

WAVERLEY NEWS



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PRESIDENT'S REPORT

It is hard to believe that we are about to start term 4. Where did the year go?

It will soon be time to re-enrol for 2024. Planning is well underway for a new enrolment process which combines the best parts of the system we have used for the last three years – entirely online enrolment – and the system we used to have – entirely person-to-person enrolment. In addition, except for the practical music classes that have different classes for different levels of competence, enrolment will be on a first-come-first-served basis and preference will no longer be given to those who had been in a class before. To

first-served basis and preference will no longer be given to those who had been in a class before. To have the best chance of getting into the classes you want, you should enrol and pay membership fees as early as possible. Keep your eyes out for the details, which will be circulated in plenty of time for you to digest them before enrolments open, which is expected to be December 4.

Following the success of the end-of-year celebration last year, we plan to repeat it again this year, but on a larger scale. Once details of date, venue, etc. of this year's celebration are finalised each class will be asked if they want to make a presentation at the event – be it a display or a performance or a! Start chatting about it in your class!

At the present moment keep Wednesday December 13th free as a preferred date, but this is not yet firm.

Enjoy your classes for the rest of the year.

Robert

Notice to Members

Members will be well aware that, during October, they will be required to vote in a referendum on the Aboriginal and Torres Strait Islander Voice. It is clear from media reports that this proposal has caused divisions within communities. U3A Waverley is no different from any other community in this regard.

It has come to my attention that some members of our community have expressed their views on the matter to others in, what has been perceived, a most forceful way.

Could I request that all members recognize that opinions differ on the referendum and keep any discussion on the matter respectful.

Robert Taylor, President

OPERATIONAL DATES 2023

Term	Starts	Ends	Public Holidays
4	2 October		Melbourne Cup Holiday 6 and 7 November

U3A Waverley Courses 2024

In the next few weeks Kevin Delaney (Tutor Liaison Officer) and Sue Sturman (Course Coordinator) will be contacting all U3A tutors to find out which courses they will be running in 2024. There are still a few spare slots on the timetable, so there is the possibility of running new courses next year. If you would like to facilitate a course, please contact Sue with your proposal.

Email to course.coordinator@u3awaverley.org.au

Travel Offer

Some members may have received, or may receive, a travel brochure with the U3A emblem on both the front and back page from Sage Travel in Malvern. Please be advised that U3A has NOT given approval for its emblem to be used and does not, necessarily, endorse the tours or the company. U3A Victoria Network will be taking up the matter with the company Concerned.

Notices that keep going to Junk Mail

It was drawn to our attention by a member that if you do happen to have your U3A notices (or anything else) always going straight to your Junk Mail you need to keep shifting it to your Inbox, so that your computer realizes where it should go to.

These insults are from an era before the English language got boiled down to 4-letter words. Insults then, had some class!

"I am enclosing two tickets to the first night of my new play; Bring a friend, if you have one." *George Bernard Shaw to Winston Churchill*.

"Cannot possibly attend first night, I will attend the second...If there is one." Winston Churchill, in response,

"He had delusions of adequacy" - Walter Kerr.

"His mother should have thrown him away and kept the stork." *Mae West*

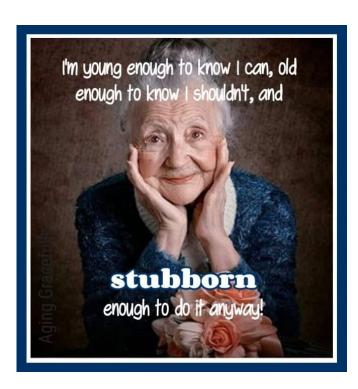
"He has all the virtues I dislike ...and none of the vices I admire" Winston Churchill

I used to spend so much time wondering if I was doing it right. Now I know that I'm just doing my best and that's enough.

OFFICE PHOTOCOPIER

Observant members will have noted that the photocopier in the office has been "retired" and has been replaced with a more efficient multifunction printer that better matches our new computer systems in the office.

The photocopier has been moved to the storeroom and we will need to dispose of it. If any member has a contact that could use the photocopier which still works OK, would they please leave a note at the office. The photocopier is free and comes with a couple .of cartridges. The new "owner" would have to arrange to remove it from U3A.



Melbourne Has Twelve Seasons

Winter
Fool's Spring
Second Winter
Spring of Deception
The Swooping
The Pollening
Actual Spring
Summer
Hell
False Autumn
Second Summer
Actual Autumn