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### **Under New Management (Temporarily)**

At the time of writing this issue, Sarah K is now on maternity leave, and has passed the mantle of information support over to Ian Toplis (me). All services should continue as normal. If you have any questions, I can be contacted on Sarah's number (01453 750952) or on [ian@timebanks.co.uk](mailto:ian@timebanks.co.uk). You can use this Email address to contact me and let me know of anything interesting that you would like to promote.

### **Time Banking for Younger Members**

I have just been informed (At the time of writing this) that Zurich, our insurers, WILL insure children under 16 to take part in time banking activities. Sarah Bird has spoken to them and they say all the time bank needs to do is to specify this at the time of taking out the insurance, and that as long as the child has permission by their parent or guardian to get involved, then they will insure them. Zurich contact number is:

0845 600 3184.

### **Timebanking UK AGM**



We are delighted to inform you that we will be holding the Timebanking UK AGM on

Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> July. This year, it has been decided to combine the AGM with a social gathering. Therefore, we have booked Tor Leisure from the afternoon of Friday 23<sup>rd</sup> all the way through Saturday. Friends, family and Time Bank members are all welcome - The event is, in the spirit of the original Glastonbury Festival, free. We are planning events for the Friday and Saturday - with a 'bring and share' picnic and tours of local ancient monuments being just 2 of the events planned. So put the date in your diary and bring your dancing shoes! More information to follow shortly

### **European Conference**

On Friday 28<sup>th</sup> and Saturday 29<sup>th</sup> at the European Parliament building in Rome, there was a coming together of Timebanking organisations from across Europe. The conference opened with a declaration of support for Timebanking from Roberta Angelilli, Vice President of the European Parliament. One of the main topics to come out of the conference was that Timebanking has spread across Europe over the passed 12 years - and is now seen as a redefinition of volunteering fit for the 21<sup>st</sup> century. Everybody at the conference agreed that we need to use time banking to enable people to find a better balance between our lives working, shopping, being entertained and spending time being socially active in the places where we live.

### **An Appeal**

This newsletter is for every one who reads it. So I would like to add more information from Time Banks themselves. Please feel free to Email me with anything of interest.