



SANDBACH AND DISTRICT U3A

U3A Committee Meeting 17/12/18

1	<p>PRESENT Arnie Laing, Sam Boardman, Pam Thomas, Isabel Carrahar, Alice Holmes , Tony Richards, Alan Casey, Don Rickards, Kevin Dean, Sandy Boyle , John Roome.</p> <p>APOLOGIES Paula Reilly-Cooper, Barrie Hacking, Richard Thorne</p>	
2	<p>MINUTES of 19/11/18 were accepted as a correct record and signed. They will be posted on the website.</p>	Alan
3	<p>MATTERS ARISING Don reported that some problems had arisen with photocopying by CVS with more copies being done than were requested. A book will be provided so all photocopying requests can be registered.</p>	Pam
4	<p>CORRESPONDENCE Leader of Tap Dancing group, Barbara Eardley, wrote to express her disappointment that the AGM voted to require Group Leaders to pay their annual membership and to inform the committee that she was not prepared to do so and that consequently she would no longer run the Tap Dancing group next year.</p> <p>Musical Director of Ukulele group, Bryan Roberts, declined the invitation to the Leaders' Training and Buffet Lunch and informed the committee that he would be terminating his group leader role at the end of the current membership year because of the decision that group leaders should pay an annual subscription.</p> <p>A reply will be sent to each of these group leaders thanking them for their work over the past years and that their decision is regretted.</p>	Sam
5	<p>TREASURER'S REPORT previously submitted by Isabel prompted some discussion about paid instructors and the need to be aware of costs of venues and the amount paid to instructors so an appropriate weekly charge could be set.</p> <p>A submission for expenses for a reconnaissance ahead of a field trip was rejected by the committee and a reply will be sent to the appropriate Group Leader.</p> <p>The wording of one of the cluster group handbooks regarding claims being submitted for approval in advance to the Treasurer is to be inserted into the Group Leaders Handbook.</p>	Isabel Paula
6	<p>MEMBERSHIP Encouraging reports were received from those attending the New Members' morning. Future meetings will be held at the Wheatsheaf and will be arranged when there have been about 40/50 new members.</p>	Barrie

<p>7</p>	<p>PROGRAMMES AND VENUES</p> <p>The Intermediate Patchwork Quilting group will no longer be using the Haslington Red Cross building but will move to the Winterley Methodist Church Hall which has been recently refurbished.</p> <p>Some concern was expressed by various Bowls groups about late cancellation of the Town Hall but it was reiterated that the rate for us using the Town Hall is heavily discounted.</p>	
<p>8</p>	<p>GROUP CO-ORDINATOR</p> <p>a Competitive Table Tennis – new group. Steve Walton is going to go ahead with this group in the New Year. They will meet weekly at the Scout Hut, Chapel St on Tuesday’s 12-2pm.</p> <p>b Pilates – Amanda Weston the Paid Instructor for Pilates 1 (Thursday) has stepped down to pursue other business opportunities and has been replaced by Caroline Webster who is already the tutor for Pilates 2 & 3. Amanda’s last session was Thursday 6th Dec; Caroline started taking the Thursday class on the 13th December.</p> <p>c Walking with Dogs – from the New Year they will now be meeting on the 4th Monday of the month instead of the 2nd Monday.</p> <p>d Group Leaders – 2 GL’s are stepping down, Bill Dowell - Table Tennis 1 & 2 and Arnie Laing – Walking Football, Fitness Exercise, Brewing Appreciation – replacement leaders have been found and added to SWISH.</p> <p>e Contact with other groups: Support has been provided on the Group Finance module to: Antiques & Collectables, Bowls 3 and Bridge 1 & 2</p> <p>f Group Leaders Handbook – some further revisions to be made and the Group Leaders expenses section to be amended following discussions at committee.</p> <p>g Proposal for a new group/taster session – we had an approach from Peter Duncan, an experienced social circus trainer, who is interested in providing a taster session or setting up a group depending on the level of interest. A proposal will appear in the next Updates.</p> <p>There would be no charge and Peter is keen to make sure the venue costs are covered by the session fees.</p>	<p>Paula</p> <p>Kevin</p>

9	<p>SWISH</p> <p>A number of faults had been reported along with 20 requests for development by the software company.</p> <p>It was pleasing to hear that many leaders are now more comfortable about using the SWISH system.</p>	
10	<p>MEMBERS' MEETINGS</p> <p>A possible speaker is being approached for the next AGM meeting, otherwise the programme is as reported in November minutes.</p>	
11	<p>DIARY UPDATES</p> <p>Kevin is to include availability at forthcoming social events and the proposal details of the new group mentioned in item 8g etc</p> <p>John Roome was coopted onto the committee until the AGM. He is to produce the "Newsletter" which is in addition to the Diary Updates.</p>	
12	<p>SOCIAL EVENTS</p> <p>See the November minutes.</p>	
13	<p>LIBRARY BOX REGISTER</p> <p>Extra keys have been cut for the Library box.</p> <p>Pam is to set up a register to record the use of those who borrow the key held by the librarian.</p>	
14	<p>AOB</p> <p>a Committee members were asked to consider the nature of next year's Sign Up Day in view of the March 2019 Members morning which is to be a Showcase event for various groups.</p> <p>b The 50p charge at groups where no venue costs are involved (eg walking, golf,...) was reviewed but it was agreed that this should continue as a recognition that it was a U3A activity and demonstrated the communal nature of the organization.</p>	
15	<p>Deferred items to be tabled</p> <p>AGM - JAN</p> <p>Sign Up Day - JAN</p>	
16	<p>Next meeting - Monday January 21st 9.30 CVS Hope Street</p>	

Signed Date