


Welcome to Ashby U3A

Introduction to the Ashby U3A Website



Ashby U3A website - a walk through

- How to access the Ashby U3A website
- What content is available on the Ashby U3A website
- Using the Ashby U3A website as your main information resource
- How to connect with the committee, group leaders and join groups
- Where to get help

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Our opening page

Our charity status and registered number

Our U3A logo



Ashby de la Zouch
Ashby u3a is a registered charity no 1181242



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Key click through headings and drop-down

Our next monthly meeting details

Next Meeting: Tue 22nd November at 2pm
Speaker: Julie Ede
Subject: Marilyn Monroe
Special Events:

Meeting address
Congregational Church
Kilwardby Street
Ashby de la Zouch
LE65 2FQ

Contact details
Secretary
Anne Donegan
email:-
secretary@ashbyu3a.co.uk
01283 760348

Group Activities.

Click or tap on the Group name to go to its own page for more info.

Show in alphabetical order of groups all meetings in the next 50 days

Note: list can be arranged by alpha order, or date order by clicking these buttons

Groups list: including activity; date; time; and venue details

Study group	Date	Time	Venue
Arts and Crafts	Thu 1st Dec	10:00 am	2 Marlborough Way
Bridge	Mon 21st Nov	7-9 pm	Ivanhoe Social Club
Calligraphy	Tue 13th Dec	10:00 am	At Jenny's Word of the month is Bright
Computer	Mon 21st Nov	2:00 pm	16 Winchester Way
Digital Photography	Thu 1st Dec	10:00 am	16 Winchester Way Theme 'Funghi'
Drawing and painting	Wed 16th Nov	10:00 am	2 Marlborough Way Theme 'Getting ready for Christmas'
Family History	Wed 9th Nov	2:00 pm	2 Marlborough Way
Gardening	Thu 17th Nov	2.15 pm	Packington Village Hall Talk by historian Danny Wells on 'The English and Gardening'. £3
History	Thu 24th Nov	2:15 pm	Packington Village Hall. Roger 'Bis' Bisgrove - 'Trouble and Strife, the challenge of finding a wife (marriage law!)
Industrial Heritage	Wed 23rd Nov	TBA	Hack Green Secret Nuclear Bunker, Nantwich
Literature			TBA
Lunch			TBA
Medium Walks	Mon 14th Nov	9.45 for 10am start	Meet at Staunton Harold Reservoir CP, Calke Rd, Melbourne DE73 8DL

NOTICES

CHRISTMAS LUNCH

Our Christmas lunch will be at Willesley Park Golf Club on Dec 8th. at 12.30 for 1pm. The price is £26 for 3 courses plus coffee and mints. For full details, see the Social Events page or click [here](#)

BURNS SUPPER

We will be having Burns Supper at the Golf Club on 26th Jan. Closing date for tickets is Dec 20th. Please pay by bank transfer or cheque if at all possible. Meat and vegetarian options will be available for non-haggis eaters. For more details, see the Social Events page or click [here](#)

Notices of upcoming highlights, or items of importance

Meetings drop down



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Monthly Meetings

We meet at 2 pm on the fourth Tuesday of the month at the Congregational Church, Kilwardby St, Ashby. There is normally a guest speaker or, in December, musical entertainment. This is followed by tea, coffee and biscuits and a chance to meet and talk with other members.

We remind you that we cannot guarantee that all members or other participants at u3a meetings or gatherings will have been vaccinated nor that they are virus-free and that it is up to individuals to decide whether or not they are comfortable with the risks of mixing in groups when the virus is still very much at large.

Future programme

Date	Special Events	Speaker	Subject
Tue 22nd Nov		Julie Ede	Marilyn Monroe
Tue 20th Dec	Christmas special	Gresley Male Voice Choir	Christmas music followed by mince pies, tea and coffee

Tea Rota, Meeters & Greeters, Reporting Groups

Month	Tea Group	Meet & Greet	Reporting Groups
Tue 22nd Nov	Pete and Jenny Slawson		Gardening and Family History
Tue 20th Dec	Mince pies served by the committee		
Tue 24th Jan	Heather and Fred Garnett		

25th October – "Leicestershire Industrialists and their legacies" by Roger 'Bis' Bisgrove.

Roger, or Bis as he is known to all, stepped in at short notice when our planned speaker had to withdraw due to family health issues. Bis told us of various industrialists through the centuries who had not just made large fortunes here in Leicestershire but had given, donated or funded different legacies to the people of the county.

This is the page you will see by clicking the 'Meetings' drop down here

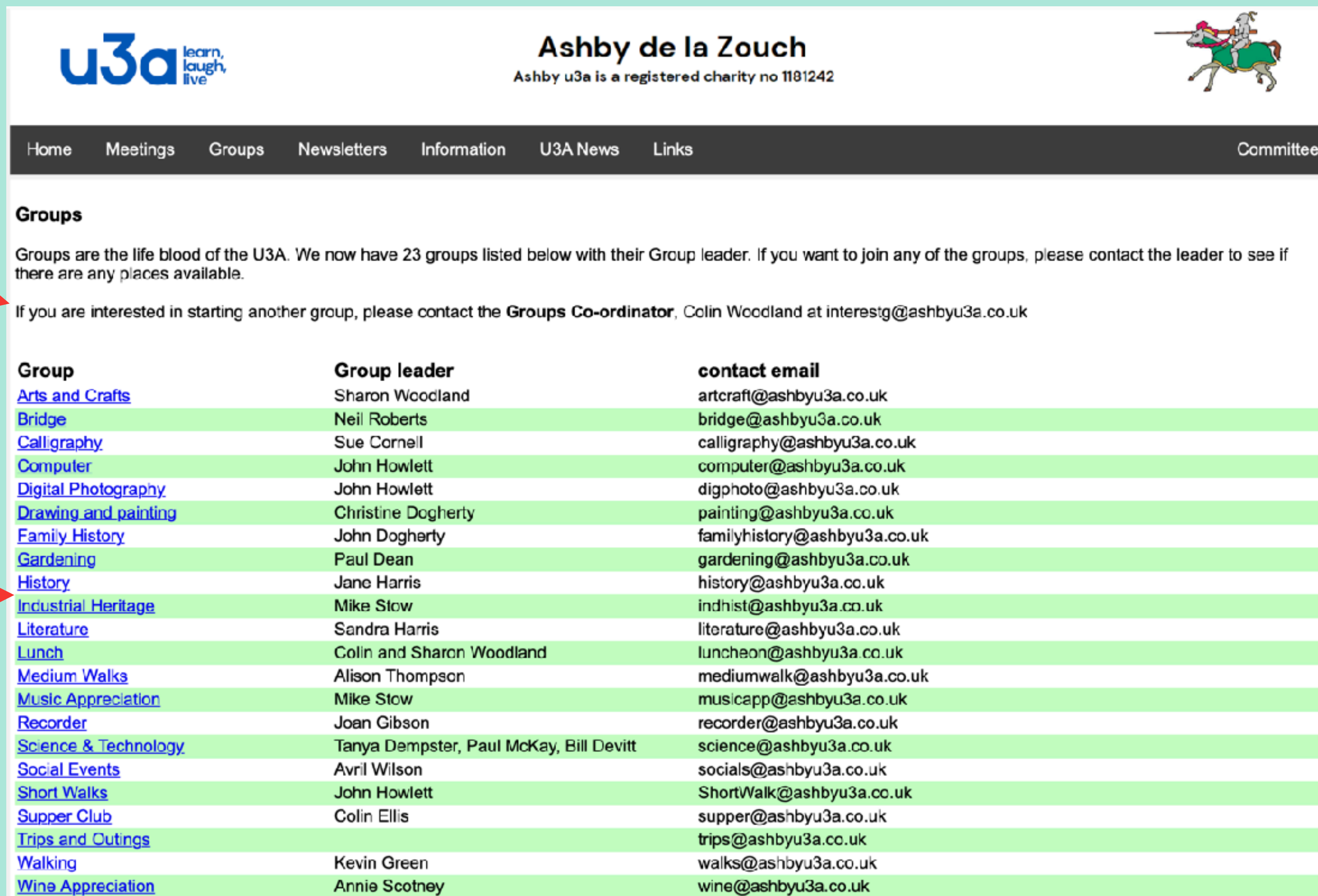
Group meeting schedule, venue and format details

Details of forthcoming meetings and any specific items to note, e.g., speaker, subject and any additional catering

Details of forthcoming tea rota, greeter and reporting group volunteers

Details of previous meeting and announcements

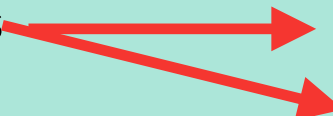
Groups - drop down



The screenshot shows the website for Ashby de la Zouch U3a. At the top left is the U3a logo with the tagline 'learn, laugh, live'. In the center is the text 'Ashby de la Zouch' and 'Ashby u3a is a registered charity no 1181242'. On the top right is a logo of a knight on a horse. Below the header is a navigation menu with links for Home, Meetings, Groups, Newsletters, Information, U3A News, Links, and Committee. The main content area is titled 'Groups' and contains a paragraph explaining that there are 23 groups and providing contact information for the Groups Co-ordinator, Colin Woodland. Below this is a table listing 23 different groups, their respective leaders, and contact email addresses.

Group	Group leader	contact email
Arts and Crafts	Sharon Woodland	artcraft@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Bridge	Neil Roberts	bridge@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Calligraphy	Sue Cornell	calligraphy@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Computer	John Howlett	computer@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Digital Photography	John Howlett	digphoto@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Drawing and painting	Christine Dogherty	painting@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Family History	John Dogherty	familyhistory@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Gardening	Paul Dean	gardening@ashbyu3a.co.uk
History	Jane Harris	history@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Industrial Heritage	Mike Stow	indhist@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Literature	Sandra Harris	literature@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Lunch	Colin and Sharon Woodland	luncheon@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Medium Walks	Alison Thompson	mediumwalk@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Music Appreciation	Mike Stow	musicapp@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Recorder	Joan Gibson	recorder@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Science & Technology	Tanya Dempster, Paul McKay, Bill Devitt	science@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Social Events	Avril Wilson	socials@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Short Walks	John Howlett	ShortWalk@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Supper Club	Colin Ellis	supper@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Trips and Outings		trips@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Walking	Kevin Green	walks@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Wine Appreciation	Annie Scotney	wine@ashbyu3a.co.uk

Group joining and formation details



Group leaders name and contact details



Groups - drop down


Usual Group meeting days and times. These may occasionally vary. See the Group pages for latest information.

Note that the Bridge Group meets every Monday, alternating between afternoons and evenings.
The venue changes with the time of day.


WEEK		Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday
First	Morning		Walking	Music Appreciation	Digital Photography, Recorder, Arts & Crafts	
	Lunchtime					
	Afternoon	Bridge		Computer		
	Evening					
Second	Morning	Medium Walks				
	Lunchtime				Luncheon	
	Afternoon	Science	Calligraphy, Literature	Family History		
	Evening	Bridge				
Third	Morning		Walking	Drawing & Painting	Recorder	Short Walks
	Lunchtime					
	Afternoon	Bridge, Computer			Gardening	
	Evening			Wine Appreciation		
Fourth	Morning			Industrial Heritage		
	Lunchtime					
	Afternoon		Main Meeting		History	
	Evening	Bridge			Supper Club	
Last	Morning					
	Lunchtime					
	Afternoon	Bridge. Time and venue varies				
	Evening	Bridge. Time and venue varies				

A handy quick calendar
of of meeting days and
times →

Gardening group page - example



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The Gardening Group

Leader: Paul Dean - gardening@ashbyu3a.co.uk - phone 01283 295987

The group meets on the 3rd Thursday of each month at 2.15 pm at Packington Village Hall unless otherwise indicated.

Please note: All attendees must show their u3a membership card to all events.

Future programme

Date	Time	Venue	Details	Image
Thu 17th Nov	2.15 pm	Packington Village Hall	Talk by historian Danny Wells on 'The English and Gardening'. £3	
Thu 15th Dec	1 pm	Packington Village Hall	Secret Santa and buffet. Please bring a gift valued £5 wrapped but not labelled plus an item of food to share for our buffet. Free entry and a selection of drinks will be supplied	

Group leaders name and contact details

Group meeting schedule and venue details



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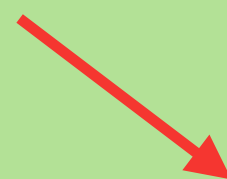
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Thu 19th Jan	2.15 pm	Packington Village Hall	Garden talk by Simon Gulliver, gardens and parks adviser to the National Trust. £4 entry	

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Details of previous meeting
and announcements



20th October

Today we had a very successful meeting. We started with a demonstration given by Tina from the Toolbox shop on Market St, on making an autumn wreath using foliage she had collected this morning. At the end she revealed a large wreath which she had also made today and donated it to us to raffle off alongside our free plant raffle. We then had soup that had been made by some of our gardening group members. I announced that we will be doing a coach trip in June to Michael Heseltine's garden and arboretum with a stop off at Leamington Spa for 2.5 hrs on the way. This will have to be booked by our next meeting in November as this garden is rarely open to the public and will have a limited number of tickets.

Information drop down

Online viewable, or downloadable forms, policies and governance documents

INFORMATION ABOUT ASHBY U3A	
On this page you will find application forms to join Ashby U3A and also details of our Constitution, Code of Conduct, Policy documents and other hopefully useful information.	
MEMBERSHIP FORMS	
Application form (pdf)	Membership application form in pdf format.
Application form (Word)	Membership application form in Microsoft Word format format. Open in Word and enable editing to fill it in.
Membership RENEWAL form (pdf)	Membership RENEWAL form in pdf format.
Membership RENEWAL form (Word)	Membership RENEWAL form in Microsoft Word format format. Open in Word and enable editing to fill it in.
Microsoft Word forms can be completed on-screen. On completion, save it and email it to the membership sec.	
Pdf forms can be printed out and filled in by hand.	
Forms printed out and filled in by hand can be either posted or handed to the Membership Secretary or scanned and emailed back.	
Documents completed online need not be signed if they are emailed back.	
ASHBY U3A's COVID-19 POLICY	
U3A Covid-19 Policy	This sets out policy for running activities during the pandemic.
Ashby u3a guidelines for walking groups	Guidelines for walking groups including COVID Risk Assessments
ASHBY U3A's CONSTITUTION AND POLICY DOCUMENTS	
Our Constitution	Ashby U3A's Constitution.
Code of Conduct	All members are expected to abide by this code.
Data Protection Policy	This explains how we comply with the General Data Protection Regulations.
Privacy Policy	This explains how we collect, use and store your personal information.
Equality Policy	Ashby U3A is committed to treat all members and would-be members equally.
Accessibility Policy	We shall endeavour to accomodate any member or would-be member regardless of any disability, and to treat them equally.The Appendix to this policy contains access details of venues used by us.
Safeguarding Policy	We are committed to keeping our members safe from abuse or neglect.
Non-members	This explains our policy regarding the participation or otherwise of would-be members, non-members and
Complaints Procedure	if you, as a member, think that you have a complaint against Ashby U3A or any of its members, please follow this procedure.
GUIDELINES FOR ORGANISING TRIPS	
Trip Guidelines	Guidelines for anyone organising trips or outings
MINUTES OF LAST AGM AND ACCOUNTS	
Draft minutes of 2020 AGM	These are the un-approved minutes of the AGM of 20th October 2020
Accounts 2020-21	These are the audited accounts for the year 2020-21

Did you know you
are part of
something bigger?

Third Age Trust

U3A News drop down Third Age Trust

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U3A EVENTS AND NEWS

Please note that to access the THIRD AGE TRUST website Member's Area Homepage **you need to create an account on the TAT website**. This is free, it just checks that you are a member of a U3A such as Ashby U3A.

You can create an account [here](#). Once you have created an account you will be able to login to view the pages listed below or to book tickets or places at U3A events.

EVENTS HOSTED OR PROMOTED BY THE THIRD AGE TRUST

OTHER U3A NEWS

[THIRD AGE TRUST
Monthly Newsletter](#)

[EMAIL SIGNUP](#)

To receive the TAT monthly Newsletter, when you create your account above just tick the box to 'receive newsletter' and it will be emailed to you every month. OR

If you've already registered then just click the link on the left to sign up.

Guidance for creation of a Third Age Trust (TAT) login here, in order to get access to the TAT website, receive the newsletter and to join online and physical event



Where to get help

- Use the Ashby U3A website as your first line of resource
- Attend the Monthly Meetings and look out for the Committee members and Group Leaders
- Send an email to the relevant leader with your query
- If your query is web, or computer related, come along to the next Computer group meeting
- Never be afraid to ask, our committee and group leaders are all friendly and looking to help you
- Enjoy your U3A membership!



Your Committee contacts - May 2023

Committee Members Home Page

[Charity Commission Booklet CC3](#)

[Charity Commission Welcome Pack](#)

[Committees and Procedures](#)

These are your Committee Members

Post	Name	Contact email
Chairman	Tony Smith	chairman@ashbyu3a.co.uk
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Treasurer	Val Reed	treasurer@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Membership Secretary	Iain Banns	members@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Interest Group Co-ordinator	Colin Woodland	interestg@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Minutes Secretary	Peter Clement	minutes@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Welfare	Sharon Woodland	welfare@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Speaker seeker	Bill Wilson	speakers@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Communications	Mike Stow	webmaster@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Social Secretary	Avril Wilson	socials@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Member	Colin Ellis	membercolin@ashbyu3a.co.uk
Member	John Pilgrim	memberjohn@ashbyu3a.co.uk

If you wish to join the committee, or nominate another person, please complete the following form:

[Committee Nomination Form](#)