

GROUP CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT FOR May 2019 to May 2020

1. Our portfolio of Interest Groups and Activities numbers 48, with 2 more groups (Singing for Pleasure and English Folk Dancing) waiting to hold their inaugural meeting when social grouping becomes possible once more. New for this year were Casual Cycling, Drawing (for the terrified), H.E.Bates and Table Games. Compared with our fellow Network U3As, this is a very healthy figure for a U3A of our modest size.
2. The Weekender Lunches group requires a new Group Leader, following Pam Richardson stepping down from the post after many years as organiser.
3. The Third Age Trust has a notional "healthy" average group/activity membership as 7 members per group. The average for T&D U3A is around the 6.5 mark.
4. Under their organiser, Tricia Eales, our Short Courses programme had 2 successful four-week Cryptic Crosswords courses and a First Aid course.
5. The Groups Co-ordinator requires the support and encouragement of Committee members - especially the Chair and our IT Manager - and Group Leaders in order to provide an interesting portfolio of groups for our members. During the past 3 years, I have been lucky to benefit from their generous support, for which I am very grateful. I wish Anna Bond every success as she takes over this role.

Roger Davies

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