

u3a news flash

Summer Programme comes to a close

Only two events left with places. Select these links for information and to book a place. The first event is particularly relevant as climate change is still a “hot topic”. Forgive the pun!

[Climate Crisis. Some Solutions. Friday 19th August](#)
[Discovery of Australia Friday 26th August](#)

For all these events you are welcome to **bring a friend** as a way of introducing them to u3a. Just book your own place and then email [Sue Butler](mailto:SueButler@icloud.com) (drsbutler@icloud.com) with details of your guest. They also attend for free.

To see a selection of summer programme reports and pictures including the Summer Cracker, Table Tennis taster and the guided stroll through Bradford’s Lister Park, [select here](#).

New Group Information

Jazz Appreciation: After the success of their first term, the group are restarting meetings in September and are now open for new members. All welcome, even with little or no knowledge. Just a desire to share their interest and learn more. [Select here for more information.](#)

Walking Cricket: An initial meeting will be held **2pm on Friday 19th August** in the Town Partnership room on Mercury Row, Otley. (Walk with the bus station on your right for about 15 yards. It’s the blue door set back from the road next to the barbers.) Free parking in Sainsbury’s. Tea and coffee facilities and toilets.

Email Liz Billings at helenliz@talktalk.net or phone / text 07918 610614 if you would like to be kept informed, and have comments or suggestions to make etc.

You may also be interested to [read this article on the u3a Third Age Trust website](#) about how walking cricket is being developed elsewhere in Yorkshire.

Front Room Films: A new Zoom-based film discussion group starts Monday 24th October from 1:30pm to 2:30pm and every fortnight thereafter. This is a second film discussion group to be established in a short period as the first one proved so popular.

Two weeks before each meeting a readily available film on a non-subscription service (usually BBC iPlayer or All4) will be chosen. Group members watch the film at their leisure and then meet via Zoom to discuss the film. Both iPlayer and

All4 carry a significant number of non-mainstream and/or foreign language films, so we plan to explore some of the lesser-known film selections.

If you're interested, or want to find out more, please send an email to [Jacqui Wellbrook \(jacqui.wellbrook@gmail.com\)](mailto:jacqui.wellbrook@gmail.com) or [Lee Wellbrook \(lee.wellbrook@gmail.com\)](mailto:lee.wellbrook@gmail.com).

New 1960s-70s Disco Group: There has been sufficient interest for this group to get going and it will run on alternate Mondays beginning on September 26, from 2:00-3:30pm, at the Ben Rhydding Scout Hut, Wheatley Lane, Ilkley LS29 8ET. Prospective members are also welcome to come to a 30-minute "taster" session there at 2pm on Friday 16th September. If you haven't already done so, please email newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org to register your interest in the group.

Otley u3a Circle Dance: You're invited to try a taster session on 8th, 15th and 22nd September ahead of the new autumn term that starts 8th September. If interested contact Jan Ellan Bows jan.4thway@gmail.com. Read more about the group [on this link](#).

Anyone want to play Pickleball? A mix of badminton, tennis and table tennis which we're looking to play indoors on badminton courts. [See this link for more information](#) Please express your interest in this fun and exhilarating sport to newgroups@ilkelyu3a.org. If enough people are enthusiastic, we'll look for suitable venues.

Please remember our showcase event on Saturday 17th September

This is similar to our traditional 'meet the leaders' but on a bigger scale taking over the whole of Clarke Foley. However, it will be open to the general public so wider publicity in the area will be sought in local newspapers, chat websites, social media and radio. [Read more on this link to our website](#).

Future Lives: [Have a look at this link](#) to find out more about this excellent u3a initiative.

Why are we always being asked to help? A section on our guiding principles has recently been added to our website for the benefit of potential members. Worth a read as we all need reminding from time to time. [Select this link](#).

How well do you know Ilkley shops?

Tony Burkitt has been out with his camera again taking the quiz pictures for our website. [Select here to test your knowledge](#) and then click on the website images to see how many you got right. We need help to keep this feature going. See next item.

Feeling creative and can use PowerPoint (or similar)?

We need someone to take over creating and running the picture quizzes on the website. Not too much commitment. Don't worry about getting content on to the

website. There is a small team that does that on our behalf. Email John Hancock (Octopuss@btinternet.com) to arrange a chat.

Dates for your diary

Friday 19th August. A drop in at Clarke Foley from 10:30 am to 12 noon. [Details on this link.](#)

Friday 19th August. Into Africa, a talk with Michael Flynn 2pm – 4pm at Clarke Foley after the U3A Summer Programme Talk about Climate Change, so members may want to have lunch and stay in for the talk. [More information here](#)

Saturday 20th August. Our monthly social talk is all about the Co-op. Who remembers their dividend number? Arrive by 10 am for some social time before listening to our guest speaker. [Details here.](#)

Sunday 21st August Why not pop down to the Burley Summer Festival where u3a will have a presence, helping to raise our profile in the area. [Select here](#) to see details of events to enjoy. A super day out for the family.

Thanks to Margaret Barrans for these examples of word play

INQUEST: *A search for pubs.*

INTELLIGENT: *A man on TV.*

JUSTICE: *Nothing other than ice.*

KETCHUP: *To gain distance on someone.*

KNOWING: *Unable to fly.*

Regards

John & Christine

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Visit Whitby for just £43 with our u3a Railway Group

Just 10 places left for Tuesday 20th September. [select here to read more information.](#) Local coach pick up points and travel on the North Yorkshire Moors Railway from Pickering. If you are not interested in Whitby, you can join Railway Group enthusiasts for a behind the scenes visit to the NYMR engine workshops.

[Email Robin Leleux](#) to book a place. (robin.leleux@btinternet.com)

