

NEWPORT U3a NEWSLETTER - OCTOBER 2025

OCTOBER - sweater weather is better together!

OLDER PERSONS' DAY

Four of our members manned a promotional stand at the Newport City Council's 'International Older Persons Day' to support Newport as an Age Friendly City. It was held at the Riverfront Arts Centre and we were one of a variety of groups and services showcasing our activities that support well-being for Newport's older residents,



many of which thought the u3a would benefit their clients. Also we distributed promotional leaflets to dozens of visitors and chatted to them about the many diverse groups, events, activities, holidays and day trips that we all enjoy. The Mayor, Kate Thomas, was very impressed with our organisation and expressed a wish to visit us. She has since accepted an invitation to officially open our Christmas Concert on 12th December.

WINTER QUIZ

Almost 50 of our members competed in our Winter Quiz and, of course, there was the usual friendly banter and competitive rivalry that created a fun afternoon. Our host, Pam Cocchiara, put together an interesting and humorous mix of questions and we all know her mantra is "The Quiz Master is always right" but she had to concede that Northern Ireland's currency is not the Euro! The winners were:- 1st - The Golden Girls (French Group), 2nd - Welsh Group 2, 3rd - Allsorts. Many thanks to those who assisted with selling tickets, setting up and putting away the furniture, and serving the refreshments etc . . .



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OUR CRYPTIC CROSSWORD

Members of the How to Solve Cryptic Crosswords Group meet twice a month to learn how to unlock those fiendish clues whilst improving memory, vocabulary and general knowledge.

They have progressed so well that, together, they have compiled their very own crossword which is going to be published in the February 2026 edition of the U3A Matters Magazine.

Well Done to them all from she who cooked **algae** around **noon!** (Angela).



LET'S PUMPKIN SPICE THINGS UP A BIT

Members are invited to submit photographs for future Newsletters.

The subjects should be seasonal, about our u3a, or our locality.



Contact Angela at publicity.newportu3a@gmail.com if you have any news about your group or photographs to be included in a future Newsletter.

