

3R's Bulletin August 2019

THE '3R's' MEMBERS' MEETING

St. John the Baptist Church

Tuesday 13th August 2019 from 2pm onwards

Not renewed yet?

See Di, Jenny Moira and Paul and the membership team in the St Johns Rooms from **1.45 pm onwards** where you can renew your membership. Please print the attached form and bring it with you. Please remember: You will need your 2019-20 membership card before you can sign up for any groups in the church.

Ready to sign up for your 2019-20 groups?

If you have already renewed then meet in the church at **2pm** as usual. Please don't arrive any earlier as the group contacts will still be setting up.

Are there any new groups?

Yes....several. See Linda Doyle, in the church, who has all the details and the sign-up sheets.

<u>WW2 Group:</u> 2020 is the 75th anniversary of VE day. How should Meopham U3A mark this occasion? Please come along to an inaugural meeting and share your ideas.

<u>Fitness for Fun</u>: a group for those who want some gentle exercise. It will be held at Meopham Leisure centre and a small cost for room hire will be involved.

<u>Music Ensemble</u>: Do you play a musical instrument? Can you read music? Would you like the opportunity to play with others? It doesn't matter if you haven't played for a while, this could be the group for you - all abilities welcome.

<u>Patchwork beginners</u>: a group for those who would like to try small patchwork projects and learn the basics.

Tech Makers: a new IT group

Windmill group: This will start in September

<u>Science Discussion Group</u>: If you enjoyed the recent monthly meeting with Rodney and would like to take your interest further then this is the group for you.

<u>Yoga</u>: seeking interest from beginners and the more experienced. There would be a small charge for room hire.

What about groups that are "FULL"

We do everything to avoid waiting lists so there will be sign-up sheets for the following additional groups. Once there are sufficient members to make a new group viable you will be notified, and an inaugural meeting will be arranged.

Art Appreciation 2

Bridge -beginners

Evening Current Affairs 2

History 2

Mah Jong 2

Money Matters 2

Music for Pleasure 2

Still can't see the group you are interested in?

There will be a sign-up sheet on the New Groups table. If you add your suggestion there it will be advertised as seeking interest in September and once it is viable, the Groups' team will help to get the group up and running.

Can't make the 3'Rs meeting?

You can re-join by post enclosing a SAE and then sign up for your new groups via the website from August 15th onwards.

What next?

Many groups will have a planning meeting during late August/September 2019 when the members meet together to organise the programme for the following year. This is your chance to make suggestions and to become an active and enthusiastic part of the group. Please make sure you note down the date, time and venue of the first meeting of your 2019-20 groups and make every effort to get along. This is really important for groups that "go out" like Garden Visits or National Trust as these groups rely on individual members (or pairs) to offer to research and then arrange one of the monthly visits over the course of the year.

Please be aware that any member who has not renewed on or before the 31st August will have their membership deemed to be lapsed and so will not be able to attend any groups in September or beyond.

NOT REJOINING MEOPHAM U3A?

We are sorry to see you go but if you have decided not to re-join, please drop a quick email to our membership secretary at u3ameopmemsec@gmail.com and then she will know not to send you any more reminders. Thank you.