**Minutes of the Hucknall & District u3a Committee Meeting held at the**

 **John Godber Centre on Wednesday 1st February 2023 at 10.00am.**

**Present:**

Melvyn Francis. Chair

Greg Umney. Membership Secretary

Angela Cornish. Webmaster

Gary Holmes (Zoom). Treasurer

Tina Holmes (Zoom). Vice Chair & Short Course Organiser

Mark Jackson. Business Secretary

Sue Tedstone. Groups Co-ordinator

Liz Attenborough. Equipment Organiser

Diane Heenan. Speaker Seeker

Christine Eagle. Assistant Speaker Seeker

Lynda Smeathers. Event’s Organiser

Minutes from the Previous Committee Meeting were approved, with no matters arising.

**Chair**:

North Notts Networking Group, which has been resurrected discussed and generally agreed that there appears little advantage to yet another level of organization. However, we will maintain limited contact.

Minute Secretary position is still vacant and will be announced again at next monthly meeting. In the meantime, committee members will need to take turns compiling minutes.

The Chinese New Year meal attended by eight of our members was a huge success and recommended if repeated next year.

It was noted that the JGC does have a Loop system, we will try out at next meeting.

**Groups’ Co-ordination.**

The Group Leaders meeting on 24th Feb was discussed along with the revised and shortened guidance notes. The Chair, Membership Secretary, Business Secretary and Treasurer were all requested to attend, with an invite to all other committee members.

Both of the two new group, Bridge and Wine Lovers were both doing well.

**Speaker Secretary**

The new ‘Speakers Swop Shop’ was discussed and generally not really required as current Speakers PSG meetings was a good source of new speakers.

All Speakers have been booked for 2023, and looking into suggestions and possibilities for 2024.

**Social Sub Committee**

The main 2023 Social Events have all be finalized and the first event in April will appear in February’s newsletter, with tickets being available at the monthly meeting.

Saturday 1st April – THE IRISH NIGHT – with Kelly’s Heroes, 8.00pm – 10.30pm, tickets £8, Fancy dress optional, bring your own food.

Friday 23rd June – TRIVIA QUIZ NIGHT – 8.00pm – 10.00pm, max’m 6 members per team, tickets £10 with Pie, Mash, Peas & Gravy supper included.

Saturday 23rd September – ROCKS AND FROCKS 60’s NIGHT – 8.00pm – 10.00pm, tickets £8, 60’s music & dancing, bring your own food.

Monday 4th December – THE CHRISTMAS LUNCH & SONGALONG / KARAOKI – 12.15pm – 3.00pm, tickets £15, Members Participation, solo or in groups, a choice of 3 main meals & 3 desserts.

**Webmaster**

All AOK, still featuring a group each month on Facebook, this month’s being Table Tennis.

**Equipment Manager**

No major item to report.

**Treasurer**

The accounts were presented and were in order.

The acquisition of new nets by the Pickleball group was queried regarded authorization of cost and it was agreed that after initial start up costs, all groups must be financially independent.

The treasurer will look into the possibility of a grant from the NET group.

Three card readers have been purchased to try and reduce the amounts of cash and cheques, these to be used for membership renewal at next meeting and for all possible activities.

**Vice-Chair, Short Courses & Workshops**

 A Vegetarian Cooking one off course has been arranged for 27th March at St Peter’s and St Paul’s church, starting at 10.30am, a good response to the initial publicity.

A one-off activity on Astrology is being organized for later in the year, again a good initial response.

Further possible one-off events are on ‘Hearing / Lip Reading’ and a ‘Legal Community Talk’

**Event’s Organiser**

Nothing to report this month

**Membership Secretary**

The current membership stands at 500. Full 457, Associate 21, Affiliated 22.

The attendance at Januarys meeting was 152, with 24 leaving early.

Current renewals stand a 141, leaving 359outstanding.

**Business Secretary**

Councilor Lee Waters to be contacted regarding presentation of his grant of £500.

Points were discussed and agreed for resolutions at Aprils AGM.

**AOB.**

None

Meeting Closed at 12 noon.

Next meeting is on the 1st Marc 2023 at the JGC.