

Reg. Charity: No. 1116576

# **Art Appreciation Goes Abroad**



The small village of La Somail in the Languedoc region of France was our Easter Art getaway 2017. Twenty of us enjoyed a three night break in this charming venue. Just a few narrow lanes either side of the Canal Du Midi form the village which has for several years hosted an Art Festival. In spite of its size the place was bursting with paintings,

sculptures and other wonderful creations in people's houses, garages, gardens, boats, cafes, and restaurants. Though open to anyone it was mainly French artists.

As a visiting Art Appreciation group from Liverpool we were made to feel extremely

welcome by everyone, the food was to die for and we even had a special greeting (in French of course ) from the Mayor at the official opening . On the last day we toured Carcassonne old town with an amazingly funny, lovely and informative French lady. who had us crying with laughter. A happy end to a great trip. Moe Birchall



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# TUESDAY COFFEE M ORNINGS

10:00 - 11:30 M aghull Baptist Church Hall Tea/ coffee served until 11:00

# PAT TESTING

Thank you to all Group Leaders who brought their electrical equipment in for the recent PAT testing.

#### **RENEWALS**

Subscriptions are still being collected at the Coffee M orning. Pop in and renew for a year of wonderful experiences.

#### AGM

Congratulations to all those who have just joined our U3A committee. In our next newsletter we will be introducing the new members who have joined our committee.

Invited to perform at the Maghull Methodist Church Spring Fete our girls shone as one of the star attractions. Well done!



Deadline for items for our July Newsletter is the 15th of June. Available on the 27th of June

# ARCHAEOLOGY

**Convenor:** Frank Wood 287 5462 **Venue:** Kensington House

# ARCHITECTURE FOR FUN

Leader: David Scott 07968289297 Asst: George Birchall 287 0308 Thursday 8th June - Guided tour of Middleport Pottery Stoke on Trent followed by self guided tour of Little Moreton Hall (NT) Coach, entrances, tours and tea/coffee and biscuits at Middleport Pottery. Cost £22.50 (NT members) and £31.00 for non NT members. Buffet lunch available at Middleport Pottery for £5.95

#### ART APPRECIATION

Leader: Maureen Birchall 287 0308 June 7th - We have booked a tour of the William Blake & Tracy Emin exhibition at The Tate Liverpool. Entry is free, tour is £5.00. Meet at the venue. Booking and payment on the Tuesday desk.

July 27th - We are visiting Sudley House for our much looked forward to 'follow up' from Pauline on Peter Farrer the 'cross dresser' with his wonderful taste in ladies clothes. Meet at the venue, 13.15 or be early & enjoy a nice lunch in the café. Booking is a must at our desk on Tuesdays.

#### **BADM INTON GROUP ONE**

Leader: Colin Gore 526 2216 Venue: United Reformed Ch. Hall Wednesday 09:30 - 12:00 Waiting list in place

#### **BADM INTON GROUP TWO**

**Leader:** June Avery 526 9118 **Venue:** Hudson School Tuesdays 18:30 - 20:00 during term time. Waiting list in place.

# **BEGINNERS' BRIDGE**

Leader: Jane Jones 526 2530 Venue: Aintree Youth & Community Centre, Oriel Drive Aintree Mondays 13:00 Improvers' class also available

#### **BOOK CLUB**

Leader: David Kearney 526 6001 Thursdays at Orchard Hey 19:30 June 8th- ' Perfect' by Rachel Joyce

#### BOWLS

Leader: Carol Daley 01704 880521 Venue: Kensington House Mondays 12:00 - 15:00

#### **CANAL WALKING GROUP**

Leader: David Scott 0768289297 Asst.: Brenda McKenzie Normally the fourth Thursday of the month. See website for information.

#### CARD M AKING GROUP

Leader: Joan Martin 526 9406 and Val Turnbull 526 1557 Venue: St George's URC Monday 13:30 - 15:30 Create your own cards for that special occasion and that special person.

#### **COM PUTER GROUP**

Leaders: Rhoda Myers 531 0921 Colin Bennett 526 0752 Phil Davidson 526 6805 Tony Dodd 924 0040 Venue: Maghull Baptist Church Hall

**Help Desk:** Tuesday morning 'drop in'. Bring your laptop or tablet with you during the coffee morning.

# Tuesdays & Fridays 14:00 - 16:00 (by appointment only.)

One to one help with tablets, smartphones, laptops and computer apps. Visit the computer desk for further details.

# CYC⊔NG

DAY RIDERS

Leader: Phil Hughes 526 0038 Asst: Ian Gent 526 7736 New members welcome, typical ride is between 20 - 30 miles. EASY RIDERS

Leader: John Ramsden 526 5031 Asst: Brian Dickinson 520 1857 Mondays at 10:00 Leisurely rides of 12–20 miles on quiet lanes

# CYCLING -continued PEDAL PUSHERS

Leader: Bill Ashton 285 1817 Asst: Margaret Kendall 526 3164 Wednesdays 10:00 Riding on quiet roads and cycle ways. Limited availability for new members with a reasonable cycling ability. Rides usually 10 - 15 miles long.

# DAY TRIPS

Leader: Marj Atlay 526 4665 Asst: Sylvia Adams 531 9001 Friday 30th June - Bay View Garden Centre with stunning views of Morecambe Bay followed by guided tour of Leighton Hall with falconry display (weather permitting) Dep.9.15am Ret.6pm Price £17

**17th - 21st July** 5 days/4 nights d/b/b @ 4\* Riverside Park Hotel, Enniscorthy Ireland. Excursions,(all inc.) folk evening etc. Price £495 there are single supps. Full details on Day Trips' website.

Fri. 18th Aug. - Skipton with a boat trip on the Leeds L'pool canal. Coffee/biscuits and an entertaining commentary. Time to visit the Market have some lunch etc. Onto Settle, for an afternoon of light hearted fun at the Flower Pot Festival. Dep.8.30am Ret.6pm Price £19 inc.boat trip/ morning coffee.

**2017 Turkey & Tinsel** 5 day break 5th - 9th November Staying at the Imperial Hotel, Eastbourne. £189.00 (less with group discount). No single supplement. See or ring Marj on 526 4665

#### **DIGITAL CAM ERA GROUP**

Leaders: Peter Martin 526 9406 Terry Horrobin 526 1249 Ian Gent 526 7736 Venue: St Andrews Church Room. Mondays 14:00 - 16:00 fortnightly Themes: 5th June - Lights 18th Sept - Single flower 2nd Oct - Currency There will be no meetings in July or

August.

#### DISCUSSION GROUP

Leader: Brian Leach 284 8454 Chair: Bert Dowell Venue: Melling Tithebarn, Tithebarn Lane 13:30 - 16:30 22nd June - Happiness - Your View

## FAM ILY HISTORY

Leaders: David Russell 526 6527 Rosney Leith 526 3623 Venue: Lydiate Village Centre Lambshear Lane Lydiate 1:30 - 3:00 2nd June - War Medals with Bruce Hubbard 7th July - Welsh Ancestry with Andrew Sackville

# **FOODIE GROUP**

Leader: Margaret Kendal 526 3164 Asst: Pat McGuire 924 5166 Venue: St James' Hall, Green Lane First Thursday in the month 10:30 -12:00 New members still welcome. Just come along.

# FRENCH GROUPS

Leader: David Ward 526 5071

Monday Group 14:00 - 16:00 Venue: St George's Social Club Maghull Wednesday Group 14:00 - 16:00 Venue: Hudson Primary School

#### Early Stage French Group

Leader: Marie Bramwell 526 6653 Venue: St George's Social Cub Thursdays 10:00 - 12:00

#### **MODERN FRANCE**

**Leader:** David Ward 526 5071 **Venue:** Lydiate Village Centre 2nd and 4th Tuesday of each month 14:30 - 16:30

# FUN WITH FLOWERS

Leader: Irene Rowe 01695 421 389 Venue: St Andrew's Parish Hall

# GEOLOGY

Leader: Keith Snell 526 9163 Venue: Scout Hut Long Lane Aughton Third Friday of the month

# GARDEN VISITS

Leaders: Ann Raw 526 6086 Barbara Short 526 1119 9th June - RHS Flower show at Chatsworth House. Cost £37.00 inc. entrance ticket and coach. Depart Maghull Sq: 08:30 Reserve list in operation.

**5th July -** David Austin Roses Shropshire. A guided tour of the Rose Gardens with lunch included. Cost: £37.00 Depart Maghull Sq 08:15

**3rd August -** Kiplin Hall Yorkshire. Kiplin Hall is an intriguing Jacobean house with lovely gardens & a tearoom which uses fresh produce from the gardens. Cost £22.00. Leave Maghull Square 8.30am

**2nd- 4th December** - A short three day holiday staying at the Holiday Inn in York on a d/bb basis. Enjoy an Advent Carol Service in York Minster, Burton Constable Hall, Benninbrough Hall and time for shopping in York.

PLEASE NOTE ALL TRIPS M UST BE PAID FOR IN FULL THREE WEEKS PRIOR TO DEPARTURE.

# **GERM AN GROUP**

Leader: Peter Duffy 526 2933 Venue: St George's Social Club Thursdays 10:00 New members welcome

# GERM AN FOR COM PLETE BEGINNERS

Leaders: Ruth Allen 520 2690 Pat Mortimer Venue: 15 Briars Lane Maghull Wednesday 10:30 - 12:30

#### **GLASS WORKSHOP**

Leader: John Jackson 526 2900 Venue: Lydiate Village Centre Friday 9th, 16th, 23rd & 30th of June 14:00 - 16:00 Friday 14th, 21st & 28th July

# **LINE DANCING**

Leader: Hilary Loughlin 928 8936 Venue: Maghull Parish Hall Wednesdays 10:00 - 12:00

# LOCAL HISTORY

Leader: Dennis Stevens 531 9188 Asst. Leader: Wyn Taylor 526 5467 Convenor: Bidni O'Donnell 476 2115 Venue: Lydiate Village Hall First Tuesday of the month 14:00 -16:00 Tuesday 6th June - 'Frankie Vaughan' by Jim Flynn Tuesday 4th July - 'Mr Jesse Hartley -Liverpool Dock Engineer' by David

#### **MATHSFORFUN**

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Leader: Wanda Leach 284 8454 Venue: Kensington House, Station Rd 14:30 - 16:30 7th June—Packaging—the maths inside the boxes

#### NORDIC WALKING

Leader: Ian Gent 526 7736 Asst: Brenda & John McKenzie 0790052522 Venue: Lydiate Parish Hall Car Park We meet at 18:30 every Monday save for Bank Holidays. Our circular walks last around 1½ hours and cover some four miles following footpaths, the canal towpath, the Cheshire Lines & country lanes. Suitable footwear & clothing are a must.

# PAINTING FOR PLEASURE

Leader: Eric Jones 526 2965 Venue: United Reformed Church Thursdays at 10:00

# PHILOSOPHY

Leader: Tony Snape 526 3146 or antsnape@googlemail.com Asst: Frank Wood Venue: Kensington House, Station Rd Third Wednesday of the month 14:30 - 16:30

If you know of any member who is ill or in need, please inform Lill Boyle (Welfare) on 526 4303

#### PLAY READING / DRAM A

Leader: Doris Cox 526 7944 Venue: 34 Moss Lane Maghull Second Tuesday of the month 14:00

# POETRY GROUP

Leader: Gwen Parry 526 4798 Venue: 27 East Meade, Maghull Second Wednesday of the month 10:30-12:30 Our themes are: June - 'Poems about men or women July - ' Summertime'

#### PRACTICAL GARDENING GROUP

Leaders: Maureen Ward526 5071Dot Brannigan07816398056Venue: St Andrew's Parish HallFirst Monday of the month. 10:00

#### **RECORDER GROUP**

Leader: Brenda McKenzie 531 0207 Venue: Maghull Baptist Church Tuesdays 11:00 - 11:30 in the Sanctuary.

#### **REAL ALE APPRECIATION**

Leader: Sue Daniels 526 1198 or 07801 656 570 This group usually meets on the last Friday of the month.

# THE SHAKESPEARE GROUP

Leader: Sandra Parker 520 1974 Venue: Kensington House Thursday 22nd June 09:30 - 11:30

# SPANISH CONVERSATION FOR BEGINNERS

Leader: Blair Allwood 924 0340 Venue: Lydiate Village Hall Thursdays 11:00 - 13:00

# SPANISH CONVERSATION

Leader : Ron Higham 526 3562 Venue: Lydiate Village Hall

Friday 09:30 - 11:30 Group One Friday 11:30 - 13:00 Group Two

# SUNDAY LUNCH GROUP

**Co-ordinator:** Sylvia Adams 531 9001 **Sunday 4th June** - Royal Hotel Waterloo 13:30 arrival. **Sunday 2nd July -** tba

# THEATRE GROUP

Leaders: Pat Kelly 476 1726 and Ann Unsworth



THEATRE	SHOW	DATE	PRICE
The Philharmonic	Last Night of the Proms	Saturday 22 <sup>nd</sup> Jul	£40.00 TT
Liverpool Empire	Cilla Friday	Friday 8 <sup>th</sup> Sept	ТВА
Liverpool Empire	Giselle	Friday 27 <sup>th</sup> Oct	TBA
Liverpool Empire	Die Fledermaus	Friday 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	TBA
Liverpool Empire	War Horse	Friday 1 <sup>st</sup> Dec	ТВА

#### SUNDAY STROLLERS

**Leader:** John McKenzie 531 0207 For walk details please see the website.

#### TABLE TENNIS

Leaders: Carolyn Comaish 526 4478 George Dobie 285 0119 Tuesdays 14:00 & Fridays 14:00 Venue: Maghull Baptist Church Hall

#### TABLE GAM ES

Leader: Phil Davidson 526 6805 Asst: Cath Pearson 526 1872 Venue: The Function Room, Maghull Town Hall Mondays 10:00 - 12:00 Bridge, Scrabble and games on demand.

#### **TECHNOLOGY & SCIENCE**

Leader: Phil Davidson 526 6805 Assts: Colin Bennett 526 0752 Frank Wood 287 5462 Venue: Kensington House Stat. Rd June 14th - Oilseed Crushing - David Allen June 28th - Mersey Tunnel Tour tbc

No meetings in August.

#### **TEXTILE GROUP**

Leader: Maureen Collier 526 0837 Venue: United Reformed Church Mondays 13:30 New members welcome

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Leader:Sheila Merry 526 3220Asst:Mike Woodward 476 4782Venue:Maghull Parish HallFriday 11:00 - 12:00

# WALKING GROUP

Leader: Margaret Kendall 526 3164 Asst: Alan Carr 01704 840 762 June 1st - Walking in the Pendle Area. Long walk - We will tackle Pendle Hill. This is a serious hike and not for the faint hearted! Good boots and walking poles recommended.

Short walk - This will be a more leisurely circuit taking in a forested sculpture trail. There is a steep slope but this will be tackled slowly. Generally it is flat but there are fields and stiles to be negotiated so suitable footwear for the terrain is essential. Car share is available

6th July - The walk will take place up Moel Famau. Please add your name to the list on the notice board if you wish to come on this walk as transport (either a coach or cars) has to be organised. NO SHORT WALK THIS MONTH For more details please see the website.

#### WALKING NETBALL GROUP

Contact Brenda McKenzie by text on 07900525222 for further details

# WELSH GROUP

**Leader:** Jane Jones 526 2530 First and third Thursday of the month 09:45 - 11:45

#### WINE TASTING

Leader: George Birchall 287 0308 Venue: Lydiate Village Centre Wine tasting break 23rd- 29th September Cost £799 (£130 single supplement) with flights Liverpool to Malaga and Malaga to Manchester at £135. All transfers UK and Spain included. See website for details