

# HAPPY NEW YEAR

## BRADFORD ON AVON AND DISTRICT U3A

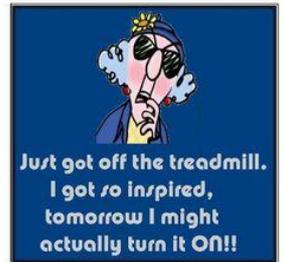


We are looking forward to knowing more about this male specimen at our monthly meeting at the United Church on Thursday 10th at 2:30pm. Our speaker John Salvat (not pictured!) will be telling us about this cave dwelling ice man - his life and death! Hope to see you there.

*You may not have made New Year's resolutions but surely everyone will want to have a healthy 2019.*

*The Science and Engineering group are inviting everyone to their meeting on Wednesday 9th, 2:15 - 3:45 at the United Church where Colin Watts, a professional trainer and advisor will explain how our bodies change as we get older. He will give us advice about keeping our bodies in good order and provide us with a simple exercise routine to follow.*

*Cost will be between £2 and £4 depending on numbers. So do come along and get some good advice. Please let Sally know if you will be going - 01225 867797 [boau3a@gmail.com](mailto:boau3a@gmail.com)*



### **ANYONE FOR CRIBBAGE?**

Pam Bemment would love to hear from folk who may be interested in playing cribbage. If you know how to play and fancy joining a group or if you want to know more then please contact Pam 01225 868304



### **CALLING NEW DRIVERS**

Some of our members volunteer with the Bradford on Avon LINK scheme, where drivers provide transport for (mainly) elderly local folk to get them to medical appointments, day care, the local supermarket, the hairdresser & even a short visit to a local friend. This is a real lifeline for many people. The LINK volunteers are a friendly & supportive team who meet up for a coffee every month - some of them have been volunteering for years & are hoping to hang up their keys & perhaps one day call upon the service themselves, so fresh drivers are urgently needed! LINK also needs coordinators who can offer two or three days a month to work from home answering the phone, logging client requests & contacting the drivers.

If you're interested (or know anyone outside U3A who might be), please do phone our Groups Coordinator, Steph Scott, who volunteers with LINK (07804 132284).

*Maggie Dobson, the author of "Bradford Voices" is continuing the project to record the memories of people about life in Bradford on Avon. This project (BHMB = Bradford Hundred Memory Bank) is doing well at continuing to capture oral history. Help is needed to create transcripts from the recordings.*

*The recording and the transcript, and any relevant photos, will then form part of the archive in Chippenham*

*The project needs anyone, who can spare the time, to listen to the tapes and create a transcript. If interested and for more information please contact Kate Nottage 01225 866087*

## **AN OPPORTUNITY TO MAKE YOUR VIEWS KNOWN ABOUT TRANSPORT ISSUES IN OUR AREA**

**THIS** is a really important chance for everyone to go back to basics and say 'what are our problems' and 'what do we really want' in the light of the new information we will provide as to how transport is changing around us – congestion, pollution, the huge growth of rail transport, opportunities for walking and cycling, and much better understandings of public safety, traffic intimidation, pollution, and how we are just a part of our region including Bath. This approach has most recently been followed in the City of London and is leading to a major programme of change and improvement. Don't miss the opportunity for everyone to have their say.



### **Consultation Meetings Organised by KERB**

What is KERB? Who is in KERB?

KERB was brought together from several groups across the town by Cllr. Simon McNeill-Ritchie. Its aim was to help the Town Council and residents gain a fuller understanding of transport issues, to help fulfil Wiltshire Council's request that the town decides the outcomes that it wants to see - rather than focusing on solutions that may or may not work well together.

Cllr. Simon McNeill-Ritchie – Chair, Independent Town councillor currently chairs the Council's Town Development, Business & Tourism Committee

Trevor Bedeman a founding partner of White-Stripe, which lobbies for pedestrian safety and against traffic intimidation.

Rob Brown A keen rambler, Rob is Treasurer and Membership Secretary of West Wilts Rail Users Group

Nigel Gerdes is a former Chair of Climate Friendly, Bradford of Avon, and a member of Wiltshire Walking for Health.

### **Have your say Consultation sessions**

Wednesday 16th January, 19.00 - 20:30, St Laurence School, (part of Bradford on Avon Area Board)

Thursday 31st January, 19.00 - 20.30 Youth and Community Centre, Kennett Gardens.

**Friday 1st February, 14.00 - 16.30 St. Margaret's Hall**

**Tuesday 16th April Visit to Cardiff and Cardiff Castle £30**

Cost to include coach to and from Cardiff, group entry to the Castle and guided tour plus some additional free time in Cardiff

**PUT THE DATE IN YOUR DIARY –DETAILS TO FOLLOW**