

NEWSLETTER

21ST JULY 2017

MEETINGS/SPOTLIGHTS

A reminder that our upcoming dates are:

29th July – Spotlight tba

5th August – Spotlight tba

19th August – Spotlight tba

2nd September – Spotlight: John Bartley

If you would like to volunteer to do a Spotlight session, please check for availability at <http://www.talkingzebras.co.uk/spotlight--meeting-dates-2017.html> , and email Trevor Alexander – or simply speak to him at one of the meetings.

MONTHLY CHALLENGES

For those who like to write and enjoy a challenge, we choose a different topic each month. This is NOT compulsory, but if you wish to participate, bring your contribution along to read at a meeting. If you wish, these can also be posted on the website if you email them to talking_zebras@yahoo.co.uk.

The theme for July is “Travel”, and for August we’ve chosen “Food”.

A full list of previous challenge themes can be found at <http://www.talkingzebras.co.uk/monthly-challenges.html> .

BOOKLET / CD

We have booklets/CD sets available at £5 for members (£6 retail). CDs in a hard case are £3. MP3s in a hard case (with 83 tracks) are also £3. We’re happy to provide these on a sale or return basis for members.

PROFILES AND POETRY

Trevor A has been sprucing up our website – www.talkingzebras.co.uk - and we’d like to invite all members to share a profile and some poetry on there. There’s plenty of space for some audio and video files if anyone is feeling particularly brave?! All contributions welcome, as long as they link to the spoken word.

TALKING ZEBRAS BIRTHDAY MEAL

Everyone is invited to join us downstairs at The Star in Roberttown on 30th September for a meal and social evening to celebrate the group's 5th birthday (5th October). Please feel free to bring some poetry/music or come along to listen. Food optional (menu attached) - we'll need choices and payment by the end of our meeting on Saturday 16th September.

We'll have a room to ourselves from 7pm until 11pm - meal at 7.15pm, entertainment from 8.30pm - free entry.

RECENT EVENTS

Talking Zebras have contributed to a few public events recently. The latest were the Cleckheaton Folk Festival, and the Mirfield Arts Festival. Thanks, and well done to members who gave up their time to participate.

OTHER POETRY EVENTS IN MAY

Batley Writing Group – Are now meeting every two weeks on Mondays (except Bank Hols) at Batley Library from 1.15pm-3pm. Next meeting is 31st July - all very welcome.

The Cleckheaton Library Poetry Group – The next session will be on Thursday 27 July 5.45-6.45pm – theme is “Catastrophe/Disaster”

LISTINGS

Our events are proudly listed here:

<http://www.writeoutloud.net/public/blogentry.php?blogentryid=57447>

<https://algebraofowls.com/yorkshire-word/>

and, of course, at...

<http://www.talkingzebras.co.uk/>

Thanks for reading, The Talking Zebras Team