

# Bayside U3A

## UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

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### TERM DATES

Term 3 Ends 16 September

Term 4 Begins 3 October

Term 4 Ends 20 December



## President's Message

I am delighted to announce that Robin Douglas has volunteered to be our Project Manager for setting up the Old Brighton Court House (OBCH) for our use in 2017. He will work with the Committee of Management and all our members on this exciting development.

Thank you to all those who have already committed to assist us to set up, however we still need volunteers to help run the OBCH and tutors to run courses in Brighton. Robin will organize working bees in December and January to set it all up.

We continue to grow and are now around 1,000 members' strong. Our plan is to have one overall Committee of Management but to co-opt additional members to help in the running of the organisation. Our rapid growth involves a bigger workload, and with more people involved in each role, hopefully when we can spread the load, have more members who know what needs to be done and when we lose someone we still retain the experience.

**The Logitech Pointer** has gone missing! It is the one with purple paint on the leather case. I am sure it has been mistakenly taken home by a member. Please look in your bags and return it if found to the office in Beaumaris. I have searched my bag – and it is not there! Cheers for Term 3.

**David Hone. President.**

**COURSE MATTERS** There are still vacancies in these courses starting in Term 4.

Eastern Mahjong for beginners  
Henry Lawson meets the 21st – Century  
Introduction to Association Croquet  
Life & Work of Robert Law  
Life Story

**Brighton Courthouse** classes will commence in February 2017. We are looking for volunteer tutors to take classes in this wonderful venue. Perhaps you have an interest you could share with our members, or maybe you have offered a class elsewhere and there could be a fresh audience awaiting you in Brighton. As this is a new venue with three presentation spaces, we have a lot of slots available and should be able to find one to suit you, if you are interested.

**EMAIL OR POST:** We have done our best to co-ordinate postage of this newsletter with the version which was emailed to members. If you hear from members who have asked for a mailed newsletter and who have not received it, please tell them to contact the Office. This is our first trial run of both post and email, and co-ordination needs to be fine-tuned.

#### Car & Bike Show at Beaumaris Concourse

Veteran and Specials Day 11 Sept. From 9am to 1pm. Look for the Bayside U3A Marquee!

Volunteers needed to spruik our message – would you believe many potential U3A-ers still don't know about us?



A Craft Group convened by Sandra Groves is now meeting regularly on Wednesdays from 10am to 12Noon.

In the relaxed and friendly environment, there is plenty of coffee and conversation, and progress with those UFO's (un-finished objects), knitting, patchwork, embroidery or whatever takes your fancy. Join in by first contacting the office.

#### Speaker's Forum

With so many members away this term, there will be no Forum.. We hope to run a year-long monthly program of speakers on the first Monday of each month in 2017

**OCTOBER IS BAYSIDE'S HEALTHY AGEING MONTH** A program of activities will be organized by Bayside Council. U3A will encourage anyone over 50 to come along and 'try out' our classes during October. If you have friends who are not sure what we offer, bring them along to your class or suggest they have a look on our website to view the range of courses available. Or they can call the office.

#### **U3A RAPID GROWTH A MIXED BLESSING!**

We are soon into our fourth year, and some of our original founding volunteers are retiring from committee or other involvement to simply enjoy classes or take on tutoring roles. Most of U3A members have been in the workforce in one way or another, and retirement is time for pleasure and recreation. **Volunteering with U3A is pleasant and recreational.** There are lots of ways you can become more involved, by running a class, helping on Committee (either directly or in a support role, no need to attend meetings!) or working alongside fellow members at functions and events. We guarantee fun and enjoyment, and all the benefits of being part of a vibrant community. **Contact the Office 9589 3798**

#### **EVENTS IN TERM 4:**

**Healthy Ageing Week: See above.**

**U3A Morning Teas**—After another very successful Morning Tea for Cancer Research held in May, the U3A Writers Group will contribute another short play for staging at a **Christmas Morning Tea on 8 December**

**Enrolments will be taken at the office or online any time after 3 November** and Special Enrolment Days will be held both at Brighton and Beaumaris. Dates to be announced.

## Festival of Music

David Peake, the Classical Music tutor, is planning to hold a Festival of Music during the first week of the September School holidays. The Festival will run from Monday, 19 September, every day until Friday, 23 September, from 2.00pm to 4.00pm. Venue is the card room at the Beaumaris Seniors Centre, which is the usual venue for the Classical Music Class.



David with his class

David will feature music videos which he has selected from his large collection. Copies of the full program will be available at the office. If you are interested in attending, please inform the office which day or days you prefer – you may attend all 5 if you wish. With more than 35 participants, we will be able to move in to the adjacent hall.

### FESTIVAL OF MUSIC

**MONDAY 19 SEPTEMBER TO FRIDAY 23 SEPTEMBER - 5 DAYS, 2.00–4.00PM**

**AT THE BEAUMARIS SENIORS CENTRE.**

#### **PROGRAMME OF VIDEOS :-**

**MONDAY** - LEONARD BERNSTEIN - 'OMNIBUS' - THE ART OF CONDUCTING 1955 A superb TV show with Bernstein giving a very clear explanation of conducting techniques with the added bonus of being introduced by Alistair Cooke.

- SIR THOMAS BEECHAM IN CHICAGO 1960 Another fine TV performance by a master conductor of the old school. From the days when America was cultured.

**TUESDAY** - IN SEARCH OF MOZART Many of you will recall 'In Search of Haydn' which I played recently. This is another great biography - a must see !

**WEDNESDAY**— ANDRÉS SEGOVIA IN PORTRAIT; 2 films made late in Segovia's life, both featuring the man himself talking and playing - the first one at his home and the second at the Alhambra Palaces.

**THURSDAY** - BATONS, BOWS AND BRUISES A well made, interesting history of the Royal Philharmonic Orchestra. Founded by Sir Thomas Beecham in 1946 with great interviews etc. by all of the conductors over the years and many others.

- LONDON PHILHARMONIC ORCHESTRA & VLADIMIR ASHKENAZY 1974. A televised concert performance from London's Festival Hall of Beethoven's Leonore overture and his Piano Concerto No. 1.

**FRIDAY** - A MUSICAL TOUR OF BRITTANY & NORMANDY: Another fine travelogue with spectacular scenery and music by Saint-Saen and Cesar Franck.

- MASTERS OF CLASSICAL MUSIC - PIERRE BOULEZ & CLAUDIO ABBADO: Excerpts from and commentary on Bruckner's Symphony No. 8 played by the Vienna Philharmonic with Boulez and Tchaikovsky's Symphony No. 5 played by the Berlin Philharmonic with Abbado.

I may play a few interesting Audio items along the way if there is time.