

Edition: Sixty One –January/February2025

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A very warm welcome to those new members who have joined us since the last newsletter was sent out.

February Speaker

Margaret Shackelton gave us a very lively and interesting insight into the history of the Cullompton area.

Entitled Hippos to Houses we were told the local clay soil has dissolved most bones and artifacts so there aren't many clues to the ancient past

The Romans were here for over 300 years, the French and the Gaul's too, the church now known as St Andrews was probably here in Saxon times (AD 600) then probably known as St Columbus. This could be how the area became known as Culm valley.

About a mile to the northwest of Cullompton is a Tumulus at Hillersdon Wood which is an extremely old settlement maybe 4000 years ago, before that things were Wild. With Hippos a plenty, along with

the Elephants, Wolves and other ancient beasts

6th March 2025 Monthly Meeting

Speaker: Dr James Taylor

Horatio Nelson: Picturing Britain's Greatest

Admiral

Discover with DR James Taylor, a former curator of pictures at the National Maritime Museum, Greenwich, the extraordinary life of Vice-Admiral Lord Horatio Nelson (1758-1805) through period paintings, drawings and prints. Nelson was a charismatic and complex character who met his premature death on the deck of HMS Victory on 21 October 1805 at the age of 47. Nelson was beloved by his men afloat who recognized him as an inspirational leader, but he was lampooned ashore for his affair with Lady Emma Hamilton.



Admiral Nelson by Luigi Acquarone, after Leonardo Guzzardi, oil on canvas. Credit: National Portrait Gallery, London.

News from Interest Groups

ITCG Programme

The programme for the ITCG for the first half of 2025 will be as follows:

Back to Basics

The Back-to-Basics sessions will continue for the following sessions 5th and 19th February and 5th and 19th March. To keep everyone happy - please let me know if there is anything that you want me to cover during these sessions.

iPads and Tablets Sessions

Quite a few members have asked if I can run a few sessions on the iPad and/or tablets. So, in April I will dedicate the sessions to iPads and Tablets i.e. 2nd and 16th April.

Anyone wishing to participate in these sessions is requested to let me know so that I can gauge the requirement and to let me know if there is anything in particular that you want me to cover during these sessions.

Apple Computer Sessions

The May sessions will be dedicated to using Apple computers - laptops or desktops. i.e. 7th and 21st. Anyone wishing to participate in these sessions is requested to let me know so that I can gauge the requirement and also to let me know if there is anything in particular that you want me to cover during these sessions.

Open Sessions

The June sessions will go back to being open sessions for all members to discuss topics of interest and any issues that need to be covered. i.e. 4th and 18th June.

If anyone has any suggestions, proposals, bright ideas or burning requirements... Please let me know. Remember - this is your Group and the aim is to help build your confidence in the use of modern IT systems.

General notice to all CVu3a members

Windows 10 Users

Members who are using Windows 10 based PCs and Laptops are reminded that Microsoft will stop providing free updates / support for Windows 10 devices with effect from 14th October 2025.

Your computer will still work but you will not receive any further updates which usually include bug fixes and security issues.

After this date, if you want to receive updates you will need to pay for Extended Security Updates (ESU) which will operate for a limited period of time.

Third Party antivirus programmes will continue to help mitigate some threats but will not provide the necessary programme changes to fix security weaknesses. See the Microsoft webpage at the following URL for more details.

https://www.microsoft.com/en-gb/windows/end-of-support? r=1#:~:text=After%2014%20October%202025%2C%20your,provide%20Windows%2010%20technic al%20support.

You may wish to note that Windows 8.1 support ended on 10th January 2023 and Windows 7 support ended on 14th January 2020.

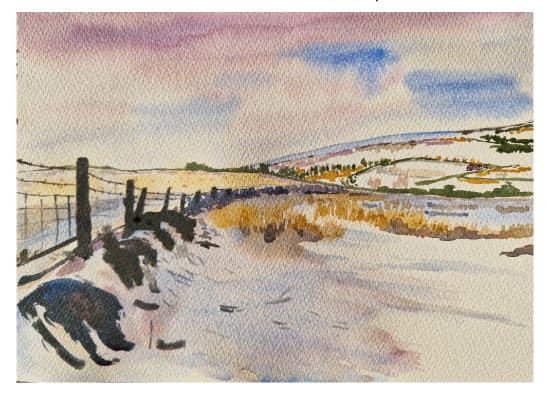
Maybe it is time to invest in a Windows 11 device.

Best regards Andy

Art in Action

"The last two meetings have been around painting watercolour techniques.

The workshop with artist Chris Howe went very well. Here are some impressive results of first attempts at wet in wet watercolour. Let's see how we can develop our watercolour skills from here. "



















Writers

This month we were asked to produce work on the subject of 'Second Hand.'

This has so many routes that could have been taken. Hazel gave us a poem about the many items which could be second hand: from the hands on a clock to recycled clothes. I produced a piece with advice and tips on buying and selling second hand husbands, and Paula gave us a fascinating look at Orangutans and the danger their habitat is in. Paula's writing will eventually become a full-length educational children's book and it was very special to be involved in the early stages.

We will meet again on Tuesday 18th February at 2:00pm. If you would like to join us, the topic to write on will be 'Scales.' Does this spark anything in your imagination? What if there were scales fitted on public transport and you could not travel if you were over a certain weight? How about the scales of justice? Or the scales on a newly discovered reptile? Don't be shy. We write for fun, but your journey may lead you to greater things.

Sue Childs

Walkers

16th January we had a walk around Woodbury common 5 miles approx. through an area of the common which has been excavated to extract the aggregates but is now being returned to nature with a helping hand from various conservation bodies. Such as Pebblebed Heaths conservation trust & RSPB with an optional lunch at the White Horse.

Twelve hardy souls turned up, weather was misty so no views of the Exe estuary or the sea from the common. The walk took just over 2 hours, after which we had lunch at the White horse Inn, where delicious food & drink was enjoyed, perhaps we should do this walk again on a clear day so we can enjoy the impressive views/scenery.

Walkers Group next walk Hemyock Thursday 20 February

Meet at Hemyock Parish Hall at 10.00am for walk on fields and quiet lanes. 4.6 miles. Lunch afterwards at Catherine Wheel where they serve good lunches for Over 65's at £8! Email mokennard@hotmail.co.uk if you want to join the walk/stay for optional lunch.



Sir Walter Raleigh's birthplace, near Yettendon, which we passed on the walk

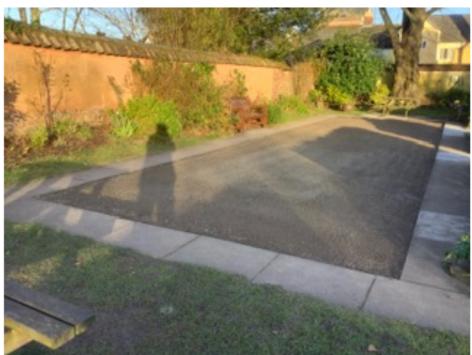






Petanque

Fellow CVu3a boulistes may discover the piste at The Walronds now feels somewhat altered, as a direct result of my afternoon's activities with hoe and rake! Doubtless it will all settle down rapidly, after the next prolonged spell of heavy rain, but who's really alarmed, as we are all capable of adjusting our styles of lobbin' Les Boules! Bon Chance etc!



Photography #1

Our challenge this month was to produce images of 'Moving Water.' Every one of the photos this month could have gone into an exhibition.

Some of the more experienced photographers had changed their shutter speeds so that a river became a silky thread moving through the trees. One member set up a champagne tower, whilst raging rivers featured heavily. We even had a flushing loo which shows you can find pictures everywhere.

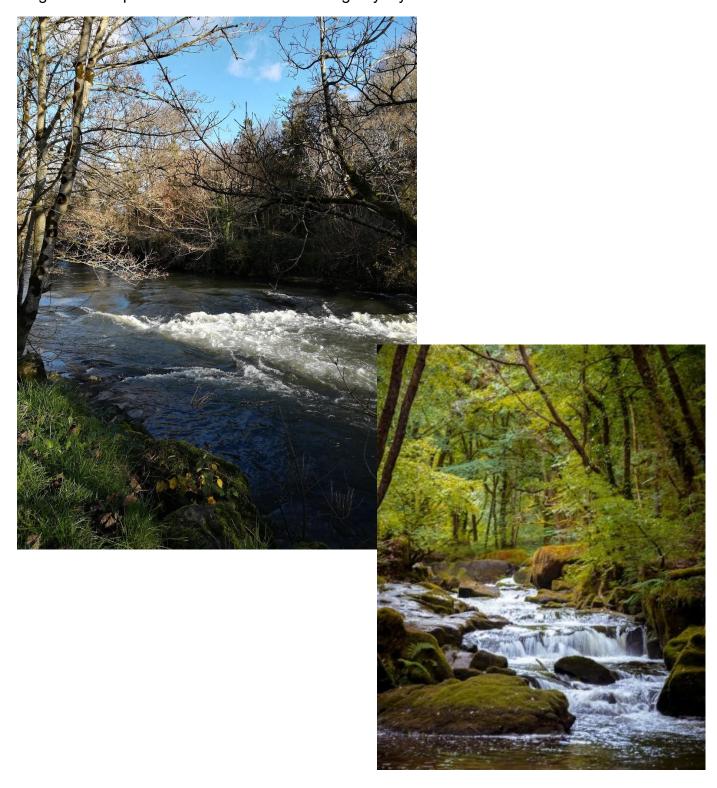
The winner this month was Linda Probert - a regular winner in our group.

Our instant challenge this month was 'The Back of Your Head.' A part of our own bodies which we rarely see. We discovered how to set the timers on both our cameras and phones to take our photos. We found it was easier to use a tripod, but even a stack of books could get the camera in the desired position. We also took the opportunity to discuss filters, although I think we will be coming back to this subject in the future.

Our next meeting will be on Monday 24th February at 11:00am at my house. The challenge for the month is 'Looking Through a Window'.

Sue Childs

Image 1 the winning photograph from Linda Image 2 A close contender from Bob Image 3 An ice picture from our instant challenge by myself





Craft

Welcome to our two new crafters, Anne and Julie. We started the New Year with miniature masterpieces, otherwise called "INCHES".

These are inch squares of fabric which are embellished with all sorts of bits and bobs or embroidery stitches. These were then attached to a background fabric and in some cases, framed.







Our February project, led by Sue, is "Rag Rugging". A very old craft using left over strips of fabric woven cunningly through a loose weave backing. These would be used as rugs or seat pads to keep their user's cosy. This is a new craft to most of the group, but after the first session, I hope you agree there are some promising designs emerging.









Quilting

The quilting group is back into full swing and everyone is working on their own projects, as can be seen in the pictures. See how they progress over the coming months. Lin and Anne continue to demonstrate and coach as and when necessary - and each of the members offer their ideas, comments and experiences too, on each other's projects.

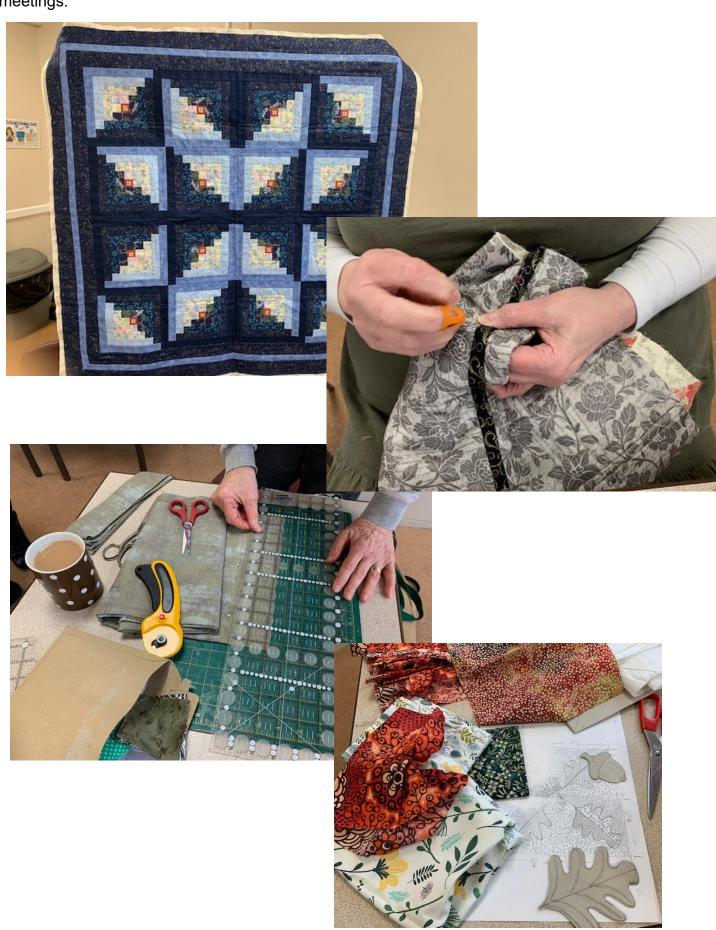
Group members have been set a challenge to create a quilt which will be raffled, with the proceeds being donated to charity.

Each member has been given the same selection and amount of fabrics and asked to create a 12inch quilt 'block'. The theme is Autumn. If they'd like to, they can use any other contrasting fabrics and embellishments. What they create, is entirely up to each person, bearing in mind and using known quilting methods.

In the Summer, the quilt blocks will be assembled and the edging finished. The completed quilt will be ready for display and charity raffle at the September CVU3A arts exhibition and AGM meeting. It is very much hoped that members will like the quilt and appreciate the work hours that have gone into making it. It's also hoped that many U3A members will participate in buying raffle tickets, to hopefully win this unique quilt - either for themselves, or perhaps as a gift? More information will follow regarding which charity/charities will benefit from the proceeds of the raffle.

The group is run by Lin Arnold and we meet on the first and third Tuesday of the month,

- 9.30 to 12.30 in the Committee Room at Willand Village Hall. Anyone wanting more information can contact Lin on lmpish4me@gmail.com or talk to her, directly, at the monthly meetings.





The Craft and Quilt Groups have accepted a challenge to take place over the first half of this year and is a way of putting into practice what they have learnt during their time in the groups.

The challenge for the Quilt Group is for each member to create a 12-inch quilted block. Each member has been given a selection of fabrics to start them off but what they create, is entirely up to them.

The challenge for the Craft Group is to produce a piece of work making use of the many techniques they have learnt since the group's inception.

Both groups were given the title 'Autumn' as their theme.

At the end of the summer, the quilt blocks will be assembled, and the craft works will be gathered in and be put on display at the September CVU3A Arts Exhibition. We hope all members will all take particular interest in our progress as we want to raise some money for Hospice Care. We hope that members will like the quilt and craft pieces and appreciate the work hours that will have gone into making them and buy raffle tickets which will be on sale during the August and September meetings.

The donation will be made to Hospice Care as being from the ladies of both the Quilt and Craft Groups. Your support will be greatly appreciated.

Quizzing

The first quiz for January was produced by Linda G and Judy, with topics that included The year 2024, Around the World, Science and Nature, General Knowledge, Songs with Colour and Vowel Play. The latter being a list of names of the shadier parts of London with only the vowels for each name provided, requiring the teams to identify the missing consonants in order to identify the full name places. Harder than it sounds it certainly tested our knowledge of places in and around London. As usual the topics were engaging, with a good mix of question types, appropriately challenging and a really good start to the New Year. Well done to the winning team 'Make mine a double'

The theme for the 7 February quiz was Winter & Connections, the members who made up the four teams didn't disappoint with their choice of team names and the Brass Monkeys, Four Snowdrops, Put Custard on it and Slipped on the Ice answered questions on a range of topics including, Winter General Knowledge, Winter, Geography, Winter Science & Nature, Trivia and Connections, plus a

mouthwatering picture round which required identifying 20 well known chocolate bars. Thank you to Yvonne for producing this month's quiz and congratulations to Slipped on the Ice, the winners of this quiz.

On a personal note, I have now stepped down as Quiz coordinator and have handed over to the very capable hands of Martin Newman. I wanted to take this opportunity to say a big thank you to all the quiz group members who very kindly presented me with a lovely, personalised mug at the end of the January quiz meeting.

"Every quiz is a journey; enjoy the ride not just the destination" unknown author

Best wishes Linda Le-Milliere

Gardening

Culm Valley u3a gardeners, enjoying their post-Christmas lunch at the Old Well Garden Centre. Regards, Linda Grantham





Genealogy

Stephen Dyer the u3a Subject Matter expert has added a further 13 topics to his updated Genealogy (Family History) Research Guide (December 2024). There are now 87 specialist notes available to help you with your research from - Getting Started, The National Archives and how to research them, Immigration History and Records, British and Irish Military History etc. You can <u>click here</u> to review the Research Guide index, then contact Stephen and state which topic you are interested in and he will send you a copy. The next meeting of the Genealogy Group is on Wednesday the 12th of February at the Hayridge Centre Cullompton Library from 10:30 until 12:30. Walter

Colour Pencil

I am finding this small group very friendly, we have been doing a theme every few weeks which can

be challenging for me as I've only ever used graphite before but Sue and Linda give suggestions and ideas which really help, I am very slow and haven't finished all my pieces but I am getting better and faster gradually. One theme was childhood memories I finally decided to draw my nan's tortoise which interestingly she had for her 11th birthday, she would be well over 100 now and dear old Tommy is still with us today!

I look forward to my Monday afternoon and have made some new friends. Lisa





I was nervous about joining the Colour Pencil group as the last colour drawing I had done was when I was at school with a big wax crayon. However, Sue and Linda are so welcoming and inclusive that I felt confident to have a go myself. It has been a revelation how to layer colours and tackle new subjects. It's a fun group where you feel you are amongst friends. Colouring in has never been so much fun! Sue Childs





As a fairly new art student, I was delighted to discover the "Colour Pencil" group and of course the versatility of colour pencil art. The group discussions and exchange of ideas before we set out to create our master pieces are both stimulating and inspiring.

Our present task is to illustrate the weather, this has produced some excellent work.

Our efforts are shared within the group and our critique of the days work produces encouragement, praise and shared tips on the use of colour pencils. An easy to used art medium

with huge potential and a great group. Bernice







The Coloured Pencil Group is one of the highlights of my fortnight. The three hours go in a flash and I am definitely learning new techniques both from the leaders and other class members. Alison





Draw It!



Sue continues to challenge us and dig deep into our creative selves! Not sure I always quite get there but we have fun trying. I am still exploring different mediums so haven't yet found my niche. I really enjoyed the pastels of a Night Sky at the end of last year and

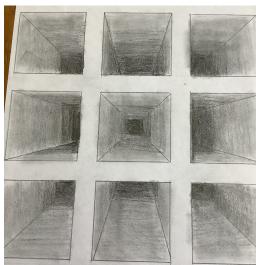


this is a picture of a village by dusk near where our friend lives in France.

January 2025 started with a Life Map which set us all on a path of discovery! I attempted to show my travels South, starting in Glasgow

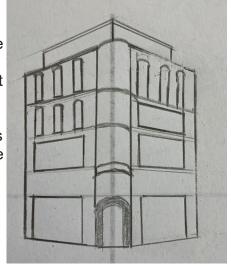
and ending up in Bradninch, and what each place meant to me.

News from Learn to Draw 2024/2025



I am a total novice to drawing so started the course in fear and

trepidation but halfway along I'm enjoying each session and the group is friendly and supportive. The big thing I've learnt is to take time to LOOK before putting pencil to paper. There is no right or wrong way to create a picture as it's personal. We have "homework" to do and that keeps my eye in during the month. Sue is excellent and I highly recommend this fun course. Mo



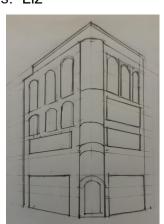
Two drawings which are more than I thought I could do. Enjoyed the challenge as felt I had been given ways to tackle them.

Maureen





The course has encouraged me to become more observant, not to be overwhelmed by what I am trying to achieve by breaking things down into "bite size" pieces using different techniques and pencils. Liz



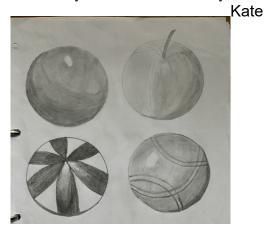


I have not developed into a Van Gogh but I have learnt a lot and have been challenged in my thinking that I could not draw. Still a way to go. Gail



I joined the course to do something with my friend and liked the idea of learning something totally new to me. Nearly three quarters into the course, I have learnt most of the basic principles and techniques and I have managed to produce some pictures which actually look like what was in my head.

The course provides a wealth of information - complemented by a handbook sent by email.

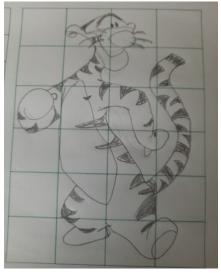




I attach a couple of photos of my attempts: the first one we ever did (Girl with a Pearl Earring grid drawing) because I really enjoyed it and another of a cartoon tiger (again, grid drawing) because I'd like to think that one day, perhaps, maybe I might be able to draw cartoons for the occasional funny poems I write. And, finally, my attempt at the continuous line drawing of the vase of flowers, which I also really liked doing.

One of the most interesting aspects of all is the emphasis on observation. We all walk round with our eyes open but how much do we really see? I remembered to do this one day when walking from Tesco's car park to Lowman Green in Tiverton and it was amazing: There was an elderly man sitting alone on a bench under the clock tower with a can (of something); there were more ducks on the riverbanks than I'd ever seen before down there and I saw the name of a house in Gold Street that I'd NEVER even noticed before. All this to say that the importance of really 'seeing' AND not just 'looking' is also something I have thought about more and more, especially with my creative writing, oh and if nothing else, I might make a good crime witness too (but, hopefully, I won't ever need to!). Heather

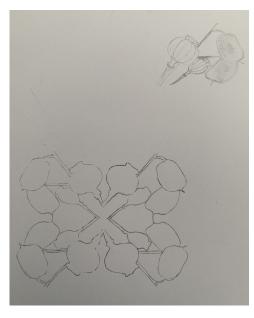


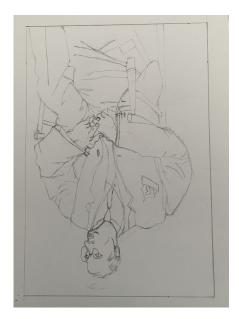




I have enjoyed the group and although I am not a complete beginner to drawing I have learnt a lot. Also it is always good to get a different perspective on a subject as it debunks some of the things you may have been told in the past. Lin







Beginners Jewellery

Jewellery sessions for beginners have commenced at Julie's house in Cullompton.

The group has been divided into 3 sub groups with their own sessions and meet over a 1 week period to enable more individual help. At the first session in January a necklace was made from a large selection of different beads including semi-precious to metal, shell and wood.



In each session relevant tools are introduced and methods of assembly are taught.

The session lasts approx 1 1/2hrs commencing at 11am and we leave with our creations. A charge of £7/pp per session covers supplies used.



Bridge

We have finished off our first four sessions of bridge with a mixture of beginners and people who have played in the past. It has been lovely to meet new people, give our brains a bit of a workout and to share some of the joys and frustrations of this intriguing game. Thank you to Malcolm for his preparations behind the scene and his endeavours to keep us on the right track.

If you are new to the game and want to get going, why not try a stripped down version of the game called MiniBridge? This can be found through the link below. https://www.nofearbridge.co.uk/minibridge/

National u3a runs its own courses for beginners and returners. https://www.bridgewebs.com/u3abridgegroup/

If you would like to give the group a try, do contact Sue Hooper-Lawrie and she will put you in touch.

Behind the Scenes for 2025

All of the following day and half day trips are open to all members. We're announcing the year's programme in advance to allow people to keep dates free but will not take bookings until each individual trip is announced by email. Exact costs and full details of timings and pickups will be provided at that time.

Wed 2nd April – Norman Lockyer Observatory nr SidmouthMorning visit to include introductory talk, planetarium presentation, accompanied tour of historic telescope domes and the Technology Centre. Start at 10.30am – self-drive or car share.

This visit filled quickly, so we have arranged to increase numbers with additional Observatory staff and are now able to offer a few more places. Contact moirabwood@gmail.com if interested.

Thurs 8th May - Paignton Zoo

Full day visit to include half day use of function room with free teas/coffees

20-minute talk from zoo's conservation team

30 minuted guided talk around part of site (to include Orangutan enclosure and another species

Rest of day at leisure around zoo - refreshments/picnics as per individual choice

Wed 18th June - World Horse Welfare Rescue Centre and Glastonbury

Morning visit by coach to WHW Glenda Spooner Farm, Somerset to include introductory talk about the work of the Rescue Centre and how it rehabilitates and rehomes rescued horses and ponies. Information on WHW the charity and its welfare campaigns for equines, followed by a walking tour of facilities indoor and outdoor (pony paddocks) to see some of the ponies being rehabilitated. Transfer to Glastonbury (10 miles) for lunch/afternoon free time.

Friday 11th July - Lyme Regis

A day trip to Lyme Regis is planned with various options being considered. These include

- a guided tour of the Lyme Regis Museum
- a guided Beach Fossil Walk
- or simply a coach trip with free time to enjoy Lyme on your own.

Details of the different options and their associated costs will be communicated to gauge the numbers for each element so that we can make the appropriate arrangements with the museum and the coach company. Watch out for this email in the future.

Tuesday 2nd September - Royal Mint and Abergavenny

Morning coach to Abergavenny - 2 hours free time in this small Welsh market town.

Depart by 1pm to arrive at Royal Mint Experience, S Wales at 2.00pm.

Guided factory tour plus Interactive tour of Mint Museum (including bespoke museum talk from guide) Shop/refreshments on site before return home.

Tuesday 4th November - Exeter Energy Recovery Facility

A repeat of the very interesting visit made in Dec 2024 for another 20 members to see how this Energy from Waste plant diverts our non-recyclable waste from landfill and contributes to Devon's successful recycling statistics as the second highest council in the country.

Gill, Moira and Paul, Behind the Scenes Group Organisers

New Short Course - One place remaining

Contact John Hayston to join the course, or provide more details of this short course,

Speak Up!

Do you have a story to tell, but you're not sure where to start?

Do you want to develop your confidence in speaking to, or, in a group?

This 4-session course will help you: -

Understand your audience.

Think about, plan and prepare what you want to say.

Practice and deliver your story.

Plus

Tips to help you develop your confidence when speaking in public.

Dates

Wednesday 12th March 2025 14.00-15.30 Wednesday 19th March 2025 14.00-15.30 Wednesday 9th April 2025 14.00-15.30

Wednesday 23rd April 2025 14.00-15.30

This short course will only take a maximum of 6 members for each course. If you are interested in joining the course, please sign up at the next monthly meeting or call John Hayston 07894081696 or email: johnhayston1@gmail.com

Interest Groups Information

Group	Contact Please click on name to email	Venue, Day & Time
Art in Action	Rachel Kingdom	2nd & 4th Monday each month 13.30 – 16.30 Club Room, Willand Village Hall
Beginners French Conversation	Terence McCarthaigh	Monday Fortnightly. Members home, Uffculme
Beginners Spanish	Micky Wood	Weekly at The Bakehouse, Cullompton
Beginners Jewellery	Julie Murphy	Contact Julie
Behind the Scenes	Gill Sole Paula Longdon Moira Wood	6 times each year

All trips will be announced by email and offered to all u3a members on a first come first served basis in future so as to give everyone the opportunity to participate. Given the different nature of the venues, we visit some numbers will be small and if over-subscribed we may be able to repeat the trip at a later date.

Boules/Pétanque	Richard Taylor Mobile: 07816337456	Every Friday 11:00 and 14:00 Weather dependent
Bridge	Maggie Lambert	Contact Maggie
ITCG (Computers/IT)	Andy Arnold	1st & 3rd Wednesday each month at 15:00 The Hayridge, Cullompton
Colour Pencils	Sue Hooper-Lawrie	1st & 3rd week each month 13.30 – 16.30 Club Room, Willand Village Hall
Craft	<u>Linda Arnold</u>	1st & 3rd Wednesday each month 9:30 to 12:30 Committee Room, Willand Village Hall
Creative Writing	Hazel Newman	Meet every 3rd Tuesday 14.00
Draw It!	Sue Hooper-Lawrie	2nd & 4th Thursday each month 10:00 – 12:00

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		Club Room, Willand Village Hall
French Conversation	Sally Graham	1st Monday each month at 11:00
French Conversation #2	Gill Westcott	2nd and 4th Mondays each month at The Bakehouse, Cullompton from 15:00 to 16:30
Gaming	Jean Turner	1st Monday each month 10:30 to 12:30 Club Room, Willand Village Hall
Gardening	Michelle Crocker	Contact Michelle
Genealogy	Walter Longden	2nd Wednesday each month 10:30 to 12:30 Hayridge Centre
History	Alison Waple	3rd Thursday each month plus various other days
Jazz Appreciation	Richard Taylor Mobile: 07816337456	Contact Richard
Learn To Draw Short Course	Sue Hooper-Lawrie	Willand Methodist Church Hall
Live for Today, Plan for Tomorrow (Short Course)	Sue Hooper-Lawrie	Willand Health & Community Centre
Photography#1	Sue Childs 07398 686612	Last Monday each month
Photography#2	John Perratt	
Quilting	<u>Linda Arnold</u>	1st & 3rd Tuesday each month 9.30 to 12.30 - Committee Room, Willand Village Hall.
Quizzing	Linda Le Milliere	1st and 3rd Friday each month at 11:00 - Willand Village Hall
Reading	Sally Graham	3rd Thursday each month, 14:30 upstairs at Cullompton Library

Group	Contact Please click on name to email	Venue, Day & Time
Soloists (But not alone)	Jenny Day	Contact Jenny
Strollers	Elieen Turner & Jackie Sim	2nd Tuesday each month @10:30 4th Tuesday each month @10:00
Theatre/Cinema/Music	Daphne Dowsing Carole Eden	Contact Daphne or Carole
Ukulele	Terence McCarthaigh	Thursdays 10.00 -11.30 @ Markers Community Room, Uffculme, EX15 3DZ
Walkers (4-6 Miles)	Gill Sole	3 rd Thursday each month a/m

If you have an idea for an Interest Group, please get in touch with Groups Co-Ordinator on email: cvu3agroupscoord@gmail.com

Contact Emails for current Executive Committee members:

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cvu3amemsecretary@gmail.com	Marian Luck

Monthly Meetings:

Monthly Meetings are held on the FIRST THURSDAY of each month, except January. The meeting starts at 2pm, with members arriving any time after 1.15pm. We hold our meetings at Willand Village Hall, Gables Road, Willand, EX15 2PL. Check monthly newsletter for more information about arrangements for upcoming meeting/s.

Suggested Venues for Group Meetings

John Tallack Youth & Community centre, Meadow Lane, Cullompton. Ex15 1LL.

Email: info@jtc.org.uk Website:www.johntallackcentre.org.uk

The Walronds, 6 Fore Street, Cullompton.

Email: Info@walronds.com Website: www.walronds.com

The Bakehouse, 3 High Street, Cullompton.

Email: enquiries@thebakehousecullompton.co.uk Website: www.thebakehousecullompton.co.uk

Phone: 01884 35222

The Steamer, Five Bridges, Cullompton.

Email: hello@the-steamer.co.uk Phone: 01884 904960

Willand Village hall, Gables Road, Willand. Bookings contact: Frances Wilcox.

Email: bookings@willandvillagehall.org.uk

Willand Football club 3 Silver St, Willand, EX15 2RG

http://willandrovers.co.uk Phone 0188433885 or 07870727120

Willand Health & Community Centre, (opposite Village Hall) Bookings contact; F. Wilcox

Email: info@whacc.org.uk

Cullompton Library, (part of The Hayridge Centre). Contact; Rachel kidd.

Email: Cullompton.library@librariessunlimited.org.uk. Phone; 01884 824555

Go to https://www.devonlibraries.org.uk/web/arena to pre book a computer time slot by using the

iCAM booking system or directly. https://lu.imil.uk/Account/LogOn?ReturnUrl=%2fbookings

Opening hours (Staffed): Monday-Friday – 09:00 – 17:00 Saturday – 09:00 – 13:00

Square Corner, The Square, Uffculme, Ex15 3AA: https://www.squarecorner.org.uk/book-online

Bridwell, Uffculme, is under new ownership and **The Orangery** is open once again. They are happy for large groups to meet there again. If you are planning to hold a meeting in the Orangery for 8 or more people, please email cafe@bridwell.co.uk to book the group in and let them know numbers and if you are planning to eat or not.

If you know of any other suitable venues, please let me know.

Deadline for items for UPDATE is always the 10th of the month. Please send to johnhayston1@gmail.com