



### Committee Members

Chairman - Bruce McDowell  
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Speaker - Viv Carr  
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Newsletter - Jane Cusworth

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Enid Hubbard: Aspire  
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Dave Cusworth: Posters

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www.ramseyu3a.org.uk

## NEXT MEETING - Tuesday 10th September

**Speaker - Tony Harris presents Winston Churchill – WW2**

Return of one of our favourite speakers

**Group Display - Model Makers**

## U3A HOLIDAYS for 2025

### Picturesque Devon - Monday 2nd - Friday 6th June

**Price: £599 per person (based on 30 passengers) with £90 single supplement** (Balance due 24th March 2025)

**10 Twin/Double rooms & 19 Single rooms**

Travel Agent Greatdays ABTA Protection

Dews Executive Coach

4 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at The Queens Hotel, Paignton, which is only 200 metres from the beach. Excursions

- Dartmouth Steam Railway and River Dart Cruise with time to spend in the pretty town of Dartmouth
- Powderham Castle and Buckfast Abbey
- Coleton Fishacre and free time in Paignton

We have been able to obtain more single rooms than hotels usually allocate, so if you are on your own and want a holiday with people you know, why not join us.

### Isle of Wight Explorer - Monday 6th - Friday 10th October

**Price: £587 per person (based on 25 passengers) with £85 single supplement** (Balance due 28 July 2025)

**5 Twin, 7 Double & 8 Single rooms (First 4 single rooms (true single) no supplement, rooms 5-8 (double for single use) £85**

Travel Agent Greatdays ABTA Protection

Dews Executive Coach and return Ferry Crossing

4 nights dinner, bed and breakfast at The Trouville Hotel, situated centrally on Sandown's seafront. Limited availability.

Excursions

- Butterfly World
- Carisbrooke Castle & Osborne House
- The Needles & Alum Bay
- Appeldurcombe House & Godshill

Family and friends are also welcome on u3a holidays

Please contact Jane Cusworth (01487 814984 / jcusworth@btinternet.com) to get your name on the sign-up sheets.

## LAST DAY TRIP for 2024

### National Memorial Arboretum - Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> September

Depart Ramsey Clock at 8am (with pick-ups at Warboys and Bury) to arrive at NMA for 10.30am. Service in the chapel at 10.50am. Those booked on the Land Train depart at 12 noon. Back to the coach at 4pm for our journey back to Ramsey.

Any queries - contact Jane Cusworth 01487 814984

## OBITUARY

It is with sadness that I have to inform you that Ann Tollington, a regular at the general meetings and the Classic Film Group, died earlier this month; her funeral is on 28th August. Last month, Hal West, who was also a regular at the general meetings, before having to go into Florence House, passed away at the age of 98. His daughter, Val Molloy, is now a regular at our general meetings and some of the activity groups. Our thoughts and prayers are with their families and friends.

## THESPIANS CHRISTMAS PRODUCTION

Members will be delighted to learn that our own Thespians will be putting on a production of *Alice in Fenland* in December. Unfortunately, the Community Centre cannot accommodate 2 performances on the Tuesday.

**The date will be Friday 13th December at 2pm and 4pm**  
**Tickets on sale at October General Meeting - £2 per person**

The costume makers are already brimming with ideas for what will be a Christmas extravaganza.

**WANTED : Snorkel and Mask (if you have one we could borrow, please contact Enid)**

Interested in joining the thespians, contact Enid Hubbard on 01487 815041 /enidlds1@gmail.com

## ACTIVITY GROUP NEWS

**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.**

Don't forget to get in touch with our Groups Coordinator, Ken Gardner, if you are interested in any of our groups as there may be spaces available, or use the link on the Groups page of the Ramsey u3a website. If there isn't a group that you fancy and you have something you've always wanted to try, we can always put out a sign-up sheet to see if other members are interested, and a new group could be formed.

**If your group has been doing something interesting, let me know so I can include details and photographs next month.**

*The Knits that Matter group has recently sent lots of mini bears, fish & chip baby sets, blankets and jumpers to charities that have contacted us requesting our help. So good that our ladies can provide this service.*

**National online events can be found at: <https://www.u3a.org.uk/events/educational-events>**

## U3A NATIONAL NEWS

Please note that the new CEO for the Third Age Trust is Iain Cassidy.

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

## JOKES

Why did the Clydesdale give the pony a glass of water? Because it was a little horse.

What do you call a fish without eyes? Fsh.

What do you call an alligator detective? An investi-gator.

What lights up a football stadium? A soccer match.

If athletes get athletes foot, what do elves get? Mistle-toes.