

Brecon u3a

Thursday 12th September found u3a in the splendid auditorium of Theatr Brycheiniog where Phil Clark told us about his innovative grandfather, Jack Clark (1881 – 1975), who was successful in the many ventures that he undertook. Jack's photographs and the resulting postcards are now housed in Y Gaer Museum and in the process of digitalisation to make the large collection more accessible. It seems that Phil is a chip off the old block and known to Brecon residents for numerous roles relating to theatre production, teaching and his promotion of life-long learning and giving back to the community.

John Tyler ran through the history of batteries since 1800 when a combination of various metals, moisture, acids or alkalis could store an electrical charge but nowadays lithium polymer batteries are most popular, but possibly not sustainable; David Mitchell took us underground to explore cave formation and Glyn Mathias spoke about his admiration for Eric Ambler (1909 – 1998) who is widely regarded as one of the most distinguished writers of espionage and crime stories but now sadly neglected.

Tomorrow, David Raikes will talk about Treberfydd in the morning and Special Interest groups will look at the British Constitution, Family History and Powis Castle.