

# New Members Welcome Page

## **Hello and Welcome to Buckingham & District U3A**

We thought you might like a brief introduction to our website, to get you started.

### **Membership Information**

You may have already visited the [Membership](#) page on our website when you joined. This is where you will find all membership related information. Please visit this page at annual renewals.

Here you will also find a link to the [Existing members login](#), where you can view your own [profile](#), amend it as necessary, or connect to groups and events, and view your own calendar.

The easiest way to [login](#) is by using the user-name given to you when you joined. If you can't find this then please ask the [membership secretary](#). If you have not set a password, you can click on "Forgot Password" and follow the instructions. The link to reset the password will be sent to your personal email address. Note that sometimes the message may be directed to your spam or junk folder by your email provider.

### **Posts**

Items of interest are posted on a regular basis - see [What's New](#)

### **Groups**

You can find an [Up-to-date list and timetables](#) of group activities on our website. We are always looking to start new groups so if you find there is not a group that covers your interest, perhaps you could consider starting one. You will get full support in doing so but if you don't want to start the group, then please let the [Group Liaison Officer](#) know of your wishes and they will see if it is possible to start the group.

### **Open Meetings**

We have regular Open meetings usually held on the 4<sup>th</sup> Wednesday of each month, except for August, at 2:30 p.m. in the [Buckingham Community Centre](#). Two social functions are held, one in July (Summer) and one in December (Christmas), where drinks, sandwiches, biscuits, mince pies, etc are served, accompanied by some entertainment and quizzes.

Our AGM is usually held in November. At other meetings we invite outside speakers to give a talk on a topic of general interest to our members. Please check out the [Open Meetings](#) on the website. There is always a free coffee or tea and biscuits at these meetings. Please feel free to bring a friend who might be interested in joining.

### **New Members' Coffee Mornings**

We invite all new members to a Coffee Morning and our New Joiners Officer will be in touch with you shortly. U3A Committee members and Group Leaders will be available to explain the organisation and its aims.

### **Newsletters**

We publish several Newsletters in a year. The primary aim is to inform you of group activities, membership news and general announcements. Have a look at one of our latest [publications](#) to give you a taste of what to expect. There are also National U3A newsletters, published monthly. You can view these online, or have them sent to you by email, by registering with the National organisation. There are also virtual U3A newsletters giving the opportunity to

join, or discover new and interesting activities going on elsewhere. This is also an ideal opportunity for those who cannot travel, to join and take part virtually.

### **U3A Committee**

Committee members meet regularly once a month to discuss issues concerning the general running of our U3A, and arrangements for future events. Everyone is welcome to take part if they wish. All you have to do is ask the [Secretary](#). All Committee [Minutes and accounts](#) details are published too.

**If you would like to help in the running of your U3A,** all offers are welcome, no matter how small. You do not have to join a Committee. However, if you would like to get more involved with this aspect, contact the [Secretary](#) or any member of the [Committee](#).

If you click on any of the underlined words, it will lead to a related webpage or an email address.