



Maldon and District

Newsletter



Second Breath by Maurice Blik

Art Appreciation Visit to the Sculpt Gallery

Photo by Alec Fraser – see page 12

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FROM THE CHAIR



Hello everyone, I hope this finds you all feeling fit and well. I also hope that by the time you get to read this some warmer weather will have arrived because, so far, there has been little sign of a flaming June! Next month I'll probably be complaining that it's too hot – the weather always provides us with something to moan about whatever it is doing!

We have just enjoyed a wonderful weekend of celebrations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was great to watch all the pomp and ceremony, the concert and parade but my favourite was the clip of the Queen having tea with Paddington Bear, just lovely.

Our own celebrations will be at June's monthly meeting, and I hope this goes just as well – fingers crossed.

I attended the East of England Regional Conference recently and I am pleased to say that our very own Patrick Forsyth gave an excellent talk on how he became a writer of travel books and crime fiction. Patrick's interesting and amusing talk was well received in the hall.

Along with others in our local Cluster Group, I was able to meet and talk with Dr Liz Thackray, the previous day. Dr Thackray is the current Chair of the Third Age Trust, a voluntary role, and was a speaker at the Regional Conference. It was useful to be able to talk about the future of the u3a as an organisation and how The Third Age Trust provides support and advice.

The July monthly meeting will be a presentation by Graham and Mary Brace, Wildlife Photographers and Conservationists. I look forward to seeing you at our members' meetings, as it gives us a chance to meet and catch up as well as being entertained by interesting speakers on a wide range of topics.

On another matter, this is something I have mentioned before and will do so again. Without the voluntary work of our co-ordinators and those who help them, we would not have as vibrant and successful a u3a. However, the time does sometimes come when a co-ordinator wishes to step down and it is a shame if a group folds because there is no one to take over. "By the members, for the members" is the u3a movement's mantra. So, a big thank you to all, especially the co-ordinators and Committee, and to everyone for their support.

Best wishes,

Shirley

ASTRONOMY GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday 27th June**, starting at 7:30 pm at Chigboro Fishing Club, Chigborough Road, Heybridge CM9 4RE, for a light-hearted Astronomy Quiz.

Any u3a member is very welcome to join the meeting.

Malcolm Case

POETRY GROUP

The next meeting is on **Thursday 7th July** starting at 2:00pm in a member's house.

The poet for discussion is John Keats, who was an English poet of the second generation of Romantic poets together with Lord Byron and Percy Bysshe Shelley, although his poems had been in publication for less than four years when he died of tuberculosis at the age of twenty-five.



Jo Robson

MAH-JONG

Mah-Jong has places available for new members to join our group.

We meet on alternate Fridays in the Linton Room, West Maldon Community Centre at 1.45pm for a 2pm start, we finish at 4pm.



I'm very happy to teach anybody who is interested in learning to play Mah-Jong. Our next meetings are **10th June** and **24th June**.

For more information please contact:

Mags Pell

HISTORY-GEORGIANS

We are going on a coach trip to Ely to visit Oliver Cromwell's House and Ely Cathedral on **Thursday September 8th** and have spaces free if any members would like to join us.

Please contact Kathy Goff for more information.

Planned MARITIME GROUP Programme 2022(subject to change)

<p>Mon 1st August</p>	<p>Trip on the River Medway. Cost per person £48.</p>
<p>Mon 5th September</p>	<p>Talk by Roger Smith on Southampton Docks, its history including information on various ships.</p>
<p>Mon 3rd October</p>	<p>Talk by John Pomfret on The Middle Danube and its Connected Waterways. Based on a number of visits to the Danube, some by boat, this talk takes us down the Danube for over seven hundred miles from the Wachau, upstream of Vienna, through Slovakia, Hungary, Croatia, and Serbia, ending with passage through the spectacular Iron Gate gorges and locks into Romania and Bulgaria. On the way we see four capital cities, many castles and fortresses and some spectacular scenery, while sharing the river with boats ranging from canoes to river cruise ships and 14000 tonne barge tows. We also take some diversions to look at the Danube's navigable tributaries and the extensive canal system of Vojvodina in Serbia.</p>
<p>Mon 7th November</p>	<p>Talk by Alison Mainwood on "Lighthouses" which have been built all around the coasts of many nations to guide mariners away from dangerous rocks and reefs. They started off as wooden constructions with fires for lights, with obvious consequences, then some were built of brick or stone with oil lights, which meant that they could be built on off-lying rocks or on lightships – we will look at some of these.</p> <p>More recently, electric lights allowed some automation, so the lighthouse keepers no longer need to be present and the optics of the light itself have changed out of all recognition. Now many iconic lighthouses are becoming redundant and are being demolished (e.g. Orford Ness in Suffolk) or are being converted to other uses.</p>

<p>Mon 5th December</p>	<p>Talk on the “Regents Canal” by Simon Gregor. Simon is a Blue Badge Guide for London. He is also a World War I and II Battlefield Guide. Simon currently lives in the USA so he will be talking to us via a video link. This will be followed by a discussion on our programme for 2023.</p>
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All meetings are held at The Blackwater Sailing Club, Basin Road, Heybridge Basin on the first Monday of the month, starting at 10:00 am.

MARITIME GROUP

Monday July 4th, a trip to the National Maritime Museum Greenwich, a reminder for those going, the coach will depart from the West Maldon Community Centre at 8:15am. Please ensure that you park your cars at the far end of the car park.

On arrival at the Museum there will be time for a coffee before starting our guided tour. Lunch can be taken in the Museum and we plan to depart about 3:00/3:30pm.

Malcolm Case

Maritime AUGUST TRIP

There is a trip on **Monday 1st August** to Maidstone for a three-hour trip on the River Medway on onboard the “Kentish Lady”.



We will depart from the West Maldon Community Centre at 10:30am, arriving in Maidstone in time for the 12:00 departure of the “Kentish Lady”.

The cost per person is £48.00, this includes the boat trip, lunch on board, coach hire, driver’s gratuity, and cost of coach parking in Maidstone.

If you would like to come on this very interesting trip, then please contact Malcolm Case

Water Lilies

I have several water lilies available to anyone who might like one or more. Veronica Smith

MONTHLY MEETING

Monday 18th July 2022

Wickham Bishops Hall Doors open at 1:30 for 1:45 start

Graham and Mary Brace Wildlife Photographers and Conservationists will be giving a talk on:

'The Wildlife of Brazil'.

They will be sharing more than one hundred of their own photos taken in the Pantanal region of Brazil, which is the largest wetland in the world.



MONTHLY SPEAKER SCHEDULE 2022

Aug 15th	Linda Knock	An Aspect of Life in Hylands House
Sept 19th	Mike Benning	Policing at Stansted Airport
Oct 17th	Speaker and AGM	
Nov 21st	Speaker	to be confirmed
Dec 19th	Christmas Entertainment	

If you know of any speakers you can recommend, please contact me.

Veronica Smith, Speaker Secretary

WELCOME

We are pleased to welcome the following new members:

Pam Baldwin
Bob Gooby
Jean Goodwin

You in
your 3rd
age

WITH REGRET

It is with great regret that we notify you of the death of Neil Butler. Neil was a long standing member of our u3a.

After two successful Big Balti evenings we will be organizing a regular curry evening.

The next curry event will be held on
Monday 25th July at the
Balti Bhujon restaurant
Mill Road Maldon
6:30 to 7:00pm start
Most people arrive about 6:30pm

To add your name to the list please contact the following.

Graham Evans

Bob Gowers



Visit to the V&A Thursday 22nd September

This time two years ago I was doing the very same thing and had a good response arranging a visit. Well, we know what happened there. I do hope that this trip on **Thursday 22nd September** will go ahead as planned.

BBC2 has been showing us a second series of **Secrets of the Museum** and it has been fascinating to watch the conservators working so brilliantly on their particular specialities. The V&A is renowned for the breadth of its range and so I feel certain that we can all have a very satisfying day there doing our own thing. I am going to make a beeline for the stunning Jewellery department since when I was there last, I ran out of energy and had to stop, exhausted.

Since the Museum is free our only expense is the coach and I hope we can fill it to keep the price down. Bearing this in mind I would be happy to include members who only wish to travel to London to do their own thing. In this case, please sign up under COACH ONLY.

V&A visitors will have preference of course but others will be welcome on a first come first served basis.

Cost £16 Cheques payable to Maldon U3A

Please contact Sheila Epps



READING GROUP

Calling all book lovers...

For a long while Sheila Epps has run a small, but thriving, Reading Group, and is now wanting to hand on the baton to someone else. I have said I will have a go at getting a revised group started again soon.

Classically members of such groups select a particular book, which everyone reads, and discuss their experience of it amongst themselves at a monthly meeting over tea and biscuits. Other formats are possible: for instance, past meetings have had members each choosing a different title within a category (for example, a biography, travel or other non-fiction title or a novel by a single author or in a particular genre) and this has resulted in a variety of useful recommendations being made member to member. Other avenues could be explored: ranging from attending an author event together or (if numbers made this possible) obtaining an occasional speaker.

Action: If you love reading and talking about books you may want to give this a go. First step: let me know if you are interested, secondly there would need to be a "start-up" meeting to discuss what format people most favour and create/agree a regular meeting and venue. Send me an email and we can judge any next action on the number of responses from potential members.

It could be something of an antidote for anyone suffering with abibliophobia!

Patrick Forsyth

GARDEN GROUP

We had a lovely outing to Kelvedon Hall on Tuesday 7th June.

Photo courtesy of Brigitte Whiteing.

Our next visit is to Peacocks in Margaretting on **Tuesday 12th July** and places are still available.

If you are interested please contact me by email.

Theresa Byles



Birdwatching Group Programme 2022

18th June	Wrabness Reserve	Meet in Railway Station car park
2nd July	Salcott	Park outside church
No meeting in August		
3rd September	Blue House Farm	Park in reserve car park
2nd October	Cudmore Grove East Mersea	Meet in pay and display car park
5th November	Wallasea Island	Meet in car park
4th December	Hanningfield Reservoir	Meet in car park

All rendezvous times 10 am unless otherwise stated.

All meetings subject to Covid rules in force at the time.

For full details of locations or requests for car shares please contact:

Peter Gaywood

Michael Bagshaw

SUNDAY STROLLERS

Sunday 17th July - South Woodham Ferrers. This is an easy and relaxing walk of 3.75 miles beside the River Crouch.

Meet at the Riverside Car Park, just after Marsh Farm at 10:00 for a 10:30 start. Lunch is available.

Please let me know if you are coming and are staying/not staying for lunch by Sunday 10th July.

Gill Stone

STROLLERS TOO

The walk on **Tuesday 26th July** will be from "The Old Crown" pub, Messing, CO5 9TU.

It will be approximately 4.35 miles, crossing fields, through woods and on some roads.

Meet at 10:15 for 10:30 outside "The Old Crown".

David Griffiths

Maldon & District u3a

2022 – 2023 Membership Subscription Renewals

Subscriptions are due by no later than the 31st August 2022.

Please use our website www.maldonu3a.co.uk/renewal.php and complete the forms under “Membership Renewal”. If you are unable to do this, then renewal forms are available from the Membership Secretary. **Each member must complete a separate form.**

Annual subscription is £20.00 per person, which can be paid by Bank Transfer into Barclays Bank, account name – **Maldon U3A; sort code 20-54-30; Account number 53198995, the reference you use MUST be your forename and surname**; or if you wish, you can still pay by cheque which should be made payable to **Maldon & District u3a**.

Using the website and paying by Bank Transfer is the preferred way.

The completed form(s) together with your payment must be made before the **31st August 2022**. We do not accept cash. **The forms together with your cheque (if paying by cheque) MUST be returned to the Membership Secretary.**

Data Protection Law and Database: The Renewal forms are used to check our database, please indicate on the form if your details are unchanged from your original renewal. Any changes then please advise the Membership Secretary.

Emergency Contact: Where couples are both members, please avoid using each other as emergency contacts. Please also ensure that you have the consent to use the name and telephone number of the person/s named as your emergency contact.

Gift Aid: Please indicate on the form “I want to Gift Aid” if you are able to gift aid your subscription.

DO IT NOW: You do not have to wait until the end of August.

Membership cards have already been sent to you (they are white plastic bar coded credit card size).

RNLI – Maldon

We recently had the pleasure of attending a **“Thank You” Sherry Morning** for people and organisations who support the Maldon and District RNLI. We were invited for our part in co-ordinating the u3a 5p and 20p pot donations.

Since we started collecting in the autumn of 2018, we have raised £290.70 an amazing amount considering there has been a pandemic with limited coins!

Cheque donations were handed over at the event and long-standing volunteers were suitably recognised for their contributions over the years. The branch has now raised over £1 million since its inauguration.



Our own Peter Condon had recently received his medal from the RNLI for his volunteering.

Pots are available at Maritime meetings or the monthly meeting if you want to contribute to this very worthwhile cause.

Mary Burd and Malcolm Case

“Sound” Person “Still” Required

Since this was first posted in the Newsletter, those attending the monthly meeting in Wickham Bishops will have noticed the improved clarity of sound, as well as the disappearance of the large loudspeakers on tripod stands. No part of the u3a sound system is visible except the new digital wireless microphones. The basic sound kit is now easily carried in a briefcase and quickly plugged in at the side of the stage behind the curtain. Setting up the projector is unchanged and is also quite simple.

The arrangement used at Maldon Town Hall for Local History meetings is very similar.

If you are even thinking about coming forward, please see any member of the Committee and we can have an informal chat/demo at the next meeting. Support and training will be provided, as well as written instructions.

Alec Fraser

WILD FLOWER GROUP

This group will not be running this summer.

Veronica Smith

ART APPRECIATION GROUP

Nine of us arrived at the Sculpt Gallery on a sunny afternoon. Few of us had realised, prior to this visit, that an internationally acclaimed sculptor was living and working on our doorstep. Yet we were only at Great Braxted, just north of Maldon.



The Art of Survival

Born in Amsterdam in 1939, and having survived Bergen-Belsen concentration camp as a child, Maurice Blik came to the UK aged seven with two surviving female members of his family. The ability to come to terms with this and to confront the face of humanity that he had witnessed, stayed silent in him for some forty years until it found a voice in the passionate and exquisite sculpture he began to produce in the late 1980s. Many of his works are larger than life size and are on display in the beautiful garden, although some of the originals are in London and other cities in Britain and the USA. Now in his early eighties, Maurice in conversation turned out to be an engaging character with a refreshing sense of humour.

We were greeted by Maurice Blik's wife, Debra. Her enthusiastic introduction and a brief tour of the gallery were followed by a walk around the garden where a number of his larger works were exhibited to advantage in the spring sunshine.



Maurice and Debra Blik

We had not expected to see Maurice, who had an appointment in London, but he arrived in time to show us around his workshop where the complex processes of producing bronze sculptures were explained to us. Also unexpected was the degree of innovation in technique which has driven and enabled the sometimes startling and challenging nature of his work.

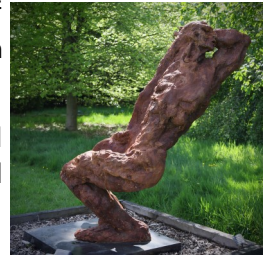
The sculptures and life of Maurice Blik were a revelation. The themes of hope, optimism and belief in the future are intrinsic to Blik's work.

His figurative forms convey an irrepressible joy of life, emerging to confront the viewer with an energy that is both startling and inspiring.

Refreshments were provided by the gallery, and we departed for home, feeling that this visit had exceeded our expectations.

Angie Bowler and Alec Fraser

Photographs by Alec Fraser



Awakening

LOCAL HISTORY GROUP

The next meeting is on **Monday June 27th** when we will have a conducted tour of the museum at Burnham-on-Crouch by Margaret Smith following her talk last November.

The cost is £2.00 per head and members are invited to make their own way there either by car share or bus.

The museum is at the end of Coronation Road, CMO 8AH and is free, as is parking in the High Street.

The tour will start at about 2pm and there may be time to include a short walk along the front. You may wish to go to Burnham earlier for some lunch beforehand.



We do have a list of names of members wishing to attend but there is space for more. Please let us know so that we can add your names to the list and watch out for you. Payment is directly to the museum on the day.

Our next meeting at the Town Hall is on **Monday July 25th** at 2 pm, when Dr Helen Kemp will give a talk on the "Past, Present and Future" of the Thomas Plume Library which is opposite the Town Hall.



Please give Dr Kemp your support if you can as this is one of the rare occasions when she is free from Monday Lectures at Essex University, and she can give details of all the work involved at this historic library.

Kathy and Sylvia



The Sanctuary, Christ Church



*Barbara Cordina,
East of England Trustee*

Some two hundred members from across the region gathered at 10.00 am at the impressive Christ Church, London Road in Chelmsford for the conference, giving members an opportunity to meet, chat and share ideas. Apparently, Essex itself has four hundred u3a groups.

The organiser and leader Barbara Cordina introduced the conference and explained the rationale behind it.

Then, we were introduced to the first speaker, our own Patrick Forsyth, with his personal and amusing talk entitled 'A Journey into Print,' a light-hearted account of getting published in the travel writing genre. He was able to demonstrate how important u3a reading and writing groups are, giving pleasure and encouragement to their members.



Patrick Forsyth

After a short break, the well-known author and speaker Gervase Finn gave a talk about his life as a school inspector, peppered with amusing and touching anecdotes – some apocryphal no doubt.

There was a break for lunch, which allowed plenty of opportunity to mingle. It was interesting to find out how far some people had travelled to join the conference, several, for example, from Norfolk and Cambridgeshire, having taken many hours to get there – true dedication. (We were fortunate in having the conference on our doorstep, so to speak). A small group was dressed somewhat surprisingly as the Bishop of London, a medieval monk, a peasant woman, and others, to draw attention to their display of archaeological work taking place in Southminster. This dig is being carried out partly by members of their own Archaeological Group in Southminster u3a. It was impressive. Other groups had put together photo shots of their areas which were shown on screen as a rolling video loop.



After a suitable interval we reassembled in the main hall and listened to the Chair of the Third Age Trust, Liz Thackray. She gave a presentation entitled 'u3a Past, Present and Future', followed by a Q and A session.

Dr Liz Thackray, Chair of the Third Age Trust

This gave an opportunity for people to ask questions but quite honestly, many could not be adequately answered. For example, I asked why the logo has been changed to lower case, causing expense and time to be spent changing everything on which it is displayed. I was told that we needed to modernise, be more up to date.

Many questions later and before the session could fall completely out of control, the time ended, and the conference finished at 3.30 pm. Thanks should be given to Barbara Cordina and her team of helpers for making sure that the day happened at all and that things ran according to plan.

Veronica Smith

PHOTOGRAPHY GROUP

The photography group continues to meet monthly via Zoom.

The next meeting is on **Wednesday 15th June at 7:30pm**.

The subject for June is 'Birds'.

Visit the photography page on our website to see the growing and varied selection of pictures.

www.maldonu3a.co.uk/photography/photography.php

New members are most welcome, pictures can be of any standard that you have taken yourself.

Examples of recent 'Leading Lines' pictures



Geoff Macro



Brigitte Whiteing

Tony Groves webmaster@maldonu3a.co.uk

FILM GROUP

Our film selections for May have now been discussed and scored and it would seem that both "Meet Joe Black" and "The Decoy Bride" were enjoyed and found to be watchable – except for one member of our group who was not impressed with either of them. Neither film could be described as being a classic, but they provided some easy to watch escapism with silly storylines and happy and clear-cut endings. As you'll probably have guessed, both films scored **7/10**.

The film choices for June are as follows:

"The Truffle Hunters"

A 2020 documentary film which follows a group of aging men hunting in the woods for a prized quarry, the Alba truffle. It is directed and produced by Michael Dweck and Gregory Kershaw and had its premiere at the Sundance Festival in March 2020 to positive reviews.

"Radioactive"

A 2019 drama starring Rosamund Pike. Marie Sklodowska, a Polish immigrant to France, meets and marries fellow scientist Pierre Curie. They start to collaborate, resulting in them receiving a Nobel prize.

Both films available on the BBC iPlayer with plenty of running time left.

Our next meeting is on **Wednesday, 29th June**, at 7.30pm via Zoom.

Shirley Macro

DISCUSSION GROUP

Liz Jones is replacing Bryan Jones as Co-ordinator.

Contact: Liz Jones

FROM THE EDITOR

Many thanks for all your contributions to this newsletter, please keep them coming. Look at our website for any updates in-between newsletters. www.maldonu3a.co.uk

Liz Samson

BLACKWATER u3a HOLIDAY – September 26th

Attached is a poster from Blackwater advertising a holiday in September. There are some vacancies left for couples or sharing, all singles have been taken.

Blackwater u3A Harrogate & Yorkshire Dales

Including York, Skipton & Bronte Country

Departs Monday 26th September 2022

5 Days

by coach

From*

£549pp sharing

£649 sole occupancy

Half board



Your 5 day Guideline Itinerary:-

Monday: 0900 Maldon to Harrogate

Departure from Maldon pick-up points. Commence journey northwards to Yorkshire, making suitable refreshment and lunch stops en-route (to be discussed). Later in the afternoon we continue to our hotel, arriving with plenty of time to settle into our centrally located hotel before dinner.

Tuesday: York

Depart hotel after breakfast for a full day in York, the regional capital. A guided tour will introduce us to the main sights, after which there will be opportunity to explore the famous Shambles or visit the magnificent Minster (entrance fee applies). Return to hotel. Free time before dinner.

Wednesday: Skipton & Haworth

This morning we visit the popular market town of Skipton, where today is market day. We start with a cruise along the Leeds/Liverpool canal, followed by free time. In the afternoon we continue to Bronte Country, and the famous town of Haworth, former home of the Bronte sisters. Visit to Parsonage Museum included

Thursday: Morning in Harrogate/Harlow Carr. Afternoon Dales tour

Spend the full morning in Harrogate with an optional visit up to nearby Harlow Carr (RHS). In the afternoon we will take a short drive up to Masham, on the edge of the Yorkshire Dales, home of the famous Black Sheep Brewery.

Friday: Harrogate-Home

We leave our hotel for the last time to commence our homeward journey to Maldon. With suitable stops en route (to be advised), we will aim to be back at our pick up points from 6pm onwards

Departing from Maldon pick up points:

For further details contact Dawn Mundy

Tel. 07969 686109 E mail: dawnmundy21@btinternet.com

Doubletree by Hilton Majestic Hotel, Harrogate (4*)

Dating back to 1889, this striking hotel sits in 8 acres of landscaped gardens in the heart of Harrogate, with shops, Bettys Café and the Valley Gardens just a short walk away.

- 180 en-suite bedrooms with hospitality tray, TV, hairdryer, and free wifi
- Elegant Restaurant and bar
- Spa, steam room and indoor swimming pool
- Lift

What's included:

- ✓ 4 nights' accommodation with 3 course, 3 choice dinner, and full English breakfast
- ✓ Return executive coach travel
- ✓ Portage on arrival and departure
- ✓ Visits / entrance fees as shown

*From price based on minimum group size of 35 passengers
Max. 12 sole occupancy rooms at £25 per night supplement.

Deposit £60 by 31/5/22

Balance due 29/7/22

Optional insurance £25pp

Cheques payable to 'Just for Groups'

Booking conditions apply

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Tour details are subject to change and have been arranged in conjunction with **just for groups!**

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Deadline for next newsletter: 6th July 2022

CO-ORDINATORS

Art Appreciation	Judith Johnston	Local History	Sylvia Cousins
Aviation	tba		Kathleen Goff
Astronomy	Malcolm Case	London Theatre	Rosemary Case
Balti Night	Bob Gowers	Outings	Sheila Childs
	Graham Evans	Meet & Eat	Joan Cummins
Bird Watching	Peter Gaywood	Mah-Jong	Mags Pell
	Michael Bagshaw	Maritime	Malcolm Case
Botany	Veronica Smith	Music	tba
Bridge	Sheila Epps	Appreciation	
Canasta	Iris Slaney	Petanque (Boules)	Jack Veash
Cribbage	Pat Clements		Geoff Macro
Croquet	Jean Healey	Photography	Tony Groves
	Geoff Macro	Poetry	Jo Robson
	Shirley Macro	Reading	tba
Discussion	Liz Jones	Rummikub	Beryl McDonell
Film Club	Shirley Macro	Scottish Country Dancing	Diana Rogers
French Conversation	Ann Lester	Sing for Pleasure	Sue Garnham
Garden	Theresa Byles	Strollers/Strollers Too	Malcolm Case
	Veronica Smith	Tenpin Bowling	David Arnold
Geology	Sylvia Cousins	Tree Identification	Veronica Smith
German	Howard Broadbridge	Wild Flowers	Veronica Smith
Handicraft	Marian Manning	Wine Circle No. 2	Graham Boswell
	Brenda Heal	Wine Circle No. 3	Mary Burd
History—Stuarts	Beryl McDonell	Wine Circle No. 4	Ann Goody
Just Jazz	Jim Light	Writing for Fun	Patrick Forsyth
	David Coombes		

Comment on **“Third Age Matters”**
via **Patrick Forsyth**

third age **matters** u3a

Schedule of Events – July 2022

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Sat	Sun
				1 Canasta	2 Bird Watching	3
4 Maritime Trip	5 German cancelled	6 Tenpin Bowling Croquet	7 Tenpin Bowling Poetry Rummikub Petanque	8 Mah-Jong Sing for Pleasure	9	10
11 Discussion Handicrafts	12 Garden Group	13 Tenpin Bowling Bridge Meet and Eat	14 Tenpin Bowling Petanque French History-Stuarts	15 Canasta Barge Trip	16	17 Strollers
18 Monthly Meeting Just Jazz	19 German	20 Tenpin Bowling Geology Photography Croquet	21 Tenpin Bowling Petanque	22 Sing for Pleasure Mah-Jong	23	24
25 Local History Astronomy Big Balti	26 Wine Group 4 Strollers Too	27 Bridge Film Group Tenpin Bowling Writing for Fun Wine Group 2	28 Petanque Tenpin Bowling French Music App Wine Group 3	29 Cribbage Canasta	30	31

Schedule correct at time of publication – please confirm dates with co-ordinators.

Also check website www.maldonu3a.co.uk

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