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A warm welcome to our new chair and trustees

Angie Gain is our new chair in succession to Sue Butler. Read a profile and message from Angie and see the faces behind the names by selecting this link to our website: [>> New Chair & Trustees<<](#)

A free celebration of Christmas: Saturday 14th December Clarke Foley

A varied programme with several groups contributing. Refreshments 9:30 am to 9:50 am. The fun starts at 10 am. **Note this is the 2nd Saturday**, not 3rd Saturday of December. For more information select this link: [>> Christmas Celebration](#)

December group of the month: Select link to visit: [Group of the Month](#).

The French Conversation group meets on a Thursday morning. Read about the group and hear a member describe their activities in French. Inspired to try one of our foreign language groups? Reply to this News Flash and let us know what you want to do. We will try and help.

Singing for Pleasure Christmas concert

A near capacity audience on Tuesday of this week at St. John's in Ben Rhydding. Select this link for pictures taken during the concert. [Ben Rhydding Christmas Concert](#). Information about this group, when and where they meet etc. can be found here: [Singing for Pleasure](#)

December's Just For Fun

A short seasonal quiz. Answers are not obvious. Select this link: [>> Just For Fun <<](#) and then check how many were correct.

Help U3A members use IT in their everyday lives

If you are confident to use IT for everyday things, then we would like to hear from you. Please use this link to [>> Email New Groups <<](#) . Our aim is to help other U3A members benefit from use of email and website technology and you can help in this worthwhile endeavor.

The EYE poetry competition winner

Select this link [>> Street Kid <<](#) and listen to Steve Singleton read his winning entry. Printed copies of the EYE are available from the Clarke Foley noticeboards.

Group updates

Table Tennis in Silsden: Join Libba Utley and her new group meeting at Woodhead's Gym every Wednesday for a couple of hours from 10:00 am. Further details select here: [>> Table Tennis Silsden <<](#) or [>> Email Libba Utley <<](#)

The State of our High Street: A new group looking at our local high street and compare its present with the past. 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 is willing to lead a new poetry group. A theme for each meeting with members sharing poetry with the group. Day of the week is not yet decided but we'd like the group to start in Mid January. [Email Betty Stringer](#) to register your interest.

U3A exists beyond Ilkley

The national U3A website is on this link: [National U3A](#). The regional U3A website is here: [Yorkshire & the Humber U3A](#). Both have regular newsletters to which you can subscribe and much else besides. Worth a look.

Forthcoming Events

Select here: [>> Forthcoming Events <<](#) to see a full list including the free celebration of Christmas on 14th December and a Drop In at Otley on Friday 10th January. Note there will be no Drop In at Clarke Foley on 20th December.

Messages for News Flash, please use this link to email Mike & John

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Cheers, John & Mike