



## **Dawlish U3A**

**February 2018**

Well, hopefully we are all recovered from Christmas and looking forward to Spring. There's much to look forward to with U3A - new groups are becoming established and suggestions for even more are being received. Here's a selection.....

### **Singing Group**

The newly formed singing group met and have each picked a song which all members have undertaken to learn before the next meeting so that we can sing the songs together. They range from Abba, Dylan and Roy Orbison to one from the Sound of Music, plus the traditional Wild Rover, so there should be something for everyone. Please note all are welcome regardless of voice and pitch.

We are meeting at 2pm on Friday 16 March at Barbara & Phil's house. Phone 01626 776325 if you would like to join us and we can give you the address and full list of songs chosen.

**Barbara Lindley**

### **Coffee and Chat**

This is getting popular and more people attend each time. In January we even had a goodly proportion of men, so giving it the alternative title of "An Opportunity for the Scientific Study of Coffee Cups" obviously worked.

Please remember that it is a drop-in event, you don't have to commit to coming along every month. The next meeting is at 10.30 on Thursday 22 February at Sea Light on the Strand. If you don't see us immediately we may have gone upstairs, which is very cosy, but we'll put our sign out to reassure you that we've arrived. Look forward to seeing you there.

**Barbara Lindley and Anne Harris**

### **Here, There, Everywhere**

The next meeting of the Here, There, Everywhere group will be held at 10 am on 14 February 2018 in the Methodist Church, with kind permission from "Open Daw," who would appreciate it very much if we could purchase a cup of tea/coffee in return!

**Andrew Pluck**

### **Suggested Bridge Group**

A few people have expressed interest in this – would anyone else like to join? Please remember that it's fine to try it out without committing to a long term effort, and if you don't feel it's for you there's no problem in saying so. U3A is about trying out new activities as well as continuing to do things we like.

At the moment we need experienced players to help out as no-one has a lot of experience. This could be for a limited period until players get the hang of it, so if you can offer help in the short term please consider it. We're ideally looking for 2 teams (of four?) to start the group off and can welcome more when players have more experience. I am willing to collate names of all who are interested in learning or willing to help and we'll take it from there: please ring 01626 864342.

**Lynne Foote**

### **Music Appreciation Group**

A very small, but absolutely non-selective group, meet monthly to listen to and discuss short pieces of music from an eclectic range of genres, and all this in the most relaxed and convivial atmosphere. We all have a love for a variety of musical forms, but none of us profess, or desires expertise in the subject or musical skills. We would love more members to come and share their interests with us.

**George Lipscomb**

### **Poetry Appreciation Group**

We meet at 2pm on the second Wednesday of the month, choosing a different topic or poet and each bringing a relevant poem to read aloud and then discuss. We've had a varied time, looking at Ted Hughes, Unrequited Love, Hillaire Belloc, Gardens and ... Christmas. No academic knowledge required, just the willingness to listen to and appreciate a range of poetry. Believe me, the discussions are wide ranging and lots of fun, even Unrequited Love. There's not much that a few chocolate biscuits can't help with.

It would be lovely to see more people coming along to join us for a taster session. There's no need to bring a piece if you'd prefer not to, and it's not a problem if you decide it's isn't for you.

**Anne Harris**

### **ADVANCE NOTICE**

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