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Deadline for June 2018 Newsletter - 10th June

From the Committee

At this time next year Creswick and District U3A will be **10 years old**, the committee are planning an event to celebrate this milestone.

Those of us who met at the Neighbourhood Centre all those years ago could never have imagined the journey it would take.

Thanks to a dedicated band of volunteers, tutors and committee members we have provided a platform for social, mental and physical stimulation, while having a laugh along the way.

It is very encouraging to look through our membership and see that about 75% of those original members are still with us.

A few of us have also been tutors since those first days {even if not in the same subjects} this willingness to contribute and share is what sets U3A apart from all other voluntary organisations.

Our group recently took part in the **new residents meeting** at the town hall, it was a very successful event with 54 attending and 15 new residents. A couple had travelled long distances to find out about the place they have chosen to live.

Next meetings are July 28th and October 27th. Volunteers to set up and welcome new residents would be appreciated.

We would also like to say **welcome** to those new residents who joined U3A on the day. We hope you get full value from your membership.

The Book of Moses starts 4th May there are still vacancies for this course register now to take part.

Expressions of interest are being sought for **An introduction to Tarot** reading, this will be held over 13 weeks, register your interest now.

Introduction to Patchwork and Quilting by Hand

this consists of 6 x 2 hour lessons

Week 1 Drafting, Cutting and Piercing a nine patch block.

Week 2 Curved piercing & using commercial templates.

Week 3 Setting in pieces.

Week 4 Applique techniques.

Week 5 Techniques for putting blocks together to make a quilt and catching up.

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COMMITTEE

PresidentDoug McCallum

Vice President..... Bill Morrison

SecretaryAnne Chamberlain

Treasurer Andrew Cossenias

Members.....Elaine Clark, Adele Morrison, Paul Ford

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Week 6 Hand quilting and how to prepare quilt.

There is a list of requirements for the course which will be sent out to those who register.

Backgammon is under way Mondays 10.00-12.00 in the hall, it is a fascinating game of strategy, luck and skill. Beginners welcome it is not too late to join.

May Movies are **Newsfront** on the 3rd and **The Pianist** on the 10th.

Newsfront is a particularly fine piece of Australian cinema and David Stratton's pick of the best we have made.

The Pianist is the true story of Wladyslaw Szpilman. A Polish Jewish musicians struggle to survive the destruction of the Warsaw ghetto of World War II. Directed by Roman Polanski.



Leisurely Lunch at Quoin Hill Winery

Great Food

Great Wine

and

Awesome Company

Important- Please read and keep for reference.

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Committee members and Tutors are happy to receive your enquiries.

Membership Fees.

\$ 5. 00 Administration Fee (once only) is paid by all New Members.

\$25.00 Annual Membership Fee is for the period from 1st July- 30th June each year.

\$15.00 Half year – From 1st January each year.

\$10.00 Associate Member. (Being a current full member of another U3A.)

A General Meeting is held in June each year for Renewal of Membership Fees.

Fees and other monies can be paid at the meeting or by-

Direct Deposit at the Bendigo Bank BSB 633 000 Account Number 137 271 003

By Post- P.O. Box 434. CRESWICK 3363 or paid to a Committee Member.

Creswick & District U3A Committee Meetings are held on the 4th Thursday of each month 3.30 p.m.-5.00p.m. Sharp, at the Creswick Neighbourhood Centre. Members are welcome to attend.

New Members are accepted and new Name Tags are ordered at Committee Meetings.

NAME TAGS are requested to be worn at all U3A activities.

Please fill in your emergency medical details on the I.C.E (In Case of Emergency.) card.

Bring your name tag with you. Some members leave Name Tags in the Glove Box for easy access.

NEWSLETTER is distributed by –

Email. Printed in colour. Also available on the website-www.creswicku3a.com

if you have an Email address, all updates/information will be forwarded to your Email as received.

POST. Printed in black and white. Please allow a week for postal delivery.

You may have a friend who has Email access and is happy to pass on any distributed information to you.

Or we can link you up with a member who has Email access.

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**And
Everyone
Thought
Scrabble
Players
Were
Serious**

Publicise your event or activity by sending some photos to “u3a3363@gmail.com” for publication in our Newsletter.

THE INSIDE JOKE

A man comes home from work one day to find his dog with the neighbour's pet rabbit in his mouth. The rabbit is very dead and the guy panics. He thinks the neighbours are going to hate him forever, so he takes the dirty, chewed-up rabbit into the house, gives it a bath, blow-dries its fur, and puts the rabbit back into the cage on the neighbour's back porch, hoping that they will think it died of natural causes.

A few days later, the neighbour is outside and asks the guy, "Did you hear that Fluffy died?"

The guy stumbles around and says, "No.. umm.. no.. I didn't. what happened?"

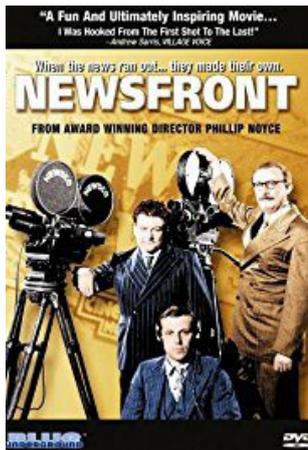
The neighbour replies, "We just found him dead in his cage one day, but the weird thing is that the day after the kids buried him in the backyard we went outside and someone had dug him up, gave him a bath and put him back into the cage. There are some real sick people out there!"

Women are Angels.
And when someone breaks
our wings,
We simply continue to fly....
On a broomstick.
We're flexible like that.

**A DOG ACCEPTS
YOU AS THE BOSS...
A CAT WANTS TO
SEE YOUR RESUME**

**IF A MAN IS ALONE
IN THE FOREST
WITH NO WOMEN
TO HEAR HIM
IS HE STILL WRONG?**

U3A Creswick Exploring World Cinema program for May, June & July 2018



Thursday May 3rd - Newsfront

This 1978 film directed by Philip Noyce and based on fact is a must see. Voted by David Stratton as the best Australian movie ever made. Starring Bill Hunter, Gerrard Kennedy and Wendy Hughes it contains some very historic footage of Australian events. One of Harrison Ford's favourite films. When Phillip Noyce was chosen to direct Patriot Games (1992), Ford asked the producers who the director was because he had never heard of him before (and he had the power to veto a director he didn't like or know). He was told that Noyce directed Dead Calm (1989), which was a big hit but Ford wasn't familiar with the movie. But when he asked about other films directed by Noyce and Newsfront (1978) was mentioned, he said he loved that movie and trusted the studio with their choice of director.

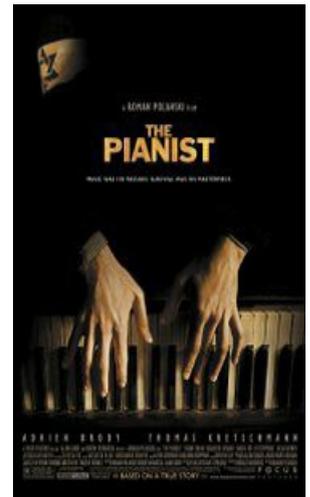
The Pianist Thursday May 10th.

Produced in 2002 Directed by Roman Polanski and nominated for 7 Academy Awards [Winner of 3] Best Actor [Adrien Brody] Best Director [Polanski] and Best Screenplay [Ronald Harwood].

It was nominated for 73 other awards and won 55 including A BAFTA Award for Best Film and BAFTA Award for Best Direction in 2003, seven French Césars, including Best Picture, Best Director, and Best Actor for Brody. Won the Palme d'Or at the 2002 Cannes Film Festival. It was included in BBC's 100 Greatest Films of the 21st Century.

It is based on the autobiographical book The Pianist, a World War II memoir by the Polish-Jewish pianist and composer Władysław Szpilman. The film was a co-production between France, the United Kingdom, Germany, and Poland. It received wide critical acclaim. You will find yourself thinking about this movie long after it finishes.

Warning This is a very long movie 2 hours 3/4 hours. **Due to its length we will be starting at 12.45**



Maos Last Dancer Thursday June 7th

"Mao's Last Dancer" is the inspiring true story of Li Cunxin and his extraordinary journey from a poor upbringing in rural China to international stardom as a world-class ballet dancer. Based on the best selling autobiography, the film weaves a moving tale about the quest for freedom and the courage it takes to live your own life. It compellingly captures the struggles, sacrifices and triumphs, as well as the intoxicating effects of first love and celebrity amid the pain of exile.

He moved to Melbourne in 1995 with his wife, dancer Mary McKendry, to join The Australian Ballet as a Principal Artist. Li retired from dancing in 1999, at the age of 38, but maintained his strong ties to the ballet community.

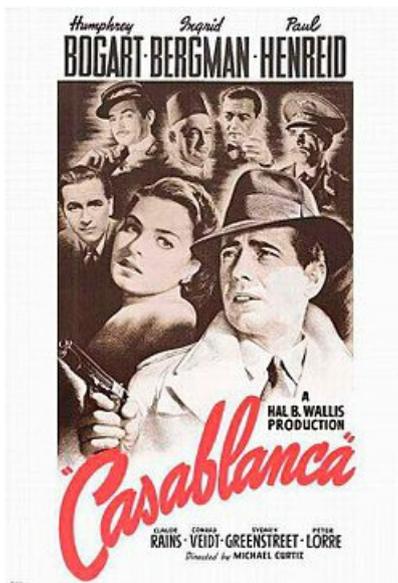
Following his performing career, Li worked in the finance industry as a senior manager at Bell Potter, one of the largest stockbrokers in Australia. Until his appointment as the Artistic Director of Queensland Ballet, Li sat

on the board of The Australian Ballet from 2005 and the Bionics Institute.

In 2003, Li published his international best-selling autobiography, Mao's Last Dancer, which has received numerous awards and was adapted as a feature film in 2009. Li was Queensland's Australian of the Year 2014.

Li's contribution to the arts continues to be acknowledged despite his retirement from the stage. In 2008 Li was awarded an Honorary Doctorate by the Australian Catholic University for his contribution to dance and literature. In 2015 he was named as one of the Asia Society's Asia Game Changers recognising remarkable people who have made a difference in the world. Li was honoured for his art, his courage and his cultural diplomacy. In 2016 he was awarded an Honorary Doctorate from Griffith University for his services to ballet, the arts and the wider community.

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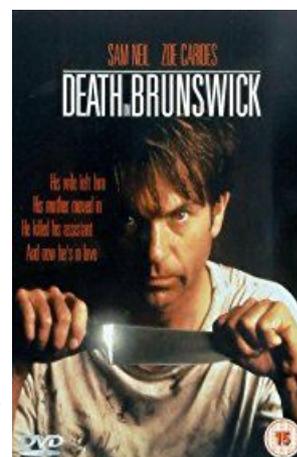
Casablanca - Thursday June 14th 1.00 pm

This 1942 movie directed by Michael Curtiz is based on Murray Burnett and Joan Alison's unproduced stage play Everybody Comes to Rick's. The film stars Humphrey Bogart, Ingrid Bergman, and Paul Henreid; it also features Claude Rains, Conrad Veidt, Sydney Greenstreet, Peter Lorre, and Dooley Wilson. Set during contemporary World War II, it focuses on an American expatriate who must choose between his love for a woman and helping her and her husband, a Czech Resistance leader, escape from the Vichy-controlled city of Casablanca to continue his fight against the Nazis. Casablanca went on to win the Academy Award for Best Picture, while Curtiz was selected as Best Director and the Epsteins and Koch were honoured for writing the Best Adapted Screenplay – and gradually its reputation grew. Its lead characters, memorable lines, and pervasive theme song have all become iconic and the film consistently ranks near the top of lists of the greatest films in history.

Death in Brunswick - Thursday July 5th.

Death in Brunswick is an acclaimed 1990 black comedy/romance starring Sam Neill, Zoe Carides and John Clarke. Set and filmed in Brunswick, Melbourne, it deals with a humble chef, Carl (Neill) who gets a job at a sleazy nightclub owned by Yanni Voulgaris (Nicholas Papademetriou). He begins a relationship with the Greek-Australian barmaid, Sophie (Zoe Carides), which soon brings him into trouble with his employers and her strict father. His drug dealing Turkish-Australian co-worker, Mustafa (Nick Lathouris), is beaten up by the Greek-Australian owners. Thinking Carl told them, Mustafa attacks Carl. Carl accidentally stabs and kills him.

David Stratton and Margaret Pomeranz, film critics for The Movie Show awarded the film four-and-a-half stars out of five. Stratton described the film as "a black comedy which isn't afraid to take risks, to shift moods, to push to the limit"



Bridge of Spies - Thursday 12th July

During the Cold War, an American lawyer is recruited to defend an arrested Soviet spy in court, and then help the CIA facilitate an exchange of the spy for the Soviet captured American U2 spy plane pilot, Francis Gary Powers.

Stars: Tom Hanks, Mark Rylance, Alan Alda. Director: Steven Spielberg

Made in 2015 and based on true events this movie received 99 nominations for various awards winning 30, including the Oscar for best supporting actor for Mark Rylance. and a BAFTA for Mark Rylance he was also nominated for many of the film critics awards and won quite a number.

Exploring World Cinema, Creswick Neighbourhood House 1st and 2nd Thursday each month

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DATES TO REMEMBER

May 2018

- 3rd - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 5th - *Grapes Hotel - Grant St Ballarat*
- 10th - *Exploring World Cinema*

June 2018

- 7th - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 2nd - *The Pig and Whistle - East Trentham*
- 14th - *Exploring World Cinema*

July 2018

- 5th - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 7th - *Ripples on the Res - Maryborough*
- 12th - *Exploring World Cinema*

August 2018

- 2nd - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 4th - *Leisurely Lunch*
- 9th - *Exploring World Cinema*

September 2018

- 1st - *Leisurely Lunch*
- 6th - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 13th - *Exploring World Cinema*

October 2018

- 4th - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 6th - *Leisurely Lunch*
- 11th - *Exploring World Cinema*

November 2018

- 1st - *Exploring World Cinema*
- 3rd - *Leisurely Lunch*
- 8th - *Exploring World Cinema*



Leisurely Lunch venues may occasionally change due to circumstances out of our control

Are you aware??????

In your Name Tag Holder is an "In Case of Emergency" form that maybe of benefit if it's filled out.