

Myrtleford MAGPIE



MYRTLEFORD & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER
UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Welcome to the September 2019 edition of *Myrtleford Magpie* – #19

From the President

Another busy term is finishing and an even busier calendar is planned for term 4. A calendar of these events is attached to this newsletter.

October is Seniors Month with the main emphasis being on the week starting Monday 7 October. Our U3A is hosting Finska on Monday 7 October at the piazza in Myrtleford and a special speaker, Hamish Coates, on Friday 11 October at the Myrtleford RSL at 2.00pm. Please see information on the speaker in this newsletter.

Another event to “kick off” Seniors Festival is a special celebratory lunch at Club Savoy on Tuesday 1 October.

Another important event in any organisation like ours is the Annual General Meeting (AGM). **The date for our U3A is scheduled for Thursday 17 October, 2019. It will be held at the Myrtleford Senior Citizen’s Centre starting at 10.00am.**

These meetings are important for members to talk to the outgoing committee and to give their ideas and suggestions to the incoming committee. We also are looking to recruit some new committee members so I would ask you all

to think about whether you can contribute to our committee.

All positions on the committee are declared vacant at the AGM and new office bearers and committee members are duly elected.

We have monthly committee meetings and any other contributions from committee members are dependent on your available time.

Nomination forms for the committee are attached as is a proxy form for the AGM – if you are unable to attend but want to have a vote please find a proxy and complete the form.

Membership fees are to be decided at the AGM for the following year. The present committee will recommend that the fee stays the same as it has been for the past 2 years ie \$30/member/year (\$15/member for second half of year) and \$5/associate member /year.

If anyone would like to move a motion at the AGM could you please send to the Secretary, Jan Mock, by Friday 11 October.

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

Courses for 2019 - Term 4 (calendar attached)

A special note regarding “Art on Glass”: I have just received from Mechtild Runde-Witjes (Mechi the artist and tutor) some flyers and a couple of booklets showing her art. I will leave some in the meeting rooms of the Myrtleford Senior Citizens Centre for you to look at.

I am impressed – I hope you will be.

Warren Wilkinson – Speaker on Life in Doha

We would like to thank Warren for his really interesting talk on life in Doha and the Middle East. This part of the world is so different to what we are used to, it is hard to believe that we all live on the same planet at times.



Warren Wilkinson with Nino Mautone and Jan Mock

Next Coffee/Speaker Afternoon 11 October, 2.00pm at Myrtleford RSL

Topic: What is involved in master planning a brand-new cemetery, which is approximately 4 times the size of the Royal Botanic Gardens, Melbourne?

Come and find out: We have Hamish Coates, landscape architect, as our speaker to celebrate Seniors Festival, Friday 11 October, 2.00pm Myrtleford RSL, Smith St., Myrtleford.

Hamish Coates is a registered landscape architect with over 25 years' experience. Hamish has designed and worked on a wide range of



landscape types both publicly and privately including parks, gardens, streetscapes, urban and civic projects, road infrastructure, master planning and strategic planning and management, for both urban and regional communities.

Currently, Hamish is employed with The Greater Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust, where he leads and manages a team responsible for the planning and design of the Trust's 21 sites across metropolitan Melbourne.

Hamish's main project is master planning a brand-new cemetery in Melbourne's west. When complete, it will be the single largest cemetery development in over 100 years, nearly 4 times the size of the Royal Botanic Gardens. Seeking to develop a cemetery space that responds to increasing urbanisation, population growth and the dwindling access to nature for urban dwellers, the project aims to future-proof the health benefits of green open space whilst delivering quality places for the end-of-life encounter.

Hamish will present an overview of this project, providing a brief insight into how large-scale cemeteries have evolved over the last 200 years in the face of urban and social challenges, and present how the development of new cemetery spaces must look to the past to realise the future.

Social Events:

Seniors Festival Lunch

All seniors are invited to enjoy a delicious 3 course lunch and live music to celebrate the official opening of the Victorian Seniors Festival.

Venue: Club Savoy

Cost: \$15/head. Drinks at bar prices.

Bookings essential: 57 51 1296

Lady Beatle

Saturday 26 October 2019

Wangaratta PAC

\$37 includes transport

Limited tickets available:

<https://alpineseniorsfestival.eventbrite.com.au>

Proudly presented by Alpine Shire Seniors Festival

and Wangaratta Performing Arts Centre

5.00pm - Depart Bright (Senior Citizens Car Park)

5.30pm Pick up Myrtleford (VLine bus stop)

6.00pm - Arrive Wangaratta (make your own arrangements for dinner)

7.30pm - show starts

9.00pm - depart Wangaratta

The must-see live music event of the year. Lady Beatle is a rollicking magical mystery tour sound tracked by The Beatles' biggest chart toppers, including Lucy in the Sky With Diamonds, Eleanor Rigby, Yellow Submarine and Penny Lane.

Pasta Night – Club Savoy

Another enjoyable evening was spent eating pasta at Club Savoy at the beginning of September. Jessie Terteci is the cook for this event.

Our U3A will continue to book a table each month. If you want to come along please email Jan Mock on k.j.mock@westnet.com.au prior to the night so a final booking can be made.

The next pasta night we will book for will be Tuesday 1 October.

Cost \$15/member and \$18/non member.

Come along and enjoy friendship and great pasta.

Activities through the Month



Italian – and who ever said it was easy??

Food Glorious Food – Master Chefs were in action; hope the food was “glorious”.



