## But first - Membership Renewal

Same as last year; you should have received your renewal form in the post if not go to our website and print out a blank form. Complete the form and bring it with you to one of the renewal sessions at Tadley Community Centre, timetable below, where you will receive your membership card in return.



Monday March 11th 2-4pm Hall B Tuesday March 12th 2-4pm Hall B Wednesday March 13th 10.00 - 12.00 Hall A Friday March 15th 10.00 - 12.00 Hall A

In our desperate attempt to cut down on paperwork our preferred method of payment is BACS, you will find our a/c details on the form. Please execute your BACS transfer in good time before returning your form.

We still have several uncollected membership cards from last year so if you've no alternative but to apply by post you MUST include a SAE for return of your card.



## Notes From the Chair.

It doesn't take long, does it? At the time of writing Daffodils are everywhere you look, and the clocks are about to go back, a sure sign that Spring's kicking in with hopefully warmer and drier weather.

This month's meeting is the 'Maureen Gifford Commemorative Meeting' in memory of Maureen who long ago put an Ad in the Basingstoke Gazette to see if there was any interest in setting up a local u3a. Over 100 people turned up in Heath End Village Hall to express their interest. As the saying goes the rest is history. By the by, that was January 2012 and some of us are still on the committee, and we'd rather like to step down. We'd love to hear from you!

This month's speaker is Tony Harris, always a well-received speaker whether he be costumed as Henry VIII, Winston Churchill, Boer War Trooper...well this time he returns in his original guise of Henry VIII in this case 'bigging himself up' as England's favourite King!

March's Monthly Meeting is on Thursday 21<sup>st</sup> March in the Community Centre. Doors open **10:30** meeting

## <u>March Speaker</u> <u>Tony Harris</u> "Henry VIII - England's Favourite King"

According to Wikipedia Henry's contemporaries considered him an attractive, educated, and accomplished king. He has been described as "one of the most charismatic rulers to sit on the English throne" and his reign described as the "most important" in English history. He was an author and composer. As he aged, he became severely overweight, and his health suffered. He is frequently characterised in his later life as a lustful, egotistical, paranoid, and tyrannical monarch. He was succeeded by his son Edward VI.

I'm looking forward to Tony providing a balanced view!

We receive feedback from our members either verbally or via <u>TandDu3a@gmail.com</u> about various odds and sods, a number of these queries about what/when/where/how can be addressed by going to our website <u>https://u3asites.org.uk/tadley/home</u> where you will find a mine of useful information.

Monthly meetings are always held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month, no meeting August and December. We meet in Tadley Community Centre. Details can be found under the **Events** tab.

Details of all Groups can be found under the **Groups** tab.

To join a Group, go to the relevant Group's webpage, click on the 'Click to send a message' icon and send a request to the group leader to join the group.

To be informed of a group's Trips/Events you **must** be a member of the Group running the trip/event to receive details and to have the opportunity to sign up.

Details of membership and how to join Tadley & District u3a can be found under the **Membership** tab.

Don't forget that you can always contact TandDu3a via email <u>TandDu3a@gmail.com</u> or via the **Contacts** page on our website.

Click on or type into your browser <u>https://u3asites.org.uk/tadley/welcome</u> for our website.