



What's On

***** Groups Fair and Social *****

Monday 7th October

Matlock Football Club 10.30 until 12.00

Over 20 of our groups are going to be represented with displays, live shows and activities.

We have advertised this widely to attract new members to the u3a and would hope that many of you can come along at any time during the morning to help us celebrate the variety of groups on offer, and maybe consider trying something new.

Parking is available at the football club, but is rather limited, particularly coming and going, so if you feel you can make your way differently then please do so.

Invite any non members to attend, this is an open meeting with no charge and refreshments on offer.

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Groups News

Archaeology Group

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On Tuesday 17th September the group met at the Riber Room. The meeting was led by Meghan King, Finds Liaison Officer (Derbyshire and Nottinghamshire), who spoke about recent archaeological finds in the county. Her talk was illustrated with a chronological presentation showing pictures and sharing information about the latest archaeological finds. This was an open meeting and it was good to see so many at the Imperial Rooms, eighteen people was a record turnout for our small group. Meghan King was an excellent speaker and demonstrated her extensive knowledge and experience easily, it was a very good meeting. Our next meeting is on Monday 14th October meeting at

10am outside Chelmorton Church. The site visit will be led by Kevin Wagstaffe and will be looking at the history of Chelmorton Village and surrounding area. Please contact me if you wish to know more about our group.

Advance notice of the 2025 Derbyshire Archaeology Day to be held in Chesterfield on **Saturday 25th January**. Please do contact Cameron Butland for more information.

[Cameron Butland](#)

SciTech Group

The SciTech group will be resuming its meetings with the following talk on Wednesday October 23rd at 2pm in the Studio at St Elphin's.

“The History of Salt”

Speaker: Julian Toller

This talk will look at the historical importance of salt throughout the ages. We will look at some fascinating aspects of geology and how salt was the catalyst for the creation of the modern chemical industry.

For further details please contact Mike Steel at mikersteel@ymail.com

FOR INTEREST

Wirksworth u3a Big Variety Show

See the attached poster

Saturday 19th October Middleton Village Hall 7.30pm

Join us for an evening of music, comedy, drama and good company.

Bring your own snacks or a full picnic if you prefer

Tickets £7.50 or Cash only on the door To reserve phone 07572 951 753

Ballet

From LaraRoss

I would like to introduce a new class I have just started called *Serene Silver Swans* - a very gentle ballet class for seniors. This would be ideal for those recovering from injury, those who may be worried about mobility issues, those wanting to start ballet in a very safe environment with the support of the ballet barre, or those who just want to take things a little more slowly than our well established *Silver Swans* classes. It takes place on Thursdays at FlowMotion.Life in Matlock, 11 - 11.45am. For further details, please contact Lara at peakballet@outlook.com or on 07776 236007.

This **October newsletter** is sent to all members of the Matlock Area u3a who are registered as current members on the Beacon database and for whom we have an email address.