

# u3a East Midlands Trustee <u>Newsletter</u>

## <u>June 2021</u>

## <u>u3a Day</u>

Congratulations to all those u3as that took part in u3a day. It has been wonderful hearing about the varied activities, from entries on the u3a day Facebook page, emails and reports at Network meetings. My overall impression is that a good time was had by all, and that the profile of u3a has been raised as a result. Several u3as



have also recruited new members. Good luck to all of you who have events planned for the coming months and I hope that they are successful too.

### Support for u3as

One of the interesting things to have developed over the last year is the way in which virtual workshops and meetings have attracted a wider audience than physical meetings may have done. Our recent workshops on Developing your use of Facebook, and on Alternative ways of meeting, were well supported and very useful. Thanks to both Jean Jackson and LIz Thackray for their input. I am sure you will find the Funding Workshop, 2pm July 2<sup>nd</sup>, equally useful.

#### Technical support

There is no doubt that those u3as, often small ones, that could not find anyone with technical knowhow, have struggled to maintain activities for their members over recent months. On the other hand, I know that some u3as have a plethora of members with the necessary skills. It would be extremely helpful if those members would be prepared to offer help and advice occasionally, to other u3as that need it. I would like to compile a list of members prepared to help, so that I could link them up when needed. Please do let me know if you would be happy to be on the list. Alternatively, if this is something you would prefer to organise within your Network, that would make sense too!

#### Elections for the Board of the Third Age Trust

You will have received information about voting for Board officers and members, and also about the AGM. I would encourage you to participate, as this is a time of change within the Trust and the decisions made are important. Thank you.

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