U3A Clarence Newsletter November 2018

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TERM 3 ends Wed. 21st Nov. DATES FOR 2019

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 Mon 4 March and ends Wed 22 May.

Term 2: Mon 17 June to Wed 21 Aug. Term 3: Mon. 16 Sept. to Wed 20 Nov. Enrolments Day, Term 1: Wed. 13 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 - November 2018 25 Years of Successful Learning

2018 has flown by even faster than usual. This is, in part, because we were busy planning for our 25th Anniversary Celebration. Many members contribute to our success always and this year the numbers have swollen as members supported the celebration in many varied ways.

We gratefully received a grant from the Clarence City Council Community Support Grant Scheme to offset some of the cost of publication of our booklet, *In Celebration of Silver*.

We have again enjoyed a varied and interesting program. Thanks to all the tutors and committee involved. We also appreciate all our members who attend and show us how much they relish our activities. I know we all gain a great deal and this makes U3A Clarence so worthwhile.

We are having our Christmas lunch on Monday 26th November at the Howrah Recreational Centre as usual and I am looking forward to that very much. Please join us for our Annual General Meeting on Wednesday 20th February. The Program for term 1 2019 will be included in our next newsletter of Monday 21st January.

Now is the time to tackle Christmas. I can remember the pleasure and excitement of wrapping presents with my mother and making decorations with my brother as a child. Such fun! I must admit that I do much less shopping than I used to. Now my grandchildren are older I give them money because I cannot keep up with their fashions and interests so my presents disappoint. What little shopping I do, I do early because I can no longer face the crowded shops and the repetitive carols. Oops! I have turned into Ebenezer Scrooge!

I am looking forward to a more relaxing few weeks ahead. I have planted tomatoes and strawberries and my scarlet runner beans and pinkeye potatoes are coming up. I intend to get more time to work in the garden and nurture a bumper harvest. I am ever hopeful, despite past experience, that I will defeat the weeds, well, temporarily at least.

'Take rest; a field that has rested gives a beautiful crop.', Ovid

Best wishes of the season to all.

Jocelyn (President U3A Clarence)



2018 CHRISTMAS LUNCHEON

MONDAY NOVEMBER 26TH 12.00pm

AT THE HOWRAH RECREATION CENTRE

TERRIFIC ENTERTAINMENT, FOOD AND COMPANY AND DON'T FORGET OUR ANNUAL FUNDRAISING RAFFLE

ONLY \$40.00 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 MARY BOLTON OR MARGARET COLLIS.

Renewing your Subscription to U3A Clarence for the New Year - 2019:

Members (and would be members) are encouraged to pay their subscription from 1st December, 2018 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 paid your membership subscription before the AGM.

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

U3A Clarence Inc. - Important Dates

Term 3 2018 Monday 17 September – Wednesday 21 November

2018 Christmas Luncheon – Monday November 26th.

Pre-term 2019

Note: Term 1 dates have changed from previous years dates to allow 10 full weeks!

Newsletter	Mon 21 Jan		
Committee Meeting	Wed 6 Feb	1.15-2.30	Room 1
Enrolment Day	Wed 13 Feb	10:00-12.00	Room 6
Enrolments Due by:	Sun. 17 Feb		
AGM	Wed 20 Feb	1.30-3.30	Room 6
			Afternoon tea Guest
			Speaker

Term 1 2019 Monday 4 March - Wednesday 22 May

No classes Monday11 and 13 March (Public holiday week) No classes Monday 22 April and Wednesday 24 April (Easter)

This gives 10 Mondays and 10 Wednesdays

Committee Meetings	Mon 18	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	March		
	Mon 15 April	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	Mon 13 May	1.15-2.30	Room 1
Newsletter	Mon 13 May		

Term 2 2019 Monday 17 June – Wednesday 21 August

Committee Meetings	Mon 24 June	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	Mon 22 July	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	Mon 12 Aug	1.15-2.30	Room 1
Newsletter	Mon 12Aug		

Term 3 2019 Monday 16 September – Wednesday 20 November

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Committee Meetings	Mon 23 Sept	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	Mon 21 Oct	1.15-2.30	Room 1
	Mon 11 Nov	1.15-2.30	Room 1
Newsletter	Mon 11 Nov		
Christmas Luncheon	Mon 25 Nov	12 noon	Howrah Recreational Centre

Pre-term 2020

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	



A DAY TO REMEMBER

The U3A Clarence 25th Anniversary Celebration Event 4 October 2018

Thursday 4 October 2018 dawned bright and sunny on the eastern shore. Carol and her fellow sub-committee members charged with running our 25th Anniversary Event were on the job early setting up the Ricky Ponting room at Blundstone Arena. Assisting the sub-committee members were a number of other volunteers.

The event had been in the pipeline for many months, with much discussion about how best to celebrate the occasion.

With an Anniversary theme of `Learning is for Life`, the scene was set for a day of interesting presentations, lively debate and a dose of humour.

As members and guests arrived at the registration desk, they were presented with their name badges and a packet of specially-baked biscuits supplied by Aurora Disability Services. They could take the biscuits home as a gift, or enjoy them there and then with a complimentary cup of tea or coffee.

John Coll, our Master of Ceremonies, and our President, Jocelyn Head, got proceedings under way before Frances Underwood gave a thought-provoking opening address.

Some 175 members and guests had gathered for the celebrations and gave Frances a warm reception as she officially opened our 25th Anniversary event.

John then introduced Saul Eslake, a world-renowned economics consultant operating out of Hobart. He presented on the current condition of the Tasmanian economy, focussing on Tasmania's performance based on annual data, and on specific issues associated with Tasmania's education system. Saul then provided some policy options that he believes would foster improvements in Tasmania's performance.

Dr Peta Cook, a Senior Lecturer in Sociology in the School of Social Sciences at the University of Tasmania was next to speak. Peta presented on current projects she is involved in that focus on ageing. She spoke in particular about the Intergenerational Community Project which will provide improved insight into and understanding of ageing and what different age groups need. It is a unique project that involves two age groups of volunteers who will interact at different stages of the project through letter writing and the sharing of photographs. The project is designed to learn more about how young (13-19) and older (65+ years) people interpret what it means to 'live' in the City of Clarence, and how those groups can be better supported in the future.

Following these presentations Chris Wisbey, presenter of ABC Weekend morning radio programs, moderated a Question & Answer session involving Frances, Saul and Peta. The questions asked raised some interesting and differing points of view. This session could easily have gone on for longer, had time permitted.

However, lunch beckoned and a well-earned stretching of the legs was welcomed.

Following lunch, we enjoyed a less intensive session when Rod Quantock, a pioneer of Australian stand-up comedy, entertained us with a broad look at the world in which we live, particularly in regard to sustainability. He earned a good response from the appreciative crowd.

Jocelyn then launched a commemorative booklet entitled 'In Celebration of Silver; U3A Clarence Turns 25'. The booklet was specially prepared for our Silver Anniversary as a celebration of the value of U3A Clarence to the

membership. Along with pieces contributed by members, it includes a few special pieces by school students who entered our 'Old is Gold' writing competition, crafting pieces which describe a special relationship they have with an older person. The publication of the booklet was proudly supported by the Clarence City Council's Community Grants Program.

The day also included a wonderful display of 25 art canvases that were painted specifically for our anniversary by the U3A Clarence Art Group.

The final formal part of the day was the cutting of the anniversary cake. Jocelyn was joined in the cutting by Terry Mahoney, a member of U3A Clarence since its inception and our long-term Treasurer. During this process a power point presentation on the history of U3A Clarence was projected onto overhead screens.

The day finished with the opportunity for those present to enjoy a few drinks and a chat as Cary Lewincamp played beautiful music in the background.

It was wonderful to see so many members and guests gathering to celebrate our U3A's

25 years of contributing to positive, active ageing in Clarence through the provision of quality learning activities and social interaction.

On behalf of the membership, the Committee of Management extends its grateful thanks to the members of the organising sub-committee: Carol Rossendell (Convenor), Geoff Appleby, Chris Bishop, John Bothman, Patricia Corby, Jocelyn Head and Rita Henry.

Chris Bishop

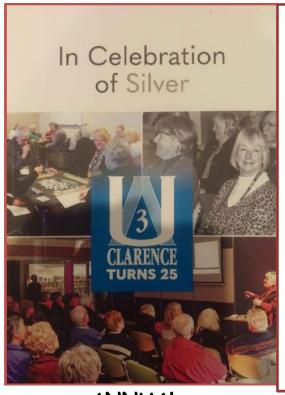
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Jocelyn Head, our 2018 President, and our Treasurer (and Wearer of Many Other Hats), Terry Mahoney, cut the 25th Anniversary Cake.

Terry was one of the inaugural members of Clarence U3A and has been a very active member for over 25 years!

Frances Underwood, Saul Eslake, Chris Wisbey and Peta Cook: our very own Q & A Panel!



Don't miss out!

Make sure you get at least one copy of the fabulous booklet *In Celebration of Silver*, published to commemorate the U3A Clarence 25th Anniversary.

It contains contributions in poetry and prose, from members past and present, reflecting on what U3A Clarence has meant to them.

It's a great read!

Why not get a couple of copies for friends and/or family? A great Christmas present!

Only \$10 for one, \$17 for two, \$25 for three.

See Patricia Corby or Rita Henry in Room 6 at morning tea time.

ANNUAL

SUBSCRIPTION FOR 2019 - \$45 PER PERSON YOU MUST SUBMIT THIS FORM WHETHER YOU PAY ONLINE, OR BY CHEQUE, MONEY ORDER OR CASH

Name (s)		Member number
Preferred name (s)	Phone:	
Email address		
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Method of payment and amount p \$	oaid - cheque, money order	, cash or direct credit
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this form to PO Box 774 Rosny P	ark 1010 (or hang it in at (JSA).

You can pay online as follows:

SUBSCRIPTION 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 <u>must</u> 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.

ENROLMENT DAY WEDNESDAY 13TH 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



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

Stay for a chat and refreshments.

If you do your enrolment online at home or post it, please ensure we receive it by the Enrolment Due Date of Sunday 17th February.

Our Term 1 Program will be in the January Newsletter.

Notice of Annual General Meeting

1.30 p.m. Wednesday 20 February 2019. Room 6, Rosny Library

Agenda

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

Light refreshments will be served.

A guest speaker, Amanda Robinson of Your Health Hub, will address the meeting on the topic:

'Helping you to be Strong, Fit and Mobile'.

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NOTICE

We are looking for one or two members to provide backup support for electronic equipment setup, usage and removal after use by tutors.

For further information please see Terry Mahoney.

NOMINATION FORM FOR 2019 COMMITTEE

Would you like to serve on the Committee in 2019? 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, 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.

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