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With October now upon us, 2015 is fast coming to an end. Where has the year gone?

The natives in my garden are now flowering and they are a wonderful sight. There are many interesting flowers on display at this time of year so feel free to send me your favourite pics and I will feature them in the newsletter.

I hope that you had an enjoyable break and come back for Term 4 looking forward to returning to class.

President's News

From Marilyn Wagland:



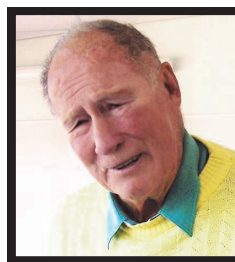
With classes starting next Tuesday I do hope that you have had a really restful break and are looking forward to returning to U3A to catch up with your friends.

There is a wide variety of classes to choose from, so if your first choice is not available, I encourage you to try something different for a change.

Don't forget the need to bring your membership card to classes to confirm your current membership status. Speaking about membership fees, it would greatly assist the office staff if you could manage to pay your membership fees ahead of the rush. If you pay now, you will be covered until January 2017. It eases the workload for the office volunteers, so early payment would be much appreciated. The annual fee is still just \$40.00 which is very reasonable. The class cost will stay at \$5.00. Have a wonderful Term 4.

Vale Nick Bricknell

From Logan District:



We are very sad to inform you that Nick Bricknell passed away on Sunday, 27th September. Nick was a long time Tutor at Logan. His warmth and enthusiasm captivated students during his classes on Mythology, Exploring English,

Ideologies, Philosophy and Cartooning. Nick persisted despite illness and pain right up to Term 3 when he had planned another Cartooning class. He was loved by his many students and will be greatly missed.

Computer News

From Gwenn Ball

NEW COURSE:

A GENUINE INTRODUCTION TO COMPUTERS

Tutors:- Sue Howe 3395 6634

Joan Bovey 3855 9979 (alternative number)

Members do not have to have a computer at home to do this course. U3A Brisbane has computers with the latest technology installed for students to explore the world of computers.

- TRY BEFORE YOU BUY
- NO EXPERIENCE NECESSARY
- ALL NEW COMERS WELCOME
- HANDOUTS PROVIDED

Where: Creek Street

When: Thursday 9a.m. – 10.30 a.m.

Course Starts: 8th October - 10th December

Cost: \$60

Join the U3A Publisher Class!

In a fun, relaxed, hands-on workshop learn how to make cards, calendars, stationery, labels, attractive family newsletters or histories, decorative posters or anything you can imagine.

The course is 1 class per week Tuesday 10:45am over 2 terms but, as the course is offered twice each year it is possible to do the first half in one semester and complete it in another.

Class notes compiled as easy to follow step-by-step instructions are provided.

See more details on-line.

C140 ADVANCED ANDROID WORKSHOP

This Advanced Android Workshop is for people who are comfortable using their Android phones, have attended Des Taylor's beginner's class (or don't need to) and would like to explore the capabilities of these phones further by sharing problems and experiences with others with a similar level of expertise. Topics covered: Privacy/Security; Search Engines & Apps; Maps & GPS; Camera & Photos; e-books and more. Please note that this workshop is not for beginners – there is no tutor.

The course is for 5 weeks only. Cost: \$25

Tuesday 2.15pm - 3.45pm 5 weeks. Course starts 6th Oct - 3rd Nov Creek St Computer Lab.

Logan District News

From Jean Townsend:

Welcome to Term 4. The local committee wish you a productive and enjoyable time leading up to year-end when we will celebrate at the Christmas party on 8th December.

This term, a Card Making class starts on Wednesdays, 1pm at Marsden Library. Following on his movie-making classes, Bill Bohlen is starting a weekly videographers group Tuesdays at 11, and Wendy has a new Light room class for beginners on Mondays. Lois Beedie has decided to cancel the 500 Cards group due to insufficient enrolments but may restart in 2016.

We are expecting many more new classes and activities next year. Don't miss the U3A Winter School Video Highlights at Logan North Library. They start at 1pm on 19th October when we will show Professor Ian Frazer's keynote address. There are five separate lectures, the pick of the bunch. See the website and class lists for dates and details. Members are invited to come on a casual basis to whichever lectures interest them most.

Brisbane City Campus News

From Gail Hawkins

Contact: tutors@u3abrisbane.org.au

We are fortunate to have a successful musician offer to start Finger Style Guitar Lessons from Term 1 next year. Blues & popular songs will be arranged with tab music for beginners to advanced players. I would like to get an idea of members interest in this course and whether you would be a beginner, intermediate or advanced player.

Tutors put considerable time and effort into their class preparation, so need to have a certain number of student enrolments to proceed with the class. The following Term 4 classes have vacancies & some will have to cancel their classes if they don't get additional students. Please take a look at these classes to see if any are of interest to you - you can view the detailed class description in the Term 4 Class Schedule.

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Monday Classes:

- . M19 Music - What is Music?
- . E21 Take a 2nd Look at World Affairs
- . E15 Cultural Diversity
- . X89 Community Development
- . J136 English for Speakers of other Languages
- . P18 The Photography Group

Tuesday Classes

- . S18 Sustainable Environment
- . X87 The Final Exhibition through Informed Self Self Empowerment

Thursday Classes

- . X82 Film Storytelling - Remakes
- Friday Classes
- . E23 Climate Change, what is it and what should we do about it
- Good luck tutors, I hope you all get the student numbers you require for your classes to proceed.

IT Group News

From Helen Carberry:

The next IT Group session will be held on Saturday 10th October at U3A 344 Queen Street premises, 10 am to 12 noon. Ben Lindeboom will present a session on Adobe Photoshop.

The Queen Street venue is a short walk from 97 Creek Street. Walk towards Queen Street, turn left at the ANZ Bank and 344 Queen Street is on the left just past the Subway shop. Take the escalators to the first floor. If the escalators are not working, you can take the lift which will be operated by a volunteer with a security key until 10 am only. Please call 3162 8850 if you need assistance.

To attend this session, you can enrol online at the U3A website. All you need is your membership number and surname as follows:

1. Go to the IT Group page on the U3A Brisbane website: www.u3abrisbane.org.au/index.php/groups/it-group (or navigate from the top menu via Groups > IT Group)
2. Click on the Next Meeting button near the bottom of the IT Group page.
3. On the Meeting Details page, click on Enrol for this Meeting. Enter your member number and surname when requested. Your enrolment will be confirmed and you will receive an email confirmation.

If you have enrolled but can no longer attend this session please go through the above process again but click Withdraw Enrolment.

You can also enrol by logging in to the website as previously. In this case you will not be asked for your Member Number.

Let me know if you have any problems with this.
Helen Carberry

U3A IT Group Co-ordinator
itgroup@u3abrisbane.org.au

Social Committee News

From Helen Dubois:

Bookings for the Christmas Lunch (Ithaca Room, City Hall at 11:45 for 12 noon) have exceeded expectations and there is possibly only one spare seat left and we have the maximum 20 tables. It is very gratifying. Thank you.

For those who would still like to come, we could probably accept some reserves based on the what happens so often - People get sick or life intervenes and our plans have to be changed. We will refund your payment up to 2 weeks prior to the function . This is when we could take on a reserve. If you wish to give this a try you will not have to pay unless you get a seat at a table.

The trip to Stradbroke Island was most enjoyable with perfect weather and a really lovely venue. Everyone had a good time and we will do it again next year.



Please call myself or Barbara Scott if you have any queries about the Christmas Lunch.

Helen Dubois

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U3A 30-year History Project

from Ian Lipke & Josephine Brown

Your input is needed for the U3A 30-year History Project.

Did you know? U3A's past President Ian Lipke is collating a history of U3A in Brisbane to mark its 30th anniversary next year.

This is not only a record of an important part of Brisbane's history, but it will also show how far we've come since 1986, and will recognise the achievements of the amazing people who have performed low-cost (or no-cost) miracles along the way.

To make this history as complete as possible, we need your help in two areas to:

1: Acknowledge your contribution -

Unfortunately, all minutes of monthly Management Committee meetings during the years 1986 to 2008 have disappeared. Other records of any significance, if there were any, have not been found either. The information we seek—who tutored and who did support work during those years? You might have volunteered in the office, assisted in a computer lab...there are many possibilities.

We want to acknowledge your contribution. If you can help, please tell us:

What you did and where

What year/s

Names of those tutors and support people you remember from this period

Anything else you think might help.

2: Focus on inspiring tutors

Part of this history project will be a series of vignettes about outstanding tutors. That's where you come in. Would YOU like to write a very short story (250–300 words) about your most unforgettable tutor?

Yes? Then tell us:

When you joined U3A Brisbane and why

What were you like before you joined your special tutor's class?

What did you learn from that tutor?

How did this inspire you?

Afterwards, what were you able to do that you couldn't do before?

Action!

Please send your story and/or information

(plus a high-resolution headshot image of yourself, if you have one) to —

Ian Lipke, U3A 30-year history project coordinator

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Deadline: Friday 16 October 2015