



Longbarn Residents Association

UKULELE/SING-ALONG SPECIAL

Even if you don't really see yourself coming regularly to LRA's Ukulele/Sing-along Club, or you're not yet sure, come along to our UKULELE/SING-ALONG SPECIAL for a fun night.

LRA will be host to the "Rock-a-Hulas", members of the U3A Ukulele Club, the very successful, premier ukulele club in the area. They will play and lead us in a good old sing-along. You will be able to chat to them about choosing and playing ukuleles and to see and try a range of their instruments. Those that want to have a go can join in and even borrow a ukulele to play along, or just strum along for the fun of it. We are very lucky to have this performance and support from U3A and we have no doubt it will be a very enjoyable, fun event.

The SPECIAL will start at 07:30pm 26 January 2017, in the lounge of Padgate Village Club (PVC). The bar will be open and, of course, you can have a drink to keep your vocal chords oiled. Entry will be by ticket, but these will be FREE, and can be reserved by phoning 01925 823010.

LRA UKULELE/SING-ALONG CLUB

LRA will start our own Ukulele/Sing-along club in January 2017. The first few meetings will be aimed mainly at players (all levels), with an increasing amount of sing-along as the weeks progress.

The first meeting will be at PVC, 07:30pm 19 January 2017 for two hours. This will be a "getting to know" meeting – "getting to know" one another, the ukulele, the basic chords and a song or two. If you already know the basics and would like to join in at later sessions, we encourage you to still come along, even helping to coach (buddy) new starters.

The second meeting will be the SPECIAL (see above). There will then be a meeting every Thursday (7:30pm) for 4 or 5 weeks, with some tuition but increasing focus on playing/singing.

FAQs

How much will it cost me? & I don't have a ukulele and I'm not ready to buy one. What can I do?

There will be a nominal charge of £1 per meeting to help towards running costs. Borrowing an LRA ukulele for the meeting, numbers permitting, will be FREE. LRA ukuleles can be "rented" by the week (£2) to take home. If later you choose to buy one from LRA (no profit by LRA), we'll have a "convert to buy" option, taking into account your previous rentals. "Rental" is recommended, as, to learn, players should practice every day, where possible, during the first weeks.

I can't sing/am not musical, would I enjoy it? & Can I just come for the sing-along?

The ukulele is a surprisingly easy instrument to learn but you don't have to try to play if you don't want to and you don't have to be "a good singer". You should just like a sing-along. We don't want anybody to feel shy about singing. Nobody will be judging us. Nobody is paying to hear any of us, so what does it matter? However, you do have to want to have fun amongst friends.

I'm a leftie. Is that a problem? & I play/am learning to play the guitar can I join in using it?

Shouldn't be a problem. The LRA ukuleles can be restrung for left-handed players, but we will need to know in advance that you need one. Our hand-outs should be OK for both lefties and righties. You can bring your guitar and still use our song sheets.