

Our Email List

Please encourage your members, group leaders and committee members to join our emailing list be kept in touch re the workshops, study days and other events that the region is organising.

Sign up at
yahru3a.co.uk/news-signup/

Chair's Square

Our AGM in April attracted fewer delegates than usual but was held the Monday after Easter; we'll take note. The amended Constitution will be ratified at the September Regional Development Meeting, and following the 'Have Your Say' exercise after the AGM, we have your hot topics to head up our events programme – Succession Planning is an increasing problem so keep an eye out for what we can offer on this. Our committee team welcomes Beryl Pemberton (Bedale), and admin support Libby Hasnip (Haxby and Wiggington) – pics and contact details will be posted on the web yahru3a.co.uk in due course. Meantime, on behalf of the Regional Management Team, I wish you many happy Learn-Laugh-Live experiences within your various U3As

Barbara Dransfield
Chair of YAHR

N.B. For future reference: Our RDM & AGM Meeting agendas include a development workshop and end at 3.15pm.

Summer School 5th – 8th August Easingwold

yahru3a.co.uk/summerschool

Due to the huge interest in this bi-annual event, all places have now been taken, and any subsequent applications will be added to the waiting list.

Final Payments need to have been received by 31st May, otherwise your place may be forfeited.

Delegates may be contacted by their Tutor after the beginning of June to help plan and prepare for course activities.

** Join Our Management Team

– a warm welcome awaits you.

If you are stepping down from your own committee, please do bring your interest and experience to the YAHR committee.

We're a lively, open, engaged team of U3A enthusiasts!

A Focus On The Environment

18th September 2nd Visit to Veolia Recycling Plant, Leeds from 11 - 1.30pm max 30 members. Will anyone on the waiting list from May visit please re-apply secretary@yahru3a.co.uk

August Climate Change; we're sorry but this workshop at our Summer School is now fully booked

20th November Drax power station from 11 - 1.15pm max 30 members. Details will be on the web in the next 2 weeks. *With a focus on the Environment, Engineering and Transport; Drax creates 6% of the country's electricity needs, including 15% of its renewable power.*

NB due to burning wood chip anyone suffering from a nut allergy is advised not to attend.

Autumn - Visit to a Renewable Energy Company is planned

See yahru3a.co.uk/events for updates

Our Latest New U3A

Tadcaster and Villages launch is set for Monday 22nd July at the Manor Farm Centre in the town; 12.30 refreshments and networking and 1pm-2.30pm membership registration, groups sign-up and introductory meeting.

Details of YAHR Management Committee can be found at yahru3a.co.uk/Contacts

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EVENTS DIARY

Date	Event	Location
Friday 24 th May	1 st Veolia Recycling Site Visit	Leeds LS9 0RG
Friday 14 th June	History Group Leaders W'shop	Church House, Leeds
5 th - 8 th August	Summer School	The Hawkhills, Easingwold
Tuesday 3 rd Sept (Provisional)	Regional Development Meeting	TBC
Wednesday 18 th September	2 nd Veolia Recycling Site Visit	Leeds LS9 0RG
Wednesday 20 th November	Drax Power Station Visit	YO8 8PH

Networking

“Networking opportunities are always invaluable - very good to hear what other U3As are doing” (quote from a workshop delegate)

History Group Leaders Workshop - Friday, 14th June at Church House, Leeds

This is an interactive workshop with opportunities to share ideas and discuss the possibility of establishing a “History Subject Network” to enhance interest and opportunities for your own local, ancient, or archaeology group members See yahru3a.co.uk or contact Angie Grain angiegrain@aol.com

East Coast Network

Scarborough recently hosted the launch, creating a 4th geographical network with Humber Accord, Westnet and Dalesnet – lots of enthusiasm and sharing ideas and solutions to your local U3A issues and problems – “what’s not to like” as they say!

Regional Trustee Update – linking YAHR with Third Age Trust

U3A Checklist for your committee to assess the ‘health’ of your U3A, and a **Groups Checklist** for group leaders to assess the ‘health’ of their group – see yahru3a.co.uk or contact national office.

The new U3A logo is being launched: ‘University of the Third Age’ is to be omitted, and ‘Learn, Laugh, Live’ is an optional add-on. Please don’t throw out any ‘old’ logo materials – new ones are being produced.

A new Model Constitution; any U3A reviewing their own Constitution should refer to the new model – see www.u3a.org.uk or phone national office.

The Development Plan for the Third Age Trust focuses on Raising the Profile, Developing the Movement and Learning, and upgrades to the Beacon membership system, the national website (much needed), communication routes, and access to resources.

From the National Web Site

April’s Newsletter: with a spotlight on YAHR : “Angie Grain of Yorkshire and Humberside region has the task of establishing and supporting networks in that region. She is working on the role of subject based networks.....” see the April newsletter on u3a.org.uk

Treasurers: see FAQ, and Financial News piece on the Trust’s proposed Trading Company, and **NB** Barclays, the Trust’s bank, is changing its cheque handling systems to on-line banking.