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Walking Cricket Newsletter

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U3A Walking Cricket

News from around the U3A's

Barnsley and district U3A Walking Cricket Groups are now well established. Two groups, A Wednesday group and a Thursday group, - each group meets fortnightly, so in effect some members are able (and do) play on the appropriate day weekly.

Gareth Davis from YCCB who support the group has said: *"We are excited to support and help develop the new and only, to date, walking cricket offer in Yorkshire and one of very few nationally."*



This program has huge potential to develop and



grow in a unique and highly effective health and sporting activity program. It uses cricket as the vehicle to help men and women over the age of 50 to stay involved in the game whilst meeting new people and keeping physically active"

Chagford, - part of East Dartmoor U3A have sent me the following email: *"Dear Mac, This is just to let you know our East Dartmoor U3A group had our first walking cricket game today. It was a gloriously sunny day and we were well organised by the Chairman of Chagford cricket club. There were ten of us and we played in pairs. Elsewhere on the cricket field there were groups of children from the local secondary and primary schools taking part in a cricket festival. All us "oldies" enjoyed the morning and we finished off with coffee and biscuits in the club house. We obviously have a long way to go yet but I think it's worth persevering."*

Thank you for your attachments. I printed them out and displayed them so that everyone could get some idea of



Barnsley U3A walking Cricket Group

what the game is all about. Once again, thank you also for your encouragement. I will keep in touch and let you know how things go. With Best Wishes"

Doncaster and District U3A have got going!!

Their first Walking Cricket match is on June 4th, they have the players, the kit, and a pitch! I am going across to support and advise them, and our plan (Barnsley U3A) is to challenge them to a cross U3A Yorkshire Derby towards the end of the season,

Which should be great fun!

Anybody who wants to find out anything about this newest of sports, just contact me!

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Special points of interest:

- Barnsley and District U3A Walking Cricket news update.
- News from Chagford East Dartmoor Walking Cricket
- Doncaster and District U3A Walking Cricket is now up and running!