



Prudhoe & District Notices, April 2026:

Part 1: Information about up-and-coming meetings, events and new groups

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Information about u3a

For all information about Local, Regional and National events and activities, have a look at our Website.

**Website: prudhoe.u3asite.uk/
Facebook: search 'Prudhoe u3a'**



If you would like some help, ask someone on the Committee or your Group or family, to show you how. It is so easy to access.

Open Days

CALLING ALL MEMBERS TO HELP PUBLICISE AND SUPPORT OUR OPEN DAYS:

COME TO THE SHOWCASE

The Prudhoe and District u3a is holding three showcasing days at Prudhoe Community Hub, Front St, Prudhoe NE42 5AA on Tuesday 23, Wednesday 24 and Thursday 25 June from 10:00am to 4:00pm each day.

Come and find out more about the branch in general, the great speakers who come and talk to it each month and the 30 + special interest groups running within it.

If you're interested but can't get to one of the showcasing days, please visit our website, prudhoe.u3asite.uk But come and meet us if you can—we'd love to see you.

There are currently vacancies in the following groups

Walking

Gardening

Singing

German for Beginners

Canasta for Beginners

Strollers

Bridge for Beginners

Dance as if No one is Watching

Classical Music

The Craft Group

Nature Watch

Book Club

Regular P&D u3a meetings

Meeting with speaker:

This meeting is held in the Parish Hall at 10am on the last Monday of the month.



Coffee Plus:

A coffee morning with extras like IT advice, book swap, Scrabble etc.

This meeting is held upstairs in the Spetchells Centre from 10am on the second Tuesday of the month.

Note: No Coffee Meeting in May – Tuesday May 12th is the visit to Ushaw



P&D u3a Monthly Meetings with Speaker

Date	Event or speaker
Monday 27th April	Elizabeth Finch: The Pleasure Gardens of Gibside
Monday 25th May	Bank holiday: No meeting
Monday 29th June	Christopher Tipple: Waltzing into Disaster
Monday 27th July	Northumberland CC Team: Climate Change Action Plan

Other up and coming u3a events

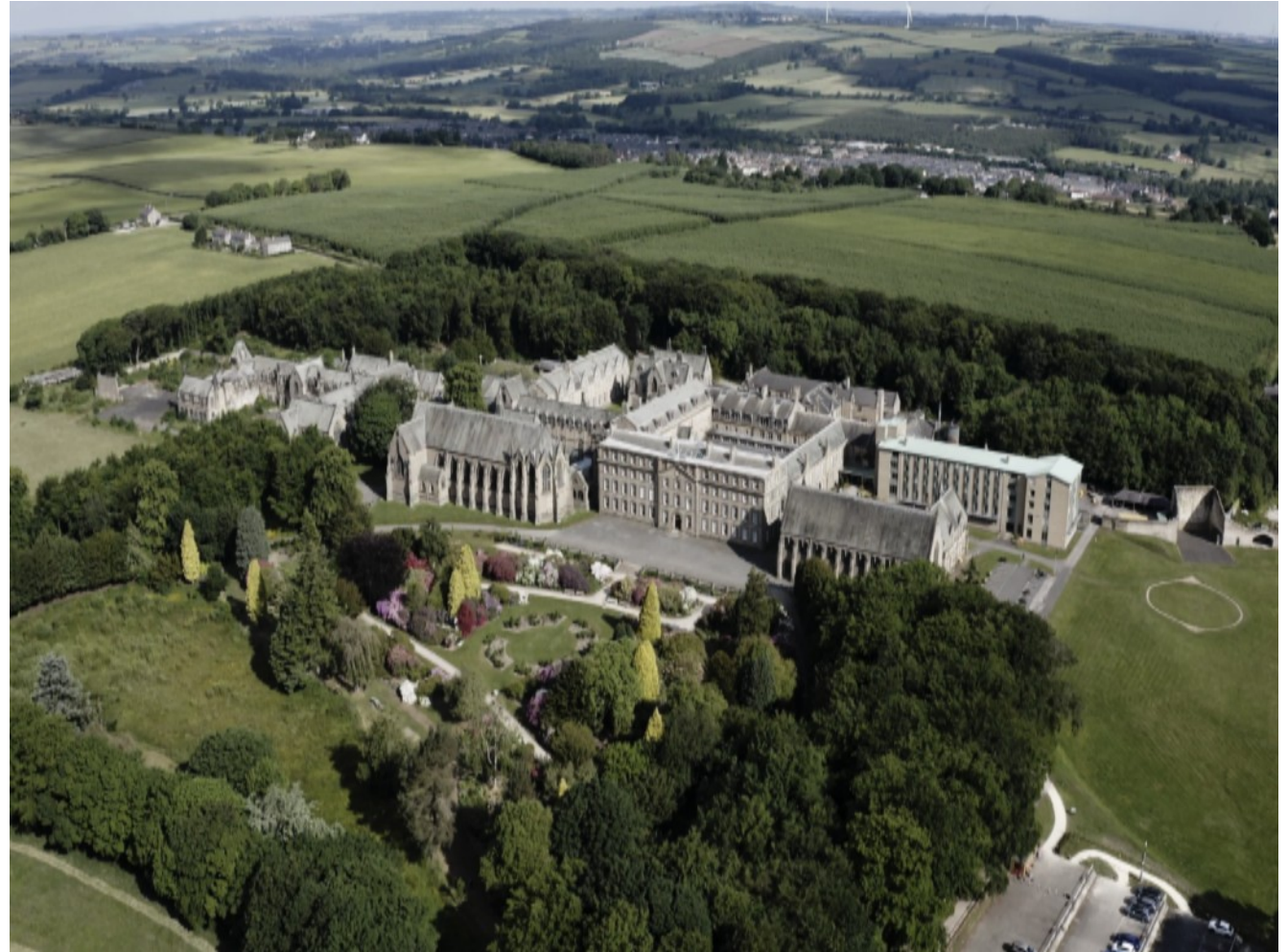
Date	Event or speaker
Tuesday 12th May	Regional u3a day at Ushaw College – see details below
Thursday 14th May	The history group special presentation: Carol Soulsby “Exploration of the UK Temperance Social Movement in the 19th century”
Monday 1st June	AGM

Regional u3a day at Ushaw College, Durham

Date: Tuesday 12th May

There will be lots going on, to listen, watch, and join in:

- **learning about hieroglyphs**
- **bird watching**
- **local history**
- **poetry**
- **guided walks**
- **tours of the house, chapel and gardens**
- **circle dancing,**
- **and much, much more.**



Walking Group

Twelve keen walkers met on Easter Monday at the Tyne Riverside Cafe in Prudhoe to begin a short walk to Ovington and back.

The weather was perfect. The sun was shining and there was very little wind after the blustery few days of Storm Dave.

We crossed the bridge over the River Tyne and skirted through Ovingham before crossing the open fields to Ovington, meeting a few friendly horses on the way! In Ovington we stopped for our sandwich break. Then it was a slow amble back across the top of the fields, briefly brushing against Whittle Dene area and back via Ovingham to our start point.

It had been an enjoyable walk.



Naturewatch – Spring!

Fifteen Naturewatch members had a glorious walk through the woods at Whittle Dene last Monday 13 April. Led by Jenny and Liz we found much to tell us that spring is well on its way. We found many trees and herbaceous plants in flower and heard plenty of birdsong, including recently arrived migrants.



Strollers - April

Seven Strollers had a very sociable two mile circular stroll from West Hexham Tyne Green where they crossed over the railway line past the Riverside Leisure Holiday Park. They then crossed back over the railway line and followed the river heading east and back to Cafe Enna. The weather stayed fine and the riverside was very pretty. Thanks to Chris for leading the walk.

