

Walking: Friday March 1st: Meet at 10:30am at the Heritage Centre, Barrowford for a 6 mile walk to Bankend Woods. Bring packed lunch. Leader Julie Sparks

Friday March 29th: Meet at 10:30am at Thornton Arms car park for a 4 mile walk to Rowley Lake. Leaders Jean Atherton and Joyce Pennington.

Christine Storey

Memories Of Family Visits To Thompson Park

Those of you who attended the last general meeting on Thurs 24th January will have been entertained by the Local History Group's presentation – 'Parks for People', in which members outlined the history and current content of five of the six Green Flag Parks in Burnley and Padiham. One of these was Thompson Park for which the Burnley Borough Council has recently received a grant of £861K from the Heritage Lottery Fund towards the restoration of the facilities which cost a total of £1.2M. In connection with this grant, Victoria Woods, the Community Engagement Ranger, is compiling an archive for 'Bank Hall and All That'. Several of the Local History Group's members have researched articles for 16 different subjects, but also wish to collect 'Memories of Family Visits to Thompson Park'.

If you have any recollections of visits to this Burnley pearl in past years, please could you write a few paragraphs and send them to Molly Haines on molly.haines@googlemail.com

Peter Hughes

Annual General Meeting

The Annual General Meeting of Burnley & District U3A will be held on Thursday 25th April at **2.00pm** at the Unity Centre, Nazareth Unitarian Chapel, Padiham.

Three Committee members have served for two years and therefore have to be replaced or, if they wish, stand for re-election: Melinda Jackson, Treasurer, Margaret Bushby, Secretary, and Freda Whittle, elected member. Nomination forms for these positions will be available at the monthly meeting in February and March or from the Secretary (please ring 01282 429269).

New Board and Card Games Group

As the existing Board and Card Games group is fully subscribed, new U3A members Jeff Humphreys and his wife Hazel are keen to establish a second group. If you are interested you can contact them on 01282 612609 or 07855 955325, or via email at jeffhumph@aol.com. They hope to be at the open meeting in March when you can speak to them in person.

Monthly Open Meetings are held at the Nazareth Unitarian Chapel, Padiham, BB12 8JH at 2:30 pm on the 4th Thursday in the month (except December - 2nd Thursday). Visitors welcome at a charge of £2.

28th February - "Looking at how Burnley has changed within living memory"

28th March - "Tales of a Customs Officer"

25th April - "Sailing the Atlantic with the Jubilee Sailing Trust"

Deadline for entries in the March 2019 Newsletter will be **Wednesday 20th March**. Please e-mail to burnleyu3newsletter@gmail.com

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Notes From The Chair



I must congratulate our local history group on last month's presentation about Burnley's Parks. It was very informative and interesting. Well done everybody! February's speaker, Tony Mitchell, continues in the local vein with a presentation as to how Burnley has changed within living memory.

I hope you are enjoying the lovely photographs on our U3A calendar. Stuart Thorne tells me there are still just a few available and will be at a reduced price.

It was mentioned last month that a French group is being formed to start in March. At the time of going to press there has been talk of yet another new group starting.

I did outline my worries last month regarding the loss of our newsletter and website. Nobody has come forward as yet. It won't matter how many groups we have, if we don't have regular updates and a committee, unfortunately everything will eventually fall away. **Do consider if you could help to keep us going.**

My thought for the month:

"One of the keys to happiness is a bad memory"

With very best wishes,
Terry Ferguson

Membership Renewal

It is the time of year to renew your membership; the year ends on 31st March.

As agreed at the AGM last year the membership fee has been reduced to £14 April to March or £9.50 October to March per person; £26 April to March or £17 October to March for couples living at the same address. An absolute bargain, we're sure you'll agree.

Melinda Jackson will be available at the February and March meetings to accept your money.

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Group Tea Rota

February 2019
Beginners Spanish Y2
& Board Games

March 2019
Book Group

April 2019
Bridge & Craft

May 2019
Exploring Poetry

June 2019
Folk Dancing & Handbell
Ringing

July 2019
History

Members Interest Groups

Architecture: Meet on Wednesday 27th March in the Unitarian Church. Topic - "As seen on a northern journey" which will be an illustrated talk by Molly Haines. Start time 2:00pm.	Rod Wilshaw
Beginners German - Year 2: The German group meets on the 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month from 1:00pm - 3:00pm in the downstairs room at Burnley library.	Laura Carter
Beginners Spanish: Meet on Tuesdays 5th and 19th March 10:00am to 12noon in the quiet room at Burnley Library.	David Wilson
Beginners Spanish - Year 2: Meet from 10:00am to 12noon on Tuesdays 12th and 26th March in the downstairs meeting room at Burnley Central Library.	Alan Wiseman
Board and Card Games: Our next meeting will take place on Thursday 21st March at 2:00pm. Space dictates the numbers able to attend. If you would like to join us do please ring Maureen Smith and see if we have room for you this month or indeed to put your name on a waiting list.	Maureen Smith Joan Boaler
Book Group: Meet Monday 18th March to discuss 'Notes from an Exhibition' by Patrick Gale.	David Venn
Contract Bridge: Meet 14th and 21st March. Please ring for further information.	Shelagh Limmer Margaret Bushby
Craft Workshop: Meet Thursdays 7th and 21st March. All beginners welcome. Higham Village Hall from 10:00am to 12noon.	Jean Willson
Exploring Poetry Together: Thursday 14th March. Barbara Simons will present a selection of 'Poems to make grown men cry'. We meet in Coal Clough Library 10:00am to 11:30am	Dorothy Pomfret
English Folk Dancing: Meet Thursday 7th and Tuesday 19th March at 2:00pm in Higham Village Hall. Transport is available from Padiham. Please ring Eric to arrange.	Eric Bushby
French: Meet on Tuesdays 5th and 19th March 1:00pm to 3:00pm in the quiet room at Burnley Library	David Wilson
Handbell Ringing: Meet on Wednesdays, 6th and 20th March from 2:00pm -3:30pm at St. Leonard's Church, Padiham. New members welcome, come along to give it a try and see what we do. Contact Valerie Widdas for more information.	Valerie Widdas
History: 1st Thursday in March talk by Tony Mackie "Last of the Egyptians" at the Unity Church, Padiham 10:00am to 12noon.	Enid Thorp
Indoor Bowls: Meet Thursday 7th March and Thursday 21st March at the Methodist Church, Padiham Road 10:00 am to 12noon. £3.00 session .	Eddie Gullick
Italian: Meet at 2:00pm on Wednesday March 13th and 27th at Padiham Methodist Church on Padiham Road.	Jean Atherton
Latin: Meet at 2:00pm on Mondays, 11th and 25th March, at 9 Osborne Grove, 367 Colne Road, Burnley BB10 2LB	Maureen Hartley

Local History: Tuesday 12th March - 'History of the British Red Cross', talk by Denise North. Tuesday 26th March - Bank Hall project. We meet in the Hameldon Room, Padiham Unity Centre 10.00 am to 12 noon.	Molly Haines
Luncheon Club: New Waggoners, Manchester Rd. Friday 15th March 12noon for 12:30pm. Members who were at the December lunch at this venue will be entitled to a free main course. Please ring Val Edmondson to reserve a place.	Val Edmondson
Music Appreciation: Meet on Thursday 21st March at 10:30am in the Community Centre, Middlesex Avenue, Burnley, when we will be listening to Margaret's Choice, (postponed from February).	Rhoda Gouldsbrough
Outings: Thursday March 7th. Coach to Ripon. Tea, biscuits and guided tour of The Workhouse. Free time for lunch followed by a guided tour of The Prison and Police Museum. £24. Please note the earlier starting time of 8:45am from Burnley Bus Station and 9:00am from Padiham Town Hall. Contact Brenda Taylor	Sandra Thompson Brenda Taylor
Tuesday April 16th. Halifax Piece Hall. £16. Guided tour and free time. A £10 deposit secures your place. Leaving Halifax at 4pm. Please note later starting time of 9:15am from Burnley Bus Station and 9:30am from Padiham Town Hall Contact Sandra Thompson.	Christine Storey
Payment can be made, after securing a place, either at the Outings' table or by post. Cheques to be made to Burnley and District U 3A and sent to: Melinda Jackson, 30, Avenue Parade, Accrington, BB5 6PJ	
Painting For Pleasure: Meet on Mondays, 4th and 18th March. Currently fully subscribed . Please ring Pat Ferguson for information re-waiting list.	Pat Ferguson
Philosophy: Tuesday 19th March 10:00am Hameldon Room, Padiham Unitarian Church; topic will be Reverse Discrimination (in employment), p83 "Philosophy the Basics" by Nigel Warburton. All welcome.	Val Moreland
Photography: Meet Friday 8th March at 2:00pm in the Hameldon Room. Bring along your sunset/sunrise and cloud photos for discussion.	Stuart Thorn
Quiz: Next meeting on Monday 18th March 2:00pm to 4:00pm in the Hameldon Room.	Ann Bullas
Science: Next Meeting Tuesday 5th March Burnley library 2:00pm. Topics – (a) Final part of video on the story of Electricity and (b) video on the Science and Technology of the Ancient Greeks.	Brian Pomfret
Scrabble: Meet on Wednesdays 13th and 27th March at 2:00pm in Burnley Central Library.	Margaret Nichols
Singing For Pleasure: Next meeting Wednesday 27th March 11:00am to 12:30pm in the Hameldon Room.	Ann Bullas
Intermediate Spanish: Meet on Fridays, 8th and 29th March. Please note change of date to the last Friday in March. Our group is currently full but please contact Gil Beeke if you wish to be added to our waiting list.	Gil Beeke
Ukulele: Meet Fridays 1st and 15th March. 10:00am, Padiham Road Methodist Church, Ightenhill, Burnley.	Terry Ferguson

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