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Welcome to the year of the fire rooster



Painting by Reg Robinson

Is anyone interested in Chinese Brush Painting?
If you are, then please email me at u3anewark@outlook.com. I can then arrange an inaugural meeting to determine venue, day, equipment and materials required. No previous skills or experience are required to join the group. Reg Robinson

Out and About in Shrewsbury



The Out and About group are doing a trip to the lovely town of Shrewsbury. The bus will leave the corner of Cow Lane and Northgate (Aldi) at 8.30 am on Friday 7th April 2017. The seat cost is £15 per seat which includes a town map with an indicated walking tour with the attractions marked. Shrewsbury is a hill town surrounded by the River Severn containing lovely parks and 600 listed buildings. Steep narrow alleyways abound with places to explore. A medieval market hall with a coffee shop upstairs has ensured that this town treasure is still at the centre of the community.

Friday is market day and the first Friday has a farmers produce market to add some extra spice to the visit. Ludlow and Shrewsbury have many Michelin starred restaurants and the farmers market is a place where many of the ingredients are purchased! It's a fabulous place, don't miss the trip! Chris

Armchair Travel

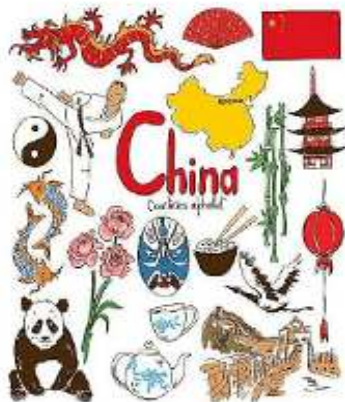
Wednesday 15th February at Hawtonville Methodist Church Hall. 1:45 for 2:00pm start. Free Parking.

Part 1 – Hong Kong: (Delicious Destination).

Every traveller wants to try a crepe in Paris, gelato in Rome or fish 'n' chips in London, but how many really know how these foods were invented, where they came from, how they are made, the right way to eat them and who makes the best ones? Andrew Zimmern digs into the not-to-be-missed legendary foods that define Hong Kong.

Part 2 – China From Above: This film was produced by The National Geographic Channel and narrated by Andres Williams. Today's film features China's ancient civilization with a fascinating history dating back thousands of years, and gives a better understanding of China for foreign audiences. Discover, through advanced aerial filming technology, how China has transformed its cities and infrastructure in the past three decades while still retaining its strong traditions,

New members always welcome. More info. phone 923648.



ARMCHAIR TRAVEL

Wed. 17th February

1:45 for 2:00 pm

2 x Films
Hawtonville Meth.
Church Hall

ARMCHAIR TRAVEL

1 volunteer required to help with showing a DVD film from our laptop. Easy colour coded instructions given. Projector & screen provided.

1 volunteer to help take charge, and assist others to retain and stock refreshments (costs refunded).

Training given on non-meeting dates. NO planning, research or presentation involved. CONTACT JUNE HALFORD 923648 or june.halford1@sky.com

Tea and Coffee Rota

February	Jean Newsome David Newsome Corri Moss
March	Audrey Blake Janet Robinson Thea Evans
April	Need volunteers!

If you have volunteered and realise that you cannot make it, please let Sheila (673797) know in plenty of time so that she can organise a replacement.

Advance Warning

I am away from 24th April for three weeks, and the week prior to that I am on the Archaeology extended visit so I will not be able to produce a newsletter for the May meeting. The committee have decided that I should produce a bumper edition in April to cover both April and May. The next issue will not be published until the beginning of June. Would all group leaders/contributors note that all information for April and May must be in to me no later than 27th March. Janet

Forthcoming Speakers

February 2017 : Stuart Rose. He is a farmer in Laxton and will be talking about the medieval open field farming there and how farming has changed. Recommended by a member

March 2017 : Mike Storr whose talk is 'Masters of Mirth.' This is a whimsical talk about old time music hall comedians.

April 2017: Professor Martin Barstow from the University of Leicester talking about 'The Hunt for Extra-terrestrial life.' Recommended by Southwell U3A.

May 2017: Carol and Steve Robson 'Fools Gold.' Stories with strings, acoustic folk songs with the history and story of the songs

June 2017 : AGM

July 2017 : John Miller from FARI (Farndon Archaeological Research) Recommended by a member

August 2017: No meeting

All monthly meetings are held on the second Thursday in the month from 2pm-4pm at Holy Trinity Catholic Church, Boundary Road, Newark, NG24 4AU. Parking is extremely limited at the Church during school hours so we recommend that you park at Sconce Hills park (a little further down Boundary Road) and walk back. A map is available on the website.

Comparative Religion

The next meeting of the Comparative Religion Group will be held on Monday, 20th. February 2017 at Hawtonville Methodist Church commencing [at 10.00 am](#) when we will be discussing Islam"

All new members welcome. For further information contact Ron Watkins on [01636 705157](tel:01636705157)"

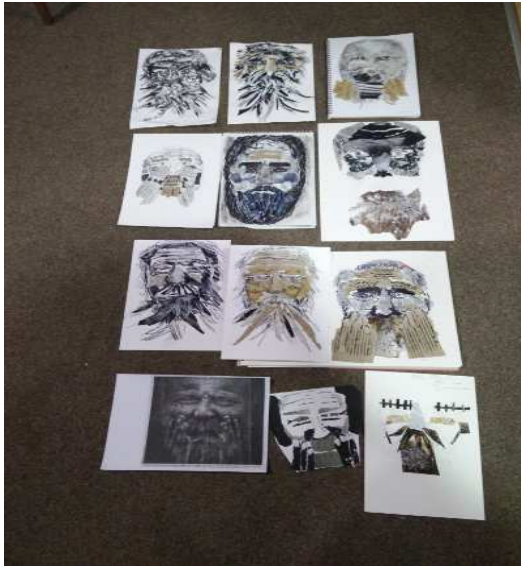
Walking Group

Following a very successful planning meeting at Rufford, the walks for the year were organised. Same rules apply as usual, we do not walk in heavy rain, so if it is raining when you set off, don't!

February 13th. Whisby (Mike and Alison to organise) Meet in the main car park at 09.30

Art for all

We used a photo shown on the bottom left of the display to create our own copies. Collage was a medium we tried, using paper, card and paint. Everyone found it a very enjoyable session. Elizabeth Ingham.



Archaeology Group

Thursday, 16th February. Talk "The Lost Medieval Churches of Nottinghamshire" by Professor Chris Brooke. The talk will be at 2.30pm at the Hawtonville Methodist Church Hall.

Peter Foden, 704241

COMMITTEE MEMBERS

Chair	Chris Handson
Vice Chair	Sheila Harris
Treasurer	Alan Williams
Secretary	Bob Cawson
Membership Secretary	Tony Marriott
Electronic Media	Reg Robinson
Speaker Seeker	Anne Handson
Groups Coordinator	Ron Watkins
Members	Reg Goodall
	Jacq Cartwright
	Neil Hinchley

Useful contacts

Minutes Recorder	Gill Peterson
Coffee/tea rota	Sheila Harris
Newsletter Team	Janet Robinson. Jackie Leitch, Bob Leitch, Sheila Harris

Several committee members are retiring this year and we are looking for replacements. If you are interested, please talk to a committee member to find out what is involved.

Getting your Newsletter

If you or a friend are unable to collect a copy from the foyer or lounge at the Thursday meeting, a newsletter can be obtained from Teacups, Saracen's Head Yard during the Friday coffee mornings, 11-12 noon.

Please note the contact details for the newsletter and website

Newsletter: newarku3a@outlook.com

Website: u3anewark@outlook.com

Here are the contact numbers for group leaders. Some groups can cope with unlimited numbers whilst others are limited by lack of space. So, if you would like to join a group please contact the group leader to make sure there is space.

Archaeology	Peter Foden	01636 704241
Armchair Travel	June Halford	01636 923648
Art for All	Jacq Cartwright	01636 650411
Art Appreciation	Michael Ayling	01636 650607
Indoor Boules	John Proctor	01636 673736
Book Circle	Brenda Williams	01636 704282
Craft Group	Carole Tweedale	01636 672989
Craft and Chatter	Eileen Kenny and Sue Endows	01636919728 01636921373
Creative Writing	Maj Donovan or Jean Johnson	01636 702381 01636 688954
Comparative Religion	Ron Watkins	01636 705157
Dance (Line & Circle)	Audrey Blake	01636 650676
Discussion	Muriel Price	01636 672883
Digital Photography	Richard Harcus	01636 684511
Early Birds	c/o Jacq Cartwright	01636 650411
French Conversation	Tony Williams	01636 813763
Geology	Niki Whitburn	01636 706339
German	Corri Moss	01636 706573
Improvers Rubber Bridge	Clive Morrissey	01623 860311
Investment	Reg Goodall	01636 651838
Literature	Glynda Green	01623 860311

Local History	Colleen Bergman	01636 689294
Mah Jong	Sonya Sinclair	01636 672921
Media Group	Contact Jacq	01636 650411
Motor Home& Caravan	Marjorie Goss	07822484010
Music Appreciation	Terry Bowler Or Tony Marriott	01636 650751 01636 659239
Nordic Walking	Alan Williams	01400 281986
Out and about	Chris Handson	01636 677514
Philosophy	Tom Chamberlain	01636 678571
Play Reading	Gill Peterson	01636 672154
Recorder Playing	Alison Wilson	01636 673298
Science Club	Robert Anderson	01636 687909
Scrabble	Ron Watkins	01636 705157
Singing for fun	Alison Wilson	01636 673298
Ukelele Happy Band	Bob Cawson	07801 056296
Walking Group	Reg Robinson	01636 700188

Note from Editor

Please make sure you send any contributions to this email address **newarku3a@outlook.com** and not to my personal email, or use messenger. I will always acknowledge anything you send but don't worry if you don't get an immediate reply, as I don't log on to this account until I am ready to compile the newsletter. If you haven't heard from me by the 27th of the month, please resend your article.

It would help me a great deal if you would send in articles using size 12 Arial font. Thanks, Janet

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