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## Myall High News

Live, laugh and learn

Christmas, the time of year that is meant to bring much cheer is, yet again, on our doorsteps. We trust that it will bring the 'promised' joy of togetherness, treasured family connections, good food and drink, much happiness, love and loads of gratitude into your world.

## WHAT'S HAPPENING IN U3A?

As a Committee we have a responsibility to review the year that was and in order to grow, we need to examine the good, the bad and the ugly this year has presented.

**The Good:** So much has happened for which to be grateful. Moving into our new beautiful MU3A Hall naturally tops the list; being part of a cohesive, efficient and wonderfully supportive Committee comes a close second; third come our fabulous Conveners who put their hearts and souls into teaching, guiding, and assisting each member of their groups and classes to achieve their best. Fourth on this list we'd have to say are the excellent events we were able to offer throughout the year - weekly Friday presentations that cover a huge variety of topics, our annual art show, several performances by our amazing choir and musical groups and so much more. We also want to take this opportunity to honour all member volunteers who are quick to lend a hand and quietly work behind the scenes. **To all of you we say THANK YOU. Our gratitude comes from the bottom of our hearts. Without you, Myall U3A would not exist!**

**The Bad:** We've had to attend too many funerals throughout the year. This, of course, is a not unexpected byproduct of running a seniors organisation. All the same, it is very sad having to say a last farewell to a number of our much treasured older members. Other members we've had to bid 'good bye' needed to relocate as a result of their medical conditions, yet others because they wished to move closer to their families.

**The Ugly:** As much as it pains me to say this, the scamming world in which, unfortunately, we now live has become a rather personal issue for a number of our members, leaving several victims in its wake. Some members have lost money, others have been forced to defend their reputation. As an

elderly community we are ill-equipped to function in this increasingly technologified era. (Yes, it's another one of my made up words!) We are readily 'taken in' by what seems legitimate and yet is anything but. This doesn't mean that we are naive or stupid but simply that we haven't grown up in an era where theft was this sophisticated and evil. Our experience is based on that with which we are familiar and thus do not expect to fall victim to this type of crime. We have to be aware, however, that it happens and when it does, it causes a lot of grief. This is one of the many reasons we urge you in most of our monthly newsletters, under the heading of 'Tech Tips', to read the articles for which we provide links. Most if not all banks send out pertinent information, TV news and current affairs programs attempt to make us more aware and we, as the organisation that serves you, do our best to assist you in remaining safe.

## TECH TIPS:

**Organisations as well as individuals are being targeted every moment of every day, so be sure to read the following articles:**

**ATO issues urgent warning** after \$18,000 MyGov fraud uncovered—could you be next? To learn more about this, [click here](#).

Australians report nearly **\$260M in losses** as shopping scams surge. For more information, [click here](#).

## DID YOU KNOW that:

- Although the outing to the Irukandji Shark and Ray Encounter wasn't attended by a large number of participants those who did had a wonderful time.



- A U3A Choir Concert will be held on Wednesday, December 3rd at the Baptist Church Hall. All are welcome!
- Our Music Group will be holding a Christmas Fest on Tuesday, December 9th at the MU3A Hall. All are welcome!
- A variety of other organisation's Christmas and Summer Events will be held in Tea Gardens/Hawks Nest. Keep your eyes open for all the advertising banners around town.

## AGM

**Please remember that our AGM will be held on Friday, December 5th at the MU3A Hall at 11 am.**

## CHRISTMAS LUNCH

The AGM will be followed by our delicious Christmas luncheon, held at the Hawks Nest Surf Club at 12 noon. This luncheon is only open to registered guests.



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## WE NEED YOU!

**We are urgently seeking Committee members for the following roles...**

We are losing 3 valuable Committee members at the end of the year due to health issues and people moving away...

**POSITION OPENINGS:**

- \* SECRETARY & PUBLIC OFFICER
- \* PROGRAM CO-ORDINATOR
- \* PUBLICITY OFFICER

Thank you!

*Please* get in touch if you would like to help us at this critical time  
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Myall U3A has had the enormous benefit of an enthusiastic and stable committee for several years and this has been reflected in the continuing success of this organisation. This year we will be losing some key members of our committee for a variety of reasons, mostly relating to health and family considerations. We need to replace these members if we are to continue to have a smooth running and effective organisation. Please give careful consideration to volunteering to fill one of these rewarding opportunities.

**Full induction and support will be available to all new committee members.**



## CHOIR CONCERT

*We invite you to join us...*

**WHEN:** Wednesday 3 December

**WHERE:** Baptist Church Hall, Tea Gardens

**TIME:** 10-11am Followed by a delicious Morning Tea.



*Seasons Greetings,*

Please feel Welcome to join us, and join in singing at our final choir session of the year.  
We would like to sing you a small sample of the coral arrangements that we have enjoyed singing this year.

Live, laugh and learn with Myall U3A!



*Invite you to dress up and join us for a fabulous Musical experience!*



## CHRISTMAS FEST

**WHEN:** Tuesday 9 Dec.

**WHERE:** MU3A Hall  
Boomer St. Hawks Nest

**TIME:** 1.30pm start - Please arrive early!

Followed by a delicious afternoon Tea




## Myall U3A Christmas LUNCH

