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### **Countdown to Christmas: 10am Tuesday 3rd December**

The Singing for Pleasure Group returns with a Festive Concert featuring a varied selection of sacred and secular pieces. Refreshments from 10am. Concert and Carols 10:30 to 11:30. For further information select this link: [Christmas Countdown Concert.pdf](#). There will be a small charge for refreshments on the day. Use this link to register your attendance: [>> Christmas Concert <<](#).

### **Christmas Celebration: Saturday 14th December at Clarke Foley**

A varied programme with contributions from many groups. Refreshments from 9:30 am. The fun starts at 10am More information on this link [Christmas Celebration](#)

### **Exclusive offer: Kings Hall tickets Friday 6th December**

Ilkley U3A members are being given an exclusive offer of 2 for 1 tickets to the Sounds of the Seventies with The Zoots at the Kings Hall 7:45 pm on Friday 6th December. Offer includes boxes of four, which are at standard four person ticket price (ie no surcharge) - which is a nice pre-Christmas night out with friends.

More information by selecting here [>> Sounds of the 70's <<](#) Apply via the Visitor Information Centre, next to the library (01943 602319) Remember to state you are a member of U3A to receive your discount.

### **Report on AGM**

A report on our AGM with picture of the bouquet presentation to Sue and Alison is available by selecting this link: [>> AGM Report 2019 <<](#)

### **Anyone lost a pair of tortoiseshell glasses?**

Found on a table after the AGM. Contact Sue Butler using this link: [>> Email Sue Butler <<](#)

### **Help other U3A members use IT in their everyday lives**

Many members say they need help with everyday IT skills so we hope to start a group which supports them to improve their use of IT and develop their confidence.

So if you are reasonably confident to use IT for everyday things, happy to learn more, share ideas and learn with others, then we would like to hear from you. Please use this link to [>> Email New Groups <<](#) for more information.

### **The EYE poetry competition winner**

Listen to Steve Singleton read his winning entry. Select this link: [>> Street Kid <<](#) The audio version really brings the poem to life.

To read the EYE on our website select here: [>> the EYE <<](#). Printed copies are available from the Clarke Foley noticeboards.

## Contact local voluntary organisations

Select here: [>> Ilkley Community Links <<](#) to see those with links from our website. If you know of other similar volunteer groups that we should add, please provide details to [>> email John Hancock <<](#)

Why not select this link [>> Volunteering Ilkley <<](#) to see opportunities to help in our local community. Handy with a hammer? Help the warden with maintenance at the Curly Hill Camp Site & Centre. Further details here: [>> Volunteer Camp Warden Vacancy <<](#).

## School Reader Helpers

A vacancy has arisen for a volunteer to listen to children's reading in a local primary school for up to an hour and a half from 1.00pm one afternoon a week. If you are interested please contact Geoff Howard [ghoward44@outlook.com](mailto:ghoward44@outlook.com) or 01943 607799

## Group updates

**History Group Initiative:** A group of 4 U3A members is looking to launch a series of monthly single topic presentations between September 2020 and March 2021 relating to the historical period known broadly as "The Dark Ages". If you would like to be involved in this initiative, select this link for further information: [History Group Initiativepdf](#)

**The State of our High Street:** Help form a new group to look at our local high street and compare its present state with how it was in the past. The Project would involve surveying what is there now and using a wide range of historical material to find out about the past.

Eventually it is hoped that the group would present their findings in whatever way they thought most appropriate. Participants would need an interest in community and their local area and its history and a willingness to find out more. For more details use this link to [>> Email New Groups <<](#)

**A possible new poetry group:** One of our members would like to start a new group for poetry lovers. She is willing to lead the group which would choose a theme for each meeting and members would bring along poetry on that theme to share with the group. Day of the week is not yet decided but we'd ideally like the group to start in Mid-January and meetings will be fortnightly or monthly as the members decide.

Please contact [bettystringer@btinternet.com](mailto:bettystringer@btinternet.com) to register your interest.

## National U3A Newsletter for November

Select here to read the latest edition [>> National U3A Newsletter <<](#)

## Forthcoming Events

Select here: [>> Forthcoming Events <<](#) to see a full list including a Drop In at Otley on Friday 10th January.

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**Cheers, John & Mike**