

About Settle District u3a



Who we are?

Settle District u3a (Sdu3a) is a charity (number 1095635) affiliated to the National Third Age Trust. We are run by a committee of trustees and have more than 400 members who join on an annual basis as individual or joint members. sdu3a is a member of WestNet, a network of local u3as including Bradford and Ilkley. sdu3a members have reciprocal membership of these u3as. So, as a member of sdu3a you can register for a group in those u3as, where there is capacity, with no additional membership fee. Members of other non-WestNet u3as can join as associate members at a reduced fee.

What is our aim?

To encourage, enable and facilitate local people no longer in full time employment to keep their minds and bodies in good order through learning, exercise and enjoyment- to learn, laugh, live!

What do we do?

We hold meetings on the second Thursday of each month with on

a wide variety of subjects. These meetings are usually held at Settle Methodist Church (St John's) where members can meet with other members over tea and coffee from 10.00am. These meetings are currently taking place in person and on zoom. Dates and details of speakers are on the website.

What Groups do we run?

We have around 40 cultural, physical and fun interest groups. All groups are "self-help" and their number and variety depend on the willingness of members to contribute by facilitating, sharing and leading.

What does it cost?

The annual subscription is currently £15 for an individual or £29 joint membership for partners/spouses living at the same address. **For new members only** the fee reduces to £7.50 (individual) and £14.50 (joint) if joining in the period January to June. Members who pay tax may gift aid their subscription as this gives us an extra 25% from HMRC. We invite a £1 donation for the monthly speaker meeting at which visitors are welcome and invite a 50p donation for each group meeting with some occasional extra charges. The membership year runs from 1st July.

How do we keep in touch?

We produce a monthly newsletter, which keeps members up to date with what is going on before the monthly meeting. It is mainly distributed by email. A paper copy is available for members who are unable to receive emails.

Our Website

www.settledistrictu3a.org

The website is a mine of information and is updated at least

weekly as information is generated. The website provides information about groups, membership policies and historic information.

Third Age Matters is a journal produced by the Third Age Trust five times a year and is mailed to members unless they opt not to receive it.

How to contact us?

All committee members are happy to help with enquiries. Their details are available on the website and they can be recognised by the name badges worn at monthly meetings.

For queries please email or ring Jeanne Hine our Group Coordinator sdu3a.groupcoordinator@gmail.com (07590 073151)

Or contact our membership secretary sdu3a.membership@gmail.com

What premises does Sdu3a use?

Group activities are held at a variety of locations in and around Settle. Current information regarding how and where a group is currently meeting is on the website or can be found by talking to the Group Leader or any committee member (any changes will be put on the website or communicated by the Group Leader or at the monthly meeting).

What do members do for Sdu3a?

As an educational cooperative there is an understanding that members will seek opportunities to share their skill, interests and expertise with other members.

You can;

- Make suggestions to any committee member for improvements to the organisation.
- Volunteer to help with u3a activities and events.

- Stand for the committee.
- Offer to facilitate a new or existing Group.

CURRENT GROUPS

Group	Leader(s)	Day(s) of month	Time	Place
Armchair Members	Roy Anderson	TBC	TBC	TBC
Art Study	Teresa Gordon	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays	11.00am - 1pm	St John's
Badminton	Barry White	Every Friday	10am – 11am	Langcliffe Village Institute
Ballroom	Steph Phillip	1st & 3rd Thursdays	2pm- 3pm	Catholic Church Hall
Basic French	Jane Barnes	Wednesdays	morning	Settle Area Pool
Bird Watching	Les Chandler	Monthly, usually on Mondays	Indoor meetings 2.00 – 3.30pm	Langcliffe Village Institute
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Book Group	Jackie Allot	3 rd Mondays	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Friends Meeting House
Bridge	Barbara Herring	Every Monday	10.15am	On line
Bridge	Barbara Herring	Every Thursday	10.15am	Royal Oak
Card Making	Wendy Newby	3rd Thursdays	10 am – noon 1pm – 3.00pm	Leader's home

Chair based Exercise	Gillian Walton	Every Monday	10:30am – 11.30am	Catholic Church Hall
Crafts	Charlotte Treglown	4th Friday	1pm – 3pm	Settle Pool
Creative Writing	Liz Hampton	2 nd Thursdays	2pm – 4pm	Members homes
Crime Novels	Elaine Sargeson	2nd Fridays	2pm – 4pm	The Place
Dance	Jill Craig	Every Wednesday	2pm – 3pm	Catholic Church Hall
Family History	Eileen Bamford Margaret Brenchley	4 th Fridays	10.30am – 12.30pm	Friends Meeting House
Family History	Eileen Bamford Margaret Brenchley	3rd Fridays	10.30am – 12.30pm	Zoom
Family History	Eileen Bamford Margaret Brenchley	2nd Fridays	10.30am – 12.30pm	The Place
Film Appreciation	Annette Kuhn	3rd Friday	2pm – 5pm	The Place
French (Continuing)	Colin Coleman	Every Tuesday	2pm -3.30pm	Settle Area Pool
Garden Visiting Group	Chris Benn	Monthly	TBA	Various outdoors
Geology	Keith Waterson	Suspended	2pm – 3.30pm	Catholic Church Hall

German (Conversation)	Sheila Goodall	2nd & 4th Wednesdays	10.00am – 11.30am	Catholic Church Hall
Great Lives	John Jebson John Parry	3 rd Wednesdays	11:00am -12.15pm	Catholic Church Hall
Jazz Dance	Marjorie Walker	1st, 2nd, 4th, 5th Tuesdays	2pm – 3pm	Not meeting at present
Line Dancing	Eileen Bamford Janet Woods Jill Craig	Every Thursday	11.15am – 12.15pm	Catholic Church Hall
Lunch Group	Joan Schofield	3 rd Fridays	12.30pm	Various
Monthly meeting	Ian Gray	2nd Thursday	10.00am -12.00pm	St John's and zoom
Philosophy	Keith Hyde	Thursdays	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Catholic Church Hall
Play Reading	Jackie Allot	3 rd Tuesdays	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Friends Meeting House
Poetry Appreciation	Pippa Doran	4th Thursdays	2.00pm – 3.30pm	Friends Meeting House
Scrabble	Brenda Pearce	2 nd Mondays	1.30pm – 3.30pm	Limestone View
Settle Solos	Anne Brennand	2nd and 4th Wednesdays	1.30pm – 3pm	Cafes
Singing for Pleasure	Catherine Holland Pauline Langford	Every Tuesday	10.00am – 11.30am	Friends Meeting House
Sociology and Current Issues	Jennifer Warner	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	10.00am – 11.30am	Limestone View

Spanish (Conversation)	Ian Gray	1st & 3rd Mondays	10am – 11.30pm	St John's
Spanish (Intermediate)	Tamsin Candeland	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	10am – 11.30am	Friends Meeting House
Sport	Ian Gray and Les Chandler	2nd & 4th Mondays	4pm – 5.30pm	Settle Social Club
Walking Cricket	Ian Gray and Les Chandler	2nd & 4th Mondays		Settle Cricket Club
Table Tennis	Kath Hamflett	Every Friday	11.00am – noon	Langlcliffe Village Institute
Ukulele	Elizabeth Bland	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	2.00pm – 3.45pm	Friends Meeting House
Short walks (approx 5 miles)	Annette Linsdell Gillian Rawlings	2 nd & 4 th Tuesdays	9.30am	Outdoors
Walking (approx 6-10 miles)	Annette Linsdell	1 st & 3 rd Thursdays	9.30am	Outdoors
Walking Netball	Diane Lalor	Wednesday mornings	TBC	St John's
Weekender Group	Chris Benn	Various activities monthly on Saturday or Sunday arranged by the Group.	11.30am – 13.00pm	Various
Wine Appreciation Group	Led by members	3 rd Wednesday	7.00pm – 9.30pm	Members homes

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