



The Conveyor

November 2022

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Join us on
Friday 28th October
to celebrate our



year anniversary

Free sausage sizzle from 12 noon
35th Cake cutting

Many thanks for the sausage sizzle to David Jeffs our Treasurer who is also the Treasurer for the Lions Club Modbury. All enjoyed the snags, including our guest pollies!

You can see many more great pictures inside from our photographer for the day Doug McAlpine whose efforts are greatly appreciated.

The hit of the afternoon a beautiful 8 week old Rough Collie puppy by the name of Louise Vuitton who brought along Lorraine Watts our Group Leader for card making and indoor bowls.

Many thanks to all the helpers on the day.



UKULELE U3A - WEDNESDAY AFTERNOONS

This term, the two ukulele classes- beginners and progressive - have combined on Wednesday afternoons, as the beginners' group had made great progress, and are changing chords and singing like professionals!

We have a lot of fun and the members of the group support each other along the way.

I'm really happy with the progress they have all made. We have had a few people absent during the year, some to have holidays, but others due to illness or family commitments, but that is the nature of U3A.

The spirit of working together is huge, and along the way we have discovered hidden talents - like Polly Knight's extraordinary voice, and Ian McCourt's mouth organ skills, both of which enhance our lessons.

We were nervously delighted to visit the Lutheran Homes at Hope Valley to entertain the residents on 26th October, and it was wonderful to see so many residents joining in singing.

I was like a proud stage mother hearing my 'cherubs' playing and singing!

My friend Cecilia Borda came for an added support as we had a few away, but the room which we used was great to perform in, and I'm sure the residents enjoyed it.

So, if anyone has been thinking about joining next year, there will be 2 classes again, and all you need is a ukulele AND a sense of fun.

Cecilia Littlewood—Group Leader



TERM 4 ENDS FRIDAY 9TH DECEMBER

TERM DATES FOR 2023

Term 1 Monday 6th February to Friday 14th April

Term 2 Monday 1st May to Friday 7th July

Term 3 Monday 24th July to Friday 29th September

Term 4 Monday 16th October to Friday 8th December

President's Report

At the time of writing we have registered over five hundred members which is well over half of our membership.

For those still to register you can go on to our website

u3attg.org.au



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Welcome to U3A
Tea Tree Gully

Over 80 courses covering education, creativity, exercise and social activity for those over 50 and not working full time.

There are many U3As online so make sure there is **ttg** in the address. The front page will look like this with a picture of our building.

Then click on [members login](#) which will take you into myU3A you will need your ID and password which was sent out earlier to your email, if not, the office can help.

If you'd rather not register at home, the office which is open on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday from 12 noon to 1pm, will be able help you. The fee is **\$55** and can be paid by cash or credit card.

Once you have registered and paid your dues you can then choose your classes for 2023.

As quite a few of our classes have reached the limit of their nominated numbers, it is important for you to enrol as soon as possible as the system allows new people to

register and enrol online and the class you want may already be full.

If you wish to join a class for the first time, we would like you to ring the Group Leader first to check on available space.

The Group Leaders need to inform the office of the limits to their numbers so that they can have a waitlist and they should contact the office to see how their attendance is filling.

Unfortunately we are losing two long term Group Leaders and their classes will have to cease if we cannot find members willing to take their

places.

Tina Loch our Group Leader for Fitness and Flexibility Tuesday morning will be resigning after many years running the class. Thank you Tina for your dedication over the years.

Keith Foord is unable to continue his Friday walking group. Many thanks to Keith for organising so many interesting walks.

If there is anyone interested to help run some form of exercise or walking group, please contact me or the office.

The office will continue to print out attendance sheets for all our Group Leaders at the beginning of each term. GLs will need to continue to mark them off and at the end of term return them to Margaret Thomas' pigeon hole as previous. So Group Leader duties

can continue without change. The main difference is that people can now enrol online, so existing members need to enrol early if their class has limited numbers.

For our Group Leaders who were able to attend the meeting on Friday 18th November I was able to demonstrate several other options available to Group Leaders online.

If anyone wishes clarification about our new system please contact me.

I would like to thank **Keith Foord, Warwick and Sue Grooby, and Jil Swinnerton** for volunteering to help with registrations this term and into next year. Also **Barbara Schumacher, Margaret Thomas and Sue Pollett** all who have learned the system and are now helping our members to register. And of course my lovely wife **Linda** who has

spent many hours with the system, taught all of us and is continuing to unravel its complexities.

Have a Happy Christmas break and stay safe and healthy.



**KEVIN NEALE
PRESIDENT
U3A TTG**

Attention all members
Notice of
**ANNUAL
GENERAL
MEETING**

**Friday
3rd March
2023
at 1pm**
Rooms 8 & 9

Agenda

Welcome
Apologies
Confirmation of Minutes of 2022 AGM
Business arising from the minutes
President's Report
Treasurer's Report
Election of Committee Members
Appointment of Auditor
Notification of Public Officer
Any other business
Close

Celebrating 35 years of educational, creative, physical and social activities



◀ Jenny Campbell and Linda Neale helping out at the cake shop
Our Education Minister enjoying a lunchtime snack ▶



▼ Denny McAlpine having fun with our special guest

Our Members of Parliament addressed us from the left: Blair Boyer; Rhiannon Pearce; Olivia Savvas; Tony Zappia ◀



Celebrating **35** years of educational, creative, physical and social activities



**Eileen Dunn
25 years
volunteering**



**June
Hartshorne
20 years
volunteering**



**John
Eldridge
25 years
volunteering**

**Betty White
25 years
volunteering**



**Anne and
Howard Cuffe
15 years
volunteering**



**Cynthia Pyle
15 years
volunteering**



**Alf Coolen
15 years
volunteering**



**Tina Loch
20 years
volunteering**

Belair National Park with Jack Boog's photography classes.

The morning began with a heavy blanket of grey cloud cover which gradually dissipated, and by the time the 31 U3A members, partners, and friends had signed in, the day had greatly improved photographically. The Belair National Park was the location for our end of term pictures of the Playford Lake along with its natural flora, however, unfortunately we did not capture any fauna .

Once at our first destination amateur photographers headed off in all directions. Each one testing light, wondering about their ISO, and what shutter speed to use, while looking for curves, and trying to remember all they had learnt in class this year. Mentally I could hear Jack's words in my ear saying..... "No pretty duck pictures please!" " Oh, there is a man walking a dog, quick he is just coming into the third!" Then, all of a sudden, "



There is the lady in red!!!!" ... yes.....nailed it!!

From the lake we headed to the plant nursery for a native bush scene, followed by the next criteria, Lines and Frames, of which there were many, but, did I get the right one?

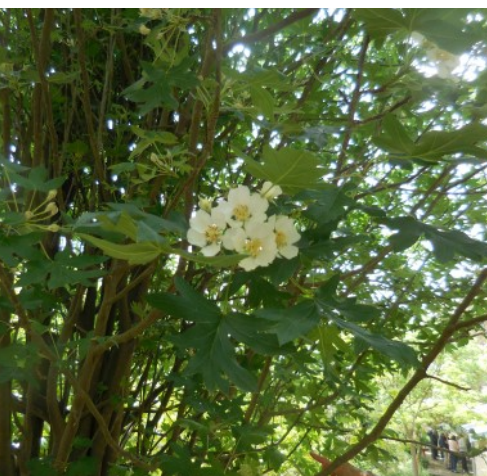
Two hours later our group had completed our various assignments, and we headed for the Belair Hotel where 29 of us enjoyed our generously served meals, along with much chatter about the photos we had taken, and of course, the one we just missed. All this was done in anticipation that we may have captured

just the right photograph which will leap of the screen and win a place on the day of "judgement".

Now the task really begins as we download our images, sort, edit, and enhance them for our teacher Jack, and his esteemed panel of judges.

Our photographic excursions are always fun, and hopefully we all learned something again this time.

Pamela McDonald



GARDEN GROUP TRIP TO WILLUNGA

Despite the inclement weather this spring, the day of our bus trip was wind and rain free and a pleasant temperature. After morning coffee at Old Noarlunga we visited a hillside garden at Hope Forest. The views were spectacular with many mature trees of unusual kinds including a tulip tree which was just opening its beautiful lemon tulip shaped flowers. The terraced gardens around the house showed off perfumed roses, hardy perennials and a great variety of herbs.

After lunch at then Hotel Willunga, we visited Jongs Commercial Nursery. Our guide, Chantelle showed us the various stages of producing plants for local and interstate garden centers. We saw the stages of producing moth orchids from babies to saleable flowering plants after 2½ years. There was a huge area of mature plants, all looking healthy. We were fortunate to be able to choose to buy plants, although not a retail outlet.

**Gillian Bonney—
Gardening Group Leader**



Cool it: How to Live Comfortably without Damaging the Environment

- Why are energy prices increasing and what can we do about it?
- Floods, Bushfires, draughts, heatwaves: Are they due to climate change?
- How can we reduce our energy bills and have more comfortable homes?
- Solar and battery systems: Are they worth it and how to get the best out of them?
- Future Transport: Electric or hydrogen cars, flying taxis?
- Waste and Recycling: Is it worth it?
- How are we leading the world in South Australia?



Tuesdays: 1.00-3.00 Room 2
Contact: Wasim Saman 0478 402 191



Australians have had to cope with escalating power prices as we move to renewable energy while experiencing many floods, heat waves, bushfires and draughts during the last few years. This course provides a chance to find out how to live with climate change and describes practical ways to reduce its impact without affecting our lifestyle or our hip pockets. The course provides answers to the following questions:

Is the increase of unusual weather events due to global warming?

How can we reduce our energy bills while living more comfortably in our homes?

Does installing rooftop solar and/or batteries save me money? And how to get the best out of my solar system?

What is the future for transport? Is the electric car the answer? how do we charge it and is it cheaper to run? What about shipping and flying?

Impact of our diet and clothes on climate change and what can we do to reduce our food waste?

Australia's emissions are tiny compared with other countries. Why should we bother to reduce them?

We have so much coal, natural gas and oil, and plenty of sunshine and wind. why should we bother to save energy?

We have plenty of nuclear fuel, so why aren't we building nuclear power plants?

How is South Australia leading the world in reducing emissions through renewable energy use and how much are renewables contributing to our energy supply and costs?

Which energy source is cheaper for generating electricity? coal, gas, nuclear, solar or wind?

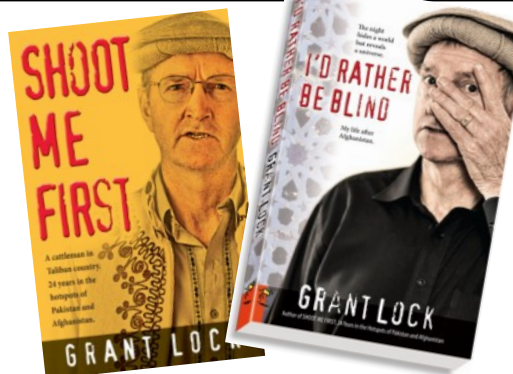
Is hydrogen the answer for fueling our homes, cars or industry?

If you wish to find out more and discuss some of these questions, this course is for you. The course offers clear answers based on the latest evidence.

The course runs on Tuesdays at 1.00pm at Room 2. For more information contact Wasim Saman wasim.saman@unisa.edu.au, 0478402191)

With 24 years experience in the hotspots of Pakistan and Afghanistan, digging wells, building schools and helping restore the eyesight of thousands of Afghans until he himself became blind, Grant Lock can tell the story of corruption, injustice and disadvantage experienced in the deserts, mountains and cities of Pakistan and Afghanistan.

He will be giving a talk on a Friday afternoon in February and



will be happy to answer questions.

Watch the noticeboard for confirmation of the date.

Calling all you keyboard virtuosos!

Piano
Keyboard
Intermediate
on Thursday

afternoons 1.00-3.00pm is looking for more members.

If you are interested please call

**Stephen Bush on
0402 783 500**



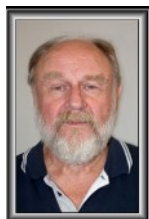
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