

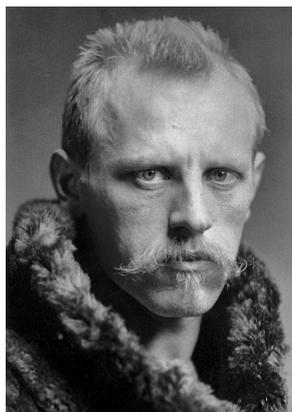
## GREAT LIVES GROUP

June's Zoom meeting, ably hosted by John Parry, featured a most interesting presentation by Ian Gray on Eva Peron, 'Evita'.

Born illegitimate in rural poverty, Eva pursued her dream in Buenos Aires as an actress and model before becoming the mistress and then the wife of Juan Peron. Peron was elected President of Argentina and in 1947 Evita, as First Lady, visited Spain, Italy, France and Switzerland alone on a 'Rainbow Tour'.

She was adored by Argentina's poorest classes and created the Eva Peron Foundation to try to improve their lot. Her life was cut tragically short by cervical cancer and she died in July 1952 aged just 33. Her legend lives on in books, films and theatre almost 70 years later.

On 16 September Chris Petrie will talk about the life of Fridtjof Nansen, the Norwegian explorer, either by Zoom or conventional format depending on how things are.



## BIRDWATCHING GROUP

For our June meeting Richard took us, via Zoom, in search of the birds to be found on the high tops. This first session of a two-part presentation (the second is next month) focused on our waders. Richard showed us where to look for them and how to find them from their 'songs' and calls. The secretive Common Snipe betrays its presence with its distinctive aerial drumming. The Lapwing (pictured) announces its arrival with an evocative trilling display. And the Red Grouse warns trespassers on its territory to 'Go Back, Go Back, Go Back!'

Part 2 of Richard's fascinating look at our upland birds is on 6 July at 2 pm, via Zoom.

If you aren't a member of the Group but would like to come along contact Group Leader Les Chandler on [lchandler52@gmail.com](mailto:lchandler52@gmail.com). For more information about the U3A Birdwatching Group check out the Group's [webpage](#).

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## THE U3A CREATIVITY EXHIBITION

Our website is alive with wonderful submissions for the 'Here's what I did during Lockdown' Exhibition which will be a historical record of what we did and how we felt during lockdown in our area. Thank you to everyone who has contributed. If you need cheering up or inspiring, do have a look. Please send photos of your creations to Jeanne Hine at [groupcoordinator@settledistrictu3a.org](mailto:groupcoordinator@settledistrictu3a.org) who will put them on the website page. When we eventually come out of Lockdown we shall gather up all the exhibits and put them on display at a suitable venue in Settle.

## LOCKDOWN QUIZ and NEWSLETTER ITEMS

Thanks to everyone for contributing items to the newsletter to cheer us up and for taking part in the quiz. We'll continue to include them when there is space in the newsletter. As lockdown is easing, the quiz will be monthly, here in the newsletter.

Many thanks for the items in this month's newsletter. Please send anything for the next edition,  
**150 words max, by Monday 3 August to**  
[newslettereditor@settledistrictu3a.org](mailto:newslettereditor@settledistrictu3a.org)  
We may edit articles to fit the space available.