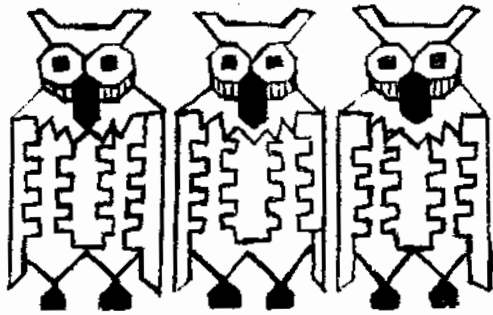


U3A: UNIVERSITIES OF THE THIRD AGE NETWORK



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U3A CONFERENCE FEBRUARY 1986

It seems amazing that in just one year U3A's have developed the confidence to consider conducting their own conference! But, with the support of all four campuses, the Network Committee has provisionally adopted this as an objective. A one-day affair is planned, with a lunch late in February, or early March 1986.

A sub-committee has been formed with the following members:

- Hawthorn: Judy Gould, Connie Longworth, Claire Pullin
- Monash: Angela Hurst, Morrell Aston, Leo Dobbin
- City: Ken Bradshaw, Shirley Harrison, Frayda Cooper, Jill Thompson.

A conference for between 300 and 500 participants is being considered and venues are being looked at. Melbourne University is one choice, Dallas Brookes Hall is another, depending on size, cost, etc.

The questions we are now facing are - what sort of conference? We'd like to have workshops, but how do you divide 400 people (say) into effective discussion groups? Do we want this conference to be thought-provoking, stimulating, controversial, or celebratory and entertaining? Or both?

Suggestions for really good guest speakers would be welcome! (Contact any of the campuses with your good ideas, and ask that they are passed on to a member of the sub-committee.)

Funding - always tricky. It is suggested that we make use of some of the \$2000 from the Myer Foundation to set up the conference, recouping the money from registrations. This way we can recycle our publicity funds! So far as registration costs go - the sub-committee feels this should be between \$15 and \$20, depending on costs.

COURSES-- CITY CAMPUS R 6 MONASH CAMPUS R12
 HAWTHORN CAMPUS R 9 RINGWOOD CAMPUS R16

COUNTRY AREAS SHOW INTEREST

A growing interest in U3A in country areas of Victoria has led to numerous requests for people to go and talk about the concept and how you start a U3A. The understanding of U3A and the motivation to get one started has varied. At one centre we found those present were mainly members of senior citizens clubs from small centres - another centre sent their community education officers only.

This diversity of understanding of the concept raises an interesting issue. Because U3A is entirely dependent on community energy, it follows logically that each U3A will reflect its particular community. Thus U3As in Australia may develop with great diversity. If this is the case, it will be interesting to see what, if any, characteristics are common to them all.

Experience in the United Kingdom and here suggests that U3As flourish best when they draw on older people from all sections of the community.

One would expect that the auspice body would have considerable influence on how each U3A develops. The first three to start in Melbourne were auspiced and given office space and facilities by educational institutions and Hawthorn also has local Government support. On the other hand, the fourth campus, Ringwood, started almost on their own. The Ringwood Council called the first meeting and still provides a room for monthly meetings, but members have had to comb the area for classrooms and a base. Despite this, they have got classes going and there does not seem to be any great difference in the end product.

The concept of U3A challenges some educational practices. Adult Education officers from Benalla commented that the U3A practice of classes working out for themselves, what they wanted to learn, for how long, when they would take holidays and such, led them to wonder why there wasn't more student participation in this way in the other adult classes they offered.

So the word is spreading and although the concept is not always correctly understood, people are keen to learn more. The Network Committee has resolved in principle that this outreach work should be shared by the campuses and, if possible, teams should be made up of men and women. Anyone interested in doing this work should get in touch with their own campus.

CITY ANNIVERSARY

It is now a full year since the first U3A public meeting was held in the CAE City Centre. The enthusiasm at that meeting was the first indication of the reception U3A was to get in Melbourne. The mood was summed up in the expressed wish of the meeting "let's start next week!"

The City Campus had an anniversary meeting last month. Attended by over 100 members, the meeting elected a second steering committee and heard a very humorous and entertaining talk by Commodore Dacre Smyth on 'Historic Ships of Australia'. In his retirement, Dacre Smyth has become a prolific painter and has published four books: 'The Bridges of the Yarra'; 'The Lighthouses of Victoria'; 'Historic Ships of Victoria' and 'Old Riverboats of the Murray'. From the sale of his books at the meeting Dacre Smyth has donated \$71 to the City Campus.

For those who attended the meeting, prints of photographs are now available for 74¢ each. Please call at the City Office in the CAE Centre to make your selection.

Report from the Network

'Mighty oaks from little acorns grow' could well be applied to the rapid and exciting development of the U3A movement in Victoria in the last 9 months. With four flourishing campuses and 1100 students the movement is now well established and ready to expand into other States. Such has been the rapidity of progress that it is difficult to believe that the U3A movement in Australia is not yet one year old. As we go to press a first meeting is being planned to look at the possibility of setting up a fifth Melbourne campus at Frankston. The Division of Continuing Education at the Frankston Campus of the Chiscolm Institute of Technology has organized this meeting for August 4. (Enquiries - Jo Stewart 784 4240).

To date, organisational structures have developed mainly, and appropriately, at campus level as participants decide on the form and content of 'their' U3A. The ad hoc group which facilitated the first meeting back in 1984 has also changed and developed in response to the spread of the U3A idea. Its expansion into a larger informal group including representatives of each of the four campuses has now gone one stage further with the formal decision on March 14, 1985 to establish a Universities of the Third Age Network Committee under the interim chairmanship of Cliff Picton, Chief Executive of the Australian Council on the Ageing.

The Network Committee has adopted the following statement of objectives and functions -

OBJECTIVES:

1. To:
 - a) promote the concept and adoption of the University of the Third Age (U3A) as actively and widely as possible
 - b) provide advice, guidance, leadership and practical help as and when required by autonomous and associated U3A campuses
 - c) seek links with other inter/intra state and overseas U3A bodies or movements and provide co-operation in any possible way as appears advisable by the associated U3A campuses.
2. To assist with the provision through associated U3A campuses of:
 - a) the opportunity for the Third Age generation to make a creative use of some of their leisure time through participation in programmes - mental and/or cultural and/or physical - with a mutuality of teaching and learning
 - b) facilities as may be available for all or any individuals of the Third Age group irrespective of background, qualification or financial circumstances, for the enlargement of their knowledge and/or intellectual horizons.

FUNCTIONS:

The Network Committee, as established, will act as a co-ordinating body with primarily an advisory function or role to assist with the conduct and running of the autonomous individual U3A campuses as required by them from time to time, through the concerted and mutual agreement and practice of individual campus nominated members or delegates and "ex-officio" representatives of the sponsoring bodies.

It is envisaged that the research or detailed study for the provision of general advice to U3A campuses will be undertaken by individual sub-committees of the Network Committee for submission to and general approval by the full Committee prior to advice to the U3A campuses.

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It is also envisaged that the Network Committee will undertake certain specific responsibilities or the conduct of such on behalf of associated U3A campuses as are specified or agreed to by the associated U3A campuses.

In order to pursue the orderly development of U3As, the Network Committee has established a number of sub-committees to work on specific aspects as follows:

Sub- Committees - Objectives and Roles
Publicity
Newsletter
Finance
U3A Conference

Such is the growing interest in U3As that it has been decided to hold a conference in Melbourne early in 1986. By then we will probably have campuses established in other States.

TUTORS AND TUTORING

The fact that so many people are willing to give their time to tutor at U3A has been a source of constant amazement to some members. In this column the tutors get an opportunity to express some of their own amazement, good or bad.

JUDY LEE, an Anthropology tutor, is full of amazement at what tutoring at U3A has meant for her. Judy says that Anthropology seemed much more complex to her before she started tutoring at U3A.

"The students' life experience helps them to look at the subject in a much deeper and broader way than I did when I was at the University. It now makes much more sense to me and all of us can see that man is a rational being."

Judy goes on to explain that the students relate the study to life today and are able to see that man has been developing rather than changing. She says that she tends to simplify the information and finds it is just as valid as when it was more complex and full of anthropological jargon - I have tied the academic and simpler approach together and I am learning as much as they are.

Attendance has also amazed Judy as much as it has Jean Berah, a French language tutor. To date Jean has had three people absent out of 130 possible attendances. "You'd get a lot more than that at an ordinary university" says Jean.

GUY PROSPER, a French tutor, has had a lifetime of experience in teaching young people French, and he is finding teaching at U3A a very different experience. For a start, his students are all at different levels and come from differing backgrounds. Some have travelled or have French speaking friends and speak quite well - others read and write well but are shy about speaking.

Because of these differences, he is finding teaching adults quite a challenge. He has to think hard to produce material of a deeper sort than usual and must be careful about what he says because his students today will challenge him if he makes a mistake. He is enjoying the stimulation of working with people who have life experience and finds his class is talking about current affairs topics and travel experiences - a far cry from the subjects for conversation of earlier teaching.

ADULT EDUCATION

Policy

Hawthorn Community Education Centre has been working with U3A members to draft policy about access to continuing education for older people.

The City of Hawthorn is distinguished by the fact that it has double the national average number of older residents. As a result of this, the Hawthorn Community Education Council, a body made up of representatives from local educational organisations, local government and community groups, has developed three special education programmes to provide further access to education for older people: Hawthorn U3A, Learning for the Less Mobile and a Correspondence Life Writing Course.

The first draft of the policy emphasises that older people are an integral part of the mainstream of society and require access to learning for personal growth, enjoyment and satisfaction.

The policy has three objectives: firstly, to change and broaden community attitudes about the process of ageing and to recognise positive roles for older people. Secondly, as older people themselves are the best equipped to develop policy with regard to their education, their involvement in this process is mandatory. They have the experience, the interest, the time and the skills to shape their educational futures, given reasonable opportunity. They are providers as well as recipients. The third objective is to increase chances for older people to study and includes the integration of older persons into existing provisions as well as creating new opportunities.

Material

"Every adult educator and teacher of adult educators faces the task of discovering and selecting useful material. How many of you have files, folders and boxes full of your own and other people's photocopies of bits and pieces unearthed in the most surprising places? This important process of discovering, using and recommending source material in adult education has been too infrequently aided by compilations of anything like even and sustained quality."

Dorothy Davis, Australian Journal of Adult Education - Vol. 25, No. 1.

Freedom

"Older people may develop faster than young people in certain respects. They already have experience and wisdom that young people need to read in books. They also have less investment in ego, since they no longer are creating a career or raising a family. This may give them the freedom to adopt new attitudes and life styles."

D. Clark, Australian Journal on Ageing - Vol. 4, No. 2, May 1985.

Science Show

A segment on U3A has just been done for the ABC Science Show on 3AR (Saturdays 12.40 pm (repeated Tuesdays 10.15 pm)). It is not known just when it will come on, but the reporter, Christian Peterson, will advise U3A in plenty of time.

Upwardly Mobile!

There have been hippies, yuppies and yuppies (young urban professionals). Now, according to one Australian stockbroking firm, there are YUMMIES - Your Upwardly Mobile Mature Investors.

A Yummie is defined as "at least 35, and more likely to be 45-years-plus, who hasn't settled into the rut of believing he can't still do better. He is likely to be curious and adventurous in investments."

The firm suggests that the creation of the optimistic Yummie class was a natural progression of the ageing in Australia.

You've heard about that, of course. It means that, as older people live longer and the birth rate drops, so the average age of Australians increases.

Where once 45 would have been considered middle age, now the age has been pushed up to around 55. In 1947, the average Australian could look forward to living for 68 years. In the 1980s we expect to be around for about 75 years.

The implications are enormous. The old saying about life beginning at 40 has been depreciated. Now it begins at anything up to 60.

With acknowledgement to the "Sun" newspaper.

U3A CITY CAMPUS

NEW COURSES AT THE U3A CITY CENTRE

MAKE GOOD HEALTH A HABIT

Isobel Shaw will be running eight sessions, including: care of the back and neck, healthy exercise and nutrition. Four of the sessions will deal with stress and relaxation.

Weekly on Tuesday mornings, commencing September 3, 1985, in the C.A.E. City Centre.

MODERN HISTORY

Fritz Josephi is indefatigable! He will be tracing the fate of the Austro-Hungarian Empire and the successor states from 1800-1938, which will include the rise of Nazism and the annexation of Austria in 1938. The approximate duration is 12 weeks.

Fortnightly on Friday afternoons, commencing August 23, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

TALK ABOUT TOLSTOY

Ten sessions on Tolstoy's works! Stan Tighe will be running these, tracing the writings in their chronological order. Start reading now!

Weekly on Friday afternoons, commencing September 13, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

WRITING WORKSHOP - NOVELS AND AUTOBIOGRAPHY

A series of writing workshops will start in late August. They will be run by Rita Richardson and Laurie Crompton, who have both conducted such sessions within the AEA. The emphasis will be on works longer than short stories, including autobiography.

Weekly on Monday mornings, commencing August 26, 1985, CAE City Centre.

SHORT-STORY WRITING

Ken Bradshaw will lead five workshops, the object of which will be to analyze short stories by well-known writers and to examine stories submitted by class members.

Weekly on Monday afternoons, commencing October 7, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

THE STORY OF ELECTRICITY

Jaqui Lang will give the story over five sessions. What is an electric current? 200 years ago this question could not have been answered. It was only 100 years ago that electric currents could be generated on a large scale. The group will discuss the science behind these developments and the effects on the lives of our grandparents and ourselves.

Weekly on Tuesday afternoons, commencing August 21, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

HISTORY OF EARLY CIVILISATIONS - Part 2

Following on from his successful first four lectures, David Shaw intends to cover: the Indus civilisation, India, Ancient China, Ancient America, the pre-history of S.E. Asia and of Australia and the Pacific. It is not necessary to have attended the first part of this course.

Weekly on Tuesday afternoons, commencing September 24, 1985, C.A.E. Centre.

THE MUSIC MAKERS

Are you a drummer or a strummer of music? Has your woodwind been gathering dust?

Help us form a USA orchestra or band. We have a leader!

The next meeting will be at the C.A.E. Centre, 256 Flinders Street, Melbourne on Wednesday, August 21, 1985, at 10.30 am. Ring 63 1793 for further information.

Don't be hesitant if you are a little rusty. If you played in a band way back at school - you'll do. There's a chance to bring back that old skill for your enjoyment and ours.

We need all of you - woodwinds, brass, drums, violins, cellos, bass, piano, harp, whatever. No specific objective, except the enjoyment of music-making.

EMBROIDERY

At last we have a tutor. Isabel Cozens will be leading the embroidery group. She has had extensive experience and will specialise in tapestry, patchwork, European cross-stitch and Spanish blackwork. Students will provide their own materials. Try your hand at several things first (Isabel will supply materials to see what you like).

Weekly on Thursday afternoons, commencing September 12, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

VIDEO WORKSHOP

Arthur Turnbull currently has six people meeting weekly on Wednesdays from 10.00 am to 12.00 noon and has room in these workshops for another six interested people. He is quite prepared to tailor future workshops to meet the needs of newcomers as well as those who started in July.

If you have recently bought or been looking at Video equipment, you will be aware that potential buyers are frequently offered 'lessons' in its use for a fairly hefty price. Arthur believes many of these lessons are fairly rudimentary whereas his comprehensive workshops - the only fee being your USA registration - will take you right through from basic technical knowledge to writing a script to making a documentary.

The first script will be a documentary about USA and its development. We look forward to showing this at our Conference in February 1986.

All those interested - please ring the City campus - 63 1793.

"OFF THE BEATEN TRACK"Armchair travel to unusual places

Convener: Victor Jacoby

For those who can afford the fare (off-peak return to the city!) - visit some marvellous and out-of-the-way places.

Guatemala - Bolivia - Kashmir - Peru - the lakes of Finland - Southern Chile - Trinidad - the Aland Islands. Eight sessions.

Weekly on Friday mornings, commencing August 30, 1985, C.A.E. City Centre.

GESTALT: A HOLISTIC APPROACH TO LIFE

Howard Adams will be visiting Victoria from N.S.W. at the end of August or early September. He is keen to conduct a series of talks on a gestalt, or holistic approach to living. Areas covered include holistic healing, holistic education, holistic psychology. The three basic tenets of gestalt are: (a) the part is governed by laws inherent in the whole; (b) the relationship of parts is only fully comprehensible in terms of the whole; (c) the wholeness of man is the sum of all that is active and potential in every human individual.

The series would be run over two weeks, probably early September. Would those interested please ring the City Campus (63 1793): final dates will be fixed later.

POSSIBLE NEW COURSESPersonal Computers

We have the computers; we have the students. All we need is a tutor conversant with Apple II who can give some 'hands on' instruction. Can you HELP? Ring City Campus - 63 1793.

Bookbinding

Although no-one has expressed a burning desire to do bookbinding, we have a willing tutor. Please write or telephone 63 1793 to show your interest.

COURSES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING

(Courses marked with * are still open to new students)

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| * <u>The Weiss Report</u> (current affairs: monthly) | * <u>Australian and World Current Affairs</u> |
| * <u>Typing</u> | * <u>History of Early Civilisation</u> |
| <u>Herbs</u> | <u>Classical Civilisations</u> |
| <u>Issues of Ageing</u> | <u>Human Relationships</u> |
| * <u>Italian</u> - intermediate | <u>Approach to Literature</u> |
| * <u>French</u> - beginners, intermediate, advanced | <u>Appreciation of Literature</u> |
| * <u>German</u> - beginners, intermediate, advanced | <u>Philosophy</u> |
| <u>Religions of Asia</u> | * <u>Poetry- Reading</u> |
| <u>Stress Management</u> | * <u>Genealogy</u> |
| <u>European History</u> | * <u>Opera</u> |

U3A HAWTHORN CAMPUS

NEW COURSES AT U3A HAWTHORN

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY

In general, this course will cover some of the problems in the early stages of settlement, during the period of growth, and at the present time. Included could be

- (a) The first settlers and the difficulties relating to water, distance, tree clearance, undesirable immigrants
- (b) The Continent had the last say? - empty spaces, climate, desert areas, mineral deposits.
- (c) Industry and the rise of Trade Unionism.
- (d) The Constitution - its history, and problems of change.

The course, convened by Martin Merchant, will commence at the end of October.

RELAXATION USING GUIDED IMAGERY

In this workshop we shall be able to explore deep states of relaxation as guided imagery is able to develop a person's ability to enter a meditative state. It is also a most enjoyable experience. Using our fantasy will help us to develop our own creative potential and some of the participants will also be able to apply the technique to ease their minor ailments or discomforts.

Convened by John Balfour, this course will commence in September or October.

AN ASPECT OF SOCIOLOGY

This course will develop around a study of what it is like to be a woman in the 1980's, and will concern itself with man/woman, parent/child relationships. Some consideration also of the impact of Feminism on one's thinking and behaviour, and of changes in attitude occurring in society.

The group will be run on workshop lines, and be open to both men and women. Creative involvement could be offered, such as drawing, psychodrama, sculpting, metaphor, to help clarify issues leading to fuller awareness of where we stand in our own estimation.

ITALIAN FOR BEGINNERS

This course is convened by Maurice Berah who was brought up and educated in Italy. He had taught the language in the past and his keen interest in languages is passed on to his pupils. The class meets Tuesday mornings at Hawthorn.

MYTHS AND FACTS OF AGEING

A course that explores the challenges faced by older people, methods of dealing with the problems that may arise and ways in which old age can be made enjoyable and rewarding.

Conducted by Elizabeth Turner, this four week course will commence on September 23 at Wakefield Street, Hawthorn.

ETHNIC CULTURES

Speakers will talk about cultures, customs and attitudes in their countries of origin, and their adjustment to and adoption of the Australian way of life.

This course is convened by Herbert Liffman and will commence on Wednesday, September 18 at Wakefield Street, Hawthorn.

BEGINNERS ART

In this course for beginners Lorna Grover will develop basic approaches to drawing, painting, collage and experimental art forms. Classes will commence in September.

COMPARATIVE RELIGION

This course, convened by Gordon Wilson, will discuss the ways in which some of the religions of different cultures, including primitive religions and the religions of Asia, have tried to answer the great questions of human existence e.g. the origins of the world, the meaning and purpose of life, the problem of suffering, birth and death and human conduct. The significance of the religious books, the Bible, the Koran and Bhagavad-Gita could be considered and the relation between religion and myth discussed.

It is hoped that the course can be developed around the particular interests of the group, and be based on informed and informal discussion, rather than formal lectures.

The course will commence in mid-September and will be held weekly at Hawthorn.

TUTORS NEEDED

Are there any potential leaders or tutors hiding their light under a bushel? Hawthorn Campus is looking for tutors in the following subjects:

German for beginners

Appreciation of Art

Practical Art(water colour)

Politics

Current Affairs

British & European History.

MARINE BIOLOGY

Using marine life between the tides as an example of an Eco System, Frances McCallum will be discussing Basic Ecology principles and conservation problems. There could be field excursions to such places as Sorrento, Beaumaris and Ricketts Point.

Weekly on Tuesdays at Hawthorn and day excursions on the weekend.
Course commences September 17.

CAR MAINTENANCE & CARE

There are many quick and easy maintenance procedures which an owner can perform to keep the car in top operating condition - just knowing how it works helps. Thalby Reidy-Crofts will help you understand how your car works, how to carry out these quick and easy maintenance procedures, and how you can tell when things are not working as they should. You will also learn how to tell your mechanic what is wrong.

Weekly on Monday afternoons at the Hawthorn centre. Commences September.

COURSES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING AT HAWTHORN

(Courses marked with * are still open to new students)

<u>Appreciation of Art</u>	* <u>Indonesian for Beginners</u>
<u>Practical Art</u>	* <u>French</u> - intermediate
* <u>Anthropology</u>	<u>French</u> - advanced
* <u>Cell Biology, Genetic Engineering</u>	<u>German</u> - beginners
<u>Current Affairs (World)</u>	* <u>Italian</u> - advanced
* <u>Economics</u>	<u>Latin</u>
* <u>Legal Lectures for Lawless Laymen</u>	<u>Japanese</u>
* <u>Musical Appreciation</u>	* <u>Looking at Language</u>
* <u>Musical Theory & Appreciation</u>	* <u>Nutrition and Health</u>
<u>Piano Studies</u>	* <u>Social Issues</u>
* <u>An introduction to Computers</u>	* <u>Australian History</u>
* <u>Philosophy</u>	* <u>Greek History</u>
* <u>Psychology</u>	<u>Relaxation & Meditation</u>

POSSIBLE NEW COURSES

Bridge - William Zimmerman has offered to start a bridge course for beginners. The course will commence when there are 12 enrolments.

Meeting Procedures - For those who want to 'understand what's going on' Beryl Waldron will explain the mysteries of agendas, motions, minutes and so on. This course would not start before the New Year.

Humour - Explore humour in literature with Pat Gormley and perhaps branch into philosophy, psychology, education, linguistics, or even logic!

Photography - Steve Altman has offered to assist a photography group, concentrating on black and white.

U3A AT MONASH

NEW COURSES AT U3A MONASH

Current registrations at Monash have now reached 378 and there are 26 courses in progress. Members wishing to take courses must register their names with Mrs Iris Duncan at 541 2048. This will be of great assistance to the administration and ensure classes will not be overcrowded.

ENGLISH GRAMMAR

A short course (5-6 weeks) starts on Friday, August 2 at 11.30 am. Topics to be discussed include syntax, parts of speech, rules of spelling and grammar, and correction of common errors. To enrol ring 541 2048.

PUBLIC SPEAKING

A new course has started and meets on Mondays at 10 am. New members are most welcome. Ring 541 2048 to enrol.

BIBLE STUDIES

Unfortunately this course had to be cancelled due to lack of interest.

SCIENCE

Simple science related to the home and everyday living. Commenced on Wednesday, July 3 at 10 am. New members welcome. Ring 553 0583 to enrol.

HUMANITIES

This course started Tuesday, July 9 at 3 pm. New members are most welcome. Ring 541 2048 to enrol.

RUSSIAN

A class for beginners in this language started on Monday, August 5. To enrol ring 541 2048.

FIRST GENERAL MEETING OF MEMBERS

This meeting will be held on Monday, August 19, in the Rotunda Theatre, Room 1, at 2 pm. All current members of U3AM are invited - indeed, urged - to attend.

The main business will be to review the operation of U3AM to date, to consider a document which will, for the first time, set out the aims, guiding principles and organisational details of our group and also to elect such office-bearers and committee members as we decide to need.

A special mailing of an agenda and associated documents will be sent to members on or about August 5.

Please put this in your diary now.

SOCIAL STUDIES

Our first social studies course would welcome new members.
Classes are held on Wednesdays at 12 noon. Ring 541 2048 to enrol.

EASTERN PHILOSOPHY

We apologise for a misprint in the Bulletin. This course commenced on July 23 at 12 noon. The number to ring for enrolment is 541 2048, or convenor 754 5000.

AMERICAN HISTORY

This course got off to a good start on Monday, July 8. The theme is American territorial expansion, commencing with the War of Independence and the famous declaration that "All men are created equal". It deals with the struggle of the early pioneers to establish themselves in a hostile environment and grow to a world power.

Since that declaration by George Washington, presidents have had wide powers; those powers are the subject of discussion in this course. Some important presidential decisions have been made, e.g. President Polk and the Mexican War, Lincoln and the Civil War and McKinley with the Spanish American War.

It is anticipated that the course will close for this year with the McKinley administration. This course will continue in 1986 in February.
Alf Floyd - Tutor 756 6585.

ABORIGINAL STUDIES/ANTHROPOLOGY

These meetings have proved to be most enjoyable and informative, with excellent speakers. All interested members are urged to attend.

Aboriginal Studies - Thursdays - 1 pm to 2 pm in Rotunda Theatre 6.

Anthropology - This group meets fortnightly on Fridays at 1 pm in G23, Normanby House.

August 9 Tribes and Races of Europe

August 23 JUDY LEE (Tutor-Social Anthropology U3A Hawthorn) will be speaking/lecturing on Kinship.

September 6 NEIL SMITH - Papua New Guinea (Tentative bookings for September 6 at the time of going to print).

September 20 JEAN YULE - Indo-Chinese (refugees). For ten years Jean Yule has been an English teacher to many Indo-Chinese refugees, some of whom are tribal people.

Would members who are unable to attend meetings regularly please contact the convenor if they wish confirmation of the September 6 meeting, and information on future speakers booked after September 20, or outings planned.
Convenor Mrs Joyce Ward 763 9262.

ALTERNATIVE MEDICINE

Please remember the lecture by Mrs Bev Shilg at Huntingdale Technical College on Tuesday, September 17 at 2 pm. To enrol ring 541 2048.

It is regretted that the proposed talks on the Pritikin Health Philosophy have had to be withdrawn. The search is still on, however, for tutors in all aspects of Alternative Medicine.

PUBLIC SPEAKING (advanced programme)

Suggestions have been made that we have a more advanced programme at U3AM, at the conclusion of the current basic training course.

The format would be based largely on participation, with members being involved in table topics, more advanced prepared speeches, and debates. This would be of interest to those who completed the first 10 weeks basic course, and to those who are currently undertaking the repeat course of 10 weeks.

Also, it could be of interest to other U3AM members who have had some previous public speaking experience and would like to brush up on their skills.

A likely starting date would be September 9, but this will depend on the demand for the advanced course. It would be each Monday, 10 am to 12 noon.

If you would like to enrol in such a course, please telephone Iris Duncan (541 2048) and you will be advised of further details later.

POSSIBLE NEW COURSES (depending on interest)

LATIN

No, this language is not 'dead'. It is very much a part of the language we use each day. Let latin 'come alive' for you, by joining a class to start in September, subject to sufficient interest. To enrol ring 541 2048.

PHOTOGRAPHY

A course is being offered with the aim of producing better travel photographs. This would include lectures on photography and camera theory, composition, etc., sessions and talks with slides of trips, close-up photography in relation to nature and any other area which interests the group. If interested, ring Harold Mauger on 580 1166.

MUSICAL APPRECIATION

A few more people who are interested in this subject will be needed before work can begin on the establishment of a course. To enrol, ring 541 2048.

WINES AND WINERIES

A tutor has been found for this course and it is proposed to start it in early September, if there is sufficient interest. To enrol, ring 541 2048.

SPANISH

A tutor has offered his services in teaching this language, a native speaker. If you would like to enrol in this course, ring 541 2048.

CREATIVE WRITING

This course has finished, but several of its members are keen to have a further course established, with emphasis on the actual writing of VERSE. If you would like to join such a group, please indicate your interest by ringing 541 2048, and if numbers are adequate, the course should commence in September.

COURSES WHICH ARE CURRENTLY RUNNING:*(Courses marked with * are still open to new students)*

<u>Computers</u>	* <u>Energy</u> - Solar & others
* <u>Literature</u>	Ancient Shipping & Trade/
* <u>Art Appreciation</u>	Archeology & Antiques
* <u>Eastern Philosophies</u>	Psychology
* <u>French</u> - Beginners	Genealogy
- Advanced	* Science
* <u>German</u> - Beginners	

ANZAAS Festival of Science

*"On a par with the film festival or prom concerts
for those who love learning."*

For the first time this important scientific event has been made easily accessible for the public, students and scientists. It will be as easy to go to a science session as to the cinema, opera or a pop concert. As well, a community programme, also part of the festival, opens up the laboratories of government and industry to public scrutiny. You will be able to see how the police use science to fight crime or how G.M.H. builds car engines. You may choose to attend such diverse sessions as:

Traditional Australian Music
Natural Breast Feeding
Computer Technology Music
Deer Farming
Corruption in High Places
Asian Women and Work
Wicked Opinions - Who Suppresses, How & Why.

These are just a few of the more unusual of the over 130 odd sessions that are offering, covering different aspects of science, research; conservation; social issues; women's issues; music, computer and traditional; Aboriginal issues; satellite technology; farming; sociology; health issues; crime and punishment; engineering; sport; etcetera.

You can buy one or more half-day session tickets from any BASS agency for \$8 (\$5 for students or Social Welfare beneficiaries) or spend the full week at Monash attending eight sessions for \$64.

For more information ring Monash on 541 4009 or write to ANZAAS Office, Monash University, 3168.

PLEASE NOTE: Although you may have registered in a particular subject, this does not mean you are enrolled. Please complete the form at the back of this newsletter, or phone the office of the campus putting on the course, so that you can be enrolled in a particular course.

U3A AT RINGWOOD

COURSES PRESENTLY RUNNING AT RINGWOOD

BRITISH HISTORY

A very interesting course dealing with the early history of Britain and the various conquerors and the reasons for their onslaught, which were not always those we were led to believe by our earlier teachers of history.

Tutor: Robert Hare

LITERATURE/POETRY

Great interest has been shown in this course which covers Australian writers, together with comprehension of other great writers.

Tutor: Rebecca Maxwell

TRAVEL CLUB

A group of people interested in travel. All aspects of travel are discussed and monthly slide shows are held.

Convenors: Janet and Paul Vansite

CRAFT

This is comprised of interested groups of men and women who wish to share their knowledge of various crafts as well as to learn new ones.

Leader: Self-generating

COURSES DUE TO COMMENCE SOON

Music

Art Appreciation

Writing

Community Affairs

Art

Current Affairs

Members interested in joining any of the above classes, please contact Judy Parker at 844 3120.

General Meeting

The first General Meeting of Members
to elect office bearers for the next 12 months
will be held on
August 28, 1985
at 10.30 am
at the Public Meeting Room, Ringwood Civic Centre,
Braeside Avenue, Ringwood

PLEASE MAIL YOUR ENROLMENT FORMS TO THE CAMPUS CONCERNED. THE ADDRESSES ARE ON THE FRONT PAGE OF THIS NEWSLETTER.

ENROLMENT FORM for learning at CITY HAWTHORN MONASH RINGWOOD

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