



From The President

I particularly wish to welcome our new members and especially invite them to join in and participate in our diverse range of activities. Our year is progressing very well with an increase in membership and a good turn out each week. This is reflected by an excellent array of speakers and a variety of topics, thanks to Course Coordinator, Peter Wallace.

At the AGM we retained all the committee members, added Rod Hannon and have since acquired a new member, Gillian Smith, to serve on the committee. Our long serving committee member, Peter Wallace has indicated that he will only be able to carry out the role of Course Coordinator until the end of the year. Peter has carried out this position with distinction, which is reflected in the quality of presenters he has engaged. The committee has formed a sub-committee of Geraldine Smith, Pam Fidler, Rod Hannon, Gillian Smith and me to take over from Peter. This is such an important position and it is essential that we continue to provide excellent speakers.

Special thanks should be made to Jane Frankham, Nancy Vasileff, Ted Manka, Terry Paterson, Annette Day and June Littleford for their roles as Conveners of the Music, History, Current Affairs, Poetry, The Book Club and Botanical Gardens Groups respectively. Special thanks also to Jane Frankham for her contribution as Secretary, which she has passed on to Pauline Lane, as well as her liaison role with U3A SA.

Lastly, I would like to extend a grateful thank you to all those who help in a variety of ways that contribute to the running of our U3A and we look forward to the remainder of the year's guest speakers and activities.

Col Levy

2018 Program

Included in this Newsletter is our Program for Terms 3 and 4. Program Co-ordinator Peter Wallace has yet again put together a varied program of interesting speakers and topics. From time-to-time, some of our members have also been guest speakers and have subsequently been invited to give their talks at other U3As.

If you would like to give a presentation on a topic that you have an interest in, or have come across or hear of an interesting speaker, please speak to a member of the sub-committee. It is not an easy task sourcing guest speakers so any suggestion is greatly appreciated.

Interest Groups

In addition to the weekly event, U3A Charles Sturt has six interest groups, which meet on a regular basis. They are: **Poetry, Music, History, Current Affairs, Book Club** and **Botanic Gardens**. These meet monthly and the timetable and venue for each are set out on page 5 of this Newsletter. If you have an interest that you would like to pursue with several other members, the Committee can assist you in arranging this and in booking a meeting room.

Music Group (Jane Frankham)

July 3rd: Junia Mello, an enthusiastic chorister who has sung in choirs around the world, will share her choices of music.

August 7th: Wendy Sleightholme from TTG U3A will share her musical favourites.

September 4th: Neil Lunn from our own U3A will talk and play some of his old favourites.

November 6th: Annette Day and Jane Frankham will talk about Jonathon Welsh the musician who created the Choir of Hard Knocks. The literacy group singers will sing "Why we Sing" from the album.

History Group (Nancy Vasileff)

I am very proud of our History Group, now in it's sixth year.

Members do a little research and participate with their findings, always most interesting!

We have researched many topics in that time, this last semester we have looked at Queen Victoria's children and what transpired for each of them. Australian Towns and their stories have been our most recent topic, the likes of Coober Pedy, Port Arthur and Broken Hill.

Please Note: for those who did not attend the last session, we continue with Australian Towns next term on the 9th August.

All members are welcome to come along and participate or just listen.

Current Affairs (Ted Manka)

Members select topics of interest be they local, State, National or International and raise them at the meetings. These topics are discussed and participants express their views, which are treated with respect. Members have indicated they find these discussions to be intellectually stimulating and thought provoking. All members are welcome to attend and participate or just listen.

Book Club (Annette Day)

The **Book Club** reviews and discusses selected books. It gives us a chance to share ideas, see another perspective, learn something new, helps us debate, get to know each other better and enjoy a cuppa.

We all appreciated "**After Darkness**" by Christine Piper. To escape the horrors of Japanese research into germ warfare, a young doctor fled to Broome and tried to ease his conscience by working as a GP.

"**Lincoln in the Bardo**" by George Saunders floored us. Not one of us could read it right through. The sentences didn't follow logically. Saunders was using a new style of storytelling and we didn't like it.

Author Josephine Wilson, gave us plenty to discuss with her novel "**Extinctions**" which explored ageing, adoption, grief and remorse, empathy and self-centredness. Some found it too sad to read but it did end with a glimmer of hope.

Tom Keneally, gave us a big read with "**Napoleon's Last Island**". Betsy Balcombe, a young girl living on St Helena when Napoleon is exiled there becomes his intimate friend and annoyance. She tells a story that we found unbelievable as she was just 11 when first intrigued by Napoleon.

"**The Tea Gardens**" by SA writer, Fiona McIntosh, was a much easier read about a clever English doctor who goes to India to set up a midwifery clinic in Calcutta. She is betrothed to a politician before she leaves and is attracted to a hard working English doctor in India.

The Botanical Garden Group (June Littleford)

These are held on the 2nd Monday of each month unless it is school holidays/public holiday. Everyone is welcome. It is an ambling stroll through the garden with some commentary of plants of interest. The tour takes about an hour after which we relax with a coffee.

The garden belongs to us and it is a place of peace and beauty right in the heart of Adelaide. Many overseas visitors have high praise for its diversity of plants.

In February and May a small group gathered at the North Terrace gate and we all had an enjoyable stroll through the Garden.

The next walk is on 13th August and I hope to see members coming along for a pleasant morning. The bus stop is now further along North Terrace and I go on to the Wine centre stop and walk back to the North Terrace gate.

Poetry (Terry Paterson). This group has recently been formed and is gradually increasing the number of interested participants. It is well received by the attendees.

U3A Outings

Outings are an important part of the U3A Charles Sturt education program. All members are encouraged to suggest possible outing destinations to Ros Emms. Reports on two Outings during 2018 are presented below.

Outing: Migration Museum

On 23rd March around 20 members visited the SA Migration Museum in Kintore Avenue in the city.

The Museum is a social history museum displaying exhibits on South Australia's diverse cultures & communities.

The buildings that now house the Museum were once part of Adelaide's Destitute Asylum. 1678 babies were born at the Asylum between 1880 and 1909, and are remembered by a visual display of nametags. Built on Kauria land, it was occupied by Europeans from the late 1830s. The site was used in the early days of colonisation as the Native School, then as the Destitute Asylum, and later by the SA Government Department of Chemistry.

Our tour group saw many interesting and informative displays. Our guides also told us many stories from the past, including information on the White Australia Policy. This system involved potential immigrants undertaking a 50-word dictation test. Usually it consisted of the test being given in a language not understood by the applicant, which meant that they failed the examination and were not granted permission to emigrate.

Undoubtedly, many members of U3A Charles Sturt have their own family history of migration to Australia.

Sandra Carr

Outing: Tour of the Capri Theatre

Sixteen members spent a very interesting and informative morning at the Capri Theatre.

After tea and coffee in the foyer, volunteer Ross spoke to us about the history of the theatre. Originally built in the early 1940s (in the Art-Deco/Moderne style) it was called the New Goodwood Star. It was purchased by the Theatre Organ Society of Australia (SA Division) in December 1978 and renamed the Capri Theatre. The Society then purchased and installed the 'Wurlitzer' organ and held their first concert in April 1983.

We then proceeded into the theatre where we were given an organ performance by John Slater, assisted with comments by Ross from time to time. This proved to be most interesting and some delightful music demonstrated the different workings of the organ. This was made easy to understand by the accompanying slides projected onto the movie screen.

All in all, this was a delightful visit indeed.

Malcolm and June Levy

Happy 101st Birthday Noeline



Enrolment Day:

Tuesday, 29th January 2019

Time: 1.00pm – 3.00pm

**Venue: Fulham Uniting Church Hall
16 Madeline Cres. Fulham**



In April, Noeline celebrated her 101st Birthday. She was born in 1917, while WW1 was still in full swing. It's amazing what Noeline has seen and experienced since the early part of the last century. Originally from Sydney, Noeline said that she saw the joining of the arches on Sydney Harbour Bridge on 19th August 1930.

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The Committee meets on the 4th Tuesday of the month immediately following the U3A meeting.



You are cordially invited to

Xmas Lunch

On

Tuesday, 11th December 2018.

1.00 pm to 3.00 pm

at the

**Fulham Uniting Church Hall
Madeline Crescent, Fulham**

Please bring a plate to share

RSVP: 1st December

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"I am still learning"

Michelangelo at age 87 (died at 89)

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24 July.	Astronomy - What's Out There? <i>Dr Don Hopgood</i>	16 Oct.	Astronomy <i>Dr Don Hopgood</i>
31 July.	Astronomy - What's Out There? cont. <i>Dr Don Hopgood</i>	23 Oct.	Sri Lanka <i>Helen Bills</i>
6 Aug.	U3A Charles Sturt Birthday Lunch	30 Oct.	Normandy <i>Elizabeth Caldicott</i>
7 Aug.	Astronomy - What's Out There? cont. <i>Dr Don Hopgood</i>	6 Nov.	Life Through a Poetic Lens <i>Trish Herreen</i>
14 Aug.	Banking Made Easy <i>Ruth Carey</i>	13 Nov.	Game Parks South Africa <i>Anneliese Griffin</i>
21 Aug.	The Golden Triangle – India Delhi, Agra (Taj Mahal) and Jaipur <i>Ted Manka</i>	20 Nov.	Iran <i>Roger Bills</i>
28 Aug.	The Tasmanian Tiger <i>Trevor Klein</i>	27 Nov.	Over The Range <i>Jennifer Brown</i>
4 Sept.	Trivia <i>Kevin Nolan</i>	4 Dec.	Coasting <i>Jennifer Brown</i>
11 Sep.	Gardens of the World <i>Elizabeth Caldicott</i>	11 Dec	Christmas Lunch
18 Sep.	Are Your Medications Making You Sick? <i>Prof. Libby Roughhead</i>	TERM 4 OUTING – to be advised	
25 Sep.	Craniofacial Australia <i>Andrea O'Gier</i>	U3A Charles Sturt will resume on: 5 February 2019	

Timetable for Special Interest Groups

POETRY	MUSIC	HISTORY	CURRENT AFFAIRS	BOOK CLUB	BOTANICAL GARDENS
1.30pm – 3.00pm Thursday	3.15pm – 4.15pm Tuesday	1.30pm – 3.00pm Thursday	1.30pm – 3.00pm Thursday	1.30pm – 3.00pm Thursday	11.00am-noon Monday
Convener : Terry Paterson	Convener : Jane Frankham	Convener : Nancy Vasileff	Convener : Ted Manka	Convener : Annette Day	Guide : June Littleford (0403 107 215)
Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Fulham Uniting Church Hall, Madeline Crs. Fulham	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Henley Library Learning Room 379 Seaview Rd. Henley Beach	Venue : Meet at the North Terrace Gate A donation of \$2 is appreciated by the Gardens.
2 nd August	7 th August	9 th August	16 th August	23 rd August	13 th August
6 th September	4 th September	13 th September	20 th September	27 th September	10 th September
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1 st November	6 th November	8 th November	15 th November	22 th November	12 th November

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