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What's On

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Welcome to the monthly What's On information sheet.

Newsletter and What's On cut-off dates - 12/09/2019 for October What's On; 07/09/2019 for October Newsletter; and 17/10/2019 for the November What's On.

Office Notice re Membership Renewals

If you renewed your subscription before August 14th then you may have been puzzled that your selection for how you will receive the newsletter was not as you requested. We must apologise that there was a system problem producing the reverse to people's requests.

This situation is only for renewals and not new members and has been corrected now.

If you requested a printed version of the newsletter then this has been picked up ok now so you don't need to do anything. If you requested an email version and haven't emailed the office already to point the problem out, then please would you email office@swindonu3a.org.uk or you will receive a printed version. We do emphasise that this is only for people who have renewed before 14th August and only people requesting email copies.

Glenys Bettley

Wednesday 4th September	Swindon Film Society at the Arts Centre, Devizes Road, Swindon and start at 7.45pm. "Leave No Trace" (USA). You must be a member or guest (cost £9) of a member to attend. See www.swindonfilm.org.uk
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Monday 9th September	Monthly Meeting at the Ellendune Centre, Barrett Way, Wroughton SN4 9LW, 2.15pm to 3.30pm. "Marlborough Castle" by David Du-Croz. Nothing today remains of Marlborough Castle, but there is plenty of evidence to suggest that in the 12th and 13th centuries it was a significant royal building playing a key part in the military and political affairs of the kingdom.
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<p>Monday 16th September</p>	<p>The Arts Society Kennet & Swindon at the Ellendune Centre, Wroughton. Coffee from 10.00am followed by a talk on "Silver Ancient Egyptian Art - 3000 Years of Treasures" by Eileen Goulding at 11.00am.</p> <p>All welcome, but you must be a member or guest (cost £7) of a member to attend. For further information please see: www.theartsocietykennet.org.uk</p>								
<p>Tuesday 1st October</p>	<p>The Gardening Group will be visiting Sir Harold Hillier Gardens in Hampshire. There is a restaurant, tea rooms, gift shop, plant centre and the lovely 180 acre gardens. The one pick up point is at Lawn, near the shops in Windsor Road at 10.00am. Departure from the gardens is 4pm. The cost is £21 per person which covers the coach, driver's gratuity and entrance fee. Please send cheques to Swindon U3A office or me, and write on the back 'Gardening group, Sir Harold Hillier Garden visit' by Monday 16th September at the latest; after which money will not be refundable.</p> <p>If you are interested please click on my name to make contact and leave your name, email and number for more details. Sheila Duller</p>								
<p>Monday 7th October</p>	<p>Travel Study Group C & G visit to National Memorial Arboretum, Alrewas</p> <p>Departure times and pick-up points:-</p> <table data-bbox="448 1514 1246 1697"> <tr> <td>8.00am</td> <td>Ellendune Centre, Wroughton</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8.15am</td> <td>Ashington Way, West Swindon</td> </tr> <tr> <td>8.30am</td> <td>Outside Matalan, Greenbridge</td> </tr> <tr> <td>4.30pm</td> <td>Depart for Swindon</td> </tr> </table> <p>After our arrival at the National Memorial Arboretum there will be free time to have lunch, attend some of the talks provided and to explore the site on your own. In the afternoon we will all embark on the land train to take us around the site.</p> <p>Cost £20.00 pp includes: Land Train, coach and driver's gratuity. All members welcome. Contact Sue York or Bill Mead by clicking on a name.</p> <p>Refunds are not made after 48 hours prior to trip.</p>	8.00am	Ellendune Centre, Wroughton	8.15am	Ashington Way, West Swindon	8.30am	Outside Matalan, Greenbridge	4.30pm	Depart for Swindon
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<p>Monday 7th October</p>	<p>New Scrabble Group will meet at 2.00pm at the Cross Keys pub, Royal Wootton Bassett</p> <p>Contact John Turner by clicking on his name.</p>
<p>Friday 11th October</p>	<p>The Friday Walking Group is organising a coach trip on Friday 11th October for both walkers and non walkers who would like to visit Chepstow in the morning and Tintern in the afternoon.</p> <p>Walkers - will be going along the Wye Valley Way from Chepstow Castle to Tintern Abbey. The walk is just over 6 miles. During the morning we will be walking up to the spectacular Eagle's Nest viewpoint, then dropping down to Tintern and its Abbey, where there should be time for a relaxing drink or a visit to the Abbey ruins.</p> <p>Non walkers - will be staying in Chepstow for the morning during which time you will be able to visit the town and/or the Castle. The coach will then take you to Tintern where you can visit the Abbey and/or the village. We plan to leave Swindon (Lakeside) at 8.30am and arrive back around 5.00pm. The cost will be between £12-£15 depending on the final numbers. (The cost of entrance to the Castle and Abbey is not included).</p> <p>If you would like more information contact : David Hewitt by clicking on his name.</p>
<p>Monday 14th October</p>	<p>AGM and Monthly Meeting at the Ellendune Centre, Barrett Way, Wroughton SN4 9LW, 2.15pm to 3.30pm.</p> <p>"Safe and Well" by Bob Tabel, Safe and Well Advisor, Swindon North, Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service.</p>

"Do not impose on others what you yourself do not desire."

Confucius

<p>Thursday 17th October</p>	<p>Travel Group J Visit to Surrey. This trip will call at Guilford Cathedral for coffee and then travel on to Denbies Wine Estate near Dorking for lunch. The afternoon will be spent at nearby Polesden Lacey, the early 1900's home of Socialite Margaret Greville who entertained both Royalty and Statesmen of her day. Departure times and pick-up points:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 8.30am Ellendune Centre 8.40am Pipers Way 8.50am Coate Water 4.00pm Depart for Swindon <p>Approximate cost £27.50 dependent on numbers travelling, but to include coach travel, driver's gratuity and admission to Polesden Lacey. A rebate will be made to National Trust Members. All U3A members welcome to join us. Contact Barbara and Peter Davidson. Tel. 01793 520595</p>
<p>Sunday 17th to Wednesday 20th November</p>	<p>Travel Group G still have places for their visit Sheffield and Chatsworth Christmas Market from Sunday 17th November to Wednesday 20th November. They will be staying at the Sheffield Metropolitan Hotel for 3 nights bed, breakfast and evening meal. All members welcome. Cost: £280 (single supplement £75), which includes coach, entrance to Chatsworth and driver's gratuity. Balance due by Monday 16th September. For further details and to book contact Sue York by clicking on her name.</p>
<p>Saturday January 4th 2020</p>	<p>There are still places available to join the Concertgoers at the New Year Strauss Gala with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra on Saturday January 4th 2020, 7.30pm at Cheltenham Town Hall. Waltzes, Marches and Arias from the Waltz King and his contemporaries. Cost £37 (inclusive of coach). All members welcome. Enquiries as soon as possible please to Cindy Matthews or Nina Stimson by clicking on one of the names.</p>