

All U3A members and friends are warmly invited to

U3A NEWS & VIEWS

Wednesday, July 22, 2 pm
GPLACE, English Street, Golden Point

Controlling My Own Life: Making the most of Consumer Directed Care



The introduction of Aged Care Reforms has resulted in significant changes to how aged care services are delivered. All home services are now delivered in a Consumer Directed Care (CDC) model.

A speaker from COTA will provide us with information to understand these changes and to make the most of Consumer Directed Care.

A member who recently needed to access some home services has urged me to invite a COTA speaker to provide all of us with vital, up to date information.

So please come along, and find out what is available and how we can access the aged care services we need, when we need them

Afternoon Tea - U3A Office open 1-2 pm - ALL WELCOME

All U3A Members and friends are warmly invited to 'News & Views' at GPLACE on the 4th Wednesday of each month at 2 pm. Get the latest U3A news, enjoy one of the music groups, hear an interesting guest speaker and have afternoon tea and a chat.

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4TH WED 1.00 - 2.00 - FUNCTION RM

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MEETING DATES

EXECUTIVE MEETINGS monthly
on the **3rd Wednesday** at
9.30am from February to
November.

NEWS and VIEWS monthly on
the **4th Wednesday**
commencing at 2.00 pm.

Check Bulletin for venue.

July 2015 Bulletin

DIARY DATES 2015

- Wed June 24 News & Views 2.00 pm, GPlace, Function Room
Office open 1 – 2 pm
- June 27 to Term 2 School Holidays – will your class(es) meet?
July 12 Check Page 7.
- Wed July 15 Committee Meeting - Ballarat North 9:30 am
- Wed July 15 Class Notes for Bulletin due by 6 pm to Phill Grant
grantphillip@hotmail.com
- Wed July 22 News & Views 2.00 pm, GPlace, Function Room
Office open 1 – 2 pm
- Wed Aug 5 New members morning tea & tour, Bingo Room, North
Ballarat, 10:30 - 11:30 am.
Office open at North, 10:30 am – 12 noon

Quick Reference - what's in this Bulletin?

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Phill Grant (grantphillip@hotmail.com)



Nan Haydon and Joy Story,
both Foundation Members

Vale Joy Story

Joy was a foundation member of U3A and was involved in many ways until her recent years of ill health. At times she was President, Secretary, Social Convenor. She started the Bulletin in 1998 and as well as the Under 5 Walking group.

When Joy was President in 2004, Ballarat U3A received an Excellence in Learning Award in the category "Learning in the Community" which Joy accepted on behalf of U3A.

An assertive, but gentle loving lady

Janice Cook and Anne Ottrey

PRESIDENT'S REPORT

Choristers and Celtic Band Concert

John Olsen introduced an outstanding variety of contemporary music from two of U3A's best known groups at the Sunday 14 June concert at Ballarat North Community Center (the recently-agreed new name for the BNSCC). The fifty Choristers joined by twenty-strong Celtic Band and three dancers performed a melody of popular tunes that had the standing-room-only crowd of over 110 tapping their feet and clapping to the familiar songs. A rousing rendition of 'When the Saints Go Marching In' topped off the musical part of the program. Then a lavish afternoon tea hosted by U3A in the bingo and library allowed performers, BN Seniors, Eureka Chapel and U3A members to share the food and tea/coffee while they talked about the fun-filled afternoon. The official launch of the Celtic Band CD *Request* was very successful with forty-eight being sold on the day, contributing to the target of 160. The next concert at the hall will be held on Sunday 22 November.

GPlace

A successful 'Biggest Morning Tea' staged by Mt. Clear VCAL students and the Harvest Luncheon were certainly highlights of the past few months. Increased usage by groups associated with BRMC coupled with resolution of overdue accounts has seen the finances go firmly into the black. Some encouraging signs that badly needed maintenance on the roof and driveway may soon occur and resolve these two issues. Our consortium's (U3A, BRMC, Mt. Clear VCAL) tenancy remains secure.

Ballarat North

The Operations Group unanimously endorsed the draft plans by the architects in late May – along with the proposal to rename the building the 'Ballarat North Community Center'. Great strides have been taken in the last year and a half for the renovation plans at the centre. Work on installing a new external boiler and fixing the rising damp problem have commenced with the demolition of the stage and store rooms to make the hall suit the needs of the three groups to continue in December/January while no classes are scheduled. The City of Ballarat officials have

been very transparent in keeping the Operations Committee informed and consulted about any changes (on the pin board at BNCC) in 2015/2016. Our classes need to remain flexible in allowing these works to proceed but with minimum disruption to classes and activities at the centre.

Wendouree Activity Center

Plans to utilize \$14 million promised by state and CoB funds are rapidly taking final form. Visits to Werribee have convinced officials to plan and build for the "complete footprint" that includes several teaching rooms, a café, exercise rooms, toilets, and new basketball/netball courts. The fulfillment of plans for U3A Ballarat class usage during the daytime may be as near as 2017.

With the end of the financial year less than a fortnight away the U3A Committee remains confident that we are in a sound position – both financially and in terms of accommodation – to cope with the changes that our growing membership (719 at present) requires to cope with over eighty courses taught by more than fifty volunteers.

Blake Gordon, President

BALLARAT U3A WEBSITE

Now would be a good time to view the Ballarat U3A website. Why? Because it will soon change.

<http://www.u3aballarat.org.au>

INTERNATIONAL U3A - NEWSLETTER

U3A SIGNPOST can be found online at:
<http://worldu3a.us6.list-manage2.com/track/click?u=4591b7dedb80e8dc4ca93c1af&id=df90a16210&e=a1f77c0935>

Network News

If you would like to catch up on State matters – goto u3avictoria.com.au. Their latest newsletter is out and full of interesting news from other U3A's.

MEMBERSHIP



The new members' morning teas held each month have been a great success and I would urge any new member who has not yet attended a morning tea to do so. They are held at the Ballarat North Campus on the first Wednesday of the month from 10.30 – 11.30.

We have 725 members - how many do you know? Come along to News & Views and new members morning teas and meet some of our members!

On a general note; **PLEASE** wear your nametags to class - and make sure you have completed the medical information on the reverse.

We welcome the following new members this month:

Kim Gram

Bernadette Cheesman

Anna Yang

Ron Ottery

Trish Twaits



Nina Netherway, Membership Secretary

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July's Diversion



Last month's photo showed a signpost on a walking path near Vienna in Austria. The connection with Australia was that Australia was

represented for the first time at the Eurovision Song Contest, held recently in Vienna. Unless readers had a remarkable memory, the site could be identified by anyone using an internet search machine (for example *Google* or *Yahoo*).

For this month's diversion;
Where in the world is...



... and if you were there, what 'birthday' might you be celebrating?

Solutions to Phill Grant

grantphillip@hotmail.com

(sorry, no fabulous prizes are offered – just the glory of solving a problem.

Celtic Band – The CD



The Ballarat U3A Celtic Band is happy to announce the completion of their CD, featuring fifteen tracks of vocal and instrumental music.

'There's so much lovely playing and ensemble work, and it's so nice to hear the calm earthy songs', writes one delighted listener.

The CD was recorded at Ballarat Clarendon College Studio, engineered by Lyndon Kriss and produced by Redwood Entertainment.

Cost : \$10.00

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Or available at U3A Monthly News & Views

A special request in regard to rollators and electric scooters

If you offer to put a rollator out of the road in the classroom, do not forget to give it back to the owner or they may be unable to go and get it.



Please, before moving any rollators ensure that the brakes are released, otherwise it may cause problems requiring adjustment to the brakes.

Under no circumstances should an electric scooter be moved without the owner's permission as this could cause extensive damage if not done correctly.

While we are on the health theme.....

PLEASE if you have a cold or flu do not come to classes!

For our class members caring for family and friends who are struggling with compromised immune systems, the consequences of picking up and passing on an infection can be serious.

Others with chronic lung and heart conditions need to take care to avoid crowded public places for the same reason, but staying home altogether can be socially isolating, reduces activity levels and fitness, all of which can be very depressing. We need to make it as safe as possible for all these members to attend classes. So, please think of others!



Use of Classrooms at our various venues.

Please, follow the instructions of the organization we are hiring classrooms from. If they state 'No food or drink' – that applies to us also as users!!

If we do not abide by these conditions U3A will find they will not be welcome at the venue. This would be a shame as we have some wonderful venues and do not want to lose them!

TUTORS and CLASS REPS



Please note that all class members must be enrolled as U3A members **BEFORE** they can attend class. There should be **NO** non-members at a class unless for a specific purpose eg a concert, as a speaker etc. This is mainly for insurance purposes.

In Praise of..... U3A

The U3A or University of the Third Age, which now provides courses to as many as 350,000 pensioners, doesn't look anything like the model of a modern university. It costs almost nothing to attend and does nothing for your prospects of future employment. U3A is designed for people who – unlike humanities graduates have no need to earn money later in their lives.

It neither gives nor recognizes any qualifications. Some of the teachers may have doctorates but there 's no demand for any qualifications. Its students come there for their delight of learning alongside others driven by the same need.

There is no campus; each local group is independent, and the administrators are not paid. No one has to pretend that it adds anything at all to Britain's economic competitiveness. The price of attendance is time and commitment. No wonder it is growing; the U3a is, in some senses, the only real university left in Britain

Andrew Brown in *The Guardian Weekly*, 17/4/15, p21

CLASS COORDINATOR'S NOTES

Please Note some important changes/information regarding some classes: see below.

Mary Maloney –Class coordinator phone 5330 1334 or email moomoo@southernphone.com.au

Nature's Way of Healing (Meditation) is on hold until further notice. Leigh will let us know when he is able to take the class.

YOGA AT BALLARAT NORTH



It is important to aim to arrive at least **5 minutes before start**, in order to avoid disturbing the class. The class starts at 11 am sharp. Julie is planning to be away from

July 27th or 4th August for about a month.

There are still places available in this class.



INTRODUCTION TO SCRAPBOOKING

This course has started but Irene is happy to take more people.

The class is aimed at those who

wish to 'do something' with the photos they've collected over the years – preserve family photographs, record holiday experiences, etc. The class also encourages creativity as many scrap bookers develop their own style. Skills to be developed include selecting appropriate materials to preserve photos, page design, colour matching and journaling (telling the story of the photographs and/or experience). The class runs on a Tuesday afternoon at G Place in Room 2 from 1.00 – 3.30.

The course covers the following:

- Why Scrapbook?
- Basic materials needed.
- Basic design techniques.
- Organising your photographs.
- Using memorabilia.
- What to do with shapes and colours.
- Journaling.
- Developing your style – traditional, enhanced, decorative?
- Organising larger projects.
- Where to next?

Participants need to bring their own photos. 6 -8 photos will do for the first session.

If you are interested contact Mary Maloney. (Contact details above.)



WINE APPRECIATION COURSE – COME AND ENJOY!!

Stephen Goodwin has offered to present a wine appreciation course later in the year. Stephen has two science degrees, Chemistry then Applied Biology. He was 45 years in the Wine and Spirit industry - the last 30 as a wine maker and 35 years as a wine show judge. He wrote and presented part of the Master of Wine Appreciation course which ran for a number of years at La Trobe University. The course outline:

1. The origin of the grape vine. Viticulture and how it spread. The vines requirements. The year in the vineyard. Grape varieties.
2. Wine regions of the world: Old world, new world. Grapes and wine in Australia. World wine production.
3. Grapes, Fermentation, Yeast and Bacteria. A little Science: pH and SO₂, wine spoilage and winemaking faults.
4. White wine production. Winemakers influence on wine "style".
5. Red wine production. Oak barrels and Malo-lactic fermentation.
6. Sparkling wine production. Secondary fermentation and putting the bubbles in. Methode Champenoise.
7. Fortified wine production. Port, Sherry, Liqueur Muscat and Tokay. Maturation and blending.
8. Brandy and brandy spirit. Distillation techniques. Maturation. Cognac and Armagnac.
9. Wine bottling, maturation and storage. Changes with ageing. Wine service.

Each session will include some time to wine terminology and Q and A. There would be a short tasting from session 2 onward. Participants would need to bring their own glasses and a bucket! The cost of each weeks wine would be split among the class.

If you are interested in this course contact Mary Maloney. (Contact details above.)

TIMETABLE

An update of the timetable has been posted on notice boards in both main venues – G Place and Ballarat North Community Centre and on our website at www.u3aballarat.org.au
Mary Maloney – Class Coordinator.
email moomoo@southernphone.com.au or telephone 5330 1334

The EXCHANGE TABLE at GPlace

Fruit, vegetables, etc; located in the U3A kitchen – take what you can use and/or leave your excess on the table for others.

ODDS and SODS from the COMMITTEE and others

* Did you know, that the 'News & Views', held every fourth Wednesday of the month, is open to all U3A Ballarat members?

* Did you know that 'News & Views' always has interesting guest speakers, frequently has musical entertainment, and provides a chat-time over a cuppa and cakes?

Tutors and Class Reps



PLEASE NOTE

If you are holding a class during the school holidays and need access to GPlace, please contact

Blake Gordon on 5331 7937 or Jack Engwarda on 5341 2118 for the codes required for access to the building. BRMC and Mt Clear will also be on holidays.

GPlace Emergency Plan

The three groups using GPlace have developed a joint emergency plan for dealing with fire, chemical threats, natural disaster or hostile confrontations, etc. Summary sheets have been placed in each room at GPlace, as well as maps showing evacuation routes and assembly area. Please look at these so that you know what to do in an emergency, and follow any instructions given to you by staff from Mt Clear or BRMC in an emergency.

Memory Atlas Project - Volunteers Sought!

The City of Ballarat is running a project in which participants produce a short documentary about their life, related to a place in Ballarat which holds some special memory for them. The project hopes to highlight people who have made a significant, but little known, contribution

to Ballarat. These documentaries will be launched in Seniors' Week, and made available to the public via the web or a phone app. Are you interested in being involved, or do you know someone who might be interested? Contact Anne Ottrey for more information on 5336 2482 or 0422 963 985.

The Choir and Celtic Band Concert



CLASS NOTES

The next Bulletin deadline;
Wednesday July 15
to Phill Grant, PO Box 2058,
Bakery Hill, 3354 or
grantphillip@hotmail.com

ART GROUP

Mid Winter celebrations were enjoyed at the June meeting of the Art Group, with a delightful lunch, and great company with family and friends. The theme was "Hippy," so very bright colours were everywhere, and the tables were bedecked with wattle and ribbons. The group enjoyed the presentation of Magic and Mentalism by Geoff Butler, with a great deal of interest into how it was done, thank you Geoff and thank you to all who made it a very happy day as the cold south wind blew outside. Next week is the last for this term, and the first lesson next term will be a class on Perspective.

The Art Group meets each Thursday, from 10 am to 12 noon, at the Alexandra Croquet Club.

Barbara Preston, Class Tutor

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY



The Australian History Group meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays of

each month, 1.30 – 3.30 pm at GPlace. We have been exploring the growth of the states, free settlers, and the exploration of Australia. We have met some fascinating personalities and heard some quirky tales. Next session on June 25 will introduce the topic, Gold and we will also view a DVD.

There will be no class during the holidays, and class after the holidays will meet on July 23.

Nina Netherway and Zelda Martin

BALLARAT HISTORY

There will not be a class on Wednesday 8 July while schools are on holiday.

Please meet on Wednesday 22 July at the Trout Hatchery at 10.30 a.m.

Where is it? In Gillies Street, on the fringe of

the Botanical Gardens with good parking, almost opposite the shiny new swimming pool. Barry Kentish (one of our class members) will show a short film and then take us round the hatchery.

Please contact Margaret Eedle (5339 4465 or margaret@eedle.com if you have any questions, or if you will be an apology that morning.

Margaret Eedle, Class Rep.

BOOK GROUPS

First Thursday Book Group

A warm welcome will be given to bibliophiles who would like to join our book discussions each month.

Ellen Ryan

Val Newman. Class Rep. 53388389.

Book Group 2

1.30 pm first Thursday of the month Room 1 G Place.

Rhonda Gray, Facilitator 5341 8461

Vivienne Martinich, Class Rep,

BUSHWALKERS

(Temporary Editors' apology for lack of photo – it did not arrive with the text)

Last month's walks Smythesdale and Lerderderg Gorge) were enjoyed in very pleasant weather and we had a large group of walkers at both of them.

Walks for July---

July 9th Creswick, Circuit starting at Forest Resort. Led by John Petheram.

The distance is about 7-9 km, mainly on Forest Tracks, but if its wet it may be shorter loop.

Code B, B.L, Car Pool \$5.

July 23rd Anakie Gorge, led by Ray Fenton.
8kms with optional extra 1km to view unique
dam,
Code C, B.L, Car Pool \$8

July 30th Woody Yaloak Water Race Walking
Trails, Smythesdale, led by Anne Ottrey.
Ground rough in places, 7 kms, B.L, Code B,
Car Pool \$5

KEY. A – easy, B – undulating,
C – hilly, longer, D – strenuous. BL – bring
lunch.

NOTE. Meeting place is GPlace at 9.20 am to
leave at 9.30 am

*Laraine Gunning, Class Rep. and
Lynne Fenton*

CANASTA

First and third Friday afternoons of each
month at GPlace Room 2.
The canasta group is in recess till September,
because so many people are away.

Val Newman, Class Rep., 5338 8389.

THE CELTIC BAND

After getting together with musicians at
Rosalind Lawson's Studio during the Golden
Plains Arts Trail in March, the Band has
concentrated on completing the recording of
the CD, which became available at our recent
performance with the U3A Choristers at the
June 14, U3A Concert.

The June 14 concert was a most enjoyable
occasion, performing to an enthusiastic
audience and being accompanied by Ballroom
Dancers who created dance routines for
several waltz tunes.

The band is now preparing for Gigs at Vision
Australia and The Ballarat East
Rotary Change-over-Dinner, in June as well
as Soul Food at the Art Gallery and the CD
Launch, in August. The programs for these
Gigs are made up from previously performed
as well as new tunes, the final program being
compiled with the occasion and audience in
mind.

Recently we welcomed two new members to
the band, both of them being singers and
stringed instrument players.

In spite of every now and then playing tunes
creatively, as opposed to how they are written,
people are always keen to get together and
play a variety of music to improve the skills
of playing together, as well as striving to play
and sing just that little bit better.

One enormous thank you must go to Corrie for
her excellent leadership and guidance, as the
band faces new directions as well as many and
varied challenges.

Corrie Olsen, Tutor, and Ros Cole, class rep.

CHINA IN TRANSITION From Mao to now

The final session in this short course was on
Wednesday 24 June.

Dulcie Corbett, Class Rep. 0419583954

CHORISTERS



Well, we got over the event on Sunday last (14
June) with no hassles. I haven't heard
anything from Ken, so I suppose that we
sounded okay. There is no doubt the men
always sound so great. The sopranos always
get the melody [thank heavens] and the altos
are good harmonisers, but you can't get a good
sound without the tenors and the basses. It is
nice to have it over and look forward to our
Xmas concert. We are officially in recess until
14 July, so no news till after then.

Liz Bailey, class rep.

CLASSIC CINEMA

June 30. Renowned Indian director, Satyajit Ray, created many dramatic and moving films about the lives of 'ordinary people' coping with social change. *Aparajito* (1956, 104 mins) presents the challenges faced by a poor, but intelligent, young boy as he seeks an education. Please be seated and ready for a 1.30 start.

July 14. An icy river creates a deadly barrier at the front line of the German assault on Russia during WW2. *Ivan's Childhood* (1962, USSR, 96 mins, Dir: A. Tarkovsky) is a visually splendid and deeply moving account of a child's life during those hostilities.

VACANCIES. All those who replied to the announcement in June's Bulletin have been accommodated, leaving space for just two more to start now, and three more to wait until later in the year. Please ring Shirley on 5331 4408 if you'd like to join, leaving a message if necessary, as places will be filled strictly in the order received.

*Marion Dick, Class Rep.,
5332 4831, or mobile: 0429 691 470*

COMMUNITY GARDENING

Next gardening session is on Thursday July 2nd, from 9:30am to 11:30am. We will continue with winter gardening tasks – weeding, cutting back shrubs, fixing paths and harvesting crops such as broccoli, silverbeet and kale. In addition, we will also have a demonstration and tasting session of juicing greens. BYO gloves and warm/wet gear, new members welcome to join.

Community Gardening meets on the 1st Thursday of each month, behind GPlace. New members welcome to join our group.

*Anne Ottrey, mobile: 0422 963 985,
Phone: 5336 2482
Email: ottrey@ncable.net.au*

CRYPTIC CROSSWORDS

The Cryptic Crosswords Group meets each Thursday at 11.15 at GPlace, Room 1.

Mary Chappell, Class Rep. 5330 1633

CULTURAL CAPITAL

The first excursion for this new small group will have the focus of 'Nature'. We'll be visiting the Potter Gallery at Melbourne University for *Weird Melancholy: the Australian Gothic* and *Nature/Revelation*. John Wolseley's *Heartland* at the NGV (Federation Square) will round off the afternoon. Weather and time permitting, we may visit a couple of extra spots.

The nine confirmed members of the class should meet at Ballarat Station by 8.05 am - near the red Fire Hose Cabinet at the eastern end of the platform. ****Because of the new Vline schedule, we'll now need to use the 8.21 service.**** We'll aim for the front carriage, unless it is a Quiet one, in which case we'll be in the second. You can bring your own lunch, or purchase it. The return service will be at 15.17, arriving back in Ballarat at 16.39.

This class did fill quickly in June, but ring if you'd like to be on a short waiting list - in case spaces appear for the remaining excursions on August 6 and September 3. Leave a message, on the landline only, if necessary, as any vacancies will be filled strictly in the order received.

*Shirley Faull 5331 4408 or, on July 2 only,
0431 455 603*

CURRENT AFFAIRS

We are meeting during the school holidays so our program for July is Monday 6th at 10.45 we will be hearing from Stephen Turner from The Salvation Army on how services are provided to the people of Ballarat and surrounds and who delivers these services. Who are the recipients?

On Monday 20th July our guest speaker is Warwick Davidson from Ballarat Uniting Care on homelessness in Ballarat, focussing on how and why people become homeless.

I will be travelling around Oz for the next few months so wish you all well and promise to present on what I have learned and been amused by in October.

Ros McArthur, Class Rep.

The CYCLE TOURING GROUP

Members wanting to participate in this group's activities, especially the Spring rides, should contact;

Phill Grant, grantphillip@hotmail.com

DANCERCISE



This enthusiastic group meets on Wednesdays at the Ballarat North Senior Citizens' Hall.

Jacqueline Cleverley, Class Rep.

DIGITAL CAMERAS

Know your Digital Camera

A further class for compact point & shoot cameras may be held after June.

Carol Hall, Tutor, (03) 5339 2255 (ring if urgent)

THE DINING OUT GROUP

For our next out of town lunch we shall be gathering at 12.30 on Sunday, 19 July at Café 321, Learmonth. It is situated on the left hand side of the road as you arrive in this attractive village. A licensed café, I have enjoyed meals there in the past and when I visited recently I met the new owners. They are very keen to please and are looking forward to hosting us. The blackboard menu is of the 'casual' variety and certainly offered some tasty sounding suggestions. They cater for any dietary requirements.

As always, please let me know by the preceding Thursday (16 July) if you can join us so I can give the café our numbers on the Friday.

Ann Reynolds, Class Rep; 5309 1718
annreynolds@hemsleypark.com.au

ESSAYS AND IDEAS

The Essays and Ideas Group meet on the 2nd and 4th Monday of each month, from 10.45 am - 12.15 pm.

Venue: GPlace, Room 2

Essays for July 2015

On Monday 13 July - from *The Best Australian Essays 2013 - Lifting the Burden of The Past* by Martin Krygier - page 273 - and from *The Norton Book of Personal Essays - How it Feels to be Colored Me* by Zora Neale Hurston - page 132 .

On Monday 27 July from *The Best Australian Essays 2013 - The Purpose of War* by Hugh White - page 289- and from *The Norton Book of Personal Essays - In Quest of Beer* by Frank O'Connor - page 137.

Margret Currie; 04 1929 0232 or 5333 2970

FILM MUSICALS

We have had a very good Term 2 viewing and discussing Afro American films. Some of the films have been *Carmen Jones*, *St Louis Blues*, *Porgy and Bess* and the *Wiz*. Many thanks to Simon Dennis who was the source of all the films for Term 2.

For Term 3 we intend to view English musical films similar to *Oliver*.

The class is held on the 2nd, 4th and 5th Fridays of the month between 1 and 3.30 pm

There are still some vacancies in the class if anyone is interested. Contact the Class Rep

Bob Whitten, Class Rep., 5341 8189
email ibobdown@hotmail.com

JOURNEY WITH MY MUSIC

This class meets on the 2nd and 4th Mondays at GPlace, Room 2.

Ralph Hislop, Tutor, 0457 238 852
and email ralph90next@gmail.com

LANGUAGES

FRENCH C

This class has a waiting list.

*Jan Leishman, Class Rep, 5332 7708
janalan307@gmail.com*

FRENCH E

Our class is back with the numbers up thanks to returning holidaymakers, sickies and new home settlers. Welcome back to all plus we hope that Madeleine returns to us later this year. But shortly a couple more will head off on overseas jaunts!

Jean-Jacques continues to enthuse us and tells us that we are coping well with Year 10 French easily! We are keeping up with our devoir and preparing to celebrate Bastille Day next month. What can we do but to eat and drink like true Francophiles!

Peter Jones, Class Rep.

FRENCH

French classes in La Nouvelle-Calédonie.

A U3A Ballarat French-immersion excursion to New Caledonia is being organised. The excursion will include a French language course and the opportunity for homestays during the course. The purpose of the excursion is to provide an enjoyable opportunity to rapidly develop French language skills and knowledge.

Dates; 17 – 31 August 2015

Estimated Cost; about \$2000 (Australian), to cover the course, homestay accommodation and airfares.

Interested? Please contact Ken Gittins at kengittins@iinet.net.au

Ken Gittins, Class Rep.

GERMAN

Fortgeschrittene - Advanced

The class will be working on their own program.

Beginners – Anfänger

The class will be working on their own program

Ken Gittins, Class Rep.

ITALIAN

The Italian 2 class meets each Monday at 2.15 pm in Room 1, GPlace.

*John Cheesema, Tutor
Wendy Balharrie, Class Rep., 53312329*

LATIN

Latin 1 has just finished watching a Gladiator Show which went wrong but they escaped the riot which followed.

Clemens in Latin 2 has secured his shop and we are learning about Isis and her worship in Egypt while Latin 3, having finished Book 3 is about to tackle Book 4 set in Rome.

There will be no classes for all 3 groups on Tuesday 30 June and 7 of July (School Holidays)

Anne McKee, Tutor

LATIN III

Meets Tuesdays, 9.00 – 10.00 am, at Ballarat North Senior Citizens' Club

Latin Classes for Term 3 will commence on Tuesday 14 July.

Gillian Robson, Class Rep.

LATIN IV at V

Meets Tuesdays 10.00 – 11.00 am at Ballarat North Senior Citizens' Club
Janice Cook

LITERATURE

Our class for July will be reading *Jewells and Ashes* by Arnold Zable with tutor Greta Christie. Dates for the classes are: Thursday 2 July and Thursday 16 July. Times are as usual 10.45 am to 12.15 pm.

Robyn McKnight, Class Rep

MUSIC APPRECIATION

On July 3 all members of the group can bring along music to share, involved with the letter "T". Maybe some Tchaikovsky or Telemann or even a trumpet solo!

On August 7th Janice Cook has prepared a program on the subject "Music Composed by Teenageers."

Janice Cook

NORDIC POLE WALKERS

Meets Tuesdays at 10 am.

Mike Maloney, Class Rep. 5330 1334,

<maloney28@southernphone.com.au>

Pat McCarthy, Tutor; 5331 6219

OPERA ON VIDEO

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Fridays, at 2 pm.

Graham Worrel, Class Rep.

PHILOSOPHY

Meets on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays, 2.00 – 4.00 pm at GPlace

John Poliness, Class Rep.

POETRY

Millicent Reed, Class Rep.

RECORDER ENSEMBLE

Meets Fridays, 9.30 am – 12.00 pm, at Brown Hill Uniting Church Hall

The Recorder groups played at the conservatory in the Botanic Gardens on Friday 5 June. It was the opening of the Craft Council of Ballarat's 'Mystical Lake' Exhibition. A choir from the Steiner school sang and Catherine King opened the exhibition. It was an enjoyable afternoon with tea and nibbles, or a glass of wine, provided afterwards.

Jacqueline Cleverley, Class Rep



Courtesy "The Miner" Newspaper

RAPT IN SINGING

We meet each Monday morning and all our members agree it's a great reason to get out of bed on the first day of the week. New members are very welcome.

Robyn Clark. 5339 5271

SCIENCE CLASS

The Science Class meets on the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays, 1.00 – 3.00 pm.

Brenda Beck, Tutor

Christopher Hindhaugh, Class Rep.

SILVER JEWELLERY MAKING

Tuesdays at 9.30 am until 12.30 and 1.00 pm until 3.30, in the Men's/Community Shed, GPlace The class of 2015 is hard at work creating masterpieces; pictures speak louder than words.

Wendy Chandler, 5331 8904, Class Rep. (am)

Anne King, 5341 8002, Class Rep. (pm)

SIT AND STITCH

The classes are on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays, 9.30 - 3.30 at Ballarat North Campus. New members welcome. Bring along your sewing and machine, embroidery, knitting or crochet. Stay all day and bring your lunch or whatever time you are able.

Margaret Copping, Class Rep., 5334 1191, or 04 0902 1949

STROLLERS AND COFFEE

Walks start at 10 am
on the 1st and 4th Wednesdays.

1 July; Meet at Dyson Road, Lucas, at front of Woolworths.

22 July; Gove's Bike Shop. Doveton Street Nth, Ballarat.

5th August, meet at Racers Café, Cnr., Webster St and Wendouree Pde. Lake Wendouree

26th August. This walk is at Smythesdale. Meets at Court House Hotel, on the main street of Smythesdale.

Wendy Chandler
Chris Cullen, Class Rep., 5332 3721

2000 YEARS OF CHRISTIAN ART

This new class began on 17th June and the first session on "The Sistene Chapel" was enthusiastically received by the members of the class. The next session is 15th July when the topic to be presented will be "Art and the Reformation" It will cover how the Reformation was depicted in Art. Also the developments that occurred in Christian Art due to the Reformation. And the way Catholics and Protestants used Art for propaganda against each other.

Janice Cook Class Rep 2105

WARS OF THE ROSES AND THE TUDORS

Meets on the 2nd and 4th Wednesdays
at 10.45 am at GPlace, Room 2

Jack Engwerda, Tutor
Jill Hunter, Class Rep.

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THE WHEEL TURNS FULL CIRCLE

Clothes and fashion from 1811-1911

Please note that the class will begin again on Friday 17 July

Jan Herperger, Class Rep.

WOODWORKING

It's great to sit on a bench that you have made. Pat has not only made it with love but with precision and great skill. Some of the class have made walking sticks that show skill and have character.

Heather Bice, Class Rep. 0419524714
or 53301357 bice2@tpg.com.au

YOGA

The beginners class at Buninyong on Mondays at 9.30 am has vacancies for more members. If interested contact Lori Hutton on 53303143. There are also limited vacancies for anyone wanting to join the more advance group on Friday mornings at 9.30 am, also at Buninyong. Contact the Class Rep.

Joy Whitten, Tutor 53418189.

Six Little Attitudes

Once all villagers decided to pray for rain,
on the day of prayer all the people gathered,
but only one boy came with an umbrella.

That's FAITH

When you throw a baby in the air,
she laughs because she knows you will catch her.

That's TRUST

Every night we go to bed,
without any assurance of being alive the next morning
but still we set the alarms to wake up.

That's HOPE

We plan big things for tomorrow
in spite of zero knowledge of the future.

That's CONFIDENCE

We see the world suffering,
yet many still get married and have children.

That's LOVE

On an old man's shirt was written a sentence
'I am not 80 years old, but sweet 16 with 64
years experience'

That's ATTITUDE

Ballarat Speakers Club Inc

Join us for lunch at Ballarat Golf Club
1800 Sturt St Alfredton 12 - 2pm

THURSDAY July 9th 2015



Guest Speaker
Steve Davies

Steve Davies was born and raised in Africa at a time of great political change. Listen to Steve recount stories of an African childhood in the recently independent kingdom of Swaziland at a time when neighbouring South Africa and Mozambique were grappling with apartheid and war of independence respectively.

A portion of the cost will go to local charity Karden Disability Support Foundation

Register: <http://www.meetup.com/Ballarat-Speakers-Club/> OR phone Anthony 0458 312 533