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# **PROGRAMME FOR 2025-2026**

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## **Poole University of the Third Age**

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# **Welcome to Poole u3a**

## **Programme for 2025 -26**

Autumn Term: Mon. 22<sup>nd</sup> Sep 2025 – Fri. 05<sup>th</sup> Dec 2025

Spring Term: Mon. 05<sup>th</sup> Jan 2026 – Mon. 23<sup>rd</sup> Mar 2026

Summer Term: Mon. 20<sup>th</sup> Apr 2026 – Mon. 29<sup>th</sup> Jun 2026

Autumn Term: Mon. 21<sup>st</sup> Sep 2026 – Fri. 04<sup>th</sup> Dec 2026

Welcome to our part of the worldwide u3a movement, created to meet the needs of an ever-growing retired and semi-retired population without the pressure of tests and examinations. Poole u3a has over 850 members and runs more than 90 classes by our members.

## **Subscription and Class Fees**

### **Membership**

- Runs from 1st September to 31st August inclusive and is renewable annually.
- Membership fees are non-refundable.

**Before you apply**, please check our web site under the heading *Class Finder* for details of any class you are interested in joining. Click on the class title for information about the class. With most classes it is possible to attend one class on a trial basis before joining. This is at the discretion of the Leader.

### **Class Fees**

- Class fees vary depending on the cost of hiring each venue.
- Class fees are non-refundable except:
  - After 1 session or attendance where the member does not wish to continue, no reason need be given.
  - After 1 session or attendance where the class leader considers that the class is not suitable for the member's abilities.
- A member is not allowed to attend any class until the class fee has been paid.

Attached to this leaflet is our membership form for 2024/25. Please write legibly.

**Gift Aid.** If you pay income tax, we can claim back part of your annual subscription from HMRC. Please complete the Declaration Form if you are eligible.

Applications on paper should include a cheque to cover the registration fee and class(es) fee. If you have any issues with submitting your application, please email us on [pooleu3a@gmail.com](mailto:pooleu3a@gmail.com) or phone the u3a office on 01202 678113, so we can sort out the problem.

We encourage online applications, if possible, as this will avoid postal delays and save you the cost of postage. Online applicants must pay their registration fee at the time of registering. Payment is by credit/debit card using PayPal, though you do **not** need a PayPal account to do this. There is no mechanism within the online system to collect class fees so we ask you to **calculate and pay your class fees using BACS transfer**. Information about registering and selecting classes is available on our web site.

You would also be able to attend non-class activities such as walks, talks and visits.

We are always looking for members to lead classes and you do not need to be a qualified teacher. If you are interested in becoming a leader, please indicate your interest on the Application Form. A member of the committee will then phone you for an informal chat. Poole u3a Office is open from 10am until noon Monday and Thursday only and an answerphone operates at all other times.

## **Class Spaces**

Members are allocated a space in a class on a 'first-come' basis. If a class is full, you will be placed on the waiting list.

## **Travel Team**

Day trips will be advertised in our monthly Newsletter. These trips are organised by a local travel company and Poole u3a will have the opportunity of booking certain trips at a discounted rate. If you are interested in any of the trips, please contact the Travel Co-ordinator in the first instance as per details in the Newsletter.

## **Poole u3a Walking Group**

The walking group welcomes all Poole u3a members, and we have two Country Walks each month on the 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursdays of every month except late December and early January. Please register with Poole u3a and select the class 'Country Walks 8' to be included in the emails sent out about the walks. When you register, please also make sure you enter the name and phone number of an emergency contact in case of illness or accident.

For any further information about the Walking Group, please contact our Walks Coordinator, Alan Jowsey, tel. 01202 605515, or email [walkspouleu3a@gmail.com](mailto:walkspouleu3a@gmail.com)

## **Poole u3a Social Cycling Group**

The Social Cycling group welcomes all Poole u3a members, and if there is enough interest there will be 2 sessions per month on Friday afternoons, the 4<sup>th</sup> Friday for a shorter ride and if there is sufficient interest, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Friday for a longer ride, both with stops approximately halfway.

Please register with Poole u3a and select the class 'Social Cycling 9' to be included in the emails sent out about the rides. When you register, please also make sure you enter the name and phone number of an emergency contact in case of illness or accident.

For any further information about the Social Cycling Group, please contact our Cycle Coordinator, Rosie Jordan, tel. 07871 198979 or email [rosemarie811@btinternet.com](mailto:rosemarie811@btinternet.com)

## **POOLE u3a Newsletter**

The Monthly Newsletter is issued by email. It provides up to date information on all things going on in Poole u3a

## **Classes by Venue 2025/26**

*All telephone numbers are prefixed 01202 unless otherwise indicated.*

Scrabble 93 starts on 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Scrabble 92 starts on 3<sup>rd</sup> September

Clock and Watch Workshop starts on 15<sup>th</sup> September

Memoirs 80 is on 1<sup>st</sup> Monday each month

Numbers & Stuff 79 and Science & Technology 72 are on alternate Mondays.

Badminton Intermediate 12 has 2 courts

Badminton Social 20 has 2 courts

Pickleball 140 has 2 courts

Pickleball 85 has 2 courts

Padel Tennis 90 has 2 courts

Short Tennis 98 has 2 courts.

Changes to class times and venues will be published in the monthly newsletter.

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<b>Bearwood Community Centre, King John Avenue, Bournemouth BH11 9TF</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£80</b>	Badminton 13	Terry Parsons 577919
<b>Thursday</b>			
11:00-13:15	<b>£65</b>	Short Mat Bowls 95	Allan Turner 674646

<b>BH17 Community Club, 7 Mitchell Road , Canford Heath, Poole BH17 8UE</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£0</b>	Needles & Natter 78	Helen Hare 07815 980891

<b>Branksome Centre, Recreation Road, Parkstone, Poole BH12 2EA</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Friday</b>			
11:00-13:00	<b>£45</b>	Italian Conversation 68	Indira Marchant 07460 348548
<b>Branksome Library, 212 Ashley Road, Upper Parkstone, Poole BH14 9BY</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Thursday</b>			
13:00-15:00	<b>£60</b>	Needlecrafts 77	Dru March 743573
15:15-17:15	<b>£60</b>	Lacemaking 70	Di Pemberton 778616

<b>Broadstone Methodist Church, Lower Blandford Road BH18 8DT</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
09:15-10:45	<b>£40</b>	Yoga Workshop 125	Wendy Pyne 772247
11:00-12:30	<b>£15</b>	French is Fun 54	Mike Lloyd 07891 612758
11:00-13:00	<b>£50</b>	Art Watercolours 4	Carl Richardson 778283
13:00-15:00	<b>£35</b>	Current Affairs 36	Brian Vickery 07961 843967

<b>Tuesday</b>			
13:00-14:45	<b>£45</b>	Art Workshop 5	Sally Boyle 07838 266500
13:00-14:45	<b>£35</b>	Drawing & Sketching 47	Janet Court 07437 107727
<b>Wednesday</b>			
09:30-11:30	<b>£45</b>	Art Workshop 6	Christine Hall 604850
09:30-11:30	<b>£25</b>	Bridge For Fun 32	Helen Kanolik 07759 437960
10:10-11:10	<b>£15</b>	Tai Chi Advanced 116	Linda Sullivan 697253
13:30-15:00	<b>£40</b>	Line Dancing Absolute Beginners 71	Sue Williams 07527 003814
14:00-16:00	<b>£45</b>	Photography 37	Kevin Painter 07771 246024
14:00-16:00	<b>£40</b>	Rummikub 91	Diane Martin 679635
<b>Thursday</b>			
12:15-13:15	<b>£30</b>	Tai Chi Beginners 132	Mike Lloyd 07891 612758

<b>Canford Cliffs Village Hall, 17 Ravine Road, Canford Cliffs, Poole BH13 7HT</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
13:00-15:00	<b>£50</b>	Table Tennis Intermediate 106	Alan Dean 540789
15:00-17:00	<b>£35</b>	Table Tennis Experienced 114	Geoff Funnell 900645
<b>Wednesday</b>			
13:45-15:15	<b>£70</b>	Ukulele Beginners 121	Ann Smith 700675
<b>Friday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£35</b>	Table Tennis Intermediate 107	Jon Vincent 07974 000046

<b>Corfe Mullen Royal British Legion, 80 Blandford Road, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne BH21 3HQ</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Thursday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£30</b>	Mahjong 73	Tina Cunningham-Smith 769143

<b>Creekmoor Community Centre, 28 Northmead Drive, Creekmoor, Poole BH17 7XZ</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£60</b>	Table Tennis Novice & Imp. 109	Geoff Funnell 900645
<b>Friday</b>			
09:30-11:30	<b>£45</b>	Table Tennis 108	Sheila Davis 07563 533394
14:00-16:00	<b>£95</b>	Badminton Improvers 19	Alan Beasley 604554

<b>Cross Court Padel Upton Road Creekmoor BH17 7AH</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
15:00-16:00	<b>£95</b>	Padel Tennis 90	David Kanolik 07759 437960

<b>East Dorset Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Salterns Road, Poole BH14 8BL</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>			
10:30-12:30	<b>£95</b>	Bridge Social 29	Susan Harris 692903
13:30-15:00	<b>£60</b>	French Intermediate 50	Marie Lloyd 07586 356781
15:15-16:30	<b>£40</b>	French Adv. Conversation 52	Marie Lloyd 07586 356781
<b>Thursday</b>			
13:15-14:45	<b>£95</b>	Guitar Intermediate 64	Mark Stevens 07737 239880

<b>Hamworthy Club, Magna Road, Canford Magna, Wimborne BH21 3AP</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£10</b>	Boules 25	John Phillips 07846 409753
<b>Thursday</b>			

10:00-12:00	<b>£10</b>	Boules 26	Nobby Gillingham 07944 784844
<b>Friday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£10</b>	Boules 24	Liz Cleghorn 07766 236844

<b>Melton Court, 37 Lindsay Road, Branksome, Poole BH13 6BH</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Thursday</b>			
14:00-15:45	<b>£0</b>	French Conversation 55	Denise Dick 07469 921433

<b>Members Home, Ask Leader or Class Adviser for the address</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
10:30-12:30	<b>£0</b>	Memoirs 80	Christine Hammond 763156
19:00-21:00	<b>£0</b>	Canasta 142	Jan Menzies 07427 637099
<b>Tuesday</b>			
19:00-21:00	<b>£0</b>	Wine Appreciation 124	Diana Andrews 707491
<b>Wednesday</b>			
11:00-12:00	<b>£0</b>	Mindfulness	Tina Wise 07964 27566
14:15-16:00	<b>£0</b>	Philosophy Workshop 83	Stephen Tansey 01258 857826

<b>Merley Community Centre, Harrier Drive, Merley, Wimborne BH21 1XE</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
09:30-11:30	<b>£40</b>	Table Tennis Intermediate 110	Will Dennis 07901 713551
13:00-14:45	<b>£40</b>	Short Mat Bowls 97	Peter Saunders 07919 661341
<b>Tuesday</b>			
13:45-15:45	<b>£60</b>	Badminton 15	Ann Nicoll 690554
<b>Thursday</b>			



09:00-11:00	<b>£60</b>	Badminton 17	Ann Nicoll 690554
11:10-13:00	<b>£80</b>	Short Tennis 102	Steve Stevens 07940 936072
<b>Friday</b>			
10:30-12:30	<b>£80</b>	Short Tennis 100	Steve Stevens 07940 936072

<b>St Georges Church, Darby's Lane Oakdale Poole BH15 3EU</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£50</b>	Quiz 88	Val and Paul Renyard 682460

<b>St Joseph's and St Walburga's RC Church, 2a Archway Road, Parkstone, Poole BH14 9AZ</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
10:00-11:45	<b>£70</b>	Mixed Jam Band 76	Bev Turner 757086
14:00-16:00	<b>£45</b>	Quiz 87	Val Ingram 731363
<b>Thursday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£30</b>	Inspired Ukuleles 131	Tim Dearden 07742 689729

<b>St Nicholas' Church, 30 Wareham Road, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne, BH21 3LE</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£45</b>	Line Dancing High Beginners 74	Sue Williams 07527 003814
<b>Thursday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£60</b>	Sew & Chat 94	Joan Budden 07795 950616
13:45-15:45	<b>£75</b>	Ballroom Latin & Sequence 21	Chris Cuthbert 922155

<b>St Paul's Church, Culliford Crescent, Canford Heath, Poole, BH17 9DW</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Wednesday</b>			
09:45-11:45	<b>£80</b>	French Advanced 51	Jan Powell 575057

<b>Tesco Fleets Corner, Community Room, Waterloo Rd, Poole BH17 7EJ</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
14:00-16:30	<b>£0</b>	Clock & Watch Workshop 38	Rod Best 690950
<b>Wednesday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£0</b>	Scrabble 93	Eileen Robinson 695208
<b>Thursday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£0</b>	Scrabble 92	Carla Marshall 07580 928628

<b>Tesco Tower Park, Community Room, Yarrow Rd, Mannings Heath, Poole BH12 4NX</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
14:45-16:45	<b>£0</b>	Bridge Social 33	Moirra Ledger 07557 749778
<b>Wednesday</b>			
15:45-18:00	<b>£0</b>	Guitar Acoustic Workshop 62	Andy Law 07527 145402
<b>Friday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£0</b>	Beading & Jewellery 22	Georgie Brown 07484 875973

<b>The Junction Sports and Leisure Centre, Station Approach, Broadstone BH18 8AX</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
<b>14:00-16:00</b>	<b>£65</b>	Badminton Advanced 18	Rosemary Peden 07584 438852
<b>Wednesday</b>			
11:00-13:00	<b>£75</b>	Badminton Intermediate 12	Sue Dibben 07951 813024
11:15-13:15	<b>£60</b>	Pickleball Beg/Imp 140	Margaret Loveday 07837 970517
13:00-14:30	<b>£55</b>	Short Tennis 98	Linda Patel 07853950760
<b>Thursday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£45</b>	Badminton 16	Shirley Maynard 07840 830416

<b>Friday</b>			
12:00-14:00	<b>£110</b>	Badminton Social 20	Linda Patel 07853950760
14:15-16:15	<b>£80</b>	Pickleball Experienced 85	David Kanolik 07759 437960

<b>The New Inn, 222 Wimborne Rd, Poole BH15 2EL</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
10:00-12:00	<b>£80</b>	The Joy of Painting 7	Jan Crouch 696002

<b>The Pilot Pub, 1 Adastral Square, Canford Heath, BH17 8SA</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Tuesday</b>			
13:30-15:30	£0	Card Making for all Occasions 42	Joan Budden 07795 950616

<b>The Spire - u3a Office, Room 5, Chapel Lane, High Street, Poole BH15 1DF</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Monday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£5</b>	Numbers & Stuff 79	Chris Smith 386058
14:00-16:00	<b>£5</b>	Science & Technology 72	Chris Smith 386058
<b>Tuesday</b>			
14:30-16:30	<b>£10</b>	Spanish Advanced 104	Lupita Aish 731617
<b>Wednesday</b>			
10:15-12:15	<b>£10</b>	Creating Cards 41	Julie Sanderson 241436
12:15-14:00	<b>£10</b>	Poetry Reading 86	Isobel Quinlivan 742475
14:00-16:00	<b>£10</b>	Tapestry Weaving 119	Pam Judd 741713
<b>Thursday</b>			
13:00-15:00	<b>£10</b>	Book Lovers 23	Geoff Crouch 696002

<b>Friday</b>			
10:30-12:30	<b>£10</b>	Canasta 141	Marion Guy 381362

<b>The Spire-Room, Chapel Lane, High Street, Poole BH15 1DF</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>Thursday</b>			
10:00-11:00	<b>£60</b>	Tai Chi Int & Adv 115	Jennie Robinson 07716 690115

<b>Various</b>			
<b>Day/Time</b>	<b>Annual Fee</b>	<b>Subject</b>	<b>Contact</b>
<b>1&amp;3 Thurs</b>			
10:30-13:00	<b>£0</b>	Country Walks 8	Alan Jowsey 605515
<b>4th Friday</b>			
14:00-16:00	<b>£0</b>	Social Cycling 9	Rosie Jordan 07871 198979

**Poole U3A website [www.pooleu3a.org.uk](http://www.pooleu3a.org.uk)  
'Class Full' indicator and 'Waiting/Interest' Lists**

On our website under the heading 'Class Finder' there is a list of all the classes provided by Poole u3a. Click on the name of a class and you can read information about it. If you are interested in joining a class you can phone the Leader and ask for more information before including the class number on your application form.

If an 'F' appears after a class title then unfortunately that class is currently full. You can still phone the u3a Office and request to be placed on the waiting list. Alternatively go to the Poole u3a website/Class finder and select this form and your request will go to a dedicated email address.

If you are interested in an activity that is not currently listed, you can contact the Class Co-ordinator. If you do not have access to our website, please phone the Poole u3a office during opening hours (01202 678113). Our volunteers will be able to provide the information and record your interest. Office hours: 10 am to 12 noon Mondays & Thursdays

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