



## May 2018 Trustee Tips

Please print this off, put on your noticeboard and circulate it – especially to your newsletter editor and your website manager. Thank you.

### Dates for your diary

- 9.5.18 Wales Conference – **Learning Together – only a few days left to book**
- 17.05.18 Theatre Clwyd Workshop – an event for all U3A members, book through National Office
- 18.6.18 North Wales Network meeting
- 26.6.18 Table Tennis Competition – details on the Wales website
- 28-30.8.18 National Conference and AGM in Nottingham
- 1.10.18 Flintshire U3A Science Morning for Primary Schools

### Information:

Please support the Wales Conference – there are a few places left if you are quick. Booking details on the Wales website. Entitled 'Learning Together', there will be information and ideas of ways to learn informally. It is also a great opportunity to meet others, to exchange ideas and suggestions.

Do sign up for the Table Tennis Competition in Cardiff for all Welsh U3As. It is being extended to our English neighbouring U3A which is great. Why not start a Table Tennis group – it's great exercise and great fun.

I finish my term of office as **Wales Trustee** in August. If you know of anyone who would be prepared to come forward to take on this role please put their name forward – with their permission. It is a very rewarding way of being involved with and helping in the region. Forms for nominations are with every U3A committee. In June you will receive the list of those who have been nominated for Trustee and also for the National Officer roles – please do use your votes. It is important you should be involved.

**Please don't forget:**

The Short Story competitions details are out. Please check that your U3A has received them, do encourage your creative writing groups to enter and please make sure your Welsh groups know about the competition too. Details are on the Wales website.

If your U3A is celebrating a special anniversary – please tell me and I can order a special Congratulations card to mark the occasion.

**Please double check that your U3A contact details at National Office are correct and up to date. This will help to ensure you get all relevant information. Don't forget to tell your Network secretary and the Regional Trustee of any changes too, please.**

More news on the Wales website, [www.u3asites.org.uk/wales](http://www.u3asites.org.uk/wales) of the **Coastline and Borders Celebration**. See what projects U3As have chosen to do to celebrate their involvement and response to our beautiful coastline and borders. Look at the special Facebook page too – some great photos and information.

**Advice:**

Always use BCC for all email communications. There are new regulations about Data Protection and we should all continue to be taking care with personal information.

With Data Protection in mind, if every U3A used generic emails eg: [chair@toytownu3a.co.uk](mailto:chair@toytownu3a.co.uk), contact details would be safer too. They can be used for any of the posts on your committee.

Do remember I am here to help – if you need advice or want to pass on an idea – if your U3A has done something special or have an unusual interest group, do get in touch – I will be delighted to hear from you.

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