



## Sale Newsletter July 23

This is the last newsletter for this session as we break up for the summer. Happy holidays for everyone. The centre will be closed for August and resume the 1<sup>st</sup> week of September.

**Singing for Pleasure will meet at 2pm on July 28<sup>th</sup> for the last session prior to the holidays. Then resume on September 1<sup>st</sup> at 2 pm.**

**Badminton:** Meet every Monday 1.30-3pm at Sale Leisure Centre. Please contact the Group Leader Diana Calvert through the Website as sessions can be affected by school holidays.



The sessions are intended for anyone interested in playing badminton. All are welcome. Experienced, returning to the game or just wishing to play. Come along and have fun. On your own or with a partner. Bring a racquet or borrow one from the Leisure Centre. Shuttles are provided. Everyone will get a game and your Group Leader DIANA is on hand for any help or advice you might need and to organise the games. Interested? Come along and give it a go!

**The last session for the summer is Monday July 24<sup>th</sup> and badminton will resume on Monday September 4<sup>th</sup>.**

**Film** Showings are suspended until the licensing issue has been resolved.

**Open Day Friday 22<sup>nd</sup> September.** As part of u3a week we are having another Open Day. The mayor has been invited. We will require some volunteers to welcome participants and other roles. It was very successful last year, and we signed up new members. We continue

to sign up new members and we have increased groups, Badminton and Singing for Pleasure being two of them. We always welcome new group ideas.

**Committee.** We are looking for new Committee Members. The committee meet once a month on a Tuesday at 10 am. We aim to keep the meetings to 2 hours maximum. If you are interested, you are welcome to turn up to a committee meeting. Having new members contribute to the dynamics. It's not what the u3a can do for you as to what you can do for the u3a. Charity rules mean roles must change after a certain period and it is important, we have succession plans in place. I have been Chair for longer than I should be, as has Carole our secretary. We have both enjoyed our roles, learnt new skills especially through covid, and are ready to hand over the reins to others who can bring different aspects to the roles.

**NW AGM.** I attended the NW AGM in Liverpool. It was good to meet face-face and network. There are some interesting pieces of research which members can participate in. Their Finest Hour Memories of the Second World War.

### Family Photos and History

The Art of Family History: This involves writing, photography and art and crafts.

Bank closure photos of what is left in some places. There was a photo of a cash machine in Darwen as that is all that is left of the banks.

All of these have websites to upload or seek information. This could be useful for the family and local history group and the Arts and Crafts.

The second workshop was about interest groups. Some u3a's have weekly or monthly newsletters. The weekly ones give the dates of the next meetings and a Calander for the month. One, Preston, publishes a twice-yearly newsletter for about £500 to give to every member and some to distribute to libraries etc. It has an introduction but then it is a short precis of each group and a Calander inside. It is distributed through the groups. Please contact Maggy Sims: [slp@u3a.org.uk](mailto:slp@u3a.org.uk) if you would like to contribute to the research and she can link you to the websites or check out the main website which has details and also publicises events you can join in.

### Events:

**Friday July 21<sup>st</sup>** A Musical Meander Around Britain, Kevin Siddall and Joy José

**August, Centre Closed**

**Friday September 22<sup>nd</sup>** Open Day

**Friday September 29<sup>th</sup>** Modern France from 1815 to Macron, David Walmsley

**Friday October 27<sup>th</sup>** The Funny Thing About Death, Alan Morrison

**Friday November 24<sup>th</sup>** A Garden Jewel for the North West, John and Maureen Nugent.