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NEWSLETTER No. 18

CRESWICK & DISTRICT U3A INC. A0053344W

UNIVERSITY OF THE THIRD AGE

INVITE YOU TO ATTEND:

U3A GENERAL MEETING AND – MEMBERSHIP RENEWALS FOR 2013 – 2014

VENUE - R.S.L. HALL (NEXT TO THE CHEMIST.)

WHEN - THURSDAY 27TH JUNE 2013

TIME - 10 A.M. - 12-30 P.M.

Guest Speaker will be Richard Hutton President of The Creswick Museum. We will be taken by audio visual presentation over the Museum Collection and its Resources.

Time to mingle and chat over a Light Luncheon.

New members are very welcome.

Forms, Class Timetable available at meeting.

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President: Keith Robertson

Secretary: Bill Morrison

Vice-President: Helen Cook

Treasurer: Andrew Cossenas

FROM THE COMMITTEE

The Year Ahead

Our year runs from 1st July to 30th June so fees are due at the 27th June meeting. Looking back on the past year we see a diverse range of activities including bus trip to Werribee, Seniors day at the Red Beard Bakery, Leisurely Lunches, Four Steps for Life, Movies [which will now be substantially improved by the installation of a digital projector and sound system at the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre], Tai Chi, Back in the Game and numerous groups of leisure, learning and laughter.

The year ahead sees further activities with a proposed senior's week activity, a group trip to the Monet exhibition, new classes proposed including mosaics, a repeat of four steps for life, hosting tipplers [a social wine tasting group] which all members are invited to attend. Planting trees at Creswick North School, Tree planting at Ballarat Special School, Fruit tree pruning demonstration, [any member is invited to participate, photos will be used for publicity] as well as Guest speakers on a range of topics..

As a member you are also entitled to use U3A Online the first virtual U3A in the world there are a number of courses some of which have tutors and some are read only. These courses are compiled by professional tutors and are able to be done at your own pace from home. Log on to www.u3aonline.org.au to see the full list. Also available is Broadband for seniors a free course which teaches you how to get the most out of your computer. The website contains many links to sites of interest, security hints for safe internet use and other handy hints.

Through our participation in Network and Grampians regional meetings we are constantly updated in the workings of other u3as and comparing our own group to others, as well as getting feedback on potential classes.

Ever thought you might like to join our committee? It is not too demanding and very satisfying learning how u3a ticks. We welcome new members.

Your committee thank you for your participation and hope the year ahead is stimulating, satisfying and healthy for you all.

Hello Everyone,

Welcome to a new Term, which again provides a wonderful, stimulating program with Tutors offering both long and short courses, covering a wide range of topics and interests.

Each term I thank our Tutors for putting so much of their time and effort into preparing and presenting their classes. If it wasn't for our Tutors, there would be no Creswick U3A, so thanks again to each of you.

We have <u>new classes</u> commencing this term, Mosaics (short course), Table Tennis (weekly) and an <u>Expression of Interest</u> for anyone wishing to practise their CHESS skills. A tentative time and date for Chess is 10-12noon, 1^{st} TUESDAY of the month at John Curtin Hostel. Phone Helen on 5345 1405 if you are interested.

* As there will be a limited number of places for the <u>MOSAICS</u> class, could you please ring Elaine Clark on 5345 1161 by the 28th June, 2013, if you wish to express interest in these classes.

<u>New Projector and Screen</u> World Movies can now be viewed on a fabulous new large screen, through the newly purchased and roof mounted projector at the Neighbourhood Centre.

Creswick U3A now has a membership of over 80 and can proudly say that we have, in our region, one of the highest proportions of male members – 34% male & 66% female. We endeavour to provide classes to suit both sexes. With over 20 courses offered by Creswick U3A, I hope you find something of interest and I wish you enjoyment in whichever activities you choose for this Term.

Cheers, Helen Cook (Class Co-ordinator).





<u>The U3A Coach trip to Werribee Park Mansion and Open Range Zoo</u> Held in April was a day to remember for the Coach full of happy adventurers





WERRIBEE MANSION

WERRIBEE OPEN RANGE ZOO

As the U3A financial membership year is 30th June 2013 – 1st July 2014 (renewal fee **\$25**) don't forget to renew your membership at the **U3A General Meeting**, to be held at the **Creswick RSL Hall** on **Thursday 27**th **June 2013** at **10.00 am**. A light lunch will be provided.

Dates for your Diary.

27th June General Meeting (Renewal of U3A annual membership fee Speaker, Richard Hutton. President of the Creswick Museum. 10.00 am.

7th August MONET'S GARDEN Exhibition travel by train to the National Gallery Vic. Phone: Keith Robertson on 5345 8307 or Mobile 0457386076 for details.

19th September. Annual General Meeting details in the September Newsletter.

16th October. Tipplers further details September Newsletter.

October Seniors Week. Proposed Coach Trip, details September Newsletter

The Queensland Department of Primary Industries has hailed the newly developed **Queen Garnet Plum** as the next **superfruit.** The dark purple skin and flesh are loaded with **anthocyanin**, the antioxidant that gives blueberries their colour.



KEYS TO MY CAR !

Several days ago, as I was leaving a meeting at our church, I desperately patted down my pockets, looking for my car keys. I couldn't find them and a quick search of the meeting room revealed nothing ! Suddenly I realized I must have left them in the car. Frantically, I headed for the parking lot. My wife had scolded me many times for leaving keys in the ignition. My theory is, in the ignition is the best place not to lose them ! Her theory is that the car will be stolen! As I burst through the doors of the church I came to a terrifying conclusion. Her theory was right. The car park was empty ! I immediately rang the police, gave them my location, confessed that I had left my keys in the car and that it had been stolen. Then I made the most difficult call of all, "Honey", I stammered."I left my keys in the car and it has been stolen." There was a deep silence, I thought we had been cut off. Then I heard her voice. "Henry", she barked, "I dropped you off !" Now it was my turn to be silent. Embarrassed, I said, "Well, can you please come and get me ?" Her reply was, "I will as soon as I can convince this policeman I have not stolen your car." Yep, It's getting like that....

A man was sitting reading, on his front lawn, when he was startled by a car crashing through his hedge. He helped the elderly driver out and sat her on a chair. "My goodness" he exclaimed, "you are quite old to be driving!""Yes" she replied, "I am old enough that I don't need a license anymore. The last time I went to the doctor he examined me and asked if I had a Driver's License. I told him I did and handed it to him. He picked up the scissors, cut the license up and then threw the pieces in the wastebasket ! "You won't be needing that anymore", he said. So I thanked him and left !

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"What's in the bag ?" said Paddy. "I'm not going to tell you.' replied



Murphy. "Go on,please do," said Paddy. "Ah, alright then it's ducks, says Murphy."If I guess how many ducks you have in the bag, will you give me one ?' enquired Paddy. "Look", said Murphy. 'If you guess the correct number you can have **both** of them. "Five !" said Paddy triumphantly

OFF YOUR OWN BAT !

Cricket, as befits the English national game, permeates the English Language: To play a straight bat, to be on a sticky wicket, to play oneself in, to be stumped (for an answer), to hit someone for six, it's not cricket, to field an awkward question...

When a man celebrates his 100th birthday, he is said to *reach his century*, or *be 100 not out*. A *hat trick*, now commonly used of any three victories or successes in a row, is most strongly associated with its original cricketing sense-three wickets taken by bowler was formerly rewarded with a new hat in honour of his achievement, or that the captain would pass his hat round after the game to take a collection to present to the bowler. Finally, the phrase *off one's own bat* probably originates in the game of cricket too where the stronger of the two batsmen will sometimes play in such a way as to face the bowling all the time- intending that all the runs should be scored *off his own bat*.

VALE TONY BARRETT.

'What a Man !' the company of whom we enjoyed at Cryptic Crossword Days. I believe that Tony guided many 'minds' to the joy of solving Cryptics. I remember on my first visit to his home being impressed by the sight of a table piled with dictionaries, waiting for the next Cryptic Crossword Day. How fortunate we are to have known Tony and shared his company.

Norma Derbyshire.

PAYMENT OF FEES BY DIRECT DEPOSIT

We are pleased to see a number of our members are using this convenient method of payment. Just pop into the Bendigo Bank and the friendly staff will help you fill in a payment form which will go directly into the U3A account. Deposit directly to: **Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000 Account No. 137 271 003** Please make sure your name is on the pay information.

Please check the Website for Movie list for next term and news updates.

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MONDAY

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Time	Date	Subject	Venue	Convenor
10-12	First Monday of Each Month Jul 1; Aug 5; Sep 2	First Monday Book Club	Library	Helen Cossenas 5345 2853 0428 151 208
9-11 am	Second & Fourth Monday Jun 24; Jul 8,22; Aug 12,26 Sep 9	Bush Walking	Various Locations	Helen Cossenas 5345 2853
10-12	Second & Fourth Monday Jun 24; Jul 8,22; Aug 12,26 Sep 9	Creswick History	Library	Geoff Fiddian 5345 8295
10-12	Third Monday of each Month Jun 17; Jul 15; Aug 19; Sep 16	Writers Group	Library	Rhonda Fawcett 5476 6227
1-3 pm	Weekly June 17 to September 2nd	Mahjong	Bill Huntly Room	Gail Ryan 5345 2360
1-3 pm	1 st & 3 rd Monday Jun 17; Jul 1,15; Aug 5,19; Sep 2	Cryptic Crosswords	C'wick N'hood Centre	Malcolm Mitchell 5345 2568

TUESDAY

10-12 (2 nd) 1-3 (4 th wk)	Second & Fourth Tuesday Jun 25; Jul 9,23; Aug 13,27; Sep 10	Heritage Fruit	20 Gardiner St C'wick,	Keith Robertson 5345 8307
3.30-4.30	Weekly June 18 th to September 3th	Back in the Game	Neighbourhood Centre Hall	Bill Morrison 5345 2995
4.40-6.10	Weekly June 18 th to September 3th	Tai Chi	Neighbourhood Centre Hall	Instructor U3A 0459 981 066

WEDNESDAY

10.00-noon	Weekly June 19 th to September 4th	Poker	2a Bell St, Creswick	Andrew Cossenas 5345 2853
1.00-3.00	Weekly	500 Card Game	2a Bell St, Creswick	Andrew Cossenas
	June 19 th to September 4th			5345 2853
1.00-3.00	Weekly	Knitting Group	Neighbourhood Centre	Tracey O'Brien
	June 19 th to September 4th			5345 2313

THURSDAY

1-3 pm	First & Second Thursday July 4,11; Aug 1, 8; Sep 5,12	World Movies	Creswick Neigh- bourhood Centre	Earl Ingleby 5345 2785
1-3 pm	Third Thursday Jun 20; Jul 18; Aug 15; Sep 19	Australian History	Library	Bill Morrison 5345 2995
1-3 pm	Fourth Thursday Jun 27; Jul 25; Aug 22 nd ; Sep 26	Philosophy for Beginners	Library	Bill Morrison 5345 2995
2-3 pm	Weekly June 20 th to September 5th	Meditation for Relaxation	5 Camp St, Creswick	Paul Ford 5345 8280 0412 149 423

FRIDAY

9.30-11 am	Weekly June 21st to September 6th	Coffee & Current Affairs	Cocoa Chy, Albert St, Creswick	Helen Cossenas 5345 2853
2.00-3.00	Weekly June 21 st to Sep 6th	Table Tennis	1 Carter St, Broomfield	Andrew C -5345 2853
2.00-3.00	4 th Friday of Month Jun 28; July 26th; August 23rd	Computer Interest Group	20 Gardiner St, C'wick	Keith Robertson

SATURDAY

11.30 Info	Monthly 1st Saturday	Leisurely Lunches	Various Locations	Helen Cossenas
Ctre Car Pk	Jul 6; Aug 3; Sep 7; Oct 5; Nov 2		(see below)	0428 151 208

* Jul 6th, Smokey Town Cafe, C'wick * Aug 3rd, Captain's Creek Winery – Blampied * Sep 7th, Radio Springs Hotel - Lyonville

* Oct 5th, Penny School Gallery/Cafe – Maldon * Nov 2nd, Colliban Food store, Trentham *Dec 7th, U3A Christmas Party