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**Next Meeting - Tuesday 13th September 2pm**

**A return visit from Roy Smart who will talk to us on**

**'Wallis Simpson and the abdication crisis' 1936 - Three Kings in One year**

**National u3a News**

Nearing our target of 10,000 trees, your support in creating the U3A 40th Anniversary Woodland has been incredible. We reached our target of planting 5,000 trees in just three months and we're now close to our new target of 10,000 trees. It's a huge achievement and reflects the legacy and impact u3a members can have when they come together. Ramsey & District U3A and some of our activity groups were instrumental in planting trees for this wonderful woodland.

**Burghley House and Gardens - Day Trip****Thursday 6th October 2022**

A day trip has been arranged to **Burghley House and Garden**. The price will be £38 per person to include coach and admission to the house. Please let Jane know if you would like to put your name down on the sign-up sheet as soon as possible. We need 25 members to sign up for this to happen. Payment will be required at the September meeting. [jcusworth@btinternet.com](mailto:jcusworth@btinternet.com) or telephone **01487 814984**.

**There was no general meeting in August**

And very few activity meetings. However, lots of interesting things have been going on in the background. The U3A Thespians will be auditioning for their Christmas production at the beginning of September. Tickets for this event will go on sale from the October meeting at £4 per person. Members get first option on tickets but family and friends are welcome. Please give this your support as a lot of time, hard work, laughter and fun goes into entertaining our members.

## TRAVEL NEWS - 2023 DAY TRIPS

**April - Kew Gardens.** We are unable to confirm the date as bookings are only being taken up to the end of March 2023 but it is anticipated this trip will be approximately £45. This will include Dews coach to London, admission and group tour. Please put your name on the sign-up sheet at the September meeting but deposits will not be taken until October when we hope to confirm the date and price. An option for members without the group tour will be considered at a price of £40 per person.

**Thursday 6th July—Houses of Parliament & Thames River Cruise.** This was a very popular trip, which had to be postponed due to Covid. Booking for HoP cannot be made until November but the trip should be approximately £55 per member. This will include Dews coach to London, tour of the Houses of Parliament and river cruise up to Greenwich. A sign-up sheet will be available at the September meeting but deposits won't be taken until we can confirm prices.

**October - Bletchley Park & National Museum of Computing.** We hope to book either Tuesday 17th or Thursday 19th for this trip and the price will be approximately £50 per person to include Dews coach and admission to Bletchley Park and the Museum.

## ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

The Walking Group has restarted, thanks to Jackie Southwell who has agreed to be the coordinator.

A member of the Climate Action Group, Joan Morters, has won an East Anglia Architecture Award for her eco home in Ramsey Heights, and will be featuring in Grand Designs on TV in the autumn. Further details to follow.

All activity groups will be invited to put on a display at future monthly meetings to enable members to get a better idea of what each group does, starting with the Short Walking Group in September.

## TRAVEL NEWS - 2023 HOLIDAYS

**June 5th–9th : COTSWOLDS £645 per person (£145 single supplement)**

To include 5 days coach hire, guided tour of Hereford Cathedral, Wye Valley Brewery Tour, journey on the Gloucester Warwickshire Railway, Guided tour of Sudeley Castle and entrance to Tintern Abbey. Staying at the Holiday Inn, Gloucester. Sign-up sheet and further details at September meeting.

**September : BUXTON, DERBYSHIRE (price and details to be confirmed)**

**For more information, visit our website: [www.ramseyu3a.org.uk](http://www.ramseyu3a.org.uk)**

### JOKES

How do you measure a snake? In inches - they don't have feet.

I took the shell off my racing snail, thinking it would make him faster. But if anything, it made him more sluggish.

What do you get from a pampered cow? Spoilt milk.

How many tickles does it take to get an octopus to laugh? Ten tickles.