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Newsletter

Learning for Pleasure

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

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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

From the response and feedback, the Tutors and Volunteers luncheon was very successful. There were 48 attendees. Our Christmas Party is next, on Thursday 28 November. Neil Marshall is in the process of asking for volunteers to help paint the upper level of Margaret Street during the first two weeks of the Christmas break. So, please don't hold back if you can lend a hand - the more volunteers will make the job so much easier and quicker. Just email Neil to our U3A email address : [<u3agoldcoastinc@bigpond.com>](mailto:u3agoldcoastinc@bigpond.com)
Another application for a grant has been submitted to the Gambling Community Benefit Fund that closed on 31 October for three laptops. However, it will be 3 to 4 months before we hear the results.

The New and Renewal 2020 Registrations are rolling in thick and fast - remember, first in first serve to get into your preferred choice of class.

Marvin Summers (President)

IMPORTANT DATES

✓ CHRISTMAS PARTY - LUNCH

Thursday 28 November to be held at Southport Bowls Club
No Classes held - Office Closed

✓ SEMESTER 2 - END FOR 2019

Friday 6 December 2019
Office closes at 2.00pm

Members Identity Badges

RENEWING YOUR MEMBERSHIP FOR 2020 - well, don't forget to bring your badge in for stamping to prove you are a paid up member for 2020. It will be a GREEN stamp for 2020:

GREEN is the stamp colour for 2020



U3A GOLD COAST INC.

LEARNING FOR PLEASURE

I am a financial member stamped for year:



Thank you, Management Committee

New Classes for 2020

HISTORY - WORLD

We would like to let everyone know that the class on History-World will be recommencing in 2020 at the usual time on **Fridays 9.00am to 11.00am** in the Study Room at Australia Fair, led by our new Tutor, Hilary Jones.

The overarching subject is on "Notorious Strumpets & Dangerous Girls".

Semester 1 will cover "An introduction to Australian convict history, explores women and children's lives in the convict era and the places of their incarceration".

Semester 2 continues with "The World Heritage listed female factory sites of Queensland and Van Diemens Land".

S.E.L.F.

CORRECTION - please note that the class days were incorrectly published in our September's Newsletter and should have read:

2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month in the Study Room at Australia Fair, and not the 1st and 3rd Wednesday.

Can we help? Letter to the Newsletter

Dear fellow Tutors,

If you attended the last A.G.M. you will have realised that our U3A is sailing "close to the wind" financially.

It is difficult to see where savings can be made apart from the increase in Annual Subscriptions.

I have been a member for quite a few years and just recently became a Tutor for the Tap Dancing class.

My time as a member has made me many valued friends and now I am enjoying the challenge of teaching and sharing skills and happiness through dance.

I have a background in classical ballet, very disciplined, so now, in my later years, I am loving the freedom of the less "formal" approach of our tap classes.

We Tutors are not obliged to pay fees and can also attend one class of our choosing in appreciation of giving our time and expertise.

I just returned from a lovely lunch given for Tutors and Volunteers.

The Volunteers and Committee Members do such a good job and work so hard to keep things running smoothly.

I was prompted to write this letter with a suggestion.

If you are a Tutor and feel able to pay your subscription next year, please consider doing so.

Every little helps and it is a great way of showing our appreciation of what U3A does for us.

Of course, there is absolutely no obligation.

A Blessed Christmas to you all.

Christine Rollinson

Linking You Locally - hosted by Gold Coast Libraries

On Saturday 26 October, the Southport Library invited us to showcase our activities in a community event designed to encourage residents to connect with local community groups and each other to foster greater social connectedness and wellbeing.

Some interest was shown by the public although not as great as hoped.

It was, nevertheless, an enjoyable and pleasant morning.



Monthly Lunch Get-togethers



NEXT LUNCH:

Date: Saturday 30th November 2019

Where: **PACIFIC HOTEL**
AUSTRALIA FAIR

11.30 am for 12 noon

PS:

Those with CARS can get a parking ticket for Extra Hours if parking.

LET'S HAVE A MERRY CHRISTMAS

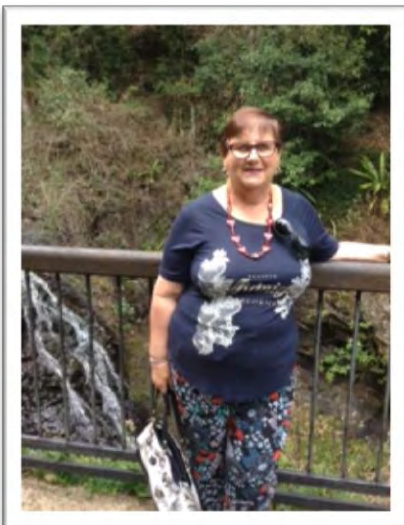
On the good ship.. Majestic Princess - and look what I found ?

Whilst having a five (5) day break sailing on the Majestic Princess to Hobart and Port Arthur in Tasmania, I casually had a good look around the ship to see what was offering. And, look what I found - yes, a group being shown how to play the ukulele !! They were all given red ukuleles, rather smart I thought! (Marvin)



Day trip to the Northern Rivers - enjoyed by all

Taking in the picturesque surroundings, beautiful rainforest and valleys of Chillingham where Buck's Farm is located, tasting their unique and often unheard of fruit.



Natural Bridge waterfall.



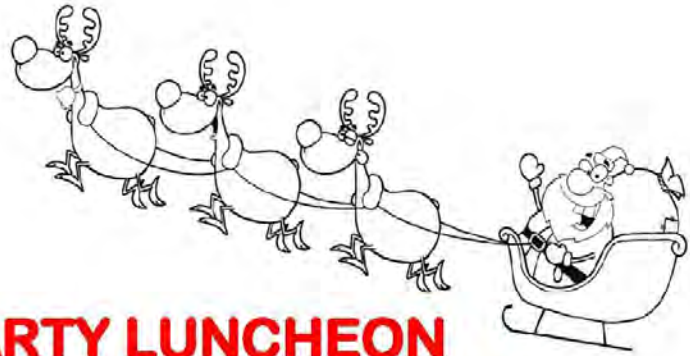
Buck's Farm



Invitation

to the

CHRISTMAS PARTY LUNCHEON



Where : Southport Bowls Club
Date : Thursday 28 November 2019
Time : 11.30am for 12 noon
Cost : \$20.00



RSVP and PAYMENT no later than
FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER 2019

Acceptance to this invitation cannot be received after this date due to booking requirements.

Alternate Drop of the following courses:

1. Roast Turkey, ham with roast vegetables, seasonal greens, gravy
2. Salmon fillet, herbed kipfler potatoes, seasonal greens, bearnaise
3. Xmas Pudding with brandy sauce
4. Apple pie with custard and vanilla ice cream

**PAY AT THE RECEPTION DESK
AND GET YOUR RECEIPT**

**All classes will be cancelled
and the Office closed on the 28 November 2019**

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***The Southport Community invites you to
the Dawn's Day Picnic***



***to thank Councillor Dawn Crichlow OAM
for all she has given to the community over
the past 28 years***

Sunday 17th November 2019

***Great Lawn, Broadwater Parklands,
Southport***

from 10am – 2pm with Dawn's time at 11.30am.

BYO everything – picnic, chair, blanket.

The Fish Shack will be open.

For information, contact Judith on deboertj@optusnet.com.au

Social Activities

CHRISTMAS MARKET DAY IN BRISBANE

Free Morning Tea



When: **SATURDAY 7 DECEMBER 2019**

Pick up: 8.15am outside the Southport RSL Club
(Terry's Tours)

Cost: **\$40.00**

Lunch: Can be purchased at one of the many venues
at your own expense today at Southbank.

\$5.00 deposit paid in full by FRIDAY 15 NOVEMBER

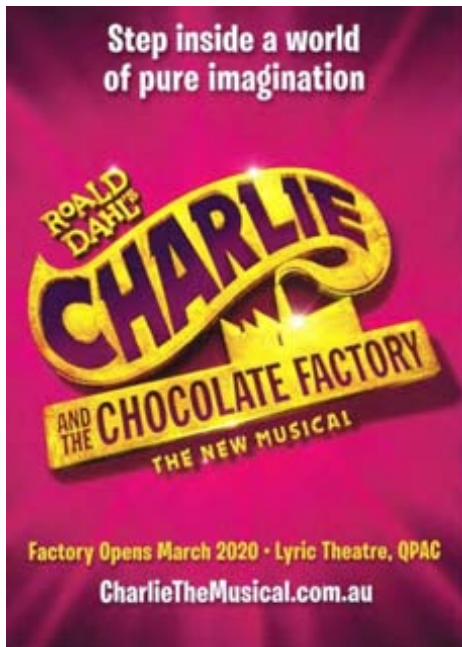
Stopping for a little bit of morning tea to get ready for some serious bargain hunting.

Firstly, we visit - **Marcia's on Montague** in West End, Queensland's largest gift, homeware and organics emporium - all top brands available.

Secondly, we make our way to the famous **Southbank Lifestyle Markets** where there are hundreds of stalls with unique gifts, fashion, home wares and collectables.

On the way home, we stop at The **Christmas Shack at Slacks Creek** where one of the largest ranges of Christmas decorations in Queensland can be found - ***you'll think you're in Santa's Workshop!***

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)