

## E Newsletter Extra September 2012



Judy Walker, Helen Todhunter and Di Bloomfield enjoying the "best coffee in town" at the bakery

**Pomona Bus Trip:** On Tuesday 11th September we finally achieved our aim of getting to Pomona after missing out in February due to flooding in Pomona and a bus driver who went to the wrong park & ride to pick some of us up last Tuesday. We were late getting to our destination but finally got to see a very funny silent movie and were impressed with the skill of the theatre organist, then off to have lunch in a very busy town. We visited the Art Galleries, shops, and eateries and enjoyed the beautiful spring day.

Theatre Tickets: There are a number of <u>Driving Miss Daisy</u> tickets to be either picked up from the office or if this is not possible please call the office and have the tickets posted out. I will be taking the tickets for <u>South Pacific</u> into the office Monday mid morning. Please pick up all tickets from the office this week or ask for them to be posted out. This week is the last for Term 3 and after Friday tickets not collected will be placed in the safe.

<u>U3A Office Holiday times:</u> The office will be staffed between 9:00am and 12 noon Monday to Friday from Monday 24th September 2012 to Friday5th October 2012. No classes will be held during this time unless your Tutor tells you otherwise. Term 4 commences Monday 8th October 2012. Have a happy and peaceful break.

Class Schedule and Social Calendar: On Saturday 15th September the mailout Team got together to label and sort the Class Schedule and Social Calendar (previously called Newsletter) for posting on Monday 17th. Those of you who have asked for a hard copy should receive the booklet sometime this week. The class schedule for Term 4 will be available on the web site <a href="https://www.u3abrisbane.org.au">www.u3abrisbane.org.au</a> from Monday. You do not need an email address to access the web page, you just need a computer and access to the internet.

War Horse Tickets There has been a steady flow of ticket purchases for this excellent production which will be showing in July 2013. Last Friday, there were only 9 tickets left, so if you are thinking about coming, time is running out. Unfortunately, we cannot hold tickets for anyone. You need to visit or call the office and pay for the tickets when you book.

Please remember that you can pay for all transactions on the phone.

## From Griffiths University Students; Sheridan & Steven

My social enterprise class is holding a showcase on October 19th at University. I know there were quite a few of us that did our placement at U3A and I know Steven is basing his project for the showcase on the stories that his class wrote. I thought it would be nice to maybe advertise it in the newsletter or something? I know, my class is thinking about coming, and thought maybe others would as well.

When: Friday, October 19th 2012 Time: 3:00pm - 5:00pm

Where: Griffith University, Nathan Campus N16\_0.03, 0.06 and 0.08

**Description:** The Social Enterprise Showcase in an event put together by students at Griffith University who are studying a Bachelor of Arts and minoring in Social Enterprise. The presentations that will be on at this event will allow us to show you what we have learnt throughout our degree; to share our passions and interests. Come alone and you might just learn something too! The showcase allows us to learn about putting together a large event, connect with other people within our community, and share things that we care about. There will be book launches, videos, art, presentations, theatre performance, music and free food.

## **U3A Let's Walk Group News**

During the last week of August the walking group went to Noosa to do some walks in the region. We call it our yearly "camp", but we like a little comfort, so we stayed in cabins at a caravan park, and not in tents. There were 24 of us. The oldest member of our group, Dorothea, is 87, and we "younger" members look to her for inspiration and hope we'll still be walking at that age. Good on you Dorothea!

On our first day, we walked in the Noosa National Park, and of course at the finish we had to visit the famous Hastings Street for a coffee or an ice-cream. We must have looked an odd lot beside the glamorous holidaymakers from Melbourne. On our second day, we walked in Tewantin State Forest, and then climbed Mt Tinbeerwah. Well, we didn't have to climb the whole way, because we could drive nearly to the top, and then we walked all the stairs (I didn't count them, but there were a lot) to the top and had a wonderful view. The photo shows us on the viewing platform. On our third and last walking day, we caught the barge to Noosa North Shore, and did part of the Cooloola Great Walk. Some of that went through forest, some through heathland, and some along the beach. The heathland was covered in wildflowers, a beautiful sight

The accommodation and the walks were organised by two of our walkers, Mike and Bob. Thanks to them and to the weather (over which they had no control, of course), we had a great week.



The Walking Group was one of the first groups to join U3A and has been continually active during the life of U3A Brisbane. If you would like to join us, look in the next class schedule, under the Southside entries. We are in the Southside section because that is where we first started, but we meet and do walks all over Brisbane Kay Andersen

The formidable walking group. Kay is the lady under the red hat and behind the glasses