

Haywards Heath u3a

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Re-enrolment

For those of you who may have missed it, here are the enrolment details again - if you didn't miss it and have everything under control, please ignore.

How many of you stayed up to welcome our New u3a Year which began at 00.01 this morning - me neither, however!

Your membership fee for the year 2026 - 2027 remains at £15 (plus £4, if you wish to receive the 5 copies of the *u3a Matters* magazine).

You may pay by cheque (please put your membership number/s on the back) made payable to Haywards Heath u3a and sent to:

Secretary,
Drive,

West

Sussex

HH u3a Membership
39 Barncroft
Lindfield

RH16 2NJ

Or, as it's now August, you may pay by BACS:

- Sort Code: 20-49-76
- Acct No: 10506044
- Acct Name: Haywards Heath u3a

Please quote your membership number in the reference

Note: You may receive a message from the bank saying that it doesn't recognise the account name. As long as you have the correct sort code and account number, you may ignore the message and proceed safely with the payment.

If, for any reason, you will not be renewing your membership, please let Peter Cogle our Membership Secretary know at hhu3amembershipsecretary@gmail.com

When you have renewed your membership, you will receive an email which will contain a link from which you will be able to print your new membership card.

Further information on the re-enrolment procedure may be obtained from our Membership Secretary via the aforementioned email address.

Don't forget! because of the savings we have made by not printing and posting the GIB and membership cards, our monthly social occasions will now be **free of charge!!**

If you are a Life member or a Guest/Associate member - these re-enrolment procedures don't apply to you.

Film Club group

This fledgeling group has now grown wings and is ready to fly! The plan is for the group to meet at 10am in the upper room of the HH Methodist Church on the first Friday of each month commencing 4th September.

The idea is that in each session, 2 club members will select 4 films of their choice, (the trailers of which will be displayed on the upper room TV using YouTube) and then indicate what is about these films that they particularly enjoy - actors, directors, genre etc.

Sound good? contact groups co-ordinator Mike Fawcett on hhu3agroups@gmail.com - or just turn up.

Visiting London 4

Exploring London 4 made July an arty month. 16th July saw them having a group tour round the Wallace Collection. They were fortunate by getting the tour guides tutor, an enthusiastic and knowledgeable chap who all agreed was excellent. Although the museum is free, paying for a guide makes you stop and investigate exhibits in depth. As a side line they stopped for coffee at "Shot London" it turns out they sell a coffee for £265.00 a cup, and apparently people buy it! sadly beyond our means.

27th July saw a select group of 5 visit the Guildhall Art Gallery, a real hidden gem. Exhibits ranged from Grayson Perry to Dante Gabriel Rossetti and include the remains of a Roman amphitheatre in the basement. Worth a visit if you are in the area, perhaps combining with the Bank of England museum which is 5 minutes away.

They followed up with a visit to the terrace at No1 Leadenhall, perhaps not the highest

sightseeing platform, but gave interesting views of Leadenhall Market and the Lloyd's Building.

Group leader Mike Fawcett comments that It's amazing how much free entertainment there is in London.

Groups with vacancies

Local and British History meet 3rd Wednesday of each month at 10am in the Upper room Methodist Church.

Opera Appreciation again meet on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 2pm in the Upper room at the Methodist Church.

Playreading 1 meet alternate Thursday mornings in member's homes.

Further details of these groups and who to contact can be found on our website <https://haywards-heath.u3asite.uk>

Ardingly College Outdoor Theatre

From Friday 21st to Sunday 23rd August, the **Riverside Players** are bringing their 'must-see' magical production of 'A Midsummer Night's dream' to Ardingly College.

The performances will be at 7.45pm with a Saturday matinee at 2.30pm.

Tickets are £16 via <http://www.riversideplayers.org.uk> and if you use the discount code LOCAL, you will be able to get £2 off the ticket price for the Saturday matinee and Sunday performance.

Take a picnic to celebrate the forthcoming wedding of Theseus and Hippolyta. If the weather is inclement the event will be held in the college chapel.

Spire Computer help

Their next talk will be on Tuesday 11th August in St. Wilfrid's Church hall, Station Road, Burgess Hill at 2.30pm for approx 45 mins.

They will be informing you that 'It's more than just a tele'

Most people with a Smart TV are only using a fraction of what it can do!

No jargon, no pressure and no technical knowledge required - and it's free! they just ask for a donation for refreshments.

Future dates for your Diary

Just to make sure that you're not going to be double booked - our AGM is going to be held on Friday 2nd October and the Christmas Concert will take place on Saturday 5th December - unless we are still in heatwave territory!

Also on 5th December, Coro Nuovo are holding a 'Dickens Christmas' event at St. Wilfrid's Church, Haywards Heath at 6.30pm. It will be in full Victorian costume and the great, great

grandson of the author will be giving readings.

Tickets will be for sale online soon via <https://coronuovo.org.uk/tickets>

Chailey Heritage Foundation

We have received a very nice letter and certificate from Chailey Heritage following Ian Kirby's excellent talk on Wednesday 22nd July in which around 30 appreciative members contributed over £130 to their funds.

Anyone interested in forming a Rain-Dancing group?

Bye,

Paul