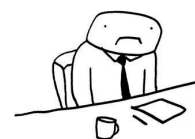




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MYALL HIGH NEWS

LIVE, LAUGH AND LEARN WITH MYALL U3A

The name of our organisation, University of the Third Age (U3A), can sound a bit intimidating to those of us who did not have the opportunity or the inclination to pursue higher education. This leads me to clarify and assure you that higher education is absolutely no requirement for joining Myall U3A, for putting your hand up to become a Convener or for being involved with our Committee. U3A is built on the idea that, regardless of age and levels of education, we never stop learning. It brings together people who are retired or semi-retired (in the 'third age of life') to pursue their interests, passions or simply the hobby for which they never had time during their working years. U3A is run by members for members! It is solely operated by volunteers who share their knowledge, lead classes and organise activities across an amazing range of subjects - from languages to art, music, philosophy, gardening, yoga, writing and so much more. To access a full list of Myall U3A groups, courses and programs, just **click here**. At its heart U3A is about connection, curiosity and contribution and offers a sense of belonging and purpose while keeping the mind active and engaged.

WHAT'S HAPPENING IN U3A:

Having talked a number of times throughout the past 4 years about the pleasure and satisfaction of volunteering I'm reluctant to raise this topic again. Since our entire organisation depends on volunteers, however, I have no choice but to return to this subject. Due to the unavoidable fact that time stands still for no-one and that with increasing age many of us experience health challenges, we are forever hoping for members to step up, step in and continue to carry our banner well into the future. You may be aware that as a result of ill health, physical relocation and some other pressing issues we will be losing 3 valued Committee members at the end of this year. This, together with the sad fact that we have had to manage without filling a variety of other roles for a few years, means that it has become absolutely essential that we increase our Committee member numbers by the beginning of 2026. In order to continue the effective functioning of Myall U3A the following roles **will have** to be filled:

Vice President * Secretary * Publicity Officer * Assistant Course Co-ordinator *
Technical co-ordinator

Our Committee is made up of a number of members who bring different talents, experiences and skills to this important group. We usually meet once a month and get along famously. New members are not only wholeheartedly embraced but are also supported every step of the way as they explore and settle into their roles. Needless to say, they are greatly valued!

I trust that you realise the urgency of our need and that you will step up to become one of our treasured Committee members.

DID YOU KNOW that:

- This year's Art Exhibition was the best and most successful to date with 104 paintings as well as several dozens of other items sold throughout the October long weekend. Its organisation was truly exemplary and the artworks produced by our Art Group members were fantastic. We'd like to take this opportunity to yet again congratulate Jeanette Hart and Jan Nesbitt (our Art Group Conveners) as well as the efficient and tireless Art Group Committee and their competent helpers, without whom the event would not have been possible, on their outstanding efforts!
- We now showcase different Art Group members' works, which are available for purchase, on the walls of our lovely U3A Hall. We are thrilled to report that Federal member for Lyne, Alison Penfold, was our first purchaser.
- We also share with pleasure that Ray Keipert who, in the not too distant past was our long-term Program Co-ordinator and currently functions as Co-Convener of our Writers Group, had a very successful book launch with many of his books, current as well as previous, being purchased.
- We are very proud of each of our Course/Program and Group Co-ordinators for their commitment to sharing their particular areas of knowledge, interest and expertise with those members who wish to learn, maintain or update one or more of the skills on offer.
- It's time to book your attendance at our AGM and Christmas luncheon.
- We look forward to seeing you at both occasions and to enjoy your company over a delicious lunch. Please [click here](#) to make your booking.



AGM

With our AGM and Christmas lunch rapidly approaching be sure to take note of the date and register your attendance by [clicking here](#) to send a note to that effect.

The last Friday Presentation for 2025 will be about Christmases past and present. If you have a special tale to tell, please look out for the announcement of our Christmas Challenge

TECH TIPS:

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