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Weston-super-Mare u3a News

Sunday, 20th October, 2024

From the Editor

Thank you to all of you who have sent me changes to your contact details. Now I just have to work through all the emails, the phrase "be careful what you wish for" comes to mind!

All this is in preparation for uploading our membership data into the Beacon system. One of the advantages of moving to Beacon will be the ability for you to renew on line using your debit or credit card. Don't worry though renewing on line is not compulsory! You will still be able to renew in person at a coffee morning with real money talking to real people, renew by bank transfer or send a cheque to the Membership Secretary. All this is for later though, rest assured there's nothing for you to do until next year, well maybe one thing ... next week we'll talk Gift Aid! — Simon Pratt

Groups Round-Up

Singalong – calling all piano players!

Unfortunately the Singalong may have to be cancelled on Friday 1st November as neither Wendy nor Bill are able to play that day. Can you can play the piano and save the day? If so, email **Mike Lynham**.

Line Dancing

There is demand for a Line Dancing Group but no leader. Could it be you? Contact Jenny Schofield.

Open Day

Final Call – this year's Open Day is on Friday, 25th, 2pm at the United Reformed Church.

Trips News

Westonbirt Arboretum – 23rd October

Last minute availability on this <u>trip</u>, two places left owing to cancellations. Contact Jenny Schofield

Winter Newsletter

Don't forget to send any items to be included in the next (Winter 2024) newsletter to Janis Blake at newsletter@wsm.org.uk by the end of October.

NSA Quiz

Weston-super-Mare u3a came second in Northern Somerset Association of u3as quiz on Friday 11th October, Winscombe came first with only 6 points in it. A good time was had by all.

We will not know much about next year's Quiz until the NSA Committee meeting in a fortnight, but it will be hosted by Winscombe.

Could you lead a group of quizzers? Get swotting, email **Nora Charters** to get in early.

Coffee Mornings

(This from Mike Lynham our Secretary, not known to pussyfoot around - Ed)
Apparently new members still feel our coffee mornings are too cliquey and not welcoming. We want to explore ways to change this so if you have recently joined please contact **Mike** to tell him of your experiences. Any feedback from regular attenders also welcome.

Riviera Travel Affinity Scheme

If you're booking a holiday through Riviera Travel (lucky you) remember to mention our u3a, once the holiday is taken the u3a will receive a donation from the company.

For more details see <u>Riviera Travel Affinity Scheme</u>. To visit the Riviera Travel website click <u>here</u>.

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Until next week!

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