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NOTES FROM THE CHAIR



Last month's speaker brightened the day for us. As you might remember he is a longstanding supporter of the Rosemere Cancer Foundation. We received an e mail from them saying that Bill Honeywell has passed on the £52 we collected after his talk and also his £50 fee. They thanked us for our contribution.

The members who attended the first aid session felt it was very worthwhile. There is an opportunity to put on a further course extended over six weeks if there is sufficient uptake. Please contact me if you are interested.

Our website has had numerous changes and modifications made to it. Thank you to Stuart Chattle, Peter Hartley and Jim Sutcliffe for all their time and effort. If you are unsure how to locate our site, simply search for Burnley U3A. Recent photographs of any group activity are always welcomed.

My thought for the month:

“He who laughs last, thinks slowest.”
n there are footprints on the moon

With very best wishes,

Terry Ferguson

YOUR NEWSLETTER—YOUR STORIES

Send them to the Newsletter Editor

DEADLINE DATE FOR THE MARCH NEWSLETTER
SUBMISSIONS IS 11 MARCH

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WALKING GROUP—including the Witton Weavers Way

A 32 mile long distance trail, the **Witton Weavers Way** offers the chance to explore Lancashire's history. On the full trail you will pass weavers cottages, Tudor Halls, Victorian estates, historic villages and even Roman Roads. Views from the West Pennine Moors, nearby woodlands and Jubilee Tower can be seen. There are also remote reservoirs and hidden valleys. The full Witton Weavers Way circuit can be completed in two days. However, within the 32 miles there are four shorter walks that can be completed during one day. These are the Beamers, Reelers, Tacklers and Warper trails.

Although the official start point is Witton Country Park, the way can be joined at many alternative points along the way including **Pleasington Cemetery Car Park**.

On **Friday March 6th** the Walking Group will meet at **Pleasington Cemetery Car Park** at 10.30 a.m. for a 6 mile easy walk. Bring lunch. Boots or strong shoes needed. For directions refer to the e-mail of 11 February or see leaders Margaret and Ian Fletcher at the Thursday meeting or ring Margaret and Ian.

Friday March 20th; East Colne Walk. Meet at 10.30am at **Ball Grove Car Park Colne** (café and toilets) for a 4 mile easy walk with good views, only 2 stiles. Leaders Jean Atherton and Joyce Pinnington. Contact Jean Atherton.

Ball Grove Park was awarded a prestigious Green Flag in 2014. The main attractions of the park are the children's play area, the millpond and the lake. Seven hectares of community woodland and the Fearndene Way, which runs through the park offer attractive walks from Ball Grove right up through the nature walk and continue through to Wycoller Country Park.

The lake, which was once used by a tannery on the site, provides continued interest and wildlife potential, as does the large area above Ball Grove that has been designated as a Local Nature Reserve. Colne Water flows through Ball Grove Park and Local Nature Reserve and is an important freshwater habitat for a number of fish species including brown trout.

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). Visitors welcome at a charge of £2.

27 February 2020 — Rachel Pollit - “From Peru to Padiham”

26 March 2020—Dennis Atherton “The Birds of Gambia”

23 April 2020—Burnley Civic Trust Heritage Collection

28 May 2020—The Manchester Ship Canal

Members Interest Groups

Architecture: **February 26th meeting at 2.00 pm** in the Unitarian Chapel. - Sheila Sturrock. "From Kings Cross to Edinburgh by Rail". On **Wednesday March 25th** at the same time and the same venue Dr Stephen Dixon will give a varied talk about railways.

Board and Card Games: Our meetings take place once a month on a variable Thursday at 2 o'clock. If you would like to join us do please ring Maureen Smith and see if we have room for you, as space dictates the numbers able to attend. More details are available on our web site.

Board and Card Games 2: Meets fortnightly on Fridays at Padiham Road Methodist Church, Ightenhill, Burnley, from 1pm until 3pm. Contact Jeff & Hazel Humphreys.

Book Group: Meeting on third Mondays - at Padiham Unity Centre, 10 am. New members welcome. Contact David Venn.

Contract Bridge: We will meet at 2.00 pm on Wednesdays 11th and 25th March. Experienced players and beginners welcome. As we meet in members' homes please ring for details. Contact Margaret Bushby

Craft Workshop: Meets on the First and Third Thursdays, **March 4th and March 18th** of each month 10-12 noon in the Higham Village Hall with a charge of £2 for each member per session.

Exploring Poetry Together: Thursday 12th March. 'Poetry of the Thirties' introduced by Molly Haines at Coal Clough Library Burnley BB11 4NW 10 am to 11.30 am.

English Folk Dancing: Meet in Higham Village Hall at 2.00pm on **Thursday 5th and Tuesday 17th March.** Everyone welcome, you don't need a partner and transport is available from Padiham if needed please ring Eric.

French Conversation: Meet on **1st and 3rd Tuesdays** 1.00 pm -3.00 pm Padiham Rd Methodist church, Ightenhill Burnley. Contact David Wilson

German Pre-intermediate Group meets on the **2nd and 4th Tuesday** of each month from 1:00pm - 3:00pm in the downstairs room at Burnley library.

Handbell Ringing: Handbell Ringers will meet at St. Leonard's Church, Padiham on Wednesday afternoons, **4th and 18th March** between 2.00 pm - 3.30 pm. We are still eager to welcome new members and are delighted to have some new recruits recently. Contact Valerie Widdas for more information.

History: Next Meeting: **1st Thursday** in March talk by Brenda Hyman "The Shuttleworths of Gawthorpe and the English Civil War".

Indoor Bowls: Meets **Thursdays 5th March and 19th March** at the Methodist Church, Padiham Rd, Burnley, 10.00 am to 12 Noon. £3.00 session.

Italian: Next Meeting: **Wednesdays 26th February and Wednesday 11th March** at Padiham Methodist Church on Padiham Road at 2 pm. On **25th March** meet at Aldo's on Bank Parade Burnley near the Post Office sorting depot. Anyone who already knows some Italian or is keen to learn would be made very welcome.

Latin: Meets **Mondays, 9th & 23rd March**, at 2.00 pm at 9 Osborne Grove, 367 Colne Road, Burnley BB10 2LB.

Local History: Tuesday 25th February - Talk 'Parks for People', Tuesday 10th March. 'The craft of the silversmith' talk by Barry Brown. Tuesday 24th March. Sources for local history. We meet in the Hameldon Room, Padiham Unity Centre 10 am to 12 noon.

Luncheon Club: Next meeting: **Friday the 20th of March** at Banny's Restaurant, Boundary Outlet, Colne 12 for 12.30. Please ring Val Edmondson to reserve a place.

Music Appreciation: Next meeting 3rd Thursday at 10.30 in the Community Centre, Middlesex Avenue, Burnley. We will be listening to Music from the Musicals. Everyone welcome.

Outings: Monday 2nd March. Colne Dramatic Society present "The Woman Who Cooked Her Husband". That's food for thought! £7.50. Meet at The Little Theatre, River Street, 7 15pm for 7.30pm. Contact Brenda Taylor

Thursday March 12th. Thursday March 12th. Lighthouse Works, Blackpool. £20. This trip is full and has a waiting list. Contact Brenda Taylor.

Tuesday 21st April at 1pm. Interior and Exterior Guided Tour of Towneley Hall, followed by Afternoon Tea in the beautiful Regency Room. £15. Contact Sandra Thompson

Please pay at the Outings' Table or send a cheque, payable to Burnley and District U3A to Melinda Jackson, 30 Avenue Parade, Accrington, BB5 6PJ

Painting For Pleasure: Meets at 10.00 a.m. on the first and third Monday of each month at Padiham Road Methodist Church, Ightenhill, Burnley. Currently fully subscribed. Please ring Pat Ferguson for information re-waiting list.

Philosophy: Next meeting will be on **Tuesday 17th March**, 10 am at Padiham Methodist Church Centre. Topic will be Science, top of page 132, Nigel Warburton's "Philosophy: the basics", 5th edition. All welcome. Contact: Val Moreland.

Photography: The next meeting will be on **Friday 13th March** at 2:00 pm in the Hameldon room at the Unity Centre. The subject will be "Winter Scenes". Let's hope the winter weather provides us with something to photograph by then! For more information contact Peter Hartley or Stuart Chattle, or just come along to our meeting.

Quiz: Monday 16th March at 2:00pm to 4:00pm at Padiham Road Methodist Church Burnley.

Science: Next Meeting -Tuesday 3rd March, 2 pm to 4 pm at Burnley Central Library. Another in our great scientists selection. This month a video about the life and work of Nikola Tesla. Contact Brian Pomfret.

Scrabble: Will meet on **alternative Wednesdays** in Burnley Central Library at 2 pm.

Singing For Pleasure: Next meeting: **Wednesday 25th March 11-00 am** at Nazareth Unitarian Chapel Padiham

SPANISH

Spanish 1: Meet on **first and third Tuesdays of the month** at 10-00 am to 12 noon in the quiet room at Burnley Library

Intermediate Spanish: Intermediate Spanish group will meet on Fridays, 13th and 27th March between 10.00 am - 12.00. for any further details please contact Gil Beeke.

Beginners Spanish - Year 2: Meet from 10 to 12 noon on the **second and fourth Tuesdays of the month** in the downstairs meeting room at Burnley Central Library.

Ukulele: Meets **1st and 3rd Fridays, 10:00am**, Padiham Road Methodist Church, Ightenhill, Burnley.

Walking Group: see back page