



# Newsletter

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**PATRON – Councillor Dawn Crichlow OAM**

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### Office Hours:

9.00am–3.30pm : Monday to Thursday  
9.00am–3.00pm : Friday

## Management Committee

### EXECUTIVE:

President	Marvin Summers
Vice- President	Jenny Broughton
Secretary	Michael McDonald
Treasurer	Sally Gemmell

### ORDINARY:

Alice Fairley  
Paul Miles  
Neil Marshall

## Officers and Volunteers

Class Coordinator	Alice Fairley
Office Manager	Marvin Summers
Fire Warden, Australia Fair	Lyn Sturm
Social Convenors	Margaret Karakatsanis Pat Jones
Newsletter Publisher	Marvin Summers

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## President's Message

Two months into Semester 2 and we're already preparing for the General Meeting as well as working on what more we can offer our members in 2020.

It is hoped we will be in a better financial position in 2020 to continue to meet Members' expectations – still much to be done.

Yet again, we have lodged another application for funding, this time with Council for a second air conditioning unit upstairs at Margaret Street. We also have another application for funding on the drawing board to upgrade our computers in the office to submit to Angie Bell MP. You must all be aware by now that with the huge competition out there in seeking funds, we must not get too excited in being successful and have learnt not to rely on it. However, it will not deter us in continuing to keep trying.

All else that I can see is running smoothly and we have had some lovely comments made from members on what has been done at Margaret Street which I am very happy to report.

Marvin Summers (President)

## IMPORTANT DATES

### ✓ **U3A GENERAL MEETING**

**Tuesday 17 September 2019**  
**Community Centre in**  
**Room PA1 at 10.00am**

**ALL CLASSES ARE CANCELLED**

### ✓ **QUEENS BIRTHDAY**

Public Holiday

## **Members** **– please note**

The Committee has examined our current financial position and have realised that to carry on offering students the amazing facilities and classes, as well as meet running expenses, we will have to increase our annual membership fees.

Motions for increase of Membership fees were approved by the Management Committee at its meeting on 12 August for presentation at the General Meeting to be held on Tuesday 17 September at the Community Centre in Room PA1 at 10.00am

The proposed motions have been posted on all Notice Boards as well as emailed to members on our Mailing List.

Management Committee

## NOTICE OF GENERAL MEETING

Notice is hereby given that our  
General Meeting  
will take place at the  
Community Centre, Room PA1  
at 10am on Tuesday  
17 September 2019

**(All classes will be cancelled  
on that day)**

Any MOTIONS for  
consideration by the meeting  
MUST be received by the  
Secretary no later than 3.30pm  
on Monday 2 September to  
allow the full Agenda to be  
distributed to members 14  
days before the General  
Meeting.

**ALL U3A Gold Coast Inc  
Members, including Honorary  
Tutors, have the right to attend  
and vote at this Meeting.**

Michael McDonald  
Secretary



**Presentation to be held on  
Friday 6 September 2019 - 1.30 pm  
Building G34 - Rooms 1.05/1.06**

**RESEARCH IN SUPPERANNUATION and  
RETIREMENT**

**Presenter** : Dr Robert Bianchi, Professor of Finance, Department of Accounting, Finance and Economics, will showcase research in the superannuation and retirement fields, the effects on retirees and how we can improve quality of life.

***Presenter bio – Robert Bianchi:***

Robert Bianchi is Professor of Finance at Griffith University. His research expertise is in the areas of asset allocation, superannuation/retirement and alternative investments. Robert’s research has been published in the Journal of Banking & Finance, Journal of Portfolio Management, Journal of Applied Corporate Finance and Accounting and Finance.

He is the Director of the Griffith Centre for Personal Finance and Superannuation (GCPFS). Robert is a member of the editorial board of JASSA: The Finsia Journal of Applied Finance, member of the EDHECinfra International Advisory Board and editorial board member of the Financial Planning Research Journal.

**The schedule will be:**

1.30pm	Attendees start arriving
2:00pm	Welcome & Lecture Introduction by Dr Andrew Bode
2:05 pm	Presentation by Guest Lecturer
3:00pm	Question time
3.15pm	Close of lecture

## **Class Snapshots**



*Meet the Oil & Acrylic Painting Class*



*Meet Jan's Keyboard Advanced Class*



*Meet the Table Tennis Class (where has the ball gone!)*

## Knitting & Needlecraft Class – gift of rugs to St Vincents



## Monthly Lunch Get-togethers



### NEXT LUNCH:

Date: Saturday 28 September 2019

Where: **SUNSET WATERFRONT CAFE**  
**MARINE MIRAGE**

11.30 am for 12 noon

## Theatre Tickets

- **MURIEL'S WEDDING** ..... do not forget to collect your tickets at the Office reception in Australia Fair.

## Social Activities

**THERE ARE STILL SEATS  
AVAILABLE – DON'T MISS OUT**

# TOOWOOMBA CARNIVAL OF FLOWERS DAY TOUR

## Free Morning Tea

When: **SATURDAY 21 SEPTEMBER**

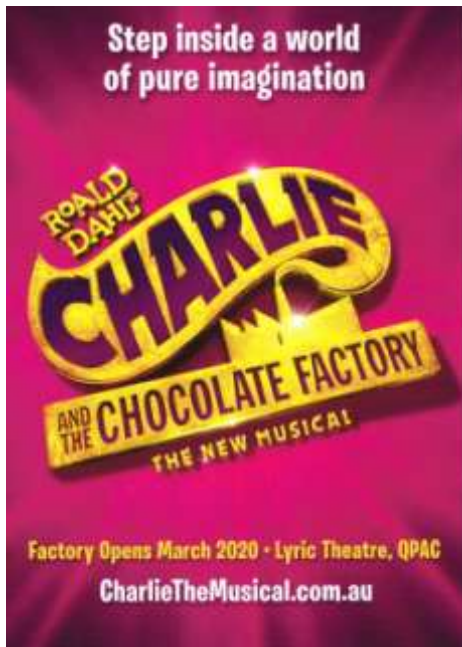
Pick up: 8.40am outside the Southport RSL Club  
(Palmers Coaches)

Cost: \$60.00 or with lunch \$80.00

to be paid in full on **FRIDAY 11 SEPTEMBER**



## Theatre Outings



ROALD DAHL'S

# CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY

Step inside a world of pure imagination and book to see Roald Dahl's 'CHARLIE & THE CHOCOLATE FACTORY'.

It promises a delectable treat featuring songs from the original film, including Pure Imagination, The Candy Man, together with a brand new Broadway score.

## COMING TO THE LYRIC THEATRE IN 2020

We have a small allocation of seats at the following prices:

**Seniors Concession / Children \$70 per ticket**

**Non-concession \$90 per ticket**

**Our booking is for:**

**1.00 pm TUESDAY 14 APRIL 2020**

However, full payment is required by:

**FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2019**

Early payment is necessary as the Theatre requires full payment mid-January 2020 when U3A is closed, and I will be away from late November 2019.

**Please make a diary note of this payment date when making your reservation.**

This musical will be fun and the staging memorable. Get ready for the chance to experience the wonders of Wonka !

**Book NOW for an enjoyable afternoon in APRIL next.**

**Thank you – Patti Pick (Convenor)**