

CHAIRMAN'S COLUMN

The New Year is already well underway as we begin the second half of 2021. Looking forward, we will continue to be impacted by the pandemic. At a general meeting of the Group, on December 17th (see below), we considered the first 18 months, and thereafter we continue to work on the new and highly contagious Omicron variant. A peak in early January was not unexpected. Unfortunately, we were unable to stream a whole event on Zoom, but other Group meetings have been able to meet, using Zoom. The November Monthly Meeting was our first...

MONTHLY MEETING 23RD

Our speaker this month who will be known to many to the Sevenoaks Science with Architectural of London Architectural given a talk to Science project to Chris has an excellent he will be the Alsace and Dornach vineyards and flowers with this much fought over and



At the time of writing, plans for whether we have not yet been finalized, and will be confirmed. Whatever is decided I do hope you will join us couple of days before the event. Barbara barbarahsa@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk

The deadline for items for inclusion in the M

U3a Monthly Meeting Wednesday 16 February 2022

Please note this meeting will now be on Zoom. Our speaker on 16th February will be giving a presentation on hedgehogs, from owls to foxes and behind how he took the images. The Northern areas of the UK showing a squirrel.



Due to current circumstances, if it is deemed safe to do so, there

The Zoom link will be sent out to the event and I do hope you will

Barbara Coleman barbara@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk

SOUTH EAST REGION FORUMS SUMMER

U3a South East Region are proposing to run the first one they have run since 2011. 11 courses are on offer:

Cycling
Earth Four
Matters
Century
British
Poets

Family
Hatha
History

Musical
Blues
Music in USA



If you are interested in attending and would like to book, please visit <https://u3asites.org.uk/southeastu3aforum/event>

EUROPEAN AFFAIRS GROUP

We have a vacant place in the group. We cover a wide range of subjects including music, culture, education, including European and the press. We meet on the morning of the first of the month. Some members come purely to discuss others like to prepare short papers on the chosen topic. We have lively and interesting meetings. When Covid diminishes it is our intention to have meetings in local European restaurants, and in the longer term we may consider visiting European countries. We invite expert speakers to joint sessions with other groups. virtual sessions on Zoom.

Please contact [Robert White](mailto:robert@europeanaffairs@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk) on [01753970607](tel:01753970607) or [01753973009](tel:01753973009).

NORDIC WALKING

Wednesday February 10.30

Meet on the green at Hill Top. The walk will be 2 1/2 miles. There are some hills. We will be at the end of the walk.

nordicwalking@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk

AMBLING

Wednesday February 10.30

Meet at the bus stop opposite the 'Cso' shop. The walk will be 2 miles. There are some hills. We will be at the end of the walk.

ambling@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk

NATIONAL u3a ONLINE EVENTS

At the time of writing there are 6 online events



- Feb 3rd Cartyp1ti0c aCmross words f c
- Feb 3rd Tahte 2G eponi ogy of l gne c
- Feb 9th Laatu g1h0t earm Yoga Works h
- Feb 18th E gaytp t2o lpong y : The Val
- Feb 23rd Exploring World Fait
- Feb 24th H eao tme2t rpin c Abstraction

To find out more about any <https://www.u3a.org.uk> and then click on the appropriate link.

BRIDGE FOR PLEASURE

9th February 2022

The Group plays at Otford n d
4th Wednesday mornings of each
July, from 9.45 a.m. until 12

The winner was Dave Lowe.

New members are always welcome
players can just come along o
format so you do not need a

John and Sue johnand sue@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk



KAY J-ALMOST H BIRTHDAY ON JANUARY

John and Sue Christy (Group Organisers) and a
Sevenoaks u3a member, Kay J, played with the
group until the first Covid lockdown.

Sevenoaks u3a Executive Committee would

In a wonderfully lively telephone conversation,
during the war travelled in -
does the Daily Telegraph Codewords and Crosswo
has finished everything else!

Although she "cannot go fast" in the morning,
life down to, she thanked first the NHS which 2
that she has always been a non

Ken Brown (Chairman)

FEBRUARY DIARY

Feb 9	Nordic Walking	Feb 9	Bridge for Pleasure
Feb 14	Active Open Group	Feb 14	Meals
Feb 21	Computer Open Group	Feb 21	Meals
Feb 23	Bridge for Pleasure		

SCIENCE OPEN


Our next talk will be on the topic 'SEI Water Strategy' by **Lee Dawickel** be delivered on 14th Feb. With 2.2 million customers in the South East Region, water is becoming the question of where to get its water from to supply an ongoing problem. SE Water is working with water companies to create a regional plan. Lee will talk about the region faces and what is over the next 75 years. For Virtual attendees attend Zoom webinars we have registration details and will receive an invitation however, you have not send us your details via the following link. scienceday@sevenoaksu3a.org.uk Our March talk will be talking about 'Conservation of English Merit' by **Bob Ruffles**

COMPUTER OPEN

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U3a PODCASTS

Each of the monthly u3a podcasts lasts approximately 30 minutes. The columns below give a flavour of what is viewed on our supplementary www.u3aconnectandlearn.org/national

January	2021 his latest episode 40th anniversary wood Kindertransport learn u3a member in Austr organisation works abroa	
December	2021 the festive special there is a choir sing from Third Age Trust	
November	2021 this episode there are conversation man who invented cricket rankings, with the u3a radio team about her experier working on the Olympics and with a men Burnham on Crouch u3a's Archaeological	
October	2021 the October episode of our u3a radi there are talks with a u3a geologist adventures travelling the world, with winners of the u3a creative writing comp and much more.	