**MINUTES**

**of the Hucknall & District U3A Committee held at the JGC on Wednesday 4th October 2023 at 10 am.**

**Present:** Melvyn Francis [in the Chair], Liz Attenborough, Angela Cornish, Christine Eagle, Diane Heenan, Gary Holmes Tina Holmes, Mark Jackson, Helen Rose, Sue Tedstone and Lynda Smeathers

**1.Apologies:** Greg Umney

**2. Minutes of Previous Committee Meeting signed as a true record**

**3. Arising from the Minutes:**

**4. Chair:** MF and MJ to attend Notts Network meeting on Wednesday 25 October at Ravenshead.

It was decided not to hold a Chairman’s Lunch at the end of MF’s tenure. David Rose to return the Chairman’s plaque for engraving.

**5. Speakers’ Secretary:** September speaker, Heather Griffiths, Perfect Princess – Grace Kelly, was well received by members. It was noted that the speaker is not well lit, and that the loop system does not always function correctly. October’s speaker Steve Wallace on Sherwood Observatory. Next May’s speaker is free. Minute secretary to ensure hall bookings in place for 2024.

**6. Social Subcommittee –**Rocks and Frocks evening was very good.

Xmas Social Afternoon 4th December meal choices now available. Due to increase meal costs event will run at a loss. Singers will entertain.

Christmas Showcase on Friday 8th December will be a talk by Maureen Newton, seasonal light refreshments and an audio-visual presentation by Christine Vincent.

Events for 2024: 12 April – Johnny Victory, 21 June Games Night, 20 September Square Dance, 2 December Xmas Event [possibly a brass band]

**7. Webmaster/ Web Administrator:** All in hand

**8. Groups’ Co-Ordinator:**

1. 6th October Group Leader's Meeting Buffet 12.30-2.30 -all in hand food arriving at 12.00

2. Christmas Tree Festival - Application to participate to be completed on-line by Siobhan Lee

3. Drama group performance sketch at February monthly meeting

4. Lunch Group coordinator Siobhan Lee

5. Pub Quiz coordinators Christine Eagle and Angela Cornish. Quiz to be run, in rotation, by members

6. Calligraphy, initial meeting went well

7. Ukulele group would benefit from a microphone when performing. New members expected to have some proficiency in playing

**9. Treasurer:** Newsletter above budget due to rising costs.

Pickle ball – transient deficit. Gardening, and history groups to be reminded to address their surplus funds.

Group buffet paid for [£325]. No invoice received for PAT testing.

**10. Equipment Manager:** Terry Hill to be asked to help set up radio mikes for speakers at the monthly meeting. JGC hearing loop not always working effectively

**11. Vice-Chairman Short Courses & Workshops:** Despite numerous contacts with provider unable to elicit necessary information to offerIntroduction to Yoga. New provider to be sought.

Tax Care and Toy Boys with Oliver Hill presentation Wednesday 24 April 2.00 p.m.

**12. Event Organiser:** Publicity stall at the Rotary Community Day. Despite event not very well supported, a good day and would have a stall again. Rotary could improve the layout and PA system.

Talk on Nottingham Castle Mon 23 October at 2.00 p.m. -price £1

**13. Membership Secretary: . Membership Secretary:**

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| Membership | 487 | Non Renewals | 44 |
| Full | 450 | **Meeting attendees** | **137** |
| Associate | 18 | **Left early** | **15** |
| Affiliated | 19 | New members since Sept 23 | 6 new  1 renewal  +1 |
| Printed Newsletter | **80 printed** | **76 taken** | **4 left** |

**14. Business Secretary:** At the 3rd Age Trust AGM Hucknall and District U3A will vote against the two resolutions.

Three members have shown an interest in joining the committee. Nomination forms will be available in January

**15. Any other business:** The Minute Secretary will ensure bookings with JGC made for Committee and Monthly meetings. Tina, Gary and Helen apologies for November meeting. Minute taker required

**16. Notes for members -** None

**The next Committee meeting will be held at the JGC on Wednesday 1st November** [**2023@10.00**](mailto:2023@10.00)