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Newsletter

Learning for Pleasure

Together, we will shape our U3A group to be the best

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PATRON – Councillor Dawn Crichlow OAM

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We are grateful to the Office of Hon Rob Molhoek MP for Southport for the printing of this Newsletter.

President's Message

A decent sized Smart Television has been provided for the Tutor of the Computer classes - a well deserved resource to provide better tuition to the students of those classes.

I am extremely happy to report that Bunnings will be donating paint to do the whole inside of the Margaret Street Hall. Neil Marshall will be managing this project and it will be carried out in the July break.

Also, during the July break all windows will be professionally cleaned and the cracked window pane upstairs has already been replaced. So, all attempts are continuing to be made to attend to issues that have been raised regarding the Margaret St Hall.

It is satisfying to see that the Front Desk Gmail procedure is a hit with the Receptionists and with no opposition of using it – well done.

This will be the last Newsletter until the next issue due on 1 September, and my last opportunity to wish you all a restful time over the break and to especially thank everyone on behalf of all Management Committee members for putting in so much time and effort into making our U3A a happy and successful group - THANK YOU.

Marvin Summers (President)

IMPORTANT DATES

- ✓ End of Semester 1
28 June 2019
- ✓ Start of Semester 2
29 July 2019
- ✓ GC Show Day - Public Holiday
30 August 2019
- ✓ **U3A GENERAL MEETING**
Tuesday 17 September 2019 -
Venue TBA

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, we will have to increase our annual membership fees.

This is being proposed at the General Meeting scheduled for 17 September.

The proposed motions will be posted on the Notice Boards as well as emailed to members on our mailing list and also downloaded onto our Web Page u3agoldcoast.weebly.com four (4) weeks before the General Meeting.

Management Committee



**Presentation to be held on
Friday 5 July at 1.45pm
Building G34 - Rooms 1.05/1.06**

Unfortunately, we are unable to provide details of this lecture at this time, however, as we receive information from Griffith University, it will be posted on Notice Board in the Australia Fair office.

OR, why not just pop in and find out who will be presenting which I am sure will be up to their usual standard of being a most interesting lecture.

The schedule will remain unchanged, which is as follows:

- 2:00pm Tea, Coffee, Water and Muffins provided
- 2:10pm Welcome & Lecture Introduction by Dr Andrew Bode
- 2:15 pm Presentation by Guest Lecturer
- 3:00pm Question time
- 3.15pm Close of lecture

Volunteer with Handyman Skills Required



Committee at its meeting on 13 May agreed to request, through this Newsletter, a Volunteer with Handyman Skills to install the **Fire Blanket** in Margaret Street in the location as illustrated here.

Please contact Neil Marshall by emailing u3agoldcoastinc@bigpond.com if you would like to offer your services.

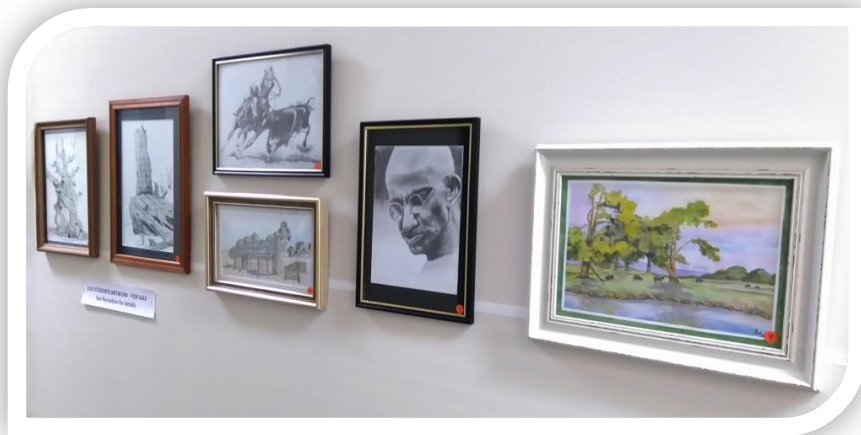


Hang up your work in Gallery Walk

Members' artworks currently on display in Gallery Walk is attracting attention.

Each piece is catalogued with the Artist's name, Title of artwork, and, if anybody would love to take one home, we have a recommended purchase price.

Don't forget Art Class students, you can show off your work and bring it in to put up in Gallery Walk.



Looking for more Table Tennis players - JOIN IN THE FUN

*U3A Margaret Street -
Wednesdays 9am-11am*



Everyone from raw beginner to "pretty good" are welcome. Apart from being a great social activity livestrong.com says "table tennis improves reflexes, eye-hand coordination, mental alertness and speed of movement. It also improves balance and lowers the chances of falls and injuries, especially among older people. Clinical studies show that table tennis can slow the process of cognitive decline that occurs with aging."

Calling for Success Stories



YES - we are still looking for more success stories.

Our Patron, Councillor Dawn Crichlow OAM, is interested in how many U3A Members have a story to tell and how U3A has helped them recover from any serious illness and get back into enjoying life.

We already have four Members now who have been in touch and consented to do a story - don't forget, if you would like to participate, please contact either the President or Alice Fairley.

Class Snapshots



Meet Robert's Instrumental & Vocal Ensemble Class



Meet Jo's German Beginners plus (Year 3) Class



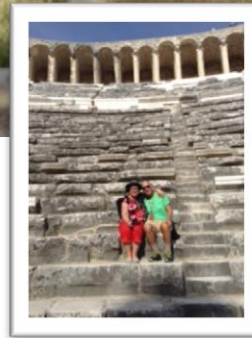
Meet Doug's World History Class

Elaine's 91st Birthday



Out lovely Elaine's 91st birthday being celebrated with her Needlecraft class buddies.

Out and About



Margaret K. and husband Manuel on a two week holiday in Turkey

Monthly Lunch Get-togethers

NEXT LUNCH:

Date: Saturday 29 June 2019

Where: **one CAVILL BEACH BAR & RESTAURANT**
(above McDonalds, Surfers Paradise)

11.30 am for 12 noon



Lovely views over the beach.

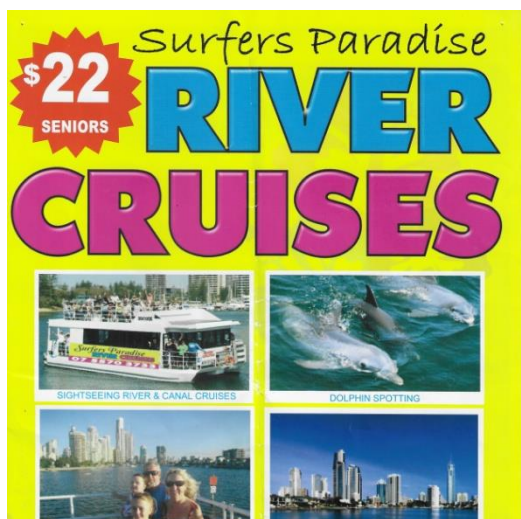
Convenor: Pat Jones

Please order at the bar

Bar Menu

Buffalo wings	12
<small>Bourbon BBQ glazed chicken wings</small>	
Beer battered wedges	12
<small>with sour cream and sweet chilli</small>	
Salt and pepper calamari	12
<small>with aioli</small>	
Spring rolls	12
<small>with Thai sweet chilli sauce and fresh lime</small>	
Jalapeño poppers	12
<small>with ranch dressing</small>	
Chicken skewers	12
<small>with a peanut satay dressing garnished with crushed peanuts</small>	

Social Activities



When: WEDNESDAY 26 JUNE 2019

Time: 10.00am for 10.30am START
(Cruise finished 12 Noon)

Where:

1. Catch Tram to Cavill Avenue
2. Walk down towards River
3. Pat will meet you at "River Cruises" cruise terminal to give you your Boarding Pass.

Cost: \$22.00 includes Cakes, Biscuits, Tea/Coffee

Afterwards:

We could go to "McDonalds" (surf beach end of Cavill Avenue) for LUNCH - at your own expense - or perhaps, you'd rather go somewhere else!

\$5 deposit PAY IN FULL BY 21 JUNE 2019

LETS GO CRUISING AND HAVE A GREAT DAY

Theatre News

- **MURIEL'S WEDDING** seats selling fast, so please make your booking.
- **QUEENSLAND BALLET** Li Cunxin is not leaving the Queensland Ballet for the Australian Ballet as has been suggested. Do book your tickets now to see the superbly directed ballet **ROMEO & JULIET**.
- **DANGEROUS LIAISONS** for those who have booked for this event, your tickets are available for collection in the U3A Office.

Theatre Outings

You are invited to the Wedding of the year

MURIEL'S WEDDING - THE MUSICAL

One of the most loved and hilarious Aussie films of all time, comes to life on stage in this big, brash and very cheeky, new musical. It has won numerous awards including 5 Helpmann Awards.

at the

LYRIC THEATRE, QPAC

on

WEDNESDAY 23 OCTOBER 2019

at 1.00pm

Tickets only \$90 each (concession)

or \$100 each (non-concession)

A \$5 deposit will secure your seat

PAYMENT IN FULL BY 21 JUNE 2019

NB : Content advice - Strong Language, Adult Themes, Sex Scenes.

DO NOT DELAY IN BOOKING YOUR SEAT by placing your name on the Booking Sheet to be found on the Notice Board at U3A office.

A note about group booking prices - we must meet the criteria set by the Theatre usually the price applies to Groups of 10 or 12. If we do not meet this requirement (which we did not for The Sound of Musicals) there will be a surcharge imposed by the Theatre.

Transport to Brisbane

U3A Gold Coast Inc does not make transport arrangements to Brisbane.

Arrange to meet your friends at either Helensvale or Nerang Stations at the appropriate time to arrive at South Brisbane Station in time for the show.

QUEENSLAND BALLET's production of

“ROMEO & JULIET”

at the

LYRIC THEATRE, QPAC

on

THURSDAY 05 SEPTEMBER 2019

at 1.30pm

Tickets are \$85 each

Please note these are BALCONY SEATS

A \$5 deposit will secure your seat

Tickets must be paid for by FRIDAY 21 JUNE 2019

Please reserve your tickets by placing your name on the Booking Sheet to be found on the Notice Board at U3A office.

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