



Learning at the Lake

TUGGERAH LAKES NEWS

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FROM THE EDITOR:

Hello everybody and welcome back to this the first edition of our U3A Newsletter for 2004. We do hope that you all thoroughly enjoyed your break, and now that you are all "familiar" out, are ready and raring to go..... back to our classes that is.

Our AGM, which was followed by the Xmas Party and play reading entertainment, went well and was very favourably attended by many of our members. We believe that you all enjoyed yourselves and look forward to seeing you at our Social Occasions this year, the first of which will be the Bus Trip as featured on this page.

We have most of your favourite classes returning this year, and some new sessions which we are sure you will find stimulating. Hopefully, this will be a healthy, happy, prosperous New Year for us all.

Pam McGlenn.

IMPORTANT ANNOUNCEMENT:

Please take note of addresses below as space constraints prevent us from using full addresses on calendar.

VENUES:

LJ-UC: Long Jetty Uniting Church:

The Entrance Rd, Long Jetty
(opposite Tuggerah Lakes Memorial Club)

TL-MC: Tuggerah Lakes Memorial Club:

The Entrance Rd (or Gallipoli St), Long Jetty

TK-CWA Hall: 175 Main Road Toukley, opp, Beachcomber, next door to Canton Restaurant.

W-RSL: Wyong RSL:

cnr Anzac Av and Margaret St, Wyong

Movie Appreciation/Hand & Foot Cards.

52 Lucinda Ave. Killarney Vale.

Music Appreciation/Play Reading

39 Macarthur St. Killarney Vale.

French Conversation:

74 Evans Rd, Canton Beach

Creative Writing:

2 Kalani St. Budgewoi

What's Your Opinion:

34 Woolana Av. Budgewoi

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BUS TRIP

Historic Lake Macquarie

Date:	Tuesday 30th March
Cost:	\$20 per person
Bookings:	Pam McGlenn (4390 2451)
Tour Guide:	Warren Hyslop.

Once again we are to have the pleasure of Warren Hyslop as our guide on another of his fascinating tours of our local area. This time we shall be touring around Lake Macquarie with Warren providing us with the historic background and commentary. **Lunch and Morning Tea will be included in the cost**, so please book early as these tours are always exceedingly popular and we are limited to 48 people. See page three for details of pick-up-points and times. Payment is required in advance, so please send full amount to our Treasurer Cam Rhodes, or place in a sealed envelope with name enclosed and give to a Committee Member.

MEMBERSHIP FEES:

Annual Membership Fees, due on 1st Jan. 2004, are \$25 pp or \$40 for couples. This full amount is payable up until 30th June. In July the fee will be \$12, with a pro rata rate applying for each month after that. All fees to be forwarded to our:

Treasurer: Cam Rhodes

52 Lucinda Ave.

KILLARNEY VALE 2261

TERM 1: Start: 2nd February

Finish: 2nd April

FROM THE PRESIDENT:

A Happy and Prosperous New Year to all Members. Following the AGM in December, our new Committee Members are Geoff Robertson – Course Co-ordinator, Hazel Chaplin – Secretary, and Colleen Scott as Welfare Officer. Other Members retain their previous positions. A warm welcome to the new office bearers and thanks are extended to each one for work already carried out this year.

The first Term begins on 2nd February with a follow-on of the series on Social Issues, with presentations on Ethics (part 2), Marriage and Unionism and individual sessions from members and guest speakers.

The first of a new series on Prominent Australians and Their Influence will begin. The daily press extols our sportsmen and women, media commentators, entertainers, politicians and social climbers. We intend to talk about the scientists, engineers, doctors, inventors, business leaders, explorers and artists who have done so much for Australia and whose lasting legacies contribute so much to our current lifestyles.

Later in the year there will be sessions on other Social Issues, such as Corruption, Justice, Education and Energy sources, present and future.

Please be assured that we would welcome suggestions about these and any other topics from any member who may wish to present them.

Joyce Clinch.

COMPUTER NEWS:

We would like to advise all of our Computer Aficionados that the NSW Council of U3A Inc. is now Online at

<http://www.u3aonline.org.au>

And for further info email:

info@u3aonline.org.au

As announced in our July 2003 edition, Tommy Thomas is our official Online Correspondent. If you have any difficulty accessing this information or wish to know more about it, please contact him at:

gethomas@iee.org.

A reminder also as previously mentioned that we now have available for members the teaching/learning package course CD produced by Manningham U3A (Victoria). Please inquire from a committee member if you wish to borrow it.

IN MEMORIAM

It is with deep regret that we report the death of Charles Condell, late last year. Charles was a long standing member of our club and held the position of Welfare Officer for two years. He was a man of wide interests and always willing to assist in the running of the club. He is sadly missed by friends and family.

IMPORTANT HEALTH ANNOUNCEMENT

Here's the final word on nutrition and health. It's a relief to know the truth after all the conflicting medical studies.

The Japanese eat very little fat and suffer fewer heart attacks than the British or Americans.

The French eat a lot of fat and also suffer fewer heart attacks than the British or Americans.

The Japanese drink very little red wine and suffer fewer heart attacks than the British or Americans.

The Italians drink excessive amounts of red wine and also suffer fewer heart attacks than the British or Americans.

CONCLUSION:

Eat what you like, it's speaking English that kills you.

BOOK CLUB**MONDAY**

Leader: Dorothy Rhodes (4332 4103)
 Venue: Long Jetty Uniting Church
 Dates: 23 Feb, 22 Mar.

Literary news and book reviews. Come and discuss your favourite book. All welcome.

NEW: SOCIAL ISSUES**MONDAY**

Venue: Long Jetty Uniting Church

Speaker One: **Geoff Robertson** (4333 1421)
 Date: 18th Feb.

Topic: **UNIONISM**: Geoff will examine the history and significant events on Australian Unionism.

Speaker Two: **Marie Cioccarelli** (4385 1264)
 Date: 1st March

Topic: **ETHICS, PART TWO**: This course examines the individual's role in the business world and looks at moral issues in business today.

Speaker Three: **Dorothy Rhodes** (4332 4103)
 Date: 15th March

Topic: **MARRIAGE**: Dorothy explores the past and present role of marriage as a social institution.

MOVIE APPRECIATION**MONDAY**

Leader: Dorothy Rhodes (4332 4103)
 Venue: 52 Lucinda Ave. Killarney Vale
 Dates: 9 Feb, 8 Mar.
 Time: 9.30 am – 12.00

Movie Appreciation continues as before with Dorothy at her home. Your criticisms and choices of movies are invited, but please book if you wish to attend this class as places are limited.

TALES FROM ABROAD:**MONDAY**

Speaker One: **France Licastro**
 Date: 2nd Feb.
 Secretary: **Geoff Robertson** (4333 1421)
 Venue: Long Jetty Uniting Church

Topic: **FRANCE**, Ms. Licastro will discuss aspects of French Culture and talk on the region where she was born.

PLAY READING:**TUESDAY**

Secretary: **Levina Walters** (4333 5035)
 Venue: 39 Macarthur St. Killarney Vale.
 Dates: 3,17 Feb. 2,16 Mar.

These interesting sessions continue this term. New participants are welcome. It is essential that you ring Levina for bookings.

HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME**TUESDAY**

Leader: **Audrey Roden**
 Secretary: **Dorothy Rhodes** (4332 4103)
 Venue: 52 Lucinda Ave. Killarney Vale.
 Dates: 10,24 Feb. 9, 23 Mar.
 Time: 1.30pm – to 3.30pm.

This popular card game, which resembles Canasta, will be continuing. Instruction will be given and members can join in at any time. Tables are limited so booking is essential. The Californian version of this game will be played. **Please note that the rules adopted by U3A will apply at all times.**

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY:**TUESDAY**

Speaker: **Warren Hyslop**
 Venue: **Wyong RSL Club.**
 Secretary: **Eva Seale** (4388 5848)
 Dates: 10, 24 Feb.
 Topic: **GOVERNOR PHILLIP**
 An in-depth view of our first Governor.

Dates: 9, 23 March.
 Topic: **HISTORIC LAKE MACQUARIE**

Learn many interesting facts about the discovery and settlement of the largest salt water lake on the Australian Mainland. A bus trip will follow on 30th March to round off the course.

SOCIAL EVENT:**TUESDAY****BUS TRIP TO HISTORIC LAKE MACQUARIE:**

Leader: **Warren Hyslop**
 Date: 30th March
 Cost: \$20.
Bookings, Absolutely Essential:
Pam McGlenn (4390 2451)

Pick-up places and times as shown below.
 Berkeley Vale Village: 8:00 am
 Bay Village Shopping Centre: 8.15 am
 Toukley RSL Club: 8.45 am

The trip will be restricted to members only, unless there is space available shortly before the departure date. When you book, please state where you wish to be picked up and also be on time at these pick up points.

NOTE:

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MUSIC APPRECIATION: WEDNESDAY

Leader: Levina Walters
 Secretary: Joyce Clinch (4333 6586)
 Venue: 39 Macarthur St. Killamey Vale.
 Dates: 11, 25 Feb. 10, 24 Mar.

Course continues with Levina presenting her programme in her own inimitable style. You are asked to join in with requests and suggestions for future programming.

CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS: WEDNESDAY

Leader: Betty Siegman (4332 0870)
 Venue: Tuggerah Lakes Memorial Club
 Dates: 4, 18 Feb. 3, 17, 31 Mar.

Never give in; solutions do get easier, but regular attendance does help. New cruciverbalists are welcome, so don't be shy. It really can be fun.

WHAT'S YOUR OPINION WEDNESDAY

Leader: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
 Venue: 34 Woolana Ave. Budgewoi
 Dates: 11, 25 Feb. 10, 24 Mar.

Topics: General Discussion by an informal and friendly group. Please bring any interesting/controversial newspaper clipping you may wish to discuss.

11th Feb, 10th March, General Discussion on any topic.

25 Feb, the topic will be **The Environment and Global Warming**, as it affects Australia. Your opinion is invited on this subject.

24 Mar, the topic will be "IVF Programme"
 Should there be designer babies, and should IVF be available for all?

INTRODUCTION TO CREATIVE WRITING WEDNESDAY

Leader: Midge Simpson (4392 9727)
 Secretary: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
 Venue: 2 Kalani St. Budgewoi.
 Dates: 4, 18 Feb. 3, 17, 31 Mar.

Creative Writing with Midge continues. Anybody who wishes to improve their writing skills is welcome to join this small but very friendly class. Midge guides and shows us how to create stories that we never thought we could write. Writing your autobiography can also be an interesting component.

FRENCH CONVERSATION AT HOME: THURSDAY

TIME: 1.30 - 3.30 pm.
 Leader: Henriette Vanechop (4396 7847)
 Venue: 74 Evans Rd. CANTON BEACH
 Date: Every Thursday. 1.30pm.

Henriette continues with her French speaking course for all who wish to brush up on language skills. However, this is not a course for beginners, and some prior knowledge of French is essential. Esperanto is available also.

TALES FROM ABROAD: THURSDAY

Speaker One: Refer page three, Monday's Programme.

Speaker Two: **Georgia Sidiropoulos**
 Dates: 19 Feb. 18 March.
 Secretary: Geoff Robertson (4333 1421)
 Venue: Toukley CWA Hall
 Topic: **GREECE**, Georgia talks to us about Greek History and modern Greek Politics.

Speaker Three: **Fritz Baumung**
 Date: 4th March.
 Secretary: Geoff Roberston (4333 1421)
 Venue: Toukley CWA Hall
 Topic: **GERMANY**, Fritz tells us about modern Germany and also his place of birth in Czechoslovakia.

TRAVEL TALES: THURSDAY

VENUE: Toukley CWA Hall

Speaker One: **Valda Lambert**
 Secretary: Barbara Skurr (4392 4158)
 Date: 12th Feb.
 Topic: **SIBERIA**, Valda speaks of her experiences travelling in Siberia.

Speaker Two: **Tom Marish** (4396 6800)
 Date: 26 Feb.
 Topic: **EUROPE/NORTH AMERICA**. Tom will recount various tales of his experiences in these and other countries.

Leader: **Joan Beard**
 Date: 11th March.
 Secretary: Joyce Clinch (4333 6586)
 Topic: **A GABFEST OF ASSORTED EXPERIENCES**, with different speakers, and Joan acting as host.

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LANDCARE RAMBLE:

THURSDAY

Leader: Barbara Skurr (4392 4158)
 Date: 25th March
 Time: 10 am
 Meeting Place: Toukley Fish Co-op.
 West side of Toukley Bridge, Wallarah Road Toukley.

We meet at the Co-op for morning tea before proceeding to the Land Care Site, which is at the lake end of Dudley St. Gorokan. Here Barbara will conduct a ramble and give a discourse on the work undertaken by volunteers. This will be followed by a picnic lunch. Please bring own lunch and morning tea. No charge will be made for this day.

PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS

FRIDAY

VENUE: Tuggerah Lakes Memorial Club.

Speaker One: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451),
 Date: 6th February
 Topic: **THE MURDOCHS.** Learn all of the fascinating details of the lives of the Murdochs. Why is Rupert the way that he is? And how much influence did Sir Keith and Dame Elisabeth have in creating the man that he has become?

Speaker Two: Eva Seale (4388 5848)
 Date: 20th Feb.
 Topic: **EDWARD HARGRAVES,** the man who allegedly discovered gold in 1851, and who eventually settled in Norville, where his historic homestead still stands.

Speaker Three: John Clinch
 Secretary: Joyce Clinch (4333 6586)
 Date: 5th March
 Topic: **SIR WILLIAM HUDSON** Although Bill Hudson was actually a Kiwi he is best known for the work that he did in Australia. John gives us details of his work as Commissioner of the Snowy Mtns. Hydro-electric Scheme.

Speaker Four: Pam McGlinn (4390 2451)
 Date: 19th March
 Topic: **LEN BEADELL.** This little known Australian Pioneer, spent many years in the Western Australian Outback, carving out the roads which are today used by travellers. Hear him tell in his own inimitable, highly humorous style, the way that he went about it. A tape of his speech to the Rotary Club in Shepparton in 1991, is the main feature of this talk.

Speaker Five: Eva Seale (4388 5848)
 Date: 2nd April
 Topic: **LACHLAN MACQUARIE** Eva talks to us about Governor Macquarie, Australia's longest serving and best known of our early Governors.

DISCUSSION GROUP

FRIDAY

Leader: Marie Cioccarelli (4385 1264)
 Venue: Long Jetty Uniting Church Hall.
 Dates: 13, 27 Feb. 12, 26 Mar.

Series continues. Stimulate your brain cells. Subjects for discussion are usually topical and your suggestions are welcome. You can join in or just listen.

NOTICE:

We would like to remind all members that visitors can come to any of our classes for a maximum of two meetings before joining. So if you have a friend who might be interested please bring them along so that they can see what a friendly group we are. Also a reminder that although there is only one fee of \$25 for the entire year's programme, there is an additional fee of \$2.50 for each class attended to cover the costs of morning teas and venues.

Modern education differs markedly from that of former years and on a lighter note, I offer you the following:

*Recently I received from a friend a listing of metaphors found in Year 12 English exam papers, written by those pupils aspiring to go to University. I shall leave you with some examples:
 don't despair, just enjoy!*

- * Her face was a perfect oval, like a circle that had its two sides gently compressed by a Thigh Master.
- * He was as tall as a six-foot-three-inch tree.
- * Even in his last years, Grandad had a mind like a steel trap, only one that had been left out so long, it had rusted.
- * Her vocabulary was as bad as, like, whatever.
- * It hurt the way your tongue hurts after you accidentally staple it to the wall.

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MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
2 Feb	3 Feb	4 Feb	5 Feb	6 Feb
TALES FROM ABROAD – FRANCE F. Licastro (LJ-UC)	PLAY READING Levina Walters (Killarney Vale)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (TL-MC) CREATIVE WRITING Midge Simpson (Budgewoi)	FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (Canton Beach – 1.30pm)	PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS THE MURDOCHS Pam McGlinn (TLMC)
9 Feb	10 Feb	11 Feb	12 Feb	13 Feb
MOVIE CLUB 9.30am Dorothy Rhodes (Killarney Vale)	AUST. HISTORY GOVERNOR PHILLIP Warren Hyslop (W RSL) HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME 1.30pm (Killarney Vale)	MUSIC APPRECIATION Levina Walters (Killarney Vale) WHAT'S YOUR OPINION Pam McGlinn (Budgewoi)	TRAVEL TALES SIBERIA Valda Lambert (Tk. CWA) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (Canton Beach – 1.30pm)	DISCUSSION GROUP Marie Cioccarelli: (LJ-UC)
16 Feb	17 Feb	18 Feb	19 Feb	20 Feb
SOCIAL ISSUES UNIONISM Geoff Robertson (LJ-UC)	PLAY READING Levina Walters (Killarney Vale)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (TL-MC) CREATIVE WRITING Midge Simpson (Budgewoi)	TALES FROM ABROAD – GREECE G.Sidiropoulos (Tk CWA) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (Canton Beach – 1.30pm)	PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS. EDWARD HARGRAVES Eva Seale (TL-MC)
23 Feb	24 Feb	25 Feb	26 Feb	27 Feb
BOOK REVIEW CLUB Dorothy Rhodes (LJ-UC)	AUST. HISTORY GOVERNOR PHILLIP Part Two Warren Hyslop (W RSL) HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME. 1.30pm (Killarney Vale)	MUSIC APPRECIATION Levina Walters (Killarney Vale) WHAT'S YOUR OPINION Pam McGlinn (Budgewoi)	TRAVEL TALES EUROPE/N.AMERICA Tom Marish (Tk. CWA) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (Canton Beach – 1.30pm)	DISCUSSION GROUP Marie Cioccarelli: (LJ-UC)
1 Mar	2 Mar	3 Mar	4 Mar	5 Mar
SOCIAL ISSUES ETHICS Part Two M. Cioccarelli (LJ-UC)	PLAY READING Levina Walters (Killarney Vale)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (TL-MC) CREATIVE WRITING Midge Simpson (Budgewoi)	TALES FROM ABROAD – GERMANY F. Baumung (Tk.CWA) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (Canton Beach – 1.30pm)	PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS Sir WILLIAM HUDSON John Clinch (TL-MC)

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8 Mar	9 Mar	10 Mar	11 Mar	12 Mar
MOVIE CLUB Dorothy Rhodes (Killarney Vale)	HISTORY OF LAKE MACQUARIE Warren Hyslop (W-RSL) HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME 1.30pm/Killarney Vale	Pam McGlinn What's Your Opinion (Budgewoi) MUSIC APPRECN. Levina Walters (Killarney Vale)	TRAVEL TALES A Gabfest of Exper.- Joan Beard (Tk CWA) ✓ FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (1.30pm)	DISCUSSION GROUP M. Cioccarelli (LJ-UC)
15 Mar	16 Mar	17 Mar	18 Mar	19 Mar
SOCIAL ISSUES MARRIAGE Dorothy Rhodes (LJ-UC)	PLAY READING Levina Walters (Killarney Vale)	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Slegman (TL-MC) CREATIVE WRITING Midge Simpson (Budgewoi)	.TALES FROM ABROAD – GREECE Part Two G.Sidiropoulos (Tk.CWA) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (1.30pm)	PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS LEN BEADELL Pam McGlinn (TL-MC)
22 Mar	23 Mar	24 Mar	25 Mar	26 Mar
BOOK REVIEW CLUB Dorothy Rhodes (LJ-UC)	HISTORY OF LAKE MACQUARIE Warren Hyslop (W-RSL) HAND AND FOOT CARD GAME 1.30pm (Killarney Vale)	Pam McGlinn What's Your Opinion (Budgewoi) MUSIC APPRECN. Levina Walters (TL-MC)	LANDCARE RAMBLE and talk Barbara Skurr (see notes for location) FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (1.30pm)	DISCUSSION GROUP M. Cioccarelli (LJ-UC)
29 Mar	30 Mar	31 Mar	1 Apr	2 Apr
	BUS TRIP LAKE MACQUARIE For details, times and pick-up points, see page 3.	CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS Betty Siegman (TL-MC) CREATIVE WRITING Midge Simpson (Budgewoi)	FR. CONVERSATION H. Vanechop (1.30pm)	PROMINENT AUSTRALIANS LACHLAN MACQUARIE Eva Seale (TL-MC)
	EASTER	WEEK		GOOD FRIDAY

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