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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

This is the last President's report for the year and, as is customary, I look back over what has happened in the last year and look forward to what might happen next year.

2022 saw us return to "post Covid" life at U3A with our facilities open for use again, initially with some uncertainty, but with increasing confidence of our ability to cope with whatever happens. Whilst enrolments were as expected, class attendances were initially low, but improved throughout the year. Classes that were on Zoom returned to the Hub. We end 2022 with an almost pre Covid external environment – may it continue into 2023! One thing, however, changed significantly towards the end of the year. After many years of requests and submissions to Council we have, at last, got a one way system of traffic in the Batesford Road car park! It is expected that this will significantly reduce the number of near misses and collisions that have occurred in recent months.

The end of each U3A year sees some tutors/conveners/facilitators deciding to retire. This year the number has been greater than most, with some long-term members retiring. It is pleasing to note, however, that we have many new courses commencing and that our range of activities is getting ever broader. A giant thank you to those leaving their teaching role at the end of the year. Your work is appreciated.

U3A Waverley is an organization that relies entirely on volunteers to keep it running. Some do up-front work, whilst many others work silently in the background. Do not ever underestimate how valued you all are. We would not be able to function without you!

On behalf of the Committee of Management may I wish you all a wonderful, happy and safe Christmas and New Year season. We look forward to seeing you in 2023.

Robert

Many New Courses to try in 2023

When exploring the course selections for next year, you will see most of your old favourites, but there are now even more new and exciting courses for you to try in 2023!

Thank you to all our tutors for the time they give to bring us such a wonderful selection.

Very best wishes to all for a happy, safe and enjoyable holiday season,

Sue

Armchair Travel

Thursday 2 February 2023
1.45 to 3.30pm 1st & 3rd weeks

For the New Year, Armchair Travel has been substantially upgraded with the use of the Chromecast system. The system provides fast access to a number of sites, including YouTube, Prime Video, iView and numerous others. This will enable a much wider up-to-date diversity of subjects & places.



The past use of DVDs has become restricted, as these were mainly recorded in the period 1990 to 2010. We are pleased to now expand and update our presentations.

ALL TRAVELLERS WELCOME.

Ray Wall, Tutor

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.



A woman had a problem with her wardrobe door in the bedroom. Every time a bus passes outside the house, the door of the wardrobe would fall off.

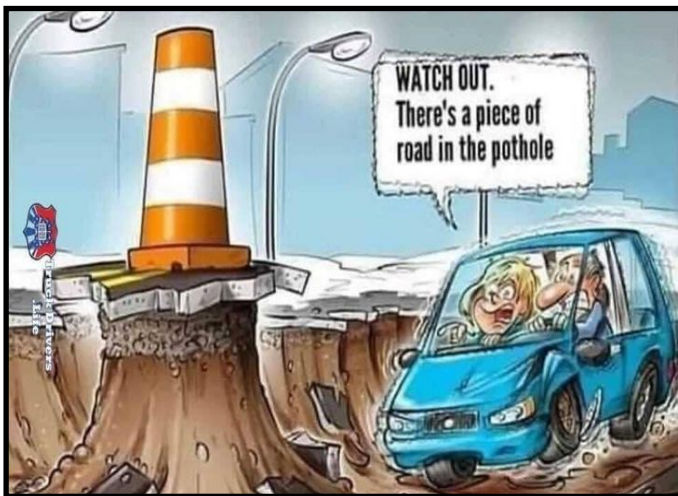


She called a repairman to try and fix the problem. The repairman comes, and he sees that indeed the door did fall off every time a bus passed by.

"Okay" said the repairman, "I'm going to step inside the wardrobe, you close the door behind me, 'till I see if I can detect what the problem is", and he steps into the wardrobe. The wife closes the door behind him,

At this point the husband suddenly arrives home, and finds his wife in the bedroom talking to somebody. He rushes upstairs and opens the wardrobe door, sees the repairman and shouts. "What the hell are you doing in there?"

The repairman meekly replies, "Well believe it or not, I'm waiting for a bus!"



Quote: Before you judge a man, walk a mile in his shoes. After that who cares?... He's a mile away and you've got his shoes! -*Billy Connolly*

Teacher: Johnny why are you doing your math multiplication on the floor.

Johnny: You told me to do it without tables.

Due to current economic conditions, the light at the end of the tunnel has been turned off.

My daughter wanted a Cinderella themed party so I invited all her friends over and made them clean my house.

Remember when you could refer to your knees as left and right? Instead of good and bad.



The most common ghosts are the ones that appear dressed in a white sheet with flailing arms.

These are people who died while changing their duvet covers and they are condemned to wander in bedrooms forever, trying to find the corners.