

Dawlish U3A



Monthly Newsletter – September 2019

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It is with regret that I have to inform you that due to personal circumstances, Barrie, our Chair, has stepped down from all U3A activities. I am sure that we would want to thank him for all he did for our U3A and we wish him well for the future.

The above said and to quote a Queen song 'The show must go on..'. We trust you will be able to make the next meeting on the 16th September, which as you are aware, will commence with an SGM. This will be followed by a talk on 'Celebrating Fairtrade in Devon'.

A lot of work is being put into seeing how we can increase our membership in the Dawlish and District area and hopefully we will reach the 100 not out soon!

Thank you for your support and may we continue to enjoy our U3A group and all it has to offer.

With kind regards.

Graham Carey
Vice Chair

Quiz call

The Devon Link U3A is holding its annual Quiz, hosted by Paignton U3A, on Thursday 10th October at 1pm. We can send from Dawlish U3A up to 3 teams of 4 people (fee of £10 per team to cover costs). If you would like to take part and can form a team of U3A members then let me know by our meeting on the 16th September, after which I will arrange the registering.

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General Meeting September 16th at 2.00pm. Methodist Church Hall, Brunswick Place, Dawlish

A quick Special General Meeting to vote on changing our name. Then a talk given by Sue Errington, Co-ordinator of Fair Trade, Devon called "Celebrating Fairtrade in Devon". Promises to be a good one.

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News from Interest Groups

Bookworms



Thursday, 26th September is the date of our next meeting. We will be discussing “The Little Red Chairs” Edna O’Brien. The height of O’Brien’s popularity was the 60’s but her work is experiencing a revival. Radio 4 at the moment is covering several of her works. Our October choice is Margaret Atwood’s “Hag-Seed” inspired by Shakespeare’s “The Tempest”. Details of that meeting will be on the October Newsletter.

For more information, contact Barbara at bookworms@u3a.dawlish.info

Lunch Club



I’m planning on booking 3 Degrees West on Oddicombe Beach for September, I’ve heard several good reports. I need to know numbers so please let me know if you’d like to come.

For further information, contact Tracey at luncheon@u3a.dawlish.info or 07557474986

Here, There and Everywhere



Thursday 5th September = Coffee morning 10.30-11am "Open Daw".

Thursday 24th October = Coffee morning 10.30-11am "Open Daw".

Monday 28th October = Dartmoor / Princetown via Bovey Tracey and Widdicombe-in-the-moor.

NB: This outing will only take place if a minimum of twelve (12) attendees pay £15.00 each to cover transport. More information at the September U3A meeting.

Friday 22nd November = Railway excursion to Exeter Central and visit to the Victoria & Albert Museum.

Contact Andy Pluck for further information on 01626 865765 or hte@u3a.dawlish.info.

Art Appreciation



Please note that our September meeting will be at 2pm on **Monday 2nd September**, a week earlier than the normal date. Chris will be sharing his enthusiasm on the art of the Weimar Republic 1918-33.

For further details contact Lynne on 01626 867257 or contact her at art@u3a.dawlish.info

Creative Writing



At the August meeting we decided to do a ‘What happened next’ continuation –to something previously written—your choice –or even something fresh to the group. We look forward to hearing your pieces. We meet on the fourth Monday of the month at 10.30am at Edens Court, Teignmouth.

Email: creativewriting@u3a.dawlish.info or ask at the monthly meeting

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Play Reading



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The Playreading group will reconvene on **Tuesday 17th September** at 1.30pm at Edens Court, off Heywoods Road behind the railway station, Teignmouth.

The plays we read are chosen from a selection provided by the Library service, now called 'Libraries Unlimited', from Exeter. We try to choose something with the right number of characters for the group and not too long. Please come along and enjoy a couple of hours of escape from the real world.

Email : playreading@u3a.dawlish.info or ask at the monthly meeting for contact details

Badminton



We meet every Monday at 5pm at the Dawlish Leisure Centre where we play for an hour, with rests between games. Come and have a go, you never know, this is something you may have a real talent for and just enjoy hitting a shuttlecock over a net. You might even enjoy the company and the banter. All are welcome even if you've never played before.

For more information please contact Patricia at badminton@u3a.dawlish.info

Strollers



Thursday September 12th Meet up at Smugglers Inn on Dawlish/Teignmouth Rd From Dawlish no. 2 Newton Abbot bus at 1.30pm. From Teignmouth no. 22 Dawlish Warren bus at 1.26pm. Walk will be back along footpaths and coast to

Dawlish

For further information, contact Jean on 01626 779140 or strollers@u3a.dawlish.info

French Conversation

Due to holidays and family commitments we will not be meeting again until the end of September or early October. However I am sure we are all practicing during the break and will be fluent by the time we return.

If you are interested in finding out more please contact me (Steve) at wine@u3a.dawlish.info (temporary email address)

Psychology



The Psychology Group is back on **Wednesday 25th September** (2-4pm). We are going to talk about psychology and the photograph. We know that photos tell us about their subject and the old saying that "the camera never lies", but what does it tell us about the photographer and how we view the photo? All members are welcome to come along.

For further information, contact Steve on psychology@u3a.dawlish.info or (01626 862486)

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Gardens and Gateaux



Please contact me for more information.

Janet 01626 867721 or email gardens@u3a.dawlish.info

Discussion



The discussion group is looking at 'Television' on **Monday 9th Sept 10.30**

For venue and any further information contact Barbara on discussion@u3a.dawlish.info

History



Barbara drew Eleanor of Aquitaine's life to a close. It was an eventful and influential life and a mammoth undertaking for Barbara. Eleanor now has a few more fans. In September Richard will tackle two unusual, quirky subjects.... Beards and Lipstick. John will deliver on Queen Anne in October. Chris and George are champing at the bit for Christmas, we will again take a seasonal approach. And then it's 2020 and 2019 becomes History. Where did it go?

For information please contact Richard at history@u3a.dawlish.info

Watercolour Painting Group

Further details from Richard or Barbara at watercolour_painting@u3a.dawlish.info

Coffee and Chat

Coffee & Chat on **September 19th** at 10.30am at Le Cygne. Please join me it's a chance for members to get to know one another.

For more information, contact Tracy at coffeeandchat@u3a.dawlish.info

Scrabble



The next scheduled meeting of the group is for **Monday, 2nd September**. We have lost some of our regulars due to illness and other commitments. Please join us for this very pleasant and friendly afternoon.

For more details please contact George at scrabble@U3A.dawlish.info

Great Lives



If you would like to join us, please contact the convener at great_lives@U3A.dawlish.info

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Literature



Our next book is “The Hundred Year Old Man who Jumped out of the Window and Disappeared” Sounds lively and a good summer read (already known by some of us but happy to read again as it is funny!). Our next will be on **Friday 20th September**.

For further information please see our website literature@u3a.dawlish.info

Wine Appreciation



In August Ray Wood entertained us with lesser known wines from South America. They were all very pleasant but a favourite of many of us was a Bolivian wine. This is not an area of wine that I know much about but I must say it was very good.

There is no meeting for September as many of us will be away but we will be meeting up again on the **4th October**. The theme will be Austrian wines which I have agreed to present. We have not yet determined the venue, it is dependent on how many will be attending. Austrian wine was in the doldrums for many of the years in the 1980's. However it's white wines now are some of the finest which have had Decanter awards.

If you are interested in finding out more please contact me (Steve) at wine@u3a.dawlish.info

Simple Science (formerly known as Gadgets and Gizmos)



The next meeting will be at **10:00 on 12th September** at 13 Coryton Close, Dawlish, EX7 9DT. The subject will be "Scientific Experiments associated with ISS".

For further information, please contact Jack Whitehead at simplescience@u3a.dawlish.info

Spanish



The Spanish Group renamed "Beginners Spanish - Year 2", will next meet on **Tuesday 3rd. September**.

For further information contact Ray on spanish@u3a.dawlish.info