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### **The EYE photo competition: Vote for your favourite**

Select this link to [view the photos and vote on the 13 entries](#). If you need a password to cast your vote, just reply to this newsflash to generate one.

### **Updates on new groups**

Walking Cricket: For men and women. No experience necessary. We aim to start by mid-April and take part in a regional tournament on 3rd June, National U3A day. Email [newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org](mailto: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 start in March and run every Thursday in Otley from 14:00 to 15:00, helped by members of the Chevin Handbell Ringers. Meetings at the Labour Rooms, Nelson Street (opposite the Library). Email group leader [Sue Raffo](#) to express interest.

Meeting together to provide companionship: Meet and share in a variety of activities. Members will suggest outings: going to lunch or an evening meal, visit theatre or cinema. Almost anything goes ! Email [newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org](mailto:newgroups@ilkleyu3a.org)

### **New to U3A?**

If you haven't received an invitation to the welcome meeting 11 am Wednesday 18th March and would like to attend, [email Jean Smith](#) who is organising this event.

### **Website links**

[Just For Fun](#) this month asks you to think about the origin of everyday phrases. Back to square one anybody? Tai Chi is [Group of the month](#)

### **Ever thought about driving a minibus for U3A?**

Several of our groups use the Ilkley Community minibus facilities for local visits. They are in urgent need of drivers. [Select this link for more information](#). On U3A Historic Houses trips you get treated to lunch and visit a range of interesting places in good company. If you already have an appropriate license, just reply to this email and we will put you in touch with group organiser, Jenny Dixon.

### **National U3A day – Wednesday 3<sup>rd</sup> June**

Organised by the Third Age Trust to raise awareness about U3A throughout the country. We are already making plans locally so note the date in your diaries. More information in due course. For more information select [About U3A Day](#). If you would like get involved email [chair@ilkleyu3a.org](mailto:chair@ilkleyu3a.org).

## **Forthcoming Events**

There are drop-in sessions at 10.30 am on Friday 20th March at the Clark Foley Centre in Ilkley and The Otley Core. For details of these and other forthcoming events select here: [>> Forthcoming Events <<](#).

**Please note** that Craven U3A's orchestra concert due to take place on 25th May at Skipton Baptist Church has now been cancelled because the conductor is unwell.

**Email for contributions is:** [NewsFlash@ilkleyu3a.org](mailto:NewsFlash@ilkleyu3a.org)

**Regards**

**John & Christine**

**Q:** What do you call a dog who performs magic tricks?

**A:** A labracadabrador !

**Penguin to barman:** Have you seen my brother?

**Barman:** What does he look like?

You can blame Neil Stevens for the last joke!

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