

January 2018 Monthly Meeting

The chair welcomed 134 people including 4 guests and 2 members from other U3A's. Members were informed that the committee had decided to remove the £1.00 entry fee for Beccles U3A members. Guests will still pay £2.50 and U3A members from other U3A's will pay £1.00

The Chair wished the members a belated Happy New Year and hoped that they will have made a resolution to join an existing group or to start a new interest group.

The Chair announced that Jenny Stear had joined the committee as co-opted member. Jenny will be helping Irene Squirrell as Events Support.

Members were reminded that Irene is one of five members of the steering group and original committee who will be standing down at the AGM in June.

The National U3A website experienced problems with its security over the Christmas and New Year period. The issue affected our own website.

This has now been resolved but over 100 passwords for page editors and co editors had to be reset. We apologise for any delays or disruptions during this time. If anyone is still experiencing problems with their group webpage they should contact the Webmaster Angela via the contacts page.

A big thank you was then given to Susan Shannon, Angela and Felicity Hillier for getting us back to normal. Let's hope the new improved security provisions put in place will prevent any further issues with Site Builder.

It was announced that the Public Hall will be open on Friday 16th March from 9 until 12 mid day for members to renew their membership of Beccles U3A in person. Free tea, coffee and biscuits will be provided.

Members were encouraged to take advantage of this arrangement as it will take pressure of the March monthly meeting.

Members were advised of the following events

Baltic Cruise, 13 days, and 12 nights. 4th June from Harwich.

Kentwell Hall and Gardens 26th March £38. Booking required by 24/2

The Carole King Musical Beautiful at Ipswich Regent 2.30 pm April 19th £42.00

Booking by 8/2

If you are interested in any of these, do not delay contact Irene Squirrell ASAP

Mu Gurbutt invited members to come forward if they were interested in helping to organise a Beccles U3A float in this years Beccles Carnival.