

Malvern u3a

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Cover photo - Kew Gardens, Travel Group, May 2024



From the Chair

Welcome to the latest issue of your Newsletter – and a particular welcome to our new members [more than 180 as I write this]. All our new members are invited to one or other of our New Member Welcome meetings to be held at Victoria Bowls Club in October and November [see the next Bulletins for details].

In the last Newsletter, I reported that we had been recouping some of the membership losses that came with the Covid pandemic. I can now report that our total membership for the 2023-24 year passed 1700 which had been the high before Covid. The number of groups has also increased, so there was no lack of choice at the successful Groups Fair Day on Monday 2nd September.

As usual, this issue is a real mixture of news of various kinds, including a report on what it is like to take part in a TV quiz programme, a profile of one of your committee members, an article about a local charity and lots of other items reflecting the wide range of interests we all pursue through our u3a.

Malvern u3a was founded in 1995, which means that next year will see our 30th year. We have some plans in hand, but any suggestions on how we should celebrate this milestone are very welcome – please contact me chair@malvernu3a.org.uk.

Your Editor [Patricia Evans] is always pleased to receive news, ideas and other contributions that make this your own Malvern u3a Newsletter at newsletter@malvernu3a.org.uk.

Peter Corfield, Chair



Letter from the Editor

Six months have passed all too quickly since the spring issue of my first Newsletter. Now summer is over but with clear skies and crisp days, we can marvel at the wonderful autumnal colours surrounding us.

My second Newsletter this year contains many contributions from Malvern u3a group leaders and I want to thank those people for their submissions. I think you will particularly enjoy reading about the joint effort of creating a team and the process of applying to appear on Only Connect, a quiz show with which many of you will be familiar and available now on BBC iPlayer.

For those of you who managed to attend the Groups Fair Day on Monday, 2nd September, I'm sure you will have been impressed by the number of activities Malvern u3a provides. Can I applaud the group leaders who voluntarily give their time and without question, enhance the lives of our many members. Also, a special thank you to Peter Corfield, our Chair, for organising the event – no mean feat, I'm sure you'll agree.

Finally, if you know of anyone who might be lonely or who would benefit from the friendship and interest groups within the Malvern u3a, do encourage them to consider becoming a member. I once heard one lady after a group meeting exclaim with shining, bright eyes, 'Thank you for giving us something to get up for'. No one in this day and age should feel isolated. Do read the article about Community Action. These services are vital to some and we must encourage those who need support to use them.

Keep warm and share your time with others.

Patricia Evans, Newsletter Editor

Trustee Profile

Wendy Mondy, Malvern u3a Membership Secretary

Born in the home counties during WW2, memories are an assortment of brief snatches of life as it was then, bombing, sunny days in the garden and fat and gristle in the meat!

School does not have good memories and the inevitable decision of what you were going to do when you grew up seemed impossible. I drifted into physiotherapy training which seemed to fit but involved 4 hours of commuting each day eroding my energy. Sadly, I could not keep this up and gave in to the social pressures of marriage, which ended badly in the days before married women's property rights. So, I really ended up starting working life all over again at 30 with not much at all, well a suitcase of clothes and a dog!

Since, I have lived by my wits, experiencing a wide range of work in a variety of fields and locations in the UK and overseas. At 50, with nothing to lose, I decided on a house and car exchange for three months with a New Zealand couple I had met whilst on holiday there and managed to stay on for 2 years. Unfortunately I could not obtain citizenship (no profession, not enough money and too old). On returning to the UK I retrained as an aromatherapist and remedial masseur. Along with developing my own practice, I undertook temporary work in a variety of fields. My changing life and work pattern has been decided by relationships, needing to work and finding somewhere affordable to live. I could fill a book with my experiences covered by this last paragraph!

Volunteering has always been an important part of my life, working with the elderly when living in London, then in other locations helping with Meals on Wheels, Victim Support, Police Volunteer. The most interesting and challenging was working with adolescent boys on non-custodial sentences from the Magistrates Court when in Slough and many village projects whilst in Devon.

My "official" working life ended 23 years ago, managing to retire with no mortgage as a result of refurbishing the odd apartment/house along the way, during the time when property prices kept increasing. The only way I could afford a house was to look further away and ended up in a small village in the middle of Devon. Here I was able to relax, whilst having occasional clients for complementary therapy and being a parish councillor. I was able to keep fit by walking with a great group and swimming regularly, amongst other things.

In 2006 my parents died fairly close together (they both reached their mid-90's) but I was lucky enough to inherit sufficient funds to project manage my own environmental house build which, in an acre, had outstanding views over the Devon countryside and out over to Dartmoor. Quite an experience and I learned so much from the various skills involved and created yet another garden. After 20 years in Devon I realised that the isolation of the location, being a singleton and getting on a bit, I needed to live in a place with more people and amenities. This was to be head rather than heart move. An expensive house and a bad financial decision to take out equity release, significantly reduced my finances but I managed a move to Malvern.

Although having recently been diagnosed with a progressive neurological disease, I am making the most of enjoying my retirement whilst I can. I now have the time to explore the countryside, make visits to gardens as well as being part of the u3a, both in Okehampton and now in Malvern. I am enjoying being able to explore politics, social debate and latterly economics, as well as making new contacts and friends.

Boules and Petanque Group



End of season get together in the park



Community Action

Founded over 50 years ago, Community Action operates a wide range of services to local people including voluntary and community organisations in the Malvern area. These include: Car Service, which allows clients to get to and from medical and social appointments and Out and About, which organises weekly social trips. We have two minibuses and three wheelchair vehicles available for hire. We also operate bus services from remote areas to the Retail Park and one from Malvern to Tewkesbury.

According to a recent census, over 24% of the population of Malvern Hills is over the age of 65. Community Action recruits and organises almost 100 dedicated volunteers from our local area to meet the needs of Malvern people by arranging transport to medical/social appointments, day trips and social outings. Our services are vital to prevent social isolation and give local people the opportunity to remain independent for as long as possible. Clients regularly phone into the office to say how much they appreciate and value the services Community Action offers, and don't know what they would do without these wonderful volunteer drivers.

Out and About which uses our accessible minibus, runs weekly trips to local places of interest, such as market towns, garden centres and tourist attractions. We run a regular Tea Club specifically for older people who may find themselves alone on a Sunday. Once a month, we run a Film Club in association with The Cube.

Community Action is also responsible for setting up and running **Malvern Men's Shed**. This has weekly sessions over 4 days where men can socialise whilst learning and sharing a range of practical skills including woodworking. We have also introduced mixed sessions which are open to ladies.

More details can be found at <https://www.communityaction.org.uk/>

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Theology Behind The Words?

The Spirituality and Contemporary Literature group has been meeting for 12 years. There is usually some turnover in membership each year as well as a core group. Attendance varies between 4 and 8 and only a minority have a formal religious conviction. It could be said that we are engaged in a search for personal truth within our ordinary, and not so ordinary, lives - guided by a sense of the spiritual. The novels are used as a catalyst for this exploration. Most of the group members find the discussions enlivening - expanding our awareness of life in ways not previously recognised.

Each Winter through Spring we consider six books - all chosen by the group "leader". The books focus on topics such as creativity, children, magic, beauty, conscience and authority ensuring a range of cultures and balance between male and female writers and leading characters. The group is not concerned with the literary merits although most texts are chosen because they have some recognised literary significance. A literary background is therefore not required.

The discussions are often more valuable than the reading and focus on what is implied, going beyond the word. To do this we share our understandings and rely on our personal experiences - which can be on many different levels. Within a context of spirituality, this often means exploring our responses to the world around us - what does the book mean to me? There is a willingness to be open and share the unexpected challenges in each novel.

Peter Bevan, Group Leader

QUOTE OF THE DAY

Do not grow old, no matter how long you live
Never cease to stand like curious children
before the great mystery into which we were born.

Albert Einstein

Only Connect - BBC 2

Earlier this year three members of Malvern u3a, Pam Stanier, Elizabeth Manning and Aidan Lawrence, applied successfully to appear on the TV quiz 'Only Connect'. **Their first episode is scheduled to be shown on Monday 23rd September at 8pm on BBC2.**

What is Only Connect?

People who enjoy quizzes will already know that you have to avoid any social commitments on Monday evenings, as that is quiz night on BBC 2. Mastermind, Only Connect and University Challenge follow each other. Of these Only Connect is the most quirky and arguably the most challenging. For those of you who aren't yet addicts of the programme, it is chaired by Victoria Coren Mitchell, and each episode features two teams of three. There are four rounds in which you have to make connections in some way between disparate items.

- In the first round you are given forty seconds, up to four clues and have to find the connection between them. The less clues you need, the more points you score.
- In the second you are given forty seconds, up to three clues and have to identify what would come fourth in the sequence.
- The third is a "wall" of sixteen words that have to be sorted into four groups with a time limit of two and a half minutes.
- The final round is 'on the buzzer' against the other team to identify a phrase with its vowels removed e.g. 'MSS NG VWL S'.

Applying to be on the programme

In late 2023 the three of us discovered we had a shared interest in this programme and thought we'd like to apply. Pam first mentioned it to Elizabeth, a fellow Quiz Group member, having learnt that she had already been on 'Brain of Britain' on the radio; they thought Aidan might know and enjoy the programme as well (he definitely does!) Although it was only a few days before the deadline for applications, we contacted the programme and started the application process.

Our first test was to complete some sample questions at home that the production team emailed us. The three of us got together and came up with answers for most - though not all - of the questions. We had to fill in some personal information including the classic 'Which three words best describe you?' We also had to come up with a suggested team name. After bouncing a few ideas around, we settled on (obvious in hindsight!) - 'The Third Agers'

We heard just before Christmas that they would like us to take part in a 'Zoom' audition in January. That duly took place with four members of a casting unit running through more questions, this time under 'exam' conditions. This was partly to test how well we did but also to see how we interacted as a team. We couldn't answer everything but had positive feedback. At the end of the interview, they told us we were definitely good enough to go on the show but they still had lots of teams to audition and they would let us know.

After a few weeks on tenterhooks we received a call from the team saying we had made the final selection - cue email with subject title of "OMG!!!!" .

Preparing for the first episode

We were given recording dates we had to be available for and advice on what we could and could not wear. These instructions included *'please avoid any clothing with logos, any visible branding or motifs, fine stripes, small checks, block white or block black'*. Cue shopping trip...

We also had to provide ten - yes ten(!) - "interesting facts" about ourselves to be part of introducing each team member at the start of the programme.

We then started to practise quizzes together, looking at past programmes and working our way through two Only Connect paperbacks. Unlike something like Mastermind, Only Connect isn't the sort of quiz you can revise facts for. But you can think about strategies for tackling each type of question. This definitely proved useful at times (You'll have to watch the programmes).



Filming takes place in three blocks of 3-4 days each in May, June and September - Pam ended up rescheduling a holiday to accommodate these. The competition starts with sixteen teams. The first block of filming is spread over four days with four teams being present on each day. It's not a straight knockout - every team is guaranteed at least two matches no matter whether they win or lose their first game.

We were told which day they wanted us on set so one Saturday in early May we travelled to Cardiff where the programme is filmed. After a night in a hotel, we presented ourselves at the studios. Not exactly 'Broadcasting House' or 'Pebble Mill' - but an unglamorous building on an industrial estate.

Filming

When we arrived at the studios we met many different people including some of the team who had interviewed us, plus of course the other three teams who would be competing that day. The four teams were very varied: one team had two members that we recognised from a recent series of University Challenge.

One team had applied as individuals and had only met in person for the first time the day before; there was a Scottish team who were very involved in politics, and ourselves, clearly the oldest there, but according to Victoria, not the oldest team to ever appear on the programme.

Inevitably there's a lot of time waiting, trying not to drink too much coffee, eat too many biscuits, get too nervous. As our turn approached, we had a lady help with make-up and a techie fitting us with microphones. Just before our first game we were taken on to the set and given precise instructions on how to sit, where to look, etc. We were given a chance to practise using the on-set equipment with a stand-in for Victoria, who asked us sample questions.

The whole process was fascinating: we had no idea there were so many people involved: there were question setters, lighting and sound engineers, many camera operators, a floor manager, and others whose role was behind the scene - perhaps 40-50 people all there just for our show.

Victoria as compère was charming, generous and very friendly and funny. The first time she came onto set, she immediately looked over to us and said something like 'University of the Third Age - an excellent institution I thoroughly approve of! - definitely going to ask you about that'. Before the filming started, she gave both teams some excellent advice along the lines of 'Try not to rush, the whole thing will go by really quickly and remember to enjoy yourselves'.

ONLY CONNECT BBC2 – watch on iPlayer



Patchwork and Needle Skills Group

An impressive sample of work done by the above group.

Elaine Gowing and Sue Wheeler, Group leaders.



The u3a Wind Group

THE U3A WIND GROUP formed in Autumn 2022, has gone from strength to strength during this last year. We started as a group whose main purpose was to meet to play music for pleasure, and we had no intention of performing in public. However, since Easter this year we have performed a few of our favourite pieces to an audience.

Our Baritone Saxophone player, Mandy Harding, gave a concert in April including all the groups she performs with. The concert, entitled 'An Afternoon with Friends' was held at Holy Trinity Church and featured a Saxophone Quartet, a Clarinet Quartet, the u3a Wind group and several solos by Mandy accompanied by pianist Colin Willis. The appreciative audience contributed generous donations to St Richard's Hospice.

Spurred on by the success of this concert, the group agreed to play in the Bandstand at the u3a Picnic in Priory Park. With clothes pegs holding our music to our stands, we followed the two bagpipe players at the beginning of the afternoon and played 4 pieces. We were followed by the ukulele band, recorder group and jazz band.



Members of the group are busy arranging and transposing some new pieces for the start of our year in September. Details are in the handbook and on-line. Anyone who would like to join us is welcome to contact me. We are particularly in need of a conductor. If anyone has experience as a conductor, do get in touch. Or come to one of our sessions to find out more.

Cynthia Merriman, Group leader



Fluent French 1

We have eleven members whose French is fluent enough to chat easily on most subjects. We meet every fortnight in members' homes taking turns to choose a topic and to lead the meeting.

Recent topics have included: death, life, sport, the republican calendar and recycling practices in France. Inevitably, we get sidetracked; interesting ideas add to the overall feeling of having had fun and being mentally stimulated. Even the most mundane subject can be surprisingly interesting.

We have an annual raclette lunch in September to start the u3a year, and a barbecue near the 14th of July before we stop for the summer.

We would welcome one more person to the group. Twelve people is the most we can manage in a private home.

Jenny Clayphan, Group leader

Cotswold Link, Cheltenham

Back in June, I went to **Our Brave New World**, a special interest day on Artificial Intelligence (AI), organised by Cotswold Link in Cheltenham.

AI is clearly a subject of great interest to u3a members and the event was oversubscribed – there were two or three of us from Malvern.

The three speakers – John Handby, Professor Mike Corcoran and Barry Kirby – were excellent: knowledgeable, international experts, skilled at communicating and explaining AI - a very complicated, and potentially humanity-changing technology (insofar as I understand it at all!)

I'd give this event five-star reviews – for the content from the speakers, of course; but also, for the Q & A with the audience which the organisers had set up; and, literally, the icing on the cake: the copious cakes and catering throughout the day. It ticked all my boxes anyway!

Looking to 2025's special interest day, there is a Cotswold Link meeting coming up shortly to start planning the event. I will let Malvern members know as soon as the date and content of the day have been agreed upon and then when it is open for booking. If it's as popular as this year, you might be advised to get your application in quickly!

Alan Torbet, Malvern u3a Cotswold Link Representative

The Geology Group

As usual, the Geology Group have been using the so-called summer months to arrange a number of outside field trips. These have coupled visits to the variety of geological locations on the Malvern Hills as well as to some places slightly further afield.

Our most adventurous trip this year was to the North Antrim coast. A party of about 20 travelled by bus and ferry to Larne, north of Belfast, to spend 3 days (plus 2 travelling) on this beautiful, scenic coastline. The geology of this region is mainly volcanic typified for many by the Giant's Causeway although this isn't the only site of interest. In addition to visiting the Giant's Causeway, we scrambled along The Gobbins cliff path as well as braving the wobbly bridge at Carrack-a-Rede.



The Gobbins



Giant's Causeway



Carrack-a-Rede

Nearer to home we have been to the Lickey Hills near Birmingham, the Stanner Rocks complex and the Woolhope Dome. The Stanner rocks are an igneous intrusion near Kington which have been dated to 702Ma. Older even than the Malvern Hills (about 680Ma).



Stanner Rocks

We have been lucky with the weather although our trip to the Woolhope Dome, which is a little to the West of Ledbury, required waterproof clothing! This is an interesting area of uplifted Silurian sedimentary rocks originally laid down in a marine environment.



Woolhope Dome

As I write, we have 2 more locally based field trips planned before we get into our winter programme of lectures which once again consists of an impressive set of eminent, external speakers. We have no limit on numbers in the group, so if you think you might be interested in the subject, do come along.

On a completely different subject, you may be interested to know about Elizabeth Staley's bench. Elizabeth was a keen and knowledgeable member of our group for many years. As part of her many interests, she and her husband John purchased Littley Coppice on the outskirts of Malvern, just off the West Malvern to Mathon road, with a view to restoring the ancient woodland and managing it by coppicing.



They removed many non-native trees and replanted with native varieties. After Elizabeth's death, John gifted the Coppice to the Herefordshire Wildlife Trust which is continuing the coppicing regime and has now installed a memorial bench.

Roger Hunt, Group leader

Bridge Improvers (Bridge Duplicate 2)

This relaxed bridge group has played regularly this year on Monday afternoons at Manor Park Sports Club and has also welcomed new players, some of whom have completed a course of lessons and others who want to get back to playing. After a slow start at the beginning of the year we now have enough members to give 4/5 playing tables each week and playing partnerships have become established over the last 12 months. Members have kindly taken over the weekly scoring and we have established a new rota system for organising play each week.

Thinking of joining us?

Please contact Valerie Lee, 01684 214033, leevalerie143@gmail.com.

The venue has capacity for more players and plenty of parking.

Painting 3 Group

We meet every 1st and 3rd Tuesday of each month, from 9.45-11.45 am, at the Cube Malvern, Albert Road North. We are a self-help group with varying experience of painting in different mediums. We look to the internet and books for inspiration and techniques, and help one another where possible. It is a relaxed and friendly group with room for more members, so please contact me if you are interested in joining us.

Val Bruton, 01684 575783





Paintings from Painting 3 Group

New Whist Group

We now have a core of players, with plenty of room for more! You do not need a partner to play the game. The whist will be progressive, so you change partners and table after each game, thus increasing sociability. You can remain sitting if you are disabled. The new group will be meeting for the first time, starting at 2 pm Thursday 3rd October, at Christchurch Hall, Avenue Road, Malvern. The group will run weekly, except on the last Thursday in the month when the hall is unavailable. This offers some flexibility for those who might want to play whist, but also attend another group such as bridge on that day. The whist group is also it seems, a natural extension of the popular Monday Estimations group.

On Thursday 26th September, (as the hall is unavailable), we will be holding a short informal introduction to whist at our home, mainly for those who have never played cards before. Please leave us a message on 07360590183 if you wish to come. Look forward to seeing you and enjoying playing whist.

Mike and Jean Brookes, Group leaders

Forthcoming Speakers at the Malvern u3a Monthly Meetings at The Cube, Albert Road North. 2.30 pm

Tuesday 24th September, Elizabeth Flanagan - Peace Education

A presentation on work that is currently being taken into schools with the focus being on what is happening in Malvern Schools and the reasons for its success.

Tuesday 29th October, Max Hunt - Shelsley Walsh: The Story of a Village.

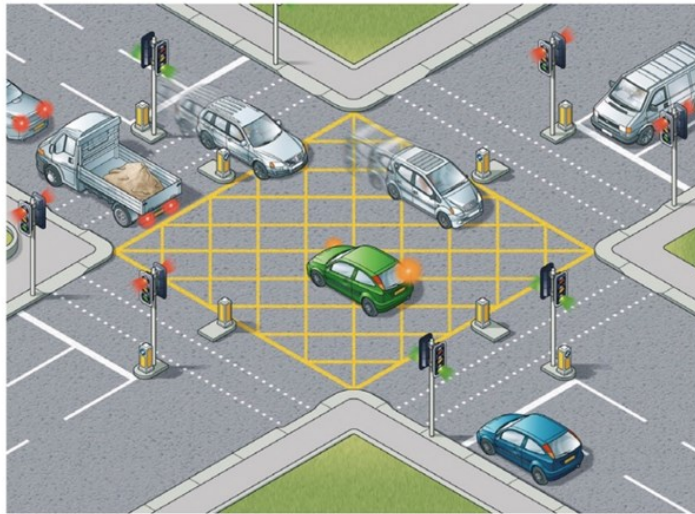
The talk will cover a thousand years of the history of Worcestershire's smallest parish, from the Norman conquest, taking in the Gunpowder Plot and the Teme valley iron trade, as well as the Earls of Dudley at Witley Court and the arrival of the Midland Automobile Club with the famous motor hill-climb from 1905.

Tuesday 26th November 2024, Ashley Butterfield - Taking Group trips Overland to India Using Public Transport & The Real India by Rail

After hitch-hiking to India aged 17, Ashley decided to start a business: taking passengers overland from England to India. He did this 80 times, initially by minibus, but after many problems with breakdowns and their consequences, he found a way of doing this journey using public transport! Whilst in India he spotted an old railway carriage being used for wedding parties. Indian railways agreed to hire this to him. With a basic kitchen and two no-frills dormitories, this was attached to regular trains to travel round India. In this way Ashley led over 100 circular month-long tours from Delhi to South India and back!

Driving Skills Revisited

Can the green car wait in the box junction?



- a) Yes because their exit is clear
- b) No they should have waited at the stop line
- c) No they cannot stop in a box junction

Answer on page 24

Do you enjoy driving or is it a chore? Either way, if you would like tips on how to make driving safer and more enjoyable, or if you haven't refreshed your skills since you took your test - probably many decades ago, why not join us?

Each year we give monthly stand-alone talks on topics including driving at night, in the winter, on your own, on motorways, manoeuvring, coping with growing older, technology, updates to the Highway Code and distractions. At the end, there is a booklet covering each session's main points.

We also offer to sit with you as you drive your car to suggest ways you can improve. Since 2016 more than 350 people have joined us. A few have gone on to take their Advanced Driving Tests, but that's not the aim of our talks, it's to have fun and pass on useful tips to you.

In our spare time, we prepare people to pass Advanced Driving Tests as National Observers with WGAM – Worcestershire Group of Advanced Motorists, part of IAM RoadSmart. In 2016 we both achieved IAM Masters with Distinction, the highest civilian driving qualification in the country, and we have both achieved RoSPA Gold.

Driving Skills Revisited (cont.)

This year we're giving our talks on the third Friday of the month at 10 am. However, this may not be convenient for you. If you would like to join us but not on a Friday, please let us know and if we have enough people we'll give the talks on a different day as well.

If you're still undecided, here are just a few of the comments we've had from people who have attended our course.

"What an incredibly worthwhile course it is, pointing out all sorts of ways in which even a fairly experienced driver could improve their driving. Everyone should do this course!"

"I enjoyed the talks, full of information. I feel more confident when I'm driving after the hour's drive."

"Everyone at this age should be encouraged to do the course!"

"It is an excellent example of a U3A initiative and all I talked to commend it highly."

"After I did a reverse parking at the supermarket this week, I thought I should let you know how much I appreciate your lectures and tuition. I feel I have learnt such a lot and am much more confident and aware when I am driving."

"The course is an excellent reminder of what we should be doing on the road and the follow-up in the booklet is a really useful summary. The actual driving exercise was also very valuable as a way of confirming best practice and proving reassurance."

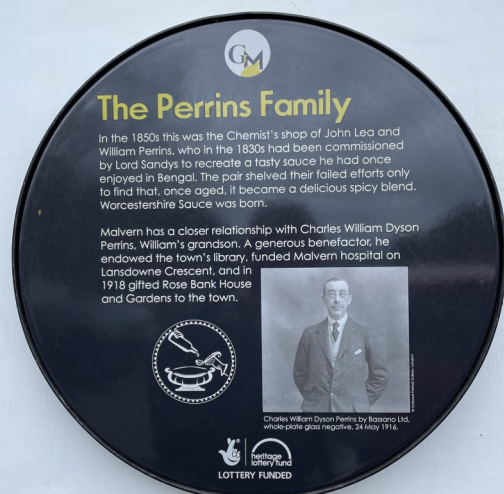
"Every session gave me at least one nugget to take away."

"I found the comments and tips from the other participants helpful; we can always learn."

Val and Howard Allen

**Where might you
find me?**

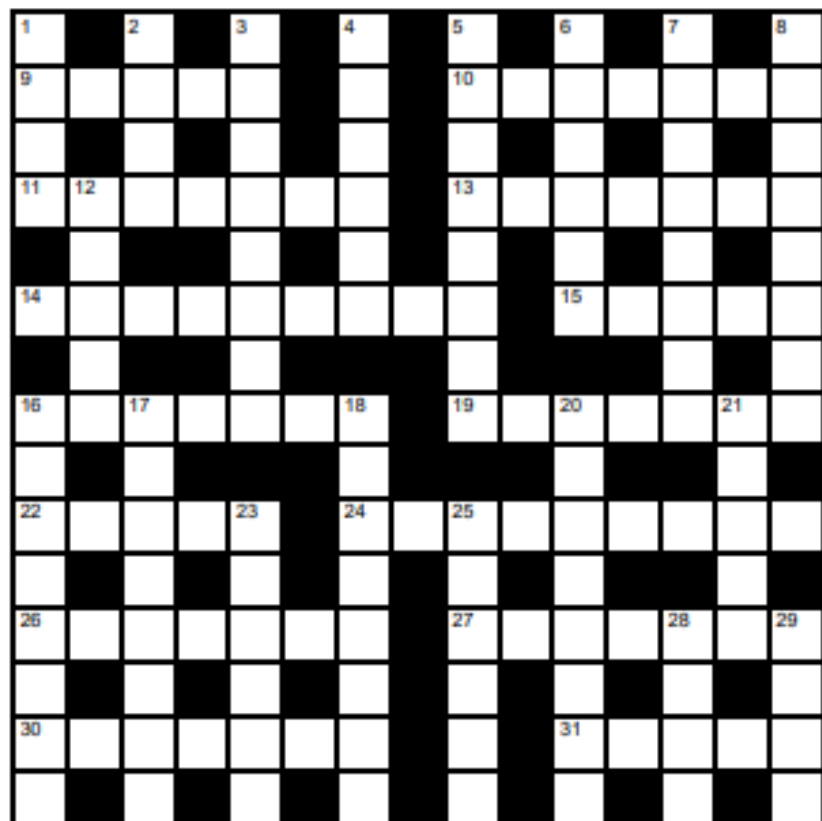
**Answer on
page 24**



Crossword

Across

- 9 An entertainer down in the middle of two sides of a coin (5)
- 10 The main ingredient of guacamole (7)
- 11 Timpanic membrane (7)
- 13 Pleasant smelling German city (7)
- 14 Bad ombre connected with 500 forced prolonged attack (9)
- 15 Durum wheat makes food found in Papa's taverna (5)



- 16 Nigel, Jack or Bobby perhaps? (7)
- 19 Rocky subject to study? (7)
- 22 "... Night Garden"? "...Mood"? (2,3)
- 24 e.g. Frogs or newts, produced by current Irish without Employer Reference Number (9)
- 26 Shallow or worthless (pursuit) (7)
- 27 Can a statue play a card game for two couples? (7)
- 30 Large military group without a cross to develop routine (7)
- 31 Jason's ship

before heading north produces nobel gas (5)

origins of the first Mrs Rochester (8)

21 Funding for Cary (5)

23 Imagine mixed without one code machine (6)

25 To steal a cloth bag (6)

28 Wise one between parsley and 8 Down (4)

29 Female relative being thin but lacking gravity at start (4)

8 Fragrant herb - Clooney's auntie! (8)

12 Humble home for a person with energy (5)

16 People skilled at tying knots in wool with sticks! (8)

17 Ghost Inn adjusted zeros (8)

18 Reorganised layering for a 365 day-old animal (8)

20 Liar tone disturbed eastern origin (8)

Down

- 1 Part of a credible area of land (4)
- 2 Sounds like a tedious pig! (4)
- 3 Getting larger within the fold (8)
- 4 Rushed by animal park with doctor, but no one in charge (6)
- 5 Observe hound that guards the property (8)
- 6 Spoil by joining revolting high (4-2)
- 7 This wide sea explains the

New Members Coffee Morning

TO ALL NEW MEMBERS WHO HAVE JOINED SINCE JANUARY 2024

Greetings!

By the time this newsletter reaches you hopefully you will have received an invitation to our coffee (and cake) mornings for those who have joined this year.

There will be a brief introduction and the opportunity to meet with our Chair, other trustees as well those from other groups. It will be an opportunity to ask any questions you have since joining Malvern u3a and taking part in your groups

Do come, we have two dates to choose from. Both are being held at Malvern Victoria Bowling Club in Victoria Park, Malvern Link, WR14 2JY.

If you haven't visited the bowling club before, enter the park via the entrance on Victoria Park Road (off Pickersleigh Avenue) and follow the driveway round past the new Malvern Town Council offices to the far end of the park past the tennis courts. There is ample parking.

The dates are Monday October 21st or November 11th from 10.30am - Noon

Please let me know if you can come and which day.

email: membership@malvernu3a.org.uk

Looking forward to seeing you.

Wendy Mondy, Membership Secretary

Solutions Page

DRIVING REVISITED

Answer a). See rule 174 of the current Highway Code <https://www.gov.uk/guidance/the-highway-code/using-the-road-159-to-203#rule174>

WHERE WOULD YOU FIND ME?

Belle Vue Terrace, Malvern

CROSSWORD

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