

## SUMMER BULLETIN 2025 – Bramshott and Liphook Area u3a



I hope you have all been able to enjoy the Summer and that you are looking forward to the resumption of our programme of speakers with Sheila Willis's talk on Women in Policing – "Handbags to Handcuffs" which will take place at the Millennium Centre on *1st September at 2pm*. Planning for the 2026 programme is now underway and details will be published shortly.

### Membership

As part of an ongoing publicity campaign to boost membership we will be holding a second "Open Day" on 22<sup>nd</sup> October (2-4pm) at the Millennium Centre. Going forward it is intended that March and October will become regular slots for these events.

Word of mouth recommendation remains one of the more effective ways of introducing new people to the u3a and your help in spreading the word to friends, relatives, neighbours etc would be very much appreciated. To help you with this, a leaflet/poster is attached which will be used locally to supplement our existing publicity material. Please feel free to share this with any prospective joiner. As an incentive we are offering new members *two free speaker sessions*.

### Volunteering

Growing the membership means that your u3a requires an increasing number of volunteers. In particular we need:

#### 1. COMMITTEE MEMBERS

We need to boost the existing team of committee members to help share out some of the key tasks that keep the u3a running. We have general vacancies and we are also looking to fill the role of Secretary following the sad loss of Bill Simpson. If you think you would like to help please do contact me for an informal discussion ( [chairmanliphooku3a@yahoo.com](mailto:chairmanliphooku3a@yahoo.com)) or contact any committee member via the website.

#### 2. GENERAL VOLUNTEERS

You don't have to be a member of the committee. There are plenty of other ways you can help and get involved. For example, we currently need:

- Catering support – Catherine Oldham's dedicated band are in need of some extra hands to help with refreshments for Open Days and Speaker events.
- Help with general admin and organisational tasks.

Again, please do contact me or one of the other Committee members if you have some time to give. Hope to see you in September, very best wishes.

Andy Earwaker (Chair)