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u3a news flash

Hoping that you have had an enjoyable Christmas period and wishing you all the very best for 2022, whatever it might bring.

Your u3a continues to be as active as possible, whilst complying with Government guidelines to keep us all as safe as possible.



At our AGM we were delighted to welcome four new Trustees to our Management Committee.

Mark Hall, Margaret McCabe, Alison Middleton and Sandra Nistri have all happily taken on leadership roles, learning about our systems and working with the Action Teams to explore new projects. To see who is doing what select [here](#).

I'm sure that they would welcome any ideas and initiatives from members, not to mention offers to get involved with any of the teams.

In addition to the Trustees and the Action Teams, we also need helpers to facilitate various aspects of our organisation. If you have some time to spare and would be willing to get involved, we are looking for help in the following areas:

[Treasurer's Support](#)

[Venues Coordination](#)

[Speaker Finder \(for Saturday meetings\)](#)

Select any of the above links for more information including an estimate of how much of your time it will take and who to contact if you would like to arrange an informal chat to find out more information..

It would be great if you could give serious thoughts to these tasks, which are vitally important to the running of the u3a. Without some help in these areas, there is a risk of important tasks going undone, which would not be good for our u3a.

Very best wishes to all.

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Whilst writing, a few more updates

The online version of the EYE has a new look. [Select here](#) to flip over the pages just as if reading the printed edition. Zoom in to make the print larger and select QR symbol on some articles to read more content on the website. The technology works on most devices.

Do you recognise these local clocks? [Select here](#) to test of your powers of observation. Check your answers by following the instructions on the website.

Visit of Liz Thackray to Yorkshire has been postponed. Instead of visiting on 11th January, the Chair of Third Age Trust will be in York on 22nd March. More information and booking arrangements [on this link](#).

Robbie Moore MP will be our guest speaker on Saturday 15th January subject to being allowed under Covid guidance at the time. [Details on this link](#)

Received a new computer tablet for Christmas? Classes over a six week period to support both beginners and improvers are being run by Clarke Foley. [Details on this link](#).

To read the latest update of our local newspaper scrapbook [select here](#). This edition is from 1980 and covers the building of Clarke Foley, plans to merge United Reform and Methodist Churches in Ilkley and release of railway land that was eventually to become Tesco. A fascinating read.

Want to read the scrapbooks in the original format? [Select this link](#) and pick a volume from the virtual bookshelf. On many devices you will then be able to open the scrap book on your screen and flip over the pages just as if reading the original book. Zoom in to make the print larger.

Not so many jokes over Christmas but what we have [can be found here](#).

u3a turns 40 in 2022. [Select here](#) to read what is planned by our parent body, the Third Age Trust

Q. What's a New Year Resolution? A. Something that goes in one year and out the other.

Q: What did Adam say to Eve on December 31st ?

A: It's New Year's, Eve

An optimist stays up until midnight to see in the New Year. A pessimist stays up to make sure the old year leaves.

Happy New Year

John and Christine

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PS. From today until the end of April, the cost of joining our u3a reduces to £7.
This covers the period to July 2022. [Details on the website.](#)