



BROMBOROUGH u3a

NEWSLETTER

Sept 26

Our website address is: bromborough.u3asite.uk

Speaker Meetings - 10:30am in Bromborough Village Hall

On Sept 7th, Bromborough U3A will meet from 10.30am for our speaker meeting.

AGM – October 5th 2026. The meeting will start at 10.30 and will be in our usual hall to accommodate our numbers.

This will be followed by a buffet lunch at the Merebrook. The room will be available from 12.00. Cost to members is £5 and is on a first come first served basis. Penny will be collecting names and money to secure your place at the Sept meeting. There will be a raffle and possibly a quiz! Come along, mix and mingle and meet some of our newer members. Please support this if you can. Lifts to the Merebrook can be arranged.

Interest Groups

A reminder – if you would like to join a group please contact the leader initially.

THEATRE/CONCERT TRIPS – Anne O'Connor on 0151 334 1952

As arranged. Please contact Anne O'Connor if you are interested in joining this group.

Beginners UKULELE Group (BUG) – Jane Kemp – 3281284

Meeting on the 2nd Friday of the month at 2pm in members' homes. Please contact Jane for further details.

COFFEE 'MORNING' –

Meeting Tuesdays at The Merebrook pub, **2pm**. Don't forget to register your car details if you use the car park.

KNITTING/CROCHET - Lindsay - 0151 327 4879 or 07969 226 185.

Any prospective new members please contact Lindsay

FRENCH (GCSE Level) – Diana Selmer – 0151 327 5093

The group meets once a fortnight on Wednesday mornings on Zoom, starting at 9.30 am. If anyone is interested in joining, please contact Diana.

LOCAL HISTORY – Jim Tunley – 327 7413.

Jim will announce details of the next trip when available.

LUNCHEON CLUB – Irene Crowder – 334 6684

Contact Irene about future meals.

QUIZ GROUP – Chris Kellett – 07719 103 929

The group meets on the second **Monday** in the month at 2pm.

RUMMIKUB – Penny MacDonald – 07791 286 972

Please contact Penny for details.

SINGING FOR PLEASURE – Jane Kemp – 328 1284

We usually meet on the last Friday of the month in St Barnabas Village Centre, 2pm.

WALKING – Denis Toohey – 0151 343 1555 – denroamin@gmail.com Look out for an email about future walks.

We are always happy to include new interest groups so if you have any ideas speak to me or anyone on the committee.

One-off Events

Until 1st November Lady Lever Art Gallery is displaying 'Crafting, a Lagacy', showcasing the work of May Morris.

Wednesday 2 September at Bridge Inn, Port Sunlight 10.30 am - midday. Singing Café. Refreshments. Free.

Tuesday 8 September at Bebington Library 2.30 -3.30 pm a talk by Anthony Anakin Smith on Parkgate, Port and Resort. Ticket essential @ £4 including refreshments.

Saturday 12 September at National Waterways Museum, Ellesmere Port 10.00 am - 4 pm, free entry Open Day. No need to book.

Saturday 12 September at Port Sunlight Museum, 12, King Georges Drive 10 am -4 pm, free entry Open Day. No need to book.

Friday 18 September at Victoria Hall, Bebington 7.30 pm -10 pm Swan Movie Makers Film Night. Free admission, booking essential. Tel. 0151 608 1527.

Saturday 19 September Eastham Victorian Pleasure Gardens 1 mile guided walk. 11 am - 12.30 pm. Booking essential. Contact David Mottram dr.mottram@btinternet.com

Wednesday 23 September Wirral Age U.K. Coach Trip to Shrewsbury departs outside The Royal Oak, Bromborough at 9.30 am and departs Shrewsbury at 4.30 pm. Cost £28 with non refundable deposit of £10 required at time of booking. Tel. 0151 4823 456 Option 3 a.s.a.p.

Tuesday 29 September at Eastham Library 2.30 - 3.30 pm, a talk by Dr Hilary Ash on New Ferry Butterfly Park. Cost £2, booking essential.

Remember, if **you** have news to include in the monthly newsletter, please pass it to me by the 3rd Wednesday of each month.

Chris Kellett – 07719 103 929 or 0151 327 8286 or Christinekellett@sky.com

September

A month that has seen many changes! As its name implies, it was once the seventh month, but when 2 more months, January and February, were added to the calendar in 451 BC, it moved to number nine. It originally had 29 days, but this became 30 in 46 BC when Julius Caesar reformed the calendar and added 1 more day. Then, in 1752 another calendar reform saw September 'lose' 11 days between 2nd and 14th! This was when we changed from the Julian calendar to the Gregorian to bring us in line with most European countries. The Act of Parliament also made 1st Jan New Year's Day, moving it from 1st March. The changes caused problems in contracts, bill and wage payments etc and caused general disquiet with some people claiming they had been robbed of those 11 days.

1st Sept 1939 – Hitler invaded Poland, leading to WWII

2nd Sept 1666 – Great Fire of London broke out in Pudding Lane. Despite the destruction, reportedly only 6 people died.

11th Sept 2001 – Worst terrorist attack on USA soil when 4 planes were hijacked and used to attack various sites including the Pentagon and the World Trade Centre.

17th Sept 1787 – USA constitution adopted

30th 1955 Actor James Dean died in a car crash aged just 24. Rebel without a Cause was his most well-known film.

On a happier note - The birthstone for September is sapphire, a precious gemstone known for its rich blue hues (although other colours are available), durability, and symbolic meanings of wisdom, loyalty, and protection. It is the second hardest gemstone, behind diamond and is used to celebrate 45 years of marriage.