



THE UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

# NOTTINGHAMSHIRE NETWORK

## NEWS BITES! APRIL 2018.

*Sharing ideas across 29 U3As in Nottinghamshire*

### PEER SUPPORT GROUPS

#### Philosophy Peer Support Group

Five leaders out of I don't know how many philosophy groups in Notts, successfully met in Mapperley to get to know one another a bit. All men. Where are the women leaders? We agreed we must keep in contact with Socrates and the rest while interrogating the world of the 21st-century. We may run a study day before long, as Newark has already done half a dozen times. Leaders of other philosophy groups please contact Tom Chamberlain, [tomnelli@aol.com](mailto:tomnelli@aol.com).

If your U3A would like to host a Peer Group event please contact Paul Martinez [pkmartinez14@gmail.com](mailto:pkmartinez14@gmail.com)

### THIRD AGE TRUST

#### Notice of the 2018 Annual General Meeting (AGM)

Notice is hereby given that the 35th Annual General Meeting of the Third Age Trust will be held at East Midlands Conference Centre, Nottingham, on Thursday 30th August 2018 commencing at 11.15 am (time tbc). Details of the Agenda and Conference Booking information will be circulated to all U3As by the end of May.

#### Ruddington Launch

There really was standing room only at Ruddington Methodist Church on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> March when Ruddington U3A was launched. Over 100 people attended and voted unanimously to set up a U3A. There was a real buzz in the room and over a dozen people volunteered to join a steering committee. The inaugural meeting for Ruddington will be Monday 21st May at 2pm at the Ruddington Methodist Church. There are too many people to thank individually, but a special thank you goes to Jenny Greaves who did so much of the initial spadework and Rosie Allen who held it all together on the day. What seemed to hold people's attention most were the enthusiastic accounts of what U3A means to them from Anne McLeod (Radcliffe on Trent), Ken Doyle (Keyworth) and Chris Shaw (Edwalton and Gamston). The news of the relatively small amount most U3As charge for annual subs went down very well too. Finally a big thank you goes to the enthusiastic helpers who welcomed people and provided refreshments.



### NETWORK NEWS

Notts Network looks forward to welcoming Liz Drury from TAT to our April Meeting, when she will give a presentation on "Publicity". Please note an earlier start time of 9.30 am.. For more information or if you would like to attend, please contact [networkmtaylor@sherwoodu3a-mansfieldwoodhouse.org.uk](mailto:networkmtaylor@sherwoodu3a-mansfieldwoodhouse.org.uk)

In her quarterly notes, Jane Pavier our Regional Trustee reminds us of ways in which TAT can provide us with help and information :-

- The Resource Centre lends out CDs and DVDs on a wide range of topics—please make sure your Interest Group leaders are aware of this facility
- In each copy of Third Age Matters there is a list of Subject Advisers who can help with information about setting up a new group, help with information to assist on furthering an existing group, or may even visit a group to talk about their subject.
- All U3A members can register on the National website to receive directly by email the monthly national newsletter

Jane is also currently contacting local MPs in this region in order to raise the profile of the U3A and in particular encourage their interest in our local U3As.