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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is hard to believe it is almost the end of the U3A Waverley year. Where did the weeks go!

As I look back on the year, I feel that we started the year very uncertain of what it would bring. Would there be further lockdowns? Would there be another devastating outbreak of Covid? Would members return to face to face classes at the Hub and The Notting Hill Hall?

After two years of keeping themselves separate from others, many members were rightly cautious of returning to an environment where they were in close proximity to many others for a substantial period of time. Slowly but surely, however, things have returned to a more normal state, with most classes now back at the Hub or the Notting Hill Hall and numbers in classes slowly increasing. We are not back to pre-Covid times yet – we are nearly 200 members smaller than before covid – but we are getting there! A giant thanks to all those who have kept us going during these challenging times.

The end of each year brings change to the organization as tutors decide that it is time for them to devote more time to themselves. We thank all those who are retiring this year for their skill and dedication – sometimes over many years. Without you we would not exist.

Enjoy the last few weeks of classes and don't forget to join us for the end-of-year celebration.

Best wishes

Robert



End of Year Celebration

This year we are having an end-of-year celebration for all U3A Waverley members on WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 7 in the Multipurpose Room at the Hub starting at 11:00 am.

There will be presentations by the Recorder Ensemble, the Choir, the Guitar Classes and from the "Creating an Illustrated Book" class. There will also be displays of artwork from the art classes and some traditional Christmas song singing.

This will be followed by a light lunch.

To assist with catering could members please contact the U3A office before close of business on **Friday November 12** and let the staff know if you are coming.

EXCITING NEW COURSES FOR 2023

Thanks to our members, we have several exciting new courses to offer you in 2023. Some of these are :

**A Digital Art Workshop
Walk and Talk,
MuseScore**

**Japanese conversation,
Colonisation and Indigenous Australia,
A new workshop for enthusiastic guitar players.**

If you would like to run a new course, please let Sue know as soon as possible at bssturman@gmail.com

A detailed email will be sent to all members about this enrolment process in early November.

Friday 2nd December	Final day of classes for 2022
Monday 5th December	Enrolments open from 9.00am Online
Wednesday 7th December	U3A End-of-Year Social celebration
Tuesday 13th December	Enrolment officers available 9077 2720 / 9399 6123
Wednesday 14th December	Payment session at the Office
Friday 16th December	Preferential enrolments close at midday
Monday 30th January 2023	2023 classes commence

All throughout dinner my wife's best friend's four year old daughter stared at me as I sat opposite her.



The girl could hardly eat her food for staring. I checked my shirt for spots, felt my face for food, and patted my hair in place, but nothing stopped her from staring at me.

Finally I asked her, "Why are you staring at me?"

Everyone at the table had noticed her behaviour, and the table went quiet, waiting for her response.

Finally.... The little girl said "I'm just waiting to see how you drink like a fish."



Look what happens when you cut down too many trees.

An eye for an eye only ends up making the whole world blind. **Mahatma Gandhi**

Friday Science is Changing Wednesdays 2.00pm to 4.00pm Next Year

The Science-based courses that have been running for many years on Friday mornings are moving to Wednesdays from 2:00 – 4:00 pm for next year. The courses for 2023 are:-

Introduction to Infectious Diseases 1st February – 10th May - Room 2.

Our recent experience with Covid-19 shows that Infectious diseases touch the lives of everyone on the planet. On a worldwide scale, infectious diseases account for 26% of all deaths, second only to cardiovascular diseases. Unlike chronic diseases, infectious diseases are unique in their potential for explosive global impacts.

Using a DVD-based lecture series as a base, over 12 weeks we will:-

- See how various types of infectious diseases invade the body;
- Look through the microscope at pathogens to identify their inner components;
- Follow germs through to different body systems and see what effects they have; and learn why we may be losing the battle against some germs.

Why you are who you are: Investigations into human personality - 16th August – 15th Nov

Wherever you go in life, you carry with you a large, complex set of traits, beliefs, emotional tendencies, motivations, and values that predispose you to respond to the world in certain ways. Some of these you share with virtually all other human beings; they're part of human nature. Others, however, differ greatly between one person and another, and they help create the kind of person you are - and the kind of life you lead.

Using a DVD-based lecture series as a base, over 12 weeks we will consider these questions, amongst others-

- Are you outgoing and highly social, or quiet and more inclined to spend time alone?
- Do you consider yourself organized or disorganized?
- Do you have more energy in the mornings or in the evenings?
- How much self-control would you say you have?

If Your Child Can Operate A Smartphone



They Can Use Any One Of These

OPERATIONAL DATES 2022

Term	Starts	Ends	Public Holidays
4	3 Oct	2 Dec	31 Oct & 1 November— Melbourne Cup

German Conversation Every Friday at Noon

Do you, or anybody you know, have German language in their family history? Or perhaps a little is left from your school days. Would you like to improve it? Come to our German Conversation sessions on Fridays at noon then. We read some simple texts, and then engage in conversation. We are a very helpful bunch.

Note: this is not an absolute beginners class. Please contact Elena on 0419365324, or email me on

ehartley1951@yahoo.com.au



Office Volunteers Needed

We are seeking extra volunteers to work in our U3A office. This is a great way for you to contribute to your

U3A, which is dependent on volunteers to operate successfully. Office volunteers work a morning and/or afternoon shift about twice per month and training is offered before you start. Familiarity with using computer software programs is necessary, as is a clear speaking voice for communicating with members, both on the phone and at the office. You can also choose Office Volunteer as one of our courses, and Jan will be in contact. Both males and females are most welcome. Enquiries phone **Jan Delaney on 9807 4861** to arrange an information session.



NOTICE ON A PUB BILLBOARD

WARNING —Alcohol consumption will make you believe you're whispering. I assure you. You are not.



Learn from the mistakes of others. You can never live long enough to make them all yourself. **John Luther**

Hmm, I found a strange piece of plastic on the floor that looks like it broke off something, but I have no idea what. Better save it in the junk drawer until I die.

Bookseller conducting a market survey asked a woman, "Which book has helped you most in your life?" The woman replied, "My husband's cheque book!"