



HOLYWOOD DISTRICT U3A MONTHLY MEETING

U3A GENERAL MEETING by ZOOM

**Friday 28th May 2021
@10.30**

Speaker Liz Weir (storyteller extraordinaire)

Theme Tell me another one

**This is a morning not to be missed. Further Zoom link details will follow
via email to all members.**

GROUPS INCLUDE:

AMBLERS BOOK READING COFFEE & CHAT
CHOIR CANASTA
FINE DINING
CREATIVE WRITING BOWLS
LOCAL HISTORY
LOOSE ENDS OUT & ABOUT CINEMA

GARDENING SHORT STORIES
POINTS OF VIEW

AMBLERS

Thursday 13th May at 10.30am
Billy Neil country park
Pear tree hill Dundonald BT16 1XA
On left between Dundonald and Comber
Thursday 27th May at 10.30am.
Stormont estate
Meet at the gate on Massey Avenue
Please bring a drink and a snack for both walks.
Joy

BOOK READING GROUP

The Book Group is not currently meeting.

BOWLS

U3A Lawn Bowls has started again @ Seapark Bowling Green on Tuesday 4th May commencing at 1.30 pm.
Looking forward to seeing past and new members.

Brian Cheyne - Convenor

CANASTA

Golf is back but unfortunately no word yet from the club house.
I imagine it won't be long.

Joy

CHOIR

The recent advice about singing has not been very encouraging and I suspect it will be quite some time before a choir can meet indoors to sing together.
Sorry there's not better news.

Barbara

COFFEE AND CHAT

Nearly there. Restaurants open inside on the 24th May.
Maybe next month we could meet.

Joy

CREATIVE WRITING

Creative Writing will be meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, the 19th of May from 2-4pm. Our writers had been working hard on creating descriptive scenes of a place. During our next meeting, we will be focusing on using dialogue, with the prompt of an argument!

EXPLORING THE SHORT STORY

Exploring the Short Story will be meeting via Zoom on Wednesday, the 12th of May, from 10.30 to 12.30, when we will be discussing Shirley Jackson's story, 'The Lottery', written in 1948.

FILM CLUB

Unfortunately due to ill health Anne has had to resign from leading this group. I'd like to thank her for all her efforts keeping everyone informed of upcoming films and arrangements when to meet. She will be very missed but maybe if she improves would be able to join in future outings.

Is there any possibility that someone would take over this not too onerous job?
It would be sad if the group had to fold for lack of a leader.
If anyone is even slightly tempted, please contact me on Groups@holy-woodu3a.org. PLEASE?

FINE DINING

As life begins to start getting back to normal we can perhaps hope we will be able to meet again soon. We miss seeing our friends and enjoying dining in some of Northern Ireland's best restaurants.

GARDENING GROUP

Our monthly Zoom meetings are held on the morning of the 3rd Monday of the month. The Zoom e-mail invitations are issued closer to the date of the talks. Please note the following dates:

Mon 17th May: EARLIER START FOR THIS MEETING STARTING AT 10.00am

10.15am - A 10 min AGM

10.30am - "Garden Design – An approach to design with plants" – Linda Murphy, a garden designer who works at the National Botanic Gardens, Glasnevin, Dublin.

Mon 21st June:

10.30am – "Desirable shrubs for flowers, foliage and other effects" - Mary Keenan, Gash Gardens & Nursery. Mary is a garden writer and lecturer and co-editor of The Irish Garden magazine.

As always if you would like to join our Gardening Group please see the Gardening Group section on the Holywood District u3a website.

LOCAL HISTORY

The next History Group meeting is on Wednesday, 5th May at 10.30am. We will have Ann Donnelly with us to 'Explore Northern Ireland Screen's Digital Film Archive'. Zoom details will be circulated at the beginning of May..

LOOSE ENDS

We are keeping an eye on the gradual loosening of restrictions, for possible future events. However, regrettably, there will be no Loose Ends events in May. We wish you all well and look forward to better times ahead.

Sandra and Valerie

SPANISH

Only one person showed interest in learning spanish.
Not too late to join them?

Would anyone interested contact me on groups@hollywoodu3a.org

Points of View

In April we had a very thoughtful and stimulating discussion on in the subject of **'Are Older People Value for money?'**

The May meeting will be held on Monday 31 May 2021, at 10.30, when the topic will be - **'Should it be compulsory to be vaccinated for Covid -19?'**

The June meeting will be held on Monday 28 June 2021, at 10.30, when the topic will be – **'Are men the new women? Where now for masculinity?'**

Unfortunately, we are still faced with restrictions on having our meetings in the usual way, so these will once again be held on Zoom. A link for Zoom will be sent out to members nearer the time. Hopefully before long we will be able to return to face- to- face conversations. There is an opportunity for new participants to join the group, so if you would like to join please get in touch.

Eric Woods, Group Convenor Eric Woods, Group Convenor

Zoom

There are on-line courses available which are being run by Barclay's Digital Eagles.

There are three classes running at present two on the 5 May and one on the 13 May.

Members would need to sign up for these individually on the u3a Website under "Events"

These are the only classes available at the moment and are proving popular.

Valerie.

This is the link to copy and paste into your browser.

<https://www.u3a.org.uk/events/online-events/zoom-tutorials?high-light=WyJ6b29tliwidHV0b3JpYWxzliwidHV0b3JpYWxzJyIsInpvb20gdHV0b3JpY-WxzII0=>

May 2021 U3A ZOOM

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	
3	4	5	6	7
		Local History 10.30 Ann Donnelly will 'Explore Northern Ireland Screen's Digital Film Archive'		
10	11	12	13	14
		Exploring the Short Story. 10.30am		
17	18	19	20	21
		Creative Writing. 2.00pm		
24	25	26	27	28
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