



The Conveyor

September 2022

**Join us on
Friday 28th October
to celebrate our**



year anniversary

**Free sausage sizzle from 12 noon
35th Cake cutting**



Wednesday afternoon line dancing

Line dancing has been around for approximately 3 decades, and over those years it has developed from beginner level short dances to advance level with lots of dances in between. It's no longer just country music but all genre of music. The benefits of line dancing, apart from the physical exercise, is the need to keep

your brain active and minimize memory loss. Then there is the social aspect of meeting new friends with a common interest ... having fun and enjoying yourself. Line dancing may not be for everybody, but you will never know if you don't give it a go.

Robert McFayden—Group Leader



Congratulations Margaret Garratt

Margaret Garratt has followed in the footsteps of Jeanette Martin and Trevor Walker by publishing her family history book entitled **"TELL ME A STORY"**

The book which covers a time line from 1740 to the present day is a delight to read. She brings to life her ancestors with a wealth of anecdotes consisting of love, pathos, adventure and happiness. All this with a mixture of facts and photographs.

I am sure her descendants will be thrilled to read about their family history.

Well done Margaret
Howard Cuffe—Group Leader
Writing your family history

TERM DATES FOR 2022

Term 3 Ends Friday 30th September

Term 4 Monday 17th October to Friday 9th December

President's Report

We are now open for online registrations for 2023.

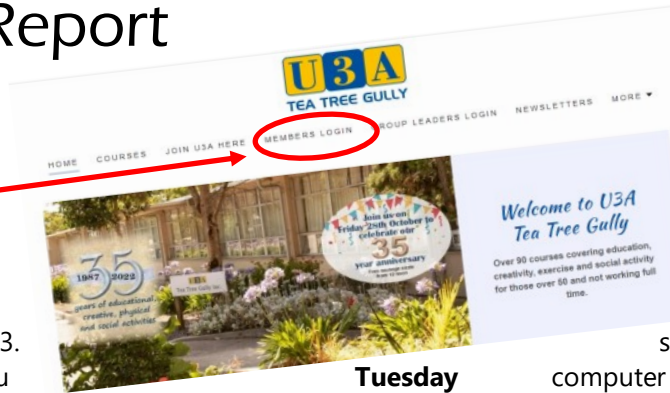
Log onto u3attg.org.au then click on members login. You will be presented with two buttons: the "how to register" button will give you a step-by-step guide to registering for 2023. The "member login" will take you to MyU3A and you will need your ID and password that has been sent out earlier from auto@myu3a.net. You will receive emails from this address in future as this is the generic U3A email address.

For those unable to register online at home, for whatever reason, such as not knowing your ID and password or not receiving those details, we will be having volunteers available on Tuesday mornings in room 6 from the start of term 4. The earlier start to registrations is to help us all cope with this new system.

We will not be running the usual 2 week registration in November.

Please log on to our website and have a look at the new system, you can't break anything, look at the courses and read the how to register guide.

If there are any more members who would like to help with computer registrations on



Tuesday mornings, please contact me.

This new online database is "first come first served" system and if you wish to secure your place in a class that has limits to the numbers, you will need to register promptly, as we will be opening registrations to new members from November 1st.

If you are interested in a new experience and want to try something different, you will still need to contact the Group Leader to check space availability prior to enrolling in the class for the first time in 2023.

Keith Fitzgerald ran our earlier database for many years very successfully, but when we had to move from Windows XP to Windows 10, because XP was no longer supported, the database was not compatible with Windows 10.

Fortunately we had a white knight arrive in Mike Coleman who was able to redo the database in Microsoft Access and we have

been able to continue for the last 7 years or so.

As we found out in January this year, we cannot rely on one person to keep our

systems going. We had a computer crash, the database corrupted and due to ill health Mike was not available to come to our rescue. We are indebted to Tom Mittiga who spent a considerable time rebuilding the system.

Now we understand that Microsoft will no longer be supporting Access, we need to move to third party support so that we are not relying on one or two of our members to keep our systems running.

Inner North U3A have been running the MyU3A database successfully for several years now and we have been very fortunate to have received considerable help from their excellent IT administrator Louise Kennedy and we have greatly appreciated her assistance.

Thanking you all in advance for your continued patience as we continue to keep our systems up-to-date with changes that are forced upon us.

We will have a Group Leaders meeting next term where we can demonstrate what will be available for them in the new year when all our members have re-registered.



**KEVIN NEALE
PRESIDENT
U3A TTG**



I was given the opportunity to explain our online registration to Jack Boog's photography class, and several of his members were able to register and enrol in classes on their laptops during the class.

I am happy to visit any other class that wish to have more explanations.

Belair National Park with Jack Boog's photographic group

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?

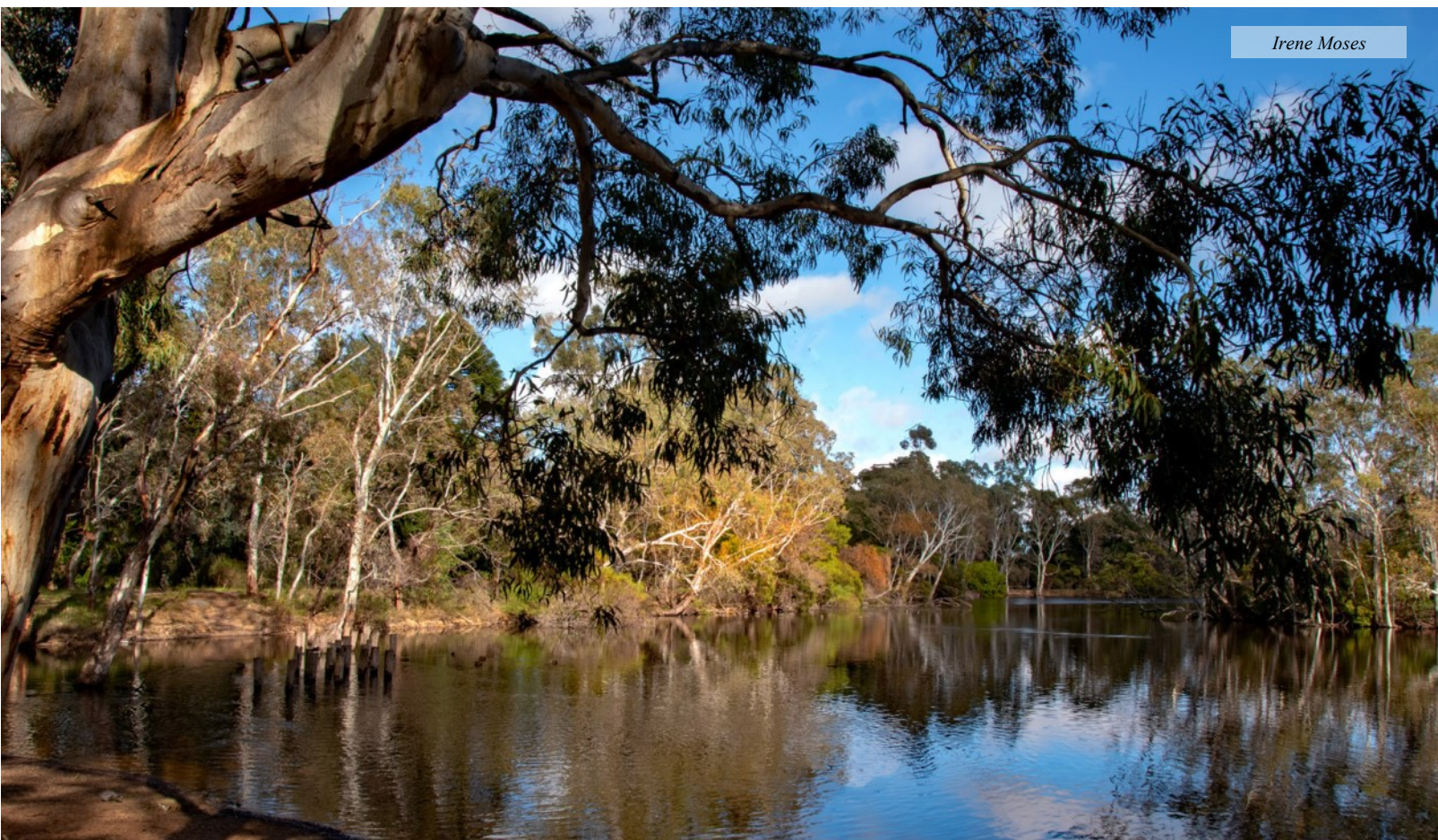
Two hours later our group had completed our various assignments, and we headed for the Belair Hotel where 29 of us enjoyed our generously served meals, along with much chatter about the photos we had taken, and of course, the one we just missed. All this was done in anticipation that we may have captured just the right photograph which will leap of the screen and win a place on the day of "judgement" which is the 26th July.

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.

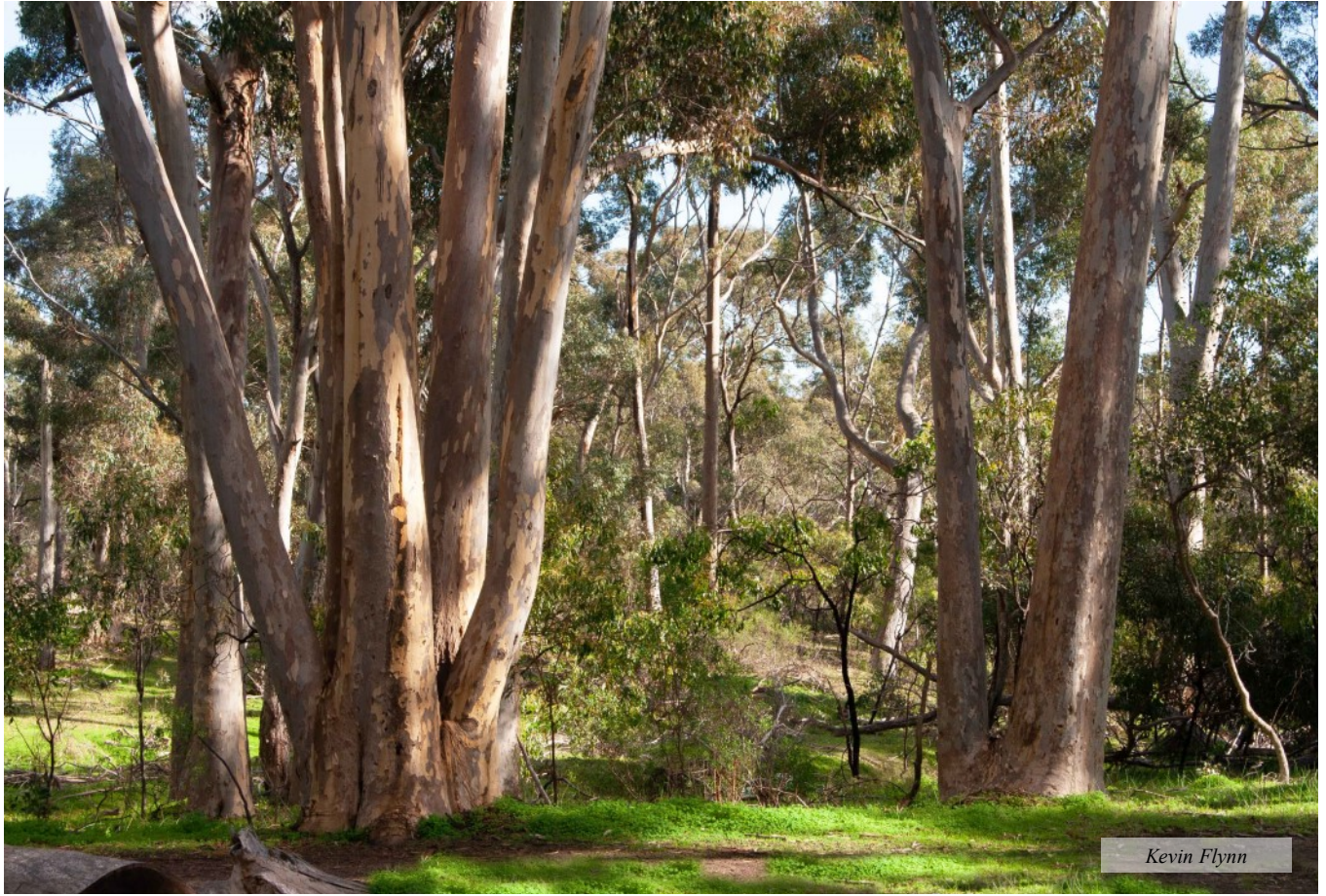
Our photographic excursions are always fun, and hopefully we all learned something again this time. **Pamela McDonald**



Frank Mogg



Irene Moses



Kevin Flynn



Marie Bury



Marie Bury



Rob Burch



Georgina Bence

**One-off class Friday 30th September
in room 8/9 at 1pm**

Presentation and Discussion

Thermal Comfort at Home

A guide for older South Australians

Join us at the presentation of our new book and learn more about how you can make your home more comfortable.

Friday, 30th of September 2022, at 1 pm
University of the Third Age
22 Golden Grove Rd, Modbury North

Thermal Comfort at Home

A guide for older South Australians



Also useful for
architects and
building designers



The book is a result of an ARC funded research project, led by the School of Architecture and Built Environment, at The University of Adelaide. Copies of the book will be available for free.



Do you like reading? Have you checked the U3A library?

Thank you to those who have donated books to the library. It is with the understanding that we can do what to do with them. As there is limited space only one book of each title is kept. There isn't room for non-fiction (except biographies) but if books are pertinent to a course I check with the course group leader. Thanks also to those who shelve books. If you do, please check the spine for B (biography) or LGP (large print) as these have separate shelves near the return box.

Because some of the shelves are bursting to capacity I hope to be "weeding" in the holidays ready for a book sale.

Happy Reading

Anne Cuffe - U3ATTG librarian

CLIMATE CHANGE.

Some say it's phoney, and some say it's true,
I'm really so confused, I don't know what to do.
Yet cyclones and tornadoes and other ghastly stuff,
Are making our lives...pretty damn'd tough.

"*An Inconvenient Truth*", was what Al Gore said,
And left our lives, filled with dread
Was he right, or was he wrong,
Or was this Earth's...final swan-song?

He made a film, that gave us the blues,
When he told us about the awful news.
There was no hope (*or so he said*),
Best to hide...under the bed.

Won a Nobel Prize on account of his rant,
Even frightened, my maiden aunt.
Also an Oscar, did he obtain,
Gave us all...a big mi-graine.

So where do we go, I really don't know,
Maybe start shoveling...ten feet of snow.
It's too late to worry, so I know what I'll do,
Read the paper, and sit on the loo

John McGregor



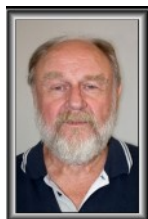
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