

TUGGERAH LAKES U3A NEWS



Tuggerah Lakes U3A Inc. July 2024

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~~~ **VENUES** ~~~

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

**Play Reading** 

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

**Brain Ticklers** 

Arthur Lake Room, Tigers Club, Bateau Bay

Creative Writing, St David's Church Hall

Cnr Hargraves & Victoria Sts, Toukley

**Cryptic Crosswords** 

Diggers Club, The Entrance

**Coffee and Chat** 

Diggers Club, The Entrance

My Memoirs

Tigers Club, Bateau Bay

**Italian Conversation** 

Canton Beach Sports Club 11 Hibbard Street, Toukley

**Music Appreciation** 

2/46 Neale Street, Long Jetty

**Talks** 

TELJ RSL Hall, Hume Boulevarde Killarney Vale

## **MEMBERSHIP FEES**

Membership year is 1 January to 31 December.

ANNUAL FEE: (Renewal): \$30

NEW MEMBERSHIP FEE: \$30 or pro rata fee on application

New Members: Membership Form & fee to

Rhonda MacDiarmid PO Box 4019 Bay Village NSW 2261

Renewals: Name, Money (no renewal form needed)

Direct deposit Westpac: BSB: 032 525, A/c 13 4075 include YOUR name and/or Memb. No. with dep

END-OF-TERM LUNCH
FRIDAY 27 SEPTEMBER
TIGERS BATEAU BAY 12:15
NOTIFY HELEN RAWLINGS
0452 160 952
helenmr2739@gmail.com

#### FROM THE PRESIDENT

Our year is half over and we are well into the season of coughs and colds. I won't comment on the weather, I'm sure you are all tired of hearing about it. Just a word of commiseration for all the people who play sport, especially the children, who have had their weekend games cancelled so many times. It is so sad for them.

Things are going well for our club and the new classes have really taken off. I would especially like to thank Jeannine for the way her Italian class has progressed. Not only have existing members joined but we have been able to attract new members especially for it. Our coffee chat at Diggers has been going exceptionally well, and our history talks seem to be popular also. We are always open to new suggestions and would appreciate anyone with any ideas for new classes to get in touch with the committee. Unfortunately, our Book club will be no more, owing to lack of interest. This is especially sad for me, as it is our first club and the first thing I joined in 1998 when we were still a part of the Central Coast U3A.

Speaking of the committee, that is most certainly our biggest problem at the moment, as some of our committee members are retiring at the end of the year, and my limited time of three years will have expired by the end of this year. We desperately need new committee members. Much of the work that I do within the club is not actually associated with the Presidency, which is mainly involved with keeping in touch with our Regional Representative, and NSW U3A Network, and of course, chairing our committee meeting. In other words, answering emails. If you are able to use a computer, please help us out, we desperately need new committee members.

That's all for now. Next time I write we will be back into spring and hopefully warmer weather.

Pam McGlinn

## **PUBLICITY**

 Jeannine's Italian Conversation class began on May 7<sup>th</sup> at Canton Beach Sports Club, and has been attended well for three classes with one left this term. It has proven to be a friendly place and members are very happy with the boardroom. On occasion when the club needs the room, Jeannine can have people at her home as she did last week. The club has been booked for next term.

- Radio Five-O-Plus has been broadcasting our advertisement, and Pam is monitoring its frequency and gave them a call recently to nudge them when she hadn't heard it for a while.
- Annely Finadri creates a new announcement at least once a month for Facebook, and sends it to Pam to share with her FB community. Did we find someone to do the same in the Bateau Bay and The Entrance communities? In April, she wrote an ad for the Italian class; in May, she promoted the Friday talk about Seniors Rights, and in June, Coffee and Chat, and the Friday talk about Lachlan Macquarie. As a result of the FB ad, Jeannine gained 2 members for the Italian class, which of course means 2 new members for our U3A.
- I am looking for places to hand out our promotional flyers, and wonder whether a letter-box drop in a targeted area might work. Any suggestions?

o Christine Kllner

#### **WELFARE**

We have heard that John and Rita Richards are both in Gosford Hospital. John suffered a stroke a few weeks ago, and Rita has had a bad fall and has developed pneumonia. It is not likely they will be able to return to their home, and will need to go into care. They are long-time U3A members and have contributed much over the years. Our thoughts are with them.

They have been showing movies in their home for many years and this activity will be greatly missed by those who regularly attended.

For all U3A members, I hope you are in good health and keeping warm this winter. Please remember to get your flu shot and shingles shot.

Gail Shore

## **MOVIES**

Unfortunately Due to health reasons, Movies will no longer be a class .Rita would like to thank everyone for their attendance at Movies and also their years of friendship at U3A. John has loved sharing some of his favourite movies with you all.

Rita would also like to say that TLU3A had been a big part of our lives since 2003. Weve enjoyed taking part in lots of sessions, I, particularly enjoyed researching and giving talks on the Celts and various personalities from history, both British and Australian. Thank you all.

Rita Richards

#### **BOOK CHAT**

Unfortunately, it has become necessary to cancel Book Chats. But thank you to those members who found it interesting.

Pam McGlinn

#### MY MEMOIRS MONDAY

Leader: Sue Taylor (0411 685 412) Email: sue53@yahoo.com.au Venue: Tigers Club, Bateau Bay

Dates: 29 Jul, 12, 26 Aug, 9, 23, Sept

The My Memoirs group is growing this year. We have enjoyed wonderful Memoirs from our new members and are still enjoying the Memoirs from long term members. There always seems to be a topic that has a memory attached and it's worth writing about. Wonderful stories are coming from memories of childhood, schooling, families and strange or funny incidents or events. Stories of lost ones and illness and then there's the experiences of holidays.

We only take a break in the holidays from reading our Memoirs but still gather for lunch each fortnight at TELC (12 midday) to keep our fortnightly momentum going between terms.

#### PLAY READING MONDAY

Leader: Christine Kilner (0426 278 902)

Email: chrisatseakay@gmail.com

Venue: Room A, The Entrance Community Centre

Dates: 5, 19 August; 2, 16 September.

Parking and access are easy. New members are very welcome in this friendly, enjoyable class.

We learn about the playwrights and read all kinds of plays – new and old; funny, sad and historical. Contact Christine if you are interested in joining us.

#### **BRAIN TICKLERS TUESDAY**

Leader: Rhonda MacDiarmid (0403 293 175)

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

Dates: 23 July, 6, 20 August, 3, 17 September

Our U3A Brain Ticklers class encourages social interaction as you share ideas, to solve and complete a variety of activities.

Each week, a range of tasks follow a theme. The tasks may include codes, word puzzles, lateral problems, calculations, discussion and spatial awareness. Group discussion is encouraged before people cheat (sorry, research) on their mobile phone.

So, keep a smile on your face, laugh & learn something each week. Encourage each other to be creative & have fun as you solve the different tasks.

#### ITALIAN CONVERSATION TUESDAY

Leader: Jeannine Asciak (0438 926 927)

Email: <u>jeannine@asciak.com</u>

Venue: Canton Beach Sports Club, 11 Hibbard Street, Toukley 2263

Dates: 23 July; 13, 27 August; 10, 24 September.

Time: 10.00-12.00

Learning a new language is excellent exercise for the brain.

This group has been enjoying their first term of learning Italian. It's light-hearted and fun for anyone who may travel, or perhaps they have family living in Italy, or have someone Italian as part of their family. I am not qualified to teach serious Italian grammar, but I do have a wide knowledge of Italy, the language and some simple grammar, which will help you to construct sentences and not be afraid to speak it.

#### CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS WEDNESDAY

All our crossword group agree it is a great fun morning, and they never want to miss it. We learn a few new words, and have lots of laughs.

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

Venue: Diggers, The Entrance

Dates: 24 Jul; 14, 28 Aug; 11, 25 Sep

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: 24<sup>th</sup> July, 7, 21 August 4, 18 Sept.

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: 7, 21 Aug; 4, 18 Sep

If you enjoy listening to music, this is the group for you. Orchestral, opera, musical comedy, ballet, a wide range of music. Learn about the lives of the composers, and watch a performance, accompanied by stunning scenery. A cozy, relaxed morning.

#### COFFEE & CHAT GROUP FRIDAY

Venue: Diggers, The Entrance
Dates: 26 Jul, 9, 23 Aug, 13 Sept

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 a chat over a coffee.

**Note**: Not scheduled for 27<sup>th</sup> Sept, as it is the end-of-term lunch (see page 2)

## TALKS FRIDAY

Leader Pam McGlinn (43902451)

Email <u>pamlakeside@bigpond.com</u>

Venue RSL Hall, Hume Boulevard, Killarney Vale

Dates 2, 16 Aug 6 Sept

## 2<sup>nd</sup> Aug CAROLYN KINGSMILL AUSTRALIAN HISTORY PART 4

By the time Lachlan Macquarie arrived in the growing colony, finding fresh agricultural land was imperative. But for the British colonists, the ranges to the west were an impenetrable obstacle to exploration and settlement. The crossing of the Blue Mountains in 1813, enabled settlers to access and use the land west of the mountains. Their strenuous efforts and the hardships endured for farming saw the settlement of Australia's first inland city, Bathurst - the site of our first gold rush. This presentation will follow these important events and in doing so tap into some of my own family history.

## 16 Aug ROSS CARLTON MUSCOVITE COMPANY

In the 16th century, when the English failed to find a NW passage to China around the top of America they turned their attention to the NE. This led to trade with Russia and the formation of the Muscovite Company, the world's first joint stock company.

## 6<sup>th</sup> Sept. BETTY SIEGMAN ARMY FOOD

Not only did our soldiers put their lives on the line for us, but they often had to eat the most disgusting food in appalling conditions. Have things improved in the last 100 years? Let's find out.

**Note:** No talk on Friday 20<sup>th</sup> September, the hall is not available.

## **TLU3A 2024 TERM 3 COURSE SUMMARY**

| CLASS                                    | LEADER               | JULY | AUG    | SEPT   | VENUE                                                   |
|------------------------------------------|----------------------|------|--------|--------|---------------------------------------------------------|
| PLAY READING<br>10.00 - 12.00            | Christine<br>Kilner  |      | 5, 19  | 2, 16  | Room A, The Entrance<br>Community Centre                |
| MY MEMOIRS<br>1.30 - 3.30                | Sue Taylor           | 29   | 12, 26 | 9, 23  | Tigers Club, Bateau Bay                                 |
| ITALIAN<br>CONVERSATION<br>10.00 - 12.00 | Jeannine<br>Asciak   | 23   | 13, 27 | 10, 24 | Canton Beach Sports Club,<br>11 Hibbard Street, Toukley |
| BRAIN TICKLERS<br>1.30 - 3.30            | Rhonda<br>MacDiarmid | 23   | 6, 20  | 3, 17  | Tigers Club, Bateau Bay                                 |
| CREATIVE<br>WRITING<br>10.00 - 12.00     | Pam McGlinn          | 24   | 7, 21  | 4, 18  | St David's Church Hall,<br>Toukley                      |
| MUSIC<br>APPRECIATION<br>10.00 - 12.00   | Betty Siegman        |      | 7, 21  | 4, 18  | 2/46 Neale Street Long Jetty                            |
| CRYPTIC<br>CROSSWORDS<br>10.00 - 12.00   | Betty Siegman        | 24   | 14, 28 | 11, 25 | Diggers Club, The Entrance                              |
| TALKS<br>10.00 - 12.00                   | Pam McGlinn          |      | 2, 16  | 6      | RSL Hall, Hume Boulevard<br>Killarney Vale              |
| COFFEE & CHAT<br>10.00 - 12.00           | None                 | 26   | 9, 23  | 13     | Diggers Club, The Entrance                              |

**MONDAY: Play Reading, Memoirs** 

**TUESDAY: Italian Conversation, Brain Ticklers** 

WEDNESDAY: Creative Writing, Cryptic Crosswords, Music

**Appreciation** 

FRIDAY: Talks, Coffee & Chat