

u3a THE THIRD WAY



Date :16th July

£24.00 National Trust Members (includes coach and driver tip – please remember your N.T. card)

£42.00 Non NT Members (includes entrance to house and gardens, coach and tip).

July Outing

Nestled within the Warwickshire / Oxfordshire border, Upton houses a treasured art gallery showcasing the fine collections of Old Master and British pictures including Bosch, El Greco and Canaletto. (Note: Some collections may not be open).

Lord Bearsted purposefully redesigned and extended the original honey coloured house best to display his cherished art and rare French and English Chelsea porcelain.

Lady Bearsted turned her attention to the gardens and commissioned one of the first professional female garden designers, Kitty Lloyd-Jones, to improve them for leisure and pleasure. The topography is distinctive with steep terraces parallel to the house tumbling down into the ice age valley.

Take a wander and admire the soft planting, strong colours and fashionable styles. Highlights include the Wild Garden and Herbaceous Borders, Mirror Pool and South Lawn beneath the magnificent Cedars. Remodelled for recreation and relaxation, the house, collections and gardens are largely as they were in their heyday from the 1930s. Interesting note: Upton House was used for several location shots for the 2023 film Napoleon starring Joaquim Phoenix.

[Read more on our website](#)

Exploring World Faiths

Written By: Linda Morris

Our June meeting of the Exploring World Faiths group will take place at the Buddhist Temple, Willen Lake 3rd June at 2pm. We hope also to visit the Peace Pagoda.

The following meeting will be on 1st July at St Mary's Church, Woughton on the Green, 2pm.

This will be preceded by lunch at Ye Olde Swan pub, across the road from the church at midday.

See our [group page](#) for details and to make contact, join, visit, or both. There is a photo gallery of some of our previous visits on our group page.



Buddest Temple



Opening 20 June, the exhibition contains 130 works by the French photographer Jacques Henri Lartigue (1894–1986) who is celebrated for his black-and-white photographs of Belle Époque Paris, capturing elegance, speed and modern life; from car racing and aviation to the French Riviera.

[Read More at MK Gallery](#)

Danesborough Chorus Summer Concert

Saturday 27th June 2026 at 7.30pm
St Mary's Parish Church, Woburn

Scarlatti
St Cecilia Mass

Vivaldi
Dixit Dominus RV 595

Handel
Concerto Grosso Op 3 No 2

with Alina Orchestra
Conducted by Ian Smith

TICKETS: All unreserved
£20, £15, £10, students: £5
By phone: 01908 386796
or from wegottickets.com



Danesborough Chorus Reg. Charity no 1188026
www.danesborough.org.uk



[Read more at Danesborough Chorus](#)



Playpals

Written By: Marilyn Ridsdale

Playpals were delighted to play at the 5th season of lunchtime concerts at the church of St Mary Magdalene, Willen, designed by Robert Hooke. It is always a pleasure to play in this beautiful, historic church with an unfailingly appreciative audience who sang along to one of our moon themed songs (Bad Moon Rising, the others were Moon River and Moonlight Serenade) and, with great gusto, to Proud Mary.

We are pleased to be able to contribute to their fundraising for their visitor centre and especially for the provision of toilet facilities!

We are always looking for new recruits, so if you (or anyone you know) is interested, get in touch on

musicians@mku3a.org There will be an opportunity to meet us at the MKU3A event in September at the Stables, Wavendon, so look out for us there.

Seeking a Social Events Co-ordinator

Contact: chair@mku3a.org for details

WOLVERTON & GREENLEYS TABLE TENNIS HUB


RALLYING TOGETHER

Starts Tuesday 5th May 2026, 11:00 am - 12:30 pm
Weekly Tuesdays

Greenleys Community Centre, 2 Ardwell Lane,
Greenleys, Milton Keynes, MK12 6AU

Professional Coaches Stephen Baggaley & Esther Carter

 Wheelchair Accessible

 All Equipment Provided

 Tea, Coffee & Cake Included

 £7 £7 per player




BOOKING & INFORMATION

Online Booking: <https://oldschoolwolverton.org/table-tennis/>

Available Booking Dates:
May 5, 12, 19; June 9, 16, 23, 30; July 7

 07815 123225

 Follow on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/share/gzQ5YRaMtmpCMnBk/>



Dramattica! ... the afternoon group of The Third age Players (TAP) has just concluded 3 performances of our psychological mystery drama, 'The Seventh Degree' directed by Greta Langdale, writing under the name Margot Lista.

The Third Age Players

Written By: Linda Morris

After performing more light-hearted material for some years, this was departure for us, and we weren't sure how our loyal audience would respond to something so different. We need not have worried as the feedback from Peter Bourgard, the regional representative for NODA (National Operatic and Dramatic Association) was positive about both the production and the acting. [Read the review here](#)

Triple Trouble production will be TAP's usual September slot - look out for details. Anyone interested in joining TAP - on or off stage- please email TAP@MKU3a.org.

Outing to Stow Upland Museum

The May 'Outing' was to the Food and Rural Life museum in Stow Upland Suffolk.

It was a glorious day but the site was undergoing a lot of renovation, which was a little disruptive.

The School Dinner History exhibition was really interesting and brought back many memories. The windmill was undergoing restoration and it was great to chat with the workers.





BLETCHLEY EVENING WOMEN'S INSTITUTE

Meetings at
St Andrew's Church Hall, Buckingham Road,
Bletchley, MK3 5DR
7.30 pm to 9.30 pm

EVERY 1st THURSDAY OF THE MONTH

Knit & Natter

Outings

Monthly Speakers

Coffee Mornings

Lunch Group

Gardening Group

Contact 01908 370468 for a chat

Renewing your membership

To pay your membership fee please click this link and scroll to the part that is titled 'Checking Your Membership Details and Renewing Your Membership'

[Click here for the instruction sheet](#)



OLDER PERSONS' BOARD

We are seeking the views of older people on issues that concern them. Join us in an Open Forum to have your say, so that we can speak up for you.

Friday 10th July 2026
2.30pm – 4.30pm

* The Guildhall
300 Saxon Gate West, Central Milton Keynes
MK9 2ES

An Open Forum, free of charge, organised & promoted by Milton Keynes Older Persons' Board c/o CIL Ltd, 330 Saxon Gate West, MK9 2ES. Supported by Milton Keynes City Council.

To book, contact: Kim Burchell, OPB Administrator on 01908 231344, or email info@mkcil.org.uk.

