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Updates on new groups

Opera Group: Booking now for next season which runs from September to May. We go to Opera North at the Grand Theatre in Leeds and pay up front for the whole season. However, you can choose which operas you want to see. For further information use this link to [email Clare Heap](#) or phone her on 01943 430406. Car drivers especially welcome to facilitate car sharing.

Walking Cricket: No playing experience necessary. A game for both men & women. We aim to get playing by mid April and take part in a regional tournament on National U3A day in June. Email newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org for more information. Select here to [watch Mac McKenzie of Barnsley U3A](#) talk about this sport on local TV.

Handbell Ringers Group for Beginners: The group will run weekly on Thursdays beginning in March from 14:00 to 15:00. Group leader, Sue Raffo is helped by members of the Chevin Handbell Ringers. Meetings at the Labour Rooms, Nelson Street in Otley (opposite the Library). Email [Sue Raffo](#) to express interest.

Meeting together to provide companionship. An opportunity to meet and share in a variety of activities. Members will make suggestions on outings: going to lunch or an evening meal, visit theatre or cinema. Almost anything considered!

If this appeals email newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org

The EYE photo competition: Vote for your favourite

With entries now closed, it is time for everyone to vote for their favourite Yorkshire landscape photo. Select this link to [view the photos and vote on the 13 entries.](#)

New to U3A?

If you have not received an invitation a welcome meeting (11 am Wednesday 18th March) and would like to learn more about our organisation, please use this link to [email Jean Smith](#) who is organising this event.

Social Media for people of a certain age!

Select here: [BBC news website](#) to see a short video on how folk of our generation are now using social media. To read why Ilkley U3A is now on both Twitter and Facebook, select this link: [U3A on social media](#)

Website updates

Regular visitors to our website will notice a change to the menu options. Once logged in, all members now have access to information that was previously restricted to just group leaders. Leaders wishing to access membership records should follow links at the bottom of the membership page.

Select here for the March editions of [Just For Fun](#) and [Group of the month](#) which features Tai Chi, including video clips of a session.

Ilkley Sustainability Plan

The Environmental Forum Group is supporting our trustees in an effort to make U3A a "greener organisation". So you may be interested in attending a public meeting on a sustainability plan for Ilkley organised by Climate Action Ilkley. Saturday 14th March 10.30 - 12.30 at the Clarke Foley. [Select here for more information and register attendance which is free.](#)

Forthcoming Events

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Email for contributions is: NewsFlash@ilkleyu3a.org

Regards

John & Christine

Q: What do you call a short clairvoyant who's wanted by the police?

A: Small Medium at Large.

Customer: My coffee tastes like mud

Waiter: Sorry, it was only ground yesterday.....

PS. U3A Trust asks us to provide this link for [Coronavirus update](#)