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Clarion is the magazine of Edinburgh u3a and is published bi-annually with contributions from and about individual members and groups. The **Bulletin** is published monthly on-line and contains brief updates on forthcoming events and group news.



DEEP WATER by Barbara Clarke - wool, cotton, tencel 2023

Exhibition by Tapestry Group (see page 13)

Edinburgh u3a Singers

'Oliver's Journey Home'

The u3a Singers, under the leadership of Lesley Hartley, sang the story of 'Oliver's Journey Home' on 26th June at the Reid Memorial Church.

The show which tells the story of Oliver, talented musician and son of fish-and-chip shop owners in Bridlington-on-Sea.

He is studying at Huddersfield Music College and decides to cycle home at the end of his first year. He gets sunstroke and takes refuge in a pub where he enjoys local folk musicians. He sets off again via York where he meets the buskers. He eventually cycles on to the coast to meet up with his worried parents.

I very much enjoyed the show and seeing my friends performing. The excellent choir were supported by Ailsa Aitkenhead their regular pianist and by guests Paul Carroll on accordion and synthesiser, Sarah Swindells on flute and Eun–Joo Yoon as 'Oliver's violin'. Guest singer, Ross Hartley, played the entertaining role of Oliver.

It was an amazing and fun occasion, and everyone's performances were great. I think it is best illustrated by the photos I took from the back of the room.

Alison Bramley

Coffee and a Stroll.

(Fourth Tuesday, of the month, March – October, 10.30am–12.30pm)

This is a new group in which members meet for a friendly get-together for coffee (10–100 kcal), cake (100–350 kcal) and a chat, followed by a gentle, 45-min stroll around a local park or quiet area of interest. Anyone not wishing to walk could just come for coffee and a blether. We will go to a different coffee outlet every month, all within Edinburgh and suburbs, all with or near toilets, most with a choice of indoor/outdoor seating, and all easily accessible by public transport.

See city map for potential venues



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A typical stroll might start from McLarens at Holy Corner, visit the Napier Tower (15th century), the attractive, secluded 'Georgian' housing of Albert Terrace, John Livingston's evocative plague tomb (off Chamberlain Rd), the site of a former quarry on Bruntsfield Links that provided the stone used to build Napier Tower, and finally, a return to Holy Corner. (Distance 1.5 ml; energy expended 200 kcal.)

A Stroll from Holy Corner



Roy enjoys a post- stroll coffee!



If you are interested in joining us, please contact Roy Thompson: roy@ed.ac.uk