

Monthly Newsletter

January 2025

Friday 3rd January. Please note that there will be NO Coffee Morning because the venue is not available to us.

Friday 10th January. General meeting 2 – 4 pm at The Frank Hutchings Hall, Speaker Dr Tony Hersh on “A day in the life of a Magistrate”. Tea, biscuits, raffle, book and jigsaw swap tables and an opportunity to have a chat. Members free.

Friday 10th January 2:30 by Zoom. TVN have organised a talk on “Walls have Ears” by Dr Helen Fry. This is about 'Secret Listeners' who worked at secret eavesdropping sites operated by British Intelligence in WWII. The cost is £2 and tickets must be booked via the TVN website <https://u3atvnetwork.org.uk/> by 7th January.

News from Groups

Newbury u3a have no chess group and, you may remember, that ours was struggling for numbers. The good links between the two u3as means that a solution has been found for both these concerns. Our group has been boosted by welcoming some members from Newbury u3a.

Opportunities for trips and holidays

Monday 23rd June – Friday 27th June 2025 Tour by coach to France, Germany and Luxembourg. Based by the Moselle River. Cost starts at £890. Contact Lynda Mead of Tadley u3a for more details.

October 2025. A day trip to Cardiff to tour the BBC studios. These are the only television studios open to the public. There will be time to visit Cardiff city centre too. Cost approximately £35. This is a trip being organised by Tadley u3a. They may be able to pick up in Thatcham. Contact Lynda Mead on 07941275852 or meadlinda1@aol.com

News from Your Executive

Our next meeting is on Saturday 18th January. Please contact Ann Dibble on 01635 865976 or akdibble@tinyonline.co.uk , before this date, if you are interested in volunteering your services. Remember, I asked you to give it some thought in the last newsletter! You could be volunteering to serve on the Executive or in some other capacity. All support is welcomed.

On the agenda at the next Executive Meeting will be the Speaker Coordinator position. We will also review the General Meeting refreshment rota. If you have

views on either of these things, please voice them. It may be time to think of a different way of doing things.

Christmas

This newsletter will be published during the festive season. Have a peaceful and happy break from the usual routine.

Please send copy for the February News to akdibble@tinyonline.co.uk by 21st January. Items received after this date will be saved for the March News.
