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WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS WHO JOINED IN MAY

Stephen Williams, Pauline & Derek Noden, Marion Reed, Aileen Lewis, Sheila Seales and Mike Howell.

THOUGHTS FROM YOUR CHAIRMAN

One of our strengths compared with most U3As of our size, is the number and variety of our interest groups, but there is always room for improvement. The committee is currently examining the websites of some other U3As to see what interest groups they offer, which we do not. Examples which have already caught my eye include opera, film, chess, new technology and philosophy. When we have completed our research, we will make some suggestions and establish levels of interest. Meanwhile we are always interested to hear suggestions from members.

MONTHLY MEETINGS

Monthly meetings are held at 2.30pm @ SportsAble, Braywick Road, Maidenhead.

- 11 June:** Energy for Life – presented by Dr. Alex Paterson. Where is the energy needed to support our civilisation going to come from over the next decades?
- 9 July:** How the Queen entertains in the Royal Library in Windsor Castle – Oliver Everett
- 13 August:** The Oresend bridge (and tunnel) joining Denmark and Sweden is a modern engineering wonder. Colin Reed will tell us all about it.



THEATRE TRIPS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>VENUE</u>	<u>TICKET PRICE</u>	<u>PAYMENT DATE</u>
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THE ANASTASIA FILE - One of history's greatest thrillers 4 th July	Windsor Theatre	£27.50	By 3 rd June
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THE GIRL ON THE TRAIN – A thriller 19 th September	Wycombe Swan	£13.00	
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Please note: You will be informed of how much the coach costs once we have total numbers.

REMEMBER: If we don't have at least 12 people, the event will be cancelled (as far as Maidenhead U3A is concerned).

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THEATRE BOOKING FORM

Name: _____ Email address: _____

Address: _____

Phone no.: _____

I would like _____ ticket(s) for _____

to be held on _____ at _____ Theatre.

I enclose my cheque, made out to Maidenhead U3A, for £ _____

I do wish to go by transport. Please advise of cost when you are aware of total figures.

Contact: Mo Wright, 52 Lyneham Gardens, Maidenhead SL6 6SJ T: 01628 63002

MOTO (Members On Their Own)

Jean Gale 825107 / Joy Lamont 624747

MOTO is not a lunch club as such, although Sunday lunches are the most popular. This is a group for members who are on their own and would like the company of others in the same situation.

It is hoped that members will also contact each other to meet up for a coffee, drink and chat, or to arrange days out, theatre or cinema outings etc. See entry for this month in the programme schedule.

A list of email addresses and/or phone numbers is available from Jean.

GARDEN VISITS GROUP

26 June - Annual Away Day

Visiting:

Great Dixter, East Sussex TN 31 6PH AND Bateman's National Trust, Sussex TN19 7DS.

Depart Braywick car park @ 9.00 am; return 6.30 pm.

Contact Maureen McClellan on 01628 628008 or 07926 976307 for more details.

OUTINGS

Booking information for ALL outings:

Outings are initially limited to Maidenhead U3A members only. If insufficient support is forthcoming, trips will be advertised to other U3A groups and/or friends of members who have booked.

If you wish to go on any outing, please complete the booking form below, enclosing a cheque for the correct amount, made payable to Maidenhead U3A. Send the completed form and cheque to the named organiser.

Acknowledgement / receipt will be by email if requested or, *if you require a mailed receipt, please enclose a SAE.*

Any cancellations to be notified to the trip organiser; also any enquiries about vacancies.

Refunds of coach costs - if a member cancels, refunds are made at the discretion of the organiser.

Wednesday, 3rd July - St. Albans and Hitchin Lavender Fields

Morning – St Albans. This is a market town with a street market selling a large variety of goods. It has a lovely Church of England cathedral which dates from Norman times, where food & drink can be purchased. There is an Information Office in the Market Square. Leave at 13.30 for the Lavender fields.

Afternoon - Lavender Fields in Hitchin. The farm also grows sunflowers. Cost includes 1 hour tour of the fields, a visit to the Museum at the end plus tea & coffee.

The trip costs are: coach £15, Lavender fields tour £8.50. Total cost is **£23.50**.

There are still a few places left on this trip – contact Cynthia on 01628 628008 or 07926 976307.

Tuesday, 3rd September – BRIGHTON

Leave Braywick car park @ 9am, return 6.00-6.30pm. Free day to do as you please! Spend it on the beach, shop in the Lanes, or visit the Pavilion (cost not included).

The basic trip cost is for the coach - £15.

The organiser for the July & September outings is:

Cynthia Wood, 45 Moor End Road, Maidenhead SL6 2YJ. Tel: 01628 628008 or 07926 976307

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BOOKING FORM

Outing to: _____ Date _____

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

Tel. no: / email: _____

Maidenhead U3A membership no: _____ Email acknowledgement required? Yes / No

FOR OUR WALKERS

Walking Group **Brenda Finnigan 625618**
John Twytle 621644

This month, **3** walks have been organised – **13th June, 18th June** (short walk) and **25th June**.
See entries in the schedule at the end of the newsletter.
All members walking need to carry some ID and walk at their own risk.

Nature Amble **Jill Waites 628993**

Unfortunately the weather for the May amble was not compatible for sighting butterflies. We did however, manage to see and identify many species of birds. Our next amble is on **21st June** to walk across fields from Pinkneys Green towards Cookham, looking for early summer flowers. All are welcome. Please contact Jill Waites for details.

Some Groups with Vacancies

A couple of convenors have recently asked for additional information to be added to their listing – this seems a better way of highlighting their request rather than ‘hiding’ it in the monthly programme.

Book Reading 3: This friendly group meets on the 3rd Thursday each month in members’ houses. The annual programme is set out in December for the following year. Group members suggest a book that they would like to read - some suggesting more than one. Our programme must include at least one non fiction, one detective novel and one classic. The group also prefers to have books in paperback although it does get help from the library on some occasions.
Please phone Marie Hague on 01628 484991 for further information.

Recorder group: If you play the recorder (even if you are a bit rusty), then this group could be just right for you. It has vacancies for new members & meets at Cox Green Community Centre on 1st & 3rd Mondays of the month. Please ring Pat Fairbairn on 01753 336030 if you are interested in joining it.

COFFEE MORNING

Our next coffee morning will be held on
Friday, 21st June,
10.00 - 12.00

We are now established in the Methodist Church Coffee Shop, King Street, Maidenhead.
Open to all, no need to advise if you are attending..... all very informal and you may come and go at your leisure.

If you are a new member, this is a great way to meet up with more experienced members.

Next Newsletter

**The next newsletter will be distributed on
July 1st.**

**Please send your contributions to
Pat Laković by 22nd June.**

Thank you.

(newsletter@maidenheadu3a.org.uk)

If you wish to join a group please ring the convenor, even if the group is known to be full. You can always be entered on a waiting list.

June Programme

V = Vacancy W = Waiting List

ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	CONTACT	TELEPHONE	NOTES	V/W
Ancient Literature	Thurs June 20	14.30	Mick Stringer	07836 211314	Reading & discussing Books 1 – 3 of Virgil's Aeneid.	W
Art 1 Untutored	Tues June 4 Tues June 18	14.00 14.00	Wyn Greenhow	822884	Venue: St Joseph's Centre, Cookham Road, SL6 7EG. New members are always very welcome.	V
Aviation	Thurs June 13	14.30	Bill Teasdale	672873	Meet at WLAC, White Waltham. Our guest speaker this month is Chris Goss, who has written over 30 books on various aspects of mainly German military aviation. He will present what the Luftwaffe actually did on D-Day, contrary to the portrayal made by the film "The Longest Day".	V
Book Reading 1	Wed June 19	14.00	Pauline Sparkes	01753 642490	Book: 'Norwegian Wood' by Haruki Murakami. Venue: Ros Shotter's; phone 482548. Please let her know if you are unable to attend. The book for July is 'The Essex Serpent' by Sarah Perry.	
Book Reading 2	Thurs June 27	14.00	Pat Bird	664760	Book: 'The Girl on the Train' by Paula Hawkins.	V
Book Reading 3	Thurs June 20	14.15	Marie Hague	484991	Our June book is "Love and War in the Apennines" by Eric Newby followed by "The Gentleman in Moscow" by Amor Towles.	V
Bridge A	Every Thurs	10.00	Brian Commins	626038		
Bridge B	Every Frid	09.30	Karol Kwiatkowski	629197		
Bridge C	Every Thurs	14.00	Penny Moriarty	622823		
Bridge D	Every Wed	14.00	Colin Morgan	01344 360217		
Bridge E	Every Mon	13.30	Malcolm Geary	07973 193439		
Bridge F - Beginners	Every Wed	09.30	Susanna Jones	07583 447789		V
Sunday Bridge	Every Sun	14.00	Susanna Jones	07583 447789		V
Canasta	Every Frid	19.30	John Farrant	675447		
Carpet Bowls	Every Mon	14.00	George Bourne	07792 570353	Braywood Hall, Fifield. New members welcome.	V
Classical Music	Mon June 10	14.15	John Noakes	637399	Meet @ John's house in Holyport; phone 01628 637399. Please ring him if you will be there (or not).	V
Coffee Morning	Frid June 21	10.00	Bill Teasdale	672873	Methodist Church Coffee Shop, King Street, Maidenhead.	V
Computing	Tues June 11 Tues June 25	09.30 09.30	Stephen Waites	628993	If you are not a Computing Group member, please contact Stephen if you wish to attend.	V
Creative Cards	Frid June 14 Frid June 28	10.00 10.00	Eileen Rogers	639656		

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Creative Writing	Last Tues in month	10.00	Mo Wright	630023		V
Cribbage	Thurs June 13 Thurs June 27	15.00 15.00	Nigel Furneaux	635488	Venue: Shire Horse Pub on A4 towards Reading	V
Current Affairs 2	Thurs June 13	14.15	Janice Waterman	530770	Trump, the European elections, state of UK political parties, who will be the next PM?	
Current Affairs 3	Tues June 25	14.00	George Chamberlaine	670891		
Everyday French	Tues June 4 Tues June 18	14.00 14.00	Colin Goodman	670714		
Family History	Tues June 18	14.30	John Noakes	637399	Meet @ John's house in Holyport; phone 01628 637399. Please ring him if you will be there (or not).	
French 1	Tues June 4 Tues June 18	10.00 10.00	Colin Goodman	670714		W
French 2	Wed June 12	10.00	Katharine Firman	07805 851330	One meeting only.	V
French Advanced	Thurs June 20	15.00	Ian Ross	626849	Venue: Colin Goodman's.	
French for Beginners / Near Beginners 1	Wed June 5 Wed June 19	14.00 14.00	Marie-Christine Geary	627009	June 5 is at Shirley's; phone 01628 781738 June 19 is at Norman's; phone 01628 530747. Please advise if you are unable to attend a session.	W
French for Beginners / Near Beginners 2	Frid June 7 Frid June 21	14.00 14.00	Marie-Christine Geary	627009	June 7 meet at Veronica's. June 21 is at Ann's. Please advise if you are unable to attend a session.	W
French Games	Mon June 3	14.30	Ros Shotter	482548		V
French Improvers	Wed June 12	10.30	Evelyne Withey	627603		
Fun with Wine	Thurs June 27	14.30	Judith Down	631640		
Garden Visits	Wed June 26	9.00	Maura McGinley Shirley Forde	629088 07980 604416	Annual Away Day. Leave Braywick car park 9.00am; return 6.30pm. More details on Page 3 .	V
German 1	Frid June 14 Frid June 28	10.00 10.00	Rhona Latham	638740		
German Conversation	Wed June 26	14.30	Vreny Beadon	770731	One meeting only.	V
History	Frid June 14	14.15	Molly Hurley	523484		V
Investment & Personal Finance	Wed June 12	14.15	Philip Ratcliffe	671220		
Italian	Thurs June 6 Thurs June 20	14.00 14.00	Sheila Franklin	629615		
Jazz Appreciation	Mon June 17	14.15	Douglas Talintyre	781612	Meet at David's.	
Latin	Mon June 10 Mon June 24	10.30 10.30	Mick Stringer	07836 211314	Continue with Bacchides in 'Reading Latin' and translate some more of Dido's speeches from the Aeneid.	V

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Listening to Jazz	Mon June 3	14.00	John Woodcock	620898		V
Mahjong	Wed June 5 Wed June 19	14.00 14.00	Jill Waites	628993		V
Mathematics	Every Tues	10.00	Betty Lowe	477172	We study Maths at A level. Topics include 1 st & 2 nd order differential equations, Maclaurin and Taylor series, polar coordinates, the maths calendar and input by members.	W
Meditation & Relaxation	Thurs June 20	14.00	Marie Krag	632683	Meet at Marie's house.	V
Military History of 20 th C	Wed June 19	14.15	Philip Ratcliffe	671220		
Monthly Meeting	Tues June 11	14.30	Philip Ratcliffe	671220		
MOTO (Members On Their Own)	Sun June 9 Sun June 23	12.30 12.30	Jean Gale Joy Lamont	825107 624747	June 9 - Bull at Bisham. Phone Joy on 624747.. June 23 - Blue River Café. Phone Joy on 624747.	V
Music Appreciation	Tues June 18	14.30	Mary James	629850	Bring your own. Venue TBC.	
Nature Amble	Frid June 21		Jill Waites	628993	See details on Page 4 . Please contact Jill for details.	V
Photography for Beginners	Wed June 12	14.00	Jenny Leverett	07838 173655		
Play Reading 1	Thurs June 6	14.30	Barrie Williams	01189 349525	Contact Barrie for further information.	V
Play Reading 2	Frid June 14	14.00	Janet Rose	624709 / 07762 339873	Meet at Jenny Webb's house. For further details phone Janet or email her at janetcrose@btinternet.com	W
Poetry and Prose	Every 3 rd Tues	14.15	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		
Poetry Studies	Every 1 st Tues	14.00	John Ashford	633911		
Popular Music 1	Last Mon in month	14.30	Sylvia Wimpenny	622949		
Popular Music 2	Every 3 rd Thurs	14.30	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		
Quiz	Mon June 3	19.30	Jean Myhill	01189 034769	19.15 for 19.30 start at Shire Horse pub on the A4.	V
Recorder Group	Mon June 3 Mon June 17	13.30 13.30	Pat Fairbairn	01753 336030	Cox Green Community Centre.	V
Rummikub	Frid June 14 Frid June 28	10.30 10.30	Kath Evans	07743 572146	At the Shire Horse on A4 towards Reading. Contact Kath on kmevans4012@gmail.com for more details.	V
Russian	Frid June 7 Frid June 21	10.00	Andrew Thatcher	826297		V
Science	Thurs June 20	14.30	John Twydle	621644	Either a talk on 'Cholesterol @ Eileen Rogers' house OR a visit to the electric canoe at Cliveden. John will confirm with members.	V
Scrabble	Mon June 24	14.15	Hilary Brodie	522331	Meet at Hilary's house.	V

ACTIVITY	DATE	TIME	CONTACT	TELEPHONE	NOTES	V/W
Singing for Pleasure	Frid June 7 Frid June 28	14.30	Brian Commins	626038	June 7: Meet at Mollie's. June 28: Meet at Pam's.	W
Spanish Conversation	Mon June 10 Mon June 24	10.00	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		V
Spanish for Holiday Makers 1			Kathy Bell	01189 343965 07752 660537	No meetings in June. Next meeting is July 2. No meeting on July 16.	
Spanish for Holiday Makers 2	Tues June 25	10.00	Kathy Bell	01189 343965 07752 660537	Only 1 meeting in June. Meetings in July - July 9 only; no meeting on July 23.	
Spanish Improvers 1	Tues June 11	10.00	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		V
Spanish Improvers 2	Mon June 3 Mon June 17	10.00 10.00	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		V
Spanish Improvers 3	Frid June 7 Frid June 21	10.00 10.00	Barrie Williams	01189 349525		V
Walks	Brenda Finnigan John Twyde		625618 621644		3 walks this month (see detailed information below)	V
	Thurs June 13	10.15	David & Norma Cormican	410672	<u>Walk 1:</u> Meet at the Queen's Head, Little Marlow SL7 3SR at 10.00 for 10.15 start. Walk towards Bloom Wood above Little Marlow (slight to medium incline) for a level walk through the wood and descending through open countryside (good views) towards Spade Oak. Continue along Thames towards Little Marlow for lunch at Queen's Head. Approximately 4½ miles.	
	Tues June 18	11.15	Douglas Talintyre	781612	<u>Walk 2:</u> Short walk Meet in the car park of the George on the Green, Holyport SL6 2JL at 11.00 for a 11.15 start, for a 2 mile circular walk over level ground. No stiles. Lunch will be available at the George.	
	Tues June 25	10.15	Brenda Finnigan	625618	<u>Walk 3:</u> Meet in the car park at the Royal Oak, Knowl Hill Common RG10 9YE at 10.00 for a 10.15 start for a circular level walk of about 4¼ miles to Waltham St Lawrence. Lunch available afterwards at the Royal Oak.	