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Newsletter

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FROM YOUR PRESIDENT

Welcome to the newsletter that precedes Term 2.

You will note that we are not offering as many courses as first term. This is not a reflection on our course organisers who have plenty of new courses up their sleeves! However, we were extremely disappointed with the enrolments at some of the first class courses scheduled for first term - in fact, we had to cancel two due to a lack of interest.

The committee have, therefore, decided to make your choice more limited in order that our hard working course presenters will feel truly valued.

So enrol for as many as you wish and have another enjoyable U3A Kingborough term.

Members may not be aware that they can JOIN a course at any time during the term so long as the course numbers have not been reached. This number is often demanded by the lecturer - but few courses ever get completely full so feel free to see the class secretary and join.

Members may also bring along a guest for no more than two sessions, once again so long as the course is not full. This scheme allows potential new members to get a feel of the concept - and we can

always do with additional members\

Bernard PETTIFER
2004

LETS DO IT TOGETHER

In response to member's request for more social events and to provide opportunities for members to get to know each other better, the Committee has decided to put a display on the notice board in A Block about any forthcoming activities or events which small groups of members might like to take part in.

These activities may take the form of

Regular walks

Visits to Museums and Art Galleries

Visits to the Cinema / Theatre / Concert Hall

Visits to Salamanca Market etc. followed by Coffee.

A shared meal - either in a home or restaurant

Any other ideas?

We appreciate that many members live alone and/or are new to the area and we see these activities as a way of members meeting those of like mind with a chance to make new friends - without a lot of expense!

Any member wishing to be coordinator / facilitator for a particular activity, or who would be interested in taking part in a particular event, or who can share transport to an event, please contact (from the beginning of term 2)

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U3A KINGBOROUGH INC.

PRESIDENT'S 2003/2004 ANNUAL REPORT

When I took over as President of the University of the Third Age, Kingborough, I realised that I was stepping into the shoes of a wonderful predecessor, Sheila Given. I should like to thank Sheila in this report for the sterling work she did during the first three years of the organisation.

The 2003-2004 year has been notable for the incredible number of courses available for our members. It is never a case of trying to find something to interest one when the programs arrive, much more a case of trying to find some that have to, reluctantly, be missed.

Kitty Courtney and Joan Perrett are to be congratulated on the range. It is interesting to note that our members seem, and I repeat seem, to want lighter courses rather than the heavier academic ones. I am told that this is the opposite to what happens in Hobart and Clarence U3A's. Personally, I love to be entertained although literature, history and travel are my main delights.

I should like to thank Margaret Murray for stepping into the role of treasurer for the year. She has done a brilliant job and our finances are coping, albeit insurance premiums are still a major worry. We were able to get a grant to help with last year's premium but have been told by the government that it would be a "one-off" and that we would have to look closely at our balance sheet to cover future year's payments. We are loathe to raise subscriptions but I doubt that there is any other way for us to obtain finances. We shall spend wisely during the forthcoming year and hope that we do not have to take such a step. We are still waiting for the donation from our Premier, Jim Bacon. He promised us money in October but at the time of writing this report it still has not eventuated! However, I am led to believe that the money has got as far as Clarence U3A and we have now to negotiate with the other U3A's in the south how the \$3000 will be distributed.

Thanks are also due to committee members, Marian Jellyman (who has done an incredible amount of work behind the scenes), to Dulcie Taylor for her work supporting the secretary, and to Venie Phillips and Brenda While for their work organising course enrolments.

Thanks now to two of our committee members who have served since the first days of U3A Kingborough. Thelma Rider has been wonderful in allowing the committee to use her home for committee meetings and has been a hard working and effective social secretary, organising tutor's morning teas and most especially, our Christmas functions. Thank you Thelma.

My final thanks go to our secretary, Netta McLaren. Netta has put in a lot of work over the years and has been as conscientious as any secretary could ever be. Her sense of humour has lightened the occasionally difficult moment and I shall miss her telephone calls very much. We shall be seeing Thelma and Netta at courses and although they certainly deserve their retirement from committee duties they will be sorely missed.

During the year two of our members passed away and their relatives are aware of our

deep sorrow regarding their loss.

The departing committee have decided to use Section 10 of our Constitution which says "the Committee shall have the power to define the duties of all officersand shall act in accordance with the decisions of the Committee" to limit the terms of office to a maximum of three years in any position. We believe that this will ensure that there can be no feelings in our members of a clique running U3A Kingborough and it also means that new faces will bring new ideas.

However, the big snag is that we find it very difficult to find people to stand for either executive or general committee positions so it is up to you to consider playing a part in the running of this organisation. I realise that it is impossible for some folk to be involved to the extent of serving as committee members so I was very impressed with the actions of one member who stated that she was unable to help U3A Kingborough in an administrative role but would donate a (and I must say, a very substantial) monetary gift to the organisation. She doesn't wish to be named but she has our gratitude and the money will be put to good use.

I believe that 2004-2005 will be another great year for U3A Kingborough and look forward to meeting those of you that I have not met before.

Bernard Pettifer, President.

 TERM 2 AT A GLANCE

			Room
MON	10:00	Ancient Civilisations	A3 Joe Priest
	10:00 - 12:00	Drawing	A2 Helen Quilty
	11:30	People of the Earth	A3 Rex Kerrison
	2:30	Music in 3 Cities	Home Barrie de Jersey
TUES	10:00	Forgotten Genius	Ai Gifford Causon
	11:30	Play Reading	Ai Bernard Pettifer
	1:30	Medical Miscellany	Ai Ian Lewis
	2-4pm	Life Writing Workshop	A2 Marian Jellyman
	10:00	Great Feuds in Science	A3 Noela Foxcroft
THURS	10:00	David Copperfield	Ai Rowena Mackean
	11:30	People and their Music	A3 Conv. Joan Perrett

1:30	Aust. Foreign Policy	A3	Derek Verrall
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PROGRAM FOR TERM 2, 2004

Monday, June 21- August 26

Monday 10 am ANCIENT CIVILISATIONS
10 Sessions from June 21 to August 23

Levy for term \$2

Joe Priest
Room A3

Hannibal Crosses the Alps!

The Roman Republic from the time of Hannibal to the deaths of Mark Anthony & Cleopatra.

Joe Priest lectured at U3A Hobart for 12 years. Joe has been with Kingborough U3A since its inception.

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Monday 10am - 12pm WASH YOUR DRAWINGS IN COLOUR
10 sessions from June 21 to August 23 Adult Ed. Centre, Room A2

Helen Quilty
(NOTE NEW VENUE)

Extend your skills of drawing and learn ways to colour using inks, crayons, pastels or watercolour of your choice.

Helen Quilty has taught a range of subjects for years but has focused on her great love of art, in latter years teaching many age groups to enjoy creating. She assists students to develop their own style and perception. She draws from her own experiences as an illustrator, exhibiting artist, mural painter and Art Gallery guide to enhance her teaching techniques.

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Monday 11:30 am PEOPLING THE EARTH AND THE FIRST TASMANIANS. Rex Kerrison
10 Sessions from June 21 to August 23

Room A3

This course traces the evolution of human kind and their spread across the Planet with the eventual arrival in the land we call Tasmania.

Rex Kerrison was born in a country town in northern Tasmania. He gained a science degree with geology as a major. Rex was a Fulbright exchange teacher and lecturer in teacher education at the University of Tasmania until early retirement. Rex has had a life long interest in the shape of our land and pre-historical archaeology.

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Monday 2-3pm MUSIC IN THREE CITIES 9
Sessions from June 21 to August 16

Barrie de Jersey
Limit 30 places

At Home: 4 Fairway Dr., Redwood Village

London 1588-1612: Elizabeth, James and Shakespeare; madrigals and virginals.

Vienna 1890- 1911: Twilight of the Hapsburgs; Brahms, Wolf, Mahler.

Paris 1890- 1914: *Fin de siecle*: Satie, Debussy, Ravel; the *Ballets-Russes*.

Barrie de Jersey: After University of Tasmania and high school teaching, 3 years' study at Akademie Mozarteum Salzburg, Austria, then foundation staff member of Tasmanian Conservatorium of Music. 12 years as head of Keyboard School. Concerts and broadcasts playing piano, harpsichord and clavichord, and as composer, conducting T.S.O.

Tuesday 10AM FORGOTTEN GENIUS
10 sessions from June 22nd to August 24th

Gifford Causon
Room A1

Everyone has heard of Newton, or Galileo but there are many others who made incredible discoveries. Who first measured the diameter of the earth? Who made the first fire engine? Who made an atmospheric train? These people deserve to be remembered.

Gifford Causon has been a tutor for U3A classes at Hobart, Clarence, Cygnet, Geeveston, and Kingborough, in ancient Middle East civilisations, ancient Egypt, early civilisations of the Americas, early development of Technology, transport and travel, the Industrial revolution.

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Tuesday 1130AM PLAY READING
10 sessions from June 22nd to August 24th

Bernard Pettifer
Room A1

Plays are usually light hearted, comedy, English village type settings and are a lot of fun to read.

Bernard Pettifer is the current President of U3A Kingborough, and has run this course for a number of terms. He has been retired 7 years from being Principal of a large Primary School in Hobart.

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Tuesday 130PM A MEDICAL MISCELLANY
10 sessions from June 22nd to August 24th

Dr Ian Lewis
Room A1

The following are the subjects of Dr Lewis' lectures:

1. Medicine in the past.
2. Pill Peddlers, Physicians, Quacks, Barbers, and Surgeons.
3. Majestic Maladies.
4. Some Leaders and their health problems.
5. Those childish illnesses.
6. Vile viruses.
7. With kids, start at the bottom.
8. Hospitable Hospitals or were they?
9. I never felt a thing.
10. Dead ends and Medical furbphies.

Dr Ian Lewis After schooling in Sydney and London and Medical tiaining at Edinburgh University, he returned to Perth, W A, in 1956 to the Children's hospital and W A University. Foundation Professor and later Dean of Medicine Hobart- retired in 1988. Dean Fij i School of Medicine, 1989

1981. W.H.O. consultant Bangladesh 1993 and one or two appointments since!

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Tuesday 2-4 pm LIFE WRITING WORKSHOP
10 sessions from June 22nd to August 24th Limit of 12

Marian Jellyman
Room A2

Continuation - new members
welcome.

This is a weekly workshop where members share their life writing. As we recreate our view of the world - in a way we are living our lives twice - living again the joys, adventures, achievements, the grief and confusion. We are all trying to make sense of this mystery together. To write our story for others is to give the gift of our own experience of being.

Thursday 10am GREAT FEUDS IN SCIENCE
10 sessions June 24 to August 26

Noela Foxcroft
Room A3

A look at the people involved and what the feud was about. Noela Foxcroft's background is in teaching-mainly maths and science. Since retiring Noel a has happily filled her time in preparing and presenting courses for U3A both at Clarence and Kingborough.

Thursday 10am DAVID COPPERFIELD
10 sessions June 24 to August 26 Levy for term \$1.00

Rowena MacKean
Room A1

This novel bring us some of Dickens' best known characters- Mr. Micawber, Uriah Heep, and David himself- and is packed with incident, funny, sentimental and tragic. You will need your own copy of the book, but there is no need to read it beforehand. We shall look at some chapters each week, and discuss the characters, the author, the background of early Victorian England, and anything else that comes up.

Rowena MacKean is English by birth, Tasmanian by adoption. Rowena has had careers in advertising and teaching; loves reading, crosswords, and U3A-"the most enjoyable form of Positive Aging".

Thursday 11 :30 PEOPLE AND THEIR MUSIC
10 sessions June 24 to August 26

Convener: Joan Perrett
Room A3

Another of those great Joan Perrett composite courses. You just know how interesting it will be!

DATE	SPEAKER	SUBJECT
Jun-24	Don & Llewellyn Cartwright	The Recorder
Jul-Ot	Gifford .Causon	History of the Harpsicord
Jul-08	TBA	
Jul-15 .	Grant Bewick	The Passion of Chamber Music
Jul-22	Madge Lowe	Madge, Her Piano Playing & Community Singing
Jul-29	Cliff Wright	History of Jazz
Aug-05	John Allason	Choral Singing
Aug-12	Simone Yemm	Flautist
Aug- I 9	David Sugden	Epoch Instruments
Aug-26	Margo Lampkin	The Art of Singing

Thursday 1:30 AUSTRALIAN FOREIGN POLICY Derek Verrall 10
sessions: June 24 to August 26

Levy for Term \$3.00
Room A3

The primary focus of the course will be the origins, history and contemporary relevance of the American alliance. Contemporary events will be referred to as case studies. Notes provided one week in advance so the emphasis can be on class questions and discussion.

Derek Verrall has a B.A. Hons. from the University of Adelaide, a Ph.D. from the Department of International Relations at the Australian National University. Derek taught international relations at Deakin

University and Australian foreign policy at the University of Tasmania.

For a laugh (and to fill an otherwise blank page)!

Stock Market Futures Results

Helium was up

Feathers were down. Paper was stationery. Fluorescent tubing was dimmed in light trading. Knives were up sharply. Diapers remain unchanged. Cows steered into a bull market.

Pencils lost a few points. Hiking equipment was trailing. Elevators rose, while escalators continued their slow decline. Weights were up in heavy trading. Light switches were off. Mining equipment hit rock bottom. Shipping lines stayed at an even keel. The market for raisins dried up. Caterpillar stock inched up a bit. Sun peaked at midday. Balloon prices were inflated.

And Scott Tissue touched a new bottom.

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TERM DATES FOR 2004

Term 2 MOD JUDe 21 - Aug 27

Term 3 MOD Sept 20 - Nov. 26 (No Thurs Oct. 21)

End of Year Lunch (more details later) -
26th November 2004

ENROLMENT FORM Term 2, 2004

Post to

'Course Enrolment',
 U3A Kingborough Inc, P.O. Box 479,
 Kingston 7051

CLOSING DATE FOR ENROLMENTS - 4th June.

..... GIVEN (for Name Badge).....

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We will contact you if you do NOT get into the course.

		Room	X
0	Ancient Civilisations	A3	
2.00	Drawina	A2	
0	People of the Earth	A3	
	Music in 3 Cities	Home	
0	Forgotten Genius	A1	
0	Play Reading	A1	
	Medical Miscellany	A1	
n	Life Writing Workshop	A2	
0	Great Feuds in Science	A3	
0	David Copperfield	A1	
0	People and their Music	A3	
0	Aust. Foreign Policy	A3	

MEMBER'S COPY

Please keep this copy for your own records

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Term Two starts week of 21 June

Name:

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ENROLMENT FORM - Term 2 2004

Membership Form • for New Members

SUBSCRIPTIONS

For full membership and access to all courses
Term 2 & 3 in 2004 - -\$25 per person
(includes GST)

Enclosed is my cheque/money order for

Please post to - 'Membership', U3A
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Kingston 7051

Name (for Badge)

Address

Email Address (if willing to have the newsletter by email)

NEWSLETTER ONLY

Just keeping in touch - not sure you will be able to attend courses in 2004?

\$5 will enable us to send you the Newsletter.

Should you decide later to attend course/s the \$5 can be deducted from the
Term 2 & 3 membership cost of \$25.

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