



Extra Bulletin 9

On Tuesday we should have been at St. Johns for our VE Anniversary Members Meeting. Many members were involved in the planning and organisation of the celebration and special thanks should go to Steve Martin, Elaine Dove, Roly Gagg, David Burkitt and members of both our singing groups for their efforts. Sadly, as you will be very well aware, this meeting won't be held and the moment has possibly passed.

It seems appropriate however to share the reminiscences of just one of our members with you all.

"In 1945 I was 15 years old and living at Caterham in Surrey. I'll go back a little first of all just so as to give you some context. My father served in the Great War and was in the Home Guard in the last one. Just like 'Dad's Army' he had an equivalent to Corporal Jones in his lot and we did get an occasional packet of sausages!

This was my VE Day....

We listened daily to all the news bulletins on the wireless, and suddenly the war was OVER. The 8th of May was a holiday for everyone – so exciting – but what should we do? Where should we go?

My Dad and I went into London, because everything must be happening there.

We took the train to Charing Cross in the morning, turned left past Lyon's Corner House and into Trafalgar Square. It was full of people, singing and dancing with each other: servicemen throwing their caps in the air – groups singing and dancing 'The Lambeth Walk'. We joined in.

After a while there was a movement of people up the Mall and we joined the throng, all running along, with the soldiers next to me belting out 'Run Rabbit Run'. We knew the words and ran and sang along too.

We reached the Palace hoping someone would come out onto the balcony; but it was too early in the day. It didn't matter though....

Slowly we went home – happy – we had been with hundreds of people, all of us feeling together an immense sense of relief and joy.

It was unforgettable."

Sheila Hochstrasser

FRIENDS AGAINST SCAMS SESSIONS

The National U3A is delighted to offer a brand new series of free learning sessions on a variety of topics in association with experts from NatWest. Experts from NatWest, Royal Bank of Scotland and Ulster Bank will update you on the latest coronavirus scams and how to protect yourself from fraud. The sessions will be hosted by a Community Banker and are open to anyone who would like to know more about how to keep themselves safe from fraud and scams.

How the sessions will work

Sessions will be held by region, using video conferencing and we are asking you to **register your interest by region**. We will then send you the joining details for a session in your region. We are limited by the number of people who can join each one and so if the session is full up we will **hold additional sessions** in the following weeks to ensure that everybody is able to take part.

Please note your details will not be passed to NatWest at any time.

Sessions will take place at the following times:

12th May 10:30am – 11:30am for members of U3As in the South East:

Register your interest here for the 12th May or another sessions if that is full.

<https://www.eventbrite.co.uk/e/friends-against-scams-south-and-midlands-12th-may-registration-104321267720>

MU3A ZOOM QUIZ NIGHT

The weekly quizzes have proved to be very popular with many members. It has been suggested that we organise a quiz via Zoom and we have a potential quiz master. Would you be interested in giving it a go? Tips and suggestion welcome.

Please email crdcu3a@gmail.com to register your interest and we will see how it goes.

OPEN UNIVERSITY FREE ON LINE COURSES

Some of you may have done Futurelearn courses online but did you know the Open University also do free courses too.

Go to <https://www.open.edu/openlearn/free-courses/full-catalogue> to see what is on offer. They range from a commitment of a couple of hours to up to 20 hours of study over a number of weeks and are set at a number of different levels, introductory, intermediate and advanced. There are courses on music, literature, languages and art.

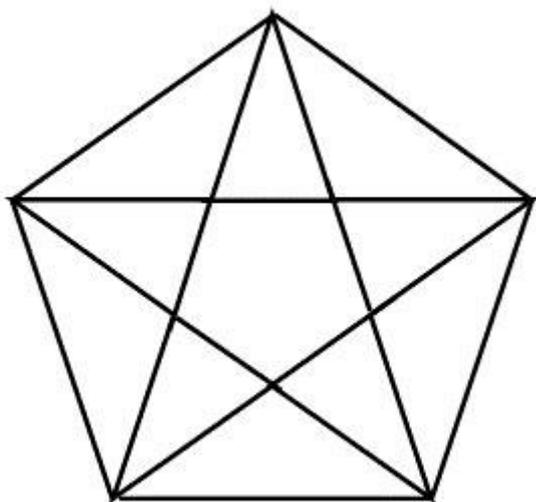
Cobham Landscape Detectives

Many thanks to Sue Bennett for passing this booklet – as attached – about archaeological discoveries that have been made just down the road in Cobham. The download hasn't been entirely successful but please persevere beyond the first couple of pages and it does improve! Hard copies will eventually be available.

Those involved say "We want you to read this booklet and feel inspired to get involved, go outdoors and explore the landscape for yourselves!" In the meantime this will help you to make some plans locally.

Maths Questions Week Five

1. Fiona leaves home at 8:30 am on Monday. She averages 60 mph from the time she leaves home until she stops for lunch at 12:00 am. She has travelled $\frac{3}{5}$ of the way to her destination. After a 30-minute lunch break, she continues her journey at a slower average rate of 40 mph due to unfavourable weather conditions. What time does she reach her destination?
2. How many triangles of any size are in the following diagrams?



3. I have a box without a lid with dimensions $5 \times 5 \times 5$. I place 125 cubes of unit size in it. How many of these cubes have just one face touching the box?
4. In the right angled triangle below AM bisects the angle at A and meets the side BC at M with $BM = 1$ cm and $MC = 2$ cms. What is the length of AM?

