

U3A Clarence Newsletter November 2017

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DATES FOR 2018

Classes are held at Rosny LINC on Monday and Wednesday mornings.

There are 3 one-hour sessions each day, with a choice of courses in each session.

Term 1: begins Wed. 14 March and ends Wed. 23 May.

Term 2: Mon. 25 June to Wed. 22 Aug.

Term 3: Mon. 17 Sept. to Wed 21 Nov.

Enrolments Day, Term 1: Wed. 14 Feb.

SESSION TIMES

Session 1 9.30 - 10.25

Morning Tea 10.25 - 10.50

Session 2 10.50 - 11.50

Session 3 12.00 - 1.00



President's Message to Members - November 2017

Paeon of Praise for our tutors

All U3A members attend sessions to extend ourselves in some way; to learn new facts, gain new ideas and perspectives in the company of others. We are committed to learning for the whole of our lives. But what, I sometimes wonder, motivates our tutors to put in the hours required. Some do so for the love of a subject which has been a lifelong and perhaps career interest and passion and they cannot avoid the continuing fascination. This may mean delving deeper into a subject such as a historical period or presenting old knowledge in a new and novel way. An awakening idea found in a new book propels some tutors to share the new knowledge or perspective. The enjoyment of a loved activity in the company of others is sufficient for some group leaders: Mah-jong, painting and line dancing, for example.

Regardless of motive, the preparation and research can take more time than the actual presentations. I imagine sometimes the research becomes a wormhole of time as they delve deeper and deeper into their subject. The love of learning in itself is a motivation together with the strong desire to share knowledge. In all cases U3A members are grateful that we have a full program throughout each year. I am full of admiration for our tutors who are happy to do something I would find impossible.

Class representatives

At the beginning of each term tutors are asked to find a class representative from among their students. The duties are not onerous. The class representative receives a folder listing the names of the course members. If the class is cancelled for some reason the class representative, with the help of a committee member, can pass on this information.

Their most important task is to thank the tutor for their efforts on behalf of participants at the end of each course. A few words of appreciation and a card signed by the class members is sufficient. It is up to the class representatives to personalise this in any way they wish.

Enjoy the summer

We are old enough now to do nothing but sit and think in the summer days, perhaps mulling over what we have learnt, perhaps literally thinking of nothing. There is an old Spanish proverb which says; "How beautiful it is to do nothing and then to rest afterwards." So I wish you this beauty in the break before next term.

Please do not forget our AGM on Wednesday 21 February. We have an interesting speaker for the occasion.

Jocelyn Head
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President

U3A CLARENCE - DATES FOR THE REMAINDER OF 2017

Term 3 Dates: Mon. September 18th to Wed. November 22nd

Renewing your Membership of U3A Clarence for the New Year – 2018:

Members (and would be members) are encouraged to apply for membership from 1st December, 2017 on. We accept new members, or renewing members, at any time of the year, but why not enjoy a full year's membership for your \$45 by paying before our calendar of events begins?

Remember, if you wish to attend and vote in the Annual General Meeting, perhaps stand for the Committee, you should ensure you have applied for membership and paid your membership before the AGM.

(Instructions for completing membership payments and applications are included later.)



2017 CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

MONDAY NOVEMBER 27TH

12.00pm

AT THE HOWRAH RECREATION CENTRE

WONDERFUL COMPANY, FOOD, ENTERTAINMENT

AND OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

Only \$35.00 per person.

PLEASE BOOK AND PAY FOR YOUR SEAT SOON!

This event is for U3A members only. Places are limited and will go first to those who have booked and paid.

PUT YOUR MONEY INTO AN ENVELOPE WITH YOUR NAME AND 'CHRISTMAS LUNCH' ON IT. HAND IT TO PATRICIA CORBY OR ANOTHER COMMITTEE MEMBER.

U3A Clarence Inc. - Important Dates for 2018/19

Pre- term

Newsletter	Mon 22 Jan		
Committee Meeting	Wed 7 Feb	1.15-2.30	Room 7
Enrolment Day	Wed 14 Feb	10:00-12.00	Room 6
AGM	Wed 21 Feb	1.30-3.30	Room 6 Afternoon tea Guest Speaker

Term 1 **Wednesday 14 March - Wednesday 23 May**

No classes Monday 2 April and Wednesday 4 April (Easter)

No Classes Wednesday 25 April (ANZAC Day)

This gives 9 Mondays and Wednesdays

Committee Meetings	Mon 19 March	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 16 April	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 14 May	1.15-2.30	Room 7
Newsletter	Mon 14 May		

Term 2 **Monday 25 June – Wednesday 22 August**

This gives 10 Mondays and Wednesdays

Committee Meetings	Mon 25 June	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 23 July	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 13 Aug	1.15-2.30	Room 7
Newsletter	Mon 13 Aug		

Term 3 **Monday 17 September – Wednesday 21 November**

This gives 10 Mondays and 10 Wednesdays

Committee Meetings	Mon 24 Sept	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 22 Oct	1.15-2.30	Room 7
	Mon 12 Nov	1.15-2.30	Room 7
Newsletter	Mon 12 Nov		
Christmas Luncheon	Mon 26 Nov	12 noon	Howrah Recreational Centre

Pre term 2019

Newsletter	Mon 21 Jan		
Committee Meeting	Wed 6 Feb	1.15-2.30	Room 7
Enrolment Day	Wed 13 Feb	10:00-12.00	Room 6
AGM	Wed 20 Feb	1.30-3.30	Room 6 Afternoon tea Guest speaker

ENROLMENT DAY WEDNESDAY 14TH FEBRUARY 2018

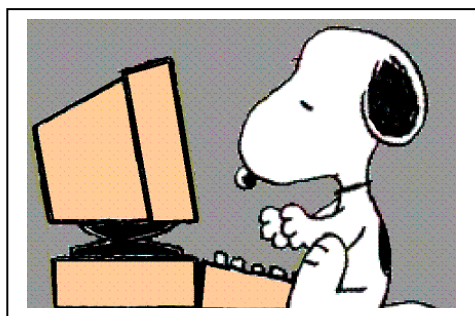
10.00am - 12.00 noon

Rosny LINC - Room 6

You will be able to get help with enrolling online.

Also, you can pay your annual membership fee (\$45) quickly and easily.

Stay for a chat and refreshments.



If you do your enrolment at another time, please ensure we receive it by the Enrolment Due Date of **Sunday 18th February**. **Term 1 Program in the January Newsletter.**



Graeme Lindridge, our well respected and faithful Poetry tutor, also a previous newsletter editor for U3A, has kindly allowed us to include some of his **own** poems for this and the January Newsletter. Thankyou Graeme! (Watch the vowels...)

Celeste

(We eyed her next the jetty where she berthed)

Men deemed her the fleet's very best vessel.
Her steel keel, her sheer stem, the level deck,
Where met her sleekly-swept stern, spelt speed –
Yet where sped she when she left the levee?

West she went, yet where next steered her helm?
Every swell's green crest the crew met deftly,
Heedless, they, the restless, sleepless deep.
Blessed she seemed, yet where went she?

She never knew Eve's Eden's eddy.
She knew Hell's wet depths when sent there!
When, then? When seven bells knelled her end.
Beseeched she help, yet help never sent;
Wrecked! when the reef's keen edge
Cleft her steel-strengthened belly.

(Relevant to those of us in Pembroke...)

"Polling Day"

In ones and twos they came and went
and numbered five, or more.
And some were here, yet absent,
but were added to the score.

From eight 'til six they trickled in,
the total grew and grew.
Each dropped his ballot in the bin
then quietly withdrew.

The time then came to count the votes,
each pollie craved a quota;
The sheep to follow party goats,
though some will lose their sinker.

Yet he who's first may not have won;
you'd need a crystal ball.
Hare-Clark could see him overrun
and it's all too close to call.



VISIT TO SHENE BY U3A MEMBERS

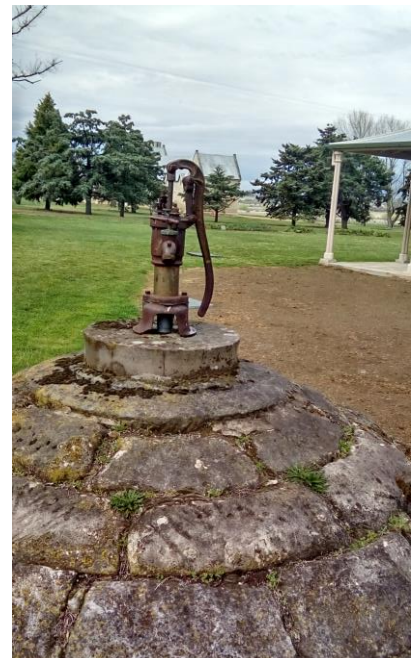
5TH OCTOBER, 2017.

What an enjoyable morning! Greeted on arrival by co-owner Anne Kernke we were soon sharing a delicious morning tea and listening to Anne explaining a most interesting potted history of Shene.

Shene is 197 years old today and was the country residence of early colonialist, Gamaliel Butler, who had been a prominent English lawyer. The [homestead and stable](#) complex were designed by Francis Butler, son of Gamaliel. Francis was the architect responsible for many of the [iconic buildings](#) throughout the [Hobart region](#), but the construction of this [Pontville](#) property was a symbol of the wealth and power of the landed gentry of the time.

We wandered the homestead, admired the curious old style well outside, the furnishings inside and then looked at the stables which showed such elegance they almost outclassed the homestead. We saw the views across to the polo field, the large barn and lastly the distillery, where whisky is being barrelled for later enjoyment. Many of us were very happy sampling the gin and a bottle or two found its way into cars heading home after our most enjoyable morning.

Many thanks to Patricia Corby for organising the excursion and also providing a report and photos for us.



ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEE FOR 2018 - \$45 PER PERSON

YOU MUST SUBMIT THIS FORM WHETHER YOU PAY ONLINE, OR BY CHEQUE, MONEY ORDER OR CASH

Name (s) _____ Member number (s) _____

Preferred name (s) for name tag (s) _____

Phone _____ Email address _____

Residential address _____

_____ Post Code _____

Method of payment and amount paid - cheque, money order, cash or direct credit \$ _____

Please make your cheque or money order payable to U3A Clarence and mail **with this form** to PO Box 774 Rosny Park 7018 or hand it in at U3A.

You can pay online as follows:

MEMBERSHIP PAYMENTS BY DIRECT CREDIT

Members can pay their U3A Clarence subscriptions by direct credit. Payments can be made by visiting a bank and making a deposit to our account, or by electronic funds transfer to our account. Whichever method is used to make a direct credit payment, *it is essential that the following information is recorded as part of the transaction:*

Account name: University of the Third Age - Clarence Inc

BSB: 067103

Account number: 10059047

Reference: Member's first name and surname

Please note:

When making a deposit at a bank you must ensure that your reference information is recorded whether or not the teller asks for the details.

Please address any Registration or Payment queries to the Treasurer, Terry Mahoney.

Armchair Travel

In 2017 we travelled from Europe to Asia, North America, South America - even Antarctica. We crossed the Nullarbor, rode on the Ghan, visited Flinders and Norfolk Islands! Thanks to our wonderful presenters we did this without spending a cent or getting out of our chairs!!

We wish to invite members, or family and friends of members, who like to travel, to share their exciting journeys in 2018. The presentation doesn't have to be a Power point one, just some photos on a memory stick and a talk about your holiday. A chance to relive it, perhaps? Please contact us: suepamp@bigpond.net.au - (0418574821) or mary.bolton.tas@gmail.com - (0418574821). Thank you all and **Merry Christmas** from Sue Pamplin and Mary Bolton.

Although U3A Clarence does not have a program for the summer holidays we are all welcome to join in the special program provided by U3A Hobart. You may like to check out the one off lectures offered.

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U3A Hobart Summer Program 2018

Venue for all Lectures: The Lecture Theatre, Philip Smith Centre

2 Edward Street, The Glebe, Hobart.

Time: 10 - 11am

Entry: Gold Coin. (Morning tea included)

Tuesday January 16 Paul Bywater

Moviemania

Thursday January 18 Dr Nick Mooney

Something Biological (TBA) Biologist & Educator

Tuesday January 23 Dean Barker

Working with Asylum Seekers & Refugees Red Cross

Thursday January 25 Prof Tom Marwick

Treating me or treating us? The cost of Healthcare. Director Baker IDI

Tuesday January 30 Dr Louise Grimmer

The Future of Retail: Five Trends Shaping How We Shop UTAS Business

Thursday February 1 Dr Julia Jabour

"Would You Like Ice With That?" Antarctic tourism IMAS

Tuesday February 6 Marian Jameson

Lily Allport and her Linocuts

Thursday February 8 Dr Stefan Petrow

Town Planners and Planning in Hobart 1915-1945 UTAS History

Tuesday February 13 Dr Julia Fredersdorff

The Ultimate Trill-a baroque detective story Violinist

Thursday February 15

The Maureen and Roy Davies Memorial Lecture

“Cons, Clichés and Conundrums: Why bother with contemporary art?”

Dr Jane Deeth, Art Curator

Followed by cheese & champagne and the AGM (AGM for U3A Hobart members only)

Notice of Annual General Meeting

1.30 pm Wednesday 21 February 2018

Room 6, Rosny Library

Agenda

- 1. Confirmation of the minutes of the last AGM.**
- 2. To confirm the minutes of the Special General Meeting of 30 October 2017.**
- 3. To receive and consider the President's Report.**
- 4. To receive and consider the Treasurer's report.**
- 5. To elect Officers and Committee members.**
- 6. To appoint an auditor.**
- 7. To transact any other business of which written notice is given.**

Light refreshments will be served. A guest speaker, Ngaire Hobbins, will then address the gathering.

Ngaire Hobbins is interested in the role diet and nutrition play in maintaining the mental and physical wellbeing of people in later years. She has written well presented books and developed tempting recipes suitable for her audience.

NOMINATION FORM FOR 2018 COMMITTEE

Would you like to serve on the Committee in 2018? It's interesting and rewarding. If you would like to nominate someone, or nominate yourself, fill in this form and return it to U3A by the due date. Take note that you must have someone to nominate you and someone else to second you and then you must sign the form yourself.

Return to the Secretary, U3A Clarence, PO Box 774 Rosny Park 7018 by Friday February 9th 2018.

NOMINATION FORM FOR 2018 OFFICE BEARERS

Must be signed by three members

Position on committee _____

Name _____

Nominated by _____

Seconded by _____

I accept nomination (signature) _____