

## Arts, Crafts and Minds



### DRAMA GROUP Mondays

1.00pm to 3.00pm

**POLLY BOWLS**

10 Unwin Rd, Sutton-in-Ashfield NG17 4HN

**Group Leader Peter Dowdle**  
Tel 01623 455696

### BOARD GAMES

4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday 10am

**POLLY BOWLS**

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Come along and challenge those brain cells.

**Group Leader: Jenny North**  
Tel: 01623 441402

CRAFT GROUP (Knit and Natter) 1<sup>st</sup>, 3<sup>rd</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> Fridays

10.00am

TEVERSAL VISITOR CENTRE  
Carnarvon Street, Teversal,  
NG17 3HJ.

We try a variety of crafts and welcome new members

**Contact: Pam Shaw on Tel:**  
01623 469010 or 07713 570457

### LADIES COFFEE MORNING GROUP

2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday 10.00am

Rumbles, Sutton Lawn

**Group Leader Mary Fenton**  
Tel 01623 478227

### KINGS CARDS – Mondays

9.30am to 12 noon

**POLLY BOWLS** 10 Unwin Road  
Sutton-in-Ashfield NG17 4HN

**Group Leaders: Leaders**  
**Andrea Westwood** Tel: 07990  
034961 and **Mick Winterton**  
Tel: 07854 415482.

**CURRENTLY FULL**

### DISCUSSION GROUP 1

4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

approx. 2 till 4pm in members' homes. Due to space constraints this group is currently full.

**Group Leader Len Thomas**  
Tel: Home 01623 451763  
Mobile:07949 802446

### ART GROUP

2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday

1.30pm to 3.30pm

TEVERSAL VISITOR CENTRE  
Carnarvon Street, Teversal,  
NG17 3HJ.

**Group Leader Val Goddard**  
Tel: 07881 203047

### PHILOSOPHY GROUP

First Tuesday 10.00am

at Group Leader's home  
Discuss points raised after  
watching and listening to  
programmes.

**GROUP IS CURRENTLY FULL.**  
**Group Leader John Barsby**  
Tel 01623439803

## Dining Out

### PUB LUNCHEON GROUP

23<sup>rd</sup> June 12 for 12-30pm

**Junction Pub**

Sutton in Ashfield

**Contact Mick Winterton**  
**Group Leader: David Keward**  
Tel: Home 01623 629771  
mobile 07715 358111

### AFTERNOON TEA GROUP

**June Dining**

**change of venue to be confirmed at the main meeting**

**Group Leader: Ann Bulmer**  
Tel: 01623 440725

### INTERNATIONAL DINING GROUP

**NEXT DINING Wednesday**

8<sup>th</sup> July 6.15pm for 6.30pm

**Curry Lounge Indian Restaurant**

Market Place Nottingham Road,  
Somercotes DR55 4HT  
**Contact: Avril Dowdle 01623455696**  
**Contact Temporary Group Leader**  
Peter Creek Tel: 07531631115

### FISH FRIDAY

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday of the month

**Larch Farm 12 noon**

**2, Mansfield Road,  
Ravenshead, Notts NG15 9HA**

**Group Leader: Sandra Lee**  
Tel: 01623 471087 or  
07941 685789

### GRUMPY OLD MEN

Tuesday 14<sup>th</sup> July 9.30am

**Acacia Centre Annesley  
NG17 9BH**

**Group Leader: Steve Shaw**  
Tel: 01623 469010

### SINGLES SUNDAY LUNCH GROUP

**No Singles Sunday Lunches  
in June and July – back in  
August**

**Contact Group Leader Kevin  
Parnham Tel: 07815 669258,**



### u3a Festival in Sherwood Forest

Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> June

10.30am to 3.00pm

Visitor Centre Edwinstowe . Free event,  
music, entertainment, games, walks.

Bring your own picnic

*See website for more details*

### Christmas Lunch at the Hostess Restaurant

Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup>

December 2026

£23.00 Deposit £5.00

Contact Avril Dowdle

### Last Night of the Proms Hostess Restaurant Saturday 7<sup>th</sup> November

### New Group

#### Function at the Junction

Third Saturday of the month from 7.30pm

**Junction Pub, Newark Road, Sutton in Ashfield**

*A social night to meet up initially for a drink but  
maybe food in the future*

**First evening Saturday 20th June**

Contact Mick Winterton

*If you would like to email a group leader, please visit the relevant  
group page on the website where you will find the option to email. The  
email will only go to the group leader and is not visible to anyone else*

### FRENCH LANGUAGE GROUP

3rd Wednesday of the month

1.30pm Teversal Visitor Centre

Carnarvon Street, Teversal, NG17 3HJ

Group Leader Val Goddard Tel: 07881 203047



### SNOOKER GROUP 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday

2 pm to 4pm Triple S, Skegby

Equipment provided

An annual £5 membership of Triple S is required.

Group Leader: Mick Winterton Tel 07854 415482

### CROQUET GROUP – (May to September)

Mondays 10am – 12 noon

at **Pretty Polly** Bowls Club, Unwin Road,  
Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 4HN.

Group Leader Mary Fenton Tel 01623 478227



### DISCUSSION GROUP 2

2<sup>nd</sup> TUESDAY OF THE MONTH 2.00pm

**Duke of Sussex**, (in the back room)

Alfreton Road, Sutton in Ashfield NG17 1JN

Group Leader: Wanda Maciuszka Tel: 07939 637257

Wanda will be supported by Ann Villier

### Yesteryears Group

3<sup>rd</sup> Tuesday of the month

1.30pm to 3.30pm

**Polly Bowls Club NG174HN**

Group Leaders

Joan Webster Tel: 07954 784959.

Lorraine Whitehead Tel: 07790820357





# Keeping Active



**TEN PIN BOWLING** - 1<sup>st</sup> Friday 1.15pm for 1.30pm start. **Mansfield Super Bowl**, Stockwell Gate, Mansfield. NG18 1LG. MEMBERS PAY £9.50 for two games, shoe hire and coffee/tea  
**Group Leader: Bernard Jeffries Tel 07747 397350**



**WALKING GROUP** 1<sup>st</sup> Wednesday

**Next Walk: Wednesday 1<sup>st</sup> July**

**Casa Hotel Chesterfield S41 7JB**

**10.15am for 10.30am start**

Drive a short distance to Tapton Grange  
 4 miles (approx) Fields ponds and woods

Food afterwards: Casa Hotel **Group Leader:**  
**Ron Hicken Tel: 01623 439293 or 07871 796444**



**TABLE TENNIS GROUP** 1<sup>st</sup> Tuesday 2.30pm

**Festival Hall Kirkby in Ashfield NG17 7DJ**

Equipment Supplied – Cost £2.00

**Group Leader: Avril Dowdle Tel: 01623 455696**

**OUTDOOR BOWLS - 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Friday**

1.30pm to 3.30pm at **Pretty Polly Bowls Club**,  
 Unwin Road, Sutton in Ashfield, NG17 4HN. Cost  
 £1.50 including tea and biscuits. New members  
 always welcome.

**Group Leader: June Hall Tel: 07976 637601**

**STROLLERS GROUP**, 4<sup>th</sup> Thursday

The next stroll Thursday 25<sup>th</sup> June, 10.30 am at

**Brierley Forest Car Park NG17 2PL**

Drinks in café afterwards. Ron and Glenice  
 Payton will be leading the stroll Contact 07743  
 611509 or 01623 552315

**Group Leader Gill Hefford Tel: 07717 628879**

Please wear sensible footwear



## GROUPS TIMETABLE

Day	1 <sup>st</sup> in the Month	2 <sup>nd</sup> in the Month	3 <sup>rd</sup> in the Month	4 <sup>th</sup> in the Month	5 <sup>th</sup> in the Month
<b>M O N D A Y</b>	<b>Kings Cards</b> 9.30am <b>Drama</b> 1.00pm <b>Croquet</b> 10am <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Kings Cards</b> 9.30am <b>Drama</b> 1.00pm <b>Croquet</b> 10am <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Kings Cards</b> 9.30am <b>Drama</b> 1.00pm <b>Croquet</b> 10am <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Kings Cards</b> 9.30am <b>Drama</b> 1.00pm <b>Croquet</b> 10am <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Kings Cards</b> 9.30am <b>Drama</b> 1.00pm <b>Croquet</b> 10am <i>Summer only</i>
<b>T U E S</b>	<b>Philosophy</b> 10am  <b>Table Tennis</b> 2.30pm  <b>Snooker</b> 2.00pm	<b>Grumpy Old Men</b> 9.30am <b>Ladies Coffee Morning Group</b> 10.00am <b>Discussion Group 2</b> 2.00pm	<b>Snooker</b> 2.00pm  <b>Yesteryears</b> 1.30pm	<b>Luncheon Group</b> 12.30pm	
<b>W E D S</b>	<b>Walking Group</b> 10.15am	<b>International Dining Art Group</b> 1.30pm	<b>French Language</b> 1.30pm	<b>Board Games</b> 10am <b>Art Group</b> 1.30pm	
<b>T H U R S</b>	<b>U3A Committee Meeting</b>	<b>U3A General Meeting</b> 10.00am	<b>Afternoon Tea Group</b>	<b>Strollers</b> 10.30am  <b>Discussion 1 Group</b> 2pm	
<b>F R I D A Y</b>	<b>Craft Group</b> 10am <b>Ten Pin Bowling</b> 1.30pm	<b>Indoor Bowls</b> 1.30pm <i>Winter only</i> <b>Lawn Bowls</b> <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Craft Group</b> 10am  <b>Fish Friday</b>	<b>Indoor Bowls</b> 1.30pm <i>Winter only</i> <b>Lawn Bowls</b> <i>Summer only</i>	<b>Craft Group</b> 10am

**Singles Sunday Lunch Group**  
 Last Sunday of the month

### SUPPORTING MARY'S MEAL CHARITY

There will be a box at the front of the room to collect foreign, obsolete or pre-decimal or obsolete coins or notes for the charity.

## Committee Members 2026-2027



Kevin Parnham	Chair	07815 669258	01623 555321
Liz Matthews	Treasurer	07504 901832	01623 459117
Mick Winterton	Business Secretary	07854 415482	01623 451758
June Hall	Groups Co-ordinator	07976 637601	01623 559808
June Hall	Vice Chair	07976 637601	01623 559808
Mary Fenton	Social Secretary	01623 478227	
Bernard Jeffries	Membership Secretary	07747 397350	01623 610316
Gill Hefford	Minutes Secretary	07717 628879	01623 407701
Jackie Brookes	Committee Member	07904 647791	



## Read the small print



**PAYMENT FOR MEALS** If you have booked a meal and not let the Group Leader know personally that you cannot turn up, **YOU MUST PAY** for the meal if the restaurant charges for it.

**NO REFUNDS POLICY** – When you pay for tickets for events or meals and are unable to go it is your responsibility to sell them to another member as **no refunds will be given** but check to see if there is a waiting list first.

**Always inform your group leader personally if unable to attend**

**NEWSLETTER AND WEBSITE** Newsletter and website items to Steve Shaw email: [s59shaw@ntlworld.com](mailto:s59shaw@ntlworld.com) – Closing date for articles is the last day of the month. *Any members wishing to submit articles for publishing must get approval through the committee.*

**BOOK STALL** Please support the book stall as profits help support and subsidise U3A activities. Because of the number of books and limited storage, help is required. Please take a bag of books home with you.

**\*\*PHOTOS\*\*** Photographs are taken from time to time at U3A for newsletter, website or facebook pages. If members do not want to be in these photos, it is their responsibility to remove themselves before they are taken.

## Sutton in Ashfield u3a The Third Age Trust

## June 2026 Newsletter



Website address - [suttoninashfield.u3asite.uk](http://suttoninashfield.u3asite.uk)

It's been a bit warm recently – have you kept cool? That's one thing about England, our weather is not always predictable and that's the thing about getting older, life is not always predictable. A sudden change of circumstances can have major effects on or routines. Remaining positive is great, having good family and friends networks also very important. A good friends network is what our u3a offers – people who really care and are generous in support - something I recently experienced. As we move into summer it is important to enjoy the weather, get active and keep fit. Why not try our outdoor activity groups: Walking, Strolling, Croquet, Bowls or Outings. If not, what about Afternoon Tea? Many thanks to Peter, Avril and the Pie ladies for another successful quiz night. Don't forget the Festival in Sherwood Forest on June 17<sup>th</sup> – Gosh it's all happening so get involved.

**Our next meeting  
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> July**

10.00am to 12 noon at Mansfield  
Hosiery Mills Sports and Social Club,  
The Fieldings, NG17 2TF

**Our Guest Speaker  
Dave Coleman  
A Pitman's Story**

### OUR GROUPS

Afternoon Tea  
Art  
Board Games  
Croquet  
Craft  
Discussion 1  
Discussion 2  
Drama  
Fish Friday  
French Language  
Grumpy Old Men  
Outdoor Bowls  
International Dining  
Kings Cards  
Ladies Coffee  
Morning  
Philosophy  
Pub Luncheon  
Singles Sunday Lunch  
Snooker  
Strollers  
Table Tennis  
Ten Pin Bowling  
Walking  
Yesteryears

**Our Guest Speaker  
Roger Prescott  
Juke Box Jury**