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MILTON-ULLADULLA CAMPUS
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TERM DATES 2021

Term 3/21 Monday 26 July to Friday 17 September [8 weeks][COVID-19 restricted]
 Term 4/21 Monday 4 October to Friday 17 December [11 weeks]

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Committee members are also contactable through the website via 'blind' e-mail addresses ... just send a message; it will be forwarded.

VENUES

The Campus Lecture room is The Harry Higgs Room in the Milton Cultural Centre [next to the Milton Library].

Lectures are also held at other venues throughout the area; the term newsletter and timetable contain the detail.

SUBSCRIPTIONS AND FEES

Membership of Milton-Ulladulla U3A Campus is \$50 per year, payable in January, or \$25 if joining from July.

Because of the COVID-19 shut-down in 2020, fees paid for that year will carry over into 2021.

There are no course fees

PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hello everyone,

Hope you all enjoyed term 2. I was away most of it doing a trip in outback Queensland which was great, but am back now and in my new role as President! The committee and tutors were keen to continue as many courses as we could in spite of COVID and we had a successful term 2. Thanks for following the rules to keep us all safe.

We are getting ready for term 3 and hopefully we will be able to go ahead as planned. Things just seemed to be getting back to normal and COVID has reared its ugly head again, so it shows we need to continue to take it seriously and take the necessary precautions. It also shows the importance of vaccinations to reduce the spreading and the serious health problems COVID can cause.

We will review our COVID plan before term 3 starts and keep everyone informed. At this stage we are planning on recommencing classes on week 3 of term (26 July 2021).

A new committee was elected at the AGM in June. Many of the faces remain the same, but we have one new person, Andrew Burns who takes on the role of Secretary. Thanks to everyone who has volunteered again for the committee! Thanks also to Gillian Pisani, outgoing President, Judy Richmond, outgoing vice-President, and Margaret Roeske, outgoing Secretary, for their contributions to the success of our Campus.

We still have a vacant position of Vice President - so I am calling out for a volunteer. It is not too onerous, about 5 meetings per year. I believe everyone in an organisation should take a turn to volunteer for a role in that organisation. If we all did that we wouldn't have a problem. Also it's an opportunity to learn some new skills and keep your mind active, which is what U3A is all about. So if you are thinking about helping out, why not give me a call or e-mail me at the yahoo address and we can discuss it.

Hope to see you around in term 3.

Alister Nairn
President

COVID-19 SAFETY PLAN

The NSW Government COVID-19 Safety Procedures require us to follow the following protocol for any M-U U3A course:

- Do not attend a course if you are feeling unwell
- Bring your own water bottle and pen
- Sanitise hands on arrival, and sign into the course [noting disclaimers] using your own pen
- Observe a safety zone of 4 or 2 square metres [whichever applies] around you at 1.5 metres separation
- Retain air circulation in the classroom whilst attending a course
- Wipe down any part of the room that has been used, eg: tables, chairs, electric switches, photocopier
- Wear gloves when cleaning, and dispose of all cleaning material in garbage bins
- Leave classes without congregating

The Harry Higgs room can accommodate 16 with a 2 square metres safety zone, and 9 with 4 square metres.

Sanitising products will be available in the Harry Higgs room or supplied to tutors if their course is elsewhere.

Additionally, wearing face masks may be required during classes; keep abreast of local directives.

APPRECIATION

All our Tutors give their time voluntarily, and inevitably spend a lot of time preparing their courses to be enjoyed by members. Without their commitment and enthusiasm, our U3A would not exist.

Tutors - we cannot thank you enough.

NOTICES TO MEMBERS

MEMBERSHIP BADGES

Your Membership Badge for 2021 signifies you are a current financial member.

Please wear your membership badge to classes and functions; it so does help identify you to those around you.

HARRY HIGGS ROOM

We all like to enter the Harry Higgs Room and see it in good condition. We ask that at the end of sessions, tables and chairs are put away, boards are cleaned, and general tidying up is completed - including wiping down tables if you have enjoyed drink or food on them; also, if the rubbish bin is full or contains decomposables please empty it in the council bins outside the room.

PUBLICITY

The Committee very much appreciates information given by members for publication on our website. If you have any material regarding our campus' activities, please let us know by email or contact the webmaster at addresses as shown on the first page.

DVD FILMS MISSING FROM OUR LIBRARY

A recent check of our DVD Film Library has shown that some have been missing for some time. Members are asked to check their collections to ensure that M-U campus property has not been inadvertently retained. Could any film found please be returned as soon as possible so that it may be enjoyed by other members.

INSURANCE

All Milton-Ulladulla U3A activities are covered by Public Liability Insurance organised by the U3A Network - NSW. It covers the legal liability of the M-U campus to members and the general public concerning bodily injury and property damage. The sum insured is for \$20,000,000.

Insurance coverage for members is validated by their being financial and having their names on the course attendance list.

DISCLAIMER

The Courses and Activities provided by the Milton-Ulladulla Campus Inc are intended only to supply information in a social setting intended to satisfy general interest, and in no way do they constitute professional advice on which participants should act or rely.

U3A Milton-Ulladulla Campus Inc, its committees and its course and activity leaders, does not accept responsibility for any losses of any kind suffered by anyone arising from their participation in a course or activity.

Members enrolling and taking part in Milton-Ulladulla campus courses or activities are deemed to accept this disclaimer and the limitation of liability of the U3A Milton-Ulladulla Campus Inc and its committee and its course and activity leaders.

THE 2021 TERM 3 PROGRAMME

As members will be aware, our campus benefits greatly from a wealth of French tuition and interest. The programme now reflects this by categorising our classes as French 1, 2, 3 and 4 in ascending order of ability.

NEW COURSES

We have 2 new courses this term.

Shakespeare, Reading and Appreciating Enid Everingham 0428 542 430
Enid is offering participants the collective chance to read and to discuss Macbeth. Should be fun!

English History - the Tudors to the Stuarts Ted Gordon 4455 2313
This DVD course will cover the period from 1485 1714, during which time England transformed itself from a feudal and relatively minor European State into a constitutional monarchy and a wealthy and powerful nation - with some historians claiming it was the first modern society. The course reminds its audience that England then was far more than royalty and a series of wars, revolutions, treaties and laws; it tells the story of how contemporary English people were born, reared, worked, played, worshiped, loved and died. Presented by a non-Briton for the non-British, it is an objective summary of the making of a nation. Ted's course will run over the next three terms

RETURNING COURSES

Film Appreciation Ted Gordon 4455 2313
Because of COVID-19 restrictions, the Harry Higgs room is limited to 15 participants. Hence, Ted will divide his class into two groups - each meeting fortnightly; films to be shown this term, inter alia, are Hannah and her Sisters, Finding your Feet, Elmer Gantry and POMS. Any member wishing to join Ted's class is asked to 'phone him so that he can arrange the grouping

German Brigitte Nairn brigitte.nairn@iinet.net.au 0413 393 756
Join Brigitte's friendly group to expand your German, to practice talking about everyday life, and to discover more about the German speaking world. The course has been running for some time now, but if you are interested and feel confident of your level, talk to Brigitte to see if you can be accommodated in her group

CONTINUING COURSES

French 1 Roger Parris 0413 884 745
Roger has offered to tutor our fundamental French course. If you have entertained thoughts of learning the language, now is the time to register with him and get under way in the knowledge there are opportunities to improve proficiency within our campus.

Line Dancing for Beginners Helen Reeson 0402 089 422
As Helen says, Line Dancing is all about moving to music, having fun with friends, and exercising both mind and body ... it is definitely not about boots, buckles and hoe-downs. Routines follow a variety of music and dance styles - including waltzes, rhumbas, and cha-chas. You don't need a partner, and steps can be modified to suit individual needs or restrictions. Sessions run on Mondays from 1200 to 1300 at the Catholic Church Hall on the corner of Green and St Vincent's streets. So get along and get started with basic steps and easy dances - and enjoy a cuppa afterwards

M-U U3A Book Club Carmen Champion carmenchampion18@gmail.com 0413 489 537

The bookclub meets on the third Monday of the month at 1230 upstairs at the Ulladulla Bowling Club [participants need to be members of the Club, with a maximum of 20 in the room]. The bookclub currently has a few vacancies - contact Carmen [preferably via e-mail] to check if there is room

Cryptic Crosswords: Intermediate 1 John Dallimore 4454 1453

This class follows on from John's Intermediate 2 class, and is aimed at those who still need a bit of guidance before attempting his advanced class. As well having participants work on particular puzzles, he looks at solutions to other offerings, and dissects the clues to reveal the answers

Singing for Pleasure Elisabeth Andrews 4454 3580

Singing for Pleasure, under Elisabeth's guidance, is now in its fourteenth year; it has a band of reliable singers who would welcome and help newcomers. The group aims to sing in three or four parts, and would be glad to see new members in all sections of the choir - but especially in the tenor and bass registers - whether or not they can read music. Whilst achieving a standard is satisfying, everybody finds that it is good to have a performance to work for; this is not a frightening experience, and is fun. The aim of the course is to give pleasure, to enjoy the process, and to demonstrate to yourself and others what you can do. So, give it a try! Starts 11 August at Milton Anglican Church Hall

Music Appreciation Fiona Thompson 0478 676 037

Fiona's themes are chosen to reflect her varied and eclectic musical taste; as examples: American music, Impressionists (with fine art 'matched' to the music), Music for Dance through the Ages, Classical Sonata, French music, and Australian Performers. This term, Fiona will further explore the instrumental music of Beethoven. She will send out PDF articles of interest with her playlists [which have public access via Spotify - search for fionathompson11]. Fiona's knowledge is not encyclopaedic, but she enjoys researching and presenting each topic. She also welcomes opinions and input from the assembled listeners! Because Fiona conducts her course in her home, attendance numbers are limited - so check with her to establish the situation. **Note the new day and time**

The Western Philosophical Tradition Roy Liegel 0490 110 342

Emmanuel Cant: the critique of pure reason; the critique of practical reason; the critique of judgement. Roy has been running this course for several years. It is not for beginners; to participate fully in it, a profound grounding in Philosophical study and discussion is essential. Contact Enid Everingham for details of venues

Making Mosaics Colleen Ringe 0416 081 011

Mosaic patterns can be applied to many shapes, surfaces and structures. If you are a newcomer to this course, Colleen will get you started by working on small items to learn the basics, and - once mastered - you can go where your imagination takes you ...

French 3 Paul Allan 4455 4465

Paul's class will build further on the foundations of the language and look in greater detail at grammar, reading and writing. If you are new to our French courses, contact Paul to discuss your proficiency and maybe register for his course

Dutch - Conversation Emile Jansen 0415 405 107

Emile is again offering to host casual coffee meetings for Dutch speakers wishing to use and to enjoy their language in the company of others. Contact him to determine the particulars of the first meeting, following which their content and direction will be decided by the participants

Current Affairs - Discussion Judy Mahon 0414 520 712

Judy is ready to focus the minds (and hearts) of those who attend this lively discussion group on the implications of everyday events and trends. This course is held upstairs at the Ulladulla Bowling Club; attendees need to be members, and a maximum of 20 is permitted

JOINING AND ATTENDING COURSES

If you want to participate in any of this term's courses, contact the Tutor and reserve your place on it. Don't delay, places fill rapidly; follow the old adage - do it now.

Once you have reserved your place, mark your diaries and keep the dates free. If your circumstances change and you find you can no longer attend, let the Tutor know so others may be given the opportunity to take your place.

POTENTIAL COURSES - TERM 4 AND BEYOND [IE, TREATS IN STORE]

If all goes to plan, as well as our usual fare, we may see some or all of these courses returning in the coming terms. If you are interested in any, give the tutors a ring to let them know - it all helps with their planning. Contacting them now is not a commitment by you to attend later - we all understand people's circumstances change.

- Bonsai with Russell Baker [4454 1602]
- French 4 with Pauline McAdam [0428 295 540]
- Mah-Jong with Bill Lampard [4455 7740] in the new year

FOOD FOR THOUGHT ...

Members may note that the number of courses in our terms have declined over the past year. This is understandable owing to the pandemic. A few of our tutors are waiting for restrictions to ease further before offering their courses again. However, it would be nice to be able to offer fresh subjects when openness returns.

If you have ever thought 'I could talk about that' or 'I could show people how to do that', why don't you give tutoring a try? Chris Graham (4454 3025; chrisjoan@hotmail.net.au) would be delighted to hear from you if you feel you could lead a group. As food-for-thought, is there a China Painting practitioner or Bookbinder in our community? Could you run a Scrabble or Eucre group? The more variation we can offer from and to our very experienced and knowledgeable membership the more diverse and fulfilling our local U3A community will be.

... SO DON'T BE SHY!

Tutors are U3A's lifeblood ... so, all you closet experts/enthusiasts - remember your U3A needs you!

TEA AND TALK - 4th September

Enid is working on a Tea and Talk on 4th September; we'll keep you posted on details through e-mail and the website.

Ideas for presentations in the 'Tea and Talk' series are always sought; talk to Enid Everingham on 0428 542 430, or e-mail her at enidever@bigpond.com if you have any suggestions ... they will be appreciated.

NOTICES OF POTENTIAL INTEREST TO MEMBERS

THE MILTON-ULLADULLA MUSIC SOCIETY

Members are reminded about the active Milton-Ulladulla Music Society which aims to put on at least four local concerts a year, held on Sundays in St Martin's Church Hall at 2pm. Keep your eyes peeled around the area for information about its events.

The next concert is to be given by the Sydney Male Voice Choir on 25 July.

COMPUTER COURSES

Many members continue to enquire about computer training.

Ulladulla and Districts Community Resources Centre [78 St Vincent's St]

The CRC is offering free computer courses for seniors. If you have your own device and would like to learn how to improve your skills, it is able to help. The Centre has desk top computers available for training. For those new to the technology - but are unsure about what device to buy - you can test-drive the in-house machines and talk to our volunteers about what you would like to do. Their knowledge covers computers, tablets and i-phones, e-mails and word processing.

If you are over 55 and want one-to-one lessons, call for an appointment on 4454 0477; tell Lyn of your needs and she will match you with one of our volunteers.

VAL BARNES - AUTHOR

Val is a long standing member of our U3A; she has written a number of books covering episodes of her extremely varied and fascinating life. Her latest work documents her memoirs from when she first came to live in Australia having spent many years working for the United Nations.

It is available from Amazon, Book Depository, Booktopia, etc and locally from the Harbour Bookshop in Rowen's Arcade.

Details are:

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