

Newsletter June 2022

Hello everyone,

I hope that you and your families are all well. I am excited to be the one to share what the group has been up to this year, with us finding our new normal and managing to get out and about to do the activities we have loved and very much missed.

We started the year with a coach trip down to Milton Keynes to watch Diversity in the pantomime, Jack and the Beanstalk. As always, this was greatly enjoyed by our members, with us all singing along and making sure to join in with shouts of 'he's behind you'. We have also bounced our way back to JumpRevolution and enjoyed a trip to LaserStorm in Grantham for a game or two of Laser Tag, which are always a fantastic evening for those participating and those watching too.

This year we have also tried a couple of new events, in the form of a trip to SoftTouchArts in Leicester and an evening of live music at Stamford Corn Exchange. While trying new things can be nerve-wracking for some of our group members, we all had a brilliant time at both events, enjoying craft activities, a drag show and dancing and singing along to the live music. Hopefully, these are events we can fit into our calendar on a regular basis.

As always, we have also spent many a Thursday gathered together at the Wisteria with members loving the food, enjoying lots of chatter and laughter, and becoming huge fans of the card game, Uno (we have some very impressive players!) Our Cinema Club has continued to be popular too, so big thanks to Sam for arranging those for us.

Huge thanks, as always, to everyone who supports us at Out of Hours, whether it be the leaders and volunteers who work so hard to support our members each week, with an extra big thank you to Ashley, who has taken a step up this year in terms of organising the group and making sure everyone is in the right place at the right time. Thank you also to Jacqui and those in our committee who work tirelessly behind the scenes to make sure our group runs smoothly, we're so very grateful for all that you do.

Hopefully we will see you all for lots more exciting things in the coming months.

With best wishes as always,

Rosie Whalley Leader

