

# Ashfield U3A



*Jan/Feb Newsletter  
2013*

Website:

[www.ashfieldu3a.org.uk](http://www.ashfieldu3a.org.uk)

**24<sup>th</sup> January, 2013**

**Your speaker today is RALPH NEEDHAM-**  
an audience with professor Septimus Ringwood of London

## Quiz Night with Pie and Pea Supper

We will be holding our popular Quiz Night event on Saturday, March 9<sup>th</sup>.  
here at the Ashwood Centre

Tickets are now available at £7.00pp for a two-course meal

Get your quiz team together and put your names on a table.

If you cannot make up a team of 4, 6 or 8, join with others to make this an evening to remember. Doors open at 6.30, hot meal served at 7.00pm

There will be a session of the popular 'heads and tails' too.

Stupendous prizes will be on offer as always for the winning team.

## New Year's Eve (NYE) Party

Those who attended this party had a great evening. The venue was lovely.

The band were superb, and we thank all the members of this delightful band, who worked so hard for us, for a great evening.

As you must be aware, the band, like us, are not getting any younger, and have decided that they do not want to play at another NYE event.

We will be considering an alternative, and welcome your views on this, - maybe you will not want another NYE party? Let us know.

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**Any changes/additions to your group's programme** should be given to both **Ron Britton** for the web-site and also to **Jill Pullan** for the newsletter, no later than the Friday before the main meeting.

Please inform the editor, **Jill Pullan** 01623 400545 of any changes to your normal programme in the near future. This will be of great help to members of your various groups – this includes changes of content and venues

**Interest Group Meetings:-** If you wish to join any interest group, please telephone the group leader first to ensure there is a vacancy in that group. All relevant details can be obtained from the group leader, including where the walking group intend to meet and which walk they will do, or which book the reading group is reading, which garden the horticulture group is visiting etc. Group leaders' names and contact details are on pages 8-9 of the newsletter, and also on the web-site.

### **Forthcoming events to mark in your diary**

**Quiz Night with Pie & Pea supper and pudding.** Another popular and regular event with Ashfield. Saturday March 9<sup>th</sup> at Ashwood Centre doors open 6.30.

Tickets available from Carole Britton at £7.00, pp. Join us and make up a team of 'quizzers'.

**Long Alley Skittles** Friday 5<sup>th</sup> April, 6.30pm; another chance to enjoy this great evening at the Little John Pub in Ravenshead. Tickets are limited and cost £10 including a light supper, free raffle and prizes for the winning team

**April 8<sup>th</sup>, 2.00pm - The Halle at Ashfield** Talk by **Piero Gasparini**, Halle viola player

**Antiques Road Show** with a visiting (TV Celebrity) from the TV show **Antiques Road Show**

Bring along your own antiques for our guest celebrity to value. - Date to be announced.

Watch this space for details.

**Martin Fish** gardeners' question time – Autumn; - date to be announced

We will be organising **an autumn event**; watch this space for details.

### **LONG ALLEY SKITTLES**

The skittles evening this year will be held at the Little John Inn, Ravenshead, on Friday 5 April, 6.30 for 7pm.

If you are interested please sign up on the board. Light supper, prizes and free raffle are included.

Limited number of Tickets at £10.00 available from Mary Carlton.

### **No Refunds Policy**

Your committee have reluctantly decided that when tickets are ordered they must be paid for, unless advised differently, and if you find you cannot attend the event you have bought the ticket for, it is up to you to sell that ticket on, and no refund will be given by U3A, unless there is a waiting list in operation. This is because some events have run at a loss due to people suddenly cancelling and expecting their money to be refunded.

After all, if you book seats at the theatre, or a bus trip and found you couldn't attend, you would lose your money, and, regrettably, we must have a similar policy.

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### THEATRE VISITS WITH BARBARA IVES

Thurs	14.02.13	Lunch time concerts, free to attend. All lunch-time concerts start 1.00 Pm.	Piano Recital - <b>free</b>
Thurs	31.01.13 14.00	Theatre Royal	One Man Two Guvnors £20
Wed	20.02.13 19.00	Ravenshead Village Hall	HMS Pinafore with Trial by Jury: £9
Sat	23.02.13 14.30	Theatre Royal	Swan Lake, Moscow city ballet £23
Fri	15.03.13 17.00	Theatre Royal	Dirty Dancing £39.50
Tues	12.03.13 All Day	LONDON	TOP HAT £69
Thurs	04.04.13 14.00	Theatre Royal	Matthew Bourne's Ballet Sleeping Beauty £28.00
Wed	24.04.13 14.00	Theatre Royal	Midnight Tango: with Vincent Simone and Flavia Cacace from Strictly Come Dancing £25
wed	15.05.13	Theatre Royal	The Mouse Trap: £20 Ticket money at this Jan Meeting please

Contact Barbara by e-mail [ives.barbara@gmail.com](mailto:ives.barbara@gmail.com)

### **International Dining for 2013**

**Wednesday 30th January 2013** 6.30pm at the Adams Restaurant, Lace Market, Nottingham - (The training restaurant as part of New College) for their Spanish themed evening

**Wednesday 27th February 2013** 6.30pm at Brasserie 19 (West Notts College Restaurant) for their St David's night! (Welsh **is** international!!) a £10 deposit will be required within the next week. The Brasserie will be newly refurbished for us.

We will have to choose and pre-order for both these - I am waiting for the menus and pre-order forms. Deposits will also have to be paid and I think the cost of the set meals will be around £15. As soon as I receive the information I will be in touch

*Georganne*

### **STROLLERS WALKING GROUP**

The walk on **13th February 2013** will be Sutton Lawn; meeting at the first car park from the Lawn Avenue/Lawn Lane entrance off Station Road, Sutton.

The following walk on **13th March** will be at Brierley Forest Park; meeting at the car park next to the Visitor Centre at the end of Skegby Road [*off Sutton Road*], Huthwaite.

Contact Alan Radford 01623 42793414

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### **Interest Group Meetings**

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### **Membership renewal 2013-14**

This is an early notification that I will be sending out renewal forms by e mail in February, for completion and cheque, then return to me by post or by hand at the Feb, March or April meetings. If you have changed your e mail address, or not supplied the U3A with your e mail, please can you see me,

**MEMBERSHIP FEES:-** Full membership is £16.00 for the year

**Associate membership**, for members who pay their Capitation fee to another U3A -£12.50

**Postal Membership** £11.00. **Associate Postal Membership** £7.50.

Two years ago The capitation fee was raised by £1.00..

We will review the membership fees each year, and try to keep them as low as possible.

£16.00 is still cheaper than it was 3 years ago

**Please note that whichever membership you choose, you will have full membership of**

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Contact me by e mail or phone, [trishtootell@ashfieldu3a.org.uk](mailto:trishtootell@ashfieldu3a.org.uk) or 01623 793447

*many thanks Trish Tootell Membership Secretary*

### **"SINGING for FUN" Programme for 2013**

12th February

12th March

9th April

14th May

11th June

no meeting July or August

10th September

8th October

12th November

10th December

Any extra meeting in December to be advised

All meetings: 2.00 – 4.00pm.

*Please contact Maxine 01623 459081*

## ***Ashfield U3A***

**Creative Writing Group: Leader Chris Ward 01623 550105**

Meets 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of the Month 1.30pm – 3.30pm at members' homes, there is no charge.

We are exploring collaborative writing, collaborative writing is where a collection of characters are created and each person takes on the persona of this character and writes only about this character. The group then exchanges their characters story and others make notes so they can adapt their character within the story (much like writing a soap opera). We are writing about a 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary brought about by the family's history being traced.

It is really an exciting, fun exercise in writing as it allows great creativity and imagination within some set parameters pre-agreed such as where it is set, when it happens, and the date it takes place.

A happy New Year from the writing group to all U3A members

Meeting dates for the following two months are:

20th February 2013 – Collaborative Writing

20th March 2013 – Humorous Writing

Phone 01623 550105 for venue information

### **New Gardening Group (Name to be decided)**

Following the demise of Horticulture Group 1, we thought it would be a good idea to start a new group for those who want to pursue their gardening interest in more depth. Our initial idea is that each member of the group will research a new and unfamiliar topic to present to the group. This means that all group members will contribute, extending our knowledge.

Topics will cover all those questions to which Martin Fish does not know the answer!

We will meet in the homes of members to keep the costs down and meetings may or may not involve the member's garden. This should enable us to meet throughout the year.

As in the past, the group may include visiting speakers in the programme. The group will meet in the morning of the 4th Monday of the month as there is currently a gap to fill at this time.

There will be a signing up sheet at the January meeting - or I can be contacted by telephone 01623 750466 or at [landbjackson@gmail.com](mailto:landbjackson@gmail.com)

*Lynne Jackson*

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### **Your U3A Committee**

**We are particularly short of volunteers for the tea/coffee duty roster, please put your name down for this, even it is only for one meeting during the year**

Please also consider giving any help with e.g. the Book Stall, refreshments; greeters; or making new members feel welcome. Also, please offer to help with the catering at the many events we organise. We always need a few 'extra hands' to help at events and meetings.

Please consider helping your committee in any of the above capacities.

### **Our Latest Interest Groups**

**WHIST** - There is a Whist group running at Hucknall U3A: see Margaret Crossley if you are interested in joining this group  
**DOMINOES** – playing the game of '5's and 3's', this is now within the Board Games group

### **Proposed Interest Groups**

**Bowls – both Indoor and Outdoor – if you are interested, please see Lynne Jackson, Eileen Allin or Mary Naylor**

**If you would like to belong to a group that isn't offered at the moment, please see Lynne Jackson for advice**

### **Groups Currently Suspended**

**Horticulture group 1** – this will start again soon in a different format: - see **page 12**  
**Jazz & Popular Music Group** – suspended due to lack of interest and support from the members – may start again in the spring  
**Shakespeare-** may start again in the spring  
**Digital Photography and imaging** - suspended due to lack of interest. This group needs a new leader/co-ordinator  
**Line dancing** - starts again in March  
**Zumba Gold** starts again in spring  
*Please note: the above groups are no longer meeting at the moment.*

### **Group Meeting dates**

If your group is Card Craft, you will see from the table on page 15 that it meets on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of the month at 10.00am. If you wish to join any interest group, please telephone the group leader first to ensure there is a vacancy in that group.  
All relevant details can be obtained from the group leader, including where the walking group intend to meet and which walk they will do, etc. etc.

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### **CAN YOU HELP??**

I am currently collecting items to make up 'Baby bundles' for my Inner Wheel club. These are sent via the Police Aid Convoy to Africa and Eastern Europe, where they are distributed to new mums in need.

If you have any of the following, we can put them to good use.

- Useable sheets (we make them in to cot sheets)
- Towels (any size so long as there is still some wear in them)
- Baby clothes (up to 1 year)
- Soft toys.
- Baby toiletries.

We also make up ladies 'Joy bags' to give to the mums. For these we need:-

- Ladies handbags
- Small toiletries (like those in hotel rooms)
- Scarves, hair accessories, brushes, combs.
- Soaps, flannels, sponges, toothpaste, toothbrushes.
- Make up.
- Costume jewellery.

Any contributions gratefully received. I am usually at the monthly meeting or can be contacted on 01623 644664 or email [jan.strachan@ntlworld.com](mailto:jan.strachan@ntlworld.com) Many thanks *Jan Strachan*

### **February Meeting - please put your name down if you wish to attend one of the tutorials**

There will be a display of information for our Interest Groups at the FEBRUARY meeting. This will enable members to talk to the group leader, find out information and gain an insight into any particular group, and then either join the group or put their name on a waiting list.

**There will also be a tutorial on Smart Phones and WORD 2010.**

### **Bird Watching Group**

**Feb** 12th -Terversal Visitor centre :

**March-** No Meeting due to Holidays

**April** 9th - Brierley Forest Park:

**May** - NO Meeting

**June** 11th- Attenborough Nature Reserve

We always meet at 10.00 am, and afterwards we stop for lunch

Contact Mary on 01773776386 or 07887362383

### **The Rock Group**

February 1st SLADE £6

February 8th ALICE COOPER £6.50

February 9th THE BEATLES £7.50

February 15th SIMPLE MINDS ANS POLICE £6.50

March 1st DIRE STRAITS £6.50

Contact Mary on 01773776386 or 07887362383

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*Interest Group Leaders. NB If you wish to join a group, please telephone the group leader beforehand, to check if there is an available place, current venue etc*

*You can email a group leader on 'theirname@ashfieldu3a.org.uk'*

ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES	(Kathleen Jones)	tel: 01623 550740
Art group	(Barrie Jackson)	tel :01623 750466
BIRD WATCHING	(Mary Naylor )	tel: 01773 776386
BRIDGE Group	(Maxine Rose)	tel: 01623 459081
BOARD GAMES Group	(Marian Wilson)	tel: 01623 752780
BOOK STALL	(Carole Britton)	tel: 01623 456855
CANASTA	(Geoff Cree)	tel: 01623 794485
CARD CRAFT	(Carole Seymour)	tel: 01623 489785
CLASSICAL MUSIC 1	(Alan Radford)	tel: 01623 427934
CLASSICAL MUSIC 2	(Ron Walker)	tel: 01623 456389
CINEMA	(Sylvia Smith)	tel: 01623 514357
COOKERY – CREATIVE MENUS	(Eileen Allin)	tel: 01623 473662
CREATIVE WRITING	(Chris Ward)	tel: 01623 550105
CRAFT Group (Currently suspended)	(Anne Kemp)	tel: 01623 750907
CROQUET	(Peter Baker)	tel: 01623 437834
DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY/ IMAGING (suspended)	(Lionel & Jan Castle)	tel: 01623 468102
DISCUSSION GROUP	(Marian Wilson)	tel: 01623 752780
EASY- WHEELERS ( <i>Cycling for fun</i> )	(Alan Snape)	tel:01159 273524
FAMILY HISTORY	(Trish Tootell)	tel: 01623 793447
FRENCH CONVERSATION Group	(Ann Cottee)	tel: 01623 750538
GARDENING GROUP	(Jan Strachan)	tel: 01623 644664
HOLIDAYS - VARIOUS	(Caroline Rhodes)	tel: 07724210563 or 01623 721987
HORTICULTURE Group: '1' (suspended)	(Lynne Jackson)	tel: 01623 750466
HORTICULTURE Group '2'	(Marjorie Woolham)	tel: 01773 811755
INTERNATIONAL DINING	(Georganne Barlow & Julia Porter)	tel: 01623 626647 tel: 01623 620892
JAZZ & SWING MUSIC : (suspended)	Ann Walter	tel: 01623 239258
LATE BREAKFAST	(Geoff Cree)	tel: 01623 794485



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<b>LINE DANCING</b>	(Cynthia Driscoll)	tel: 01623 794243
<b>LUNCHEON Group</b>	(Ron & Carole Britton)	tel: 01623 456855
<b>MOVEMENT TO MUSIC + YOGA</b>	(Pam Sapey)	tel: 01623 558700
<b>OUTINGS; NAT TRUST</b> <i>Numerous – see newsletter, boards and announcements</i>	(Kathleen Jones)	tel: 01623 550740
<b>PLATINUM Investment Club</b>	(Jill Pullan)	tel: 01623 400545
<b>PLAYREADING (AM-DRAM)</b> <i>Reading plays &amp; performing at U3A events</i>	(Vivian Ellis)	tel: 01623 620743
<b>RAIL WAY Group</b>	(Geoff Cree)	tel: 01623 794485
<b>READING Book Group ‘A’</b>	(Lynne Jackson)	tel: 01623 750466
<b>READING Book Group ‘2’ (B)</b>	(Gill Ball) (Sandra Playford)	tel: 01623 450003 tel: 01623 754644
<b>ROCK GROUP</b>	Mary Naylor	tel: 01773 776386
<b>SCRABBLE</b>	(Margaret Nunn)	tel: 01159 634196
<b>SHAKESPEARE (suspended)</b>	(Ann Walter)	tel: 01623 239258
<b>SINGING FOR FUN</b>	(Maxine Rose)	tel: 01623 459081
<b>SUGARCRAFT &amp; Cake Decorating</b>	(Sue Hughes)	tel: 01623 556256
<b>T’AI CHI (Traditional)</b> <i>Practising this healthy, beneficial art and exercise</i>	(Jill Pullan)	tel: 01623 400545
<b>THREADS &amp; TEXTILES</b>	(Lynne Jackson)	tel: 01623 750466
<b>THEATRE VISITS Group</b> <i>Various shows, plays etc at various venues</i>	(Barbara Ives)	tel: 0115 9539893
<b>WALKING Group ‘A’</b> <i>More demanding walks of between 7 and 9 miles in length</i>	(David Porter)	tel: 01623 620892
<b>WALKING Group ‘B’</b> <i>Less demanding walks, between 4 and 6 miles</i>	David Wilson)	tel: 01623 752780
<b>WALKING GROUP ‘C’ (Strollers)</b> <i>Strolling between 1- 2½ miles</i>	(Alan Radford)	tel: 01623 427934
<b>WINE APPRECIATION</b>	(Geoff Cree)	tel: 01623 794485
<b>WOOD CARVING</b>	(David Hammond)	tel: 01623 794392
<b>ZUMBA GOLD (suspended)</b>	(Christine Bakowsky)	tel: 01623 723140

**New Groups:** If there is a group you would be interested in joining, but isn't offered at the moment, see Mary Naylor, who will advise about starting up such a group.

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**Tai Chi** *Jill Pullan 01623 400545*

**Meeting day changed.** All the Tai Chi meetings will now be on the 3rd Tuesday of the month at 2.00pm.

Next meeting **Tuesday 19<sup>TH</sup> February, 2.00pm** at Sutton Play Forum.

### **WOOD-CARVING**

David Hammond has agreed to become the Co-ordinator of the Carving Group, as Stuart is finding it difficult to attend at the moment.

Phone: 01623 794392 [daveh7@btinternet.com](mailto:daveh7@btinternet.com)

### **BRIDGE FOR 2013**

21st January

4th February

4th March; 18th March

8th April; 22nd April

13th May

3rd June 17th June

Meetings to be held at the West Notts. College unless otherwise notified  
Monday evenings at 6.30 to 9.00pm.

### **Senior Banking – Priceless**

This is an actual letter that was sent to a bank by an 86year old woman. The bank manager thought it amusing enough to have it published in the Times

Dear Sir:

I am writing to thank you for bouncing my cheque with which I endeavoured to pay my plumber last month.

By my calculations, three nano-seconds must have elapsed between his presenting the cheque and the arrival in my account of the funds needed to honour the cheque. I refer, of course, to the automatic monthly deposit of my entire pension, an arrangement which, I admit, has been in place for only eight years.

You are to be commended for seizing that brief window of opportunity, and also for debiting my account £30 by way of penalty for the inconvenience caused to your bank.

My thankfulness springs from the manner in which this incident has caused me to rethink my errant financial ways. I noticed that whereas I personally answer your telephone calls and letters, - when I try to contact you, I am confronted by the impersonal, overcharging, pre-recorded, faceless entity which your bank has become.

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From now on, I like you, choose only to deal with a flesh-and-blood person. My mortgage and loan repayments will therefore and hereafter no longer be automatic, but will arrive at your bank, by cheque, addressed personally and confidentially to an employee at your bank whom you must nominate. Be aware that it is an OFFENSE under the Postal Act for any other person to open such an envelope. Please find attached an Application Contact which I require your chosen employee to complete. I am sorry it runs to eight pages, but in order that I know as much about him or her as your bank knows about me, there is no alternative. Please note that all copies of his or her medical history must be countersigned by a Notary Public figure, and the mandatory details of his/her financial situation (income, debts, assets and liabilities) must be accompanied by documented proof.

In due course, at MY convenience, I will issue your employee with a PIN number which he/she must quote in dealings with me.

I regret that it cannot be shorter than 28 digits but, again, I have modelled it on the number of button presses required of me to access my account balance on your phone bank service.

As they say, imitation is the sincerest form of flattery. Let me level the playing field even further. When you call me, press buttons as follows:

IMMEDIATELY AFTER DIALLING, PRESS THE STAR(\*) BUTTON FOR ENGLISH.

Press 1 To make an appointment to see me

Press 2 To query a missing payment

Press 3 To transfer the call to my living room in case I am there

Press 4 To transfer the call to my bedroom in case I am sleeping

Press 5 To transfer the call to my toilet in case I am attending to nature

Press 6 To transfer the call to my mobile phone if I am not at home

Press 7 To leave a message on my computer, a password to access my computer is required.

Password will be communicated to you at a later date to that Authorised Contact mentioned earlier

Press 8 To return to the main menu and to listen to options 1 to 9

Press 9 To make a general complaint or inquiry.

The contact will then be put on hold, pending the attention of my automated answering service. While this may, on occasion, involve a lengthy wait, uplifting music will play for the duration of the call.

Regrettable, but again following your example, I must also levy an establishment fee to cover the setting up of this new arrangement.

May I wish you a happy, if slightly less prosperous New Year?

Your humble client, - and remember:

Don't make old people mad.

We don't like being old in the first place, so it doesn't take much to p...s us off.

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\*\*\* Do you know of anyone in Ashfield U3A who is **very** poorly or has just lost a loved one? We would like to send out a card on behalf of the Ashfield U3A. Please contact Maxine Rose on 01623 459081. or send an email to [maxineadams55@hotmail.com](mailto:maxineadams55@hotmail.com)

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### **CROQUET: - THE 2012 SEASON AT TICHFIELD PARK**

This has been our first full season, so we have no background to compare, The plan was to play on seven Wednesdays through the summer, with additional days by request.

Unfortunately, on arriving for the first game in March, there had been a contractors accident and the park was in chaos. The only parking was on the main road, and foot access very difficult. .The equipment store was without electricity, which meant using a torch, there was no running water. Ashfield CC .battled on, and by mid-season things were normal, but then the rains came! However we did have some enjoyable games. NEXT SEASON MUST BE BETTER!

There are no definite plans at present ,and I would welcome suggestions from members. The Sutton Club have a playing group at Selston, and there may be opportunities to play together and there may be opportunities to play together.

We are grateful to the council for the facilities provided, and endorse their efforts to improve the pleasant amenity at Tichfield.

Please contact me if you are interested.

*Peter Baker 01623 437834: enapeterb@yahoo.com*

### **ANTIQUES & COLLECTABLES GROUP.**

*Kathleen Jones - 01623 550740 & Gill Knight - 01773 778115*

AUCTION SALES - We now have news on Bamfords!

They have opened anew Auction House at Peak Village Retail Complex, Rowsley. Full details are given for you to access relevant information:-

The Bakewell Sale Room. Peak Shopping Village. Chatsworth Road. Rowsley. Derbyshire DE4 2JE.

The Derby Sale Room is Chequers Road, Derby DE21 6EN (Off Pentagon Island).

Don't forget their valuation days at Denby Visitor Centre and other venues!

You need to access the website for information of auction days and in some cases, images of items to be auctioned:-

<http://www.bamfords-auctions.co.uk/> & [www.antiquetrade gazette.com/bamfords](http://www.antiquetrade gazette.com/bamfords)

### **DON'T FORGET - "A NIGHT TO LOOK FORWARD TO" ..**

We are still working on having our very own "ANTIQUES ROAD SHOW" with a talk by an antique expert you will all know from "Flog It" and other TV shows!

This will be followed by a valuation session with our expert giving you, for a small charge, a valuation of your own antiques! Watch this space!

*Kathleen Jones & Gill Knight*

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### Art Group.

There has been renewed interest in having an Art Group., and we have started up again, having had one meeting already. If you are interested in joining us, would you please contact me preferably by email [landbjackson@gmail.com](mailto:landbjackson@gmail.com) or otherwise on 750466 . I am hoping that we can meet for 3 hours and spend 2 or 3 months on a particular topic. Initially we will use water-colour; I have some materials which can be used by those who are new to painting. I intend that we will also do some still life drawing and pastels and hopefully perhaps have a go at oils. I would very much welcome an input from others in the group from time to time. We will pay £10 each up front to cover room rental (Ashwood Centre) for as long as it lasts.

*Barrie Jackson*

### CLASSICAL MUSIC GROUP 1: PROGRAMME FOR 2012

The group meets on the fourth Wednesday afternoon each month  
(in December on the third Wednesday) from 2 pm to 4:15 pm.

23rd January 2013	Domenico Scarlatti	Joan
27th February	Nikolai Rimsky-Korsakov	Stella
27th March	Richard Wagner	Janet

*Will you please inform the host if you cannot attend a meeting : Alan Radford (01623 427934)*

### BRIDGE programme for Spring, 2013

21st January:	4th February:
4th March:	18th March:
8th April:	22nd April:
13th May:	3rd June:
17th June:	

Meet at West Notts. College on Monday evenings 6.30 to 9.00pm.

### LINE DANCING

The January class was cancelled and there will be **NONE in February** as our teacher Gaye will be out of the country.

There will be a board up at the **February** general meeting. Please sign it if you have a **genuine** interest, so that the group can continue. We need at least 18 members to turn up regularly - if there are less than 24 signatures we shall not go ahead. If there is enough interest the next date should be **21st March, 2013**

*Cynthia Driscoll.*

**ASHFIELD U3A HOLIDAYS 2013**

SPRINGTIME IN AMSTERDAM 2013 ***Fully Booked***

22nd to 17th March

SEVILLE SPAIN ***Fully Booked***

9th to 14th May 2013

**TURKEY - OLU DENIZ the Lycian coast  
25th September 2013 Preview**

Flying from East Midlands airport - **2 weeks all inclusive at 4\* hotel  
directly on the beach.**

Cost will be around £820 per person - depending on what group discount I  
am able to negotiate.

September on the Lycian coast, benefits from wonderful sunny days- balmy  
evenings and the sea is warm too!

Contact Caroline to register your interest.

I am looking to book a coach holiday for the **Torbay** area in the summer.

Watch this space for details. Please contact **Caroline** 07724210563 or 01623 721987

**ASHFIELD U3A FAMILY HISTORY - SPRING PROGRAMME 2013**

14th FEBRUARY –

Please bring material for Interest group display at the February main meeting

14th MARCH – Newspapers:

11th APRIL – Epidemics & Diseases

We welcome new members; we meet on the second Thursday of each month in the upstairs room at  
Kirkby library at 1pm – 3pm. We pay as required for the hire of the room, usually about £5 per “term”.

*Please contact Trish Tootell 01623 793447*

**Please send any articles for the Newsletter to the editor., - I welcome any contributions.**

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**For Group Leaders' phone numbers, see pages 8-9 of the Newsletter**

Day	1 <sup>st</sup> in the month	2 <sup>nd</sup> in the month	3 <sup>rd</sup> in the month	4 <sup>th</sup> in the month
<b>M O N D A Y</b>	Plat. Invest Gr <b>10.30</b>  Zumba gold <b>10.00</b>  Class. Music 2 <b>14.00</b>  Bridge <b>18.30</b>	Card Craft <b>10.00</b>  Zumba Gold <b>10.00</b>  Current affairs <b>13.30</b>  French <b>13.30</b>	Horticulture .2 <b>10.00</b>  Zumba Gold <b>10.00</b>  Book Gr. B <b>13.30</b>  Bridge <b>18.30</b>	Horticulture 1  <b>(suspended)</b>  Zumba Gold <b>10.00</b>  Late Breakfast  French <b>13.30</b>
<b>T U E S D A Y</b>	Digital photo + Digital image <b>(suspended)</b>  Cinema gr'p <b>13.30</b>	Walking gr. A <b>09.00</b>  Sing for fun <b>14.15</b>	Mansfield U3A <b>10.00</b>  Gardening Group <b>14.00</b>  Tai Chi <b>14.00</b>  International Dining – venues and times vary	Walking Gr. A <b>09.00</b>
<b>W E D N E S D A Y</b>	Sugarcraft <b>10.00</b>  Cook group <b>12.00</b>  Easy Wheelers  Jazz (suspended)	Book Gr. A <b>10.00</b>  Strollers gr. C <b>10.15</b>  Easy Wheelers  Hucknall U3A <b>14.00</b>  Wine Appreciate <b>19.30</b> Shakespeare <b>13.30</b>	Threads & Textiles <b>10.00</b>  Easy Wheelers – venues and times vary  Creative Writing	Class music 1 <b>14.00</b>  Easy Wheelers  Croquet <b>10.30</b>
<b>T H U R S D A Y</b>	Move to music <b>10.00</b>  Lunch Club <b>12.00</b>  Woodcarving <b>18.00</b>	Family History <b>13.00</b>  Scrabble <b>14.00</b>  Woodcarving <b>18.00</b>	Walking gr. B <b>09.45</b>  Line Dancing <b>10.00</b>  Woodcarving <b>18.00</b>	Ash Meeting <b>10.00</b>  Woodcarving <b>18.00</b>
<b>F R I D A Y</b>	Late brkfast – <b>9.30</b> (alternate months)	Play reading <b>10.00</b>	Committee Meet <b>10.00</b>	**Craft Currently suspended <b>** (always the Friday after the main meeting**)</b>
<b>S A T U R D A Y</b>	Rock Concerts Board Games <b>19.00</b>	Rock Concerts	Rock Concerts Canasta <b>19.00</b>	Rock Concerts
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### Lunch Club

Feb 7<sup>th</sup> will be at the Travellers' Rest, Sutton-in-Ashfield. Put your name on the board if you want to join the group for lunch.

### Mansfield U3A's Annual Quiz Night

**Saturday February 23rd.** At the Queen Elizabeth's Academy:

Chesterfield Rd., Mansfield

Starting 7pm the cost is £6.50 – includes a buffet, but bring your own drinks.

Better still, Bring your own team of 4-8 to challenge us and other U3As in Pauline & Ian's devilish quiz.

Ashfield already have one team attending, - can you make up another?

*Tickets from Pauline Boucher on 644798*

### Halle Orchestra Speaker for Classical Music 2



A member of the Halle Orchestra is to give a talk to the CM2 group on Monday April 8<sup>th</sup> at 2 pm. Piero Gasparini, a viola player with Britain's oldest orchestra, has offered to come and speak to members at one of our regular meetings.

**All members of Ashfield U3A are invited.** If you would like to come to this special event in our group's programme, please let me know. Though the meeting room at the Ashwood Centre is roomy, we will have to put a limit on numbers. Tea, coffee and biscuits will be available. There will be a small charge to cover expenses.

The programme for the first half of 2013:

February 4th - Beethoven plus some Mozart and Tchaikovsky

March 4th – Tchaikovsky plus some Beethoven and Mozart

**April 8th - The Halle at Ashfield Talk by Piero Gasparini, Halle viola player**

May 6th – Mozart plus some Tchaikovsky and Beethoven: June 3rd - Members' Choice

New members of the group are welcome at any time. But if you want to come to the Halle talk on April 8<sup>th</sup>, please contact Ron Walker, 01623 456389, [ronwalker@ntlworld.com](mailto:ronwalker@ntlworld.com).