

# THIRD AGE NEWS

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### President's report

This has been a relatively quiet term compared with the interruptions necessitated by the installation of the **operable wall** during the last six weeks of term II. Tutors and members are thanked again for their forbearance throughout and a very special thankyou to Betty Shaw who was the intermediary between classes and The City of Whitehorse whose idea of prior notification was often the middle of the day before. The space created, **The Middle Room**, will gradually come into full use and in general the default position will be the wall across so that the venue has usually three rooms and an office. If no class is scheduled in the room it will be used as a comfortable waiting area.



Term III saw some good news in the form of three grants for which we successfully applied: Bendigo Bank \$2250 for the purchase of computer equipment and a similar amount from Network Victoria (\$2250) to defray costs associated with the installation of a new computerised member management system, U-MAS which will enable member enrolment, course selection and payment on-line, hopefully cutting out many hours of volunteer work. A third grant has been obtained from the City of Whitehorse who have allocated \$1500 for the purchase of course materials with a view to U3A Box Hill offering new courses that will attract more male members. We thank these three sponsors for their support of our work with Box Hill seniors. These grants have helped the COM keep our membership fee at \$50 for 2018.

During term three an Honour Board, acknowledging the work of the many volunteers whose efforts over the past twenty-five years grew our organisation to the thriving U3A it is today, was installed in the main hall as was a large photo collage representing a week in the life of U3A Box Hill

### High Tea

Dainty cups and dainty scones and slices were a feature of our inaugural High Tea event. Despite the blustery weather, members treated their tutors to a wonderful afternoon tea with an extensive range of scones, sandwiches and slices. This was definitely not a *weight watchers* event! To the strands of Frank Sinatra, many members chatted nostalgically of times past when mothers bought out their *Sunday best* and invited friends to call by for a cuppa. Glory box table clothes and Royal Albert cups saucers and teapots were well in evidence. Each table sported a handsome cake tower groaning with "no nos". During the formal part of the event two representative from Box Hill Rotary, Simon Wheelton and Rae Harding, accepted U3A Box Hill's grateful thanks for their sponsoring of our new Honour Board. This display honours all those volunteers who have given their time to manage our programs for the past twenty-five years. The event concluded with tutor Albert Ip cutting the large birthday cake on behalf of all tutors. A merry rendition of Happy Birthday U3A Box Hill was sung by all.

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**Thank you to Jacinta Collins  
Labor Senator for Victoria  
for printing and collation  
of this newsletter**

### WATCH THESE DATES

22 September	End Term 3
October 9	Start Term 4 2017
November 6	Melbourne Cup gala
November 23	End Term 4
November 24	Christmas party
November 28 & 29	Enrolment days

The High Tea proved to be another wonderful celebratory event to which so many members contributed. It lightened up a cold miserable winter. I'd like to thank the members of the twenty-fifth organising committee, especially Lee Wallin, Jo Dawson, and Anna Strahan who did much of the behind the scenes (and some up front) work. Special thanks also to



*Cakes baked by U3A Box Hill members for the tutor's High Tea*

Lester Wallin (photographer and general fixer upper), Brian Dawson (who delivered the cake), David Embury and Rod Cope (who put out all those tables) and also to Bev Holz who managed cake distribution and generally tackled any problems that arose.



*Albert Ip cutting the birthday cake at the tutors High Tea*

The power of team work and volunteering was again on display.

Our next major event will be the Christmas luncheon on the last Friday in November, the 24th.

**Valerie Bourke**



Thank you to the City of Whitehorse for their help and sponsorship.



Listed below are those holding an office or a responsibility for U3A Box Hill. This isn't all of our workers, of course, just those identified as responsible for a service or activity.

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# U3A BOX HILL ENROLMENT DAY for 2018 Membership and Classes

**TUESDAY 28<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER &  
WEDNESDAY 29<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER  
2017  
10 AM TO 12 NOON**

**STRABANE HALL**

**MEMBERSHIP FEE \$50 FOR  
THE YEAR**

**Associate Memberships have  
been discontinued  
as of next year, 2018**

**HELEN ELLIOTT**  
on behalf of the U3A Box Hill  
Committee of Management

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## **SENIORS WEEK 8-13 October**

A big reminder that classes are not generally held during this week as members are encouraged to take part in the wide variety of events held all over the state. Public transport is free for seniors during this week.

Get the Seniors' Week program from Coles stores and plan your events perhaps with class mates from U3A Box Hill.

## **Working Bee** **Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> September** (first Thursday of the holidays)

### *It's Spring Cleaning Time*

Please join us to help spruce up Strabane Hall and surrounds after the long bleak winter.

Outside jobs will include

- Sweeping or blowing away the leaves from pathways, veranda and car parks
- Weeding beds
- Planting fresh plants
- Wash outside rails of bird droppings
- Fertilising beds
- Washing down of outside benches as needed

Please bring along gardening equipment, rakes, brooms, buckets, weeding equipment, scrubbing brush etc



Inside Jobs will include

- Carpet shampooing with a hired machine
- Dusting including window sills
- Window cleaning including removal of any sticky tape remains
- Cleaning of floors toilets and kitchen
- Removal of wall scuff marks
- Wipe out fridge
- Clean kitchen benches
- Vacuum air vents
- Remove cobwebs
- Use label maker to make signs for filing cabinet file tabs

Please bring along cleaning products, cloths and buckets, internal brooms and cobweb booms, *windex*, micro fibre cloths.



**MARIO'S MOVIE MATINEES**

**8 November - Quartet (2012) UK – Comedy.** Maggie Smith, Tom Courtenay and Billy Connolly. All is quiet at Beecham house, a retirement home for classical musicians until Jean Horton (Maggie Smith) arrives in the home.



**PUBLICITY**

U3A Box Hill will be manning an information stall at the Nunawading Springtime Festival on Sunday October 15th. If you would like to participate in the event please write your name and preferred time on the list in our main hall.

Also our Chinese Karaoke Group will be performing on stage in the afternoon. A more accurate time will be given closer to the event.

It's a fun day with lots to see, do and eat. Why not bring along your grandkids ?

**Lee Wallin**

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# U3A Box Hill CUP EVE PICNIC LUNCH



## Melbourne CUP

**MON Nov 6th**

**12:30 – 4:30**

**BYO**

**EVERYTHING**

**\$2.00 PP**

**DRESS TO KILL**

- Bring a picnic basket full of your “car Park” Luncheon food and beverages, glasses, plates and serviettes.
- Dress to kill, fascinators a must, Men in panamas and bow ties at least
- Fashion Parade
- Bring money for the raffles, a phantom cup call other activities
- Non-member spouses/partners welcome, form a table or come on your own
- Limit of 50, book now: Email :valeriebourke@yahoo.com.au or have someone email for you preferably but not necessarily a table group



**ENTRY BY email TICKET ONLY**  
**Be among the first 50 lucky attendees.**  
**You will be emailed well before the day to confirm your attendance, a copy of a return email will be your entry ticket.**

**PROGRAMME CO-ORDINATOR'S REPORT.**

Term 3 is coming to an end so I say thank you to all our Members who stayed in Melbourne during the Winter and attended U3A. Attendance numbers were down and hopefully, everyone will be back for Term 4. I was one of the guilty, going off for six weeks overseas.

If you haven't attended yet, try 11am on Wednesday mornings when we have a Guest Speaker. I have tried to get speakers on a variety of subjects, and to interest both the women and men of U3A. Dr. William Breen will be returning for Term 2 in 2018 and we'll learn what happened on the homefront in the U.K., Japan and Germany while these nations were at war. Bill said he enjoyed his term at Box Hill U3A. When you come for the 11am class, stay for lunch with other members. BYO lunch and tea and coffee provided, in the Front Room.

The moveable wall is completed and operable. We now call the new room that has been created the "Middle Room" and it is larger than what our members envisaged. It is actually bigger than the Front Room and a new heater has been installed to warm it. So remember - it's there to be used.

Being the last one for the year, "Trivia" for November will be held on the first Wednesday of the month at 11am and will be combined with lunch. The theme for the morning will be "Where in the World Am I?" so brush up on your geography.

Planning is well under way for our Christmas lunch on Friday the 24th November.

We are always open to your suggestions - would you like a Morning Tea outing once a month at a local coffee shop?

Just send along your ideas.

With best wishes,

**Betty Shaw. Programme Co-ordinator.**

**2017 Terms**

Term 1	6 February - 30 March
Term 2	18 April - 30 June
Term 3	17 July - 22 September
Term 4	16 October – 23 November

**THE TUTORS' HIGH TEA**



**2018 Terms**

Term 1	5 February - 29 March
Term 2	16 April - 29 June
Term 3	16 July - 21 September
Term 4	15 October – 29 November

**U3A BOX HILL CLASS TIMETABLE TERM 4 16/10/2017 - 23/11/2017**

Cd	Class/Activity	Tutors/Leaders	Location	Day	Start	Finish
89	Nordic Walking	Valerie Bourke	Tyrrell&Cairo Sts M.A.Nth	Mon	7:55 AM	9:30 AM
33	Music Appreciation	Maureen Kable	Main Room	Mon	9:45 AM	11:00 AM
29	Italian 2 FULL	Frances Bonnici	Front Room	Mon	10:00 AM	11:30 AM
69	Threads & Needles & Knitting	Judith & Myrle	Main Room	Mon	11:15 AM	1:15 PM
30	Italian 3	Frances Bonnici	Front Room	Mon	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
363	Drawing	Geoff Jones	Dunloe Pavilion	Mon	12:00 PM	1:30 PM
592	Keep Your Brain Active	Tom Edwards	Front Room	Mon	12:30 PM	1:45 PM
7	Music Choral Group	Margaret Henderson	Main Room	Mon	1:30 PM	3:00 PM
411	Spanish Beginners	Stanley Barker	Front Room	Mon	1:45 PM	3:00 PM
611	Creative Photography	Clare Hopkins	Front Room	Tues	9:30 AM	11:00 AM
6	Chinese Language& Culture	Linda Chin	Main Room	Tues	10:00 AM	11:00 AM
14	Cryptic Crosswords 1 FULL	Margaret Gentile	Yooralla	Tues	10:00 AM	11:15 AM
19	Exercise To Music FULL	Julie Collins	Main Room	Tues	11:15 AM	12:15 PM
37	Cryptic Crosswords 2 FULL	Margaret Gentile	Yooralla	Tues	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
21	French Lit'ture Intro FULL	Geoff Salter	Front Room	Tues	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
16	Current Affairs	Heather Thake	Dunloe Pavilion	Tues	12:45 PM	2:15 PM
47	Writing Group FULL	Valerie Bourke	Front Room	Tues	12:45 PM	2:00 PM
442	Feldenkrais Method FULL	Lexine Anastasios	Main Room	Tues	1:00 PM	2:00 PM
40	Solo & 500	Ann Blakeley	Main Room	Tues	2:00 PM	4:00 PM
811	China Today	Albert Ip	Front Room	Tues	2:15 PM	3:15 PM
76	Wine Apprec.2 (2nd Tues) FULL	Edith Westcott	Front Room	Tues	5:00 PM	6:30 PM
77	Wine Apprec.4 (4th Tues) FULL	Jim Maunder	Front Room	Tues	5:00 PM	6:30 PM
191	Zumba Fitness FULL	Wendy Brammer	Main Room	Wed	8:00 AM	8:45 AM
53	Poetry	Jennifer Willis	Front Room	Wed	9:30 AM	10:45 AM
42	Tai Chi	Beulah Gardiner	Main Room	Wed	9:30 AM	10:30 AM
43	Walking Group	Helen Beaton	See Folder	Wed	10:00 AM	11:30 AM
60	Craft Jewellery Making FULL	Lena & Merrilyn	Yooralla	Wed	10:30 AM	12:00 MD
961	Short Courses		Main Room	Wed	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
415	Trivia & Lunch on 11/11	Judith Horman	Main Room	Wed	11:00 AM	12:30 PM
653	Lunch (All welcome)		Main Room	Wed	12:30 PM	1:15 PM
67	Book Group 1-1st Wed	Bruce Bourke	Strabane Heights	Wed	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
3	Book Group 2-2nd Wed	Valerie Bourke	See Office	Wed	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
68	Book Group 3 - 3rd Wed	Gwen George	See Office	Wed	1:00 PM	3:00 PM
987	Movie Matinee 11/10 & 8/11	Mario Bonnici	Main Room	Wed	1:00 PM	
106	Armchair Travel 18/10 & 15/11	Lynn Akeroyd	Main Room	Wed	1:30 PM	2:30 PM
999	C of M meeting (4th Wed)	Valerie Bourke (Pres)	Main Room	Wed	1:30 PM	3:30 PM
361	W'Colr.Lndscps	Val Barrett	Front Room	Wed	1:30 PM	3:30 PM
23	French Intermediate	Francoise Garnier	Front Room	Thur	9:30 AM	10:30 AM
24	German Intermediate	Eicke Breuer	Main Room	Thur	9:30 AM	10:45 AM
17	Craft Embroidery,Alt.Thur FULL	Charmaine Goodman	See Office	Thur	10:30 AM	12:30 PM
20	French Advanced	Francoise Garnier	Front Room	Thur	10:30 AM	11:30 AM
25	German Advanced	Eicke Breuer	Main Room	Thur	10:45 AM	11:45 AM
22	French Conversation	Francoise Garnier	Front Room	Thur	11:30 AM	12:30 PM
44	Ch' i-kung Gentle Exercise	Beverley Milne	Main Room	Thur	12:00 PM	1:20 PM
31	Mah Jong	Betty Wood	Main Room	Thur	1:30 PM	4:00 PM
383	Social Philosophy FULL	Dawn Heffernan	Front Room	Thur	2:00 PM	3:30 PM
73	Lawn Bowls Intro Mel, 47 K7	Bill Letch	Blackburn Nth Bowls Club	Thur	2:30 PM	4:00 PM
36	Painting Oils FULL	Sok-Cheng Chang	Main Room	Fri	9:15 AM	11:45 AM
583	IPad Workshop	Ray and Jim	Front Room	Fri	10:30 AM	12:15 PM
813	Karaoke Entertainment	Albert Ip	Dunloe Pavilion	Fri	11:00 AM	1:00 PM
4	Bridge Duplicate FULL	Colin Mayfield	Main Room	Fri	12:45 PM	4:00 PM
39	Scrabble	Eva Millane	Front Room	Fri	1:30 PM	3:30 PM

**Location: Front,Main Room = Strabane Hall Yooralla = 31 Strabane Ave  
Dunloe Pavilion = Braemar St Strabane Heights = 9 Strabane Avenue  
See Office = off site venue, office staff will provide address**