

Northumbria Region

Hello u3a Chairs and Business Secretaries

The most recent Northumbria u3a 40th Anniversary event was to Kirkleatham Walled Garden. After being closed for more than thirty years, the Garden had been restored to its former glory. You may want to organise an outing to the Garden: see the attached very attractively priced package.

The next Northumbria u3a 40th Anniversary event is the 'Lindisfarne Gospels Visit' to the Laing Art Gallery in Newcastle on Monday 3 October 2022 (see attached publicity flier. Please distribute and encourage your members to reserve a place quickly - as there are only forty places available).

Northumbria u3a will not be organising any events in September 2022 as it is hoped that all u3as across the region will be celebrating u3a Day (on 21 September) and/or u3a Celebration Week (from 18 to 26 September). Of course, your events will provide great visual stories for our two local television news programmes. See attached detailed information. Begin planning what you will tell them about now and be sure to get details to them around two weeks before your event – for location filming - especially if you want to ask them to feature it actually on u3a Day or during u3a Celebration Week.

The final Northumbria u3a 40th Anniversary event will be "Grace Darling Remembered" on Tuesday 8 November, with a talk and tour at the Grace Darling Museum in Bamburgh which will commemorate the 180th anniversary of the death of this locally known national heroine. More details will follow.

Exciting news about a u3a-UK event celebrating the building of Hadrian's Wall – see the attached information from Sue Russell and Ann Keating (our own Trustee for the North East, Sandi Rickerby, is involved in the Planning Group.

With every good wish to you and your u3a members Kelvin

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