

Myrtleford MAGPIE



MYRTLEFORD & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER
UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Welcome to the May / June 2019 edition of *Myrtleford Magpie* – # 16 From the President

Our U3A was very fortunate to have been the recipient of generosity from Club Savoy. On Sunday night, April 28, we were the chosen group to benefit from their monthly charity night. Over 40 U3A members with their friends and family had dinner at the Club and we were then rewarded with a donation from the club of \$500. Not only were we fortunate to receive this donation but it was a fun night too, where we all enjoyed a lovely meal and great companionship. Our U3A would like to continue to support Club Savoy and so we will invite you, our members to come along for an informal dinner on a semi regular basis. Also our revered cook, Jessie Terteci cooks up a “pasta storm” on the first Tuesday of the month so we will organise casual dinners to coincide with that event as well. By becoming members at Club Savoy you will get discount on meals at any time as well as your drinks.

Our U3A has also been successful in receiving a Volunteers Grant from the federal Government for \$4750. We will not get another one for several years so we need to spend it wisely. If any

of you have any suggestions for items we need please let us know.



Presentation of \$500 to our U3A by Club Savoy.

Nino Mautone
(President, U3A Myrtleford and District Inc.)

Apologies:

Due to my recent ill health I, (Jan Mock) have the following apologies to make:

1. Next Coffee/Speaker Afternoon set for 7 June will NOT be happening.

I have however got speakers for July and August organised:

- Andrew Swift, Local expert historian will be speaking on 5 July
- Warren Wilkinson will speak about living in Doha, Qatar (Middle East) and setting up a school there for boys and one for girls on 2 August.

2. Food Glorious Food will be back on again in July. Our great friend and cook, Jessie will show us how to make gnocchi.

3. Walks on Mount Buffalo will continue in July weather permitting.

I would also like to thank all of you who enquired after Yvonne and myself – your good wishes are very much appreciated.

New Courses for Term 3

The committee is working on some new courses to be offered in term 3. At this stage we are going to offer Bridge to start in August. This course will start with introductory lessons so you can come along and learn from scratch.

Is anyone interested in joining a choir or casual singing group?

We have also had some interest in a cake decorating course. Again are you interested and is there anyone out there who would like to organise and instruct this class?

Also we hope to run Cryptic Crosswords again. We will firm up the selection of courses within the next week or two – watch out for emails telling you about them as well as check the website www.u3amyrleford.org.au for more detail and to enrol.

If you need assistance during June in particular, call Yvonne Tabalotny 0468 482 971. (Jan will be away for June.)

Queen Victoria and Prince Albert

Friday May 24th will be Queen Victoria's 200th Birthday.

To celebrate the occasion, as Queen Victoria enthusiasts, you are invited to come to the U3A rooms in Station St, Bright from 2.00pm -4.00pm.

The theme will be "Queen Victoria and me"

For the amusement of the company, everyone is invited to present a 1-5 minute party piece - it might be scholarly or something quirky, musical or literary....

and I will do a piece on "Queen Victoria in Scotland"....

so almost anything goes!

Afternoon tea could be Victoria Sponge, cucumber sandwiches and other delights...

Please let me know by

email yward13@gmail.com

1. if you are coming,
2. what you propose to do, and
3. if you would like to contribute to Afternoon tea.

Tiaras are encouraged but not essential...

Dr Yvonne Ward.

Gardening will be on again this Friday, 24 May at 10.00am. Jamie has resurfaced from the fog surrounding the election!!

Newsletters

From the beginning of July, extra newsletters will be left at the Myrtleford Library and Visitor Information Centre for people without email to pick up. Newsletters will no longer be sent out in the post from the beginning of July. The committee will endeavour to have the monthly newsletter printed and available during the last week of the month.

Change of Times (for winter)

Finska is now on every Monday at 1.00pm.
Chair Yoga starts at 10.30am on Thursday.

Christmas in July

After the success of last year's dinner, a booking has been made at the Happy Valley Hotel for Christmas in July, 2019. The date set is Wednesday 24 July at 6.00pm. The cost will be the same as last year \$35 a head. You can book in for this on the website. Bookings will be essential for catering purposes. A reminder will be sent in July.

Our Last Speaker

Rob Syer, OAM, was our guest at the coffee/speaker afternoon on Friday 3 May at the Myrtleford Lawn Tennis Clubrooms. Rob's talked on **"Think Outside of the Square"** and from some of his achievements that is exactly what Rob does.

This talk was very well received and happily Rob has indicated that he would be happy to come back again.



Weaving Class

NEMA (North East Multicultural Association) lent our U3A weaving looms as well as providing us with tutors.



Project to document the Italian Migration to Myrtleford

The aim of this project is to produce a publication documenting the Italian migration to Myrtleford and launch it at La Fierra in May 2020. A team of interested people have started conducting interviews with families who want to share their stories. It is a great privilege to hear these stories and to learn of the hardship many families went through in order to reach Australia and to establish themselves here.

Bus Trip – tour of “local” painted silos

There are numerous painted silos in and around Wangaratta and Yarrawonga and it has been suggested that we organise a bus trip to view them. There will be a cost associated with this activity to cover the bus.

Are you interested?

Please let us know.



Computer Opportunities with Myrtleford Neighbourhood House

The Neighbourhood Centre is offering the following courses.

If you are interested in joining any of them or have some questions about the courses, please phone 5752 2775.

Beginners computer course

Learn about keyboard functions, internet searches, the functions of your computer, file management and navigation of Windows 10.

Intermediate computer course

Covers Microsoft Word basics, using a free email account, file management, Power Point, and use of the internet.

Excel computer course

Learn about the following aspects of Excel: spreadsheets, formulas, tables and charts, templates, filters and much, much more.

Don't forget Seniors Lunch at Club Savoy on the second Tuesday of the month.

