

MOTO: Members On Their Own

On **26th July**, we have been invited by Cheveley Evergreens to join them on their annual trip to Felixstowe – if you haven't yet booked, please let me know as soon as possible – cost £22 including fish and chip lunch, morning and afternoon refreshments.

On **17th September** we will again be joining the Garden Group for a trip to Anglesey Abbey.

On 4th October we will visit Kirtling Church for their Friends Day, when Miles Doddwill speak about Misericords of England and Europe, followed by tea!

It would seem that our members particularly enjoy any visit which includes lunch or tea! However, I would like to arrange some other visits and any suggestions would be most welcome.

Rosemary Foreman

WINGS, WHEELS & WATER

Wings, Wheels & Water will continue to meet throughout the summer. The programme for the 2025/26 year is currently in preparation. Meetings will continue to be on the 2nd Monday of the month at 10.30am in the Moller Room at the Racing Centre.

PROGRAMME:

14 July: DAVID SOANES: Building the Channel Tunnel

11 August: TIM YOUNG: The last of 'The Few',

Gp Capt. John "Paddy" Hemmingway DFC was the last surviving pilot from the Battle of Britain, until his death in March 2025

8 September: DAVID SOANES: Topic to be confirmed

David Soanes, Tim Young



From the Chair

Dear Members

You will be aware that this year's AGM will be held on

July 28th at 2.30pm in Memorial Hall, High Street, Newmarket.

Your attendance is vital. We need more than 20% of the membership to be there for the meeting to take place.

The meeting will be in the large hall where there is an amplification system which those making reports will be encouraged to use.

Last year we had a fantastic turnout on a very hot afternoon, let's see if we can do the same this year.

You will be able to renew your membership after the AGM, please place your completed and signed form into an envelope along with payment, unless you are using Bank Transfer for this.

A reminder for renewing members,

Your membership number will stay the same.

New membership cards are no longer being issued, simply cross out the date on the card.

If you have lost your card and would like another, please speak to the **Membership Secretary, Di Angus-Smith**

Best Wishes

Kath Gífkíns

Chair, NewmarketU3A

WALKING

Arrangements for our walks in August and September are being made at present and will depend on the weather to some extent at least. When arrangements for the walk and lunch have been confirmed members of the group will be emailed with the details.

Information will also be posted on the website.

Rosemary Foreman

GARDEN GROUP

Rosemary and I would like to thank our members past and present for their support while we have been leading the group.

Alistair Brown with Richard and Margaret Webb have agreed to take on leadership of the group from August. They can be contacted through the website or on the numbers below.

Here is what's in store for the next few months.

August 20th – Unfortunately, the coach trip has had to be cancelled this year due to lack of interest, instead the August meeting will now be a make your own way visit to Fullers Mill Garden at West Stow. Please note there will be an earlier meeting time of 11am for this visit. Normal entry fee is £10 but as this is an RHS partner garden you can get in free with your RHS membership card. Margaret needs to let Fullers Mill know how many will be attending so please contact her by **July 25th** to let her know if you will be going. Her phone number is below.

September 17th: a joint visit with the MOTO group to Anglesey Abbey to see the Dahlias and Cyclamen. Meet in the entrance area at 2pm.

In October Barry Gayton will be back to answer some 'Gardeners Questions'

and **in November** you can hear all about the 'Trials and Tribulations' of being an allotment holder'.

Margaret 07721887535 Richard 07826975839

Alistair 07483298426

MUSIC APPRECIATION

15 August: Judy will present "Shakespeare in Music" - compositions inspired by his plays, including overtures by Mendelssohn and Nicolai.

19 September: Richard will present "Music by Maurice Ravel"
The popular *Bolero* plus the complete *Daphnis & Chloe* ballet music.

All U3A members are welcome to join us at the Racing Centre.

Richard Unwin

ART APPRECIATION

On **5th August**, under the heading of 'Personal to Me' we will have a sort of 'Show and Tell' of pictures, photographs or any other kind of art which has some significance to the person who has brought them. We will set these out round the room, where, and those who wish to do so, will talk about what their item and why it matters to them. Chat, discussion, mugs of tea and coffee

Our last gallery visit of the year is to be **2nd Sept**, when we go to Murray Edwards College, Cambridge for a guided tour of their collection - they have 600 works, the largest collection of women's art in Europe, so plenty to go at.

Anna Smith

CREATIVE WRITING

We meet at Brampton Manor, on Fordham Road, on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2.15pm.

We still have room for a few more budding writers if anyone would like to come along and join us. We range from complete beginners to published writers so there is a place for everyone, regardless of skill or talent: there is no judgement, only encouragement.

I would particularly like to thank Margaret Jocelyn who has stepped into the breach when I have been unable to attend. I know the members appreciated meetings being able to go ahead each month.

Sarah McManus

DIARY DATES: DIARY DATES: DIARY DATES: DIARY DATES

AGM – July 28th

2.30pm The Memorial Hall, Newmarket

Please come and support your U3A

Booking forms are now available on the website for:

Thursford Christmas Spectacular

December 4th

Price depends on the numbers interested and will be £70-£75pp.

Cheaper than local coach companies for the same trip.

(We have seen prices over £90 being quoted.)

This is a matinee: seats reserved in the central raised area.

Multiple coach pick-up points subject to numbers.

While this may seem some time off, please be aware that we only need a deposit at this time to reserve your place, the balance being due in September when the tickets must be paid for.

Please note: to participate in the events after August 1st you will need to have renewed your membership for the coming year.

Paper copies of the booking forms are available on request

SPEAKER MEETINGS

Fourth Monday of the Month at 2.30pm: Catholic Parish Hall

AUGUST: Paul Rayner; Newmarket Community First Responder, part of the East of England Ambulance Service, established in 2021. Paul lives and works in Newmarket and will be explaining the role of First Responders, and providing advice.

SEPTEMBER: Bryan Thurlow; a seasoned speaker who has visited us before. He is a seasoned performer in theatre and TV, who takes educational theatre to schools across East Anglia. His presentations are unique and he is a great storyteller!

Speaker Secretary: Roger Worden

HISTORY

Hello Everyone. I hope this weather is suiting you,? I am praying for more rain for my garden's sake.

June's meeting was interesting as the members had researched a male person of their choice. This turned out to cover a great variety of personalities. Thanks to all who participated.

Friday 4th July will be a presentation on the Stuart Dynasty, from James 1st to Queen Anne. A king is beheaded and there is a civil war just for starters!

Friday 1st August will be the Despencer Family- a medieval tyrant and centuries later a libertine!

Friday 5th Sept. NO MEETING

Niddy Walpole

FAMILY HISTORY

We have now been running for just over a year and have a core of friendly and interested members who meet and share their experiences and discuss issues and projects.

We identify a core topic for each meeting and so far this year our topics have included our family experience in wartime, crime, and religion.

There is no meeting in August but in September we will be discussing what 'döstädning' (the Swedish art of death cleaning) can bring to the theme of recording and passing on family history. In October we will be looking at the theme of jobs.

Please note that in September the meeting will be on the morning of the third Friday of the month (19 September) instead of our usual meeting date of the second Friday.

Bridget Kerle

AUGUST 2025

GROUP MEETINGS

DAY/DATE	TIME	GROUP	VENUE
Friday 1	14:30	History	The Racing Centre
Monday 4	-	Bridge	Brampton Manor
	14:30	Camera Group	The Racing Centre
Tuesday 5	14:30	Art Appreciation	The Racing Centre
Wednesday 6	10:30	Walking Group	See Website
	14:30	Antiques	The Racing Centre
Friday 8	-	Family History	No Meeting
	-	-	Afternoon Tea - Cancelled
Monday 11	10:30	Wings Wheels Water	The Racing Centre
	14:30	Scrabble	The Racing Centre
Tuesday 12	10:30	Model Making & Craft	The Racing Centre
	11:15	Coffee & Cook Off	The Racing Centre
	14:30	Discussion	The Racing Centre
Wednesday 13	12:00	Brunch Meeting	The Stable Cafe
Thursday 14	10:30	Carpet Bowls	The Racing Centre
Friday 15	14:30	Music Appreciation	The Racing Centre
Monday 18	10:00	Executive Committee	-
	-	Bridge	No Meeting
	14:30	Speaker Meeting	Catholic Parish Hall
Tuesday 19	14:00	Creative Writing	Brampton Manor Care Hm
Wednesday 20	11:00	Garden Group	Visit - Fullers Mill Garden
Friday 22	-	Realm of Books	No Meeting
Tuesday 26	-	Portrait Group	No Meeting
	14:00	Rummikub	Brampton Manor Care Hm
Thursday 28	10:30	Carpet Bowls	The Racing Centre

SEPTEMBER 2025

GROUP MEETINGS

DAY/DATE	TIME	GROUP	VENUE
Monday 1	14:00	Bridge	No meeting
	14:30	Camera Group	The Racing Centre
Tuesday 2	14:30	Art Appreciation	Gallery Visit
Wednesday 3	10:30	Walking Group	See Website
	14:30	Antiques	The Racing Centre
Friday 5	14:30	History	No Meeting
Monday 8	10:30	Wings Wheels Water	The Racing Centre
	14:30	Scrabble	The Racing Centre
Tuesday 9	10:30	Model Making & Craft	The Racing Centre
	11:15	Coffee & Cook Off	The Racing Centre
	14:30	Discussion	The Racing Centre
Wednesday 10	12:00	Brunch Meeting	The Stable Cafe
Thursday 11	10:30	Carpet Bowls	The Racing Centre
Monday 15	10:00	Executive Committee	Memorial Hall, Newmarket
	14:00	Bridge	Brampton Manor Care Hm
Tuesday 16	10:30	Open Morning	Memorial Hall, Newmarket
	14:00	Creative Writing	Brampton Manor Care Hm
Wednesday 17	14:00	Garden Group / MOTO	Visit - Anglesey Abbey NT
Thursday 18	10:30	Carpet Bowls	The Racing Centre
Friday 19	10:30	Family History	Memorial Hall, Newmarket
	10:30	Music Appreciation	The Racing Centre
Monday 22	14:30	Speaker Meeting	Catholic Parish Hall
Tuesday 23	14:00	Portrait Group	Ashley Pavilion
	14:00	Rummikub	Brampton Manor Care Hm
Friday 26	14:30	Realm of Books	The Racing Centre