

Our Speaker today was Wendy Wilsher talking about **Kynren** – it's origins, it's development to date and what is planned for the Summer and beyond. We are hoping to visit Kynren in early September and there was sufficient interest expressed to encourage that. More information to follow.

PLEASE LET US KNOW IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN THE FOLLOWING GROUPS:

Darts – previously at Morrisons Centre, North Road

Scrabble – previously at St Thomas Aquinas, North Road

- Both are suspended due to lack of numbers. We are exploring the possibility of recommencing closer to the town centre (possibly Woodland Bowling Club but not yet discussed / confirmed). Members are asked to express interest.

Gardening – South Durham u3a have started a Gardening group which is proving very popular – so much so that they have a waiting list and can't accommodate any of our members. We wondered if we should try to reinstate our own Gardening Group BUT we would need people to organise speakers, visits, and demonstrations for the group. Please let us know if you would be interested and also how you could help; this group won't run without input from those wishing to attend.

Outdoor Bowls – the team at Hundens Bowling Club provided a great introduction into Outdoor Bowls last year. All that is required are flat shoes and £3 in exchange for gentle tuition, fun, tea/coffee and biscuits! The sessions will recommence at the end of April / beginning of May and will be either on a Wednesday or Friday afternoon at 2pm. If you're interest please let us know which day(s) you could make and we will go with the majority. (If you can make both days please say so rather than expressing a preference.)

History of Art Our former Chair Kathy LeRoy had proposed recommencing this group which she ran previously. There has been quite a lot of interest but unfortunately Kathy has been unable to proceed as she'd hoped. We'll keep members updated.

April Lunch Club will be at the Freemasons' Hall on Friday 10th April. Menu choices AND PAYMENT required by Wednesday, 1st April. See menu attached.

Contact us about Groups at u3adarlington@gmail.com

Minibreak and Days Out

- Bletchley Park and National Memorial Arboretum – July but closing date next week
- Craggside on 16 May
- Keswick on 8 August

Contact us about the Minibreak and Days Out at daytrippers2025@gmail.com