



## NEWSLETTER QUARTER 4 2022

**MONTHLY MEETINGS.** We are once again providing “ESSENTIALS” as a separate document with details of groups and meetings, so you can keep it as a handy reference.

**FACEBOOK PAGE.** We now have a Facebook page showing details of our meetings and other items. Search for “u3a Hailsham”. Please remember to “like” our page. Currently we are showing details of future monthly meetings but we are happy to post “ads” for groups trying to attract new members, or people wanting to generate interest in new groups

**THIRD AGE TRUST AGM.** The recent Third Age Trust AGM was very contentious as Trusts voted against resolutions to set an annual increase in the subscriptions paid to the National organisation. At this stage we are waiting to see what happens next – it is clear for the u3a to flourish in UK, it does need additional funding.

## ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS FOR OUR DISTRICT

In view of a number of factors we are looking at this very closely and plan to convene a Special General meeting shortly to discuss an increase. More to follow very shortly

**HAILSHAM PAVILION WINTER WARMERS INITIATIVE.** With the problems costs of energy and heating bills, our wonderful local Cinema has launched a “Winter Warmers” programme. Each Monday afternoon from November until March, you can go to the Cinema (2.30 screening) watch the film and get a complimentary hot drink (Tea/Coffee/Hot chocolate) for only £1.50. Details on the Pavilion website, or you can drop into the Box Office and pick up a leaflet, or call 01323 841414

## u3a “Click and Save” scheme.

**(for those who shop online, or might consider shopping online)**

Through the u3a Click and Save scheme, members can receive a discount on many big brands including Sainsbury’s, Costa, Currys and Ticketmaster.

### How do you access u3a Click and Save?

You can access the scheme by following these steps:

1. Create an account on the u3a Click and Save Website

[https://www.u3aclickandsave.co.uk/x\\_/](https://www.u3aclickandsave.co.uk/x_/)

2. Click on the link in the confirmation email and then log in.

## **u3a National Newsletter (distributed by email)**

If you would like to get the National newsletter by email - <https://www.u3a.org.uk/email>

## **SUN network**

Many of you will be aware of SUN – the Sussex u3a network. It seems likely that, for a number of reasons, SUN will now be wound up (meeting taking place at the end of the month)

**HOWEVER** we have recently attended a meeting of an “informal” network in East Sussex, involving groups from Eastbourne and ourselves in the West to Hastings and Rother in the East, including Healthfield, Mayfield and potentially some others. This is in it’s infancy but we see much promise in this and we are already discussing the possibility of having local East Sussex study days and trips, as well as sharing expertise and resources in areas such as publicity.

There is a feeling that the smaller “informal” networks might be the best way forward.

More information to follow as this progresses, with the next meeting planned for January

## **APPEAL FROM THE DRAMA GROUP**

### **The drama group are giving us a “short panto” on Dec 13th**

If anyone has any kind of outfit which is faintly oriental, i.e. brocade waistcoats, baggy trousers, blouses with big sleeves, turbans (!! ) etc., which they were willing to loan, that would be marvellous. Also, we desperately need a trunk/box, not very large but sturdy enough for someone to stand and sit upon. We could also do with some old plain double sheets that we could paint to use as backdrops. Obviously we will take great care of anything on loan and return it to the owner after the performance.

If anyone can help please contact Linda Bradley by email ([lb.windmill@virgin.net](mailto:lb.windmill@virgin.net)) or by phone (01435 813448)