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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

The Annual General meeting for U3A Waverley Inc was held on March 16 in the multipurpose room. AGM's are often not the most exciting thing that members can spend their time on and, by their very nature, are often routine. It was thus very pleasing to see a large turnout of members for the event which went smoothly, with about 50 members attending. It was just wonderful to see members enjoying themselves just socialising over lunch – something we have not been able to do easily at U3A for some time.

Thank you for the support members gave to the management committee in re-electing all members of the previous committee who stood for re-nomination. We welcome Ali Adieva to the committee as the new Treasurer. A small presentation was made to Maree Brown – the retiring treasurer - after she had presented the treasurer's report for the previous year.

It was a pleasure to award Life Membership to Wendy Barker, Eleni Kouyias, Beverly Lovegrove, Gaynor Marsh, and Alison Sambell after 20 years of continuous membership. They are the first recipients of the new gold name tags.



Maree Brown

Our current enrolment is 584 active Members, 171 male and 413 female. These numbers are significantly below our pre-Covid enrolment situation when we anticipated crossing the 800 member milestone sometime during 2019! We are not rushing to build our membership up again, but will take a steady, incremental approach as we have in the past.

Thank you to all who have been so patient in adapting to all the new procedures we have had to introduce to keep our members as safe as possible under the in these Covid times, and to the restrictions some classes have had to face on classroom numbers. We will keep you informed when these restrictions can be eased.

Robert



OPERATIONAL DATES 2022

Term	Starts	Ends	Public Holidays
1	31 Jan	8 April	
2	26 April	24 June	Queen's Birthday 13 June
3	11 July	16 Sept	
4	3 Oct	2 Dec	31 Oct & 1 November— Melbourne Cup

*Hi everyone,
I am off to New Zealand in April to catch up with my family at long last. Cam Law will kindly do the May Newsletter, so please send all your contributions to him.*

Lorraine Erenstrom, Newsletter Editor.

NEW COURSES

U3A Waverley is delighted to announce that a couple of our new members have volunteered to run courses. These courses will appear on the U3A website and are now open for enrolment, with a limit of 10 in each course.

The Basics of Bookkeeping

An introductory course. Tutor –Ted White.

Wednesdays from 10 -11.30, commencing at the beginning of Term 2 (Wednesday 27th April).

This practical class will introduce beginners to the fundamentals of business and accounting. You will be shown how to keep basic financial records which you can use to develop a budget. Progress will be reviewed at the end of Stage One (6 weeks). The course will then progress according to your interests.

Creating and Publishing Your Own Story Book

Tutor – David Fraser. Thursdays 1:30 to 3:30 commencing in Term 3 for two terms.

David is an illustrator and published author. During the 18-week course, David will guide you through the process of creating and publishing your own 22 page book.

Spanish

There have been requests for a conversation class for those who speak Spanish. At present, a possible leader for the group is not available. It has been suggested that those who are interested in speaking the language should get together in Term 2 for sessions where they use the opportunity to spend some time together in conversation. Should you be a Spanish speaker and be interested in taking part in this group, please email your expression of interest and most suitable days and times of the week to Course Coordinator Sue at

bssturman@gmail.com

Please remember that there are still many courses of interest available for enrolment, such as the **Forensic Science Course** to commence in Term 2.

Sue Sturman, Course Coordinator

Life Members

As announced at the Annual General Meeting, the Committee of Management has agreed to further acknowledge Life Members of U3A Waverley [20 years continuous membership] by creating a gold membership tag with the words "Life Member" on it to replace the "standard" green membership tag. Those life members who were awarded life membership this year and were present at the Annual General Meeting were presented with their new membership tags at the meeting. Other life members can collect theirs at the office at their convenience.

Webmaster

The Committee of Management is pleased to announce that **Mr. Sadan Acharyya** has agreed to take over the responsibility of maintaining the U3A Waverley website and facilitating the use of the UMAS membership system from Geoff Fitzpatrick. We thank Sadan for his willingness to step into this essential position at this time, and we thank Geoff for all the work he has put in over the years to establish this role. He will continue to assist Sadan during the transition. Geoff will continue as Secretary.

Historian

Over the years one of our members, Bev Lovegrove, has maintained a very useful record of facts concerning U3A Waverley activities such as tutors, office bearers, etc. - material that is not recorded in UMAS. She has decided to relinquish this role and so the Committee of Management is seeking expressions of interest from any member who would be interested in continuing this work. The person appointed would have access to all the work that Bev has done for the last 12 years and would be responsible for keeping it up-to-date.

Please let me know on president@u3awaverley.org.au if you may be interested and we can have a chat.

Robert Taylor, President

Just because something is on Facebook doesn't necessarily mean it is true.

William Shakespeare.



Sandwich Board outside a café.

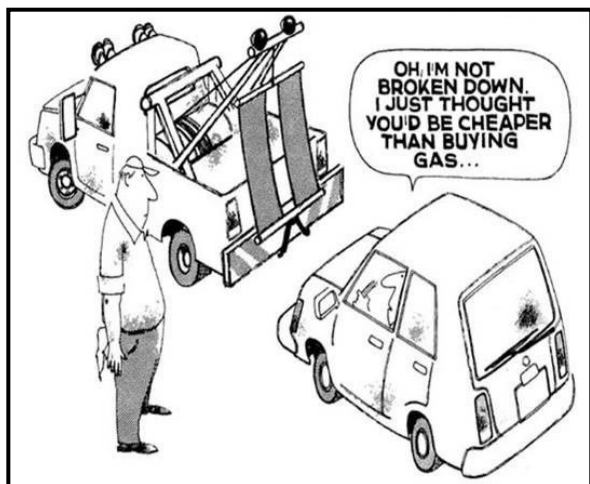
The more you weigh, the harder you are to kidnap. Stay safe, eat cake!

I am gonna quit my job and travel the world until I run out of money. I estimate I will be home by around 10pm this evening.

Beer is now cheaper than gas. Drink, don't drive.



Flirting with death.



Correct the Homophones

From Christine Archer

Our English Conversation class did this exercise a few weeks ago as part of a lesson to illustrate

homophones – words that sound alike, but usually have a different spelling.

Jerrold H Zar composed the original poem in 1992 to show that you can't always trust spell check: each word was spelt correctly. Since then, there have been many versions of the poem on the Internet, and this is the one we used. (Members of my class now have the cheat sheet, so if you)

Candy Date for a Pullet Surprise

I have a spelling chequer that came with my PC.

It plane lee marks four my revue miss takes aye can knot sea.

Eye ran this poem threw it, your sure reel glad two no.

Its vary polished in it's weigh, my checker tolled me sew.

A checker is a bless sing, it freeze me lodes of thyme.

It helps me right awl stiles two reed, and aides me when eye rime.

Each frays come posed up on my screen, Eye trussed too bee a joule.

The checker pours on every word too cheque sum spelling rule.

Bee fore a veiling checker's, hour spelling mite decline.

And if weir lacks oar have a laps, we would bee maid too wine.

Butt now bee cause my spelling is checked with such grate flare,

There are know fault's with in my site. Of nun eye am a wear.

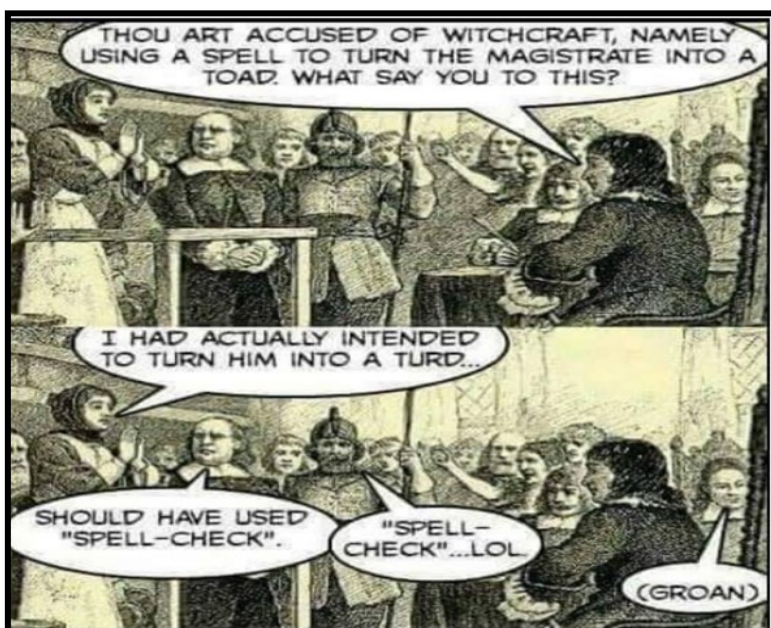
Now spelling does knot phase me, it does knot bring a tier

My pay purrs awl due glad den with wrapped word's fare as hear.

Too rite with care is quite a feet, of witch won should bee proud.

And wee mussed dew the best wee can, sew flaw's are knot aloud.

Sow ewe can sea why aye dew prays such soft wear four pea seas.



Notice at a car service centre

When one door closes another one opens.
Other than that it's a pretty good car.

