Halewood U3A Newsletter
November 2026



Membership

Membership/Application forms are available on our web site if you know of any one who would like to join.

Monthly meetings

Our next meeting will be on Friday 27th November. Our speaker is John Stoddern and the subject is 'Liverpool Anglican Cathedral'.

Christmas Social Event - Friday 11th December 2.00 - 5.00 pm
St Marks Social Club. Halewood, L26 OUB. Buffet, Music, Dancing, Raffle - £11.50

At the time of writing, there are a very few remaining places so please let us know asap if you wish to come.
If you would like to book a ticket please email msjillmarquis@aol.com or ring/text Jill on 077 9188 6038

Art Appreciation Group

I am arranging a visit to the Anglican Cathedral to see the Christmas light show on Thursday 3rd December at 5.00 pm. Tickets cost £12.50. Please contact me on 07585 649595 or nantmor@btinternet.com asap as tickets are selling fast! Maureen Evans

Book Club

The next meeting is Thursday November 19th at 1.30 pm at the Arncliffe Centre. Most people enjoyed last month's book, *The Trip* by Audrey Cole. They thought it was a page turner and enjoyed the twists and turns in the story. This month we are reading *Headhunter* by Jo Nesbo if you would like to read along with us. Text Susan Stone on 07949 778157 for further details.

Calligraphy

The 6 week Calligraphy taster started with a bang and we got the full complement of 12 people attending. Apologies this did not appear in our last newsletter but it was on the website under Latest Notices. Everyone is doing well so look out for some very fancy writing at Christmas!!
Joan Browne

Chat Group

Please come and join us! We talk about all things and everything! The group usually meet on the 1st Tuesday of the month, although the venue may change.
On 6th October we met at Finchys with the usual friendliness and good humour.
Our next meeting is on 3rd November at Finchys in Halewood.
For further details please contact Margaret Hill on 07708 590761.

Cinema Group

Andre Rieu - *Let it snow at* Speke Cineworld, 1.00 pm on Sunday 6th December. Contact me on 0151 421 1856, or you can message me on 07833 554214. Irene

Coffee and Catch Up Group

Come and have a coffee and chat - everyone is welcome. The next meeting is on Wednesday 18th November at 10.30 am at Dobbies. Please call in for a catch-up or contact Pam on 07597 905188 for further details.

Craft Club

We do not have any vacancies but we have a waiting list. Any interest, please contact Jackie on 07546 124852.

Dirty Hands (Gardening Group)

Unfortunately, due to the extremely hot weather and children's holidays, we have had to postpone any meeting of the group. We will notify you when the group are going to get together in the Spring. Any interest, please contact Jackie on 07546 124852, or email: Jackiefearon50@hotmail.com

Discussion Group

We meet fortnightly to discuss all kinds of interesting subjects. The next meetings are on 2nd, 16th and 30th November at 10.15 am at the ***Halewood Library***. Please come and join us – ***new members always welcome*** - or call Ian on 07985 762023 for further details.

'Escape' Group

Watch out for future 'escapes'! Sue Coldwell

Text, speak or email me on 07727 853760 or sue_clover@yahoo.co.uk

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Family History

If you are free on Thursday mornings why not come along to Halewood Library at 10:30 am and observe the Group working. You could get "hooked" and want to find your own Family History. Contact me on 07727 853760 for further details. We have had great success in tracing family lines over many generations using Ancestry. Come and join us, its fun! Sue Coldwell

Games Groups

Canasta

The group are enjoying their weekly game. We are a continuously growing group, but there is always room for new players, call in if you wonder what canasta is all about: 10.00 am - 12 midday every Tuesday morning at Reynolds Court, Woolton.
Check our U3A website for more information or contact Pam Langley on 07597 905188.

Mexican Train Dominoes

The next meeting is Friday 6th November from **2:00 to 4:00 pm at the Arncliffe**, cost just £1. All aboard! Join us for a fun and friendly game of Mexican Train Dominoes. Whether you are a seasoned "conductor" or have never touched a domino in your life, we would love to see you at the table. Contact Mike Farmer on 07739 763240 for more details.

Rummikub

Due to an increase in the number of people wishing to play Rummikub, we have had to move from Halewood Library to the Arncliffe, with our first session there being the 9th November. All welcome, 2.00 to 4.00, alternate Mondays. We look forward to seeing anybody who fancies giving it a go!. Please come and join us, 2.00 to 4.00 pm.
For further details please contact Chris Kilshaw on 0I51 475 7822.

HERE ARE SOME FURTHER CONTACT DETAILS FOR OTHER GAMES

The Mahjong and Bridge Groups continue to enjoy playing on Wednesdays from 2.00 to 4.00 pm at the Bridge Chapel in Heath Road. If you would like to spend an enjoyable afternoon and learn a new game, please come along and join us. We are a very friendly bunch!
We welcome new members – no experience necessary as we will teach you! For further information please contact:
Bridge: Pat McLachlan 07903 460110
Mahjong: Sue Hardy 07905 417447

Handbell ringing

Unfortunately, because of the very expensive list of items we would need, it is not feasible to go ahead with it at the moment. Apart from the cost of very expensive bells, there is also insurance, special music for bells, padding to rest the bells on, gloves and a fee to join the national federation of bell ringers. If you have any questions you can contact me on 07931 357050 or email me on kilshaw60@gmail.com. Mike Kilshaw

History

Watch out for future trips or contact Brian Green on 07961 994402.

Interesting Buildings

If you are interested in future visits please contact Pat McLachlan on *07903 460110* for details.

Knit 'n Give Group

We are ready to take all the knitting the u3a have kindly knitted. The total number of items are 36 hats, 22 pairs of fingerless gloves, 15 scarves, 5 blankets and 2 pairs of socks. An amazing achievement, thanks to each and every one of you. Two of the blankets contain a total of 80 squares, no mean feat. Thank you all, you're fantastic. Chris Kilshaw, 07939 833367.

Lunch Group

Any suggestions for future venues are welcome and if we get a few for the same venue we will go and check it out...it's a hard job, but someone has to do it!!! Just drop us an email, or hand an idea into registration at the next meeting. Thanks in advance. Christine Kilshaw 0I51 475 7822

Quiz

This is a fun, general knowledge quiz and the QUIZMASTER'S DECISION IS FINAL. Everybody is welcome, but, if you're looking for cash prizes then you're in the wrong place! Typ

The last quiz of the year will be at the Arncliffe on **Friday 13th November at 2:00 pm**. There will be a £2 entry fee to include tea, coffee and biscuits. People will need to sign in and teams will be a **maximum of 6.** Hope to see all you quizzers there.

Theatre Group

Royal Court

Two afternoon specials every month, a variety of acts at the great price of £5.00 or £8.50 with Scouse & bread roll.

Liverpool Empire

Playhouse

Ukulele Group

The Group meet at the Arncliffe every Wednesday 1.30 to 2.30 pm. Contact Janet Davies on 07759 882197 if you would like to join.

Walking Group

There have been no trains for 4 weeks which has limited our walks considerably as we use Mersey rail most weeks. Our walks are shorter now as our members are getting older so we have agreed once a month for us all to end the walk with a meal.
Anyone wishing to join the group or to know where the next walk will be, please give me a ring. Please contact me on 0151 427 2117 for details of the walks. Margaret Carter

Website

There is a section on the website called ***'Latest Notices'***. Keep checking this on the home page. If you need to get in touch with me regarding anything in this newsletter or the website please call me on 07708 590761 or email :- mirrie1@sky.com. Margaret

****As always could you please pass this newsletter on to any member you may know who is not on email. *** There is also a link on our website :- https://halewood.u3asite.uk*

Disco Chop

I have received an update on the "Disco Chop" event, please see below:

From Heidi

So sorry for not getting back to you sooner! We were meant to have a Disco Chop in October but unfortunately this got rescheduled, I think we are now looking like the next public ones will be in December and January but those dates are being confirmed! I will let you know as soon as I do.

Once I hear from Heidi I will let you know. Jackie

The Town Council have sent us details of Christmas events they are holding during December. They are:

Thursday 3rd December: Turkey and Tinsel Afternoon
Thursday 10th December: Christmas Bingo
Friday 11th December: Prosecco and Charcuterie Evening
Saturday 12th December: Breakfast with Santa

https://halewood.u3asite.uk/wp-content/uploads/2026/10/HTC_Arncliffe_Dec2026.pdf

for more information.

PROSECCO & CHARCUTERIE EVENING



with a festive quiz.

Arncliffe Sports Centre • 0151 428 1929

FRIDAY 11TH DECEMBER • 7PM

TICKETS £15PP

Includes 2 glasses of prosecco and a charcuterie plate.

BOOK YOUR PLACE

Scan to book

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Tinsel & Turkey Afternoon

Join your local community for a festive December afternoon with a delicious roast dinner, festive games and sing along Christmas carols with the Halewood Community Choir.

Scan to book or pay with cash at the Arncliffe Centre

Thursday 3rd December

2pm-5pm

Arncliffe Community and Sports Centre, L25 9PA

Come along and celebrate together


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Christmas Bingo
Thursday 10th December @ 2pm at the Arncliffe Centre
Booking Essential! Call 0151 428 1929
Prize for the best Christmas jumper!!
BINGO
12 28 35 48 63
7 17 41 60 75
5 22 54 68 3
39 57 71 8 16
2 13 33 49 1


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Breakfast with Santa
Saturday 12th December
9:30am - 12pm
Arncliffe Community and Sports Centre, L25 9PA
£15 per person
A selection box included for each child
Scan to book