

u3a Longridge Monthly Bulletin

Q APRIL MEETING CANCELLED

Sadly, we have been advised by the Civic that the works to the roof have over run and so

the hall will not be available for our meeting on April 7th.

The next meeting will be on Tuesday May 5th- please pass the information on if you know someone who doesn't get emails.

Message from Nicki Detko – our speaker at the March meeting

I just wanted to say thanks so much for yesterday- I was greeted with a warm welcome and I enjoyed telling my Transplant story.

A Special thank- you also for the generous donation for my chosen Transplant Charity!

Best Wishes



Nicki

Monthly Meetings

From April 1st, we will be charging £1 admission to the meeting and giving each person a raffle ticket. The raffle prizes remain the same. For those of you who currently purchase a raffle ticket, this means no change at all.

We will also be charging £2 for visitors.

Please sign in as usual and then move to the next table where Jenny and Joyce will give you a raffle ticket in return for your £1.

Annual Subscriptions

Annual subscriptions are due on the 1st of April 2026. This year we will be simplifying the collection of subscriptions. Single membership £20, two persons living at the same address £30.

For **existing members** there will be no need to fill in the application form this year. **Only new members will need to complete the application form.**

Payment methods:

BACS (on-line banking) – if you are paying subs via BACS please note that our Bank Account details have changed, new details are:-

Name : **U3A LONGRIDGE MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Account No : **67468287**

Sort Code : **089299**

Please ensure that you fill in the reference box with your initial and surname

If your email address or gift aid statement has changed then please email the Membership Secretary on memsec4u3a@gmail.com

Cash and Cheques – We will be collecting cash and cheques at the April monthly meeting. Please go to the dedicated tables in the area between the kitchen and bar at the Civic Hall. You will be asked to confirm your email address and gift aid position.

What if I cannot get to a meeting?

If you are unable to get to a meeting, please email memsec4u3a@gmail.com to make alternative arrangements.

History Group

Our next speaker is Dr Alan Crosby. He is a local and regional historian, highly regarded author, editor and lecturer. He's an excellent speaker.

His subject is "Travels with my great aunt: explorations in family history in England, Russia and Poland.

Wednesday 8th April 10am at Longridge Cricket Club.

All welcome

Longridge U3A Leaflet

We are currently working to refresh our leaflet. We give it out to people who are interested to find out more about us.

Many of you have great photos from your group activities on your phones and in WhatsApp groups. It would be greatly appreciated if you would send any photos that you are willing to share that could be used on the new leaflet to either Eleanor

(eleanor.hick@gmail.com) or to your convenor who can pass it on for you. Many thanks

GUITAR / UKULELE

The Guitar and Ukulele groups have moved their Monday group sessions to a new venue, The Stage Door, accessed off Warwick Street.

The new venue provides a great vibe for the groups and is a lot warmer than we have been lately in the large hall at the Civic.

HEALTH MELA, Preston, Saturday 11th April

The University of Central Lancashire will be hosting the Silver Jubilee Health Mela on Saturday 11th April. It will take place in Foster Building, Fylde Road, Preston, PR1 2HE, from 11.00 am until 3.00pm.

With music and dancing, this exciting event is for all ages with lots of health information available. Find out what is happening in your local area, speak to health professionals and make sure you get your personal health check.

Longridge u3a will have a stand there, so please come and say hello and maybe let the visitors know how great Longridge u3a is.

CYCLING

The U3A Cycling Group, a mix of manual and e-bikes, have continued to enjoy cycling throughout the year, sometimes in cold weather, contrasting the warmth of the indoor coffee stops. On better days a bit of early sunbathing, capturing a bit of



vitamin D to prepare for the



next outing. These photos are from recent rides to Slaidburn and Dunsop Bridge where we cycled past fields of lambs reminding many of us of the rhythm of nature's seamless cycle of life.

