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Radcliffe on Trent NEWS SHEET

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Members Monthly Meetings are held in the Grange : DOORS OPEN AT 2:00pm :
Announcements are made at 2:30pm & Guest Speaker at 2:45pm

YOUR GIFT AID DECLARATIONS

A big thank you to all U3A members who completed the Gift Aid Declaration when renewing their Annual Subscriptions

The Treasurer is happy to report that HM Revenue & Customs Department have reimbursed us by the sum of £1,423.00. This helps your Committee to continue to maintain our subscriptions at the present level.

BROADWAY CINEMA NOTTINGHAM

If you present your U3A card at the Silver Screen showings on Thursdays each week, you pay £3.50 instead of £5, and this includes tea/coffee and biscuits.

Anne McLeod

NEXT MONTHLY MEETING

Our guest speaker will be Carol Hinds talking about her work at the BBC.

Carol Hinds

On THURSDAY 7th SEPTEMBER
2017 at Grange Hall, Radcliffe on
Trent at 2:00pm

SEPTEMBER'S NEWSLETTER

Please send your news, articles and photos for inclusion in our next issue to
news@rot-u3a.org.uk
by Thursday August 24th

OUR WEB PAGE

We have over forty interest groups in the Radcliffe on Trent U3A covering subjects from "Art" to "Wine". See the full list on our Website at
www.rot-u3a.org.uk

**There is no members
monthly meeting in
AUGUST when most of
the U3A have their
Summer break**

Check with your Group Leader if you are unsure that your interest group is still meeting or not

CLASSICAL MUSIC APPRECIATION GROUP

We will be taking a break during *July* and *August*. The next meeting, therefore, will be on Thursday **21st September** from **10.30 to 12.30** in the Dowson Room at the Grange. £1.50 per head, free tea/coffee/biscuits. New members welcomed.

For further details contact
Joyce Bullimore
joyce@bullimore.f9.co.uk

There is no NEWS SHEET in August

This Newsheet is intended to give all U3A members an opportunity to submit articles and photographs.

So if you have anything that you think is of relevance and interest to our members please send them to:-

news@rot-u3a.org.uk

...by 24th August for the September Issue

THANK YOU

FILM APPRECIATION GROUP

At our June meeting we reviewed 'The Journey'. This is the fictional account of a long car ride engineered by the British security forces during the 1998 Northern Ireland peace negotiations, throwing implacable enemies Martin McGuinness and Ian Paisley together in the back seat in an attempt to break the ice. How these two managed to even speak to each other, let alone go on to forge an enduring partnership, has rich potential for a story, but was this it? The Group's high marks suggested it was, not least due to the excellent portrayals by Timothy Spall (Paisley) and Colm Meaney (McGuinness)

The Troubles; the harsh treatment of the Catholic minority by the Unionist establishment, the IRA terrorist backlash and the subsequent escalation, provided wide ranging material for the discourse. Discussion Group eat your heart out!

When the Next Newsheet comes out in September we will have viewed and reviewed in June the film 'My Cousin Rachel'... 'a dark tale of passion'. which showed at the Broadway

Our first meeting of the new season will be on Monday 25th September at 2.00 in the Manvers and I will advise members of the film to see .

Group Leader David Richards. tel 07817 660659



ST CUTHBERT'S WAY

TASTER

The end of May saw 9 intrepid souls (+ 2 dogs) on a 4 day taster session for the September longer distance walk, based in the Losehill YHA at Castleton. Mixed weather followed (as always) as shown in the photos. Damp, heat and some steep up/down hills were successfully undertaken, with all finishing exhilarated and ready for a long sleep back home. Thanks to Derek for the organization.

George Smith

Photo's:-

< On the way to Greenlands Farm

< Climbing up Chapel Gate Track

< On top of Mam Tor

GEOLOGY & ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES GROUP

Our last meeting, on Tuesday 13th June, attended by 24 members, comprised a visit to the newly installed "Green Energy" anaerobic digester plant near the A46 at Cropwell Bishop. This plant produces methane rich Biogas in the three large green vats, from a feed of both farmed crops such as silage and maize, and biological waste such as turkey manure. This feed with additional warm water and seeded with certain bacteria undergoes chemical reactions which break down the biological fraction by stages releasing large volumes of methane (CH4) and carbon dioxide (CO2). The cleaned gas produced then fuels two large generators with a total electrical output of 1 megawatt which is fed into the national grid. The solids remaining (digestate) are separated and returned to the fields as fertilizer. We therefore learnt that the presence of the plant serves both as a producer of Green Energy and a useful agricultural byproduct.

We would like to thank CEO Russell and Farm Manager Jonathon for a very enlightening glimpse at a form of alternative energy production relatively little known compared with Solar and Wind

<http://www.bgs.ac.uk/news/events/openday>

From martinclarke@live.co.uk (Group Leader)

Our next meet, on Tuesday 18th July, is a day geological visit to the Castleford, Blue John and Mam Tor area of Derbyshire, under the direction of Bob Addison. one of our several ex BGS members.

KNIT & NATTER GROUP

We next meet on 12th September . In the meantime, please resume making baby hats to the original pattern, making sure to leave gap of at least one and a half inches in the seam - for feeding tubes.