

Myrtleford MAGPIE



MYRTLEFORD & DISTRICT NEWSLETTER
UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

Welcome to the October 2019 edition of *Myrtleford Magpie* #20

From the President

This is the last newsletter before the AGM. The committee is very pleased with the support that we have received. This year we have 129 full members and 8 associate members.

Our AGM is scheduled for Thursday 17 October. The meeting will start at 10am at the Myrtleford Senior Citizens Centre.

There are 2 vacant positions on the committee which we hope will be filled at the AGM. Nomination forms can be picked up at the library or you will find attached to this newsletter. Nominations will also be accepted at the AGM. Committee work is not onerous – the expectations are to do what you can when you can.

Morning tea will be served after the meeting. We hope a lot of people come along; the meeting is also an opportunity to share ideas

and to give us feedback on the past 2 years for us to plan for 2020.

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

Motions to be Moved at the AGM:

1. Membership fees for 2020 are unchanged from the past 2 years.

Moved: Yvonne Tabalotny
Seconded: Judy Pitts

2. The committee recommends the adoption of the amendment re member's participation in U3A activities, on the membership form as presented.

Moved: John Twyford
Seconded: Pam Hamilton

If a member wants to move a motion at the AGM, please ensure that motion is delivered in writing to the secretary, Jan Mock (Email: k.j.mock@westnet.com.au) by Friday October 11, 2019.

**REMINDER: Guest Speaker to
celebrate Seniors Month
Friday, 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.

Lifeball

The Lifeball group will hold a “Come and Try” morning on Friday 15 November, starting at 10.30 at the Myrtleford Stadium.

You'll just need some comfortable clothing, rubber soled flat shoes and a sense of humour to discover what this game of walking netball for seniors is all about. It's non-competitive, and we laugh a lot.

A morning tea will be provided; a gold coin donation will be appreciated.

Come along, or contact Janet Ivone on Mob: 0427 186 047.

Social Events:

The tour of the painted silos will be organised for February/March next year. The committee felt term 4 is always busy and so elected to organise this activity early next year.

The committee has had an offer from a member to organise a 4 day/3 night tour of Canberra. The member is able to drive a bus and knows the attractions of Canberra very well. Many of the attractions in Canberra are free so the majority of the cost for such a trip will be for bus hire, accommodation and food. If you are interested in more information could you please let Jan Mock know?

If there is sufficient interest, planning will start.

Gardening – September

