

Annual Report for Saxilby U3A

For obvious reasons Saxilby has had a very quiet year. We did however have 180 of our members renew their membership in April 2020 despite the virus.

Our monthly meetings finished in February and the majority of the interest groups had to stop meeting. Some did manage to continue to 'meet' on Zoom and as others cover outside interests (birdwatching, fly fishing and golf) they managed to continue through last summer. However, this all stopped in the autumn.

We in U3A are positive people and we are looking to the future. We celebrate our 10th birthday this year and have put plans in place to celebrate with a 'members only' party in July complete with hog roast and cake! This will be the first time we get together in large numbers and will be the start of our monthly meetings which are held at Saxilby Village Hall. Speakers have been booked for meetings from August to June 2022 and include such topics as wildlife photography, the Tower of London and how to spot a serial killer.

The interest groups are also starting to plan their meetings for the second half of this year once it is safe to do so. We have 28 different groups so there will be plenty for our members to enjoy and we do hope to set up some visits when possible. All information can be found on our web site and in Foss Focus.

As the village expands we will endeavour to ensure that all those eligible to join U3A (retired or semi-retired) are aware of U3A and what's available and make sure that the members who didn't feel safe renewing their membership in 2020 come back to us again.

Everyone is welcome. Annual membership is £16 which includes free tea and coffee at our monthly meetings. Interest groups do make small charges to cover their running costs.

Ann Stafford

Chairman

Saxilby U3A