

## **Notices**

It can't rain forever but it's beginning to feel like it. To brighten things up I've got lots of news to share.

### **Social Events**

The Christmas Lunch is on Friday 12th December. Tickets are on sale at this monthly meeting and are selling fast. Attached is the menu if you would like to make your choice before coming to the meeting.

The above events are only open to St Austell U3A Members.

Our 20th Anniversary party was a happy event and there are photos and a DVD available to purchase if anyone would like to. Please see Eleanor Westlake.

### **Activities**

Sue Brown is taking on the role of Group Co-ordinator. There are several new groups starting, (German, Motor Homes, Quizzes and possibly Table Tennis). The Indian Head Massage has had to be deferred as the leader is out of action for a while.

### **Shoe Boxes**

Norma would like to thank everyone who has contributed shoeboxes and toiletries for the refuge. Over 60 have been made this year alone. To finish the year, Norma has 9 boxes still to fill and needs FULL SIZE shower gel, shampoo and conditioner to complete them. Any unwanted toiletry gifts at Christmas would be welcome for next year as this is an on-going project.

### **Membership Renewals**

A change this year. The dates for renewing membership will be Thursday 9th and Friday 31st January. More of this in the next newsletter.

### **U3A Magazine**

Apologies to those of you who are receiving the magazine when you have asked to be taken off the list. It's been a problem at the data processors, which is hopefully now resolved. Opt in or out will be updated with your memberships next year.

### **The Incredible Bulk**

The mobile van will be with us again on Friday 29th November at the coffee morning and then returns at the end of January for savings on packaging and buying exactly the amount that you want.

### **December 5th Meeting**

This year we are welcoming Maryanne Thomas, who is going to share the pleasures of "A Danish Christmas" with us.

The talk will start at 10.30. Coffee, tea, hot chocolate and traditional Danish biscuits will be available beforehand, but none of the usual commerce will be taking place, no ticket sales or money collecting! Afterwards there will be mulled wine, alcoholic and non-alcoholic, with cake. As our membership is continuing to grow, places in the theatre will be on a first come first served basis. We hope not to disappoint and to date no-one has been turned away.

### **Car Sharing**

When you can, please car share. It's getting difficult to squeeze us all in at the theatre car park.

### **Arts Theatre opening times at Christmas**

The theatre will be closed after the 20th December and re-opens on 2nd January.

Best wishes to you all,

Pippa.