

Lyme Regis u3a Newsletter – May 2024

Talks

The talks are at Woodmead Halls. Please do not attend face to face meetings if you have any Covid/flu symptoms.

**There will be refreshments before the meeting – 10.15 to 10.45 am.

May 2024:

Friday 10 May 11.00 am: Andrew Bailey - Good Hare Days

Friday 17 May 10.00 am: Science & Technology – John Marriage - What's to Dye For?

Talk in Axminster - Friday May 3rd 2024, 6-7pm at the Minster

Axminster in Flames: The English Civil War in East Devon

Mark Stoye - Professor of Early Modern History, University of Southampton

£5 - Tickets from Axminster Heritage Centre or on the door

Profits go to Axminster Heritage Centre

Good News – Groups Coordinator

Mark (and the rest of us) are very grateful and delighted that Yvonne Marsh has kindly volunteered to take over the Groups Coordinator role with effect from June 1st. Yvonne has experience of running a group and of committees.

Yvonne will be shadowing Mark throughout May and will be copied on ingoing and outcoming emails in that time.

Thank you Yvonne.

Social Media

Ann Fleet and Lorraine Vandersyde have set up a Lyme Regis u3a Facebook page

See <https://www.facebook.com/u3alymeregis>

Membership

For any membership queries please do not hesitate to contact me - Jacqueline Pettit
membership@lru3a.org

Informal Drop-in – Bell Cliff Cafe

The Drop-in is at the Bell Cliff Café at 10.30 am on the last Thursday of the month. The next Drop-in is on Thursday 30 May 2024. This event is open to everyone and if you want to come, just turn up.

For more details contact Rachael Pope on newsletter@lru3a.org or 01297 445575 or Ann Fleet on 07761468608 or annfleet60@outlook.com

Breakfast – Bell Cliff Cafe

We are now meeting at the Bell Cliff Café on the first Saturday of the month at 9.30 am. The next u3a Breakfast is Saturday 4 May 2024. The Breakfast is open to everyone and if you want to come, just turn up. The breakfast choices will cost £8-11.50. Everyone is welcome.

For more details contact Rachael Pope on newsletter@lru3a.org or 01297 445575

Group Leaders

*Please remember that you need to be happy with any contact details going public as this newsletter goes on the website. Group Leaders are reminded to let Mark the Groups Coordinator know if there are any changes to the membership of their groups.

Group News

Garden Lovers

If you love gardens, tea and cake, why not join a group of garden lovers? We visit gardens privately, usually in shared cars, having made a prior appointment with the owner. We do not go on days set aside for the National Garden Scheme but use these dates as an indication of when the garden is likely to be at its best. Lifts can be organised for anyone who does not want to drive.

The Garden Lovers group are visiting 8 gardens this year. May's visit is to The Rectory, Litton Cheney, DT2 9AH. To join this trip contact Pam Melhuish (01297 446007 or pammelhuish@gmail.com).

French Club

We are looking to recruit one or two new members to The French Club. For information - our level can probably best be described as intermediate. Our meetings consist of conversation plus reading and translating articles in French which may be from a French newspaper or magazine - in fact anything which has caught a member's eye and which s/he wishes to share with the group.

We take improving our conversational French seriously but it is also important to us that we enjoy our weekly meetings.

If anyone is interested in checking us out they should not hesitate to get in touch with Wendy on 01297 445195 for further information.

Meet 'n Eat – Lunches – updated list

Sunday 12 May - Hunter's Lodge, Axminster

Sunday 2 June - Bowd Inn Sidmouth

Sunday 7 July - White Hart Colyford

Sunday 11 August - The Crown Bridport

Sunday 1 September - The Talbot, Lyme Regis

Sunday 6 October - The Ship Inn, Axmouth

Sunday 3 November - The Cobb Arms, Lyme Regis

Sunday 1 December - To be advised

Contact Lorraine Vandersyde on trips@lru3a.org if you would like to take part.

Day Trippers

Contact Lorraine Vandersyde on trips@lru3a.org if you would like to attend.

Jewellery Making

The Jewellery Making/Repair group is now weekly on Wednesday afternoon 2 - 4pm at my home in Uplyme. The Jewellery Making/Repair group happens every Wednesday afternoon from about 2-4pm at my home in Uplyme. It's a 'drop in' group for when you have jewellery to make or repair, or just want to do something interesting with beads. I have a selection of beads and stringing materials available. If you would like to come, please ring me on 07513 271702 for more information. Angela Cooper

The Monthly Catalyst

Meets on the 1st Thursday of the month 10am until 11.30am at the Bradshaw Room, The Heritage Centre, Silver St, Axminster, EX13 5AH. The Heritage Centre has a lift for anyone who struggles with stairs. Contact Rachel Jordan 07837233177 rachelbramble@yahoo.co.uk

Thursday 2nd May 2024 - Music is Fun

Awaken your inner musical talents with musician Phil Marshall

We need your help

We need someone to lead on **Publicity**.

Phillippa Fortesque still needs a few more people (men and women) to assist with **Refreshments** when required.

This organisation can only continue to be a success if people are willing to come forward to help. Thank you.

Dorset Council

Regularly publishes bulletins for residents (you can sign up to receive them directly). You may find these recent ones of interest.

Cost of living support. <https://rb.gy/8tvro>

News from the Dorset AONB. <https://rb.gy/1v4pq>

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