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Waterlooville

Current membership 1,070+

Waterlooville
News Bulletin
November 2026

COFFEE MORNINGS 10:00 am – 11:30 am

Sacred Heart Church, 356 London Road, Waterlooville, PO7 7SR



Monday 9th November and 14th December

All members, particularly new ones, are very welcome.
Find out about our interest groups and social events.
Bring along your friends.
Have a cuppa and chat, make new friends.

NOVEMBER GENERAL MEETINGS 2:00 pm – 4:00 pm :

Wednesday 18th November

Cosham Baptist Church, Havant Road, Cosham, PO6 2QZ

ANNUAL LECTURE – free ticketed event

For full information, see the flyer at the end of this bulletin.

Note : invitations to this event are also offered to numerous local u3as so pre-booking is vital if you wish to attend to ensure there are enough seats available. To register please email **lindazika84@hotmail.com** quoting Waterlooville u3a to reserve your seat.

Wednesday 25th November

Sacred Heart Church, 356 London Road, Waterlooville, PO7 7SR

Speaker : Martyn Cox

Topic : Drought - gravel gardens and plants for dry conditions

Martyn is a qualified horticulturist, an award-winning garden writer, TV presenter and speaker. He is the author of 11 books, writes about gardening for many magazines and newspapers and appears onscreen as a guest gardening expert. He answers gardening questions on BBC Radio Solent and was twice named garden journalist of the year (2016 and 2022) in the Property Press Awards.

NO GENERAL MEETINGS IN DECEMBER
Normal service resumed in January, 2027

WINTER SOCIAL QUIZ AFTERNOON – WITH SEASONAL REFRESHMENTS

When Wednesday 16th December; 2:00pm – 4:00pm
Where Cosham Baptist Church
Free to Wu3a members; visitors £3

The teams will have 5 members each.

If you are an individual and would like to be in a team, just send in your details and you will be placed with like-minded members.

If you wish to register a team then please send your details to Linda at **lindazika84@hotmail.com** for more information.

Advance Notice of our 2026 AGM

Wednesday 25th November @ 2:00 pm

Sacred Heart Church, London Road, Waterlooville, PO7 7SR

Held immediately prior to the general meeting, the AGM is when the Chair, on behalf of the Trustees, reports to the membership on what Waterlooville u3a has been up to over the last year, the Treasurer reports on our financial status and elections take place for new Committee members and those standing for re-election. This year's elections are for :

Chair, Vice Chair, Secretary, Treasurer and Membership Secretary

A full pack of information has been sent to every member, either by email or by post, so that you have time to read and digest.

Members' Christmas Dinner

Wednesday 16th December 7:00 pm
Waterlooville Golf Club, Cherry Tree Avenue

Our annual Christmas Dinner for members this year will be a two-course carvery for £28.

Look out for an email from me later this month with a Booking Form to book a place for yourself or with some friends. Also you can book at Coffee Mornings or General Monthly Meetings.

Group Coordinators can book a table or register an interest for the members of their group to enjoy a meal together.

This is a great way to meet other members in a relaxed setting, either individually or with some friends. New members are particularly encouraged to meet others at this dinner.

Kevin Stock kevcat4@gmail.com or **07769 266879**

Birdwatchers' photo credit

A late but nonetheless appreciative credit to Gary Hood for the photos in the October bulletin item from the Birdwatchers about their visit to the Hawk Conservancy.

More please!

Speakers' Corner - "Good Hare Days"

(Summary of the October talk at Waterlooville - Sacred Heart)



Our Speaker, David Bailey, is a wildlife photographer with many awards to his name. He spent several years focusing on hares, hence the title of his talk "*Good Hare Days*."

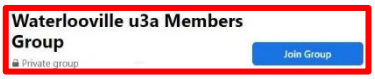
Every aspect of the life of hares was photographed in amazing detail. It was a huge tribute to David's patience for obtaining such marvellous still photographs and videos of these fascinating creatures. Apparently, elements of hare behaviour mirrors that of humans and they can be very contradictory, busy, lazy, aggressive, passive, fast, slow and inquisitive!

It was an enjoyable and informative session attended by 71 members.

Hilary Ryan Speakers' Secretary

WU3A FACEBOOK GROUP

We have a private Facebook group that is open to any Waterlooville u3a member. To join, login to Facebook, search for '*Waterlooville u3a Members Group*' and request to join. Or click **here**.



SOCIAL DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Here is the line up so far for various social events planned for the rest of the year. Full details will be provided nearer the dates – in this monthly bulletin, via email and at the general meetings and coffee mornings.

Christmas Dinner Wed 16th December Waterlooville Golf Club

Events in the pipeline for 2027 include Musical Bingo, Quiz evenings, Race Night, Barn Dance and more! Full details to follow when arrangements are finalised.

"U3A AND ME" – RESULTS OF THE NATIONAL SURVEY BY THIRD AGE TRUST



Some of you may have contributed to the Third Age Trust survey "U3A and me" earlier this summer. Thank you if you did so. Here is a summary of the findings from that survey, which was conducted across the whole of U3A. Respondents were asked about the impact of U3A on their lives, how they were involved, barriers to greater participation and what might encourage further involvement. 10,485 members responded (including over 6,400 written comments). One particular written response resonated with me: "So much of what I do through U3A enlarges my knowledge, enriches my experiences and allows me to contribute to my local community". Was this you? Does it express what you might feel about your involvement with u3a?

95% of respondents say that u3a has improved their life in some way. 90% say that u3a gives them opportunities to keep learning and stay curious. 79% say u3a has expanded their social connections. 77% say their sense of wellbeing has improved since joining. 66% say u3a has helped them stay mentally and physically active. 45% say being part of u3a has reduced feelings of loneliness or isolation.

The survey concluded positive findings in relation to learning, to friendship and belonging, to wellbeing (through curiosity, mental stimulation, and activity), to participation and purpose (through contribution in a mutual exchange).

To me, this was a very positive message, confirming how worthwhile our participation in u3a is, and how important it can be in our sense of belonging. It also confirmed the value, not only of participating, but also contributing. We all have much to learn, to gain, and to contribute. Let's do more of it!!

Rob Stansbury, Chair

Prefer not to receive these member bulletins?

We issue regular bulletins to our members to inform them of meetings, social events, group activities, membership information, etc. However, **IF YOU NO LONGER WISH TO RECEIVE THIS BULLETIN**, please tell us so that we can remove your details from the distribution list. A confirmation email will be sent to you but you can change your mind at any time.

To unsubscribe contact **bulletin@waterloovilleu3a.org.uk**.

GET YOUR U3A 2027 POCKET DIARY



These are produced every year by the Third Age Trust and can be purchased from the u3a shop :

https://u3a-shop.co.uk/product/u3a-diary-2027-single/



The diary has been prepared with a page for a week's appointments on the left and a ruled page for notes, ideas and reminders on the right. This handy and versatile planner incorporates the freedom of a notebook as well as a traditional diary. It has a soft cover in an attractive u3a blue with rounded corners and a ribbon bookmark.

GRESHAM COLLEGE ONLINE TALKS/VIDEOS FOR THE LOVE OF LEARNING

Gresham College has been providing free, public lectures since 1597 when Sir Thomas Gresham founded the college to bring the *new learning* to Londoners. The college endeavours to make world-class knowledge and high-quality talks and videos freely accessible to the public, bringing together a love of learning and a greater understanding of ourselves and the world around us.

Go to their What's On page for forthcoming talks or their Watch Now page for previous talks or to search by topic

Some of their forthcoming offerings include :

The end of Mathematics? The AI Crisis
How did our garden grow? History of Hatton Garden
Life, death and bubbles – the story of Earth's nitrogen
16th century London dialect – how Londoners spoke in Sir Thomas Gresham's time
Musical myths and miracles
Is magnificence a religious virtue?
Can we have a world without pain?
Offence and the future of courtesy
How to see the world as a child sees it
The future of medicine
The maths of Christmas
Can weight-loss medicines cure obesity?
The internet and the first fight for free culture
The chaotic solar system
AI as a companion? From digital pets to simulated empathy
The great green mirage
Cloudy with a change of orange rain
Play it again Ludwig : waves, strings and the Stradivarius.

HOW TO SHARE PHOTOS FROM WHATSAPP

Want to share photos from a WhatsApp chat with someone else? Here's how :
Open the chat with the photo(s) you want to share;
Tap and hold a photo to select it - if you want to share several photos at the same time then tap the extra ones too (or send them singly);
Tap the Share icon (a 3-dot menu or arrow);
Select how you want to share the photo(s) (a contact, by email, another chat, etc.);
Send!

Blue Lamp Trust – Safe Home Visits

Feeling safe at home is essential to independence and wellbeing. By improving security and preventing fire, Safe Home visits help to reduce risk, restore confidence and help people live safely for longer in their own homes.

Through the Blue Lamp Trust, Safe Home visits are available to older people and vulnerable residents throughout Hampshire and the Isle of Wight.

Their trained, police-vetted Safety Technicians carry out a full home security and fire safety assessment. They provide personalised advice and, where needed, install items such as :

- Door and window locks
- Spyholes and door chains
- Long-life smoke alarms
- Carbon monoxide detectors
- Other approved safety equipment

Get in touch to find out more :

Website : https://www.bluelamptrust.org.uk/safe-home/

Email : safehome@bluelamptrust.org.uk

Call : 0300 777 0157

National u3a support for Group Coordinators

Did you know there is a wealth of support from national u3a for Group Coordinators – old, new and in-between?

There is a whole host of *Subject Advisers* who do exactly that – advise on running groups covering a wide variety of topics and activities.

Find out more by visiting this page https://www.u3a.org.uk/members-area/subjects

Scroll down and you will find the subjects section divided into categories (for example *Archaeology, Board and Table Games, Book groups, Bridge, Chess, Creative Writing, Cryptic Crosswords, French, Genealogy, Jazz Appreciation, Local History, Philosophy, Science, Wine Appreciation* and many more).

You can search for a topic or scroll down and click on the category you are interested in and follow the links.

The advice differs from topic to topic and ranges from basic advice on how to set up a new group to resource suggestions, planning a group programme and much more. You can also contact subject advisers direct to pose your own queries.

IT drop-in tech help (phone, tablet, laptop)



One of our members – Colin Reardon – has kindly offered his services to help members with any tech queries they may have. Colin will be at most of our Coffee mornings and will do his best to help our members. Whilst Colin has a long and extensive experience in the tech world, his advice is offered on a free and informal basis with no guarantees – so please don't be disappointed if he is unable to resolve your issue.

Queries are dealt with on a first come-first served basis for the duration of the Coffee morning.

BEWARE OF AMAZON FRAUD

(This fraud is not exclusive to Amazon but currently the most prevalent)



Apparently during the first two weeks of October criminals stole on average £9,600 A DAY while purporting to be representatives from Amazon. It's probably way more than this as these are only those incidences that were reported. No less than 60% of those reports were by people aged between 50 and 79.

This is only going to get worse the nearer we get to Christmas and on into the New Year,

BE ON YOUR GUARD

The *modus operandi* is that contact is made by the criminals who claim to be from Amazon and inform the victim (you) of alleged suspicious activity on their Amazon account.

The criminals then claim that unauthorised items have been added to your Amazon basket. To make the fraud appear genuine, they provide delivery addresses that do not belong to you and claim that someone is attempting to purchase those items using your bank details.

The criminals then tell you that the transactions can be stopped and your account secured, but only if you follow specific "*instructions*" – at this point if you haven't already shutdown the connection, then do so immediately.

The so-called "*instructions*" usually include :

- Asking you to share your screen through messaging platforms as part of a resolution process and download money transfer apps. Criminals then use these apps to move money into accounts they control.
- Telling you to provide legitimate documents, such as a passport or driving licence, for "verification" purposes. Criminals then use this information to facilitate the fraud and transfer money.
- Persuading you to download remote access software, allowing criminals to take control of your device and carry out transactions on your behalf to steal funds without your knowledge.
- Telling you that gift cards have been added to your Amazon basket without permission. Criminals then claim urgent action is needed to stop the purchases and trick victims into authorising payments, which are instead sent to accounts under the criminals' control.

How to protect yourself?

Remember that genuine service providers, banks and the police will NEVER call asking you to transfer money, share personal financial details or hand over remote control of your computer, phone or other device.

If you've received a call that doesn't feel right, STOP!

- Hang up immediately – don't be polite just hang up.
- Check if it's genuine : contact the organisation directly using contact details you know are correct, such as those on an official website or app, or by calling 159 if you need to contact your bank.
- Don't trust the Caller ID display on your phone – it's not proof of ID and can be spoofed.
- Report it by sending a text to 7726 with the word 'Call' followed by the scam caller's number.

If you believe you are a victim of fraud, contact **Report Fraud online** or **call 0300 123 2040**.



FREE TALK AT HAVANT LIBRARY

(Meridian Centre, Havant, PO9 1UN)

THE SWING RIOTS OF 1830

FRIDAY, 20TH NOVEMBER @ 11:00 AM

Places need to be booked either by messaging the Library's Facebook page (**https://www.facebook.com/havantlibrary/**) or by emailing **havant.library@hants.gov.uk**

NATIONAL U3A FREE ONLINE EVENTS

Each month, national u3a offer free online talks and workshops on a wide variety of topics to keep our minds and bodies going.

Click the link below, then click on the event of your choice for full details and how to book:
https://www.u3a.org.uk/events/educational-events

The current offerings include :

Preparing for an AI world – a practical 4-week course	2nd Nov
Laughter yoga with Judith	4th Nov
Soulsville USA series – the history and legacy of Stax Records	5th Nov
Melancholy as a creative force : Joni Mitchell's Blue album	6th Nov
Staying Safe Online – a u3a presentation with Q&A	6th Nov
Exploring World faith – faith and interfaith	9th Nov
Auracast : an audio streaming technology that could help the hard of hearing	18th Nov
Mindfulness and meditation	19th Nov
Screening to prevent stroke : do we do too much or too little?	24th Nov
Laughter Yoga with Merrie Maggie	24th Nov
Shaping fashion – the Elizabethan bodice, buckram and busks	25th Nov
Future lives – thinking ahead : housing, care and support options in later life	25th Nov
The ultimate guide to editing your creative writing	26th Nov
Learn about the Lords	26th Nov
Learn bridge with u3a	30th Nov
Aviation – personal memories of Pocklington Bomber Base during WWII	1st Dec
Capturing your youth – memoir writing in 12 easy steps	3rd Dec
"*It's All in the Poems*" – the life and work of Charles Causley (1917-2003)	3rd Dec
The Bayeux tapestry : embroidery or fabrication?	4th Dec
A personal journey through music from the 50s to the 80s	7th Dec
What does AI know about me?	8th Dec
Your guide to staying safe online : practical tips for everyday life	8th Dec
The science and history of common medications for heartburn	9th Dec
Christmas stories, images, music and acts of hope	11th Dec
Adapting to man-made climate change	14th Dec
Mindfulness and meditation	17th Dec
AI and ethical choices for consumers	18th Dec

NATIONAL U3A MATTERS MAGAZINE



The national *u3a Matters* magazine is published five times a year. It includes stories about members and u3a activities, celebrity interviews and features on technology, recipes, travel and competitions as well as a letters section. To read the magazine online, visit **u3a Matters magazine online** where both the current and previous issues can be seen.

If you would prefer to receive a postal copy of this magazine, please contact **treasurer@waterloovilleu3a.org.uk** for advice on postage costs and payment method.

GROUP MATTERS

To join or leave a group, or for more information :

visit the Groups table at a general meeting or coffee morning,
email **groups@waterloovilleu3a.org.uk** or call 07769 266879

You can also find out more about our groups by visiting the **Groups page** of our website. All our groups are listed there and each have their own page – just click on a group name to open their page and discover more about when/where they meet and what they do.

NEW GROUPS STARTING THIS MONTH

SEWING 3. A third sewing group has formed. It will meet on the first and third Wednesday mornings of each month. Let me know if you are interested in joining it!

MEMBERS ON THEIR OWN 2 – A setup meeting is planned for 16th Nov to decide where and when this second MOTO group will meet and what they will do. Let me know if you would like to attend and help form this new group.

POTENTIAL NEW GROUPS

The following new potential groups need a few more interested people and it could be worth starting new ones!

BOOKS 7 – A book is chosen to be read by the group, then meet up and discuss what you thought of it.

WEEKENDERS 2 – Looking for things to do at the weekend? Pub lunch, a walk, meet for coffee or a drink?

Have an idea for a new group?

Groups don't magically appear – they are born when enough members express an interest in a particular activity and someone (or two) volunteers to act as Group Coordinator. There is a wealth of support for budding groups so do get in touch.

If a group is full, you can be placed on the waiting list; you will be offered a space when one becomes available and you are at the top of the list. Don't wait to go on a waiting list – popular groups usually have one and being on the waiting list increases your chances of being offered a space.

Kevin Stock, Group Liaison
email **groups@waterloovilleu3a.org.uk** or call 07769 266879

INTERESTING NOVEMBER DATES

1st **Sheffield Caking Night** – (or *cakin neet*) is distinct from Hallowe'en but does bear some significant common characteristics. Children roam the streets in costume in search of sweets and cake and cash to buy fireworks to make Guy Fawkes Night go with a bang (sort of a combo of Trick or Treat and Penny for the Guy?)



5th **Ottery St. Mary Tar Barrels** -This tradition reaches back through centuries of ritual, remembrance and community life and attracts huge crowds of around 20,000 people. On this night the streets are lit by blazing tar barrels weighing 30kg, carried at great speed through the town. Each barrel is sponsored by a pub. Find out more at **https://www.tarbarrels.co.uk/the-history-of-ottery-st-mary-tar-barrels/**



3rd (1954) The Japanese science fiction ***Godzilla*** was released; starring a mutated monster of the same name, it became an instant hit.



10th (1903) the automatic **windscreen wiper** was patented in the US by Mary Anderson.

15th (1956) **Elvis Presley** made his film debut in *Love Me Tender*, named after his hit single of the same name.

17th (1957) **ATTENTION MATHEMATICIANS!** Start of the **Modified Julian Date** (MJD). This is a dating method defined by subtracting 2,400,000.5 days from the current Julian date (JD) which, in turn, is calculated by counting the number of days past since noon 1st January 4713 B.C.E. The MJD gives the number of days past midnight 17th November 1858, MJD was first used in 1957 by scientists at the Smithsonian Astrophysical Observatory to track satellites. Now you know!

18th (1963) **Push button phones** were used for the first time and eventually replaced rotary dial phones.



20th (1985) Nearly two years after it was announced, Microsoft released its first graphical operating system **Windows 1.0**. The software made it easier for users to navigate on their computer screens; it came with Paint, Notepad, Calculator and the Reversi game.

21st (1941) Created by Bob Campbell, **Tweety Bird** made its debut in *A Tale of Two Kitties*, a Warner Bros. Merrie Melodies cartoon.



23rd (1963) **Doctor Who** had its debut on the BBC with an episode called *An Unearthly Child*.

(1976) Aged 49, Jacques Mayoi, sometimes known as Dolphin Man, became the first person to dive 100 metres in the sea without breathing equipment.

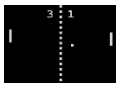
24th (1877) Anna Sewell's **Black Beauty** was published. It was her only published work.

25th (1952) the **Mousetrap** opened in the West End. Originally a radio play called *Three Blind Mice*, it is based on the death of Dennis O'Neill who died while in foster care. It is the longest running play in history.

26th (2003) **Concorde** retired from service after 27 years of flight. In total 20 of these planes were built, of which 1 was scrapped, 1 destroyed and 18 are preserved and on display in Europe and North America.



29th (1972) The 1- or 2-player video game of **Pong** was released – one of the very first arcade games to hit the market. The goal was to use a paddle to hit a ball and around 35,000 Pong consoles were sold around the world.



30th (1872) the first international football match took place between England and Scotland at the West of Scotland Cricket Club in Partick. The game ended with a 0-0 draw.

NOVEMBER BITS'N'BOBS

Flower : Chrysanthemum – native to Asia, the word *chrysanthemum* comes from the Greek words *chrysos* meaning gold and *anthemon* meaning flower. They generally symbolise loyalty, friendship and joy although each colour conveys a specific meaning. According to folklore the flower prevents grey hair and one petal at the bottom of a glass of wine promotes longevity!



Crystal/Gemstone : Topaz – associated with affection and strength, it is believed to give the wearer increased strength and intellect.



Star signs :



SCORPIO 23rd October to 22nd November; symbol the scorpion; element Water (caring, intuitive, sensitive); quality Fixed (persevering); "*I desire*"; ruling planet Pluto (the physician); body parts – sexual organs; keyword "transform".



SAGITTARIUS 22nd November to 21st December; symbol the centaur; element Fire (energetic, enthusiastic, impatient); quality fixed (persevering); "*I discover*"; ruling planet Jupiter (the bounty hunter); body parts – liver, hips, thighs; key word "grow".

GROUPS WITH VACANCIES (as of 3rd November) part 1		
To join any group contact Kevin Stock groups@waterloovilleu3a.org.uk or 07769 266879		
Interest Group	**Meeting Day / Frequency**	**Venue**
Archaeology 2	Monthly 1st Wednesday 10am-12	Springwood Community Centre
Art Appreciation	Monthly 2nd Friday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Drayton
Art History 1	Monthly 2nd Wednesday 10am-12	Zoom
Art History 2	Monthly 1st Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Denmead Community Centre
Art in the Afternoon	2nd & 4th Monday 2pm-4pm	Springwood Community Centre
Art using Mixed Media	Weekly Thursday 1pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Cowplain
Backgammon	1st & 3rd Mon 10.30am-12.30pm	The Woodman, Purbrook
Badminton 1 (Improvers)	1st & 3rd Wednesday 1pm-3pm	Horizon Leisure Centre, Havant
Badminton 2 (Beginners)	2nd & 4th Thursday 10am-12	Horizon Leisure Centre, Havant
Birdwatchers	Monthly last Saturday 9.30am-12	Various places
Board Games (Modern)	1st & 3rd Monday 1.30pm-3.30pm	Denmead Community Centre
Board Games 2	Monthly 3rd Monday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Cosham
Book group 7	TBD	Potential new group!
Buildings Appreciation	Monthly 4th Tuesday 10.30am-12	Members' Homes, Various places
Bus Trippers	Variable	Various places
Canasta 2	2nd & 4th Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Springwood Community Centre
Canasta 3	2nd & 4th Monday 2pm-4pm	Acorn Community Centre
Country & Western music	Monthly last Wednesday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Widley
Dining Out	2nd Wed & 4th Sunday lunchtime	Various places
Drawing 2	1st & 3rd Tuesday 10am-12	Jubilee Centre
French Beginners	Monthly 4th Friday 2.30pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Drayton
French Conversation 1	Weekly Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Waterlooville
French Conversation 2	1st & 3rd Wednesday 2pm-4pm	Pear Tree Court, Horndean

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Interest Group	**Meeting Day / Frequency**	**Venue**
Genealogy	Monthly 1st Thursday 2pm-4pm	Church of the Resurrection, Drayton
German (Intermediate)	Fortnightly Monday 10am-12	Members' Homes, Drayton
German Conversation	Monthly 1st Tuesday 3.45pm-5.15	Pear Tree Court, Horndean
Learn Guitar/Sing 1 Beginners	2nd & 4th Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Widley
Learn Guitar/Sing 2 Proficient	1st & 3rd Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Members' Homes, Widley
Line Dancing 1 (Improvers)	Weekly Monday 2pm-3pm	Waterlooville Baptist Church
Line Dancing 3 (Beginners)	Weekly Thursday 1.15pm-2.15	Cowplain Activity Centre
Lunch Club	Variable 12.30pm-2	Various places
Mah Jong 1	1st & 3rd Tuesday 10am-12	Age Concern, Cowplain
Mah Jong 2	2nd & 4th Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Portchester Parish Hall
Members on their Own 2	TBD	Potential new group!
Pétanque	Weekly Tuesday 10am-12	Bedhampton Bowling Club
Photography 1	2nd & 4th Tuesday 10am-12	Various places
Poetry	Monthly on various days	Members' Homes, Cowplain
Quizzers 2	Monthly 2nd Wed 2pm-4pm	Age Concern, Cowplain
Radio Hams	Variable	Various places
Rummikub 1	1st & 3rd Tuesday 2pm-4pm	Springwood Community Centre
Rummikub 2	2nd & 4th Wednesday 2pm-4pm	Springwood Community Centre
Science	Monthly 4th Thursday 10am-12	Springwood Community Centre
Scrabble	1st & 3rd Thursday 2pm-4pm	Springwood Community Centre
Singing For Pleasure	1st & 3rd Wednesday 2pm-3.30	Sacred Heart Church, Waterlooville
Sewing 3	1st & 3rd Wednesday am	
Snooker 2	1st & 3rd Thursday 1pm-3pm	Waterlooville Sports Bar
Table Tennis 3	2nd & 4th Friday 1.45pm-3.45pm	Age Concern, Cowplain
Tai Chi 1 (Improvers)	Weekly Friday 11.45pm-12.45	Waterlooville Community Centre
Ten Pin Bowling	Weekly Thursday 1.45pm-4pm	Tenpin, Chichester
Ukulele	Weekly Thursday 2pm-4pm	Lovedean Village Hall
Walking 1 - Strollers	1st Friday 10am-12	Various places
Walking 2 - Striders	1st & 3rd Mon 1.30pm or 2.00pm	Various places
Walking 2 - Strollers	Monthly 3rd Tuesday 10am-12	Various places
Walking 3 - Stragglers	Fortnightly Friday 11am-12	Various places
Walking 3 - Striders	Fortnightly Friday 10.15am-1pm	Various places
Weekenders 2	TBD	Potential new group!

FREE

Waterlooville u3a

TICKET EVENT

ANNUAL LECTURE

Wednesday 18th November 2025 @ 2.00pm

Cosham Baptist Church, Havant Road, Cosham PO6 2QZ



A talk by Andy Thomas

Lewes & Bonfire Night

aka. 'Bonfire Night Capital of the World'



Illustrated with his own spectacular photographs, Andy delves into the origins of Bonfire Night and its importance to the historical Sussex town of Lewes, renowned for hosting the biggest 5th November festival in the world.

Revealing the enthralling rituals and events which make its colourful and controversial mix of folklore, liberty issues and extravagant humour, unique.

Andy, born and bred in Lewes, uses his inside knowledge to give an insightful glimpse into Bonfire Night and this vibrant town, full of mystery and tradition.

Please contact Linda for seat allocation using this email
lindazika84@hotmail.com
Also, please include your u3a in the email, thanks.