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Until further notice Members' monthly meetings, usually held in the Grange Hall on the first Thursday of each month are suspended .

VICE CHAIRMAN'S MESSAGE

Not a good way to start our new U3A year!

I occasionally meet people who haven't heard of the U3A and I offer the explanation that it is a Youth Club for geriatrics - a bit unfair on our younger members but you get the point!

Well - Boris has now recommended that we all avoid unnecessary attendance at gathering of more than a few people and limit face to face contact wherever possible. He emphasised that those particularly at risk included the over 70s - that means most of our members.

Both Jan and I are over 70 and we are taking sensible precautions - not strictly self isolating just keeping ourselves to our selves as far as reasonably possible. - I urge you all to do the same. However, please don't forget your friends and neighbours particularly those who live alone and might need a helping hand collecting shopping, prescriptions etc. You can always help so long as you are not displaying the symptoms of the virus.

You will have been advised that the April meeting has been cancelled and there is a good chance that we will need to cancel further meetings if the virus gets worse as it is predicted to do. We will keep you informed by e-mail, the website (rot-u3a.org.uk) and, where necessary , word of mouth.

In the meantime stay healthy, stay safe
See you soon

John

DUE TO THE GOVERNMENTS ADVICE TO THE ELDERLY ALL U3A GROUP MEETINGS WILL BE CANCELLED.

CHECK WITH YOUR GROUP LEADER FOR EXCEPTIONS TO THIS EG., FOR THOSE MEMBERS WHO DO NOT HAVE TO SELF-ISOLATE AT HOME OR SOCIAL DISTANCE THEMSELVES.

FILM APPRECIATION GROUP - "MR. JONES"

What is Truth? What justified the Soviets starving 10 million Ukrainians to death in the 1930's? Why weren't we, aren't we, aware of this appalling Soviet atrocity? Why did the West turn a blind eye? Even today, why is 'Mr Jones' being shown on such a restricted circuit? Can we trust our leaders now or is it plus ca change? Do we care? All these issues arose at the February meeting as we unpicked 'Mr Jones'; the expose by journalist Gareth which was the subject of this harrowing film.

Naturally, your eloquent Film Group, having debated at length answered all these questions. (Discussion Group eat your heart out.) Of the film itself we ignored trivial matters of historical veracity in the story line and marked this film highly for drama and technique, as usual ignoring any less knowledgeable professional criticism.

Our film choice for March was, 'The Truth', full of 'endless emotional insight'

David Richards Film Appreciation Group Leader Tel: **07817 660 659**

IMPORTANT NOTICE

THE MEMBER'S U3A NEWSHEET WILL CONTINUE TO BE PUBLISHED MONTHLY ON-LINE TO KEEP MEMBERS INFORMED OF WHAT IS HAPPENING

MAY'S NEWSHEET DEADLINE

Please send your news, articles and photos by **23rd APRIL** to our new email address which is

radcliffeu3a.news@gmail.com

Thank you *Editorial Team*

KNIT & NATTER GROUP

The Queens Medical Centre has advised us that they have enough ventilator hats (so please stop knitting them!) and are now needing tiny cardigans for premature babies. A pattern is available. Contact me

Jan Addiscott, Group Leader

NOTE FROM THE EDITORS

All our members love to know about stuff, so in the months ahead lets keep each other informed on any matters of interest

please send your items and pics to:

radcliffeu3a.news@gmail.com

TRIPS AND OUTINGS

Please note the Trips & Outings for this year are:-

Thurs May 21 Burghley House

Weds June 24 Kilworth Theatre

Tues July 14 Bomber Command, Lincoln.

Tues Aug 4 Hanwell Estate Vineyard.

Tues Oct 13 Jorvik Museum, York .

Mon Nov 23 Doddington Hall Xmas Lunch.

Due to present circumstances we are not selling any tickets. If & when the situation changes we will make the necessary arrangements & inform everyone accordingly.

If you would like further information on any of the trips please contact

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