

## Mawdesley and Neighbouring Villages u3a

**15th November 2024**

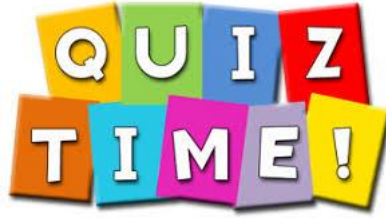
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Thank you to all members who have contributed to this publication

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**Hello Quizzers.**

**As promised, this week we are launching Prospero's Quiz Connections. Loosely based on Only Connect, starting next week there will be a series of four, possibly cryptic, clues. After you have seen the fourth clue on Friday 13th December (!) you will be told how and where to give your answer, as to the connection.**

**There is a prize. It is a wood carved cup designed and made by our very own Chairman (thanks Stuart). The winner gets to keep the cup for a year, by which time I hope to have thought of a new quiz for next Christmas.**

**Watch out for clue number 1 next week**

**N.B. The Friday General Knowledge quiz will continue as normal.**

## **Prospero's Quiz Number 22**

1. In the human body, the bone called the tibia is part of which limb?
2. Name five movies directed by Steven Spielberg with one word titles. (Up to the end of 2023)
3. The monk, based in Jarrow, whose 'Ecclesiastical History of the English People' is considered the foundation of English history, was the Venerable...who?
4. John Lennon's first wife was raised in Hoylake, in the Wirral. What was her first name?
5. What is the name of Paul McCartney's present (and third) wife?
6. Who was the original presenter of Newsround on BBCtv?
7. Who was the first member of the English/British royal family to get a divorce?
8. A size zero in US measurements is equivalent to which size of women's clothes in the UK?
9. What is the name of the little boy in Raymond Briggs' 'The Snowman' as revealed by the label on the present given to him by Father Christmas?

10. And finally, true or false? Black Beauty was the name of Dick Turpin's horse

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**Next Wednesday 20th November** we will be holding our Children in Need Raffle.  
We are still collecting raffle prizes, **preferably bottles**.  
Please hand donations to any member of the committee.

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## **Knitted Hats**

A reminder that next Wednesday 20th November is also the deadline for knitted hats. We are putting up the tree for Croston Christmas Tree Festival on Friday 22nd.

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## **November Folk Concert POSTPONED**

**Unfortunately, the concert scheduled for Saturday 16th November at 2.00 in the Methodist Schoolroom, Mawdesley, has been postponed until the New Year.**

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## **Theatre Group**

Interest only at this stage

**Evita at Southport Little Theatre**

**Saturday February 8th Matinee.**

Tickets £17.

We will book a coach if there are enough people wanting to go.

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## **Eco Travel Group**



See Marie for further details

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## **Willow Weavers**



**And some of their creations**



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## **Art Group Autumn Exhibition**



**The Art Group once again staged another successful exhibition of their work on Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> November in the Annexe. The event was well attended by both u3a members and the general public, with many favourable comments being received.**

**The exhibition again demonstrated the wide variety of media, styles, and composition created by this friendly, sociable and talented group of artists.**

**Details of our next exhibition will be announced in the Newsletter next year, and on our web page.**

**This non-tuitional group meets on the first, second, and third Thursdays each month, 10 am to 12 noon, in Mawdesley Village Hall.**

**New members are always welcome. Why not give us a go?**

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## **SOCIAL TABLE**

**WE HAVE ORGANISED  
2 – YES TWO! – HOLIDAYS FOR 2025**

**Before we go ahead and finalise, we need to know what interest there will be.**

**Departing 6th July 5 days/4 nights**

**North Yorkshire  
Visiting Castle Howard, Eden Camp, Whitby, North York Moors Railway, Beningborough Hall, Sail on the River Ouse, Harewood House, York Minster and time in York**

**Staying at 4 star Parsonage Hotel and Spa**

**ALSO**

**A repeat visit to Bridgewater Somerset for the incredible Festival of Light Carnival**

**Departing 31st October 3 days/2nights**

**Visiting the Museum of Royal Worcester Porcelain for a behind the scenes visit, City of Wells (on Market Day), Stand seats for the Festival of Light Carnival, Brunel's SS Great Britain in Bristol**

**Staying at 3 star Walnut Tree Hotel**

**FURTHER DETAILS ON THE SOCIAL TABLE**

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**North West u3a Photo Competition**





## Photo Competition

Learn — Laugh — Live

**Shine a light and highlight what it means to be a u3a member.**

### **Capture your group as it Learns, Laughs, Lives**

Your chance to win a u3a cotton tote bag, a framed copy of your winning photograph, winners certificate and two u3a travel mugs. Runners up will receive a runner up certificate. Winning photos will feature in the u3a North West Region newsletter, website and social media.

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North West Region

**Closing date**  
**Friday February 28th**

Our two judges (Peter Read – u3a Subject Adviser for Photography, and Rachel Smith – Communications Manager at our u3a Office in London) will be picking a winner, as well as two runners up..

**To enter is simple, just send your photograph, in jpeg or png format (you can forward by email straight from your smartphone) to [editor.nwu3a@gmail.com](mailto:editor.nwu3a@gmail.com) with your name, the name of your u3a and also the activity being photographed. Only two entries maximum per person please.**

Our ambition is to create our own photo library of our members enjoying being a part of their u3a. By entering you are agreeing that your photo can be used in u3a North West Region publications and social media to promote our u3a groups and activities

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### **Advance Notice**

## **Songs of Praise**

**On Sunday 22nd December, St Michael's and All Angels, Croston, will feature on Songs of Praise, with a number of our members in the congregation.**

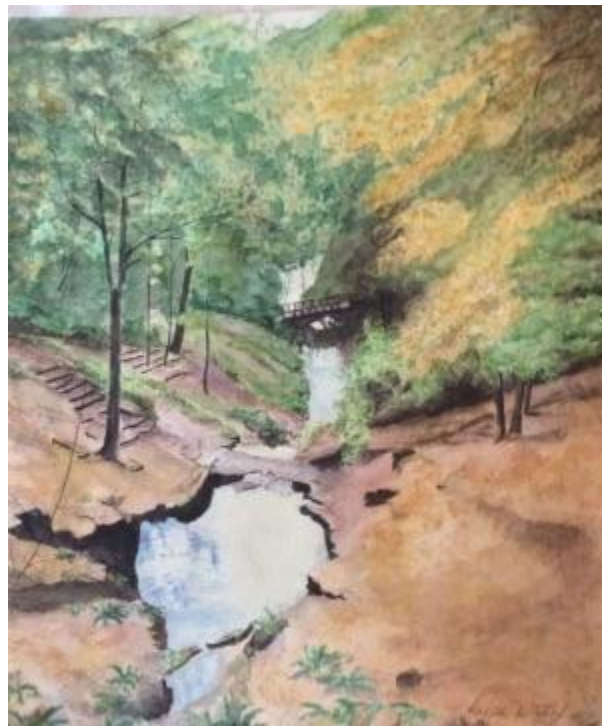
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### **Where am I?**



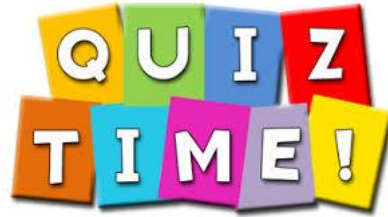


**Where was I?**



Answer: Rivington Terraced Gardens, painted by one of our talented members.

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## ANSWERS

1 Leg

2 Firelight, Duel, Jaws, 1941, Always, Hook, Amistad, Munich, Lincoln. (Poltergeist is disputed)

3 Bede

4 Cynthia

5 Nancy Shevell

6 John Craven

7 Henry VIII. He first divorced Catherine of Aragon and later Anne of Cleves.

8 Four

9 James

10 False. His horse was called Black Bess

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## PAUSE FOR THOUGHT

**Think big thoughts but relish small pleasures.**

*H. Jackson Brown Jnr*

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# HAVE A GREAT DAY

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