

HH u3a Bulletin 6 March / April 2026

On **Wednesday March 18th**, **Ian Worley** will recount his '**Atlantic Odyssey**' when, along with his wife, sister and baby daughter, he set off to sail across the Atlantic. This talk will be held in the HH Methodist Church Wesley Hall from 2.30 - 4pm. Entrance fee is £2 which includes refreshments

On **Friday March 27th** **Richard Ware** will be talking about concept and construction of the Adastra Hall mural. This talk will be in the Adastra Hall at 2pm. Entry is £2, card payment please.

On **Thursday April 2nd**, prolific author **Kevin Newman** will be regaling his audience with his talk entitled '**Silly Sussex - Fooling and Foolish Females and Fellas of the past**' in which he looks at daftness across the decades in Sussex. From stupid sheep stealers to a tad-toomerry miners. The talk will be from 10.30 - 11.30 in Cyprus Hall Entry is free, refreshments will be available.

On **Wednesday 15th April**, artist **Paul Tracey** talks about his series of paintings and the history of '**Piers along the South Coast**' This talk will be held in HH Methodist Church Wesley Hall from 2pm - 4pm Entrance fee is £2 which includes refreshments

From the Archives

At our second AGM in 1992, it was reported that our membership was 178 and we had 23 groups.

Our 1993 AGM, held at Franklands Village hall was attended by 140 out of a total of 246 members.

During a 1992 Committee meetings it was stated that there had a been a good response to forming a swimming group.

There was also a 2 week holiday to Israel being discussed costing £500 per head.

In June 1992, the Treasurer reported a balance of £675.

Nature Walks Group news

You are invited to a 'Guaranteed Mud Free' 3 mile circular walk this Saturday 14th March commencing at 10am from Handcross rec'.



Nature walker Ruth, has kindly offered to lead the Hyde Estate walk.

For probable route details <https://out.ac/lftkvO>

Pictures from an earlier year can be found

at <https://sussexrambler.blogspot.com/2018/04/wild-daffodils-in-west-sussex.html>

Guests are always welcome, please advise hhu3anaturewalks@gmail.com if you would like to join in.

Bowling Club offer

St Francis Bowls Club is extending an invitation to u3a members to try lawn bowls at their beautiful bowling green, set within the grounds of Southdowns Park, at Princess Royal Hospital, Haywards Heath. There are two dates, both starting at **2pm**, on **Sunday 12th April** and **Wednesday 22nd April**. There will be a free coaching session and the opportunity to play a game. Bowls will be provided. It's a great game of fun, skill and social connection - if you're interested, send an email to Tim Cole at timothy.cole@hotmail.co.uk Go along and have a go!

Clair Hall

MSDC are seeking a partner to bring the Clair Hall scheme to life.

Apart from a modern multi-use development complete with a 4 screen cinema, cultural venue, and restaurant they are also talking about 'homes', which undoubtedly means flats. 'Professional grade community facilities with sound and lighting' sounds promising - however, I think that we'll probably all be over 120 years of age before we can make use of this facility!

More u3a news

The TAT are keen to hear how u3a fits into your life. To that end, they ask you to complete a short survey <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/u3a-me>.

They would also love to hear from you about the friendship and community you've found within u3a. You can send any photographs of members in action, or stories to communications@u3a.org.uk

The digital February edition of the magazine 'u3a Matters' can be found on <https://www.u3a.org.uk/what-we-do/u3a-matters>

The u3a Friends newsletter brings the best of u3a straight to your inbox. Each edition features exclusive member stories, national u3a events, new learning opportunities and the latest news from across the movement.

By signing up, you'll be the first to hear about upcoming events, like the u3a Festival. To sign up, go to <https://www.u3a.org.uk/about/u3a-friends>

Cheers

Paul