

On behalf of myself and the Committee it gives me great pleasure in enclosing the 2019-20 Annual report to all of our members. Well what a year, membership is up, more courses were offered to our members, a new permanent home was secured for the future growth of our U3A and then COVID-19 struck in March.

To all our members I hope that all of you have taken care of yourselves through this time and have remained healthy and active. It has not been easy. The Committee have been hard at work behind the scenes ensuring that courses continue to be run where possible via electronic means and have a plan for reopening our courses when we are able.

I thank the Committee for their hard work making this happen, special thanks to John and Roni Taubman for their great work in ensuring that zoom courses continue to run and to the tutors and speakers who have put their hands up through this time.

Our financial position under the keen eye of our treasurer Andrew McDowall remains strong, we have returned a small surplus this year mainly through generally lower costs associated with the suspension of our courses in March. A full financial summary has been provided by the treasurer as part of our annual report. I would like to thank Andrew for his hard work and dedication to the role.

Continued growth remains one of our priorities and the measure of our success is the number of courses we provide, the membership we attract and having a facility where we can run our classes and call home.

It was with great pleasure that we secured the Red Brick Hall as our new home for 2020 and beyond with the opening ceremony by the Mayor and the entertainment by Marcie Jones, what a great start to our new venue.

Membership continues to grow across the region with 214 members enrolled, this is up from last year when there were 184 members. This is such a great result given the current circumstances we are in.

To all of our tutors and presenters, you are all fantastic. You share your time and knowledge so freely and the feedback we receive from your courses are the reason we exist. Keep up the great work and thank you from myself, the Committee and our members. If there are other members who would like to participate or offer a course you are encouraged to do so, please let me know.

The Committee has reviewed the cost of our membership for the coming year 2021 and have made the following recommendations.

Full membership for 2020 members renewing will be \$20.00. New members \$30.00, Associate members \$20.00. This reflects the current COVID-19 restrictions where we have not been able to provide the full program to our members.

I would also like to say thank you to all of the organisations and venues that allow us to run our activities throughout the year, without this support we could not operate.

To the Committee, thank you for a job well done. To Geoff Carter and Linda Johnson who have decided not to continue with their roles - a big well done. To Linda for her last 5 years doing all of those afternoon teas and functions and putting up with me, a big pat on the back.

In closing let me say that the year has had its ups and downs, a record number of courses were on offer, a new building to call home, new and upgraded equipment via grants, growth in membership, and then COVID-19.

Thanks for your ongoing support and I look forward to seeing you all next year with more exciting courses on offer.

Regards

Peter Johnson, President

2020 Acknowledgements

Members who have made a presentation at Friday@U3A are acknowledged with thanks, as well as our wonderful tutors who have supported U3A Kyneton throughout the year.

Without them U3A Kyneton would not have been able to deliver such a high standard and variety of courses.

Committee Members

President: Peter Johnson

Secretary: Roni Taubman

Vice President: Alan Moor

Assistant Secretary: Linda Johnson

Treasurer: Andrew McDowell

Program Coordinator: John Taubman

Additional Committee Members:

Geoff Carter

Paul Reid

Marketing & course coordinators: Peter Johnson; Linda Johnson, John Taubman

Friday @U3A Coordinator: Alan Moor

Website: John Taubman

Database & membership: John Taubman; Roni Taubman

The Committee has met regularly throughout the year and all members of the Committee have provided their contribution and time as volunteers to ensure the smooth running of courses and lectures.

U3A Kyneton Courses
01 July 2019 – 30 June 2020

1st two digits indicate 2019 or 2020

Code	Description	Tutor	Tutor2
1928	American Government & Politics	Paul Reid	
2001	Bird Observers	Tony Mew	
2002	Book Circle	Lydia Taylor	
2003	Coffee@Kaddy's	Leigh Baker	Roni Taubman
1904	Singing	Jenny Shaw	
2005	Computer Workshop	Len Baker	
2006	Current Affairs	David Wauchope	
2009	The 3 Dictators	Stephen Carisbrooke	
2016	Film Discussion	Peter Johnson	
2017	Table Tennis	Pam Galbraith	
2049	Film Club	Peter Johnson	
2056	French - Absolute Beginners	Simone Graham	
2057	French – Intermediate	Simone Graham	
2058	French - Advanced	Simone Graham	
1960	French Revolution & Impact to Judaism	Keith Hallett	
2020	Friday@U3A	Alan Moor	
2027	Golf Croquet	David Wauchope	
2013	In Search of Real Music	Len Baker	Leigh Baker
2010	Life Saving Poetry	Robert Rouse	
2011	Lunch Club	Leigh Baker	
2016	Mah Jong - Introduction	Ruth Gallpen	Ken Galbraith
2022	Dog Walking	Roni Taubman	
2028	American Presidential Elections	Paul Reid	
2051	Men's Kitchen - 1	Alan Moor	
2042	Meditation	Lyn McMurdie	
2043	Art and Water Colour	Lyn McMurdie	
2054	Italian Beginner/Advanced	John Denton	
1952	New and Emerging Regional Wines	Scott Banks	
1908	Photography - 1	Peter Ryan	
1914	Singing	Jenny Shaw	
2059	Social Cycling	Robert Rouse	Christine Stephenson
2017	Table Tennis	Pam Galbraith	
2018	Tai Chi	Jan McIver	Jill Shaw
2019	Tai Chi - Introduction	Jan McIver	Jill Shaw
1955	The Art and Culture of Umbria Italy	Peter Wilson	
1904	The Basics of Ukulele - 1	George McElroy	
2024	Thinking About Gardens	Peter May	
1932	UMAS for Tutors	John Taubman	Roni Taubman
1931	UMAS Made Easy	John Taubman	Roni Taubman