



FUND-RAISING FOR UKRAINE

The Committee has decided to commit **WEDNESDAY 18th MAY** as a day when we raise funds for the 'Ukraine Disaster Fund'.

Coffee Morning will be suspended and, instead, we are cordially inviting you to a **UKRAINE BRUNCH**. This will be a frugal repast, of soup and a roll, which is intended to reflect our understanding – and support for – what is happening to many Ukrainians ... danger, dislocation, fear, homelessness, hunger.

There will be no cost, but we are asking you to donate for your brunch.

We are also organising a '**BRING & BUY SALE**' with a donations box for anything you may 'buy'. So, if you can contribute to that, it would be great.

Everything we raise will be going to the 'Ukraine Disaster Fund', which we hope will be supplemented by qualifying for 'Gift Aid'.

All costs have been underwritten by u3a members: so, every penny we raise will go to the relief fund.

Although this event has been organised by the u3a, you are most welcome to bring a friend [or friends], who are not u3a members, to the event.

The doors of Wilfred House will be **open at 9.30am** and will **close at 11.30am**. I do hope you [and yours] will be able to attend. What we are doing may not seem much, in the general scheme of things, but will show our understanding of the awfulness that is happening to a free country and our support for its people.

If you can't make it, but want to contribute, please contact me at u3abusman19@gmail.com, and I'll be very happy to record your pledge.

Later in the day, at 4.30 – 6.30pm, we are holding our monthly '**Wine Experience**'. This month we are tasting the wines of countries that have been subjected to unacceptable behaviour by a near neighbour. These include **Ukraine, Georgia and Moldova**. This event will also undertake some **fund-raising** for the Ukraine Disaster Fund.

There are a few places left, so if you fancy giving wine-tasting a try, contact me on u3abusman19@gmail.com.

I look forward to seeing you, on 18th May, as we show our support for a European neighbour under despicable attack.

Rob Hawkins,
Business Manager,
1st May 2022