



u3a
South
Lakes

Newsflash – June 2024

From your Chairperson

Dear Member

Thank you for voting for me as Chairperson at our AGM, 2024. I feel privileged to be part of the South Lakes u3a with so many members and with volunteers who help it to survive. Going forward, I am inviting members, who are not currently volunteers, to help our organisation grow and thrive into the future.

Please consider volunteering for one of the following roles:

Assistant membership secretary
Publicity Officer

The benefits of volunteering include giving something back and utilising your skills. In addition, you will be part of a friendly and supportive team where training and help is available. If you are interested in these roles, please contact me for an informal chat and for more information.

Samantha Ridgway BA. MEd. MBA.

Chairperson.

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AGM

The AGM was held on Wednesday 15th May at the Castle Street Centre. The new Committee was voted in 'en bloc'. The resolution to increase membership fees was passed. From September the full membership fee for South Lakes u3a will be £15.00.

Letter to the editor

I attended the AGM today and was appalled at the abysmal attendance. Equally disappointing was the number who had actually bothered to send apologies. I feel the need to put this out there. If our U3a folds people will be sorry, but apathy amongst a membership of some 1500+ will not guarantee its future. I have done a stint as a Committee member so feel comfortable with my feelings. *Name supplied but withheld*

Help wanted

The open morning on Wednesday 4 September is popular and the refreshments stall is very busy. Can you help by taking a turn at serving?

Please contact Mavis Crawford at
sec.slu3a@gmail.com



Editor's email

Please note my email address has changed.

It is now editor@southlakesu3a.org.uk

Messages to the old address will be forwarded

for a limited period so please amend your address book.



Summer break

Some groups have a summer break, enjoy it and come back refreshed in the autumn

'Members only' access to website

Log into www.u3asites.org.uk/southlakes - enter user name MintCake and password Lost4Words. You can now access various documents such as minutes.

Please do not pass these details to non-members.

GROUP MEETINGS OPEN TO ALL

Themes in World History (2.00pm, Abbot Hall Social Centre)

Mon 3 June 'Human Pandemics Across Millenia' by Samantha Ridgway

No meetings in July or August

Classic films (1.30 for 2.00pm, Abbot Hall Social Centre)

Thurs 6 June, no film

Thurs 4 July, **Moulin Rouge** (1952), the life and times of Toulouse-Lautrec

Art Appreciation (2.00pm, Abbot Hall Social Centre)

Tue 18 June 'Art Quiz' No meetings in July or August

Science and Technology

Fri 31 May, 2.00pm, Castle Street Centre)

Members only outing in June, no meeting July or August

U3a North West - Summer School

Residential Summer School Tues 13th – Friday 16th August

University of Cumbria, Fusehill St Campus, Carlisle, CA1 2HH

An opportunity to learn in the inspiring setting of historical Carlisle



Subjects: Archeology - Sites in Cumbria

Art Challenges - Working in the style of ...

Literature - North by North-West

Genealogy

Japanese Encounter

Ukulele for improvers

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