

Conveners Update

Virtual U3A Button

This is the new name for the Coronavirus Button on the web site to reflect the fact that, thanks to Conveners, we are actively up and running in Virtual mode. This page has links to the **Useful Information** page which updated regularly from several sources including the UK and Welsh Governments and the Third Age Trust, while the **What Groups are Doing in Lockdown** page shows our Groups on-line activity, and the **Ideas to Occupy Your Time** page contains members suggestions on how we might fill our time during Lockdown.

Virtual Conveners Meetings

Many thanks to those who came and shared their ideas for keeping in touch with members. About half of our Groups are operating on-line and these are summarised on the **What Groups are Doing in Lockdown** web page mentioned above. If you are not in contact with your Group, can you get ideas from what other Groups are doing?

Zoom Training is available for hosting your Group or as individuals – just reply to this email. The U3A Zoom is available for Groups to use free of charge - contact Hugh on Secretary@ChepstowU3A.org.uk

Your Web Page

Our web site is currently our only way of attracting new members so please keep your web page up to date and **add any Virtual Events you are running**. This also means that we can keep any new Virtual Groups or Committee run events away from your Group events. There have already been a few clashes of dates - please help us to avoid these.

Check Your Beacon List

Please do this if you have not already done so:

- Remove any members who are no longer in your Group and add any new ones.
- Any members whose names are in red indicates that they have not paid their subs. If they have not done so by the end of June they will be deleted from our membership list and will no longer be eligible to be a member of your Group.

When Can We Start Groups Running Normally Again?

The Third Age Trust (TAT) is providing us with regular updates from Government and other sources and advising us about restarting Groups. As soon as we get the go ahead from TAT that it is safe and legal to do so we will let you know.

Thank you for all the work you are doing in keeping your Virtual Groups running in these difficult times. Without our Conveners there wouldn't be a Chepstow U3A.