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The Next Open Meeting

Monday 20th May 2024 "Wildlife in Africa" Talk by Alison Mees



Our next Open Meeting is on Monday 20th May 2024 at the Bowling Club in Abbey Lane. Doors open at 1:45 pm for a 2:30 pm start. Our speaker will be Alison Mees and her talk is entitled 'Wildlife in Africa'.

Alison spent 16 years living and working in Africa in the safari industry, supporting community projects and working with researchers in Cheetah observations.

She shares her experiences with nature, which includes watching a family of cheetah from 4 weeks old until they become independent from their mother. Alison now works with CCF UK as a volunteer, helping to raise awareness and fund raising to help keep cheetahs safe in the wild. With less than 7500 left in the wild they need support.

There will be the usual refreshments, free raffle and plenty of opportunities to socialise with your u3a friends. See you there.

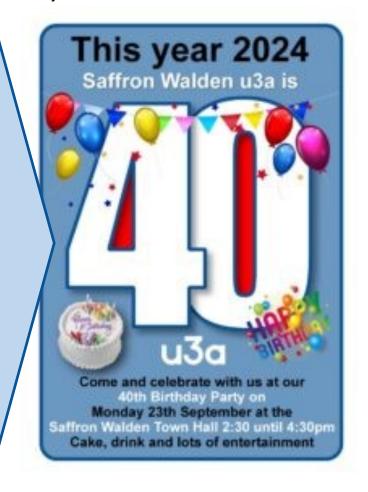
Saffron Walden u3a 40th Birthday

We will be celebrating our 40th Birthday this year on 23rd September at the Saffron Walden Town Hall from 2:30 pm until 4:30 pm.

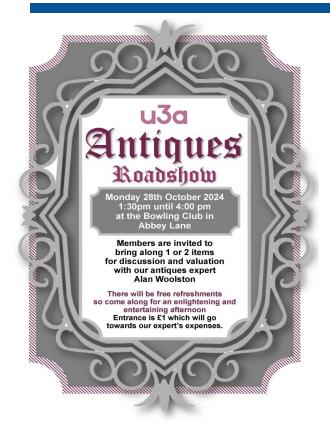
There will be a big birthday cake, bubbly and other refreshments. All members of Saffron Walden u3a are invited, an invitation will be sent to all members, you will then need to apply for a free ticket which will be sent to you by return – you will need to show this ticket to gain entrance.

We will also be inviting members to entertain us, so watch your inbox.

We hope to see as many members at the Town Hall as possible, it's going to be a great afternoon, and we shall look forward to seeing you there.



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This year's Antiques Roadshow is on Monday 28th October at the Bowling Club in Abbey Lane from 1:30 pm until 4:00 pm.

Following last year's successful event, members are once again invited to bring along 1 or 2 items for discussion and valuation with our antiques expert Alan Woolston.

Last year's experience has taught us that some changes are needed to be made to the procedures so that it will be a much fairer and better run event with more involvement for everyone.

There will be free refreshments so please come along for what we hope will be an enlightening and entertaining afternoon.

Entrance is £1 which will go towards our expert's expenses.

Membership Fees Usage Breakdown As announced in the spring edition of Update, £1.00 the annual subscription £2.50 £1.00 will be increasing next year to £15 per person from September, still £1.00 great value for money. Member Fee Breakdown The pie-chart shows ■ Beacon (accounting system) how the subscription ■ Committee and Sundry is used. The eagle eyed will see that it ■ Coordinator support adds up to £15.80. Open meetings and events £2.50 Currently we ■ Third Age Matters Magazine £4.00 receive gift aid ■ Central u3a membership fee of £1.30 per member, but we are using ■ Update Magazine reserves to supplement the remaining £2.00. This cannot continue, hence the need to increase to a £15 fee. £3.80