

# TUGGERAH LAKES U3A NEWS

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Tuggerah Lakes U3A Inc.

Oct 2023

# FROM THE EDITOR:

Another year is nearly over, it's hard to believe we have been living with Covid for almost four years. A hot dry summer is forecast, making it hard to deny climate change is happening.

Our courses all continue for the coming term, we hope to see many of you come along. Don't forget the AGM, a free lunch and a chance to catch up with other members. Wishing you all good health and a very happy holiday season.

Betty Siegman, Editor

AGM and CHRISTMAS LUNCH
MONDAY 4<sup>th</sup> December
BAY ROOM, TIGERS BATEAU BAY
NOTIFY HELEN RAWLINGS
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#### **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Membership year is 1 January to 31 December.

ANNUAL FEE: (Renewal): \$30.

NEW MEMBERSHIP FEE: On a pro-rata basis See Page 2 for details.

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 9th October

Finish: Monday 4th December

#### **COMMITTEE:**

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## ~~~ VENUES ~~~

Please note the venue addresses below as some venues may have changed.

#### **Play Reading**

Room A, T.Ent. Community Centre, Battley Ave

#### **Movie Appreciation**

34 Aston Wilde Ave, Chittaway Bay

#### Memoirs

Arthur Lake Room, Tigers, Bateau Bay

#### **Brain Ticklers**

Tigers, Bateau Bay

# **Creative Writing, St David's Church Hall**

Cnr Hargraves & Victoria Sts, Toukley

#### **Book Chat**

Bistro Area, Tigers, Bateau Bay

#### **Music Appreciation**

2/46 Neale Street, Long Jetty

#### Talks: TELJ RSL Hall

Hume Boulevarde, Killarney Vale

#### **Crosswords/Discussion Group**

Diggers Club, The Entrance

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Hello everyone, and welcome to my final message for the year 2023. It has been a good year for our members, and our classes, although small, have been most enjoyable. Ours is an extremely sociable club and we do enjoy our bi-weekly get together. However, we do have mostly the same committee nominating for 2024, and we would really like to see some new faces participating in the running of your club. If interested, please complete a nomination form which will be sent out with your AGM Papers.

Your committee members are getting older, and some of us are not in the best of health. Most also have a dual purpose because many of our courses are run by them. We would appreciate more involvement from our members both in the running of the club and also in the presentation of our various classes. If anyone has an idea for a new course or some suggestions for the ones we are presently running please let us know. We would really appreciate some input as to ways in which we can improve all aspects of our U3A.

Please come along to our AGM and enjoy the lunch at the Tigers Leagues Club. The social aspect of our meetings is very important and one of the things most stressed by community health leaders is social gatherings for seniors as well as physical and mental activities. Ask your friends or neighbours to join us in our various classes. Unfortunately, we no longer have a physical class since our walking group was disbanded earlier this year. If you would like to restart this activity with walks around our scenic local area, please let us know. Helen has lists of places with easy walks for anyone who would be interested in recommencing this activity. Is there any other class activity in which you feel we could be involved? Mah Jong, or another board game could be introduced once again if there is sufficient interest. We just need a member who would be willing to step up and re-commence one of these activities or anything else which would be of interest to our members.

Meanwhile, as our year draws to a close, I really look forward to seeing you at our classes and once again enjoy having lunch with you all at the AGM.

Pam McGlinn

# AGM and Christmas Lunch Monday 4<sup>th</sup> December.

Our Annual General Meeting will be held in the Bay Room, at Tigers Club, at the southern end of Bay Village.

Members are asked to arrive from 10:30, the meeting will commence at 11:00 am.

The election of committee members for 2024 will be conducted.

Nomination forms will soon be available, and we encourage members to consider nominating. We meet 4 times a year for about 2 hours.

The meeting will be followed by a hot meal, free to members.

We would like to see many members present. If you intend to come, please notify Helen Rawlings. Details are on Page 1.

#### MEMBERSHIP FEES

Our Membership Fees have remained at \$20.00 for several years.

Over the last 12 months the charge for our hired venues has increased by over 50%. We have attempted to carry this cost, but our committee feels it is time to increase the annual fee to \$30.00.

It will be on a pro-rata basis as follows:

Join start Term 1	\$30.00
Join start Term 2	\$20.00
Join start Term 3:	\$15.00
Join start Term 4	\$10.00

As a bonus, those joining at the start of Term 4 may choose to receive membership for that term and all of the following year on payment of \$30.00.

Don't forget that one lucky member present at the AGM will receive free membership for 2024.

#### MOVIES: MONDAY

Leader: John Richards (4388 4945)

Venue: 34 Aston Wilde Ave, Chittaway Bay

Dates: 9, 23 Oct; 13, 27 Nov

Times: Movies shown mornings, 9.30-12 noon PLEASE BOOK AS PLACES ARE LIMITED

Monday, 9 October: THE BLACK WIDOW: 1954 (95 mins) Ginger Rogers, Van Heflin, Gene Tierney, George Raft, Peggy Ann Garner. Nancy Ordway (Garner) is an aspiring writer hoping to make it big in Hollywood at the expense of everyone around her. Broadway producer, Peter Denver (Heflin) reluctantly lets her use his apartment during the day, but when Peter's wife, Iris, (Tierney), comes home from a trip to find Nancy dead in the bath, the assigned detective (Raft) soon realises that this assumed suicide is more likely a murder. Everyone Nancy knew is suddenly a suspect and the investigation reveals the plan she was weaving to climb the social ladder.

Monday, 23 October: THE SAPPHIRES: 2012 (104 mins) Deborah Mailman, Jessica Mauboy, Shari Sebbens, Miranda Tapsell, Chris O'Dowd. Four Indigenous women, Gail, (Deborah Mailman), Julie, (Jessica Mauboy), Kay, (Shari Sebbens), and Cynthia, (Miranda Tapsell), are discovered by a talent scout, (Chris O'Dowd), and form a music group called The Sapphires, travelling to Vietnam in 1968 to sing for troops during the war. Filmed throughout NSW and Vietnam.

Monday, 13 November: MAN OF A THOUSAND FACES: 1957 (120 mins) James Cagney, Dorothy Malone, Jane Greer. Lon Chaney, (James Cagney), is a charismatic young man breaking into vaudeville as a juggler and mime. He falls in love with his new assistant, Cleve, (Dorothy Malone), but when he reveals that he grew up as the son of two deaf-mute parents, she reacts with horror and disgust, and leaves Chaney shortly after their son is born. When he moves to Hollywood, remarries and becomes a movie star, she returns in an attempt to get back into her son's life.

November: THE **WHISTLE** Monday, 27 BLOWER: 1986 (104 mins) Michael Caine, Nigel Havers, John Gielgud, James Fox. Robert Jones, (Nigel Havers), a Russian linguist working for a British intelligence agency, is found dead, apparently having committed suicide. However, his father, Frank, (Michael Caine), doesn't believe that Robert took his own life and decides to investigate the death himself. His investigations unearth Cold War paranoia and put his own life in danger from government agents, whose only agenda is to preserve Britain's foreign relations, no matter what the cost.

#### MY MEMOIRS MONDAY

Leader: John Haydon (0403 797 585)

Email: johnhaydon@id.au Venue: Tigers Club, Bateau Bay Dates: 9, 23 Oct; 6, 20 Nov

We are a friendly group, and meet in the Bistro for lunch before our class. If you would like to record interesting events of your life for yourself, your friends or family, why not join us in the Arthur Lake Room at Tigers, from 1:30 to 3:30 pm, or better still, meet us for lunch in the Bistro around 12:30.

#### **PLAY READING**

**MONDAY** 

Leader: Christine Kilner (4399 2748) Email: chrisatseakay@gmail.com

Venue: Room A, The Ent. Community Centre

Dates: 16 Oct; 6, 20 Nov

We have returned to our previous venue at The Entrance Community Centre, in Room A. Parking and access are easy, and we hope to see you there. New members are always very welcome.

#### **BOOK CHAT**

**TUESDAY** 

Leader: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
Email: pamlakeside@bigpond.com
Venue: Tigers Club, (coffee lounge)

Dates: 17 Oct; 14 Nov

I will not be available on 10<sup>th</sup> October, we will meet on 17<sup>th</sup>. This term we have suggested readings below, but feel free to bring along a book of your choice, or just join in the discussion as we talk. Hope to see you at "Tigers".

17th October: Africa.

14th November: Romance.

## **BRAIN TICKLERS**

**TUESDAY** 

Leader: Rhonda MacDiarmid (0403 293 175)

Email: rxm55@outlook.com.au Venue: Tigers Club, Bay Village

Dates: 17 Oct; 7, 21 Nov

We have lots of interesting activities to test our thinking skills. Please contact Rhonda if you want to attend. Course material for the term will be emailed to you, or you may receive a printed copy at a cost of \$5.00 to cover printing costs.

#### CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS WEDNESDAY

Leader: Betty Siegman (0409 476 868) Email: betty\_siegman@hotmail.com

Venue: Diggers, The Entrance Dates: 11, 25 Oct; 8, 22 Nov

Our venue at Diggers RSL is proving quite satisfactory. We meet at the far (western) end, by the windows. The Club opens at 10:00am, and parking is good. Newcomers are always welcome.

#### **CREATIVE WRITING**

**WEDNESDAY** 

Leader: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
Email: pamlakeside@bigpond.com
Venue: St David's Church Hall, Toukley

Dates: 18 Oct; 1, 15 Nov

We are now able to accept new members, and welcome anyone who is interested in writing to come and join this happy friendly group. We certainly do write, but we really enjoy it too.

#### MUSIC APPRECIATION WEDNESDAY

Leader: Betty Siegman (0409 476 868)
Email: betty\_siegman@hotmail.com
Venue: 2/46 Neale Street Long Jetty

Dates: 18 Oct; 1, 15, 29 Nov

We have welcomed some new members to our musical mornings. Music is mostly classics, but some more recent, some educational, others entertaining and sometimes even funny.

#### DISCUSSION GROUP FRIDAY

Leader: Helen Rawlings (0452 160 952) Email: helenmr2739@gmail.com Venue: Diggers, The Entrance

Dates: 13, 27 Oct; 10, 24 Nov

Diggers RSL at The Entrance is proving very satisfactory for our group. We meet at the far (western) end of the club, and have had some very interesting discussions, which we try to keep non-political and non-religious. Do come along and have your say or just listen in.

## ~ WELL SAID ~



Some people have a clever way with words. Here are just a few examples.

"He has all the virtues I dislike and none of the vices I admire." - Winston Churchill

"I have never killed a man, but I have read many obituaries with great pleasure." -Clarence Darrow

"He has never been known to use a word that might send a reader to the dictionary." -William Faulkner (about Ernest Hemingway)

"Poor Faulkner. Does he really think big emotions come from big words?"- Ernest Hemingway (about William Faulkner)

"Thank you for sending me a copy of your book; I'll waste no time reading it." - Moses Hadas

"I didn't attend the funeral, but I sent a nice letter saying I approved of it." - Mark Twain

"He has no enemies, but is intensely disliked by his friends." - Oscar Wilde

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; bring a friend, if you have one. -George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill

"Cannot possibly attend first night, will attend second... if there is one." - Winston Churchill, in response

## FRIDAY TALKS

# ~~ 20th October ~~

## Flowers of the World

Speaker: Brian Freeman

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451) Venue: TELJ RSL Hall, Killarney Vale

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00

Brian will talk about the world flower trade and his business experiences exporting flowers around the world. This will be a power house presentation with many colourful pictures of flowers from many different areas. For all you garden lovers, a must see, and everyone else, just enjoy the colourful flowers.

# ~~ 3<sup>rd</sup> November ~~

# **Aboriginal Affairs**

Speaker: Jan Cooper

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451) Venue: TELJ RSL Hall, Killarney Vale

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00

After the 1967 referendum Prime Minister Harold Holt established a mechanism designed to advise the Commonwealth about any needed change in Aboriginal policy. I was an observer and in part a participant in what happened. In this forum I recall these events and changes which seem relevant to this day.

# ~~ 17<sup>th</sup> November ~~

## **Australian Insurrections**

Speaker: Brian Green

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451) Venue: TELJ RSL Hall, Killarney Vale

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00

Let us examine our past turbulent insurrections. From our first, sometimes called our own 'Vinegar Hill' Irish convict rebellion at Castle Hill through to the Eureka Stockade at Ballarat and into the 20<sup>th</sup>. Century. Here we will consider an insurrection by our own troops in World War1 and the Police Strike in Melbourne in 1923 which resulted in murder and pillaging requiring the intervention of General Sir John Monash and his WW1 returned soldiers to quell it and restore order and stability.

# ~~ 1st December ~

## **Hawkesbury River**

Speaker: Pam McGlinn

Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451) Venue: TELJ RSL Hall, Killarney Vale

Time: 10:00 am to 12:00

Most of us are very familiar with the Hawkesbury River, we cross it so often every time we go south, and very few of us have not had some kind of experience of the river itself. This talk begins with the early Colonial Settlers and leads us up to the present day and the network of roads and bridges which cross it now, and of which our early settlers could never conceive.

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Course Calendar: 2023 – TERM 4



# 9th October—4th December

MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
9 Oct	10 Oct	11 Oct	12 Oct	13 Oct
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9:30 – 12:00 (Chittaway Bay)  MY MEMOIRS John Haydon 1.30-3.30 (Tigers)		CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (Diggers)		DISCUSSION GROUP Helen Rawlings (Diggers)
16 Oct	17 Oct	18 Oct	19 Oct	20 Oct
PLAY-READING Christine Kilner (TECC)	BOOK CLUB (Tigers) BRAIN TICKLERS 1.30-3.30pm (Tigers)	CREATIVE WRITING Pam McGlinn (Tk-SDCh)  MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman (Long Jetty)		FLOWERS of the WORLD Brian Freeman (TELJ RSL Hall)
23 Oct	24 Oct	25 Oct	26 Oct	27 Oct
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9:30 – 12:00 (Chittaway Bay)  MY MEMOIRS John Haydon 1.30-3.30 (Tigers)		CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (Diggers)		DISCUSSION GROUP Helen Rawlings (Diggers)
30 Oct	31 Oct	1 Nov	2 Nov	3 Nov
		CREATIVE WRITING Pam McGlinn (Tk-SDCh)  MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman (Long Jetty)		ABORIGINAL AFFAIRS Jan Cooper (TELJ RSL Hall)



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
6 Nov	7 Nov	8 Nov	9 Nov	10 Nov
PLAY-READING Christine Kilner (TECC) MY MEMOIRS John Haydon 1.30-3.30 (Tigers)	BRAIN TICKLERS 1.30-3.30pm (Tigers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (Diggers)		DISCUSSION GROUP Helen Rawlings (Diggers)
13 Nov	14 Nov	15 Nov	16 Nov	17 Nov
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9:30 – 12:00 (Chittaway Bay)	BOOK CLUB (Tigers)	CREATIVE WRITING Pam McGlinn (Tk-SDCh)  MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman (Long Jetty)		AUSTRALIAN INSURRECTIONS Brian Green (TELJ RSL Hall)
20 Nov	21 Nov	22 Nov	23 Nov	24 Nov
PLAY-READING Christine Kilner (TECC) MY MEMOIRS John Haydon 1.30-3.30 (Tigers)	BRAIN TICKLERS 1.30-3.30pm (Tigers)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (Diggers)		DISCUSSION GROUP Helen Rawlings (Diggers)
27 Nov	28 Nov	29 Nov	30 Nov	1 Dec
MOVIE CLUB John Richards 9:30 – 12:00 (Chittaway Bay)		MUSIC APPRECIATION Betty Siegman (Long Jetty)		HAWKESBURY RIVER Pam McGlinn (TELJ RSL Hall)

ALL CLASSES ARE FROM 10:00 TO 12:00 UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED



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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
4 Dec				
ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING and CHRISTMAS LUNCH				