



The Conveyor

July 2022

Lost Dreams

Who has laboured loved and laughed in this enchanting place,
which now a stumbling store of stones and stunted pine deface.

If we but for a moment still our hearts and list for life's true echo,
we hear the sound of children laugh across the verdant meadow.

In reverie we see their true reward in golden crop and grassy sward,
grazing ewes with fattened lambs, bucolic peace and loves accord.

Chimney tall and curling pall glowing hearth in warm embrace,
Arcadian dreams in lives fulfilled reposing in this place.

Flowering daffodils midst mellowed stone, thatched and shady eaves,
deep within our thoughts this mystic dream our waking mind deceives.

Children bless their lives within these walls in love and adoration,
the darkening storm clouds scud the sky, foreboding tribulation.

Thunder roars and lightning strikes, stone walls to rend asunder,
farm and family lose the fight; a violent storm exacts its plunder.

Consuming fire and tempests wind destroy in every measure,
Arcadian dreams now torn apart, love and hope's lost treasure.

(Creative Writing task....Write about a scene depicting a pile of stones,
a stunted pine and yellow flowers).

John Ragless 7/4/22

35
1987 2022

years of educational,
creative, physical
and social activities

U3A TTG Ornithology Group

There it is – There it goes!

Being patient is very helpful when you're out with the U3A birding group.

Picture the scene. You're at, say, Altona Scrub near Lyndoch. A cry goes up, "Rufous Whistler!" Like spectators at a tennis tournament all heads swivel in the direction of the pointing hand. "There it is". A brief pause, then "There it goes".

Birds seem to know when they're being spotted. A sixth sense, to be able to disappear almost like magic. Experienced birders shake their heads knowingly. The bird was there, and now it isn't.

Birding is better in a group – more eyes – there are spotters who always spot first – and the not-so-spot-on spotters who just miss, "There it is." And it's gone.

That's unless it's one of the bird world's natural performers, like the Red-Capped Robin or the Grey Fantail. They see the rows of binoculars pointing their way and they fly into action. Shaking their tail feathers, flitting from ground to lower branches, sensing the 'oohs' and 'aahs' from the admiring birders, they like to be spotted.

It has been ten years since Burt May started the U3A Ornithology group. So there have been many, "There it is – there it goes" and 'ooh and aah' moments over those ten years.

Ten years of the U3A Ornithology group – happy tenth bird-day!

David Fisher



President's Report.....

After some 15 versions, we now no longer have a SA Health Covid Safe Plan and so effectively have none of the SA Government restrictions that we have been labouring under since our first plan in July 2020.

Masks can still be worn if preferred and social distancing is up to the individual. The Government has now allowed us to take responsibility for our own safety.

Tea and coffee have been returned, please don't leave dirty cups around the sink, and do remember to try to be quiet when standing around the coffee area as classes will be in progress.

We have been fortunate to win another Community Grant from Tea Tree Gully Council. The Council have awarded \$60,000 in grants to almost 30 community groups this year. Well done to our

Grants Officer Ann Sinclair, and to Technology Officer Tom Mittiga who together put the work in to win the Grant.

This will be used towards purchasing new computers for the office. It is a fact of life of modern technology that hardware needs to be updated regularly to handle the demands of new software. Microsoft XP is no longer supported and some of our old computers can't be updated to run System 10.



Margot Koch can provide individualised support on how to access aged care services in your home. She will be here each Thursday from 12 noon to 1.30pm in the lunch room next to the office.



Our new website is now live and has links to MyU3A, our new database. The plan is for everyone to be able to renew their membership for 2023 online. I am very appreciative of several members who have offered to assist individuals who may have concerns changing from our manual system.

Room six has several computers and we will use that room to help with renewals. Cash payments will still be accepted.

**KEVIN NEALE
PRESIDENT
U3A TTG**



Tea Tee Gully Councillor Sandy Keane presenting the Community Award to President Kevin Neale

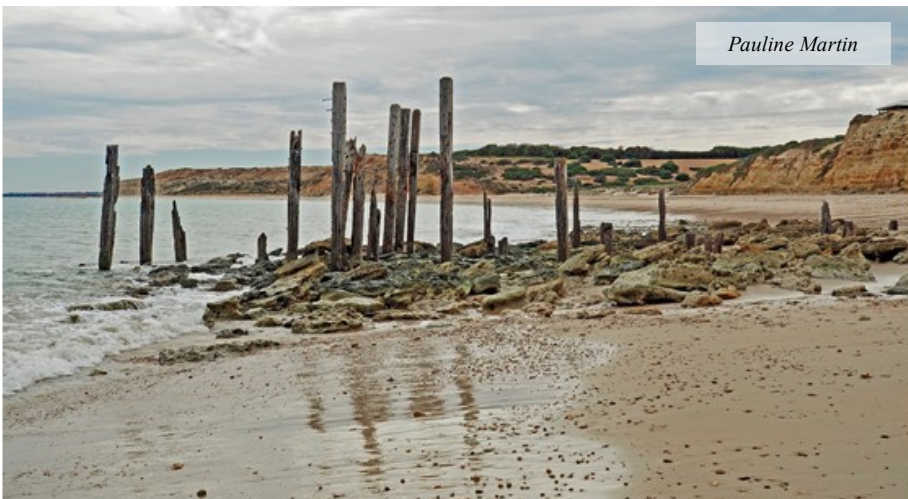
Southern Beaches with U3A's photographic group



Pamela McDonald

On 5th April 22 members and friends of Jack Boog's Beginners' and Intermediate Photography Groups enjoyed an outing to capture on camera some of the unique sights of Adelaide's southern coastline. Others couldn't make the day – but there's always next Term.

Although the sparkling autumn days did not smile on us, the conditions are often a challenge for camera buffs and the rain held off until after our tasks were done.



Pauline Martin

We photographed the remains of the wharf at Port Willunga, the all-inviting and multi-user Aldinga and Sellicks beaches, and the magnificent coastal vistas. Not to be forgotten were the day's bookends: coffee at Maxwell's Grocery and a memorable lunch at the Aldinga Hotel.

Now we and our work await 12th April – Judgment Day!

Fred VanderBom



Marie Bury

Jack Boog



Ian Pascoe



Yvonne Pascoe



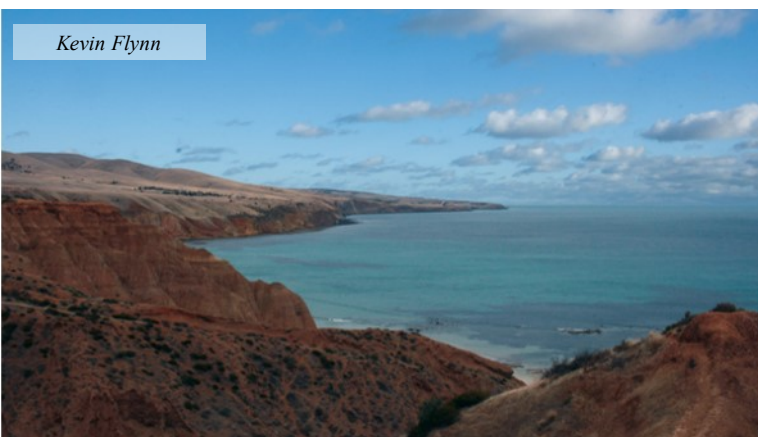
Marie Bury



Pamela McDonald



Kevin Flynn



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Welcome to U3A Statewide SA Online Courses

Enrolment is open to all members of South Australian U3As

This link will take you to see all the available courses and their times, Tutor Profiles or to enrol

<https://u3asouthaustralia.org.au/courses-2/>

		
<p>Novel and Memoir Writing TUTOR Margaret Penhall-Jones</p>	<p>Living in the Cloud July 13 TUTOR John Travers</p>	<p>Positive Psychology July 28 TUTOR Priscilla Jordan</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION Do you have an idea for a novel or memoir but not sure how to go about it? This course could be for you! We'll cover the basics of wha...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME June 6, 2022 2:00pm</p> <p>DAY Monday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Weekly</p> <p>HOURS 1:30</p> <p>END DATE August 22, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION LIVING IN THE CLOUD April 13 With John Travers These 4 sessions are for members...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME July 13, 2022 2:00pm</p> <p>DAY Wednesday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Fortnightly</p> <p>HOURS 1:00</p> <p>END DATE August 3, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION Positive Psychology is a fairly new, recognised, branch of psychology founded by Martin Seligman. It deals with "understanding and ...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME July 28, 2022 1:30am</p> <p>DAY Tuesday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Weekly</p> <p>HOURS 1:30</p> <p>END DATE June 30, 2022</p>

				
<p>Geology 'Our Restless Earth' TUTOR Bob Dalgarno</p>	<p>Climate Change: Informati... TUTOR Jock Churchman</p>	<p>French 2 - Feb 7 TUTOR Marie-Antoinette Galletta</p>	<p>Italian Conversation for in... TUTOR Julie Marshall</p>	<p>Philosophy An Interactive ... TUTOR Travis James</p>
<p>DESCRIPTION The initial presentations in Nov/Dec 2021 will complete the brief series on "Australia Through Time". We will do "the "World" in 2022 ...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME November 23, 2021 10:00am</p> <p>DAY Tuesday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Fortnightly</p> <p>HOURS 1:00</p> <p>END DATE March 29, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION Climate change is happening, with widespread effects. This is a discussion forum in which participants share views and ...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME February 3, 2022 2:30pm</p> <p>DAY Thursday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Fortnightly</p> <p>HOURS 1:30</p> <p>END DATE November 17, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION A basic knowledge of French is required for this Zoom course in which, over 4 terms, you will master key phrases & structures, listen to...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME February 7, 2022 9:00am</p> <p>DAY Monday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Weekly</p> <p>HOURS 1:30</p> <p>END DATE December 12, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION Developing an interest in Italy, the people, country, customs. Even if you never travel there, stretching your mind and ...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME February 7, 2022 10:30am</p> <p>DAY Monday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Weekly</p> <p>HOURS 1:00</p> <p>END DATE June 30, 2022</p>	<p>DESCRIPTION Interactive Philosophy Group's aim is to present discussions about philosophy. Meetings deal with topics of relevance comprising a ...</p> <p>ATTACHMENTS ...</p> <p>START DATE/TIME February 8, 2022 10:00am</p> <p>DAY Tuesday</p> <p>FREQUENCY Fortnightly</p> <p>HOURS 1:30</p> <p>END DATE November 15, 2022</p>

FREE ONLINE COURSES

How would you like to converse in French or Italian or discuss latest climate change information or learn how to safely store, sort your photos and share them with your family and friends?

You can do this and much more from the comfort of your home by joining one or more Statewide Online courses. All you need is a computer or an iPad and an email account. Any U3A member can join these free online courses offered by Zoom.

Available courses include climate change action,

how to write your memoirs, geology, philosophy, and psychology. Living in the clouds is another interesting course which enables you to manage the internet with confidence including searching for information, storing files and photos and using passwords without having to remember them.

You can also propose to offer an online course. For further information, please visit: www.u3asouthaustralia.org.au and lookup the statewide online pages. Or you can email John Travers at jtravers@gmail.com



Enid with her Acrylic Painting friends



Enid with her Crochet and Knitting friends

Happy 90th Birthday

Mrs Enid Smith celebrated her 90th birthday on 19th June. She has attended TTG U3A since 2008, participating in a range of courses, including Calligraphy, Exercises and Jewellery, and is currently involved with Acrylic Painting and Crochet & Knitting group.

Enid was born in South Shields U.K., migrating to Newcastle N.S.W with her parents and older sister in 1937. The family moved to Whyalla in 1940.

While living Whyalla, Enid attended primary and secondary school, leaving early to join her sister in a dressmaking company, earning 12/6 per week. A 'high top' loaf cost 6d, at that time.

Enid married Bill Smith in St. Martin's church in 1954. Daughter, Julie was born the following year. After marriage Enid worked in a Continental Food

Store selling exotic groceries to the multinational community in Whyalla.

Always involved in various craft activities, Enid attended TAFE to learn China Painting, Embroidery and Flower Arranging.

Never one to let the grass grow under her feet, Enid involved herself in lawn bowls for over 30 years, both in Whyalla and at Modbury from 1993.

The move to Adelaide was instigated by the arrival of the first grandchild. Enid now has 2 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren.

On retiring from bowls, Enid was persuaded to join U3A Calligraphy class by Margaret Butler, the two knew each other from Whyalla.

Happy Birthday, dear lady, from your TTG U3A Community.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

U3A South Australia urgently needs a Treasurer and an Auditor. The outgoing Treasurer (due to health concerns) will be happy to provide training. For details please contact Claire Eglinton, U3ASA Secretary, email: eclair76@bigpond.com Tess Anthony, U3ASA Delegate 0438 909 796 Kevin Neale, President U3A TTG 8264 6134

Joe Lamarca (pictured doing his holiday job) is willing to start a beginners Italian Course. If any one is interested please contact Joe on 8264 7880



If anyone has a CD player that displays track number and length, that they no longer use and would like to donate to the Music Appreciation Group. Please contact John Eldridge on 0422 961 984

TERM DATES FOR 2022

- Term 2 Ends Friday 8th July
- Term 3 Monday 25th July
Friday 30th September
- Term 4 Monday 17th October
Friday 9th December

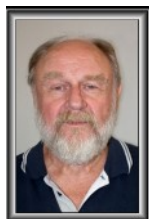
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