This month I received two interesting communications from Leicestershire Age UK. This photo is of the cast of Awful Annie, by David Walliams, performed by Birmingham Stage Company at De Montfort Hall. They were supporting Age UK Leicestershire and Rutland.

The other was about a will writing offer next month from more than twenty local solicitors—only £35 +VAT for a single straightforward will. The full details on both of these articles are available on the SLU3A website or that of Age UK Leicester.

Walking all day - Short Break Stourport on Severn

16 members of the all day walking group went to Stourport for the annual walking break and enjoyed excellent weather with walking on 3 days. The walks were around Lickey Hills overlooking Birmingham, the Severn Valley around Chelmarsh and Kinver Edge including a visit to the National Trust owned Rock Houses. The hotel had a swimming pool, jacuzzi and sauna and a Foot Golf course which involved kicking a football into a golf hole the size of a football. Surely our walking boots would have been a great help on the tee shots had we been allowed to wear them on the golf course!! We are all looking forward to next year when we will be walking in Suffolk. Frank Carruthers.
JOINING SLU3A

Joining the SLU3A could not be easier. Contact our Membership Secretary, Ian Webb, 11 Austins Close, Market Harborough, LE16 9BJ, email slu3amembsec@gmail.com, Tel: 01858 440851. Alternatively download an application form from our website: www.slu3a.org.uk. We require your full name, postal address, email and phone number. Subscriptions for the current year, or any part thereof, ending May 2019 are £15 per member (cheques payable to SLU3A, please). We look forward to welcoming new and prospective members at our monthly General Meetings held on the second Monday morning, 10—12, in the Jubilee Hall, Bowden Lane, Market Harborough. Visitors are encouraged to make a £2 donation. New members can chat with our welcoming team and learn about the SLU3A and our Interest Groups.

HOW DO I FIND THE NEWSLETTER??!

The Newsletter is available from Quinn’s Bookshop, Aldwinckles (Church St), Caffé Nero, Market Harborough Library, the Reception Desk and Ashley Room of the Congregational Church, Bowden Lane and Desborough Library. It is also available on the website, slu3a.org.uk, or by e-mail from the editor. Contact Treasurer David Kyle if you have difficulty obtaining a copy!

Group outings, trips, events, holidays and travel

SLU3A members should be aware that every effort is made to draw attention to possible difficulties which may be encountered during group activities, trips, excursions or holidays organised on their behalf by SLU3A members, Group Convenors and/or Officers. If a member requires any help or assistance to enable them to enjoy the experience, it is the member’s own responsibility to ensure such help and assistance is engaged, which should be arranged before firm bookings are made with the Organiser. Help or assistance may be provided by a non-member. With regards to the events and activities organised and promoted by the SLU3A, members are advised that every possible effort and endeavour is made to fill vacancies arising from a member’s cancellations. However, there is no guarantee of a refund - full or in part - in respect of monies paid in advance. Please be assured of our due diligence concerning refunds on every occasion.

Group Enabler

I do hope that everyone isn’t getting too hot and bothered in the warm weather. I have just one plea this month. The Singing for Fun group will be without a pianist after Christmas and are looking for someone who is able to play for them on the 2nd and 4th Friday afternoon of the month in the Methodist Church. I do hope that we can find someone to do this as this group is thriving.

Sharon Webb

Coffee and Tea at the Monthly Meetings

Many thanks to the Family History Group for undertaking the coffee duties so well in July. Passing a board round for the coffee rota at the monthly meeting seems to be going well. For those people who have put their name down, I will ring you about a week before it is your turn. Just as a reminder, will you please arrive at 9.30 and I will meet you in the kitchen.

Colin Ford  Coffee Coordinator  01858 463129

Your SLU3A Membership Card

A veteran, bright, long standing member of SLU3A offers the following advice: “Carry your current SLU3A membership card with you at all times. It will be very useful on those occasions when it is necessary to confirm one’s Fully Paid Up status. I know! I have been challenged twice”.

SLU3A Details and Committee Items
MESSAGE from the CHAIR

I hope you are all keeping cool in this heatwave. For myself, I have been enjoying a couple of short breaks and a trip to Poland to explore a different culture, several Polish cities and the Tatra Mountains. For those reasons, all has been quiet on the SLU3A front with no July Committee meeting and our next one scheduled for August, when the four new members will join us.

At the August Monday morning monthly meeting, Sarah Cawdell, our Gift Aid Manager, will be sitting in the Lounge, prompting you to sign the Gift Aid Declaration form (see page 4), if you have not already done so, and, if you have, to agree to us back claiming to 2015 by ticking the relevant years. Yes, as with many things today, we need an audit trail before we can do so! Finally, if you have completed the form for a joint declaration, the audit trail requires separate declarations! Does this sound a little complicated, then Sarah will be there to explain. If you are unable to make the next couple of Monday morning meetings, then please complete the declaration and send it to Sarah at 13 David Hobbs Rise, Market Harborough LE16 7YE. Alternatively, go to our website, download the form (About Us/Membership) and bring it in, post it or scan it and email it to slu3agiftaid@gmail.com

Finally, we are seeking volunteers to represent SLU3A at a Leicestershire and Rutland Quiz night on Wednesday 10 October 2018 at 7pm in Newbold Verdon. The poster is on our website—visit the ‘From the Chair’ article on the home page. Interested? Email: helensalisburyslu3a@gmail.com or call 07837 410 575.

Helen Salisbury

TREASURER’S NOTES:

We are still awaiting delivery from the printer of the year 2019 U3A slimline diaries but have every hope they will be available by 13th August at £3 each. Reservations are most welcome. Do please give us a call.

Margaret & David Kyle, 3 Dunslade Close, LE16 8AF  01858 463545

From the Membership Secretary

As David Kyle advised in last month’s Newsletter, the Period of Grace to pay 2018 Membership Subscriptions has now passed. Therefore, any person who has not paid is no longer a member of the SLU3A and cannot attend any of the meetings or events. However, if you are aware of someone who still wishes to renew, if they contact me and pay their annual subscription, the membership can be reinstated.

We are always looking to improve communications within the SLU3A and one of the best and easiest methods is through the use of emails, which are free and convenient. However, we still do not have records of email addresses for over 30% of the membership. If you think that you are one of these or not sure and are happy to provide the information, please email me at slu3amembsec@gmail.com with the details. I can assure you that any information provided will be securely stored, with restricted access and will only be used to communicate to you in respect of your membership of the SLU3A including Group activities.

Finally, a plea for assistance! Is anyone able to spare some time to assist at the Monthly meeting to organise the sound system prior to commencement and dismantle it at the end? It is not a difficult activity, but full training will be provided. If you are willing and able to assist, please contact me.

Ian Webb,  slu3amembsec@gmail.com
We are already looking forward to December! What better time could there possibly be for planning Christmas activities other than in the middle of the hottest summer for 40+ years? No time like the present perhaps!

Below you will find menu details of the SLU3A Christmas Dinner at Hothorpe Hall on Friday 14th December 2018 at 12 noon for 12.30pm. The cost is £26 per head. We have a fairly tight reservation time-frame with Hothorpe Hall and so your kind attention to making a booking as soon as possible will be most appreciated. If you have any queries, please contact me on 01858 463545 or at david.j.kyle@btinternet.com. Bookings to be accompanied by your cheque please (made payable to SLU3A). I look forward to hearing from you.

Margaret Kyle, 2018 Christmas Lunch Co-ordinator
3 Dunslade Close, Market Harborough, Leics., LE16 8AF

**SLU3A Christmas Lunch 2018**

**Starters**
- Lightly spiced butternut squash soup, sour cream and pumpkin seeds.
- Seared beef, watercress, horseradish, pickled vegetables and rye bread croutes.
- Oak Smoked salmon, avocado and prawn parcels, lemon mayonnaise and wild rocket.
- Twice baked cheese soufflé, apple, celery and chilli candied walnuts.

**Mains**
- Traditional roast breast of local turkey, sage and onion stuffing, pigs in blankets, cranberry gravy.
- Pan roasted fillet of cod, curried puy lentils, buttered brown shrimp, samphire.
- Slow braised blade of beef in our ‘Hopthorpe’ ale, root vegetable mash, and straw crisps.
- Moroccan spiced chickpea tagine, barberries, vegetable couscous and flat bread.

**Sweets**
- Dark chocolate delice, cherry puree, mascarpone mousse.
- Steamed Christmas pudding with brandy crème anglaise.
- Lemon panna cotta, raspberry granola, raspberry sorbet.
- Gingerbread, toasted marshmallow, toffee popcorn, banana ice cream.

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**GIFT AID DECLARATION**

I would like South Leicestershire U3A to reclaim tax on all membership contributions I make to the SLU3A until further notice. I currently pay sufficient tax to equal the sum SLU3A will claim. I will notify SLU3A if my circumstances change.

I would like South Leicestershire U3A to reclaim tax on all membership contributions for the following years: (please tick for each applicable year that you have been a SLU3A member and tax payer)

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**Signed**

Please forward this form when completed, to:-
Sarah Cawdell, Gift Aid Manager, South Leicestershire U3A
13 David Hobbs Rise, Market Harborough, LE16 7YE. Email: slu3agiftaid@gmail.com
**New Experiences**
The group continues to expand every month and in July eleven members of the New Experiences group enjoyed a lovely morning canoeing on the river Nene at Rushden Lakes. Our next experience will be a Segway session at Willows Nursery, Walgrave, Northants on Monday 20th August at 11am. If you would like to join us, please contact the group co-ordinator. Cost will be approximately £20 per person and includes a total of 60 minutes Segwaying over the 2 hour session.

*Kevin Millard 01858 468015 kevin.m@tiscali.co.uk*

**Railway Exploration**
The group accepted a very kind offer from the owner of the old Crossing Keeper’s cottage on Scotland Road, to visit after our meeting. Extremely interesting and much better than RightMove! With an increasing number of new members we’ve now decided to resurrect some of our earlier material regarding Harborough locally and expect this to be of interest in revealing what a busy railway centre Harborough once was. August will follow on from our last meeting’s theme of “fast trains” and be in contrast to the more leisurely pace of the Harborough railway scene of 50 years ago. There will be some photo snippets and videos to refresh the memories of those times and doubtless some of our long-standing Harborough members will be able to fill in the missing details! As usual, coffee and biscuits will be served beforehand.

*Dudley Brown on behalf of Phil Danks 01858 463922*

**Discovering Poetry (Tuesday)**
We relaxed in the ‘Countryside’ last month in all its changing seasons while in August we are exploring further afield with 'Travel'. The next meeting is in the lounge in the Congregational Church on Tuesday 14th at 2pm and newcomers are always welcome.

*Bridget Orme 01858 431696*

**Wine Tasting**
For the July meeting we tasted four wines made from the Riesling grape in New Zealand, Germany, France (Alsace) and Austria. Most of the bottles claimed that their area was ideal for the cultivation of Riesling, and it is a tribute to the versatility of this noble grape that most of the wine for the evening scored highly. It seems likely that other areas of France beyond Alsace would also grow great Riesling were this not illegal under French law! Our favourite of the wines that Shaun brought was the New Zealand Marlborough “Villa Maria Private Bin” 2017 from Majestic, with the Alsace “Clos St-Jacques Riesling” 2015 (also Majestic) coming a close second. The group is still at full strength, but we are tantalisingly close to having enough names to be able to launch an independent additional group, so please get in touch if you are interested.

*Jonathan and Naomi Shaw 01858 682133*

**German Conversation**
Holiday season again for many but few of us would be excited at the prospect of an aircraft meal nowadays; those hard rolls, curry with unidentifiable meat and claggy puddings in plastic pots. But in Germany an online supermarket is convinced there is a market for them and has joined forces with Lufthansa to start home deliveries. The best thing about the meals? Perhaps being able to eat them without someone in front of you suddenly reclining their seat and shoving your food into your lap! We have had some interesting reports about members’ holidays recently--but nobody has even mentioned aircraft meals.

*Sylvia Mountford*

**Local History**
At the July meeting, David Bell kept us entertained with stories of murder cases in Leicestershire over the last few centuries. On Tuesday 21 August at 2.00 pm, we look forward to welcoming Alan Langley, giving us an insight into The Harborough Workhouse: Who Were The Inmates?  **Reminder:** Our visit to Deene Park on Tuesday 18 September - £14, plus £3 for the minibus option. Bookings and money at the next meeting please.

*Avril Pell and Ian Webb*
**Architecture**

We meet on the fourth Tuesday of each month at 2.00pm in the Lounge at the Congregational Church. Our next meeting will be on Tuesday 28 August when Colin will talk to us about some of the recent RIBA Architectural Design Awards for New Buildings in 2017/18. We will then vote on our own favourites.

We had a most enjoyable and interesting afternoon in July when five of our members gave a short talk on a favourite building. Michael talked about the wonderful sculptures to the memory of past Dukes and Duchesses of Montagu in the church of St Edmund, Warkton, just half a mile east of Kettering off the A4300. Sean entertained us with his experiences (and problems) of designing and building your own house (in Norfolk). Tony described the wonderful second hand bookshop, Barter Books, housed within the Victorian Alnwick railway station. Dudley talked about the Art Deco Midland Hotel which stands on the seafront at Morecambe allowing guests superb views of the North West coast. Peter talked about The Piece Hall in Halifax which is just celebrating the first anniversary after a multi-million pound redevelopment. New members are always very welcome.

**Book Club 1**

The White Princess  
Philippa Gregory

Employing her in-depth research, Gregory has skilfully woven her novel around the lives of Elizabeth of York and her husband Henry VII from the period immediately following the Wars of the Roses. The narrative is filled with intrigues and betrayals involving and surrounding the many vividly portrayed characters. We all enjoyed this book but felt that it could have been reduced in length as it tended to be rather repetitive.

Cherry Taylor

**Book Club 2**

Our July meeting was held to discuss "He Said, She Said" by Erin Kelly. This was a psychological thriller with many twists and turns in the plot and an unexpected denouement. As usual our group had differing opinions but generally the book was enjoyed.

Veronica Leech

**Card Craft 1**

Card Group one will be taking a break throughout August. We re-commence Sept 6th. Sheila Taylor

**Card Craft 2**

After two most enjoyable sessions in July, one making box cards and the other trying our hand at folk painting, we are now taking a break until September 6th. We shall resume as usual on the first and third Thursday mornings in the month in St. Nicholas Church Upper Room.

Vivian Hammond

**Bridge Tuesday Improvers**

We are a friendly group who play rubber bridge in the Ashley Room on Tuesday afternoons between 2 and 4 pm. If there is enough interest we will start a beginners’ group. Please contact me for further information.

Sue Jones 01858 43321 sue.sgjones@btinternet.com

**Strictly Ukuleles**

We are really busy with concerts at the moment, so we have had to devote part of our time to rehearsing material for these. Nevertheless, we have managed to have fun with other songs, including SONGS FROM FILMS. These included Over the Rainbow, Singing in the Rain and As Time Goes By from Casablanca. Wonderful stuff. We are delighted to welcome three new absolute beginners this month, so we hope we can help them to love the little uke as much as we do. We’ve still room for more if you fancy giving it a try. Have uke, be happy.

David Evans

**Music Appreciation (Tuesday)**

We meet on the third Tuesday of each month at 5 Holdenby Close, MH, at 10am. In July Peter presented the programme based around music played at the recent Promenade Concert to mark the ‘40th Anniversary of the BBC Young Musician of the Year’ competition. All the soloists had been competitors in the event at one time or another. Amongst the music we heard was ‘Vibrezi’— (a work arranged for four cellos) by Giovanni Solimma; ‘Gershwinicity’ by Ian Farrant-ton; ‘Carnival of the Animals (arranged for four pianos)’ by Saint-Saëns and ‘Tzigane’ by Ravel. The next meeting is on Tuesday 21 August when Peter will present the programme of music. We have vacancies for two members. Please contact Peter if you would like to join the group.

Peter Ellement tel. 01858 432966
Birdwatching (Thursday)
A change from our usual sort of July habitat was to go to Fermyn Woods Country Park. Birds, as expected, were few and far between but the variety of butterflies on the wing made up for that. At least twelve different species were seen with White Admiral, White-letter Hairstreak and two differently coloured Silver-washed Fritillaries the cause of much excitement as they were all new species to most of us!

Bruce White

Art History
Our next meeting is on 3rd September when we will watch a DVD about Dulwich Picture Gallery, the oldest public art gallery in Britain. The film looks at work ‘behind the scenes’ including picture restoration and the staging of exhibitions. Designed by Sir John Soane and opened to the public in 1817, the gallery is a series of interlinking rooms lit by natural light through overhead skylights. This method of illumination has influenced gallery design ever since. The gallery houses a collection of over 600 paintings, including masterpieces by Rembrandt, Rubens, Gainsborough and Canaletto. One of the paintings is listed in the Guinness Book of Records as the most frequently stolen artwork in the world. Rembrandt’s small early portrait of Jacob de Gheyn III has been stolen and recovered four times. The painting is now guarded by an upgraded security system! The DVD will be followed by a discussion and information gathered by the group.

Angela Deane

Singles Sunday Lunch Groups
On Sunday 15th July, 9 members of Group 3 met at The Royalist Pub in Market Harborough. The general consensus was that the food was good but the pub was very busy, with over 50 tables having been booked. This meant that, whilst the service was friendly and efficient, there were long periods of waiting for food to be delivered. This unfortunately meant that some of the Group had to leave before the end of the meeting for other obligations.

On Sunday 22 July, 6 members of Group 1 met at one of our favourite restaurants - The Thai Gardens in Rothwell. Everyone present had an excellent time, enjoying the food (a many course buffet) and each other’s company. For further information regarding these groups, please contact:

Jan Tilley 01858 461186

Music Appreciation (Friday)
At our July meeting we listened to a selection of the music of Hector Berlioz. Three of his Concert Overtures, were followed by a movement from his Te Deum of 1849. Our morning session ended with a performance of his Symphonie Fantastique, considered by many to be music’s first great tone poem. Please note that we shall be having our Summer Break in August, but we will be back at 19 Westfield Close on September 28th.

Geoffrey Moth

Gardens Etc:
Helmingham Hall Wednesday 15th August leave MH bus station 8.30am Return from Helmingham 4.30pm.
RHS Wisley Flower Show Sunday 9th September £20 Leave MH bus station 8.00am Return from Wisley 4.30pm.
Batsford Arboretum, Friday 12th October, £21 leave at 9am. Return from Batsford 2.30pm.
Brochures for June 2019 Northumberland holiday available at monthly meetings and from Val.

More details of these visits on our website at slu3a.org.uk/gardens-etc-august/

For more information and to book contact:
Val Cunnington 07771 996567 vcunnington@btinternet.com
Marjorie Barnfather 01858 467651 marje.b@btinternet.com
**Transport Group**
The Transport Group meets at the Little Bowden Bowls Club, Kettering Rd, Market Harborough on the first Wednesday of the month from 10am until noon. The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 5th of September. John Hammond will be presenting a talk entitled “Samuel Waite Johnson, Engineer and Artist”. New members always welcome.

*Michael Milsom 01858 419874*

**Science and Technology Group**
At our next meeting on Wednesday August 22nd John Freeland will be presenting a talk on “The Schrödinger equation”. The meeting will take place in the Ashley Room of the Congregational Church. We are a small group who share a common interest in all aspects of Science and Technology. New members are always welcome, all you have to bring to the group is a curiosity about the world today.

*Michael Milsom 01858 419874*

**Relaxation Group**
There will be no meetings in August. We begin again in September. The dates for that month are the 11th and the 25th. New members are always welcome. If interested please contact me on 01858 431579.

*Susanne Trevorrow 01858 431759*

**Understanding Spirituality**
This is a new group trying to get off the ground, hopefully starting in the Autumn. The group will be about understanding one’s self which will be achieved by meditation, information and guidance. If interested please contact me on 01858 431759.

*Susanne Trevorrow*

**SLU3A Ladies’ Choir**
We are still on our summer break but we will be restarting our meetings in September. These will be on the 11th and 25th at 10.30am. I hope you are all enjoying the beautiful weather even if it is too hot at times.

*Joy Swallow 01858 462368*

**Modern Play Reading**
The tap-dancing class in ‘Stepping Out’ (Richard Harris) somehow managed, in the end, to get it all together and bring off a performance well beyond the wildest dreams of some of its members! This month we’ll be trying to do something similar when we start a new play, and you would be very welcome to join us at 2pm in the Lounge on August 21st.

*David Hughes*

**Shakespeare for Pleasure**
We are currently reading “The Comedy of Errors” and shall then watch the DVD performance. We’re not sure where we’ll have reached by September’s meeting; give me a ring to find out or just come along to the Langton Room at 2 pm on Wednesday 5th September 2018. Please bring a copy of the play if you can. We’re a small but very welcoming group and welcome new members.

For more information, please contact me on mustelid@aol.com, 01536 760141 or just turn up!

*Ernie Parsons*

**Aspects of History**
There will be NO MEETING in August because of holidays. In September John will give us a presentation on The Holy Roman Empire. We cover a wide range of topics and welcome people on a a regular or occasional basis. Why not come along? Next meeting will now be at 2.30pm on 27 September 2018 at St Nicholas Church, Little Bowden. For further information on our small, friendly group, please contact me on mustelid@aol.com, 01536 760141 or just turn up.

*Ernie Parsons*

**Langton Lunch Clubs**
Lunch Club dates for August are Thursday 16th and Wednesday 29th. (always the third Thursday and the last Wednesday of each month) We look forward to seeing you as usual and thank you for your continuing support. If you are a regular Langton Lunch Club Diner but on occasions unable to be present, please let us know. If would like to join either or both of the Langton Lunch Clubs, please telephone Luella. We shall be delighted to see you.

*Luella Freston 01858 431248*

**Tennis**
We meet Thursdays at 10.00am at Market Harborough Tennis Club Courts in Great Bowden for friendly Mixed Doubles. New players always welcome.

*Rita Moth 01858 432275*

**Papercrafting and More**
In the past couple of months we have painted slate coasters with canal barge type images, made a gift box card thanks to a member of the group and tackled origami making small kimonos and shirts/blouses to embellish cards or gifts. New members welcome.

Please contact:

*Jan Collins 01858 462409*
Cycling
Twelve members braved the heat on the cycle ride on 6 July round part of Rutland Reservoir on one of the hottest days of the long hot summer so far. Some of the group can be seen enjoying a well earned ice cream at Normanton. The next cycle ride will take place on Friday 7 September and will be led by Sue Graves, phone 0116 279 1505. We meet at the Railway Arms, Kibworth, LE8 0LN at 10.30am to order lunch.

June Dix 01536 506876

Strollers
Thank you Toni and Mike. Your walk from Foxton was all very good: the route, the weather, the pace, the food and the company. On September 14th we meet at 10.15 for a 10.30 start at the Spread Eagle, Cottingham, LE16 8XL tel. 01536 772038. The walk is mainly in and around Cottingham and Middleton with no stiles, just kissing gates, with several slopes both up and down. The car park is on the opposite side of the road to the Spread Eagle. If you will be joining us and to book a meal ring Julia and Colin on 01858 463129 by midday on Tuesday 11th Sept. Pleased to say that we now have group members willing to organise walks up to May 2019 & have averaged 17 strollers on each outing in 2018.

Colin and Julia Ford 01858 463129

Walking Evening
The August evening walk will start at 6.30pm from Thorpe Langton on Thursday 23rd August. The walk is 3.5 miles long and starts from outside the Bakers Arms. Please park in Main Street, rather than the pub car park.

Frank Carruthers 01858 410019

Walking Half Day Third Thursday
Our next walk is on 16 August. It will be from Gumley starting at 10.00am, and will cover about 5 miles. The proposed route is north towards Saddington, across to the Grand Union Canal and back via Debdale Grange. The meeting point is the green telephone box in Main Street, Gumley. From MH you can travel via Gallow Field Road or Lubenham. If you would like to take part please let us know. New members welcome.

Alastair and Christine Willis 01858 419262

Walking Half Day Wednesday
Eddie and Edith are leading the August walk from Lubenham. Park around the Green where the walk will start from at 10:00. The walk heads towards the Foxton Locks car park then along the towpath before heading towards Marston Trussell and returning to Lubenham.

Bruce White

Walking (All Day)
The next walk, which will be led by Ian and Sharon Webb, will be on 30th August starting from the church in Beeby at 10.00am. The walk is under 9 miles in length going through South Croxton, Hungarton and passing Baggrave Hall. The pub stop will be at the Black Boy in Hungarton. The directions to Beeby are as follows: Leave Harborough on the B6047, Melton Road, to the A47. At junction turn left onto A47 and then take the first right signposted Keyham/Hungarton. At the offset crossroads turn left and then immediately right, signposted Keyham/Ingarsby. Drive passed Keyham and just after the village take the right turn signposted Beeby/Barkby. At next junction take the right turn to Beeby. We suggest parking just before the Church. As spaces are limited, please car share where possible.

Eddie and Edith Dixon Tel: 01858 468758
TRIPS

POWIS CASTLE
Welshpool, National Trust, Wednesday 5th September
Cost: NT members £18, non-members £30
A medieval castle rising above the celebrated garden. The Herbert family spent 400 years transforming the fortress into a family home. An amazing collection of paintings, sculptures, furniture and tapestries; every item has a story to tell. A garden of Italian terraces, yew hedges, and herbaceous borders. The Clive museum features 300 items from India and the far east.

Coach departs Market Harborough bus station 8.30am and from Powis at 4.30pm.
To book please ring Sue Colledge 0116 2593209 or Maryan Richardson 01858 462573

CITY OF BATH
CHANGE OF DATE - WEDNESDAY
26 SEPTEMBER 2018

Bath is a World Heritage Site and presents some of the finest architectural sights of Europe

Roman Baths - Britain's only hot spring, magnificent temple and bathing complex. An audio tour is available at £14.50

Bath Abbey - a 15th Century medieval church, the last one in England

Pulteney Bridge - one of the most beautiful bridges in the world and is one of only a handful which has shops built into it

The Royal Crescent - an elegant Georgian crescent overlooking Royal Victoria Park. Number One is a restored furnished town house

Jane Austin Centre - Bath's most famous resident

Cost of the coach is £ 17 which includes a walking tour of Bath

The coach will leave Market Harborough Bus Station at 8am
To book contact Maryan Richardson Tel - 01858 462573

More about all our trips and holidays on our website: slu3a.org.uk

INTEREST GROUPS continued

Society Today
"How can we and should we try to ensure that the NHS is properly funded?"
Our group discussed the problems very carefully.
Suggestions for progress:
1 Raising age of contributions from all members.
2 By charging even more for prescriptions.
3 Charging for food in hospitals.
4 By ring-fencing cost on medical research.
5 Charging more for new foreign residents.
6 Introducing a new special national charge for new EU immigrants.
7 By paying a ring-fenced weekly/monthly charge as needs may become clear.
8 More efficient and timely discharge of patients ready for home.

Some general points made: if at all possible receive treatment at home. Allow private companies to run some clinical residences.

The above were the main and well-discussed possibilities we offered.

Overall we were very keen to see improvements especially those promoted and fostered and even imposed by the State and centrally funded. The group's contributions were excellent.

Next meeting: Thursday, September 13.

Topic: "Consider the finer qualities of British society. Why should we be proud of being British? What future has the UK got?"

Tom Gilmore
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