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PROGRAMME FOR 2026-2027

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Poole University of the Third Age

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Welcome to Poole u3a

POOLE u3a Terms 2026 - 2027

Autumn Term: Mon. 21/09/26 – Fri. 04/12/2026
Spring Term: Mon. 4/01/2027 – Mon. 22/03/2027
Summer Term: Mon. 19/04/27 – Mon. 28/06/2027
Autumn Term: Mon. 21/09/27 – Fri. 03/12/2027

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 80 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 2026/27. 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 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 1st and 3rd 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 walkspooleu3a@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 4th Friday for a shorter ride and if there is sufficient interest, the 2nd 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

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 2026/27

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

Memoirs 80 is on 1st Monday each month

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

Folk Music Group 135 is for the Autumn Term only.

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

Bearwood Community Centre, King John Avenue, Bournemouth BH11 9TF			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Thursday			
11:00-13:15	£65	Short Mat Bowls 95	Allan Turner 07955 577476

BH17 Community Club, 7 Mitchell Road , Canford Heath, Poole BH17 8UE			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
10:00-12:00	£0	Needles Circle 78	Tricia Tapner 01202 604607

Branksome Centre, Recreation Road, Parkstone, Poole BH12 2EA			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Friday			
11:00-13:00	£45	Italian Conversation 68	Indira Marchant 07460 348548

Branksome Library, 212 Ashley Road, Upper Parkstone, Poole BH14 9BY			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Thursday			
13:00-15:00	£65	Needlecrafts 77	Dru March 0102 743573
15:15-17:15	£65	Lacemaking 70	Di Pemberton 01202 778616

Broadstone Methodist Church, Lower Blandford Road BH18 8DT			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
09:15-10:45	£65	Yoga Workshop 125	Wendy Pyne 01202 772247
11:00-12:30	£25	French is Fun 54	Mike Lloyd 07891 612758
11:00-13:00	£55	Art Watercolours 4	Amanda Richardson 07971 640256

13:00-15:00	£45	Current Affairs 36	Glyn Davies 01202 904172
Wednesday			
09:30-11:30	£45	Art Workshop 6	Christine Hall 01202 604850
09:30-11:30	£25	Bridge For Fun 32	Helen Kanolik 07759 437960
10:10-11:10	£15	Tai Chi Advanced 116	Linda Sullivan 01202 697253
14:00-16:00	£45	Photography 37	Kevin Painter 07771 246024
14:00-16:00	£40	Rummikub 91	Diane Martin 1202 679635
Thursday			
12:15-13:15	£25	Tai Chi Beginners 132	Mike Lloyd 07891 612758

Canford Heath Community Centre, 7 Mitchell Road, BH17 8UE			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
13:30-14:30	£35	Line Dancing absolute Beginners 71	Sue Williams 07527 003814
14:30 16:00	£50	Line Dancing Improvers 74	Sue Williams 07527 003814

Canford Heath Hub, 10 Adastral Road, BH17 8SA			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Friday			
14:00-16:00	£0	Beading & Jewellery 22	Pam Brown 07857 665302

Canford Cliffs Village Hall, 17 Ravine Road, Canford Cliffs, Poole BH13 7HT			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
13:00-15:00	£40	Table Tennis Intermediate 106	Jon Vincent 07974 000046
15:00-17:00	£40	Table Tennis Experienced 114	Geoff Funnell 01202 900645

Wednesday			
13:45-15:15	£50	Ukulele Beginners 121	Ann Smith 700675
Friday			
10:00-12:00	£40	Table Tennis Intermediate 107	Jon Vincent 07974 000046

Canford Heath Library, St Michael's Road, Poole BH12 8UE			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
13:30-15:30	£70	Card making, all occasions 42	Joan Budden 07795 950616

Corfe Mullen Royal British Legion, 80 Blandford Road, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne BH21 3HQ			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Thursday			
10:00-12:00	£25	Mahjong 73	Tina Cunningham-Smith 0102 769143

Creekmoor Community Centre, 28 Northmead Drive, Creekmoor, Poole BH17 7XZ			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
14:00-16:00	£50	Table Tennis Novice & Imp. 109	Geoff Funnell 0102 900645
Friday			
09:30-11:30	£35	Table Tennis 108	Sheila Davis 07563 533394
14:00-16:00	£70	Badminton Improvers 19	Alan Beasley 604554

Cross Court Padel Upton Road Creekmoor BH17 7AH			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
12:30-14:00	£150	Padel Tennis Beginners & Improvers 89	Sue Dibben 07951 813024
14:00-15:30	£150	Padel Tennis Intermediate (1) 90	Will Dennis 07901 713551
14:00-15:30	£150	Padel Tennis Intermediate (2) 99	David Kanolik 07759 437960

East Dorset Lawn Tennis and Croquet Club, Salterns Road, Poole BH14 8BL

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
13:30-15:00	£70	French Intermediate 50	Marie Lloyd 07586 356781
15:15-16:30	£40	French Adv. Conversation 52	Marie Lloyd 07586 356781
Thursday			
13:30-15:00	£85	Guitar Intermediate 64	Christine Bunt 07742 569494

Hamworthy Club, Magna Road, Canford Magna, Wimborne BH21 3AP

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
10:00-12:00	£10	Boules 25	John Phillips 07846 409753
Thursday			
10:00-12:00	£10	Boules 26	Nobby Gillingham 07944 784844
Friday			
10:00-12:00	£10	Boules 24	Liz Cleghorn 07766 236844

Melton Court, 37 Lindsay Road, Branksome, Poole BH13 6BH

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
	£0	Philosophy Workshop 83	Judy Pechey 07866 966215
Thursday			
14:00-15:45	£0	French Conversation 55	Denise Dick 07469 921433

Members Home, Ask Leader or Class Adviser for the address

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
10:30-12:30	£0	Memoirs 80	Christine Hammond 0102 763156
19:00-21:00	£0	Canasta 142	Jan Menzies 07427 637099

Tuesday			
19:00-21:00	£0	Wine Appreciation 124	Diana Andrews 01202 707491

Merley Community Centre, Harrier Drive, Merley, Wimborne BH21 1XE			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
09:30-11:30	£45	Table Tennis Intermediate 110	Will Dennis 07901 713551
13:00-14:45	£45	Short Mat Bowls 97	Peter Saunders 07919 661341
Tuesday			
13:45-15:45	£75	Badminton 15	Susan Steeden 07789 021365
Thursday			
09:00-11:00	£75	Badminton 17	Ann Nicoll 01202 690554
11:10-13:00	£80	Short Tennis 102	Steve Stevens 07940 936072

St Georges Church, Darby's Lane Oakdale Poole BH15 3EU			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
14:00-16:00	£55	Quiz 88	Val and Paul Renyard 01202 682460

St Joseph's and St Walburga's RC Church, 2a Archway Road, Parkstone, Poole BH14 9AZ			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
10:00-12:00	£65	Mixed Jam Band 76	Bev Turner 01202 757086
14:00-16:00	£50	Quiz 87	Val Ingram 01202 731363
Thursday			
14:00-16:00	£35	Inspired Ukuleles 131	Tim Dearden 07742 689729

St Mary's RC Church Hall, 211a Wimborne Road, BH15 2EG			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
10:30-12:00	£20	Folk Music Group 135	Janine Dearden 07708 8882863

St Nicholas' Church, 30 Wareham Road, Corfe Mullen, Wimborne, BH21 3LE			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Thursday			
10:00-12:00	£55	Sew & Chat 94	Joan Budden 07795 950616
Friday			
13:45-15:45	£80	Ballroom Latin & Sequence 21	Howard Cunningham-Smith 07968 345695

St Paul's Church, Culliford Crescent, Canford Heath, Poole, BH17 9DW			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
09:45-11:45	£95	French Advanced 51	Jan Powell 01202 575057

Tesco Fleets Corner, Community Room, Waterloo Rd, Poole BH17 7EJ			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
14:00-16:30	£0	Clock & Watch All Abilities 38	Rod Best 01202 690950
15:00-17:00	£0	Clock and Watch Workshop Experienced 39	Rod Best 01202 690950
Wednesday			
10:00-12:00	£0	Scrabble 93	Eileen Robinson 01202 695208
Thursday			
14:00-16:00	£0	Scrabble 92	Carla Marshall 07580 928628

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

The Junction Sports and Leisure Centre, Station Approach, Broadstone BH18 8AX			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Wednesday			
11:00-13:00	£75	Badminton Intermediate 12	Sue Dibben 07951 813024
11:15-13:15	£85	Pickleball Beg/Imp 140	Suzanne Godfrey 07786 195407
13:00-14:30	£55	Short Tennis 98	Sue Sparrow 07929 585746
Thursday			
14:00-16:00	£50	Badminton 16	Shirley Maynard 07840 830416
Friday			
12:00-14:00	£105	Badminton Social 20	Sue Sparrow 07929 585746
14:15-16:15	£80	Pickleball Experienced 85	David Kanolik 07759 437960

The New Inn, 222 Wimborne Rd, Poole BH15 2EL			
Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Tuesday			
10:00-12:00	£80	The Joy of Painting 7	Sally Funnell 07780 440594

The Spire - u3a Office, Room 5, Chapel Lane, High Street, Poole BH15 1DF

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Monday			
14:00-16:00	£5	Numbers & Stuff 79	Chris Smith 01202 386058
14:00-16:00	£5	Science & Technology 72	Chris Smith 01202 386058
Tuesday			
10:00-13:00	£10	Play Reading 30	Graham Menzies 07941 464662
14:30-16:30	£10	Spanish Advanced 104	Lupita Aish 01202 731617
Wednesday			
10:15-12:15	£10	Creating Cards 41	Julie Sanderson 01202 241436
12:15-14:00	£10	Poetry Reading 86	Isobel Quinlivan 742475
14:00-16:00	£10	Tapestry Weaving 119	Pam Judd 01202 741713
Thursday			
13:00-15:00	£10	Book Lovers 23	Geoff Crouch 01202 696002
Friday			
10:30-12:30	£10	Canasta 141	Marion Guy 07957 491965
14:00-15:30	£10	Spanish Beginners 118	Jo John 07803 054527

The Spire – Hall 1, Chapel Lane, High Street, Poole BH15 1DF

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
Thursday			
10:00-11:00	£65	Tai Chi Int & Adv 115	Jennie Robinson 07716 690115

Various

Day/Time	Annual Fee	Subject	Contact
1&3 Thurs			
10:30-13:00	£0	Country Walks 8	Alan Jowsey 01202 605515
4th Friday			
14:00-16:00	£0	Social Cycling 9	Rosie Jordan 07871 198979

Poole u3a website www.pooleu3a.org.uk
'Class Full' indicator and 'Waiting/Interest' lists

Select 'Class Finder' for a list of all classes provided. Select the class name for the details. If you need more information about a class, please phone the class leader. If a class is full, an F will appear on the website.

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