

Bayside U3A

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

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OPEN: 9:30 TO 2:00 MONDAY TO FRIDAY
During Term (excl. Public Hols)

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Term 2 ends 24 June

Term 3: 11 July to 16 September

Term 4: 3 October to 20 December



From the President:

The great news is that from 2017 we will be using the **Old Brighton Court House (OBCH)** as the Brighton base for Bayside U3A. We will have the

whole building seven days and nights per week!

It has an office, a kitchen, a big main room, a smaller class space and an area for socializing or for a small tutorial group. The Bayside U3A main office will continue at Beaumaris, as will all the space we currently use at Beaumaris Seniors Centre. We are expanding into the **OBCH** to cater for our continually growing membership. Bayside U3A will have to supply all equipment and furniture, as well as organize the cleaning and setting up, prior to commencement of classes. **(See P.4 —a plea for volunteers).**

We have applied for a Council grant and our Futures Fund will help us to finance the setup. We need members based in or around Brighton to help with the set up, to run courses and to help staff the Brighton Office and oversee the ongoing management of the building. Use of the space at the OBCH should solve our facilities needs for the next few years, but it does bring new challenges and increased opportunities for volunteers in the Brighton area. Anyone interested should contact me, Sue Steele or Andrew Coogan or ring the office and leave your name to be contacted.

Once again we need to remember that we are a fully voluntary organisation. We all need to

appreciate what we do for each other. I will contact those members who have noted on their enrolment forms that they will be available to assist in some way. This group of casual volunteers will be called upon when available from time to time to help set up and pack up for special events. Other, more specific areas where volunteers are needed include—Technical support for Tutors and the Office; Official Photographer/s and helpers for our Grants Officer, Mike Curtin. Please contact Chris Logan or Sandra Groves through the office if you can assist in these important roles.

**Best Wishes for Term 3,
DAVID HONE, PRESIDENT.**

To all those members who have been unwell, are in hospital or confined to their homes, we wish you a speedy recovery.

If you would like to resume classes but you cannot drive or get to the venues please let us know and we will try to assist you.

Class Withdrawals

Many classes are very popular and have waiting lists. The office volunteers do a great job ensuring that when a vacancy occurs in a class it is quickly filled from the waiting list.

However ... this only works if we are kept up to date with any changes. If you find your commitments have changed and you cannot attend a class, or if you simply decide it is not the one for you, please **PLEASE** let us know promptly so that the office can notify anyone waiting to start.

IT IS NOT NECESSARY TO RE-ENROL IN ON-GOING COURSES EVERY TERM!

BUT In future, if anyone does not attend a class for 3 consecutive sessions, and has not notified the tutor or the office of deferral or withdrawal, we will assume that he or she is no longer in the class, and the place will be cancelled without notification. We have to take this action because of the pressure for places in classes.

COURSE UPDATE ... NEWLY LISTED COURSES

Two new courses to commence later in 2016:

16097 STORY SHARING LADIES

Joan Gibbs will convene a women's group with the aim of sharing life stories in a safe, respectful, group setting.

ALSO ... is there a member/tutor out there who would be interested in convening a similar 'sharing life stories' group for men? Contact Sue Steele for more information.

16096 MOTIVATION TO RE-FOCUS YOUR LIFE.

Ian Marchment will run another course providing an interactive look at where you are now in terms of 10 key areas of your life and setting a number of personal goals in each area. **SANDRINGHAM LIBRARY FROM NOVEMBER 8.**

STARTING IN TERM 3:

16079 LAW MATTERS with Jan Storey

16010 MENTORING YOUR MEMOIR with Goldie Alexander

16068 NUMEROLOGY—DISCOVERING YOUR LIFE PURPOSE
With Marea Symonds.



Jan Brasch, academic and researcher, is currently presenting a short course in Genetics at Brighton Seniors Centre. Despite the fact that it is a very complex subject, Jan describes the history and achievements of genetic research in an accessible and interesting way and provides comprehensive notes as

Well. Jan will present the course again in 2017. Highly recommended. Editor.

MEMBERSHIP MATTERS WITH SANDRA GROVES

Thanks to all those members who joined U3A in 2016 for your attendance at the New Members Meet and Greet. It was a great gathering, with 45 new members attending, and lots of chatter and laughter. Welcome all and we hope that you enjoy the classes and events our U3A provides. Many thanks to the volunteers who once again worked tirelessly arranging provisions, setting up tables and cleaning up afterwards.

IMPORTANT NEWS! TERM 3 NEWSLETTER BY EMAIL

Some members responded to the article in the last issue calling for comment about mail or email, hard copy or electronic copy, of our Bayside U3A Newsletter. It is clear that most members prefer to receive U3A information by email.

The main problem of course is cost. With members now exceeding 950, paper, printing and postage costs are exorbitant. It is very important for everyone to have up-to-date information and many, if not most members, now have access to computers.

AS FROM TERM 3, THE BAYSIDE U3A NEWSLETTER WILL BE SENT TO MEMBERS BY EMAIL. Those who have not provided us with an email address will receive the newsletter by mail. If you have an email address but prefer to receive the newsletter in hard copy by mail, you should contact the Office and register this, and we will include you in the mailout.

You still have time to 'opt out' if you would like to have your newsletter mailed to you. Just call the office on 9589 3798 and have your say. More information will be provided by email in the next few weeks.

U3A SPEAKERS FORUM

A great day was had by all when **David Astle** shared some of his secrets for deciphering the Cryptic Cross-words he sets each Friday in The Age. He is also well-known for his adjudication on the TV Program, "Letters and Numbers". At his suggestion we invited Other U3As in the area and a good crowd attended, despite a big storm and deluge.

We have Pauline O'Brien to thank for the invitation to David and her persistence in finding a date to fit into his busy schedule. To thank him for his very interesting and entertaining presentation, Pauline presented David with a crossword designed by some of the MMC Committee, for which David replied that he was delighted with the "very cute, very clever tribute" and an "inspired idea".

We hope to entice another **BIG NAME** to Bayside for the Term 3 Speakers Forum, and in Term 4 Tim Wilson, LCP candidate for Goldstein, has agreed to visit us, "Parliamentary Sitting Days permitting"! (And of course assuming the status quo continues in Bayside politics).

MORE MUSICAL TUTORS!

Julie Wallace responded to our call for musicians to teach beginners how to play a musical instrument. Many thanks to Julie who is now taking classes in recorder. The response has been great, and the class is full.

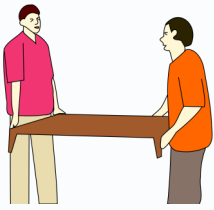
We welcome other skilled musicians, including mandolin, banjo, guitar, mouth-organ, even portable keyboard virtuosos, who could pass on some skills to beginners who have not had the opportunity to learn to play a musical instrument.

... OR JUST MORE TUTORS:

Your talents may be in demand. Have a think about passing on your skills.. It could be WHITTLING, or painting designs on GREENWARE POTTERY, or what about COOKING FOR ONE! You don't have to design a complicated course, just bring a basic plan and your enthusiasm.

Think about your professional life, your skills and life experience. Maybe YOU would enjoy leading a group of members—who will become friends—and sharing your knowledge..

Training is available and plenty of advice is on hand from other Tutors and Sue Steele, the Course Convenor. Pick up a form from office.



Can You Help?
WE NEED A TEAM OF VOLUNTEERS
Who are AVAILABLE in JULY/AUGUST/SEPTEMBER

To help us get the OLD BRIGHTON COURT HOUSE ready for
Classes in 2017.

If you are willing— and able— to lend a hand with:

- . Cleaning
- . Moving Furniture
- . Painting

Then give us a call on 9589 3798

The Bayside U3A Craft Group will meet on Wednesday 29 June
(in the first week of the School Holiday)

Feel free to join us in the main hall at the Beaumaris Seniors Centre
From 10am to 2.30pm.

A great chance to tackle some of those UFOs (Un-Finished Objects)
And socialise with like-minded people

Whatever you are working on—bring it along—Knitting, Embroidery, Crochet,
Patchwork, etc.

BYO Lunch, tea, coffee, biscuits provided

For more information call Sandra Groves 0418 179 591 or grovesx2@bigpond.com

LOST PROPERTY ... Still in the Lost and Found box in the office:

- 1 Reversible brown/fawn sleeveless jacket
- 1 pair "Ultralite" glasses in silver case
- 1 Yellow exercise book "Kidna Book Club" containing book summaries

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