

Message from the Chairman

Our AGM is fast approaching and I'm pleased to say we have some new faces that are standing for the committee on the 6th June.

Some stalwarts of the committee are sadly standing down and I would like to take this opportunity to thank them for their hard work and support. Margaret, Janet, Valerie, Lorna and Jim have been on the committee since Eastwood and District U3A was set up and have made a massive contribution to the organisation we have today. I know they will be on hand for help and advice and I wish them a happy 'retirement'. *Chris Niven*

Natural Science

Meetings of this new group will take place on the 4th Monday of the month at 10:30 am at the Foresters Arms, Main Street, Newthorpe. At the first meeting the members discussed what they wanted from the group and how they were going to organise the sessions. The hope is that members will take it in turns to research and lead sessions with the opportunity for others to contribute. That will take the majority of the meeting, but should allow time for any general science discussion.

The next two topics are:

June 25 Astronomy

July 23 Water Treatment

The group is quite small at the moment, if you are interested please come along. *Val Simons*

June Monthly meeting: -

Refreshments Rota: - Moira Lees, John Parker, Dawn Raffle, Madeline Fletcher.

Meet & Greeters Rota: - Janet Kirk, Barry Seeley, Shirley Reynolds.

Set up/Clear away Rota: - Barry Day, Geoff Gratton, Peter Hayden, Robert Leam.

Signing in: - Pauline Jackson, Helen Baker

P.A. Team: - Ray Dring, Roger Bacon, Colin McGillivray, Kevin Rockley, Frank Queripel, Terry Marriott.



The Radio Waves group was treated to a fantastic lesson by Ray Dring showing a film about the Astrolabe which is a invention designed to show the elevation of the planets in the night sky. Next we saw three models, the first being an Orrery invented by Lord Orrery of Northern Ireland, showing the orbits of the solar system over many years. The second was a Tellurian showing the sun, earth and moon orbits. Finally we saw a working model of Leonardo da Vinci's first clock that is wound up using chains and weights. *Janet Kirk*

City treasures May tour of Midland Station and some Historical pubs / inns.

The group arrived at the station by tram from where we had a good view of the new tram bridge. The bridge crosses over the railway station exactly where the Great Central Railway girder bridge stood before it was demolished in the 1980s. The new bridge is named "The Karlsruhe Bridge" after Nottingham's twinned city in Germany. It is a marvellous piece of engineering and future history.

Next we entered Nottingham Midland Station. The station has served Nottingham for the last 114 years. It was opened in 1904 and since the other Victoria Station closed in the 1960s it's become the city's main station.

We then moved onto the historical pubs. We visited the Canal House, the Trip To Jerusalem and the Salutation Inn where we took a refreshing drink. The landlord took us on a tour of the cellars with an added talk of the Inn's history. We enjoyed another interesting city tour uncovering some more treasures. Full report can be seen on the web site. *Len Marsh*

Dates for the Diary: Meetings are held on the first Wednesday of the Month at St. Mary's Church, Church Street, Eastwood.

Wed June 6th at 10 am

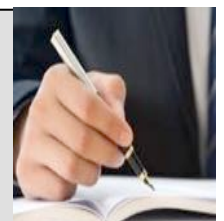
Annual General Meeting entertainment by Fools Gold.

Wed July 4th at 10 am

Marjory Spencer

Wed August 1st at 10 am

Brian Fretwell



Featured New Interest Groups

Now that the directory has been issued the newsletter will only feature details of new groups and items of news about activities.

Latest up-to-date information at:

www.eastwoodu3a.org

New Groups: Church History – meet on the 1st Tuesday at 2.00 pm at Percy Street Baptist Church. Contact Marianne Chisholm, tel 01159 134 077

History of England – will meet on the 4th Thurs at 10.30 am in the Sun Inn. Contact Janet Kirk 01773 770183.

janetcolin@icloud.com.

Photography – will meet on the 3rd Wed at The Foresters, Newthorpe, 10.00 am. Contact is Frank Queripel, tel: 01773 788047.

Natural Science - meet 4th Monday, 10.30 am at The Foresters, Newthorpe. Contact Val Simons.

Mindfulness - Mindfulness 1 meet 1st Tuesday, 10.00 am at the Eastwood People's Initiative. Mindfulness 2 meet 2nd Tuesday 10.00 am same venue. Contact Val Simons.

Group News

5 mile Walkers: next walk Tues 5th June meet 10.00 am top right hand corner Morrisons' car park then on to Dale Abbey, park on the road opposite The Carpenters Arms. Contact Roger Reynolds on 01773 788169.

Micro Brewery Pub Pals: Next meet 28th June at The Angry Bee, Heanor. Contact Yvonne Carey. 01773712530.

Coffee Mates: is now full. Next meet 20th June at Sue Rowlett's house for Marie Curie Charity. Contact Andrea for more info.

Bird Watching: Meet Thurs 21st June – at Skylarks. The contacts for the group are Chris and Paul Millington on 01773 764 943 or 07977 436 471.

Pub Pals: Next meet 14th June at The Cricketers Rest, Kimberley. Contact Yvonne Carey on 01773 712530.

Vegetable gardening: Next meet 1st June 163 Main St Newthorpe. Then 6th July meeting will be held at Ann and Colin's, Mansfield Rd, Eastwood. Contact Barbara Moore on 01773 770 929

Coffee & Co: is now full. Next meet 27th June at Beauvale Priory at 11am. Contact Barbara Gani 01159468721.

Social Outings.

- *Saturday 9th June – visit to Chatsworth Flower Show. Cost £44 with Skills, includes entrance fee. Let Joan know if you are interested.*

- *Sunday 15th July - Lincolnshire Wolds Steam Railway, we will have a rover ticket for the train. On this Sunday there will be a car boot sale so you could grab a bargain. Then we will go on to Cleethorpes for fish & chips and a paddle. Cost for all this £16, if we can fill the bus. Names to Jill, Sandra and Joan.*

- *Also let them know if you are interested in a holiday in Scotland in October.*

Further info at Main Meeting or from Joan Morley on 0115 938 3042 or Jill Parnaby on 01773 765 735

City Treasures: Meet Wed 7th June - Tour of Nottingham University Parks and Jubilee Campus. Wed 13th June is cancelled due to holidays. Fri 29th June - Meeting 10.00 am Sun Inn, Eastwood. Contact Len Marsh 0115 9321230.

Discovering Nottingham: next visit will be looking at the Canal area. Meet either 13th or 29th June at 11am at Nottingham Railway station near Costa. Contact Barbara Gani 01159468721

Nottingham's Hidden Gems: Next meet Thurs 28th June to look at the Dendrology and History of the trees at the Arboretum, followed by refreshments in the refurbished Lodge Keepers cafe. Contact Linda Rothwell on 0771 2277962 or email lindarothwell@hotmail.com

National Trust: Next meet Mon 11th June at 10.00 am at the Dog & Parrot. Visit planned for 21st June to Powis Castle, Welshpool. Contact Yvonne Carey on 01773 712530.

Strollers: Next walk Wed 27th June along the canal at Jacksdale. Meet in the community centre car park at 10-15. Contact Val on 01773 712269.

Creative writing: Please note the time change - it is now **1pm-3pm**.



Board games - We are a happy group at board games with lots of laughs and sometimes we sing along with the music. If you would like to come along you would be very welcome. If you have a game you enjoy, bring it with you and we will play it. We do have a large selection already to choose from, you name it, we could possibly have it. Popular games with the group are Rummikub, Upword and Mexican Trains. *Andrea Sadler*

Message from Luke –

Thank you all at the Eastwood and District U3A for your kind words and donations to @DNRCOfficial #guestspeaker #inspire #DNRC
Luke Wigman

Theatre Group – This group will be re-starting again after the summer on Thursday September 6th from 1.00-2.30 p.m. **Note the new time.** New contact to be announced.

Items or suggestions for the newsletter? Deadline: Mon 18th June 2018.

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