



U3A HAWTHORN NEWS

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THINKING & FEELING

'... if doors of perception were cleansed, everything would appear to us as it is, intuitive, for we have closed ourselves up till we see all things through narrow chinks in our caverns ...'

William Blake

This quote was used by Dr Werner Pelz at the U3A Hawthorn Annual General Meeting in March, to illustrate his view that education today is too narrow. Dr Pelz, who has now retired as Senior Lecturer in Sociology at La Trobe University, believes this has led to blinkered rationality in our tertiary institutions where students are cut off from personal perception and just learn almost without thinking.

Dr Pelz says thinking must include feeling. Reason and emotion belong together, he says, and we should think more about what we are doing. He sees thinking as the most important form of doing and as having a special relevance to the older age groups and again quotes William Blake:

'... enjoy yourselves by thinking. (you have) nothing to lose but man-made manacles.'

To younger people he would say: What really matters in life is a capacity for living, not a career. People should work at their capacities and find for themselves what they really need in life, not what others tell them they need. He believes that the division of labour led to much of today's drudgery and that what is really needed is a Utopian vision.

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PARKING PROGRESS

News has just come through that two new disabled car parking spaces/are to be allocated on the east side of Glenferrie Road, one in the Wakefield Street end of the shopping car park and the other at the Liddiard Street end. Anyone with a disabled parking permit will be able to use these and the Wakefield Street one should be particularly useful for U3A members.

COMPUTER ENTHUSIASTS

The big news of the moment at U3A Hawthorn is that we are about to take another step into the computer age. We have been using a computer for some years now as a word processor and for membership label print-outs. With the arrival of a new computer and a member who understands the technology, several of our members have become fired with enthusiasm for the new age. It will take time, but eventually we hope to be using it fully for membership records and class records and information. This should be a great help to the course co-ordinators and those working on statistics as all the information will be available at the touch of a button . . . or two! All those involved will be required to swear on oath never to use the phrase 'computer error'.

SWINBURNE LIBRARY

We have received the following letter from Beatrice J. Donkin, Co-ordinator, Swinburne Library Information Service:

'In the past, members of University of the Third Age have not been able to borrow material from Swinburne Library. However, with the establishment of the Swinburne Library Information Service, we can now offer U3A students library membership at \$50.00 per annum. U3A students who are interested in joining the library on this basis can contact me for details on 819 8329.'

There is a copy of the Guide to the Library at Wakefield Street setting out details of services available and loan conditions.

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A very enthusiastic Book Discussion Group meets at Wakefield Street each Tuesday morning. Judging by the number of decibels generated, the course is living up to its name. The members of the group say they are gaining new insights into the books they study, and developing sympathy with the aims of the women writers whose books are the subject of discussion.

COURSE & TUTOR DEVELOPMENT

The Executive Committee believe the future development of U3A Hawthorn and its ability to meet the needs of its members will be determined by its ability to provide quality, ongoing courses.

With this in mind, it has been decided to form a Tutor Recruitment Group of three or four members to consider ways of attracting tutor members. The group will meet on an on-going basis, co-opting others as required and reporting to the Executive Committee with recommendations for action. The group will be entirely self-regulating and the facilities of the office will be available.

Anyone interested in joining this group should contact Margaret Drake or Deirdre Jane at 818 7371. Please leave a message if they are not available.

THE LIFE WRITING CORRESPONDENCE COURSE

The Life Writing Correspondence Course is hoping to attract new members. If any U3A members have contact with people who are housebound and perhaps lonely whom they think might benefit from what we have to offer, please contact me at Wakefield Street on 819 5771.

We hope that through the ensuing contact we may have the opportunity to encourage a sense of personal value, through the contribution of writing and the friendly contact with other people of similar interests. I would be happy to make a home visit should that be required.

Julia Ward

OFFICE VOLUNTEERS

PLEASE could we have offers of help in manning the office desk -- answering the telephone and finding out what makes U3A tick. Only a few hours a week, fortnight or month. A call to 24 Wakefield Street would be much appreciated. Leave a message for Coral Proud who copes with the roster and she will contact you.

We urgently need a full-time or assistant treasurer.

SOCIAL ACTIVITIES

A visit to the Botany Library of the Melbourne University is planned for July 3rd. There we will see some of the wonderful illustrated books which have been gathered into this specialist library over the years. The library, because of its very nature, is small so if you are interested to join our group, please book in early.

After leaving the library, we will go to the Pharmacy Building to see the mural painted by Melbourne artist, Len Annois. It is in the form of a triptych depicting all the plants used in medicine throughout the ages. If interested, please telephone 819 5771 before July 1st.

Although this is rather short notice, we advise that the June activity will be a conducted tour through the Melbourne University archives and gallery between 10 - 11 a.m. on June 5th. As numbers may have to be limited, please notify the office by telephone as soon as possible.

Our last meeting was a Mystery Day which took us to the Meat Market where we were treated to a wonderful conducted tour by Christine Gerhardt. The building is of great historical interest and houses many treasures. After the tour we were able to have a very good lunch, reasonably priced, see the many art and craft exhibits and browse through the well-stocked shop.

The events planned for August and September are:

7/8/89 Lunch at a pub (The Palace, Camberwell has been suggested)

4/9/89 Trip to Geelong, to include a visit to Wool Museum,
Botanical Gardens, etc.

Lois Barnett, Convener

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Are there any members interested in a shared theatre experience?

If so, we could choose plays showing in Hawthorn and surrounding areas.

A discussion of the play could take place within a week and through this "pooled" experience, we would increase our understanding of the play.

On the practical side, bookings and cancellations would have to be made well in advance.

Peg Bethune, Convener

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"THE FIRST FOUR YEARS"

This is an interesting document, describing U3A Hawthorn since its inception in November 1984. It includes some statistical material which highlights the needs, practices and trends within the organisation.

Cost is \$3 for members, \$5 for non-members.

Available from 24 Wakefield Street.

In the April Newsletter of City U3A an article appeared, written by Don Graves, and we set out a precis of same:

MEDIAVAL EUROPE

Simon and Lea Schroor, U3A City members, are seeking to contact others who may be interested in joining them on a tour of Europe either in September this year or in April 1990. The tour is planned to last 50 days and to move through the mediaval towns and villages of the Netherlands, Belgium, France, Switzerland and West Germany. Local hotels of good standard will be used from which day excursions will be arranged.

Visits will be made to places hardly ever seen by non-European tourists, for example, there are the tranquil towns that were on the shores of the Zuyder Zee (now reclaimed) and those in the south-west of the Netherlands; the calvaries in Brittany; the Massif Central; Geneva and the kanton (province) of Vaul in Switzerland; the Black Forest and the Mosella Valley in Germany, to name but a few.

Members who are interested should contact Simon (729 7196).

THE U3A NETWORK - VICTORIA INC.

Extracts from the First Annual Report - May 1989

The Network began as an unincorporated body, in November 1987. It became an Incorporated Association on 28 December, 1988.

Since that meeting several new U3As have been admitted to membership of the Network. Many members of the Council have been active in assisting the emergence of these new U3As. The movement is certainly one of the fastest-growing educational enterprises in the State.

Much of the time of Council meetings has, so far, been spent on organisational details associated with the establishment of the Network. Once these have been dealt with, the Council will be able to concentrate more fully on providing information and services to its member U3As and helping increase the level of contacts between them and between their individual members. Some moves in this direction have already been made. Council has agreed to sponsor meetings, other than formal Council ones, for interchange of information and ideas between members. It plans to hold another Victorian conference, probably in the latter half of 1989 and it has approved the planning of a seminar around the visit, sponsored by the British Council, of Dr Frank Glendenning, from the University of Keele.

The establishment of a new organisation is always a stimulating process, borne along by the enthusiasm of all those who have participated. The U3A Network - Victoria has certainly benefited from that enthusiasm during the past year and a half. The challenge before it is now to capitalise on that sound beginning and press on towards the achievement of all the ambitions which are set out in its Statement of Purposes.

CURRENT COURSES

Although a class may be full, people do have to withdraw for various reasons, so a waiting list is kept for each course.

PLEASE NOTE: ANY MEMBER WHO IS ABSENT FROM A CLASS FOR THREE CONSECUTIVE WEEKS WITHOUT NOTIFYING THE OFFICE, WILL BE DEEMED TO HAVE WITHDRAWN.

ART APPRECIATION Convener: Sue Van Dorssen

An on-going course embracing the major arts (architecture, painting and sculpture) of Western Europe. Next year we will be covering the 18th and 19th Centuries. Course FULL.

Repeat course commences 30th August - Waiting List.

Mondays, 1.30 p.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

ART HISTORY Convener: Martin Merchant

The reason and need for art expression in the changing generations of mankind will be developed, together with an appreciation of the styles, methods and materials used. Course FULL.

Fortnightly, Tuesdays, 2.00 p.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

ARTS OF ASIA Convener: Ernestine Lobb

This is the Chinese Year of the Snake. Do you know the creature which supposedly influenced your birth?

What are the inner meanings of the endless knot, the lotus flower, the reversed swastika and the eight-spoked wheel of the Law?

What are the four treasures of the scholar? What are the colours and features of jade? What are the following: inro, a vajra, a stupa? How is batik produced? Why did the Chinese put snuff in bottles?

These and other fascinating insights into various arts will be explored and visits to oriental galleries will also be arranged.

Fridays, 10.00 a.m., 4A Dalny Street, Malvern. Recommencing 6/10/89.

ART - PRACTICAL Convener: Margaret Gillespie-Jones

A self-help group doing oils, watercolour, pastels or other medium - still life supplied but anyone is free to do whatever they like. Occasionally there are discussions on exhibitions visited by the tutor or members.

Thursdays, 1.00 p.m., Hawthorn Artists' Society, Cnr. Glenferrie & Manningtree Roads, Hawthorn.

ART - "SEE THE PICTURES, HEAR THE STORIES"

Programme of talks together with visits to the N.G.V. by Edith Santer (ex National Gallery of Victoria Voluntary Guide)

The course is FULL with regard to visits to the National Gallery but there are vacancies for the slide lectures which are to be held at Swinburne.

Please enquire at the office if you are interested.

Thursday morning, monthly.

AUSTRALIAN HISTORY

A Self-Help Group led by Gail Taylor.

Enjoyable way to learn about your own country through discussion, reading and research.

Fridays, 11.15 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

BIOLOGY, PSYCHOLOGY & THE PURPOSE OF LIFE Convener: Trevor Moffat

This is a basic course covering the general areas of each subject in everyday language. We shall attempt to maintain a balance of structured and workshop approaches and, where possible, use videos or films to stimulate discussion.

The course will centre on three fundamental questions:

1. How does it happen?
2. Why does it happen?
3. What is its purpose?

Group members will be requested to prepare own presentation on book chosen by the group. During the past term we studied "The Road Less Travelled" by M. Scott Peck.

Mondays, 12.30 p.m., Recreation Centre, next to swimming pool.

BOOK DISCUSSION GROUP - CONTEMPORARY WRITERS AND SOCIETY

Tutor: Pamela Rogers

This course should appeal to both men and women who enjoy reading and are interested in discussing such subjects as the relationship between the writer and society, concerns of modern women as they are expressed in contemporary writing, and the aspect of writing styles as a means of communicating ideas and emotions.

Tuesdays, 9.30 a.m., Wakefield Street.

COMPUTERS - AN INTRODUCTION Convener: Vic Kennedy

A 5-week course to give you an insight into computers including the language used in this field and an opportunity for "hands-on" experience.

Last course for 1989 commences July 18th.

Tuesdays, 10.30 a.m., 89 Power Street, Hawthorn.

CONTRACT BRIDGE Convener: Bill Zimmerman

An introduction to this fascinating game. It is necessary for there to be at least twelve students to make the course viable.

Wednesdays, 1.00 p.m., William Tresise Centre, Cnr. Bowler & Munro Streets, Hawthorn (Riversdale Road tram - alight at Auburn Road).

CURRENT AFFAIRS - AUSTRALIA & THE WORLD Convener: Wolfe Flack

This is a discussion course dealing with current affairs in Australia and around the world. Class members select items of interest from newspapers, radio and television for use at meetings. Speakers specialising in subjects of particular interest may be invited to attend and give their views. Course FULL.

Thursdays, 10 a.m., Hawthorn Presbyterian Church, Glenferrie Road (next to Library).

CURRENT AFFAIRS - SOUTH EAST ASIA Convener: Jean Aikenhead

The course will be run as a discussion group, with all members expected to participate, and details will be decided by consensus - e.g. which country will be studied in more detail; order of these according to student choice; etc. Main programme each weekly session will be a brief comment on world affairs that directly affect Australia, and then further discussion of those items in our particular area of interest - there will be a brief historical study of this, concentrating on more 'recent' events - e.g. 19th Century historical background, as relevant.

Tuesdays, 10.30 a.m., Balwyn Library, 336 Whitehorse Road, Balwyn.

DRAMA FOR FUN Tutor: Sally Segal

Theatre skills - voice and movement. Students would be asked to share experiences from their own lives from which a drama could be improvised.

Thursdays, 9.30 a.m., Wakefield Street.

ECONOMICS Convener: George Charles

This discussion group is free from figures and is in plain language that all can understand. Its aim is to seek a greater awareness of the world about us by looking at the history and the background of economic systems at home and abroad.

Thursdays, 11 a.m., Wakefield Street, starting 7th September, 1989.

LANGUAGES

French (Beginners) Convener: Adele Chambers Course FULL
Fridays, 1.30 p.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

French Conversation Convener: Nazli Wilhelm Course FULL
Reading of contemporary French texts from literature or magazines -
explanation of vocabulary and points of grammar.
Wednesdays, 12.30 p.m., Recreation Centre, next to Swimming Pool.

German (Continuing) Convener: Ken Bandman
Thursdays, 11.30 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

Italian (Beginners) Convener: Maurice Berah
Mondays

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Please Note: Due to the closure of the Hawthorn Library, an
alternative venue for these classes is being sought -
details as soon as possible.

Japanese (Beginners) Convener: Joyce Berdy
Mondays, 11.30 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

Japanese (1st & 2nd Year) Convener: Geoff Matenson
Intermediate I Text Book: Alfonso Nihongo Vol. II

Intending class members should have some knowledge of elementary
Japanese (completed U3A Beginners Course, Alfonso Nihongo Vol. I or
similar). Japanese syllabic writing (hiragana and katakana) will be
practised and some Sino-Japanese characters (kanji) will be intro-
duced. Some prior knowledge of these forms of writing would be
helpful but not essential.

Mondays, 12.30 p.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

Intermediate II Text Book: Alfonso Nihongo Vol. III

Intending class members should have completed U3A Intermediate II
or other to the standard of Alfonso Nihongo Vol. II. Familiarity with
kana is essential in order to understand the textbook. Kanji will be
introduced at least as prescribed in the text.

Mondays, 9.30 p.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

Note: In both classes easy conversation will be practised. Members
should be willing to prepare written homework for correction and
class discussion.

Latin (Continuing) Convener: Helen Gordon
Wednesdays, 11.00 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street

MATHEMATICS IN THE MODERN WORLD Convener: Brian Phipps

With the advent of the calculator and the computer, we have learnt new ways of doing mathematics allowing the interested learner to investigate, explore and make decisions without feeling threatened or discouraged. Hence, starting with the counting numbers 1,2,3 and so on, it is possible, in relatively simple steps to build up a knowledge of mathematics that allows the learner to appreciate the role of mathematics in everyday life and to enjoy the recreational aspects of mathematics in problem solving and in games and puzzles.

Tuesdays, 2.00 p.m., Hawthorn Inst. of Educ., 442 Auburn Road, Hawthorn.

MUSIC - AS ONE LIKES IT Convener: Ven Houston

This course looks at the structure and history of music in opera, dance, chamber, vocal and choral music, and other areas. Course FULL
Tuesday, 12 noon, Hawthorn Community House, William Street.

NEEDLECRAFT Convener: Patricia Morris

Make your granddaughter a smocked frock or perhaps a shirt for your grandson! Or skirts or blouses or even a new frock for yourself!!
A general garment-making programme (including collars, hems, zips, etc) for anyone with staying power and a sewing machine.

Fridays, 11.00 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

NEW LIFE SCIENCES MADE EASY Convener: Elizabeth Turner

Six lectures covering the stuff of life, the body's defences, genetic engineering, reproduction techniques and public policies and the future. A repeat course of the six lectures later in the year - probably August/September. Fridays, 2.30 p.m., Wakefield Street.

NEW PHYSICS & PHILOSOPHY Convener: Fred Rosedale

In Search of Meaning

Our course will discuss a number of key concepts - Entropy, Holism, the Uncertainty Principle and Dissipative Structures. We will consider the evidence for potential worldwide change. "The future", Teilhard said, "is in the hands of those who can give tomorrow's generation valid reason to live and hope". Tuesdays, 2.30 p.m., Recreation Centre.

NUTRITION & HEALTH Convener: Greta Burman

We are continuously subjected to enticing food advertisements and articles on miracle diets. This course will help us distinguish between fact and fiction. How can nutrients contribute to health or illness? Digestion, energy, fibre, cholesterol, minerals and vitamins, cooking and food processing, fast foods, etc. will be discussed.

Tuesdays, 11 a.m., Wakefield Street, commencing 22nd August.

PIANO STUDIES I & II Convener: Ann Taylor

For beginners and those who learned in their early years and now feel they have the time to experience the joy of learning again. Course FULL
Wednesday mornings at 4/284 Barkers Road, Hawthorn.

PSYCHOLOGY/SOCIOLOGY Convener: Alex Gale

This course has a philosophical, psychological approach, aimed at a greater understanding of our own reactions and behaviour. Course FULL.
Fortnightly, Mondays, 2.00 p.m., Recreation Centre, next to swimming pool.

REFLECTIVE PHILOSOPHY - THOUGHTS AND IDEAS

A self-help group, led by Beryl French, discussing thoughts and ideas relevant to to-day's society, reflecting on the past and anticipating the future. Course FULL.
Fridays, 9.30 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

SOCIAL ISSUES Convener: Herbert Liffman

Studies range from multi-culturalism through racism to children and the law, the Family Court and victims of crime, in considering the important social issues of our time. Bio-ethics, the problems of adoption (national and international), abortion and euthanasia also come under scrutiny.
Course FULL.
Wednesday afternoon, Recreation Centre, next to Swimming Pool.

WRITING WORKSHOP Convener: Lois Barnett

Beginners will be given every assistance. They will be encouraged to write small exercises, then higher assignments.
Tuesdays, 11.00 a.m., 24 Wakefield Street.

NEW COURSE

TRAVELLERS' INFORMATION EXCHANGE GROUP Convener: Betty Burstin

Would you like to hear/tell about:

- ... how to learn Italian in Italy?
 - ... a fascinating art complex in the south of France?
 - ... a marvellous hostelry run by nuns in Fiesole, Florence?
 - ... the merits of reservations versus wandering at will?
 - ... how to decipher the mysteries of Cook's International Timetable?
- Come to our new self-help group where these and many other questions will be discussed. Basically, the idea is for members to exchange information on all aspects of the delights of independent travel, and how to avoid its pitfalls. This is an informal group and contributions from all members will be welcomed.

Wednesdays, 5 p.m., Wakefield Street.

COURSES AT CITY, MONASH & BAYSIDE

For your information, we set out below the courses available at City, Monash and Bayside. Please contact relevant Campus for information.

CITY

Australia & World Events	History of Science & Society
Exercise & Dance for Older People	Healthy Living
Music Group	Philosophy
Typing	Voice Production & Effective
Writers' Workshop	Weiss Report (Reading
Languages: French, German & Italian.	
Painting - Watercolour	Shakespeare for You
Literature	Sculpture

MONASH

Archaeology	Astronomy for Beginners
Ballroom Dancing	Books & Writers
How to be Healthy & Happy	Greek Conversation
Wine Appreciation	Amateur Radio for Beginners
History of Middle Near East	English Grammar
Photography	French
Pleasures of Poetry	Botany
Understanding Life & the Universe	Walking Group
Public Speaking	Current Affairs (Politics & G/ment)
Creative Drama	Living Latin
Craft	Mah Jong
Literature for Pleasure	Fun with Mathematics
Asian Philosophies	English for Fun
Music Enjoyment	20th Century Art
Turkish	History - Naval & Maritime

BAYSIDE

Women in Australian History	History of Science/Medicine
China	What's Happening to our
Drawing Techniques for Beginners	Current Affairs (Language
Consumer Affairs	Gemstone Fossicking
Eucalypts in the Aust. Landscape	Maritime History
Links of Religion: East and West	Antarctica

Enrolment forms are found at the end of the News Notes.
It is essential that one form should be completed for each course you wish to take, accurately including telephone number and postcode, and returned to the office at 24 Wakefield Street, Hawthorn, 3122 without delay.

PLEASE MAIL YOUR ENROLMENT FORMS TO THE CAMPUS CONCERNED

ENROLMENT FORM for learning at CITY HAWTHORN MONASH RINGWOOD FRANKSTON

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