

Harold Windemere Lord 1930-2002

Our members extend to Toni, and their family, our deep sympathy on the death of Harold. U3A Kingborough was well represented at his funeral service in Hobart on 1 August. There we heard of his long and distinguished career in the Tasmanian Education Department and were most touched by the very loving remembrances expressed by his wife, sons and daughters. The picture of a patient, caring and endearing man evoked by them was one we could confirm. Rest in peace, Harold.



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Ralph Chapman 1927-2002

Ralph Chapman, former Senior Lecturer in Administration and Government at the University of Tasmania, died in Hobart on 1 May 2002 after a long battle with cancer. He came to Tasmania in 1951 as a solicitor and then as a school teacher. He joined the University staff in 1971. Following his retirement in 1992, Ralph was a strong supporter of U3A and served two terms as President of Hobart U3A. In Term 2, 2000, he gave a course on *Citizenship and Civil Society* at U3A Kingborough. An obituary in the *Mercury* (13 May 2002) stated: 'It was unknown for him to provoke anything other than respectful scholarly discussion. This included subjecting the views of others to the criticism scholarship demands, but always in the most courteous manner.'

Geoffrey Norman Wilson MacFarlane 1920-2002

Geoff MacFarlane died peacefully on 3 May 2002. Geoff was one of our most enthusiastic members. He served in the RAF for 26 years ending up as a Squadron Leader. On his retirement in 1953 he enrolled as a student at the University of Tasmania. He taught at Friends School for 15 years. He was a dedicated student and in his retirement continued his studies both at Adult Education and U3A.

Newsletter: The next issue should be posted out about 14 October with a deadline for copy of 27 September. The Editor welcomes contributions from members. The Term 1 program for next year will be included in a Newsletter to be posted out about 25 January.

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FROM THE PRESIDENT

The shock of the sudden death of Harold Lord while on his winter holiday in Cairns with Toni, saddened all those of us who knew him in recent years in U3A Kingborough. As a committee member, this year he has been our principal programmer. He performed the task meticulously and creatively. We will miss him greatly.

Speaking personally, I must say the classes in second term which I chose, and have been privileged to attend, have been quite excellent. They have been challenging certainly, informative too, but above all, so absorbing and enjoyable. I can only hope all our members have been as fortunate as I have been.

Now we must look forward into the spring term once more. Thanks particularly to Harold, another first-rate and varied program of courses is available. While I am fully aware that it is the expertise of our tutors which makes it fulfilling for us, and I thank each and every one of them, the dedicated committee work which goes on behind the scenes is admirable too.

The nation-wide problems with liability insurance have also exercised us here considerably. Our premium for this year is now ten times what it was last year. Any solution to this excessive demand which our members may have heard about would be gratefully received by our Treasurer, Pat Neilsen.

Sheila Given

This outline of New Zealand history since the 1840s emphasises race relations and the political and social developments, such as votes for women, industrial arbitration and land for the people, which have influenced Australia.

Richard Davis, a graduate of the Universities of Dublin and Otago, New Zealand (PhD), lectured in History at the University of Tasmania for 30 years before retiring in 1996 to become Emeritus Professor. *Irish Issues in New Zealand Politics* (1974) was one of his earliest books, while *Revolutionary Imperialist* (1998), a biography of William Smith O'Brien, the Irish political exile in Tasmania, is one of his most recent.

Tuesday 10 am ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS. Joe Priest
10 sessions from 24 September to November 26 **Room A1**

The last days of the Roman Empire.

Joe Priest was principal at Kingston Primary School. In his retirement he has been active as a U3A tutor both at Hobart and Kingborough (where he is now in his third year).

Tuesday 11.30 am PLAY READING with Barbara Warner
10 sessions from 24 September to November 26 **Room A1**

You are invited to join the group to enjoy either reading or listening to a selection of comedies and dramas. Present members please re-enrol. New members welcome.

Barbara Warner, actor, producer and director, has mounted productions for the Hobart Repertory Society and Tasmanian Community Theatre, which she founded. She acted in TV and films in Sydney during the 1980s and recently issued a CD of accompanied Shakespearean sonnets with her daughter Carol playing the harp.

Tuesday 1:30 pm AUSTRALIAN NATIVE PLANTS
Convener: Kitty Courtney
10 sessions from 24 September to 26 November **Room A3**

A series of lectures presented by members of the Australian Plant Society Tasmania covering Australian Native Plants, both in the garden and in the bush. The presenters have a wide range of experience with native plants which includes propagating and growing them as well as enjoying them in their natural setting.

Sept 24th	Inspirations in Australian Plants	Kris Schaffer
Oct 1st	Australian Food Plants	Kris Schaffer
Oct 8th	Propagating Native Plants	Bruce Champion
Oct 15th	Garden visit to 176 Summerleas Rd.	Jeanette Closs
Oct 22nd	Plant Communities – why plants grow where they do	Janet Stephens
Oct 29th	Sydney Sandstone Flora	Doug Graddon

Nov 5th	Plants of Mt Wellington	Peter Franklin
Nov 12th	Deal Island – Tasmania's Newest National Park	Jean Taylor & John Hamilton
Nov 19th	Huntingfield Reserve, Land Rehabilitation on Urban Fringe	Andrew Kirkley
Nov 26th	To be announced (the activity/topic will depend on speaker availability)	

Tuesday 1.30 pm INDONESIAN FOR BEGINNERS. Gregory Thé
10 sessions from 24 September to 26 November Room A1

This course is especially designed to facilitate reading and conversation in Indonesian. Grammar will be discussed only to illustrate language structure, while vocabulary will be expanded so that the course can lead into Indonesian at intermediate level after two terms of study.

Gregory Thé was a teaching staff member of the Electrical Engineering Department, University of Tasmania since 1965 and retired as Senior Lecturer in 1997. He was born in 1933 in Indonesia and lived there until 1955, so Indonesian is his native language.

Wednesday 5-7 pm HOME COMPUTING – BEGINNERS. Joe Bondin
8 sessions from 25 September to 13 November Kingston High School

This course is targeted at persons who want to know how a computer works and what one can do with one. Easy and slow paced.

Joe Bondin is a retired full time adult education tutor and teacher. He has worked as a network support officer and set up computer labs in schools. Runs a PC support service.

Thursday 10 am CLAY TABLETS TO COMPUTERS III. Noela Foxcroft
9 sessions from September 26 to November 28 (no class Oct. 24 Show Day)
Room A3

A look at mathematical developments from the 7th Century to the Renaissance. You don't need to have done the previous courses to join this one -- and you don't need to know any Maths to enjoy it!

Noela Foxcroft is a former Maths and Science teacher with a love of history. Noela has been giving courses at both Clarence and Kingborough for the past five years.

Thursday 11:30 am FAR HORIZONS: EXPLORERS, TRAVELLERS AND ECCENTRICS. Bruce Davis
8 sessions from October 3 to November 28 (no class Oct. 24 Show Day)
Room A3

Strange people in strange places -- an unusual evaluation of motivation and experience in exploration.