



**HOLYWOOD DISTRICT U3A
MONTHLY MEETING
U3A GENERAL MEETING**

**Friday 25th November 2022
@10.30**

In the Queen's Hall, Hollywood.

Speaker Mr Trevor Buchanan

Topic: Treating Blindness in South Sudan

If anyone would like the zoom link for the General Meeting on Friday 25th November, please let us know at groups@hollywoodu3a.org

Coffee will be served and it would be a great help if you brought your own cup in a bag to take home dirty.

Please bring your membership card.

If you haven't received yours yet it will be waiting for you at the meeting

Groups

AMBLERS, CREATIVE WRITING, COFFEE&CHAT,
CANASTA, OUTDOOR BOWLS, GARDENING,
LOCAL HISTORY, LOOSE ENDS,
EXPLORING the SHORT STORY, POINTS of VIEW,
BOOK CLUB, TAI CHI.

XMAS LUNCH



Xmas lunch will be at Hollywood Golf Club on Tuesday 13th December 12.30 for 1pm. Cost including tips £25pp. Wine etc at your own expense.

If you would like to attend please bring an envelope with £25 (cash only) to the General meeting on Friday, writing on it your name, food choices and name of

anyone you would like to sit beside. Alternatively put the envelope through the door of 17 Victoria Road, Holywood, BT18 9BA.

MEMBERSHIP

Please contact Liz Jones on membership@hollywoodu3a.org

Or go to the hollywoodu3a.org web page and download an application form.

Or speak to a committee member at the General meeting and they will endeavour to give you one.

AMBLERS

Comber River walk

Thursday 8th December at 10.30
Meet at the Comber Leisure Centre
Castle Street Comber BT23 5DY
Large car park behind Super Value
Walk followed by light lunch
(Xmas jumpers optional)

Car share from CIYMS car park at 10 o'clock

BOOK READING GROUP

Our next meetings:
Tuesday 29th November 2pm-4pm

There will no meeting in December.

Best wishes
Lesley & Prince

Contact groups@hollywoodu3a.org for any queries

CANASTA

Friday 2nd and 16th December at 10 o'clock in Holywood Golf Club
Friday 16th Xmas jumpers are required

Everyone welcome

COFFEE & CHAT

Tuesday 13th December - Xmas lunch in the Golf Club

CREATIVE WRITING

Unfortunately this group is now discontinued. Thanks are more than due to Denise who has continued to lead with great expertise and enthusiasm, even having moved to live in England. I know all the members will miss her knowledge and advice.

If anyone feels like taking over please contact groups@hollywoodu3a.org.

EXPLORING THE SHORT STORY

We will be meeting on Wednesday, the 14th of December, at the usual time of half ten to half twelve, via Zoom. As is customary every December, we will be reading a short story that is set during Christmas. This year's story has been chosen from **A Very Murderous Christmas**, an anthology of crime fiction stories set during the holiday, with contributions by Ruth Rendell, Margery Allingham, Colin Dexter and more. We will be discussing '**Camberwell Crackers**' by Anthony Horowitz, and it does not disappoint as a cracking story for the festive season.

GARDENING GROUP

VENUE – THE OLD SCHOOLHOUSE, 92 CHURCH ROAD, HOLLYWOOD

Mon 12th Dec at 10.15am – For our last meeting in 2022, Mark Smyth will give an illustrated talk on “A year in the life of my Garden”. Mark is a garden plants expert who last came to talk to us in 2016.

Mon 16th Jan at 10.15am – Q&A panel chaired by Barbara Pilcher, panelist on Radio Ulster's Gardeners 'Corner Roadshow. To answer a selection of our members 'gardening questions, Barbara will be joined by Fergus Thompson (Head Gardener at Clondeboye Estate) and Nicki Kerr (Head Gardener at Bangor Castle Walled Garden).

See the Gardening Group section on the Holywood District u3a website for details if you would like to join our Gardening Group.

LOCAL HISTORY

The next History Group meeting is on Wednesday 7th December at 10.30am in Room 4.

Topic: Memories of Christmas by Group members.

You are not too late to volunteer if you want to share one of your memories of Christmas.

For further information please contact Audrey Lockhart - lockhart440@btinternet.com

Wednesday, 4th January at 10.30am in Room 4 of Holywood Library.

History of the PSNI: From Peel to the PSNI.

Speaker: Roy Black.

For further information, please contact Robin (Group Leader) at rmasefield@hotmail.com

LOOSE ENDS

We are not planning an event for December as there is so much else going on.

For January 2023, we are looking at the Out to Lunch or the Moving on Music programs, both at The Black Box, Hill St, Belfast. We will circulate the group in good time with final details.

Sandra and Valerie

OUT & ABOUT

Thursday 1st December.

A Christmas tour of Hillsborough Castle

Meet for coffee in the coffee shop beside the main car park at 10.30

Walk through the gardens to the castle for our tour at 12 o'clock

There is no charge except for coffee but numbers are limited so please sign up at the general meeting

POINTS of VIEW

Last Monday in the month. 10.30am. The Old School House. Church Road, Holywood

Monday 28th November. 10.30am

Topic – **Dignity in Dying**

‘We believe assisted dying for terminally ill and mentally competent adults should be legalised in the UK’

Moderator – Mr Richard Wallace

No meeting in December.

Tai Chi Qigong

Tai Chi Qigong classes will start again Tuesday Nov. 22nd and will meet every Tuesday morning until Dec.20th. The Old School House, Church Road, Holywood.

We can offer several new places, if interested just turn up on Tuesday at 10.30am.

Make contact if you have any questions or concerns.
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