

Jane Hind, our Speakers Secretary, is standing down at the AGM. We are looking for a volunteer to take on that role. For more information please contact Jane Hind, Dorothy Chesterman or Joy Armstrong

Tricia Canning will no longer be organising our theatre visits from 2016. A volunteer is needed to organise theatre trips. For more information, contact Tricia, Val or Chris.

Storage Space needed - Can any member help by providing a secure, dry storage space about the size of two old telephone kiosks, with reasonable access. With the increasing amount of equipment owned by Bramhall U3A, the committee are seeking assistance with its storage. Insurance will be the responsibility of Bramhall U3A and we are happy to pay a nominal charge for the service. If you can help, contact the Treasurer via email communications@bramhallu3a.org.uk

Protect your Computer - Do you know how to protect your online privacy; do online banking securely and do shopping online safely? For good advice go to the Government website www.cyberstreetwise.com. Here are tips on what makes strong passwords, good security software (e.g. anti-virus software) and encouraging you to download software updates. If you want further more detailed advice on these and related matters, go to www.getsafeonline.org.

Mike Hollingsworth - External Relations

Improvers Evening Bridge Group - We are looking into the possibility of arranging a new evening bridge group and, depending on the interest shown, we will then look for a suitable venue and decide which evening. If you are interested, please contact groups@bramhallu3a.org.uk

Spam Emails - There are a lot of these about and they often appear to come from people you know. Remember NEVER click on links unless you are sure that they are safe. Typically you will be expecting the email and know the topic. Always keep your anti-virus software up to date. Never enter security details (e.g. passwords, mother's maiden name etc.) unless you initiated the process. Banks and similar companies will never ask for personal details in an email or over the phone.

Michael Lacey - Computer Group

Bramhall U3A triumphs again! On a recent visit to deliver donations, it was mentioned that our group is the most frequent and consistent supporter that The Wellspring has.

Holiday 2016 is a six-day holiday by Roy McCarthy Coach to Norfolk from 2nd June to 7th June 2016. Accommodation will be at the Holiday Inn, Norwich North, five nights dinner, bed and breakfast. Price £483 with £110 single room supplement and £26.50 optional travel insurance. Rooms now available are double or twin-bedded. All single rooms available have already been reserved but names are being taken for a waiting list. The trip will include Sandringham, Norfolk Broads, Horning, Holkham Hall, Blickling Hall (NT) etc. See website for full details. Contact Gill Moorhouse or Frances Wacker or email: holidays@bramhallu3a.org.uk.

TOMBOLA! We will be running the popular tombola stall again at our Christmas party. We still need lots of donations of suitable items such as unused, unwanted gifts and, of course, bottles - contents alcoholic or not. If you are a group member, give them to your group co-ordinator, who can then contact Helen Webster or Bob Dumbarton. Alternatively contact us directly, and we will arrange collection or delivery.

The Theatre and Outings visit to Penrhyn Castle in October was a huge success. Exploring the vast rooms in this Norman fantasy castle was a delight and Jean Braddock who is a concert pianist, played on their grand piano.

The 2-day trip to Downton Abbey takes us to Highclere Castle (Downton Abbey) and Downton locations in the Cotswolds. The visit includes an overnight stay at the Hilton Hotel in Newbury.

Date	Events open for booking	Price
Thurs 14 Jan	Robinson's Brewery , Stockport	£19
Fri 12 Feb	Salford Museum & Art Gallery plus Theatre Organ Heritage Museum	£22 or £23
Thurs 3 Mar	Romeo & Juliet Ballet (Lowry Theatre, Matinee)	£40
Sun 10 to Mon 11 July	Downton Abbey (including overnight stop) and Cotswolds locations	£124 (dep £50) £26 Single supp

One of the new outings on sale is to Salford Museum and Art Gallery. Opened in 1850 it tells the story of Victorian Salford and includes a reconstructed street. A short distance away is the Theatre Organ Heritage Centre. This has a mock-up of a theatre and shows the development of theatre organs. There is also a short concert.

Date	Full but with a waiting list	Price
Thurs 26 Nov	Ding Dong Merrily at Tatton Park (includes Christmas lunch)	£32
Wed 20 Jan	A Murder is Announced - A Miss Marple mystery, Oldham Coliseum (matinee)	£22

Bramhall *Interest groups*

Group	Co-ordinator	Days/times
Art	Peter Richardson	Alt Mondays 1-3pm
Badminton	Carolyn Johnson	Tuesday 1-3pm
Bird Watching	Diana Oldfield	Usually 4th Wednesday @ 9.15am
Books	Paul Carter	4th Thursday
Bridge Beginners	Dudley Newell	Tuesdays 2 - 4pm
Improvers	Peter Levy	Wednesdays 10am - noon
Canasta	Ray Lee	1st Thu @ 7pm + 3rd Mon @ 2pm
Card making	Sue Young	Alt. Mondays 2 - 4pm
Church history	Dorothy Chesterman	Wednesday 10 -12
Computers	Dorothy Chesterman	Phone for information
Creative writing	Michael Lacey	2nd Wednesday 2pm
Cribbage	Pat George	4th Thursday 7.30pm
Crown green bowling	Val Barker	April to October - Mondays 11am
Cycling	Ann Smith	TBA
Dining	TBA	Tuesday or Wednesday evenings - 4th week of each month
Discussion	Janet McMurray	4th Monday 2pm
Embroidery	Joy Armstrong	3rd Friday 2pm
Family History	Dina Levy	2nd Thursday 10am -12noon
	Pat Wright	Monthly - Wednesday 2pm
	Dorothy Chesterman	Monthly - Wednesday 2pm
	Diane Bright	First Thursday 1-3pm
	Mary Hambleton	4th Wednesday 10.30am
	Brian Turner	Friday 9.45
	Pamela Roth	Alternate Mondays @ 2pm
Film & discussion	Pamela Roth	4th Thursday
Fitness & flexibility	Vikki Radford	2nd and 4th Tuesdays @ 10.30am
French	Kay Witham	Alt Thurs 10 - noon
Gardening	Marilyn Hughes	Alt Thurs 10 - noon
German - Intermediate	Alison Davids	Contact for details
History A	Angela Devaney	Thursdays 10am
	Margaret France	1st Tuesday 2pm
History B	Glenys Steedman	1st Thursday 2pm
Italian Improvers	Helen Webster	Wednesday 1.30 - 3.30pm
Knitting A	Mary Flynn	3rd Monday 2pm
Knitting B	Shelagh Lord	3rd Friday 10.30am
Line Dancing	Chris Chapman	Tuesdays 10.30am
Mapping Bramhall	Val Murray	Contact for details
Music for leisure	Joanne Haigh	3rd Monday @ 2pm
Norwegian	Joan Mobbs	See website for details
Personal Image	Catherine Jones	1st Thursday 10am
Photography	Janice Shaw	2nd Monday 2pm
Pilates	Wendy Litchfield	Last Thursday 8.30pm
Play reading	Olga Hampson	Monthly - contact for details
Poetry	Lynn Whyte	4th Tuesday 2 - 4pm
Pub Quiz	Sheila Porter	Alt Fridays 1.30 - 3pm
Real Railway Group	Peter Webster	2nd Monday 2 - 4.30
Science for All	Mike Hollingsworth	1st & 3rd Mondays 10.00 to 12.00
Scottish country dance	Sheila Bruce-Smith	Thursdays 2 - 4pm
Scrabble	Val Barker	Tuesdays 10 -11.30am
Singing for fun	Gillian Rowe	1st, 2nd + 3rd Wed 10.30-12.00
Spanish - Intermediate	Diana Blaney	1st + 3rd Tuesday 2pm
Spanish - Upper Inter.	Gaye Huddart	Alternate Fridays at 10.30
Table Tennis	Liz Pennington	See schedule on website
Ukulele	Joyce Kilgour	Bi-monthly - contact for details
	Ann Gray	See newsletter and website
	Mike Waterhouse	
Video	Bob Dumbarton	
Walking	Jenny Richmond	
Wine Tasting	Chris Hollingsworth	
Theatre/outings	Val Graham	
	Tricia Canning	
Holidays	Gill Moorhouse	See newsletter and website