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**U3A**

**NEWS BITES!**

**FEB. 2013.**

**U3A (INDIVIDUAL)**

**Congratulations to Lutterworth U3A on their 10<sup>th</sup> Anniversary.**

They celebrated in style, on the 8<sup>th</sup> January, with lunch for 150 at the Bosworth Park Hotel. Some of the founder members attended, including Glenys Peverley, who was the Founder Chairman. The members thanked her and the following Chairmen, David Evans, Brian Fowler and Gordon Jones, for steering them through a wonderfully successful 10 years. They finished with a toast to the last ten years and ----- the next ten years!!!

**Ilkeston are Certified!**

They are now a year old and had their first A.G.M. on the 5<sup>th</sup> February. In true Ilkeston style, the hall was full and buzzing as they were presented with their official Certificate from the Third Age Trust. (More details in East Midlands News Letter – April)

**NEIGHBOURHOOD (CLUSTERS OF USAS IN LOCAL AREAS)**

**250 + Enjoyed the Thoresby Hall Holiday this Year**

The North Notts. Neighbourhood Group were joined by U3A members from all over the East Midlands to enjoy 5 days at this Warner venue. Everyone mixed for the activities and as one member from Lincoln commented, "It's like being on a cruise but with snow instead of sea!" The snow of course was literally, the icing on the cake for what is normally a picturesque setting became wondrously magical!

**NETWORK (ONE IN EACH OF THE 5 COUNTIES AND INCLUDES ALL THE COUNTY'S USAS)**

**We Have Plans for You!**

Each County Network now has a visionary and dedicated Development Team of Regional Volunteers, many of whom have attended Training Sessions delivered by the N.E.C. of the Third Age Trust. The teams have been reviewing what developments have happened, in their County, over the last 3 years and creating a Development plan for the next 3 years. They have planned for 4 headings: Development (Starting new U3As), Education (Workshops for Committee, Group Leaders, Interest Days, and Lectures), Communication (Websites, Social Events, Hosting the East Midlands' Conference) and Other (University Links, Cross Border Links, Suggestions for Regional Development). Details of all the plans will be in the East Midlands Newsletter – April)

**REGION (THE REGIONAL COMMITTEE IS MADE UP OF 2 REPRESENTATIVE'S FROM EACH NETWORK, OFFICERS AND THE REGIONAL TRUSTEE WHO REPRESENTS US ON THE N.E.C. OF THE THIRD AGE TRUST)**

**We Have Plans Too! – We also have a 3 Year Development Plan!**

(Details in East Midlands News)

Dates for your Diaries this year are as follows:

**“Let's Be Vibrant” – 24<sup>th</sup> April, Notts. County Ground, Wheeler Suite. Details out 10<sup>th</sup> February!**

**Development team Workshop – 14<sup>th</sup> May, Richard Herrod, Notts.**

**Regional Conference – 2<sup>nd</sup> July, Holiday Inn, off Junction 18, Northampton**

**Memory Course Review Workshop – September/November**

**“Celebrating U3As' Music” – October. Details out in next Month's News Bites!**

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