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u3a news flash

An update on our AGM agenda

Roger Hawkins has been nominated to join the list of trustees for election at tomorrow's AGM. His previous wide-ranging work experience will make him a real asset to the u3a. He was nominated by Angie Grain, seconded by Martin Koopmans.

We still have vacancies for a trustee. We especially need volunteers for the roles of Secretary and Group Co-ordinator. Fortunately, the rules allow the us to co-opt trustees after the AGM so If interested, **email Angle Grain** for an informal chat.

If you want to attend the AGM at 10:30am on Saturday, register here.

For those living alone

The Red Cross gives support over the phone if you feel you might need it. <u>Details here.</u> There are interactive online workshops most Fridays to help us get through this difficult period. <u>Select here to read details of the next workshop held via Zoom</u>

Christmas Cracker event

<u>Saturday 12 December at 10:30 am</u> is a special date for your diary. There will be seasonal musical performances, singing, poems and a quiz. You'll have to provide your own mulled wine, but we will bring the Christmas cheer to you. <u>Bookings now open on this link</u>

Group Leaders. Does your group meet remotely?

If Zoom gives you flexibility to accommodate new members, <u>Please check this</u> <u>page</u> on our website and reply to this News Flash so we can add your group details to the list. We need new members to keep our u3a thriving.

Group Leaders. Need help to get your group meeting remotely?

This guide may help. We offer practice sessions to get you started. Just reply to this News Flash. The Railway Group had an audience of 50 from a membership of 70 for their last meeting. So there is an appetite to join such events.

An update on our talks and events

We regularly add details of new talks and events to the website. For more information on any of the following and to book your place, <u>select here.</u>

<u>2:30 pm Thursday 19 November</u>: A quiz where the teams are selected by computer. Checkout the website to see how this will work.

10:30 am Saturday 21 & 28 November: A two-part talk about the Silk Road by u3a member Jeanette Wallace. See the events page for more details. You need to make a separate booking for each date.

<u>2:30 pm Tuesday 24 November:</u> Part two of Peter Butler's talk on Art of the Roman Empire. This covers the revival of the sculptures of classical Greece and how the arrival of Christianity was represented in art.

<u>2:30 pm Tuesday 1st December</u>: Marconi presented by Andy Botherway. 'He invented radio, didn't he?' Come and discover the real story of the man, his inventions, love life and scandals.

<u>2.30 pm Thursday 10 December</u>. The Boeing Max Saga presented by John Metcalfe. A look at the story behind the two B737 Max tragedies in 2018 / 2019 and the ramifications for aviation and Boeing

<u>2.30 pm Tuesday 15 December</u>. The Armchair World Tour is back. Join members of our u3a on an Armchair Journey around the World

This will be the last of our talks and events n 2020. We're planning the programme up until Easter 2021 and details will start to appear on the website from early December. The afternoon sessions in 2021 will start at 3.30 pm so you can make the most use of the daylight hours to get out and about.

The EYE

Once you've read your copy, please pass it on to friends and family when you're able to meet up again. It's a useful way to tell people about our wonderful u3a.

<u>Select here to see the online version of the EYE</u>, which includes extra on-line content. Click where you see a little green man symbol. You can revisit the photography exhibition galleries from May 2020 by clicking the link on page 5.

More website links

- The Quirky Humour collection. More content added since last News Flash..
- Green tip of the month. Getting prepared for Christmas.

<u>Select here</u> to see the images of Burley in Wharfedale featured on the front page of our website. We could do with some pictures of Menston to feature on the website in January. Send your images to the News Flash email address below.

Q. What do you call the wife of a hippie?

A. Mississippi.

Never criticise someone until you've walked a mile in their shoes. That way, when you criticise them, you'll be a mile away and you'll have their shoes.

Keep safe

John & Christine

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