

# MARPLE & DISTRICT

# u3a

## NEWSLETTER September 24

Hello again,

### **First things first - Library car park closure.**

#### **Marple Library update – Ken Else.**

Marple library will close in early September and be re-sited to the scouts building with limited opening hours. From early October the Memorial Car Park will close which will have a huge impact on our members attending the monthly meeting. This all to accommodate building the Community Hub. Now I know many people take advantage of the free parking at ASDA, but in fairness to other residents, if possible, could you use the main car park near the Carver Theatre. One advantage of doing so is it will give you an early brisk walk in the September rain and get the old heart pumping in readiness for the meeting.

For those unfamiliar with the meeting times and dates, they are normally held on the second Monday of the month and start at 10:00 am and are usually over by 12:00.

The problem is that it might mean that members overstay the two-hour period of grace that ASDA allow for free parking.

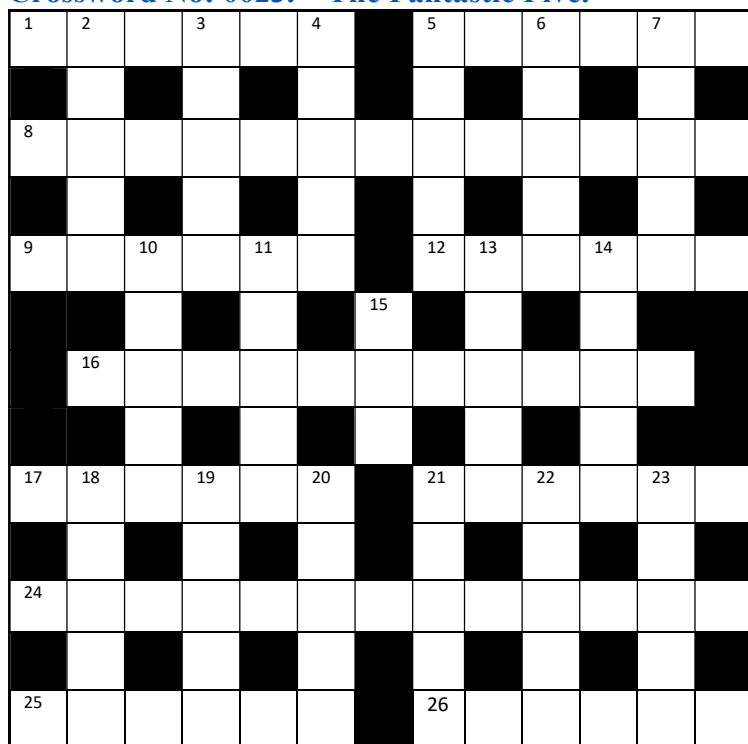
This month's meeting is on Monday the 9<sup>th</sup> of September.



*Photos by Colin Hughes*

In this month's issue we have the usual brain teaser from the Fantastic Five in the form of Crossword No. 0023. Check out the trips group opportunities this month. There may be places (I really don't know) on the Blackpool trip and there are trips to Arley Hall, Portland Basin and Rochdale Town in here too. Also, the jazz concert program at High Lane Conservative Club is still ongoing.

**Crossword No: 0023. – The Fantastic Five.**



**Across**

- 1 Detective spots novice among the houses (6)
- 5 Mixed result for a Romeo in battle (5)
- 8 PERP confused with hazy apparition (13)
- 9 It's a plus for the cut – believe (6)
- 12 Sun dry day jobs – but at least it's not raining (3,3)
- 16 Sees pottery cast in moulds (11)
- 17 To begin with police are rare in some holy administrative districts (6)
- 21 Shaded places, sitting lad especially likes them (5)
- 24 Mad rant by old writer associated with timeless pop is a downer (13)
- 25 An announcement of French native Indian (5)
- 26 She asked you to come upstairs and confusingly became a dancer (6)

**Down**

- 2 Titles person in a topless depression (5)
- 3 Member with weird verse was sad (5)
- 4 Traps strange fish (5)
- 5 Puffed on wobbly sidewalk; no men, no time, dead (5)
- 6 Showers in sunshine – the reverse (5)
- 7 Text ran on. Take out colour, no more! (5)
- 10 Chemical in chest? Error! (5)
- 11 We seek for Elba in florid Rishi (5)
- 13 Faithful changes its leader's side to seek the throne (5)
- 14 Pop judge is filled with fear (5)
- 15 Juste? No! just a test for bangers (1,1,1)
- 18 Advanced gas-cooled reactor (English Electric) leads us all to concur (5)
- 19 One who comes in first loses head and moves closest to bull (5)
- 20 Accommodation for Windsor, York or Lancaster? (5)
- 21 Magical animated clay figure initially a chess champion with a cheering Spanish centre (5)
- 22 Every worker wants one, the sun does his every day (5)
- 23 It moves you if a food additive precedes a rising final word (5)

## **Committee membership.**

For those interested, we are still desperate for members to join the committee. It's likely the role newsletter editor will become available next year. Although not technically an executive role, my experience of being a member of the committee is beneficial in gaining knowledge of items to be passed to the membership.

## **Group News**

### **General.**

Members are reminded that they are supposed to bring their membership cards when they first take part in group activities and that group organisers are required to make a note of who attends.

### **Family History – Genealogy Group – Graeme**

Unfortunately, no-one has volunteered to take over the Family History group therefore I'm sad to say it will not be reconvening this October. – Graeme



## **Trips Group**

### **Arley Hall House and Gardens - June Poole**

Monday 23 September, the only day open to group visits in Sept, £33.00 per person. Places may still be available. To book at next meeting or for any info please contact.

June Poole on 07706 372210.

### **Portland Basin and Rochdale Town Hall - Ruth Wilbey**

Tuesday 15th October, full details will be available at the next meeting or further info from: -

To book please contact Ruth Wilbey: 449 0534 or Sue Palmer: 427 5487

## **Jazz Appreciation Group.**

Members of the group may be particularly interested in the item on page 5 below about the jazz concerts at the High Lane Conservative Club.

The offer is open to all members of Marple and District u3a.

## **Mid-Day Concert Group. – Sandy**

With cat like tread', after a very long traffic jam, we finally made it up to the circle at the Buxton Opera House for an excellent matinee performance of HMS Pinafore This was part of the annual International Gilbert and Sullivan Festival.

### **For Information Only**

Bridgwater Hall Stalls Foyer FREE 12.45 Friday August 30th JAZZETTE (emotional interpretations of jazz standards)

### **Mid-day Bridgwater Hall concerts 1.10pm £8.50.**

Cafe bar open 11 - 2.30: soup, sandwiches & hot meals.

**Monday 23rd September:** Tom Gamble - Guitar. (one of the UK's most exciting guitarists and songwriters)

**Thursday 31st October:** Scott Brothers Duo - piano and organ

Book at the September speaker meeting.

Sandy Maclean

## **Last Month's Speaker**

### **A Short History of the Berlin Wall and Berlin's Monuments by Alan Gent**

As many of you will have done, I have visited Berlin on a number of occasions and seen impressive historical sights. Alan, however, showed photos and talked about places I did not know existed. He pointed out that memorials commemorating the recent past went down the path of atonement rather than glorification.

The holocaust memorial is one of these memorials of atonement, an enormous area with over 2,000 blocks, varying in height.

A memorial I had not known about was the Anhalter Bahnhof which was the station from where they started to deport Jews.

The Jewish Museum is another impressive monument- an amazing structure, looking to some like a broken swastika, a mixture of angles and shapes.

Platform 17, Grünewald Station is another sight worth visiting- a memorial to the Jews who were deported from that area.

The talk has made me now want to go back to Berlin to see all the sights I have so far missed.

Thank you, Alan.

### **Future speakers.**

9<sup>th</sup> September Art and AI - Mishka Henner

14<sup>th</sup> October Complementary Medicine - Marian Hankey

## Local events/News

### **Jazz Nights at the High Lane Conservative club.**

The price of entry is £8.00.

Internationally renowned Manchester Jazz – Tradition to the core.

Fabulous British Trad Jazz, great music, fabulous company, an evening of fun and music. The evenings will be held on the first Monday of the month with the two for one deal available on the 5<sup>th</sup> of August.

The jazz nights will be held on the first Mondays of the month up to and including the December date.

September 2<sup>nd</sup>

October 7<sup>th</sup>.

November 4<sup>th</sup>.

December 2<sup>nd</sup>.

High Lane Conservative Club is unaffiliated to any political party and can be found at 23 Buxton Rd, High Lane, Stockport SK6 8DR. there is plenty of off-road parking.

Give it a try – Have some fun – Just turn up or call 07590 641 386.

### **Almoner**

Our almoner is Jacqui Airey. If you know of anyone who is ill or has been bereaved, please let Jacqui know and she'll send a card, flower or plant as appropriate. It is important that members know we care about them and miss them, but Jacqui does need your help by keeping her informed.

Contact Jacqui - [jacairey@hotmail.co.uk](mailto:jacairey@hotmail.co.uk)

### **Answers to Crossword No: 0023**

Across 1 Holmes 5 Varies 8 Inappropriate 9 Credit 12 Dry Day 16 Stereotypes 17 Parish 21 Glades

24 Tranquillizer 25 Degree 26 Maenad

Down

2 Owner 3 Moped 4 Sprat 5 Vaped 6 Rainy 7 Extra 10 Ester 11 Idris 13 Royal 14 Dread 15 MOT

18 Agree 19 Inner 20 House 21 Golem 22 Arise 23 Enema

### **Marple and District u3a groups chart.**

A few copies of the latest version of the chart will be available at the monthly meetings. If you want an up-to-date copy, please contact Gini using the form on the website.

[https://marple.u3asite.uk/u3a-contact-form/?contact\\_id=3531](https://marple.u3asite.uk/u3a-contact-form/?contact_id=3531)

### **U3a central - On line talks and information.**

There is a plethora of talks and information being provided by the u3a. It can all be found at

[www.u3a.org.uk](http://www.u3a.org.uk)

## **Contributions to the newsletter**

If you would like to send something for inclusion in the newsletter, please forward any anecdotes, stories, articles or photographs you feel the members may be interested in to

[newslettermarple@gmail.com](mailto:newslettermarple@gmail.com) – Len

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