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JUNE 2018 NEWSLETTER

Message from Helen McKinnon, President

This Newsletter brings a wealth of information about many stimulating new sessions and courses that are sure to offer something to every member of our U3A. We are truly grateful to our Course Coordinator, Joan Learmont, and her team (Judy Vaughan, Jan and Adrian Ramp, Margaret Fievez, Rosemary Tait, June Molnar, and Helen Walker), who have worked so hard to produce the program for semester 2. An enormous “thank you” is owed to Tutors and facilitators old and new, who so generously and creatively share their knowledge, expertise, enthusiasm and talents with us all.

Joan and her team have made sure to include suggestions from members in the program, and you will find some courses that are the direct result of a meeting of some of the members amongst our membership. There are more single sessions than in the past, and we hope these will be well-received. As always, your feedback is greatly appreciated, by word of mouth or by email to info@u3abanyule.org.au.

New to the timetable this semester we have a recorder group, a line dancing group, and two Red Wine Discovery groups. If travel interests you, check out the illustrated talks on Japanese gardens, and the Butchart Gardens in Canada. Or enrol for some of the intriguingly titled talks in the program – “A Rug Fit for a King”, or “The Crash of the MH 370”, or “Contested Sites”, or “Forced Adoption”, or “Challenges for a Future Automotive Industry” or “Crises in the Middle East”. Our ever-popular Public Lecture series on the fourth Monday of each month offers an array of interesting topics for you to explore.

Perhaps you would like to find a new hobby – we offer growing orchids, chess, bridge, mahjong, scrabble, cryptic crosswords, and singing. This semester’s excursions include Chinatown, the CSL, the Islamic Museum, the Yarra River, as well as the ever-popular visits to art galleries and theatres. Tai Chi, yoga, lawn bowls, walking and health-related talks are available for those keen to stay fit.

Of course we offer a plethora of ongoing courses in archaeology, philosophy, maths, history, literature, languages, writing, playreading, art and music appreciation. And there is much more! Dive into the timetable and check out what you would like to do this semester.

Finally, we are looking for a new Course Coordinator to take on the role so capably filled by Joan Learmont for the past four years. A re-structure of the role is planned, to reduce the workload. If you would like to find out more about this, please contact me.

With best wishes for a very enjoyable Semester 2.

STOP PRESS – JUST ANNOUNCED!



CONGRATULATIONS TO JOAN LEARMONT

At the Banyule City Council Volunteers Awards Dinner on Wednesday 23 May, our extremely hard working Course Coordinator won the **Individual Volunteer Award** amongst a field of 24 impressive nominees. Our very best wishes to Joan from U3A Banyule – her contribution has been invaluable over the past four years and we are delighted Joan’s remarkable work has been recognised. *(Joan is pictured with members of the Course Coordination team and Helen McKinnon)*

IMPORTANT DATES IN SEMESTER 2

Date	Time	Event
Mon 4 June		Semester 2 course information available on MyU3A for preview by members
Mon 18 June		Semester 2 enrolment opens on MyU3A and for non-email members in office 9am – 2pm
Mon 25 June		Closing date for applications to audit lectures at La Trobe University
Tue 26 June	12noon for 12.30pm	Annual Lunch, St Georges Restaurant, Melbourne Polytechnic, Preston
Fri 29 June		Semester 1 concludes
Tue 10 July	9.30 – 10.45am 11am – 12noon	Tutor Training/Refresher Workshop, U3A Hall New member welcome and orientation, U3A Hall
Thurs 12 July	9am – 3.30pm	Strategic Planning Day
Fri 13 July	2.00 – 4.00pm	Musical Gathering, Audacity U3A Choir, U3A Hall
Mon 16 July		Semester 2 courses commence (ongoing classes can determine their own start date)
Thurs 16 August	10am – 12 noon	Annual General Meeting of U3A Banyule, U3A Hall (Office closed, no morning classes)
October		Victorian and Banyule Seniors Festivals
Mon 5 November		Membership renewal for 2019 opens
Mon 19 November		Semester 1 2019 course information available for preview on website
Mon 26 November	2 – 4pm	Annual Forum (no afternoon classes), U3A Hall
Fri 30 November		Semester 2 concludes
Mon 3 December		Enrolment for 2019 courses begins online, and in office for non-email members
Fri 14 December		U3A office closes for 2018

COMMITTEE OF MANAGEMENT 2017 - 2018

Position	Name	Position	Name
President	Helen McKinnon	Office Manager	Valerie MacPhee
Vice-President	Valerie MacPhee	Office Volunteers Coordinator	Pat Gropel
Secretary (and Public Officer)	Milena Maranville	Bi Monthly News Editor	Pat Amor
Interim Treasurer	Tom Porter	Newsletter Editor & Equipment Coordinator	MaryAnne Bennie
Course Coordinator	Joan Learmont	MyU3A Administrator	Dianne Williamson
Communications Coordinator	Mary Wilson	Network Victoria Representative	Maxine Marks
Volunteer Coordinator	No appointment	Social Organiser	Val Wake
Public Lectures Coordinator	Jan Ramp and Adrian Ramp	General	Jack Ings
Assistant to Treasurer	Lois Maguire	General	Bryce Phillips
		General	Russell Scoular
OFF-COMMITTEE POSITIONS			
La Trobe Coordinator	Sue Beshara	Website Manager	Penny Braybrook
Publicity Officer	Toni Tyers	Assistant Course Coordinator	Judy Vaughan
Tutor Coordinator	Helen Walker	Health & Safety Officer	Alan Marks
Ivanhoe Learning Hub Council Liaison	Janice Kelly	Membership Manager	Keith Wise
Banyule Age Friendly Advisory Committee	Judy Elsworth	Banyule Seniors Network Representative	Maxine Marks

MID YEAR MEMBERSHIP AND FEES

Half-year membership is available from **1 June**:

- Full membership: \$25
- Associate member: \$15 (proof of a full membership in another U3A is required).

Membership fees must be paid before you can enrol in a course and can be paid online through MyU3A or through the office. **We strongly encourage those with an email address to use MyU3A.**

USING MYU3A

MyU3A is an online membership and course enrolment system accessed from our website where members can:

- Renew their membership
- Enrol in courses
- Use "Forgot Your Password" function
- Keep contact details current
- Update emergency contacts
- Withdraw from a course
- Register an apology for a class

When you become a member, you receive an ID number and password, to use via Member Log-in from the website www.u3abanyule.org.au

Our My U3A Support Team is available to assist with any problems or questions at info@u3abanyule.org.au

NEW MEMBERS JOINING ONLINE USING MYU3A

1. Go to www.u3abanyule.org.au
2. Select Membership page, scroll to New Members and select 'Join Us', which links to MyU3A.
3. Follow the prompts to provide your personal details, pay online and to receive an ID and password.
4. **After payment is completed, return to your Membership Status page to check your payment has been processed.**
5. Please ensure that you provide details for someone who can be contacted in case of emergency.

JOINING VIA THE OFFICE OR BY MAIL

Please complete a membership form and pay by cash or by cheque, either:

1. In person through the office (Monday – Friday between 10am - 12noon);
2. Or by mail to U3A Banyule Inc, PO Box 454, Rosanna 3084.

NOTE TO NEW MEMBERS: All new members receive a Welcome Pack, containing further information about U3A Banyule, a name badge and lanyard, a recent newsletter and an invitation to attend the next New Member Welcome and Orientation morning tea.

Importance of Wearing Name Badges

Every member needs to wear his/her name badge to **ALL** classes, including excursions, with emergency contact details on the reverse side. **Please, please remember to wear your name badge!** It is in your own best interest to do so, and as well, our U3A is much friendlier if we can learn each other's names more easily. (Replacement lanyards and name badges are \$2 from the office).

COURSE ENROLMENT FOR SEMESTER 2, 2018 OPENS 18 JUNE 2018

The Semester 2, 2018 Program is available to view online from **4 June** on our website (see Courses, then Course Information) and is included in this newsletter.

Note: Enrolment is only required for new courses. You do not have to re-enrol for on-going courses.

Procedure for Enrolment for Semester 2, 18 June Onwards

1. Online Course Enrolment Using MyU3A

- Member Log-In using your ID number and password, scroll down the page, press '**Classes 2018**', then scroll down that page to press '**Classes 2018**' again, to the page where you can enrol.
- When you have selected all your courses and activities, select **Next** (bottom of the page) and your '**Class Status**' will be shown (ie if you have a place or if you are wait listed).
- Again, select **Next** (bottom of screen) and your course enrolments are confirmed. You will have returned to your **Member Summary** page indicating your enrolments. You are advised to print a copy of this by selecting **Print** (bottom of screen). You should also receive a confirmation of enrolment email, for every course/activity that you enrol in.
- When finished press **Exit**.

Note: Waitlisted members are accepted into a course in the order in which they enrolled. Once a Tutor has accepted you into a course, you will receive an email confirming your enrolment. If you are no longer able to attend, please reply to the email accordingly.

For assistance, please contact our Support Team on info@u3abanyule.org.au

2. Course Enrolment Through the Office

Complete a **My Enrolment Form** and hand deliver it to the office or mail it (include a stamped self-addressed envelope).

Note: there are extended office hours for course enrolment, on Monday 18 June, 9.00am – 2.00pm, in the U3A Hall.

Forms will be processed in the order received and will be allocated a number. Forms posted into the office will not be processed prior to 18 June. Committee members and other volunteers will be present in the office to enter the course enrolment requests on MyU3A. The form will be signed and dated and returned to you either on the day, mailed or be filed in the office for collection.

PRIOR PAYMENT FOR EXCURSIONS OR EVENTS

For excursions/events where a prior payment by a specified date is required, members must pay by the due date. If payment is not received, it will be assumed the member is not coming. Such events are only viable if members observe the requirements set out - they are there for a good reason and member cooperation is greatly appreciated.

First enrol online through MyU3A or via the office (using the My Enrolment Form).

Payment options are:

1. **Preferred Method: Electronic Funds Transfer (EFT)** into the U3A Banyule account.
Account Name: U3A Banyule Inc **BSB:** 013313 **Account No:** 310521194
Reference: Your surname and abbreviation for the event (eg Smith AnnForum);
2. **Via the Office:** with cash, cheque or copy of your bank transfer receipt;
3. **By Mail:** with enclosed cheque or bank transfer receipt (U3A Banyule, PO Box 454, Rosanna 3084) and include a stamped self-addressed envelope for the receipt.

(Full payment details are provided on our website under Payment for Excursions/Events).

LA TROBE UNIVERSITY – ATTENDANCE AT LECTURES

La Trobe University offers full members of U3A Banyule the opportunity to sit in on some of the lectures as audit (ie listening) students. They cannot attend tutorials or practicals, nor can they receive assessments. For those who want library access, the university may be able to issue students with a library card. Subjects are selected from the La Trobe University website www.latrobe.edu.au/courses/a-z, using "Browse all courses". The number of subjects you can study is limited to one per semester.

U3A Banyule member participation is limited to face-to-face lectures, not on line or blended learning courses. (Note that specialist training may fall under the blended learning category or practical categories and that many business courses are now on line) We ask you to select 2 or 3 course preferences and to be flexible with your availability, as your first preference may be unavailable.

Please contact Sue Beshara at 0403 607 911 if you have any questions or need help with selection of a subject. Please do not contact La Trobe University, the faculties or lecturers. All U3A Banyule applications are lodged together through our contact at the University. You will receive notification from La Trobe confirming your enrolment.

To Enrol:

1. Become a FULL financial member of U3A Banyule
2. Complete and sign the 2018 La Trobe University Application for Attendance of an Audit Subject – U3A form. You can then do **ONE** of the following:
 - a. Post it to U3A Banyule Inc, PO Box 454, Rosanna 3084, C/- Sue Beshara, La Trobe Coordinator
 - b. Email a scanned copy to Sue Beshara c/o info@u3abanyule.org.au
 - c. Deliver it to U3A Banyule office in person.

Closing date for applications is Monday 25th June, 2018.

PLEASE NOTE that while enrolments in U3A courses can be processed electronically, enrolment to attend lectures at La Trobe University as audit students is a separate and manual process.

ANNUAL U3A BANYULE LUNCH

Date: Tuesday 26 June, 2018

Venue: St Georges Restaurant (Building K) at Melbourne Polytechnic (formerly NMIT), Preston Campus, 77 – 91 St Georges Road, Preston.

Time: 12noon for 12.30pm

Cost: \$30 for 3 courses plus coffee/tea. (Payment is required at time of booking). Drinks at member's expense will be served at the tables.

Parking and Public Transport: refer to separate invitation and map on www.u3abanyule.org.au.

Guest Speaker: Bev Moss, a popular, engaging speaker with a gift for entertaining audiences with stories from her fascinating life experiences, who is also a member of U3A Banyule.

Topic: Buckingham Palace in My Underwear.

Bookings: Bookings close on **Friday 15 June**. Book online via MyU3A or in the office. (If you have special dietary requirements, please indicate this at the time of booking).

ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The AGM is to be held on **Thursday 16 August at 10am in the U3A Hall**. Elections for the 2018 - 2019 Committee of Management will take place. We urge as many members as possible to attend and a formal invitation will follow which will include a Nomination for Committee of Management Form. If any Special Resolutions are to be put forward, Proxy Voting Forms will also be available from the office.

SEMESTER 2, 2018 PROGRAM (1 JULY – 30 NOVEMBER)

General questions and enquiries concerning a course can be made in **three** ways:

1. In **person** at the U3A office on weekdays between 10am and 12noon.
2. By **phone** 9499 2080 (if out of office hours, please leave a message).
3. By **email** to info@u3abanyule.org.au

NOTE:

- Detailed course descriptions are included in the timetable grid in this newsletter and in MyU3A and answer most course enquiries.
- For those who enrol online using MyU3A, information is automatically displayed as to whether the class is full and if there is a waiting list.
- Office volunteers will not give out anyone's telephone number under any circumstances.
- Tutors and class members may decide to share their contact details for communication purposes.

Message From the Course Coordinator – Joan Learmont

In this coming semester, **all** of our ongoing courses (those offered weekly, fortnightly or monthly) are continuing. Thank you so much to these Tutors – they are the backbone of our U3A. Furthermore, we are offering a further three new ongoing courses – Recorder Group, Line Dancing and Chess.

Included in the program, apart from our ongoing courses, are 13 classes of two or more sessions and 29 single sessions. There are also nine excursions (including four wonderful Art Appreciation excursions) and four lunches. **So there is something for everyone.**

PLEASE NOTE –

- The Musical Gathering is before the commencement of Semester 2 - Friday July 13.
- The times of the single sessions vary, they do not all commence at 2pm, particularly the Wednesday single sessions.
- Jane Davies first class is Thursday 12 July and not 19 July as you would expect.
- Please also check the venue of the classes as we are now using 16 different venues.

Finally, my enormous thanks to everyone who has helped me organise all these courses and their venues. You are all invaluable.

Enrolling in and withdrawing from classes: There are limited vacancies in some classes but even when full, members are urged to still enrol, as vacancies occur throughout the year. If you do enrol and then find you are unable to attend a class, please ensure you withdraw online or at the office as soon as possible to allow someone on the waiting list to take your place.

As far as possible the courses and details as shown in the timetable grid are correct at the time of printing. **Any subsequent amendments will be indicated on MyU3A via the website.**

SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY						
Monday	Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Monday Cost and other Information
	Public Lecture Series – Open to the Public Our Humanitarian Refugees in Eltham	Lowilla Olak Okello	Monday 23 July	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	Gold coin collection for speaker
1 Session Lowilla Olak Okello, a Senior Settlement Worker, has been working with refugees from Syria and Iraq in Eltham. St Vincent's Care Services in Eltham have been providing accommodation and education programs. There are many difficulties for refugees, their workers and volunteers in this situation. The provision of accommodation must end in September this year. We anticipate this will be an interesting, informative and heart-warming presentation.						
	Public Lecture Series – Open to the Public Escalating Energy Costs – How to Get on Top	Katherine George	Monday 27 Aug	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	Gold coin collection for speaker
1 Session Victorian Energy Compare is the Victorian Government's independent energy price comparator. It is the only independent comparison tool in the market that has every generally available energy offer. More than half of the visitors to Victorian Energy Compare have found they can save \$330 off their annual energy bill by making the switch to a better offer. Katherine George will teach you how to read your bills and use Victorian Energy Compare to shop around and save.						
	Public Lecture Series – Open to the Public Indigenous Art as Storytelling	Rev Glenn Loughrey	Monday 24 Sep	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	Gold coin collection for speaker
1 Session Reverend Glenn Loughrey will give an update from last year's forum. A year on, are we any closer as a nation to acknowledging the Traditional Owners of Australia? Glenn will also share his insights on the role of Indigenous Art, both traditional and contemporary, as a vehicle for conveying cultural history and self-journey.						
	Public Lecture Series – Open to the Public Law Reform in Victoria	Nick Gadd	Monday 22 Oct	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	Gold coin collection for speaker
1 Session The Victorian Law Reform Commission advises the Victorian Government on changes to the law. This presentation by Nick Gadd, will explain how the Commission helps to reform Victorian Law and how the community can be involved. In particular, the presentation will cover recent changes to the laws of medical treatment planning, and also the Commission's review of the laws of guardianship.						
	Annual Forum	Dr Bob Birrell, Dr Katharine Betts	Monday 26 Nov	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	\$10 per head. Enrol and pay by 16 Nov
1 Session President and Vice President of the Australian Population Research Institute, Dr Bob Birrell and Dr Katharine Betts will address the issue of population growth in Australia - its effects on lifestyle, cities, consumption patterns and the environment; what is a sustainable population for Australia? The presentation will be followed by a special afternoon tea.						

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	Recorder Group	Elizabeth Ward	Mondays July 16 – Nov 26	10 –11am	Uniting Church, Ivanhoe	Music stand and Recorder.
<p>Weekly What, if any, is your experience of recorder playing? Perhaps it has not been very positive. The recorder is enjoying a renaissance and there is a lot of wonderful music and excellent teaching material for the recorder. Elizabeth would like to explore the possibility of starting a recorder group, initially for beginners or people who wish to start playing again after a long absence. Participants will need to have a treble or descant recorder or a tenor (if preferred) and a music stand. Sheet music will be provided.</p>						
	Monday Cinema at Nova/Kino Westgarth	Janet Creed	3rd Monday from 16 July – 17 Dec	Varies	TBA	Varies
<p>Monthly The cinema is usually at the Nova or the Kino or Westgarth, which are accessible by public transport. One person is assigned each month to choose the movie and venue. The list of those choosing is distributed after the first month. Anyone can volunteer to take a turn at choosing the movie. There is no obligation to attend each month.</p>						
	French Level 5	Marie-Claire Staub	Mondays from 16 July – 19 Nov	12noon – 1.30pm	Shop 48 Harmony Centre	<i>Classes will not meet during school holidays</i>
<p>Weekly This is a participant directed French discussion group, exploring such topics as current events, films, ecological issues, politics and so on in French, so if you are a native French speaker or are fluent in French and would like to keep up your skills, you will enjoy this group.</p>						
	Butchart Gardens and Mosaics, Canada	Dianne Lacroix	Monday 30 July	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
<p>1 Session What began in 1904 by Jennie Butchart is now not only a family legacy but a Canadian historical site. Dianne's photos will demonstrate why the Butchart Gardens on Vancouver Island are now ranked as one of the top display gardens in the world.</p>						
	Japanese Gardens	Gillian Jones	Monday 6 Aug	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
<p>1 Session Gillian will delight us with a beautifully illustrated talk about Japanese gardens in their many forms – stroll gardens, landscape gardens, temple gardens, moss gardens, and more. A teacher of the Japanese language, Gillian is the Principal of Artsinspire, and has led many tours to Japan. Notes about the gardens featured will be available.</p>						

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	Trivia Afternoons	Valerie Fletcher	Mondays 13 Aug & 29 Oct	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
2 Sessions This semester there will be two sessions of the popular 'not too serious' Trivia – a team game with easy questions.						
	Fred Hollows Foundation	Fred Hollows Foundation Representative	Monday Sept 9	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session The aim of the Foundation is to work towards ending avoidable blindness. A representative from the Foundation will update us on the training, advocating, educating, treating and rebuilding facilities in more than 25 countries around the world.						
	Ryder-Cheshire Homes Foundation	Donald Hamilton	Monday 1 Oct	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session This presentation by Donald Hamilton will explain the creation of the Ryder-Cheshire Foundation by Group Captain Leonard Cheshire VC, and Lady Sue Ryder, Baroness of Warsaw. Don will explain the development and progress of the Ivanhoe homes which provide accommodation for family members and/or carers of patients receiving medical treatment.						
	Excursion to CSL	Michael Carter	Monday 8 Oct	10am – 12noon	Seqirus manufacturing site.63 Poplar Road, Parkville.	9.45 for a 10am start
1 Session Vincent Chung, Director of Manufacturing Influenza Vaccine with Seqirus, a CSL Company, has agreed to conduct a tour which would include a set of slides on the manufacturing process of the influenza vaccine, followed by a window tour of parts of the manufacturing facility. The tour is expected to take one and a half hours. As there is limited parking, car pooling is suggested.						
	A Rug for a King? A quest to solve a family legend	Dianne Williamson	Monday 8 Oct	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session This is the tale of a personal and challenging quest for answers. I became the custodian of a treasured family heirloom of which I had no prior knowledge. The family legend was that an identical knitted blanket was sent to the King of England. Fact or fiction? Which King? Why? Who did the knitting? The mystery unfolded after several years of searching and learning more about Emma's life. And there is a final twist at the end of the tale - was the knitting for a King, a Queen or even a current-day Prince?						

Monday SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Monday					
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Growing Orchids in Melbourne	Michael Coker	Monday 5 Nov	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session President of the Orchid Society's Council of Victoria, Michael Coker, who recently appeared on 'Gardening Australia', will talk about the orchid family and orchids you can grow in Australia.					
Pancare	Pancare Representative	Monday 12 Nov	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Pancare supports people with Pancreatic and Upper Gastro-Intestinal cancers. As the only charity of its kind in Australia, the Pancare Foundation supports world-leading research and delivers programs designed to address individual and changing patient needs, from the point of diagnosis through to recovery and bereavement.					
A Mixed Bag – Members Medley of Topics	Dianne Williamson	Monday 19 Nov	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Be informed and entertained by a pastiche of short presentations on a variety of topics. The speakers will be U3A Banyule members who developed their talks in the series of "Finding your Voice" workshops earlier in the term.					
Tuesday SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Tuesday					
Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Tai Chi for experienced participants	Diana McCormack	Tuesdays from 6 Feb	9.30 – 10.15am	U3A Hall	
Weekly This class is for participants with basic skills in the art of Tai Chi. Classes will include Qigong, Tai Chi 18 Form, Lotus Form, and several forms developed by Paul Lamb from the Beijing 24 form. Comfortable dress and flat shoes required.					
Tai Chi and Qigong – Gentle Exercise	Carolyn Wood	Tuesdays from 17 July - 27 Nov	10.30am or 11.30am	U3A Hall	
Weekly Carolyn offers 2 x 45-minute classes, at 10.30am and 11.30am. Members are to enrol and class times will be allocated. These classes are for people learning the art of Tai Chi. The classes will include Qigong, Tai Chi 18 Form, Lotus Form, and several forms developed by Paul Lamb from the Beijing 24 form. Comfortable dress and flat shoes required. There are limited class vacancies in these classes, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies occur throughout the semester					

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Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Through the Looking Glass with Alice	Sheila Colls	Tuesdays 10, 17, 24 July	10am – 12noon	Ivanhoe Bowls Club	
3 Sessions Come and explore what is really going on behind the Looking Glass. Participants must read the book, "Through the Looking Glass" by Lewis Carroll and bring a copy to the class.					
Philosophy Study Group	Janice Kelly	Tuesdays from 17 July – 27 Nov	10am – 12noon	Humanities Building 3 (HU3) Room 116	Book purchase (essential)
Weekly The aim of this self-directed study group is to think philosophically. It is not about sharing opinions, but a certain way of thinking about questions and concepts that is disciplined and rigorous. We welcome new members to join us in this activity. The class will read prescribed book. The author is a pioneer in the areas of moral psychology and particularly moral emotions. In this book she offers a wide-ranging exploration of anger and forgiveness from the personal realm into the political by drawing from Classical Greek and Roman literature and modern philosophy. Texts: Anger and Forgiveness: Resentment, Generosity, Justice by Martha Nussbaum, www.bookdepository.com for \$24.99					
Mahjong 2	June Molnar	Tuesdays from 17 July	1.30 – 3pm	Rosanna Library	
Weekly The group commenced in 2018 as Mahjong Group 1 is at capacity. The group, as far as it can, adheres to the Australian Twitters School of Mahjong rules, and the Mahjong Player's Companion Book for Special Hands. The very fast Chinese game is not played, nor do we keep score. The aim of our game is to enjoy Mahjong and have fun together.					
Line Dancing	Lillian Maddern	Tuesdays 17 July – 27 Nov	1.30 – 3pm	Old Shire Office, Beverley Road, Heidelberg	
Weekly Lillian Maddern from the very successful U3A Line Dancing Group at Whittlesea U3A has kindly offered to teach our students. Come and join in the fun, wearing comfortable clothing and flat shoes.					

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Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Chess	Annette Davis	Tuesdays from 17 July – 27 Nov	2 – 4.30pm	East Preston Senior Citizens Hall	
<p>Weekly Play Chess in a friendly environment with or without experience. If you have never played before, learn with a supportive group. Many chess sites are available on-line and introductory books are at the library. Chess keeps the mind active – very important - and chess puzzles are a great way to improve concentration. It requires a different mind-set to video games. It is a great game to teach grandchildren. Chess will be played with U3A Darebin members. The group meets at East Preston Senior Citizens', 14/12 Donald St. (near Northland).</p>					
Singing for Pleasure	Nancy Cornwallis	Tuesdays from 17 July – 27 Nov	2.15 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
<p>Weekly Choral singing in a variety of styles and languages. No experience is necessary. This class continues over the school holidays. There are limited class vacancies in this class, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies may occur throughout the semester.</p>					
Walks for Fun	Elizabeth Ainsworth & Jo Towler	2nd & 4th Tuesdays from 24 July – 27 Nov	From 9.30am	Meeting places vary	Bring water and nibbles
<p>Fortnightly Important points to note:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. U3A insurance does not cover participants. 2. Walks designed to cover approx 6-8kms or take about 2 hours plus rest time. Not always on formed or flat paths. 3. Please wear name tags -these must have your emergency contact details. Please also bring medications you might need. 4. Start times and meeting place will vary. We will use public transport as well as cars to access walks. 5. Common meeting point when carpooling: Corner Ivanhoe Pde/Clifton Gve (on street where there are no time limits). 6. On days when the temperature is forecast to be 30°C or above the walk will be cancelled. 7. Requirements: shade hat/beanie, rain jacket, firm shoes with reasonable tread, water bottle and nibbles. A walking pole could be handy if you have one. 8. You will receive advance details about the program of walks either by email or by post. 					

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Book Group 1	Margaret Murphy	4th Tuesdays from 24 July – 27 Nov	10am – 12noon	Members' homes	
Monthly Members of the group have chosen book titles for the year, aiming for a wide variety of style and subject matter and representing many different cultures and histories.					
Italian Conversation	Adriana Ficarazzi	Tuesdays from 24 July – 27 Nov	12.30 – 2pm	U3A Hall	<i>The class will not meet during school holidays.</i>
Weekly This course is designed for learners who have a good grounding in basic Italian grammar, to further develop the basic skill of language learning. Participants will continue to expand their knowledge of the spoken language, idiomatic usages and useful vocabulary. Topics will be presented under the following broad language themes: Italian cities, tourist attractions, shopping, eating out, public transport, leisure and pleasure. The language and culture will be inter-related.					
Red Wine Discovery Group 1	Dan Murphy's Representative	Tuesday 14 Aug	5 – 7pm	Dan Murphy's, 789 Heidelberg Road, Alphington	Payment of \$20 by 27 July
1 Session David Adams from Dan Murphy's will present a wine tasting of a variety of red wines of the world, and some new discoveries. On the night you will receive a \$20 Dan Murphy gift voucher which can be spent on the night or at a later date. Please enrol in one group only.					
Red Wine Discovery Group 2	Dan Murphy's Representative	Tuesday 21 Aug	5 – 7pm	Dan Murphy's, 789 Heidelberg Road, Alphington	Payment of \$20 by 3 August
1 Session This is a repeat of the Red Wine Discovery Group 1. David Adams from Dan Murphy's Alphington will present a wine tasting of a variety of red wines of the world and some new discoveries. On the night you will receive a \$20 Dan Murphy gift voucher which can be spent on the night or at a later date. Please enrol in one group only.					

Tuesday SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Tuesday					
Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Understanding Islam and Muslims in Australia	Jessica Swann	Tuesdays 25 Sep & 2 Oct	12.30 – 2pm	U3A	
<p>2 Sessions This program is divided into two sessions facilitated by Benevolence Australia representatives who will share first-hand experiences of Islam and what it is to be an Australian Muslim. Session 1: Tuesday 25/9 – Understanding Islam – Background belief and identity Session 2: Tuesday 2/10 – Understanding Islam in the modern world – Popular discourse and community dialogue.</p>					
Wednesday SEMESTER 2 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Wednesday					
Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Music Appreciation	Noel Griffith	2nd Wednesday of month from 11 July – 12 Dec	10am – 12noon	Griffith Residence 36 Wallis Avenue, Ivanhoe East	Payment of 50 cents - \$1 per session
<p>Monthly Listening to music, after explanations and analysis in some cases. The class offers general education in all forms of music from 16th century to present day. Discussions encouraged. No prior music education needed – just love of music. There are limited class vacancies in this class, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies occur throughout the semester.</p>					
Yoga	Catherine Prowse	Wednesday from 18 July to 28 Nov	9.30 –11am	U3A Hall	<i>Class will not meet Wed 26/9, 3/10 & 10/10</i>
<p>Weekly Catherine teaches a gentle yoga that is designed to balance her students physically and mentally and feed their spirit. Anyone can join in and benefit from the classes, even those who prefer to sit in chairs rather than on the floor. Catherine graduated as a Gita yoga teacher in 2005. Since graduating she has taught students in the corporate sector, at a yoga school, a drug and alcohol rehabilitation centre and secondary school students. She has continued to expand her knowledge in teaching yoga, meditation, human anatomy, relaxation and esoteric studies. Participants need to bring yoga mats and blankets. There are limited class vacancies in this class, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies occur throughout the semester.</p>					

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German Grammar – an exploration	Janet Creed	1st & 3rd Wednesday from 18 July – 21 Nov	10 – 11.30am	Our Hub, Heidelberg West		
Fortnightly This group will take an old-fashioned approach and explore German grammar along with some reading and translation passages. The program will follow the interests of the participants.						
French Level 4	Elsa McCarthy	Wednesday from 18 July	11.30am – 1pm	U3A Hall	<i>Classes will not meet in the school holidays.</i>	
Weekly This is a conversation class. Fascinating and fun activities are determined by participants. Pronunciation and grammar issues are visited incidentally. A minimum of approximately 3 – 4 years French experience/study (no matter when that was) is assumed.						
German Beginners and Intermediate	Angela Fischer	Wednesday from 18 July – 28 Nov	1.30 – 3.30pm	Shop 48 Harmony Centre	<i>The class will not meet during school holidays.</i>	
Weekly This is a course focusing on the needs of beginners as well as more advanced learners of the German language.						
Forced Adoption – correcting a dark past	Nahum Mushin	Wednesday 18 July	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall		
1 Session On 21 March 2013, then Prime Minister Gillard apologized on behalf of the nation to all those affected by forced adoptions. The background to the apology, the day itself and the aftermath will be discussed during this session to be moderated by Professor the Honourable Nahum Mushin AM who chaired the Government's apology and implementation committees. He will be joined by three people who were directly affected by forced ad option – Ms Joe Fraser – mother; Ms Charlotte Smith – adoptee; and Mr Gary Coles – father.						
Croquet – an introduction	Brian Fitt	Wednesday 19 Sep to 31 Oct	1.30 – 3.30pm	Ivanhoe Park Croquet Club, East Ivanhoe	<i>No class on 10 Oct.</i>	
6 Sessions Come and try out Croquet. This course will cover elements of the game, basic rules and strategies and is hands on. The club will provide mallets and other equipment. Ordinary flat soled shoes must to be worn. Numbers need to be limited.						

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Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Lawn Bowls for Fun	Brian James	Wednesday from 10 Oct – 28 Nov	1.15 – 3.15pm	Heidelberg Bowling Club	<i>These sessions will not be held during the school holidays</i>
<p>Weekly This activity is suitable for people who have not previously played bowls and for those who would like to return to the sport. All equipment is supplied. Most of each session will be spent playing the game of lawn bowls. U3A Darebin members have been invited to join this group. Instructions will be given on how to deliver a bowl, tactics, rules, purchasing a set of bowls. Class members will also be invited to take part in some of the social and bowling activities of the Club. Flat soled shoes are required. Ample parking available free at the Club.</p>					
Basic Maths	Alan Phillips	2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 25 July and every fortnight till 28 Nov	10am – 12noon	Shop 48	
<p>Fortnightly Did you have trouble with High School Mathematics? Here is a class where you might master basic number theory, algebra, geometry, measurement, probability, statistics and trigonometry in a friendly, safe environment. The course this year will be based on the topics used in NAPLAN numeracy tests firstly for year 7 and after that for year 9 in our high schools.</p>					
Creative Knitting	Diana McCormack	2nd & 4th Wednesdays from 25 July – 28 Nov	1 – 3.30pm	Watsonia Library	Wool Purchase
<p>Fortnightly Knitting in a social environment providing endless possibilities, sharing skills, projects, resources and completing items for charity such as beanies, scarves and toys.</p>					
Book Group 3	Janet Creed	1st Wednesdays from 1 Aug – 7 Nov	1.30– 3pm	U3A Hall	
<p>Monthly The book list was finalised in December 2017 from a list suggested by members. In February we had a poetry session with everyone bringing a favourite poem, and for our November meeting, a play reading. Other titles include mainly novels and biographies. We finish with a lunch in December.</p>					

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Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information	
German Advanced	Jutta Szwed	2nd Wednesday from 8 Aug – 14 Nov	9 – 10.30am	Heidelberg Bowling Club		
Monthly This class assumes students have studied at least 550 hours of German. The class will be conducted in German and will focus on conversation and discussion of current affairs, film, poetry, travel and topics of general interest.						
German Kaffeeklatsch	Jutta Szwed	2nd Wednesday from 8 Aug – 14 Nov	10.45 – 12noon	Heidelberg Bowling Club	A cup of coffee	
Monthly Would you like to have a friendly chat over a cup of coffee? Then join this group for a monthly meeting. Your level of German does not matter; however, we would like you to participate in German.						
Art Exhibitions – Tree Portraits	Stephanie Neoh	Wednesday 15 Aug	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall & Hatch		
1 Session "Significant Trees of Banyule" - Tree Portraits by Fran Lee. Local artist, Fran Lee, has created a series of large paintings, cyanotype prints and drawings of a few selected significant trees in the Banyule area. This exhibition creates the tranquil space in which to appreciate each tree, reminding us to pause and appreciate the beauty of nature in our daily lives. Banyule Council's Art Curator, Stephanie Neoh, along with the artist, Fran Lee, will provide an informative lecture on this exhibition in the U3A Hall before we visit the art works at Hatch.						
Taronga Tales – the work of a microbiologist	Michele Cunningham	Wednesday 29 Aug	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall		
1 Session Michele worked for 17 years as a microbiologist at Taronga Zoo in Sydney. Come and listen to the trials and tribulations of such a position. Working with animals is said to be one of the hardest things you could do.						
Women of Wisdom Australia (WOWA)	Christine Lister	Wednesdays 5,12 & 19 Sep	10 – 12 noon & 1.30 – 3.30pm	Lister Residence: 2/23 Price Avenue, Montmorency		
3 Sessions Christine Lister is setting up a new organisation WOWA, dedicated to sharing women's stories. There will be 2 groups - the first starting at 10am and the second starting at 1:30pm. Please enrol in one group only. Christine writes: "It's time for the indomitable spirit in every woman to be recognised. It's time for the feminine to come forward to lead us to the next stage of evolution, along heart-centred pathways. It's time for herstory to be told. We will be exploring ways to capture and share Australian women's stories - herstory and your story - for the forthcoming WOWA website and book "Ripples From The Heart" to be launched in 2019".						

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Excursion to Chinatown	June Molnar Mob:0400068289	Wednesday 5 Sep	10am – 12noon	Meet in basement of the visitors' centre, Federation Square, 9.45am for a 10am start.	Payment of \$35 by 17 August for two hour walk with coffee provided.
1 Session This walk covers the eastern end of town, where the theatres thrive, the immigrants played and the politicians and the prostitutes kept the city busy. See inside some of the lesser known corners, stop for a coffee near the town house surgery, and explore the laneways and hear about life at the end of the gold rush. Learn about the oldest Chinatown outside of Asia and how it influenced our city and see some of the oldest buildings.					
Bats of Melbourne	Robert Bender	Wednesday 19 Sep	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session An introduction to the two groups of bats living in Melbourne – insect eating microbats and plant-eating flying foxes. What ecological function do these mammals perform? How many species are there in our city and how does that vary across the landscape? How do they find their feed in the dark? What social and community life do they have? Get the answers to these and more questions at this class.					
Contested Sites – Statues, Memorials & History Wars	Alex Tyrrell	Wednesdays 26 Sep, 3rd & 10th Oct	9.45 – 11.15am	U3A Hall	
3 Sessions Three interesting and humorous talks raising general issues about commemorative statues and memorials. "What shall we do with: "The Duke of Sutherland statue?" "The Martyrs' Monument in Edinburgh?" "Monuments for British abolitionists?"					
Nurses' Forum – Matron's Militia	Kay Dermody	Wednesday 17 Oct	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Come and join a humorous discussion with retired Nurses from various fields of nursing. Listen to their tales both serious and funny and admire their amazing experiences.					

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Lingering Lunch	June Sharp 9435 8861 or 0408 225 480	Wednesday 10 Oct	12noon	TBA	
1 Session A social luncheon introducing members to a quality restaurant. Venues, cost and required date of payment will be advised by email or phone prior to the luncheon. Numbers limited to 25.					
Brain Health for 2018 – Semester 2	Jane Petryszyn	Wednesdays 10, 17, 24, 31 Oct, 7,14 Nov	2.30 –3.30pm	Rosanna Library	
6 Sessions This is a repeat of the successful "Brain Health" offered in Semester 2, 2017 & Semester 1 this year. The maintenance of a healthy brain becomes increasingly important. Modern theory says we should focus on nutrition, exercise, learning new skills and problem solving. Jane will guide us through using library resources to achieve this. She will teach coding of robots, using apps for exercise, board games, jigsaws and nutrition.					
Working with Elephants in Nepal	Michele Cunningham	Wednesday 31 Oct	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Michele, an experienced microbiologist, had to develop a test to detect a parasite in elephants. She was then required to go to Nepal to train people how to use the test on elephants.					
Excursion – Yarra River Cruise	June Molnar Mob:0400068289	Wednesday 14 Nov	11am – 1pm	Meet at Boat Berth 5, Southgate Riverfront, Melbourne at 10.40 am.	Payment of \$27 by 19 October
1 Session This is a two hour cruise of Melbourne's highlights. It begins at Southgate, cruising past the Melbourne Convention Centre, the Polly Woodside, Bolte Bridge and the Docklands area. Returning and continuing on past the Botanical Gardens, Government House, Hisense Arena, Melbourne Olympic Park and Herring Island.					

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Pencil & Paint	Alexandra Rearden	2nd & 4th Wednesdays 25 Jul to 27 Nov	1.30 – 4pm	U3A Hall	Materials
6 Sessions This class offers the exploration of many types of media (but not water colour) in a friendly and informal group					
Thursday SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Thursday					
Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Then the World Changed Forever: The Industrial Revolution	Jane Davies	Thursdays 12,19, 26 July and 2, 9, 16 Aug	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
6 Sessions Between 1760 & 1840 the world underwent the most significant revolution it had ever seen. It wasn't a clash of politics, peoples or armies: it was the development of a range of "machines" that transformed manufacturing & agricultural practices forever. Key individuals & inventions transformed economies beyond belief.					
Literature with Pat Jankus	Pat Jankus	Thursdays from 19, 26 Jul, & 9,16, 23 & 30 Aug	10am – 12noon	Shop 48 Harmony Centre	Books: 'My Sister's Keeper (Jodi Picoult) and The Children Act (Ian McEwan)
6 Sessions The 2 novels to be discussed are: My Sister's Keeper (Jodi Picoult) and The Children Act (Ian McEwan). Both of these novels revolve around the difficulties of choice. In Picoult's book she examines the physical and psychic toll a desperately sick child brings to a close and loving family. It involves the choices made about individual autonomy clashing with a sibling's right to live. In McEwan's book, an intelligent and well respected High Court judge in London faces a morally ambiguous case which overtakes the stability of her own marriage. She is forced to choose literally between the life or death of another.					

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French Level 3	Dr Judyth Keighran	Thursdays from 19 July – 29 Nov	11am –12.15pm	Our Hub	Book. <i>These sessions will not be held during the school holidays</i>
Weekly This class follows on from French Level 2. Text books introduced in 2017 (Sue Purcell's "Talk French 2 and grammar book") were used in the first semester. The text to be used in semester 2 is Vite et Bien A1 & A2 by Claire Miquel. The course is designed to allow students to maintain and practise conversational French in an informal and friendly environment. There will also be practice and revision of grammar and vocabulary in context, as well as listening comprehension activities. Students write dialogues and interact with others, gaining enjoyment and a reasonable level of fluency in the language.					
The Aging Eye	Dr Michelle Waugh	Thursday 19 Jul	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session In this presentation Dr Waugh will discuss common conditions that affect the eye with advancing age in terms of pathophysiology and treatments. She will also examine the latest scientific evidence pertaining to each disease. Preventable care and future potential treatments being investigated will be addressed.					
French Level 2	Lucille Sadler	Thursdays from 19 July – 29 Nov	1.30 –3pm	Shop 48 Harmony Centre	Book: Talk French" by Sue Purcell and accompanying CDs, published by the BBC.
Weekly This interactive class is aimed at those with a basic knowledge of the French language. The focus is on the skills of listening and speaking, reading and writing. Grammar is dealt with as necessary but is not a major focus. A variety of stimulating resources will be introduced from time to time.					
Current Affairs	Dr Len Kelly	Thursdays from 19 July – 29 Nov	1.30 – 3pm	U3A Hall	
Weekly A weekly facilitated/moderated meeting of minds to discuss recent events in the news. Involvement in the discussions is expected of participants.					

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Thursday	Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Thursday Cost and other Information
	Book Group 2	Ruth Cumming	Last Thursdays from 26 July – 29 Nov	10am –12noon	Members' Homes	Books
Monthly Alternates in members' homes as volunteered. Members provide their own books. Discussion for two hours is followed by lunch.						
	Italian	Carla Finocchiaro	Thursdays from 26 July – 29 Nov	10 – 11.30am	U3A Hall	<i>Classes do not run on 3rd Thursday of the month</i>
Weekly This class commenced in July 2017. To join you must have a basic knowledge of Italian. Whether you want to travel, speak to some of your neighbours, understand the menu of your favourite Italian restaurant or be reminded of how language works when you try to use a second/third/ or different language, this class is for you. There are limited class vacancies in this class, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies occur throughout the semester.						
	Living the Change for sustainable future	Dianne Lacroix	Thursdays 26 July, 2 and 9 Aug	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
3 Sessions How can you, in turbulent times, sustain your vision of healthy and sustainable futures for all Australians? What can assist you in engaging your "ecological self" in living successfully your transition to sustainability? Through powerful recent documentaries and shared stories of local visionaries, we can engage in finding some local solutions to complex issues and challenges.						
	Archaeology with Dr Christopher Davey	Dr Christopher Davey	Thursdays 23 Aug – 27 Sep	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
6 Sessions This is a continuation of Semester 1 lectures. This semester will include: Archaeology in Syria, Iran, Turkey and Lebanon: Archive and Alphabet. Albright and The Beginning of Biblical Archaeology. Archaeology in The Southern Levant after World War II. The 'New Archaeology' and the Demise of Biblical Archaeology. Archaeology and the Bible Today, and Post-Processualism. The Future of Archaeology in Bible Lands.						

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	Post-Industrial Revolution	Jack Ings	Thursdays 23 Aug and 6 Sep	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
2 Sessions Following Jane's classes on the Industrial Revolution, Jack will present two sessions discussing how ancient industries have advanced. 23/8 – Formation of Glass; 6/9 Sep – Metal Forming.						
	Challenges for a future automotive industry	Russell Scoular	Thursday 30 Aug	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Following on our classes of the Industrial Revolution, Russell will weave the story of the automotive industry into a future industry with such features as electric cars and driverless cars.						
	What did you do before you retired?	Paul Jowett and Bryce Phillips	Thursday 13 Sep	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Two of our members have volunteered to talk about their past occupations. Bryce Phillips, a past President of the Australian Medical Association and Paul Jowett, a shopping centre manager, will enlighten us for half hour each on interesting aspects of their positions.						
	The Crash of MH370	James Nixon	Thursday 27 Sep	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session James Nixon, a former Emirates A380 Captain, will discuss the circumstances surrounding the disappearance of the Malaysian Airlines flight MH370 en route from Kuala Lumpur to Beijing on March 8 2014.						
	Frogs of Melbourne	Robert Bender	Thursday 11 Oct	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session This is an introduction to the life of amphibians and the ecological functions they perform. Learn about the species found in our city and their different lifestyles. How do they survive long droughts and breed successfully and what problems do they have adapting to a frog-unfriendly city? How can you contribute to increasing what we already know about our city's frogs?						

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	Vexed and troubled Englishmen - English Civil War	Jane Davies	Thursdays 11 Oct – 22 Nov	3.15 – 4.45pm	U3A Hall	
7 Sessions The English Civil War: 1642 - 1651 was a conflict over how England should be governed. The cost was huge. Father fought son, brother fought brother: eventually the people committed regicide & executed their king. For many in England it was as if the end of the world was coming as they struggled hard to work out what had happened & what their future was to be.						
	Finding Your Voice	Dianne Williamson	Thursdays 11, 18 & 25 Oct & 1 Nov & 8 Nov	3.15 – 4.45pm	Viewbank Gardens, Viewbank	
5 Sessions Interactive workshops for members who would like to develop their presentation skills and for new and experienced tutors who wish to enhance their skills. With guidance and practical exercises participants will develop and refine an illustrated presentation on the topic of their choice using PowerPoint and internet-sourced materials. Hands on practice with U3A equipment will provide the skills to confidently set up and use the internet, data projector, audio and Elmo image projector. At the end of the set of workshops participants will be able (if they wish) to share their presentation in a Monday afternoon "Members Medley" of 10 minute talks.						
	National Broadband Network Update	NBN Representative	Thursday 18 Oct	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Amy Jaballah, who spoke to us in April earlier this year, is returning to give a further update on the progress of the NBN in Banyule.						
	Excursion to the Islamic Museum	Joan Learmont	Thursday 25 Oct	10 – 11.30am. Meet in the foyer at 9.45am for a 10am start.	Islamic Museum, 15A Anderson Road, Thornbury	
1 Session This is a very interesting and detailed excursion to the Islamic Museum in Thornbury. A trained guide from the Museum will provide detailed information on all the exhibits in the Museum and answer any questions.						

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Crises in the Middle East	Dr David Dorward	Thursdays 1,8,15 & 22 Nov	11.45am – 1.15pm	U3A Hall	
<p>4 Sessions Dr David Dorward is making a return this semester to discuss "Crises in the Middle East". There will be 4 lectures which include: 1) Iraq Invasion: Trigger for the current disasters 2) U.S.: Saudi- Iran rivalry 3) Syria: clashes between Russia, the USA, Turkey and the Kurds 4) Israel and Palestine: the festering sore. Not to be missed.</p>					
Friday SEMESTER TWO 2018 COURSE SUMMARY Friday					
Course	Facilitator	Dates	Time	Venue	Cost and other Information
Art Appreciation: Excursion to Bendigo Art Gallery – Another Day in Paradise	Diana McCormack	Friday 20 July	9am – 3pm	Bendigo Art Gallery. Meet at Southern Cross Station at 9.05am.	Cost TBA but budget for train, lunch and entry to exhibition. Payment by 6 July
<p>1 Session Another Day in Paradise is the first major exhibition by Myuran Sukumaran along with a series of newly commissioned artworks by leading Australian artists. It presents the significant body of work produced while incarcerated in Bali's Kerobokan Prison, Denpasar and during the final 72 hours of his life spent on Nusa Kambangan Island.</p>					
Art Appreciation: Excursion to NGV Winter Masterpieces	Diana McCormack	Friday 24 Aug	9.30am – 12noon	NGV St Kilda Rd – meet at side entrance (mouse hole)	Payment of \$33.20 by 3 Aug (entry and tour guide). Budget for train, and lunch if required
<p>1 Session The NGV of Victoria, in partnership with The Museum of Modern Art New York will present MoMA at NGV: 130 Years of Modern and Contemporary Art as the Melbourne Winter Masterpieces. MoMA at NGV will provide a unique survey of the Museum's iconic collection. The exhibition will trace the development of urban and global art and design from late 19th century to the present.</p>					

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	Art Appreciation: Excursion to Bald Archy	Diana McCormack	Friday 28 Sep	11am –2pm	Meet outside the Victoria Hotel, 215 Collins Street	Payment of approx \$5 due 7 September. Budget for lunch at Time Out Cafe, Fed Square if lunch required
1 Session The prize will be awarded to the best comic or satiric portrait, preferably of an Australian distinguished in Art, Science, Letters, Politics, Sport or Media painted by an artist during the twelve months preceding 31 January 2018. Although created as something of a joke, the Bald Archy Prize has become the icon on the Australian art calendar (albeit an eccentric one).						
	Art Appreciation: Excursion to Archibald Prize Geelong	Diana McCormack	Friday 26 Oct	9.30am – 3pm Meet at Southern Cross Station at 9.20am.	Geelong Gallery Little Malop Street Geelong 3220	Payment of approx \$15 (to be confirmed) by 12 Oct. Budget for train and refreshments
1 Session First awarded in 1921, the Art Gallery of New South Wales' Archibald Prize is Australia's favourite art award, and one of its most prestigious. Awarded to the best portrait painting, it's a who's who of Australian culture, with subjects often including politicians, celebrities, sporting heroes, authors and artists. Since its inception, the Archibald Prize has been engaging art enthusiasts, often stirring up controversy and always challenging the way we see ourselves and our society.						
	Musical Gathering	Nancy Cornwallis	Friday 13 July	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
1 Session Members are invited to a Musical Gathering in the U3A Hall on Friday 13 July 2.00pm – 4.00pm, followed by afternoon tea. The concert will feature our choir "AUDACITY", directed by Nancy Cornwallis and accompanied on the piano by Helen Shinkfield.						
	Cryptic Crosswords	Margaret Murphy	1st & 3rd Friday 20 July – 16 Nov	10am –12noon	Watsonia Library	Payment of 50 cents for morning tea
Fortnightly This is a friendly group that meets fortnightly to enjoy the challenge of solving cryptic crosswords. Help is available for those new to the pastime.						

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	Mahjong 1	Toni Tyers	Fridays from 20 July – 30 Nov	12.15 – 3.30pm	Watsonia Library	
Weekly This group is at capacity. A second Mahjong group (Mahjong 2) is operating at the Rosanna Library on a Tuesday afternoon.						
	French Level 1	Helen McKinnon	Friday from 20 July – 30 Nov	12.15 – 1.45pm	U3A Hall	Textbook. <i>No classes in school holidays</i>
Weekly This class is aimed at beginners; current participants have now completed semester 1, therefore an equivalent knowledge of French is required. The textbook is 'Talk French 1' produced by the BBC with accompanying CDs. There are limited class vacancies in this class, but please enrol to be included on the waiting list as vacancies occur throughout the semester.						
	Social Bridge for Experienced Players	Kay Forde	Fridays from 20 July – 30 Nov	1 – 4pm	Springthorpe (Aveo) Macleod	Payment of \$1 for afternoon tea
Weekly Want to spend a relaxing Friday afternoon? Join this group and play Social Bridge.						
	My Life Story 1	Lynette Phillips	2nd & 4th Fridays 27 July – 30 Nov	2 – 4pm	U3A Hall	
Fortnightly Participants write about, and share with each other, episodes from their life stories. There is much enjoyment in sharing memories and encouraging one another's efforts. Putting together a collection of episodes enables people to start writing their life stories for the benefit of their families. This is not a creative writing course.						
	My Life Story 2	Catherine Pearson	2nd & 4th Fridays 27 July – 23 Nov	1 – 3pm	Strathalan Community Centre, Macleod	
Fortnightly This course is a replica of my Life Story 1. Participants write about, and share with each other, episodes from their life stories. There is much enjoyment in sharing memories and encouraging one another's efforts. Putting together a collection of episodes gets people well on the way to writing their life stories for the benefit of their families. This is not a creative writing course.						

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Course		Facilitator		Dates		Time		Venue		Cost and other Information							
Scrabble		Mary Mailer		2nd & 4th Fridays 27 July – 23 Nov		10am – 12noon		Watsonia Library		Payment of 50 cents for morning tea							
Fortnightly Join a friendly group for a relaxing morning of family (not competitive) Scrabble. Please bring a Scrabble set if you have one.																	
Play Reading		Muriel Ball		2nd & 4th Fridays 27 July – 23 Nov		1.30 – 4pm		Ball Residence, 104 Graham Rd, Viewbank		Afternoon tea							
Fortnightly Do you enjoy drama? Perhaps you have been involved in amateur theatre, or maybe you harbour an unfulfilled dream to be a thespian. This class offers the opportunity to participate in reading aloud a different play each session, without the need to commit one's part to memory.																	
Saturday						SEMESTER 2 2018 COURSE SUMMARY						Saturday					
Course		Facilitator		Dates		Time		Venue		Cost and other Information							
Christmas in July at Old England Hotel		Jeanette Mullins		Saturday 21 Jul		12noon – 2pm		459 Lower Heidelberg Rd Heidelberg		Lunch and drinks at own expense. Payment of \$27 due Friday 6 July							
1 Session Come and have Christmas lunch at the Old England Hotel on Saturday 21 July at 12 noon. Cost: \$27 for a 2 course, set-menu meal (non-refundable). There is a limit of 25 places. Drinks, including tea and coffee, will be extra.																	
Saturday Theatre Matinees		Muriel Ball June Sharp		TBA		Usually 2pm		Various		TBA							
1 Session Spoil yourself on a Saturday afternoon by taking advantage of cheaper group bookings for some of the popular shows in Melbourne throughout the year. Indicate your interest by enrolling. You will be sent information about a show as it becomes available, along with the details of cost and payment requirements.																	

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Backstage of the Arts Centre	June Molnar Mob:0400 068 028	Sunday 5 Aug	11am – 1pm	Arts Centre, St Kilda Rd. Meet at 10.45am, Concierge desk, ground floor.	Numbers limited to 12. Payment of \$19 by 20 July.
1 Session This is a repeat of the tour undertaken in May 2018. This Sunday guided tour reveals the secrets of the theatre through backstage rooms, hidden passageways and technical contraptions that are unknown to most visitors. Trace the footsteps of famous performers and hear stories from behind-the-scenes of major stage productions. Tour takes 90 minutes.					
Sunday Lunch at the Ivanhoe Hotel	June Molnar Mob:0400 068 028	Sunday 16 Sep	12noon – 2pm	120 Upper Heidelberg Rd, Ivanhoe	Lunch and drinks at own expense Payment on the day.
1 Session Come and enjoy a Sunday Lunch with fellow U3A members. This lunch is a new initiative to give members the chance to have an outing at the weekend. Partners and friends are welcome.					

LIST OF VENUES

Venue	Location (All venues are disability friendly)
La Trobe University (Philosophy Class)	La Trobe Campus Map 19 G7, Humanities Building 3 (HU3) Room 116. MELWAY X873 F7
Australian Institute of Archaeology, La Trobe University	11 Terrace Way, Macleod – Building TER 11. MELWAY 19 J7. Park in any available space in the vicinity.
Watsonia Library	Corner Watsonia Road & Ibbotson Street, Watsonia - 135 metres from Watsonia Station. MELWAY 20 E4
U3A Hall	U3A Hall Rear 14 Ivanhoe Parade, Ivanhoe. MELWAY 31 F7
“Our Hub”	155 Oriel Road, Heidelberg West (almost to Bell Street, behind Aldi). MELWAY 31 E2
Heidelberg Bowling Club	Stradbroke Avenue, Heidelberg. MELWAY 31 K4
Shop 48, Harmony Centre	Bell St Mall, Heidelberg West. MELWAY 31 E2
Rosanna Library	Rosanna Library 72 Turnham Avenue, Rosanna. MELWAY 32 A1
Ivanhoe Bowls Club	1-11 John Street, Ivanhoe. MELWAY 31 F8
Ivanhoe Park Croquet Club	Lower Heidelberg Road, East Ivanhoe. MELWAY 31 H9
McKittrick Centre, Strathalan Community	Erskine Road, Macleod. MELWAY 20 C9
Springthorpe Retirement Village	Pottage Circuit, Macleod (Community Centre). MELWAY 19 K7
Viewbank Gardens	Rutherford Road, Viewbank (Community Centre). MELWAY 32 F1
Uniting Church Hall	19 Seddon Street., Ivanhoe. MELWAY 31 F1
Old Shire Hall	Beverley Road, Heidelberg. MELWAY 32 D3
East Preston Senior Citizens Hall	Donald Street, East Preston. MELWAY 19 A10