



## **Dawlish U3A**

**July 2018**

### **General Data Protection Regulation 2018**

You will all be aware of the new General Data Protection Regulation which came into effect in May of this year. It details the lawful basis for processing, usage, security and accountability of personal information collected from individuals by companies and organisations.

The personal information we hold are the details you gave on your application form when joining e.g. title, name, address, phone number and email address. This data will be used under the basis of lawful contract. It is securely stored and access to it is restricted to those members of the committee and group conveners who need to use it.

We will only communicate with you on matters directly relating to membership of Dawlish U3A such as issuing newsletters, giving you group information and similar matters.

We also provide you with the U3A magazines Third Age Matters and Sources, which constitute part of your membership of Dawlish U3A. We have always given your name and address to the printers of the magazine who mail them directly to you. If you are happy for this to continue there is nothing you need to do. If you wish to end this arrangement please contact Barbara Roberts by e-mail on: [membershipsecretary@u3a.dawlish.info](mailto:membershipsecretary@u3a.dawlish.info), phone her on 01626 865319 or have a word at the general monthly meeting.

### **Creative Writing Group**

The remit for our last meeting was to write a short story about a house or room, and as always there were as many different interpretations as members of the group. All were interesting and each a fresh view, which stimulates conversation. It's not a dry English lesson, we just want to use our grey cells and imagination to have fun. Our aim is to put our thoughts on paper - we're not trying to write "War and Peace" (that's been done!). Neither are we looking to publish, although some might be inspired to do so.

Our "homework" for July is to write about a royal personage, present day or historical, and open interpretation of the subject is not only allowed but welcomed! Give it a go! We meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 10.30am at Edens Court, Teignmouth. Ask for further details at the monthly meeting or email Janette [creativewriting@u3a.dawlish.info](mailto:creativewriting@u3a.dawlish.info)

**Janette Wood**

### **Bookworms Group**

At the next meeting the group will be discussing "The Daughter of Time" by Josephine Tey. It's the story of a hospitalised modern detective who takes on the task of investigating Richard III's role in our history. It's on 26<sup>th</sup> July, so lots of time to read it. Contact Barrie on [bookclub@u3a.dawlish.info](mailto:bookclub@u3a.dawlish.info)

**Barrie Hamill**

### **Play Reading Group**

In June we read "The Last Scene of All" by Margaret Wood, a play along the lines of the film "Quartet" from a couple of years ago about the residents of a care home who had been stars in times gone by. The film starred, among others, Tom Courtenay and Maggie Smith, but for our reading the intrepid group members rose to the challenge of taking on the different roles.

Far from being depressing, it was quite funny. – well, we laughed.... We choose our plays from a selection provided by the library service, with the right number of characters for the group and not too long.

We meet on the third Tuesday of the month at 1.30pm at Edens Court, Teignmouth. No rehearsal is necessary, so please come along and enjoy a couple of hours of escape from the real world. Ask at the monthly meeting for contact details or email Janette on [playreading@u3a.dawlish.info](mailto:playreading@u3a.dawlish.info)

**Janette Wood**

### **Poetry Appreciation Group**

Please note that the venue for the meeting on Wednesday 11 July has changed. It will be held at 1.30pm at 6 Town Mills, and the poet under discussion is WB Yeats. I'm afraid I can't attend this month and so thanks to George for offering to host the meeting. Enjoy!

**Anne Harris**

### **Proposed Spanish Group**

Would anyone be interested in starting a Spanish language group. If so please chat to Barrie Hamill, our new Chairperson, at the monthly meeting.

**Barrie Hamill**

### **New Members**

We're welcoming several new members at the moment so please treat them kindly when you're at the monthly meeting. It would be lovely to have even more, so do try and publicise what we do at Dawlish U3A to your friends, and anyone else you happen to meet. Try asking people next to you in a queue at a slack moment if they've heard of us and see how you go.

**Anne Harris - Ed**