

## **u3a York Festival Croquet Competition 18<sup>th</sup>- 20<sup>th</sup> July**



Beverley, York and Sheffield.

The Third Age Trust ran its first ever Festival in York on the York University Campus. Over the three days over 1500 people attended and participated in over 70 activities.

Chester u3a Croquet group ran taster sessions on Thursday afternoon and Saturday morning helped by members from York u3a Croquet Group.

On Friday a competition was held between 6 teams from 3 u3a's namely,



During the morning session each team played the four teams from the other u3as. The games were 30 minute long starting and finishing on the whistle. The scoring system was the difference between the number of hoops scored, i.e. if the score was 5 – 3, the winning team got +2 points and the losing team received -2 points. Over lunch the teams were sorted highest to lowest with each pair playing in 3 knockout rounds to find the Champions. After a close competition one of the Sheffield teams beat a Beverley team 5 – 4 and became the first ever u3a Festival Croquet Champions. The winners' cup was presented by Allan Walmsley, the new Chair of the Third Age Trust. Congratulations to Ann Granville and Maureen Fox.

