

Newsletter

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Management Committee

EXECUTIVE:

President Jenny Broughton
Vice-President Neil Marshall
Secretary Michael McDonald
Treasurer Sally Gemmell

ORDINARY:

Alice Fairley Lou Stevens Paul Miles

Important Dates

Please remember to attend the U3A General Meeting on Thursday 17 September – 10.00am in the Community Centre Meeting Room F3. (See p.4)

N.B. There will be NO CLASSES that day.

Monday 5 October is the Queen's Birthday public holiday in Qld, so there will be no classes held on that day, and the Office will be closed.

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9.00am-3.30pm: Monday to Thursday

9.00am-3.00pm : Friday

Officers and Volunteers

Class Coordinator Office Manager Fire Warden, A. Fair Social Convenors

Presently vacant

Alice Fairley

Lyn Sturm

Margaret Karakatsanis

Pat Jones

Publications C'tee Jenny Broughton

Paul Miles

President's Message

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President's Message

Hullo all. I would like to introduce myself as the new President of U3A Southport Inc. Marvin Summers has retired as President. Which, with the flooding at Margaret Street and having to cope with shutting down the office for several months during the corona virus, really does make this "a tumultuous year", as Marvin said in her last newsletter.

Marvin has left us with a wonderful legacy of hard work, commitment and dedication to U3A. I will find it hard to step into her shoes, but with a wonderful committee I will try to do my best. Thank you Marvin. You have brought us into the 21st century with your data input, computers in the front office and ensuring that all class lists and membership forms are up to date with the dozens of other jobs that needed to be done.

Also retired from the committee is Kath Power, who thankfully will stay on Volunteer duties at the front office, and with her organising ability will be of much help.

Lou Stevens has joined the committee, and with her computer skills and business acumen will be a great asset to U3A.

We greatly value input from our members, and would really love to have any photos, cartoons, poems, or articles of interest that we can include in our Newsletter.

It would be wonderful if as many of our members could attend our General Meeting on 17 September at 10am at the Community Centre. As you probably remember, our AGM which was held in the middle of Covid 19 was poorly attended and had to be abandoned. You can bring along your take away coffee!

Most Classes have started up again and all social distancing and sanitising is closely monitored.

Hope to see you all soon.

Stay safe and well.

Regards

Jenny Broughton (President)

Quote of the Month

"Thinking is the hardest work there is, which is probably the reason why so few engage in it."

Henry Ford





The Social Pages ... and a bit more

STOP PRESS!!

VOLUNTEER RECEPTIONISTS NEEDED!

IF ANYONE CAN SPARE A FEW HOURS...

...WE NEED YOU!

Shifts on:

- Thursday from 12.30 to 3.30
- Friday 9am to 12.30 and
- Friday 12.30 to 3pm

PLEASE CALL IN OR RING THE OFFICE IF YOU ARE AVAILABLE (5591 6671)



Neil Marshall, new Vice President, receives his badge from new President Jenny Broughton



Our Needlecraft ladies on their return to class on Tuesday 4 August. Here they are showing their handiwork which they were busy on over the break, making up these rugs ready to donate to St Vincent's Aged Care facility in Southport.



The Yoga Class practising their Social Distancing

U3A GENERAL MEETING

to be held on

Thursday 17 September 2020 at 10.00am in the COMMUNITY CENTRE

Meeting Room F3

Dear Members

As you will remember, when we scheduled our Annual General Meeting in March, due to the new and very uncertain situation caused by the Coronavirus onset, we were not able to reach a quorum. As a result the meeting could not 'officially' be held and we would REALLY, REALLY LIKE as many members as possible to come to this General Meeting so that some key decisions can be made there.