



HOLYWOOD DISTRICT U3A MONTHLY MEETING

U3A GENERAL MEETING

Friday 29th April 2022

@10.30

In the Queen's Hall, Hollywood.

**The AGM followed by a talk by Brian Poots on Forest
Schools.**

Wearing a mask is now a personal choice.

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

Groups

AMBLERS CREATIVE WRITING COFFEE&CHAT

CANASTA OUTDOOR BOWLS GARDENING

FINE DINING LOCAL HISTORY LOOSE ENDS

EXPLORING the SHORT STORY POINTS of VIEW

BOOK CLUB WRITING YOUR OWN LIFE STORY

AMBLERS

Thursday 12th May

Walk round The City Cemetery with Peter McCabe.

Peter is an experienced guide and has written a book on the City Cemetery

Meet at the glider terminus in Dundonald to catch the 9.24 glider or catch the glider along the Upper Newtownards Road.

Parking is available at the cemetery for anyone who prefers to drive and meet at the glider stop at 10.30

Don't forget your bus pass if travelling by glider.

Thursday 26th May at 10.30

Stormont Estate

Meet at the car park beside the playground (entrance opposite St Molua's)

BOOK READING GROUP

Last Tuesday in the month 31/05/22. 2-4pm

We will be reading The giver of Stars by Jo Jo Moyes.

Lesley & Prince

Contact groups@hollywoodu3a.org for any queries

CANASTA

Friday 6th May at 10 o'clock in Holywood Golf Club

All welcome. If you don't know how to play come along and watch.

You will soon learn.

COFFEE AND CHAT

Tuesday 17th May at 10.30

McKee's country store and restaurant

28 Holywood Road Newtownards BT23 4TQ

Everyone most welcome.

If you need a lift speak to Joy at the general meeting

CREATIVE WRITING

The Creative Writing group meets via Zoom every third Wednesday of the month from 2-4pm. In May we will be meeting on the 18th.

April's meeting was cancelled due to the convenor having covid. Therefore, we will be doing what we missed, that is, focussing on creating descriptive settings with the help of picture prompts. Members will choose their own picture and describe the setting, with the aim of invoking the place for our members before the picture is revealed.

New members are always welcome! Please contact the convenor for more details.

EXPLORING THE SHORT STORY

EtSS meets next on Wednesday, 11th of May, from half ten to half twelve, via Zoom.

As the convenor had covid, the April meeting was cancelled. The May meeting will discuss the piece chosen for April, the short story by Ukranian writer, Oksana Zabuzhko, 'Oh Sister, My Sister'.

As this group is highly subscribed, we are unfortunately unable to take on new members at this time.

GARDENING GROUP

Monday 16th May – A visit to Glenarm Castle has been arranged to include a tour of the public rooms in the Castle, led by the butler, together with a self-guided tour of the beautiful Walled Garden and the new Woodland Walk. Refreshments will be provided in the Tea Room. Please email dorothymcncbrown@yahoo.co.uk to book a place and Dorothy will confirm and forward further details including cost. Note that numbers for the Castle tour will be restricted but there is no restriction on the numbers visiting the Walled Garden and Woodland Walk.

Tuesday 14th June – Visit to Robert Russell's garden, Ballystockart, Comber

LOCAL HISTORY

Wednesday, 4th May. Outing to Downpatrick to visit St Patrick's Centre and the Cathedral.

Meeting at 10.30am at St Patrick's Centre.

For further information, please contact Betty McLaughlin 07880 735795 or Pat Clarke 07790 512630.

LOOSE ENDS

We are planning to visit Ulster Folk Museum at Cultra on Sunday 15th May at 11am. Tickets can be booked online at nmni.com and cost non gift aided £7.70 or gift aided £8.47 for Seniors.

Select time slot 10am to 12 noon. We will arrive at 11am and can stay as long as we want. From Cultra Train Station it is a short walk to the Museum and there is a car park. The Ballycultra Tearooms are open which we can visit anytime.

Let me know if you are coming so we can look out for you on the day.

Sandra and Valerie

OUTDOOR BOWLS

Outdoor bowling at Seapark, Holywood has started on Tuesdays at 1.45pm. All welcome or give it a go.

JUST TURN UP.

POINTS of VIEW

Last Friday of the month. The Old Schoolhouse. 10.30am

Members of the group will be circulated with the info nearer the May meeting.

NEW GROUP

Writing your own Life Story in a Small Group.

1st meeting on Saturday, 30th April 10.30 - 12.30pm

Meeting in the Praeger Room, Hollywood Library for 6 sessions.

For further information, please contact Audrey Lockhart 07730 892026.

It's time for u3a membership renewal.

Membership fees of £20 were due for the new year 1 April 2022 - 31 March 2023.

Thanks to the large number of members who have already paid.

If you want to avoid the queue at the Queen's Hall meeting, you can send cash or cheque (£20 to Hollywood District u3a) to the address below.

You can then simply pick up your new membership card at the next meeting you attend.

If you want to renew this way, please send your cash or cheque (**payable to Hollywood District u3a**) to:

Allen Young, Membership Secretary, 2 Riverside,
Hollywood, BT18 9DB

If you wish to renew by bank transfer, the details are:

Cooperative Bank

Account name: Hollywood District U3A

Sort code: 08-92-99

Account number: 65698884

If paying by bank transfer please ensure that you include your name as the REFERENCE and if possible your membership number.

If you prefer to pay in person at the April meeting that is fine. Cash, cheque, and contactless card payments will all be gratefully received.

