

February 2019 Newsletter



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New Year

Happy New Year to all old and new members. We hope 2019 will be a prosperous one for us all and for our U3A.

You will note a few new activities and some new faces which should lead us out into new adventures. New activities mean some vacancies of members to fill if tutors can accommodate the expansion.

Enrolment Day

This will be on January 29, as mentioned in your November newsletter.

As usual the Cottage will be open from 10 am until 2 pm to receive new and old enrolments, should you not have done it last year.

It will be an opportunity for members to check on their classes and, if necessary, to change any details that may be relevant.

A number of Committee members will be there to answer questions.

Tutors and Convenors

A reminder to you all to keep attendance records. You can use the class lists when they are finalised. It is not a great chore and could be necessary for purposes we hope do not arise.

When brought up-to-date, class lists are posted on the notice board next to the air-conditioner in the east room.

U3A committee 2019

Ken Gratton (President)
Robert Ryan (Vice President)
(Network Rep.)
Ralph Humphries (Secretary)

Flo Light (Treasurer)
Phil Quinn (Course Co-ordinator)
Cherril Milligan Committee Member)
Lorraine Woodman (Publicity)

Website

This site is now up and running. Find it by searching for U3A Hobsons Bay. The newsletter is there also.

Important Stuff Ken is still with us.

We are fortunate that our President was declared fit enough at the end of last year to continue carrying out the duties of president. So we didn't need an election and, since we did not have any nominations, all turned out well.

Three cheers for Ken!!

Italian Class

Owing to his secretarial duties at the beginning of the year, our tutor of Italian is not able to take his class on the first Thursday of the term. Hence the first Italian class will be on February the 7th.

February, 2019 Time-table

28/01/2019	29/01/2019	30/01/2019	31/01/2019	1/02/2019
AUS DAY HOLIDAY	ENROLMENT DAY 10:00 - 14:00	SCRAPBOOK JEWELLERY MEMOIR WRTG 10 - 12 MAHJONG 1 - 4	LOCAL WALK COMPUTER IPAD 1:00 - 5:00 CHESS	SOCIAL WALK CYCLING ART 10 - 12 CREATIVE WRITING 1:00
4/02/2019	5/02/2019	6/02/2019	7/02/2019	8/02/2019
BRIDGE 1 - 4	LOCAL WALK CONV FRENCH WRTG GRP 2	SCRAPBOOK JEWELLERY MEMOIR WRTG 10 - 12 MAHJONG 1 - 4	LOCAL WALK ITALIAN 9:30 - 12 COMPUTER IPAD 1:00 - 5:00 CHESS	ADV CRYPTIC CYCLING ART 10 - 12 CREATIVE WRITING 1:00
11/02/2019	12/02/2019	13/02//2019	14/02/2019	15/02/2019
BRIDGE 1 - 4	LOCAL WALK CRYPTIC XWORDS COMMITTEE 10:00 CONV FRENCH WRTG GRP 2	SCRAPBOOK JEWELLERY MEMOIR WRTG 10 - 12 MAHJONG 1 - 4	LOCAL WALK ITALIAN 9:30 - 12 CURRENT AFFAIRS COMPUTER IPAD 1:00 - 5:00 CHESS	CYCLING ART 10 - 12 CREATIVE WRITING 1:00
18/02/2019	19/02/2019	20/02/2019	21/02/2019	22/02/2019
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25/02/2019	26/02/2019	27/02/2019	28/02/2019	1/03/2019
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Course Co-oordinator's Report

Course-Coordinators Report – January 2019

Courses are about to start for the year and the calendar included in the newsletter features a number of new offerings.

A second **Creative Writing Tuesday** group has formed and will get together every Tuesday afternoon at the Cottage from 1.30 - 3.00. New members are encouraged to join so contact me via phone or email so I can pass your details on to the convenor, Annette Signori.

A **Film Group** has been formed to go to movies at the Sun Theatre in Yarraville on the third Wednesday of the month generally for the morning session starting between 10.00am and midday. The convenors, Sandy Guest and Kerry Lewis, are keen to hear from you if you are interested in joining in to watch and then discuss the film over coffee or lunch. Forward your name and email address to me please to pass on.

Conversational French has already filled its numbers and has a waiting list. The venue for this activity is the Royal Yacht Club of Victoria on Nelson Place. This venue will also be used for **Current Affairs**, convened by Joan Thompson on the first and third Thursday of the month from 10am to midday. Please register your interest through contacting me.

For those interested in keeping fit, a **Local Walking Group** is being formed. Walks are scheduled to start outside the Williamstown Town Hall, 9.00am, Tuesdays and Thursdays. The format is a little unusual as there is no convenor for the activity. The idea is to meet at 9.00am and walk wherever the group decides to go with a coffee to follow or not, again by agreement amongst the walkers.

The **Social Walking Group** led by Margaret Gantley and Sheila Kadniak continues to have outings every first Friday of the month.

There are now two **Cryptic Crossword** Groups. Friday's group focuses on David Astle's Friday puzzle – very challenging but the group is getting it out each week! The group meets at Platform 177 near Williamstown North Station at 11.30am. The Tuesday group is not as tricky and meets at the Cottage on the first and third Tuesday of the month at 10.00am. Vacancies exist in both groups so jump at the chance to sharpen your brain!

Two local people have approached me and offered to convene a Book Club. Is anybody out there interested? No day has been proposed and at this stage I have been asked to take details of interested persons with an indication of suitable times/day.

The activities run in 2018 will continue as per the calendar included in this newsletter. Enrolment Day is Tuesday 29th January at the Cottage, 10.00am to midday. Drop in to confirm your enrolment or ring or email with any questions or enrolment requests.

Can I challenge every member to recruit one new member this year? The proposed activities might be useful to show potential members as a way of attracting those people who can't find something they want to do in our present array of activities.

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