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LIVE

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(TOGETHER)

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NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 12th December

A Christmas Cabaret

This year the Thespian Group has been asked to perform their own favourite poems, sketches, monologues, duets, and solos. A variety covering dramas, comedies, cautionary to romantic, original and well loved.

An event not to be missed, for one afternoon only.



Act of Remembrance

On Sunday 12th November our chairman, Bruce McDowell, laid a wreath on behalf of the Ramsey and District u3a at the War Memorial in Ramsey. This followed a procession of military, local groups and dignitaries.



The Ramsey & District u3a Thespian

NOVEMBER MEETING

A very well attended meeting listened to a fascinating speaker, Roger Leivers, who talked about his book 'The House of Spies'. This is about a property in Godmanchester, Farm Hall, which was commandeered by the secret service during the war to house spies prior to them being dropped on missions in Europe. He had many personal stories of heroics, exceptional leadership and tragedies, making for an enthralling afternoon.

Music Appreciation presented the table display for the month exhibiting lots of wonderful LPs of all genre to inspire us.

WELCOME TO OUR NEW MEMBERS

This month we would like to welcome Ian and Linda Hulse and also Avril Hancock to our u3a. We hope they will enjoy their time with us and take full advantage of the groups on offer and continue to Live, Laugh and Learn.

WELCOMERS

It was suggested by one of our new members that to have Welcomers available in the foyer at general meetings would be a good idea. This would help visitors and 'not so new' members know who to go to if they have questions or needed help. If you feel you could volunteer to do this, please let Liz (Membership Secretary) have your details and she will make you a badge.

BOURNEMOUTH HOLIDAY : 20th—24th May 2024

to include visits to Winchester Cathedral, Beaulieu Palace House & National Motor Museum ,
Athelhampton House & Gardens and free time to explore Bournemouth.

£637 per person (£90 single supplement) Please give this your support

£50 deposit payable on sending booking form to Greatdays Travel (ABTA protection)

Price includes 5 days Dews coach hire, 4 nights half-board at the Carlton Hotel, Eastcliff, Bournemouth.

For further details or to sign up speak to Jane Cusworth (01487 814984 / 07779 101493)

or a member of the Travel Committee.

PROPOSED DAY TRIPS for 2024

The Travel Committee are currently looking at day trips and further details will be available in the new year.

Houses of Parliament in April
Wroxham Barns & Gt Yarmouth in June
National Memorial Arboretum in September

NORTHUMBERLAND HOLIDAY : 30th September - 4th October 2024

to include visits to Lindisfarne, Alnwick Castle and Beamish, the Living Museum of the North

£599 per person (£125 single supplement)

Only a few places still available. Waiting list only for single rooms.

£50 deposit payable on sending booking form to Greatdays Travel (ABTA protection)

Price includes 5 days Dews coach hire, 4 nights half-board at the Marriott Hotel, Newcastle Gateshead.

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ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

The new **Short Walking Group** are up and running (hopefully not!!!) and have received considerable support from members.

Group Leaders are asked to update the calendar on the Ramsey & District u3a website for 2024. Any difficulties, contact Ken.

**Group news and dates can be found on the Ramsey & District u3a website,
on the notice board at General Meetings and in the Aspire magazine**

Did you know there are many National Interest Groups Online (IGO) for members to join, including a British Cemeteries Group. It costs £12 to join for the year and you can access as many groups as you want. The link to browse the groups is:

<https://www.u3a.org.uk/learning/interest-groups-online>

EAST OF ENGLAND and U3A NATIONAL NEWS

We are pleased to welcome our new Regional Trustee, Maurice Austin, who takes over from Barbara Cordina. We will look forward to welcoming him to one of our meetings in the near future.

The National u3a Festival for 2024 is being held between 18-20 July. Further details will be issued as they are available.

For more information, visit our website: www.ramseyu3a.org.uk

JOKES

Don't let aging get you down; it's too hard to get back up again.

I'm getting older and wider instead of older and wiser!

At my age, the only pole dancing I do is while holding on to the safety bar in the shower.

Of course I talk to myself. Sometimes I need expert advice.