

UPPER BANN U3A

Keep up-to-date with U3A events

Trip to the Linen Hall Library

Members of the Book Club have arranged a guided visit to the Linen Hall Library for Tuesday 10 March from 11 30 to 1pm. As this venue has an interesting past, it was thought that those with an interest in genealogy and history might also like to come along.

If you are interested in going and have not yet contacted Geraldine please email geraldine.mcivor@gmail.com

The Monthly Get-Together

The February Monthly Get-Together was an afternoon of entertainment and fun. Members of the Poetry Appreciation Group provided a programme of poetry and prose on the theme of love. Guest Jim Smart continued with this theme as he joked, recited and provided music to the very large gathering.



(Heather Ellis on the right, organised many outings and trips)

Heather Moves to Pastures New

Heather Ellis, a valuable member of Upper Bann U3A is moving from the Portadown area to pastures new. She plans on joining Erne U3A after Easter. Our loss is Erne's gain. Heather has been Upper Bann convenor for 'Trips and Outings' and has been responsible for organising a number of interesting and enjoyable outings such as a "Morning on the Hill" and a trip to Dublin Castle. Thank you so much Heather. We will miss you. We wish Heather and her husband and family every happiness and success in their new venture.

A vacancy now exists for a 'Trips and Outings Convenor'. Heather has kindly offered to share ideas with anyone willing to take on her role. If you are that person please contact Des dhrawlings@btinternet.co or phone 38841798.



Nature Group Outing

The last afternoon group enjoyed their visit to the recently refurbished Belfast Harbour site - now known as WOW (Window on Wildlife). It certainly does have the WOW factor; combining this with the uncertainty of the weather, it seems wise for the morning group to go there on their next outing on Wednesday 4 March.

Anyone wishing to go please contact Pat Flowerday 07842355311 or email pflowerday@live.co.uk.

The meeting point is Loughview Service station, leaving at 10.00 am and returning by lunchtime.

Please let Pat know if you would be willing to take your car.

There is a small charge of £3 for non RSPB members but it is well worth it.

Tea and coffee is available.

You have the choice of staying in the visitors' centre or taking a walk out to one of the other hides.



March Luncheon Club

The March lunch will take place on Thursday 26th at Zio's Restaurant Portadown at 12.30. Contact Norma 38871757 or norma.galway@gmail.com

Strictly Come Dancing



A new activity has started in Portadown Golf Club on Thursday afternoons at 2.00 pm. Maureen Carroll is acting as convenor and new members are most welcome.

Learn a variety of ballroom dances or

let's do the salsa! Together we learn and have great fun at the same time.

Portadown Drama Festival

Portadown Drama Festival runs from 10th - 14th March. Season tickets are available and cover entrance to Speech, drama, Irish Folk Dancing, Music and Dance.

Brenda Robinson will be in the foyer of the Town Hall each evening on the 1st week of the Drama Festival to sell season tickets £25 for senior citizens. This gives entry to 10 plays, performed by some of the best amateur groups in Ireland.

Bridge Luncheon

A bridge luncheon in aid of Lymphedema Support NI will take place on Monday 16th March at St Bride's Hall Derryvolgie Avenue, Malone Road Belfast BT9 starting at 10.30 am. To book phone Nuala 90660939 or Breige O'Kane 07955429829 Email: infor@nilsg.co.uk. Charity No XR 68639

U3A Regional Photographic Competition

"We need your help to create an archive of high-quality photographs that we can use for our publicity materials and for image requests from the media and external organisations". Closing date is end of March. Upper Bann webpage has more info.