

November 2016 Monthly Report

The Chairman Peter Shannon welcomed 151 members and 6 guests to the monthly meeting. The new Suggestion Box will now be in the Foyer of the Public Hall at Monthly Meeting inviting your comments. Alternatively suggestions can also be made via the website. The Winter Newsletter has been published and sent out to just over 50 people who do not have personal internet / email access. This can also be accessed on our website.

We will have a U3A decorated tree at the Hungate Church Festival of Trees which runs from Friday November 25th to Sunday 27th. The Tree is sponsored by Hillside News of Worlingham. It is being decorated again by the Painting and Drawing Group. Last years theme was Old Masters – This year the theme is U3A Interest Groups

Our next meeting on December 21st is being held at the Sir John Leman High School in Ringsfield Road Beccles. The School and attached Sports Centre have a large car park. There will be a free shuttle bus from the Bus Station in Beccles. The Bus will operate from 9.15am-10.15 before the event and after the event from 11.45am. Doors open at 9.45 am and we expect to finish by midday.

There will be Music from the Ukulele and the Singing for fun Groups. There will be a short costumed pantomime- The Dozing Dolly and a light-hearted talk by Doreen Reed. In addition we will have some festive food, tea/ coffee and soft drinks. There will also be a Christmas punch and a raffle.

The Chair introduced Paul Gurbutt who has now joined our Executive Committee as a co-opted member. Paul has replaced Sue Rhodes who recently stood down from her position of Groups Support. Paul will now support Sandy Perrin in her roll as Groups Co-ordinator.

Mandy Smith who is convenor for the Cooking Group, promoted her group which has vacancies if you wish to join. She can be contacted by clicking on the “bird” on the Cookery Webpage.

A new Events programme for 2017 is expected to be announced in the next few weeks.