibson Booth **01226 213131**

**AFTERNOON TEA** Michelle provides afternoon teas, with a range of sandwiches, scones, cakes etc all served on vintage crockery. Delivery free within 3 miles of Penistone, or happy to travel further by negotiation. The price as at July 2021 is £8.50 per person. Telephone **07769 612087**, or website: [www.thecopperkettetyorkshire.co.uk](http://www.thecopperkettetyorkshire.co.uk)

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**BATHROOMS, PLUMBING, HEATERS AND BOILERS** AC Plumbing and renovations. Call Andrew Cunningham on **07814 502664** or alternatively e-mail him at [andrew85cunningham@gmail.com](mailto:andrew85cunningham@gmail.com) or Instagram [acplumbingandrenovations](https://www.instagram.com/acplumbingandrenovations).

**BLINDS & SHUTTERS** Martin's Blinds and Shutters. Telephone **01709 888828**

**BUILDING SERVICES/DAMP PROOFING** Dave Stones Builder, Mapplewell. Contact Dave on **07850 102842**

**CAR SERVICING** Car servicing/ repairs: DMW Motors, Unit 20, Metro Trading Centre, Barugh Green Road, Barugh Green, S75 1JT. Experienced mechanic with 14 years at a VW main dealer. Tel **01226 391081** mobile **07946 092122**.

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**SOLAR PANELS** Phil Murat **07500 932951**

## VENUES AND BUS INFORMATION

| VENUE  | BUS         | STAND   |
|--|-------------|---------|
| AGE UK BARNSELY, 36a Queens Road, Barnsley S71 1AR                         |             |         |
| ALDER CLOSE COMMUNITY CENTRE: Off Longsight Road, Mapplewell S75 6JA       | 1           | 10      |
| ARDSLEY BOWLING CLUB: Coronation Terrace, Off Doncaster Rd, Ardsley S715BE | 219         | 21      |
| ARDSLEY OAKS WMC: 680 Doncaster Rd, Ardsley, Barnsley S71 5EF              | 219         | 21      |
| BARNSELY BOWL: Carlton Road, Barnsley S71 2AZ                              | 12          | 8       |
| BIRDWELL COMMUNITY CENTRE: Rockingham Street, Birdwell S70 5TQ             | 2 / 66 / 67 | 1       |
| BURTON GRANGE COMMUNITY CENTRE: Wike Road, Lundwood S71 5LT                | 32          | 16      |
| DARTON PARISH HALL: Church St, Darton, Barnsley S75 5HF                    | 93          | 5       |
| DODWORTH LIBRARY: High Street, Dodworth, Barnsley, S75 3RF                 | 22          | 4       |
| DODWORTH MINERS WELFARE CLUB: High Street, Dodworth, Barnsley S75 3RF      | 22          | 4       |
| EMMANUEL CHURCH: Huddersfield Road, Barnsley S75 1DT                       | 95          | 5       |
| KING STREET FLATS: Waltham Street, Barnsley, S70 1JU                       | 22X / 6     | 18 / 17 |
| MANOR COURT COMMUNITY CENTRE: Westend Ave, Royston, Barnsley S71 4LN       | 57          | 13      |
| MAPPLEWELL AND STAINCROSS VILLAGE HALL: Darton Lane, Barnsley S75 6AL      | 1           | 10      |
| MONK BRETTON METHODIST CHURCH: High St, Monk Bretton, Barnsley S71 2EG     | 57/59       | 13      |
| PENISTONE BOWLING CLUB: Back Lane, Penistone S36 6DW                       | 20/21       | 5       |
| PENISTONE LEISURE CENTRE S36 9EF   | 20/21       | 5       |
| PENISTONE SCOUT HUT S36 6ET  | 20/21       | 5       |
| POLLYFOX COMMUNITY CENTRE, Pollyfox Way, Dodworth S75 3QR                  | 22          | 4       |
| REDFEARNS SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB: Burton Road, Monk Bretton, S71 2JS       | 57/59       | 13      |
| STAINCROSS CHRISTIAN FELLOWSHIP CHURCH, 21 Spark Lane, Mapplewell, S75 6AA | 1           | 10      |
| ST JOHN'S COMMUNITY CENTRE: Church St, Penistone S36 6AR                   | 22          | 4       |
| ST THOMAS'S COMMUNITY CENTRE: Church St, Gawber, Barnsley S75 2RJ          | 92 / 93     | 4       |
| STOCKSBRIDGE LEISURE CENTRE: Moorland Drive, Stocksbridge, S36 1EG         | 23          | 5       |
| STAIRFOOT CONSTITUTIONAL CLUB: 466 Doncaster Road, Barnsley S70 3PW        | 222/226/X19 | 18 / 19 |
| TESCO: Wombwell Lane, Stairfoot, Barnsley S70 3NS                          | 22X         | 18      |
| VALLEY COMMUNITY CENTRE: Manor Road, Cudworth, Barnsley S72 8DG            | 27          | 15      |
| WOMBWELL METHODIST CHURCH: Summer Lane, Wombwell, Barnsley S73 8HE         | 22          | 18      |
| WORSBROUGH BRIDGE SOCIAL CLUB: Sheffield Rd, Worsbrough Bridge S70 5EJ     | 66          | 2       |
| WORSBROUGH LIBRARY: Elm House Estate, Queensway, Worsbrough S70 5EN.       | 66          | 2       |

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