

# Swindon U3A

## What's On

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Welcome to the monthly What's On information sheet.

**Newsletter and What's On cut-off dates:** - 09/11/2019 for December Newsletter and 14/11/2019 for December What's On . 09/12/2019 for the January 2020 What's On.

Wednesday 6 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>Swindon Film Society</b> at the Arts Centre, Devizes Road, Swindon and start at 7.45pm. "Cold War" (Poland). You must be a member or guest (cost £9) of a member to attend. See <a href="http://www.swindonfilm.org.uk">www.swindonfilm.org.uk</a>
Saturday 9 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>New Members Meeting</b> at the Lawn Community Centre SN3 1LA, 10.00am to 12.00 noon.  New Members - come along and meet other new members and find out how you can get the most out of your U3A. Meeting begins at 10.00am, hot drinks served from 9.30am.
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> November	<b>A New U3A Singing Group</b> has been started. It will take place from 10am to 12 noon on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month. The venue will be Toothill Church, Dunwich Drive, Toothill, SWINDON, SN5 8SX.  This group is very suitable for beginners, or those who may have been told that they cannot sing. We will use the ethos of the Natural Voice Network. <i>"Singing creates a sense of wellbeing, brings communities together and gives us the opportunity to create sounds of power and beauty."</i>  For more information, please click on <a href="#">Margaret Boyd</a>

<p>Monday 11<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>Monthly Meeting</b> at the Ellendune Centre, Barrett Way, Wroughton SN4 9LW, 2.15pm to 3.30pm.</p> <p>“Medical Detection Dogs” by David Bradley OBE.</p> <p>An introduction to how Medical Detection Dogs are used and their capabilities, including current trials and case studies.</p>
<p>Saturday 16<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>Drones.</b> Following requests from members, an information morning about drones has been arranged which will take place from 10.30am - 12.30pm at the Coleview Community Centre. Refreshments will be served from 10.00am.</p> <p>Speakers will be Philip from the Halo Drone Company based in Bradford upon Avon and Isla from Oxford University Drone Society.</p> <p>We look forward to seeing you at this interesting and informative event. Book a place on the SUCAS website or click on <a href="#">Avril</a></p>
<p>Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>Travel Group G</b> still have places for their visit <b>Sheffield and Chatsworth Christmas Market</b> from Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> November to Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November.</p> <p>They will be staying at the Sheffield Metropolitan Hotel for 3 nights bed, breakfast and evening meal.</p> <p>All members welcome.</p> <p>Cost: £280 (single supplement £75), which includes coach, entrance to Chatsworth and driver’s gratuity.</p> <p>Balance due by Monday 16th September.</p> <p>For further details and to book click on <a href="#">Sue York</a></p>
<p>Monday 18<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>The Arts Society Kennet &amp; Swindon</b> at the Ellendune Centre, Wroughton. Coffee from 10.00am followed by a talk on “Big Ben” at 11.00am. Tim Redmond will take you on a virtual tour of the interior, saving you the effort of climbing 334 spiral stairs. Tim will then take you behind those magnificent clock faces; show and explain the workings of the enormous clock mechanism; before finally taking you into the belfry and presenting before you – Big Ben, the most famous bell in the world!</p> <p>All welcome, but you must be a member or guest (cost £7) of a member to attend. For further information please see: <a href="http://www.theartssocietykennet.org.uk">www.theartssocietykennet.org.uk</a></p>

<p>Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>Swindon Film Society</b> at the Arts Centre, Devizes Road, Swindon and start at 7.45pm. "The Guardians" (France). You must be a member or guest (cost £9) of a member to attend. See <a href="http://www.swindonfilm.org.uk">www.swindonfilm.org.uk</a></p>
<p>Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> November</p>	<p><b>Travel Study Group J trip to Wells</b></p> <p>This trip will visit to City of Wells and include a guided tour of the Bishop's palace with free time to explore Cathedral and city in the afternoon.</p> <p>Departure times and pick-up points:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.30am Ellendune Centre, Wroughton</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.40am Pipers Way</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.50am Coate Water</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">4.00pm Depart for Swindon</p> <p><b>Cost £25.00 pp</b> includes: coach and driver's gratuity. All U3A members welcome.</p> <p>Please Contact by clicking on <a href="#">Fiona Meredith</a></p>
<p>Tuesday 3<sup>rd</sup> December</p>	<p><b>Travel Study Group C&amp;G</b> visit to Charlecote and Stratford upon Avon. A visit with a Christmas theme. In the morning we will visit Charlecote Park a National Trust property in Warwickshire, where the public (<i>ground floor only</i>) rooms of the house will be open and decorated for Christmas. The coach will then take us into Stratford upon Avon, where you will be free to wander around the town and take in the festive atmosphere. Before we depart it will be DUSK and the Christmas Street Lights should be PRETTY.</p> <p>Departure times and pick-up points:-</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.30am Ashington Way, West Swindon</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.45am Ellendune Centre, Wroughton</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">8.50am Matalan, Greenbridge</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">4.30pm Depart for Swindon</p> <p><b>Cost £14.00 pp</b> for NT members or <b>£25</b> for non-members includes: coach and driver's gratuity. (National Trust members must have their membership card with them on the day.) All U3A members welcome.</p> <p>Contact clicking on <a href="#">Sylvia Blacklock</a>.</p>

<p>Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December</p>	<p><b>Monthly Meeting</b> at the Ellendune Centre, Barrett Way, Wroughton SN4 9LW, 2.15pm to 3.30pm.</p> <p><b>Entertainment by ‘End of The Track’</b></p> <p>‘End of The Track’ was formed ten years ago. They perform songs from the 1960s era to raise funds for local charities. They have raised more than £20,000 for charities through concerts and CD sales. The singers are based around the town of Chippenham and are accompanied by electric and rhythm guitars as well as light percussion. They encourage audiences to join in the songs of artists such as Elvis, The Beatles, Everly Brothers, etc.</p>
<p>Saturday January 4<sup>th</sup> 2020</p>	<p><b>Concertgoers</b> at the <b>New Year Strauss Gala</b> with the Bournemouth Symphony Orchestra at 7.30pm at Cheltenham Town Hall. Cost <b>£37</b> (inclusive of coach).</p> <p>This concert is full, but we would welcome names for the waiting list as we usually get some returns.</p> <p><a href="#">Cindy Matthews</a> or <a href="#">Nina Stimson</a></p>
<p>Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> January 2020</p>	<p><b>The Day Trips Group</b> visit to the Royal Mint and National Museum of Wales. At the Royal Mint we will have a guided tour. Go to <a href="http://www.royalmint.com">www.royalmint.com</a> for more information.</p> <p>At the National Museum of Wales we will take a 30-40 minute tour looking at some of the highlights of the art collection. Go to <a href="http://visitcardiff.com">visitcardiff.com</a> for more information.</p> <p>Departure times and pick-up points:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>8.00am Royal Wootton Bassett, Borough Fields car park, behind Sainsbury’s</li> <li>8.15am Swindon Bus Station</li> <li>8.30am Ashington Way, West Swindon</li> <li>4.30pm Depart for Swindon</li> </ul> <p>The cost is <b>£21</b> per person which includes the tours, coach and drivers gratuity. All members welcome. Click on <a href="#">Susan Grice</a> for more info.</p>

**If you email an event organiser and they haven’t confirmed your seat within 3 days, please telephone the organiser, as some emails are not getting through.**

“It’s not what happens to you, but how you react to it that matters.”

Epictetus