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FROM THE EDITOR:

Firstly, I want to wish all our members a very happy New Year, and let's hope that 2015 sees a reduction in all the terrible things that seem to be happening around the world, including in our own country.

Most of our regular activities are continuing. The number of talks have been reduced to Fridays only, as we found that having a talk on a Monday often meant that two talks were scheduled within a few days of one another. If any member feels capable of giving a talk the U3A NSW Network provides assistance with course material and PowerPoint presentations. Website is <http://www.courses.u3anet.org.au>

The 2015 U3A Network Conference will be hosted by the Southern Highlands U3A. The Conference, entitled "The Art of Belonging" is from April 29 to May 1, and we hope that some of our members may be able to attend. Official invitation and contact details may be found at <http://www.sohui3a.org.au> (Conference 2015). Please advise Pam McGlinn if you are going.

And don't forget, if there is any change to your address, phone or email, please advise our Membership Officer, John Collis, 4333 9079,

Betty Siegman
- Editor

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~~~ PLEASE NOTE ~~~

CREATIVE WRITING

Commencing time 9:30, finish at 12:00

MUSIC APPRECIATION

No session on 11th February
As Betty is NOT available.

MARBLES ROLLING

If enrolling for Term 1 advise Rhonda
by 30th January, and forward \$10-00
to cover cost of course materials

Phone: 0403 293 175

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IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT— VENUES:

Please note the venue addresses below as space constraints prevent us from using the full addresses on the calendar.

diggers:

The Entrance Rd (or Gallipoli St), Long Jetty

TBC: The Berkeley Centre, Berkeley Vale

Cnr Berkeley Rd & Heather Av

Creative Writing Workshops TK SDCh:

St David's Church Hall,
Cnr Hargraves & Victoria Sts, Toukley

French Conversation:

74 Evans Rd, Canton Beach

Movie Appreciation:

34 Aston Wilde Ave, Chittaway Bay

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

Membership Year is 1 January to 31 December.

ANNUAL FEE: (Renewal): \$20.

NEW MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$5 for each Term
(or part thereof) for remainder of year.

New Members: Membership Form and Money
Renewals: Name, Money & Membership No
(no renewal form needed)

to

Rhonda MacDiarmid
PO Box 4019
Bay Village NSW 2261

OR direct deposit

Westpac BSB: 032 525, A/c 13 4075

Include YOUR name and Memb. No with deposit

TERM: Start: Monday 2nd February
Finish: Thursday 2nd April

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

Greetings, everyone and welcome back to a brand new year and my second one as your President. I was most honoured and thrilled to receive a Life Member Certificate at our AGM and I must say how I appreciate the honour. I still have a lot I wish to contribute to the club and will be working hard on behalf of all of our TLU3A Group. Betty Siegman your hardworking newsletter editor also received a Life Member certificate, and one that was thoroughly deserved.

Congratulations to our incoming committee amongst whom you will see quite a few new names as well as some of "the usual suspects!" Many thanks to the outgoing committee and particularly to Rhonda MacDiarmid who has worked extremely hard for the past three years as our secretary and has gone straight from that position to another major executive one, that of treasurer.

I would like to draw to your attention that this year of 2015 is the Centenary of the commencement of the ANZAC Legend, and I am sure it will feature heavily in various ways all around the country throughout the entire year. As my contribution towards this huge event in our history, on March 6th I will be repeating a talk I gave at the launch of my third book dealing extensively with WW1, and as such will be familiar to any of you who were there. However, it was five years ago, and I have enlarged considerably on the written history of the Chauvel family and that famous charge at Beersheba. The old film 40,000 Horsemen will strike quite a chord of nostalgia among a lot of you I'm sure.

That's all from me, and I hope to see a lot of you at various activities throughout the year.

*Pam McGlenn
President*

WELFARE REPORT:

It is early days yet for me as incoming Welfare Officer and I ask the Committee to bear with my lack of computer skills as I have only recently purchased a laptop.

So far, the only notification I have received has been in relation to our Treasurer, Rhonda MacDiarmid who has been given a good report after her hospital visit, and is recovering well. A card was sent and a phone call, as well as messages from other members.

I would like to remind members to let us know of illness, hospitalisation or bereavements so that we may offer caring thoughts and support, which can help to restore and repair in difficult times.

The past year has seen more than a tragic share or horror and sadness, both internationally and at home and we must look forward to a happier and more peaceful 2015.

Be kind to each other and take joy in the opportunities for learning, fun and friendship of U3A.

Marjorie Nilsson – Welfare Officer.

THANK YOU:

It has been a privilege, on behalf of the Committee and our Members, to send a "Get well soon" card with some words of comfort to a member who was unwell. Sadly, sometimes a "Sympathy card" has been needed when one of our members has passed away - at these times a member of the family has subsequently told us that our thoughts for them were appreciated.

I have previously mentioned that the position of Welfare Officer depends largely on those members who are kind enough to advise when a card is needed, and therefore a special "thank you" to them.

Doreen Morley

THE READERS GROUP:**MONDAY**

Secretary: Vicki Rollinson (4389 1984)
 Email: vrolo@hotmail.com
 Venue: diggers @ the entrance
 Dates: 23rd Feb, 23rd Mar

If you enjoy reading, then why not come along and join our group? We are not a book club, in that we don't all read the same book. You may choose your own book to speak about, relating to a specific author, genre or theme set for the day. New members will be made most welcome.

MOVIE APPRECIATION:**MONDAY**

Leader: John Richards (4388 4945)
 Venue: 34 Aston Wilde Ave, Chittaway Bay
 Dates: 9th, 23rd Feb; 9th, 23rd March

Times: Please note, movies will only be shown in the mornings at 9.30-12noon

PLEASE BOOK AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

Mon 9 Feb: SPELLBOUND: 1945 (106 mins) Ingrid Bergman, Gregory Peck. When the mysterious Dr Anthony Edwards becomes the new Chief of Staff at the psychiatric institution where Dr Constance Petersen works, it soon becomes apparent that he is an impostor. What has happened to the real Dr Edwards?

Mon 23 Feb: STILL OF THE NIGHT: 1982 (93 mins) Roy Scheider, Meryl Streep. A psychiatrist (Roy Scheider) inadvertently jeopardizes his life when he falls in love with the mysterious curator (Meryl Streep) at his favourite museum. The tension in this taut thriller begins when he begins suspecting that she might have murdered one of his patients.

Mon 9 Mar: DEAD RECKONING: 1947 (96 mins) Humphrey Bogart, Elizabeth Scott. Rip Murdock (Bogart) and Johnny Drake (William Prince) are Congressional Medal of Honor recipients, en route to Washington. Drake disappears, leading Murdock on a hectic manhunt. Upon meeting Drake's former girlfriend Coral Chandler (Elizabeth Scott), Murdock is thrown into a maelstrom of intrigue in which he finds himself the prime suspect in a murder.

Mon 23 Mar: REAR WINDOW: 1954 (112 mins) James Stewart, Grace Kelly. A newspaper photographer with a broken leg passes time recuperating by observing his neighbours through his window. He sees what he believes to be a murder, and decides to solve the crime himself. With the help of his nurse and girlfriend, he tries to catch the murderer without being killed himself.

PLAY READING:**MONDAY**

Leader: Christine Kilner (4399 2748)
 Email: chrisatseakay@gmail.com
 Venue: diggers @ the entrance
 Dates: 2nd, 16th Feb; 2nd, 16th Mar; 30th Mar.

At the presentation given by the Play Reading Group last year it was evident that a lot of fun is had by all in this group. Why not come along and join in? We have several plays ready to go, and would especially welcome more male members.

WALKS:**TUESDAY****Contact: Barbara Skurr 4392 4158**

All excursions require sensible shoes, sunscreen, hat and water.

Map references: WYONG 2014 Phone Directory.

3rd Feb: Saltwater Creek Killarney Vale

Meet Rotary Park Map 41 9 F

Bring all food and drinks

17th Feb: Charmhaven

Meet Our Garden Cafe Map 25 7 A

Bring or buy food and drinks

3rd Mar: Palm Valley Tumbi Umbi Map 40 8 F

Bring food and drinks

17th Mar: North Entrance Beach

Meet Karagi Reserve Map 42 3 E

Bring food and drinks

MARBLES ROLLING**TUESDAY**

Secretary: Rhonda McDiarmid (4332 2300)
 Email: rxm55@bigpond.com
 Venue: diggers @ the entrance
 Dates: 3rd, 17th Feb; 3rd, 17th, 31st Mar
 Time: 1:00—3:00 p.m.

This course aims to encourage people to exercise their verbal, numerical, spatial and creative abilities as well as their short and long term memory. If you like quizzes and testing your grey matter why not join this group, new members are very welcome. It is non-competitive and a lot of fun.

Bookings are essential, to enable copying of material, and a course fee is to be paid by 30th Jan, to Rhonda (see page 1 for contact details)

CONVERSATIONS**TUESDAY**

Contact: Betty Siegman (4332 0870)
 Venue: diggers @ the entrance
 Dates: 10th, 24th Feb; 10th, 24th Mar
 Time: 1:00 to 3:00 p.m.

We present a selection of video clips on the subject of the day, and after each one members break into small groups to share their experiences, ideas and opinions as prompted by the talks. The aim of the course is to improve our listening, and the ability to form and express our ideas, as we develop our conversational skills.

Last term we considered:

- ISLAM: Getting to know you
- GOOD DESIGN = Good quality of life?
- AGING

Members are invited to suggest suitable subjects.
 Topics may be viewed at <http://www.ted.com/topics>

CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP**WEDNESDAY**

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
 Email: pamlakeside@bigpond.com.au
 Venue: St. Davids Church Hall, Toukley
 Dates: 4th, 18th Feb; 4th, 18th Mar, 1st Apr.
Time: 9:30—12:00

This class has become increasingly popular and has doubled in numbers in recent times. It is an immensely enjoyable class and proves that writing can be a lot of fun.

Owing to the increase in numbers we have decided to commence a half hour earlier so as to be able to read all of our work but also fit in some quality writing time. Please note: New starting time **9.30am.**

CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS**WEDNESDAY**

Leader: Betty Siegman (4332 0870)
 Email: betty_siegman@hotmail.com
 Venue: diggers @ the entrance
 Dates: 4th, 18th Feb; 4th, 18th Mar, 1st Apr

Beginners are always welcome at the class. Not only do we learn the 'tricks' of doing cryptic crosswords, but have lots of fun doing so. You are welcome to come along, sit in, and see if this is for you. Once you have mastered cryptics, you will never again be satisfied with a 'normal' crossword.

MUSIC APPRECIATION:**WEDNESDAY**

Leader: Betty Siegman (4332 0870)
 Email: betty_siegman@hotmail.com
 Venue: The Berkeley Centre
 Dates: 25th Feb; 11th, 25th Mar

The programme is varied, mostly classical, and we all enjoy just chilling out to beautiful music. This term we will listen to the music of many French composers, and learn a little of their lives.

Note that the session for 11th February is cancelled, as Betty is NOT available.

FRENCH CONVERSATION AT HOME:**THURSDAY**

Leader: Henriette Vanechop (4396 7847)
 Venue: 74 Evans Road, Canton Beach
 Dates: 5th, 12th, 19th Feb;
 5th, 12th, 19th Mar; 2nd Apr
 Time: 1.30pm –3.30pm

Contact Henriette if you are interested in learning French, either at a beginner level or to improve your conversational French.

DISCUSSION GROUP:**FRIDAY**

Leader: Various members
 Venue: diggers@ the entrance
 Dates: 13th, 27th Feb; 13th, 27th Mar

A long-standing and very popular group, where members may take turns to chair the meeting, and bring along topics for discussion. Newcomers are always welcome.

MAH JONG:**FRIDAY**

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
 Venue: diggers@ the entrance
 Dates: Every Friday from 6th Feb to 27th Mar.
 Time: 1.00pm-3.30pm

Mah Jong is a game that originated in China, and involves skill, strategy and calculation. No equipment needed, come and try your luck at this fascinating game.

FRIDAY TALKS

RETIREMENT VILLAGE LIVING: 6th FEBRUARY

Convenor: Tommy Thomas
Secretary: Doreen Morley (4385 7843)
Venue: diggers @ the entrance

Tommy Thomas will convene this session, which will be of great interest to anyone considering a move to a retirement village. The program will be as follows:

Tommy Thomas: **Introduction**
Kymn Collins (Sales Manager, Glengara/Forresters Beach "Retirement Australia" Villages). **Concept**
Steve Cutler (Cutlers, The Law Firm):: **Legals**
Eva Seale (Resident Berkeley Village): **Alternatives**

Time will be allowed for discussion between the team and audience.

DO YOU REMEMBER?: 20th FEBRUARY

Speaker: Tom Marish
Secretary: John Collis (4333 9079)
Venue: diggers @ the entrance

Have you any pioneer relatives? Do you know or have photos of their homes or the conditions under which they lived? Watch a sequence of typical pioneer photos and tell us what YOU know or remember?

THE ANZAC LEGEND: 6th MARCH

Speaker: Pam McGlenn
Secretary: Jim Cunningham (4399 3590)
Venue: diggers @ the entrance
Date: 6th March

In this centenary year of the forming of the ANZACS, this is an appropriate story. Pam will be giving us the history of the Light Horse Brigade and their part in WW1 and will show us a portion (40 minutes) of the old movie classic "40,000 Horsemen".

This was created and directed by Charles Chauvel and was a life-long ambition as his uncle, General Sir Harry Chauvel, was the man in control of the famous charge by the Australian Light Horse at Beersheba.

THE PORTUGUESE DISCOVERY OF AUSTRALIA:

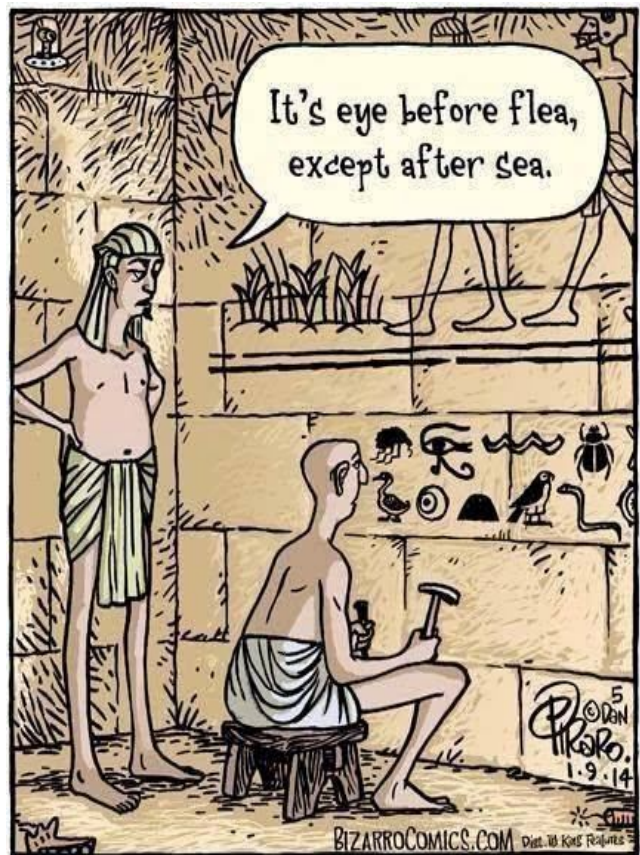
20th MARCH

Speaker: Ross Carlton
Secretary: Betty Siegman (4332 0870)
Venue: diggers @ the entrance

Conventional history says that the Dutch were the first Europeans to visit Australia. But by the time that the Dutch arrived, in 1606, the Portuguese had been in the East Indies for a hundred years.

It would be surprising if they had not made it to Australia in that time. In this talk we shall examine the evidence.

For Your Enjoyment



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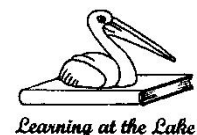


MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Feb	3 Feb	4 Feb	5 Feb	6 Feb
PLAY READING Christine Kilner (diggers)	WALK SALTWATER CREEK See Page 3 MARBLES ROLLING 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (diggers) CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 9:30—12:00 (Tk-SDCh)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	RETIREMENT VILLAGE LIVING Tommy Thomas et al (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
9 Feb	10 Feb	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9.30am-12.00pm (Chittaway Bay)	CONVERSATIONS 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	MUSIC APPRECIATION NOT SCHEDULED FOR TODAY	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	DISCUSSION GROUP Tony Thomson (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
16 Feb	17 Feb	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb
PLAY READING Christine Kilner (diggers)	WALK CHARMHAVEN (See Page 3) MARBLES ROLLING 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (diggers) CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 9:30—12:00 (Tk-SDCh)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	DO YOU REMEMBER? Tom Marish (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
23 Feb	24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9.30am-12.00pm (Chittaway Bay) THE READERS GROUP Vicki Rollinson (diggers)	CONVERSATIONS 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman 10.00am-12.00pm (TBC)		DISCUSSION GROUP Tony Thomson (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)

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2 Mar	3 Mar	4 Mar	5 Mar	6 Mar
PLAY READING Christine Kilner (diggers)	WALK PALM VALLEY See Page 3 MARBLES ROLLING 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (diggers) CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 9:30—12:00 (Tk-SDCh)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	THE ANZAC LEGEND Pam McGlinn (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
9 Mar	10 Mar	11 Mar	12 Mar	13 Mar
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9.30am-12.00pm (Chittaway Bay)	CONVERSATIONS 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman 10.00am-12.00pm (TBC)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	DISCUSSION GROUP Tony Thomson (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
16 Mar	17 Mar	18 Mar	19 Mar	20 Mar
PLAY READING Christine Kilner (diggers)	WALK N ENTRANCE BEACH See Page 3 MARBLES ROLLING 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (diggers) CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 9:30—12:00 (Tk-SDCh)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	PORTUGUESE DISCOVERY OF AUSTRALIA Ross Carlton (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)
23 Mar	24 Mar	25 Mar	26 Mar	27 Mar
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9.30am-12.00pm (Chittaway Bay) THE READERS GROUP Vicki Rollinson (diggers)	WALK SUMMERLAND POINT (See Page 3)	MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman 10.00am-12.00pm (TBC)		DISCUSSION GROUP Tony Thomson (diggers) MAH JONG 1.00pm-3.30pm (diggers)

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30 Mar	31 Mar	1 Apr	2 Apr	Public Holiday
PLAY READING Christine Kilner (diggers)	MARBLES ROLLING 1pm - 3pm (diggers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (diggers) CREATIVE WRITING WORKSHOP 9:30—12:00 (Tk-SDCh)	FRENCH CONVERSATION Henriette Vanechop 1.30—3:30pm (Canton Beach)	

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